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1st Quarter Newsletter - 2018

Dear Oakbrook Neighbors,

Welcome to the Oak Brook Owners Association 1Q, 2018 Newsletter. The Oak Brook Board of Directors continues to work to maintain and improve our neighborhood for safety, appeal, and value. The following summary reviews our progress for this quarter.

Pool House Renovation/Opening Target

Work has begun on renovations to the pool house which include roof replacement, painting, and updates to the restrooms including baby changing tables and new lighting. The pool is targeted to open mid-April or earlier depending on the progress of the renovations.

Woodcrete Fence Painting Project

Letters have been sent out to our neighbors who “own” portions of the fence informing them that the HOA will begin a project to paint these fences throughout the neighborhood. The letter included an invitation for the homeowners to turn over maintenance responsibility of the fences to the HOA. A volunteer fence committee was set up to choose a color for the fences and the color they chose after considerable analysis is Sherwin Williams SW7521/Dormer Brown. The board wants to thank them for their efforts. Another letter will be sent out in the next few weeks alerting all homeowners with these fences on or near their property regarding when the painting will begin, and what will need to be done in preparation.

Forwarding Crime & Safety posts to the Williamson County Sheriff's Office

You may now choose to forward important Crime & Safety messages with the Williamson County Sheriff's Office via Nextdoor. We want to be very clear that this is NOT a tool to report emergencies or file an official crime report. It's very important that you call 9-1-1 in the case of an emergency. You can learn more about forwarding crime and safety messages to us in this help article (https://help.nextdoor.com/customer/en/portal/articles/1917394?b_id=98) As always, we cannot view any content that you do not choose to directly forward to the Williamson County Sheriff's Office. We cannot see the posts and replies that are made in your neighborhood.

Trail Repairs

The trail from Capri Isle Lane to the Karst Preserve has been repaired and is now usable. The board thanks our home owner who brought this to our attention.

Annual Meeting – Save the Date

Save the date for the annual meeting to be held on June 11, 2018. The agenda has not been set, but some of the topics being planned include:

- State of Oak Brook Summary

- A discussion on planned O'Connor Road Improvements with Terron Evertson, WILCO Engineer
- Oak Brook Dog Park Proposal

Tree Trimming Tips

Oak wilt danger time has arrived. The expert advice is that we should *not* be trimming our trees (at least without expert capabilities) from February 1 through July 1. The Board has asked Goodwin not to send tree trimming notices as a result of the drive through during this period. The consequence is that the trees will grow during that period. So, if your trees have grown lower than 8 feet above the sidewalk or 14 feet above the road, you should trim in those first couple of weeks in July. We will add a reminder that the trimming season has arrived in the summer quarterly update.

If you are new to the area, you might not have heard of Oak Wilt. It is a fungus that attacks white oaks through wounds on the tree. Live Oaks are a variety of white oak. Once a tree is infected it is guaranteed that it will kill the tree, and it also spreads from the infected tree through the interconnected roots to other trees. Section 4.10 of our Covenants covers what the board will do to prevent a possible outbreak from decimating the trees in the neighborhood.

ACC Tips & Hints

Spring is springing up all over, beds to be replanted, new soil and mulch, weeds to be plucked and grass to be mown, dreams of a 21st century landscape flowers in the mind's eye! Spring officially started on March 20th and Oak Brook is alive with verdant projects that enhance the community we share. In all this excitement, don't neglect some of the basics, like HOA AC approval! Does your project involve hardscaping? Make sure it's compliant with the [Oak Brook CC&Rs](#) and be sure to request approval on all improvement that need HOA signoff. Unapproved projects on your property can lead to fines, loss of access to amenities, and even delays in selling your real estate down the road. But your Oak Brook AC stands ready to quickly review and work with you to get to an approval on all your projects. The form and process can be found on the mobile app and on our [website](#) at oakbrookroundrock.com and click on contact us for the form, and Association Documents for the process. The Architectural Committee wishes you a Happy Spring.

Mobile Apps

Fern Bluff MUD now has a new Mobile App available for both iOS and Android devices which can be downloaded for free. Search your app store for "FernBluffMUD". The new app allows residents to easily access information, submit forms, pay bills, report waterline or sewer issues, and more. **You will also get notifications of district wide issues such as boil alerts, main breaks, and park closings to name a few.**

Don't forget to download our own free mobile app. Look for "oakbrook hoa" on the android play store, or "oak brook hoa" at the apple store. We currently have over 200+ app users in Oak Brook.

Oak Brook Website

We also want to remind you that meeting dates and other events, announcements, and the quarterly newsletters can be found on the Oak Brook website at <http://oakbrookroundrock.com/>. Maintenance and deed restriction forms, and important HOA documents can also be found on the website.