



Neighborhood Newsletter

A Message from the President

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Dear Neighbors,

Welcome to the October edition of the Bent Creek Neighborhood Newsletter.

It is hard to believe that summer is over and fall is beginning. I hope that you and your family had a great spring and summer and your fall will be even better.

I would like to thank all of the homeowner's for taking pride in our neighborhood. I think it shows and the neighborhood has never looked better.

As you may know, the Association saves money by volunteers like yourself donating their time to help. With the City of Omaha's cut backs, volunteering has never been more important and I encourage you to help out in any way possible. We

have several committees that need assistance, so please check out our website and/or pick up the phone and volunteer your time.

We will be having our end-of-year Homeowners Association Meeting in December. The exact date and time has not been determined but please keep an eye out for it on the website and signs that will be posted at the neighborhood entrances.

At the end of the year homeowner's meeting we will elect new officers, vote on the next years budget, and set the homeowner's dues for 2010. We would love to see you attend this meeting and have your input.

Finally, as I reported in the April addition of the newsletter, my term as president

was up last December and the Association is looking for a homeowner to fill this important position. Therefore, if you or someone you may know is interested in filling this board position, please contact me at 891-4818.

Bent Creek has a great set of volunteer homeowners in place and the Association's financial status is well and stable.

Please spread the word about the vacancy as I hope someone comes forward to fill the position in time for our December Homeowners Meeting.

Sincerely,

*Pete Vaccaro
Bent Creek Homeowners
Association President*

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Please remember to check out the Bent Creek Website for the latest announcements and information. Also, we are always looking for new and

improved ideas for the BCHA Website. If you have any suggestions, stories, pictures, etc., please send them to Webmaster@bentcreekomaha.org".



Treasurer's Note

The balance of the Bent Creek Homeowner's bank accounts at the end of August was \$26,574. Our cash position is in good shape and very comparable to the August cash balances in each of the past two years.

This year the association filed two (2) liens against properties in Bent Creek. To date, neither of those liens has been cleared. Both liens were sent out registered mail and neither was picked up. Please contact Aaron

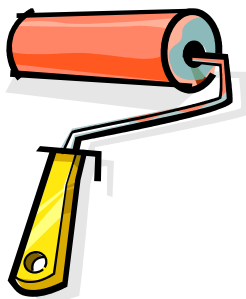
Flaugh at 402.489.4304 or e-mail at Treasurer@bentcreekomaha.org if you have any questions on what was filed and what needs to be paid in order to clear the lien on your property.

Neighborhood Garage Sale

Participation in the annual neighborhood garage sale was slightly down this year. We seemed to have good traffic so hopefully the additional advertising

paid off. Going forward, the dates of the garage sale will take place annually, the 2nd week in June, Wednesday through Saturday, with Wednesday

night being the sneak peek from 6:00 -8:00 p.m. With a set date annually, everyone can start saving up their garage sale items early! Thanks.



Architectural Committee Report

Just a friendly from the Architectural committee regarding house colors. When painting the exterior of your house, the color used should always be "earth" toned. Pinks and blues are not consid-

ered earth tones and should be avoided. Furthermore, the architectural committee is available to review exterior home improvements for compliance to the covenants.

Therefore, plans should be submitted for review prior to starting your exterior house projects. This can avoid a lot of headaches down the line.

Landscape Committee Report

The landscape committee had a busy spring and summer! Landscape committee members volunteered hundreds of hours over the past spring and summer to continue to maintain the Blondo St. entrance, the 156th St. entrance, and the park. Volunteers spread over three dump trucks of wood mulch this past spring at both the entrances and at the park. The weather was cold and rainy at both of the work sessions but we got the work done in record time. A big thank you to everyone who volunteered at both the spring work sessions. Our landscape com-

mittee could not keep everything looking so good throughout the summer without your help each spring.

The landscape committee kept busy this summer pulling weeds, dead-heading flowers, trimming bushes, picking an endless stream of litter, and doing the multiple other tasks that are necessary to keep our entrances and park looking great. A special thanks to all of those homeowners who have helped with keeping our neighborhood looking great by volunteering their time. Both entrances and the park have looked great all summer!

As always, we could use more volunteers on the landscape committee. Please consider volunteering to help us beautify our neighborhood! Volunteering with the landscape committee is an excellent way for boy scout and girl scout troops, church groups or high school students to fulfill community service hours. We could keep your children busy for hours!

Please contact Rose Johnson at 498-9924 or Robbie Rotschafer at 493-5162 with questions or suggestions.



Friendly Reminders

Just a reminder that litter continues to be a problem at both of our neighborhood entrances and only with the help of everyone can the litter problem be controlled. Please take a sack with you when you go for a walk and pick up the litter that you see laying on the ground instead

of walking by it. And when you see someone picking up litter please stop and thank them. They are providing a great service to our subdivision with their efforts to keep our neighborhood clean.

Also, please remember to be courteous to your

neighbors when parking in the street. Try to park in your own driveway if possible and don't park in the street across from your neighbor's driveway as they have to back out. Furthermore, parking in your driveway rather than the street allows for easier access for emergency vehicles and

snow plows in the winter. The Association has received several complaints, so please talk to your teenagers, friends, and other family members about parking in the streets.

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Bent Creek Fall Festival

As you may remember, our Back to School Bash in August was rained out. Therefore, we have turned this event into the Fall Festival instead. The Fall Festival will be held October 10th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. We will have games, clowns, inflatables, popcorn and drinks. We are requesting that everyone bring snacks to share.

Families with last names starting with A-M should bring chips, crackers etc. Those with last names beginning with N-Z, should bring brownies, cookies etc.

Please look for flyers and check out our website for more information.

We can always use more volunteers on the social committee; call Renee Lampman at 669-3759.



Holiday Lights Contest

The annual Holiday Lights house decorating contest will take place in December this year again. Please visit our website

and look for neighborhood flyers with the details as the date approaches.