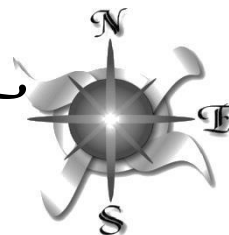


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## Swing into Spring!

After a long and dreary winter, Spring is finally here! It's once again time to clean up scraggly plants, replace those that didn't survive and get your landscape looking fresh and green.

The Deed Restriction Violation Committee will begin to monitor our neighborhood starting in late April. To avoid a courtesy notice or violation letter, please adhere to the following tips in mind.

- Now is the time to fertilize your lawn and treat it with an herbicide to keep weeds at bay. There are many great products available, so speak with a local garden expert to find the best treatment for your lawn.
- A bare lawn or a lawn of weeds is not acceptable according to our deed restrictions. If you have problem areas that will not sustain grass, plant Mondo grass, Asian jasmine or lirioppe. Alternative shade-loving ground covers may be used with approval from the ACC.
- Keep your grass mowed and edged. Don't forget to edge around planters and along driveways and curbside. Grass should not grow over the curb.
- Clean out flower beds and remove or replace dead plants and trees.
- The street in front of your home is your responsibility. Sweep or shovel accumulated dirt and leaves. Debris in your gutter blocks rainwater from reaching the storm drains and invites mosquitoes to breed.
- Covered vehicles are not allowed in view of the street. If you want to cover your car, please park it in the garage.
- We have received complaints about the number of cars that seem to be permanently parked in the street. City Ordinance prohibits street parking for more than 24 hours. Please keep vehicles parked in your garage or driveway.

Review the complete NWCC deed restrictions on our website at [www.nottinghamwest.net](http://www.nottinghamwest.net).

## Nottingham West Park Renovation

Nottingham West continues to face challenges in obtaining a City of Houston permit for the park renovations. To alleviate the main obstacle, the planned concrete path around the park area will be replaced with crushed gravel, similar to the material used in Nottingham Park. The permitting delays have also impacted planned repairs to the parking lot. So that repairs can be completed more quickly, the project has been split from the park renovation project.

We hope these changes will expedite both projects so that everyone can enjoy the benefits.

## Planning to Paint?

Nottingham West Deed Restrictions require that exterior changes like repainting your home and trim or major front or side landscaping changes be approved by the Architectural Control Committee ***before*** the work is done.

Adhering to these requirements doesn't take much effort - just send an e-mail with the details to the ACC at [nottinghamwest@hotmail.com](mailto:nottinghamwest@hotmail.com). If you're painting, be sure to include the paint manufacturer and color names and numbers. Only exterior changes need approval, so you're on your own for colors in the family room!

## Yard of the Month

### Congratulations to all the winners!

- **January:** 14006 Woodthorpe
- **February:** 14118 Barryknoll
- **March:** 14011 St. Mary's
- **April:** 863 Carlingford

Check out photos of the winning homes on the Nottingham West website. Is there a home that you admire every time you pass by? E-mail your nomination or contact Pam Ziegenbein.

## Home Security Tips

- Keep the porch lights on at night, front and back
- Lock the back gate
- Use your home alarm and list Precinct 5 Constable as the first responder.
- Report suspicious people, vehicles or behavior to the Constable at 281-463-6666.



Welcome  
New  
Neighbors!!

NWCC warmly welcomes our new neighbors. We hope to see you at the April Quarterly Civic Club meeting. If you have any questions, please contact any of the NWCC officers or visit the website.

## Nottingham Notes

### Neighborhood Security

- Call the Precinct 5 Constable at 281-463-6666 to report suspicious persons or vehicles. **Always dial 9-1-1 in an emergency.**
- If you're heading out of town, be sure to notify the Constable.
- E-mail us at [nottinghamwest@hotmail.com](mailto:nottinghamwest@hotmail.com) if you would like to receive e-mails about neighborhood security incidents.

### Planning Exterior Improvements?

Send the details to the Architectural Control Committee at [nottinghamwest@hotmail.com](mailto:nottinghamwest@hotmail.com) or contact Preston Mood at 281-543-7994.

### Phone and E-Mail Contact Information

If your contact information changes, please send updates to [nottinghamwest@hotmail.com](mailto:nottinghamwest@hotmail.com).

### NWCC Web Site

Visit [www.nottinghamwest.net](http://www.nottinghamwest.net) for helpful information on NWCC meetings, assessments, trash pick-up, pool & park hours and more.

### Crest Management

Contact our management services team at 281-579-0761 or visit the web site at [www.crest-managment.com](http://www.crest-managment.com)

### NWCC Officers

Rosanna Hinde, President  
John Benton, Vice President  
Angie Lootens, Secretary  
Pam Ziegenbein, Treasurer

## NWCC Meeting Information

The Nottingham West Civic Club meets on a quarterly basis in January, April, July and October. The NWCC Board of Directors also meets on a quarterly basis, usually the month before each quarterly homeowner meeting.

Beginning in June, the date, time and location of NWCC meetings will be posted to the Nottingham West website, [nottinghamwest.net](http://nottinghamwest.net), at least ten days prior to each meeting.

## *Summer's Coming!!*

Before you know it, the temperature will be in the 90's and school will be out for the summer. The Nottingham West pool season runs from Memorial Day through Labor Day. The tentative pool schedule is outlined below. Check the pool gate to confirm May pool hours.

- Saturday, May 16: 10 am to 8 pm
- Sunday, May 17: Noon to 8 pm
  
- Saturday, May 23: 10 am to 8 pm
- Sunday, May 24: Noon to 8 pm
- Memorial Day, May 25: 10 am to 6 pm
  
- Saturday, May 30: 10 am to 8 pm
- Sunday, May 31: Noon to 8 pm

Regular summer pool hours (Jun 4 - Aug 30) are as follows.

- Monday: Closed
- Tuesday: Noon to 6 pm
- Wednesday - Saturday: 10 am to 8 pm
- Sunday: Noon to 8 pm



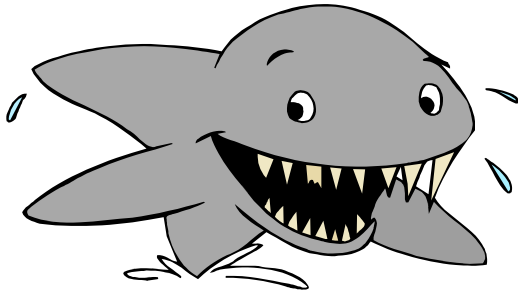
## April Quarterly Meeting Agenda

The quarterly meeting of the Nottingham West Civic Club will be held on **Wednesday, April 22, 2014 at 7:30 pm**. The meeting will be held in the **Nottingham Park Meeting Room, 926 Country Place Dr**. We hope to see you there!

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda
- 3) Adoption of the Minutes
- 4) Constables Report
- 5) Officer Reports
  - a) President
  - b) Vice President
  - c) Treasurer
  - d) Secretary
- 6) Committee Reports
  - a) Architectural Control
  - b) Crest Management Financial Update
- 7) New Business
  - a) National Night Out - May or October?
- 8) Floor Motions
  - a) Two minute limit per homeowner
- 9) Proposed Business for July Meeting



## Swim with the Sharks this summer!



The Sharks Swim Team is gearing up for another great swim season at Memorial West! MWCC swim team is open to all homeowners in Nottingham I, II, III, and Nottingham West as well as dues-paying members of MWCC (residents of Nottingham IV and other neighborhoods who join MWCC).

The swim team is a great way for 4–5 year olds to learn to swim. The half-lapper program really gets the little ones lots of practice and instruction time even if they don't swim in the meets.

Look for the all the registration paperwork in the coming weeks. We are busy updating the team web site, [memorialwestclub.com](http://memorialwestclub.com). All the important information and links to paperwork will be on the web.

Registration day is Sunday, April 19 from 2 – 4 pm at MWCC. Feel free to contact Memorial West Sharks with any questions at [MemorialWestSwimTeam@gmail.com](mailto:MemorialWestSwimTeam@gmail.com).

### Nottingham West Civic Club January 21, 2015 Meeting Minutes

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:25 with 24 households represented.
- 2) Agenda was adopted.
- 3) Prior meeting minutes approved as printed.
- 4) Constables Report: Quiet in Nottingham West!
  - a) Constable has been monitoring Queensbury for speeders. The limit is 30, which seems fast to pedestrians, but most drivers are not exceeding it.
  - b) Constable reporting has been for other neighborhoods, not NW.
  - c) Resident asked about dump trucks and car carriers parked alongside Nottingham Park. Trucks are so large they can't turnaround and have to drive through NW to leave. Sgt. Grizaffi recommends a call to 311. Against city ordinance for commercial rigs to park in residential neighborhood.
  - d) Will there be increased patrols for the Super Bowl? Since Texans are not playing, normal coverage should be sufficient.
- 5) Officer's Reports
  - a) President – Rosanna Hinde
    - Welcome to new homeowners.
    - Introduction of NWCC officers.
    - NWCC has switched to a new management company, Crest Management. Introduced Hayley Harkins, our community manager.
      - (1) Already an improvement over RealManage. Crest found \$39,000 in City of Houston trash credits that RM did not claim for NWCC.

- b) Vice President – John Benton
    - As reported at the last meeting, RDT Concrete filed lawsuit for work done to obtain city permits for park renovation. No contract had ever been signed.
      - (1) NWCC attorneys filed for change of venue. Next court date is February 16.
      - (2) Demand reduced to \$3,000 from \$10,000.
      - (3) Homeowner questions: Do we owe him any money? Yes, we offered \$600, which he rejected. Do we owe for time and effort? No, that is the cost of doing business.
  - c) Treasurer – Pam Ziegenbein
    - Crest Management reviewed balance sheet.
    - Totals may still be adjusted as not all RM records are complete and audited.
  - d) Secretary – Angie Lootens
    - Advise NWCC of any e-mail address changes to ensure you receive newsletters and other neighborhood information.
- 6) Committee Reports
- a) Architectural Control Committee Report
    - Preston Mood provided an update on the status of new homes under construction in the neighborhood. 13% of homes in NW are new construction.
    - Homeowner question: Do driveway repairs need to be approved? Yes, send photo or drawing of plans for approval.
  - b) Super Neighborhood Liaison
    - TIRZ is about drainage. Kirkwood drainage project is on hold
    - Memorial Drive reconstruction – town hall meetings will be scheduled.
- 7) Park Update
- a) Recap: 1<sup>st</sup> permit application in June was rejected; resubmitted in November which was also rejected.
  - b) Mark Dessens, NW homeowner, has stepped up to help get plans approved by City.
  - c) Due to delays, we are now able to bid the whole project at once. Goal is to award contract at the April meeting.
- 8) New business
- a) 2015 Officer Elections – current officers are standing for reelection. No other candidates have come forward.
    - Officers reelected unanimously
  - b) Budget Approval
    - Reviewed budget detail.
    - Recommend full audit be performed by Barry Wuensch, current CPA. Clean cutover from RealManage. Future audits can be reviewed/approved on annual basis.
    - Homeowners voted in favor of performing an audit, with a \$3500 spending limit.
- 9) Homeowner Questions
- a) Are car covers allowed? NWCC Deed Restrictions prohibit car covers; CoH ordinance prohibits cars parked on the street for more than 24 hours. Call 311 to report violations.
  - b) Contact Rosanna Hinde for information, or if interested in being a block captain.
  - c) How can we get speed bumps added? The city no longer sponsors any speed bump programs.
  - d) Has the water leak at the park been fixed? Yes.
  - e) Can NWCC do anything about 3 am trash collection at the apartments? No. Homeowners should contact the apartment complex management to complain and get the name of trash contractor. Contact the trash company to complain.
- 10) Proposed business for the January meeting.
- a) Homeowners may submit topics by contacting an officer or sending an email to [nottinghamwest@hotmail.com](mailto:nottinghamwest@hotmail.com).
- 11) Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Minutes approved by: Rosanna Hinde, John Benton, Angela Lootens, Pam Ziegenbein