



Timbergrove Manor

Neighborhood Association News
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Executive Corner

by Chris Elliott, President

Hello TMNA Members,

We will be holding officer elections at the next TMNA quarterly meeting on the evening of Thursday, May 9th. Speaking of which, there is a growing level of desperation regarding filling open officer positions that I haven't experienced before during my tenure on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is currently functioning with what I would call a skeleton crew. Our Recording Secretary stepped down in the fall of last year to fill an open position on the DRCC. This seat has remained open despite multiple calls for a volunteer to step up and fill the position. It concerns me that we are unable to produce any interest among active membership given that the Recording Secretary is a low intensity position. Unfortunately, we now have another position open due to our current Treasurer, Kathy Utsey, moving away. Kathy has been an absolute blessing for TMNA - always available and focused on the details, she has provided the Executive Committee with solidarity and integrity for her two terms. Kathy will be missed greatly, but we are also happy for her and wish her the best life in her new community.

As of now, the Executive Committee consists only of myself (President), John Brems (Vice President), and Jessica Lasseigne Blakely (Corresponding Secretary and now also Interim Treasurer). Please, Please, Please.... if you have any capacity and love your neighborhood, consider running for any position on the TMNA Executive Committee. Contact me directly @ 832.477.0251 and I will

be glad to help you understand the details behind any of the Executive Committee positions. It's such a great way to get involved and make a big contribution to your community. We need you now more than ever! And don't worry – there's a great team involved and we make it fun and easy. Thank you!!

DRCC Election

by Tommy Britt

There will be two openings on the Deed Restriction Compliance Committee as of May, 2024. Bill Caldwell, Corresponding Secretary, and myself, Chair, have decided that our time on the DRCC, while satisfying in so many ways, has reached the point where we are ready to hand off to a younger

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Run The Grove 2024

Saturday, April 13th

Location: Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve

Registration Starts at 7:00am

5K Race Time: 8:00am

Kids Fun Run Time: 9:00am

followed by Post-Race Grovechella

TMNA Quarterly Meeting

Thursday, May 9th

Location: Ovinnik Brewing

7201 Wynnpark Dr.

Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Note: TMNA Officer & DRCC elections will be held

TMNA OFFICERS

President: Chris Elliott

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Recording Secretary: Open

Corr. Secretary: Jessica L. Blakely
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Queries concerning TMNA should be made to the
TMNA Corresponding Secretary.

COMMITTEES

Run The Grove Event

Chairperson: Scott Douglas
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Deed Restriction Compliance

1. Nicholas Banks
2. Bill Caldwell
3. Zach Lewis
4. Tommy Britt
5. Robert Alfonso

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generation. The old saying of needing “new blood” is often over-used but is so relevant here. While we are terribly proud of our track record and accomplishments, the journey from no enforceable deed restrictions to an active committee that both reviews construction plans as well as arbitrates conflicts between neighbors, has not always been easy. I explained to a neighbor not long ago that the job is not really about enforcing the deed restrictions. I personally saw my job as persuading property owners to do the right thing. Believe it or not, that’s what most people want to do.

Contact me by April 15th if you’re interested in serving on the DRCC. I would ask that you submit a short Bio for use in the newsletter to introduce yourself to your neighbors and ask for their support. If there are more than two persons interested in the open DRCC positions, we will prepare mail out ballots and give all property owners an opportunity to vote. If only two persons decide to step up, then the process is easier - you will be voted in by a show of hands at the May TMNA meeting.

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Meet Our Neighborhood Brewmasters

by Tim Hassett

You may have noticed a new advertisement in this newsletter for Ovinnik Brewing. This local craft brewery is owned and operated by our very own neighbors, Jen and Chris Mathis. Jen and Chris have lived in Timbergrove Manor on Woodhill Road since 2016 along with two cats, Shatner and Oona. In 2009, they received a homebrew kit consisting of a 2-gallon plastic barrel and malt powder as a gift and started their beer-brewing journey. Over the years, they upgraded to a 5-gallon electric system and all-grain brewing. In 2018, Jen and Chris decided to open a commercial brewery. Despite pandemic-related construction and permitting delays lasting almost 2 years, they celebrated their grand opening on October 21, 2023.



Jen and Chris's business is named **Ovinnik Brewing**, which is half of a brewery co-op named

Craft Culture X. The other member of the co-op is For The Culture Brewing Company. Ovinnik Brewing is woman-owned, and For The Culture is Black and Latino-owned. The goal of Craft Culture X is to introduce craft beer to more people of all colors and genders through a large variety of beer styles and a relaxed, welcoming environment.

Please join me in wishing success to Jen and Chris with their new venture. As a way of supporting our neighbors' new business, our next TMNA quarterly meeting will be held at Ovinnik Brewing.

Grow The Grove Update

by Chris Elliott

The Grow the Grove program is beginning to take root. We are really feeling the enthusiasm around the neighborhoods and have received a large number of applications. Although we are still in the collect and review phase, we can report that demand will be exceeding supply. This is a good indicator of the success of the project. We will start the selection and notification phase of the project in May or June, and stage 1 planting in late fall. If you still wish to participate, its not too late but please submit you application now. The form can be found on the TMNA website (tmnaonline.org).

Yard of the Month

Congratulations are in order for Wendy Wilson and Alan Shand of 1127 Woodhill Rd for being selected as Yard of the Month for April. The greener than usual grass for this time of year catches your eye and really makes this yard stand out. Large, manicured beds with varying shades of green give the yard a clean, modern look. Alan and Wendy moved to the neighborhood in July of 2021 and found themselves feeling right at home. When asked about the shrubbery and lawn maintenance, Alan told me that he would have to consult the "knowledgeable" one. Wendy (the knowledgeable one) informed me that the shrubs and boxwoods were added for their resiliency against the Texas heat, droughts, and freezes. She informed me that supplementing the St. Augustine



grass with perennial ryegrass helps form a fine-bladed lawn and is her secret to a vibrant, early season lawn. I know one Timbergrovian that will be trying this trick out next fall.

TMNA Dues Update

by Kathy Utsey

Way to go Timbergrove Manor! We are now up to 36% dues participation! A big Thank You to all who have paid their 2024 dues. I am excited to see such great participation. We have to beat last year though, which ended at 38%, so get your dues in next month!

Our dues are quite low and provide so much benefit to our neighborhood. Paying couldn't be easier -

just go to the TMNA website at the following link:

<https://tmnaonline.org/membership/>

Once at the TMNA membership page, you can either fill in the requested information online and submit your payment via PayPal or you can print out the membership form, complete it and mail it to TMNA along with your dues check. All information provided is solely for use by TMNA and will not be provided to any other party. Please reach out to me if there are any issues with the new website and paying your dues.



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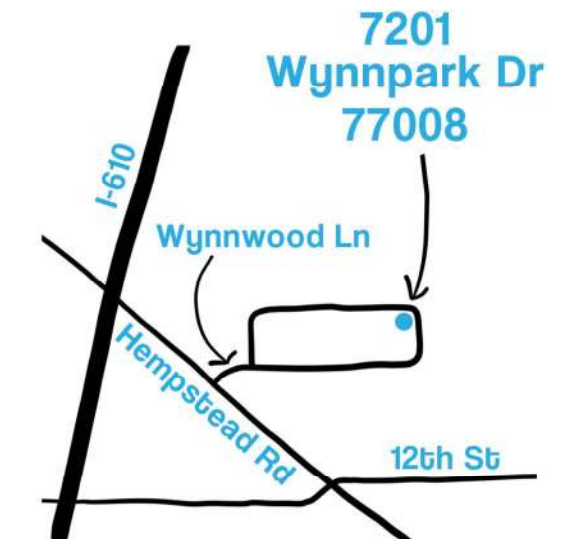
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| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| MAR 31 | APR 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| <i>Easter Day</i> | | | | Garbage Pick-up | | |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | <i>Solar Eclipse</i> | | |  Garbage Pick-up | | <i>Run The Grove 2024</i> |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| | <i>Tax Filing Day</i> | | Junk Waste Pick-up | Garbage Pick-up | | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| | | | |  Garbage Pick-up | <i>Newsletter Articles Due</i> | |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | MAY 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| | | | | Garbage Pick-up | | <i>Newsletter Distribution</i> |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| | | | | TMNA Qtrly Mtg <hr/> Garbage Pick-up | | |
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