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The Neighborhood Newsletter for Applewood Heights

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# DUES

all who have Thanks to 2007 homepaid their owner dues. Only a "handful" of homeowners still haven't remitted payment. Please do so prior to July 1, 2007 to avoid accruing an interest charge of 14% per annum retroactive to January 1, 2007. Please remit payment to: Applewood Homeowners Association, P.O. Box 615, Boystown, NE 68010

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Garage Sale:** The Applewood neighborhood garage sale is scheduled for June 14—16 (Thursday— Saturday). Advertisements will run several times during the week of the garage sale in the Omaha World Herald. This is a great way to get rid of items in your closets, garage and home. Signs will also be posted at all entrances to Applewood Heights. NOTE: PRE-VIOUS NEWSLETTER HAD WRONG WEEK LISTED!!!

**Independence Day Parade:** If you and/or your family would like to participate in the Applewood Independence Day Parade, please meet at the corner of 104<sup>th</sup> and Monroe Streets at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, June 30. The parade will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will follow 104<sup>th</sup> Street North to Washington St., then West down to the Applewood Park.

**Annual Picnic:** Please set aside Saturday, September 8, for the Applewood Heights annual picnic. If you have suggestions, or would like to help

#### **Events Recap**

**Easter Egg Hunt:** A special thank you to Mary Gauger for coordinating the annual neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt. The weather wasn't the best for this event, but the Easter Bunny was a "hit" as usual. Congratulations to Justin who won the drawing for the giant Easter Egg Basket.

**Spring Fling:** This year, the Applewood Heights board added a social function to the calendar. The adult Spring Fling was held at Oak Hills Country Club with music provided by Copper Blues. There was a good turnout to this events with lots of dancing. A special thanks to Bev Muffly who arranged the Oak Hills Country Club location for no rental charge. Thanks also to Mike Czarnick for arranging the band.

**Spring Clean-Up:** There was a huge crowd of homeowners dropping off unwanted items to the dumpster behind Disney Elementary during this year's Spring Clean-Up event. If you missed it this year, watch for information about next year's event.

#### Updates to the neighborhood

Island Entrances: Work is underway on all four island entrances. Many plants have been added to the 102 and Harrison Street entrance. Improvements to the other three islands are scheduled in the next few weeks. Plans are underway to add planting beds and seating just off 102 & Harrison on the golf course side of the street.

**Brush Overgrowth:** The overgrowth of bushes at the en-

trance on 102nd & Harrison has been cut down and hauled away by Uppercut Lawns. Further work to this area will continue in the future.

Island Pillars: The board has made arrangements to have the bronze foil paint added to the recessed lettering at the island pillars to accentuate the "Applewood Heights" engraving. This was discussed at last November's annual meeting.

The discussion of adding an emblem to the pillars has been tabled at this time due to the expense.

**Funding:** Thanks to your homeowner dues payment, funds are available to provide upkeep to the islands, entrances and fencing areas.

#### "SUNDAWGS" return to Applewood Heights Park

The City of Omaha Parks and Recreation Department provides a "Free Summer Fun 2007" program to children at different parks throughout the city. This program will return to Applewood Heights Park again this year as a half-day site (1:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m.). This youth program will run from June 11 through August 2. There will be a special "Kick-off" event on May 31, from 6:00—8:00 p.m. at Elmwood Park by the Pavilion. Activities include a trip to the following locations: Henry Doorly Zoo, Western Bowl, Omaha Roys, McLean Ice Arena, Skateland, Omaha Public Library Summer Reading Club. Additionally, daily activities at the park include arts and crafts, games & sports, music and drama, climbing wall, water tag, and hydrant parties. The program is available to children ages 6—15. If you're unable to attend the kick-off, just stop by the park after the program begins to sign up. For more information, call 444-4386.

#### **Boating Season**

Just as friendly reminder as boating season approaches, please remember that boats cannot be stored on your driveway for more than seven days. Please store your boat either inside your garage or at a storage location. This is a covenant requirement to help keep the neighbordhood appear uncluttered and a desirable place to live. For a copy of your covenants, visit the Applewood Heights web site at www.applewoodhoa.com

#### Dogs are a "Man's Best Friend"

Dogs may be "Man's Best Friend" but they might not be the neighbor's! The Applewood Heights neighborhood includes many household pets including dogs. With the nice weather here, please remember to keep your pet on a leash when not in a fenced area. The board members have received several calls about dogs unchained in the homeowner's front yard. Even if the dogs are friendly, a strange dog approaching young children or small dogs can be a frightening experience. Thanks for your cooperation.

#### **Neighborhood Safety Concern**

Recently on the news, a homeowner in western Omaha had all three vehicles stolen from their garage while they were sleeping. The burglars entered through the garage door. Although we haven't had any recent complaints of this in our neighborhood, please use this as a reminder to not leave purses, wallets, or other valuables in your vehicles when parked in the garage or elsewhere. It would also be a good idea, to close your garage doors while your in your backyard mowing the grass. We've had reports of items stolen from the garage during the day, in the past. Remember, robberies occur most often through open garage doors.



Linda Beernink's House Cleaning, Pet Sitting and House Sitting, Call 895-5432 for an estimate. Linda lives in the Applewood Area.



Hair Stylist, Jodi Baker is now located at L J's Salon, located at 5014 S. 108th Street, next to Valentinos. She'll be running specials for first time clients. Stop in for your spring high lites. To make an appointment, call Jodi at 990-4640. Simply mention you saw her advertisement in the Applecore to hear the specials!



Interested in getting your home painted? A gentlemen who teaches in our neighborhood contacted me about advertising in the Applecore. His name & # have inadvertently been misplaced. If he'd please contact me at president@applewoodhoa.com, I'll place a free advertisement on the Applewood website (www.applewoodhoa.com). If you're a homeowner interested in having your home painted, watch the web site for an upcoming advertisement. Sorry for the inconvenience!

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