# Preston Trails HOA Neighborhood News – Oct 2011

# **REMINDER:**

## **Annual Meeting:**

Mark your calendars for the annual Preston Trails Homeowner Meeting. This is a time to meet your neighbors, but also provide feedback to the board. We are working on our agenda, which will be published closer to the meeting date.

**Date: Thursday, October 27th** 

Time: 7:00 start

Place: Holy Cross Lutheran Church/School Common's Area, 600 N Greenwich

Agenda Items include:

• Report from Community Policing Officer

2011 Financial Review

2012 Capital Plan

Elections

If you have any suggestions, please forward to the <a href="mailto:board@prestontrails.com">board@prestontrails.com</a> for consideration. If you would like to serve on the board, please let us know as well.

## **Neighborhood Reminders:**

**Section 5.01 Architectural Control:** Approval is required for any structural improvements, including: Fence (wrought iron or good neighbor wood fence), exterior additions, change in color on exterior paint, flag and/or light poles...

Please send a note to <a href="mailto:board@prestontrails.com">board@prestontrails.com</a> with your request and any documentation to support your request (if needed).

**Section 5.09 (I) Initial Policy Guidelines**: No zoyzia or bermuda grass lawns shall be permitted.

Fall is a good time to remove Bermuda grass and reseed with an approved grass.

**Section 6.04 Vehicles and Parking:** No boat, boat trailer, house trailer, motor home, camper, camper trailer, horse or livestock trailers, recreational vehicle, pickup truck, bus, commercial vehicle or similar item be stored on any driveway or street...

Please store these vehicles in your garage or offsite storage facilities if they are not used on a continual basis.

**Section 6:12 No storage; trash**: All trash carts and cans should be stored out of sight of the street or in the garage.

#### **Homeowner's Dues**

Due statements are mailed out April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>. Dues should be paid within 30 days. Please contact the board at <a href="mailto:board@prestontrails.com">board@prestontrails.com</a> if you have any questions or circumstances that may cause you to be late on payment.

### Note from one of our residents:

A few weeks ago we had a situation where two families had lost a dog. When this happens, one of the options is to contact the HOA (through <a href="mailto:board@prestontrails.com">board@prestontrails.com</a>); as soon as possible we will send a note to residents.

"Please contact the PT board before calling the Animal Shelter. Preston Trails is a safe, comfortable neighborhood with caring and helpful neighbors. We should work together.

A dog ran away Tuesday night and was discovered only one street away by a resident and was turned into the Animal Shelter just an hour after she ran away. The dog's family spent several hours Tuesday night and all day Wednesday searching for her. Fliers were posted. The Animal Shelter web site did not show their dog as being there even though she was picked up the night before.

Many valuable hours were lost, \$70 was paid to the Shelter, the family was frantic, and their very old and frail dog came home with fleas (from her time spent at the Shelter) in addition to her already long list of health issues.

I request that we work together on issues like these in the future. If you see a dog, there is no doubt it belongs to one of your neighbors. Contact the PT board and they will send an email out to find the rightful owner. Thank you."

Please keep both board addresses in your contact lists to ensure you get any of the latest neighborhood communication <a href="mailto:newsletter@prestontrail.com">newsletter@prestontrail.com</a> and board@prestontrails.com