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Knollwood Voice





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To submit a topic for a future publication, contact your block captain or send an email to milledge6@aol.com.

Next Community Meeting Thursday, July 26, 2018, at Waugh/ Mt. Meigs Fire Station

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Heat Safety Tips and Resources

It is **NEVER** safe to leave a toddler, disabled person in the winter. So far in 2018, one toddler has died due to heat. That death can heat up quickly when left in the sun.

North American summers are hot. Sometimes spring and fall temperatures reach dangerous levels as well. Most summers see heat waves in one or more parts of the United States. Heat is one of the leading weather-related killers in the United States, resulting in hundreds of fatalities each year and even more heat-related illnesses. In addition to the resources below, OSHA offers a free OSHA Heat Safety App for both Android and iPhone.

This website (weather.gov/safety/heat) or pet locked in a car. Even is designed to inform you about the health dangers of heat, prepare you for excessive heat events, and tell you occurred in February! Cars what to do during an excessive heat wave. You will find vital information about the dangers of leaving children, pets or anyone with limited mobility alone in a car even for a few minutes in what might seem like mild weather. Children locked in cars have died in December and in 70 degree weather, even with a window left open a little. You also will find information about protecting yourself from excessive heat, educational materials and specifics on how the National Weather Service keeps you aware of potentially dangerous situations. NWS tries to make learning fun with games and activties

to help educate your children about the dangers of heat and provide you with links for more information.

Heat related deaths are preventable. Protect yourself and others from the impacts of heat waves.

Learn from real life heat victims. You can also see our heat safety videos. If you, or someone you know, have been a victim of excessive heat, please share your story so we can prevent others from becoming a heat victim. When you write, please note that NWS has permission to use your story and, if possible, let us know the town and state you were in and the year the event took place.

www.weather.gov/safety/heat

Community Update

Knollwood Helping Knollwood

Volunteers requested for neighborhood cleanup and those physically unable. Contact the KHA.

Meetings

- Upcoming KHA community meeting dates are: July 26, 2018 and October 25, 2018.
- BONDS Gathering of Neighborhoods meetings at noon in First Baptist Church's Huff Building, aka Caring Center, 200 South Perry Street.

Unless a tree has borne blossoms in spring, you will vainly look for fruit on it in autumn.

~Walter Scott



- The Montgomery City Council meets every 1st & 3rd Tuesday @ 5:00 pm, City Hall, 103 S. Perry St.
- The Montgomery County Commission meets every 1st & 3rd Monday @ 9:30 am, 100 S Perry St.

12 Things You Don't Realize Are Annoying Your Neighbors

Noise, Noise, Noise

Just because you enjoy blasting your favorite tunes at ear-splitting levels doesn't mean your neighbors will appreciate your musical selections—that's one reason why headphones were invented. A blaring speaker is just one source of noise pollution, though. Ceaselessly barking dogs and shouting children as well as firing up <u>outdoor power equipment</u> too early or too late in the day can all annoy your neighbor.

Who Let The Dogs Out?

Pets—and specifically pet waste—can cause bad blood between neighbors. Releasing your pets in your unfenced yard to "go" is not only potentially dangerous to them and to passersby, but if your dog strays, you invite conflict with people who, rightly, don't want to have to clean up after your dog. Add to that the fact that, in many municipalities, letting your pets roam free is <u>against the law</u>. Keep your pets safe in your own yard and always clean up pet waste promptly.

Playing in the Street

Kids may be entranced by their parents' and grandparents' stories of stickball, stoopball, and kick-the-can, but today's reality is quite different. Most parents are horrified at the idea of their kids playing in the street—a practice that is potentially dangerous for pedestrians, drivers, and kids alike. As well, a nonstop pickup game in front of your neighbor's driveway is bound to make him nuts. When it's playtime, have your kids head to a local playground or stick to their own driveway or backyard.

Channeling the Griswolds

Nearly everyone enjoys holiday lights and decor, but if the electricity consumption of your light display rivals that of a small city, you might want to tone things down a bit. Avoid over-the-top light shows, especially if your spectacle shines directly into your neighbor's windows. If you suspect that your decorations are interfering with your neighbor's sleep, put your lights on a timer set to turn off at a decent hour, and when the holiday season is over, take down your display promptly.

Farmyard Fixations

Fresh, organic eggs are a tasty treat, but keeping chickens in an urban or suburban setting might not be the most neighborly way to get that farm-to-table flavor. Noise, smell, and waste disposal, not to mention the physical demands of caring for a brood, are all things to consider before you bring domestic farm animals to the typical home environ-ment. Many municipalities and neighborhoods have regulations that stipulate what types of animals are allowed, and in what numbers, but even if your plans for animal acquisition don't flout the law, you wouldn't be wrong to notify your neighbors of your intentions and seek their blessing.

Too Much of a Good Thing...

There's one in every neighborhood: the little old man who walks out to get the newspapers in his bathrobe, or the out-of-work sister who sunbathes topless in the backyard. But before you embrace the idea of going "au naturel," think about the fact that your neighbors really don't want to see that much of you. And anyway, if you reveal too much, you might be <u>breaking the law</u>.

Emulating the Addams Family

It's one thing to fall behind on exterior home and yard maintenance once in a while, but it's quite another to let things slide to the point where you need a compass to find your way through the tangled growth. Dust off your lawn mower, or hire a neighborhood kid to help you keep up with the grass during growing season. Tackle dandelions before they have a chance to go to seed and waft into your neighbors' yards. Keeping your home's exterior neat and clean will help you maintain friendly relations with those around you.

Errant Tree Debris

Trees and shrubs can cause a surprising amount of irritation between neighbors. Keep branches pruned so that they don't extend over adjacent yards or damage neighbors' fences or belongings, clean up fallen or pruned debris promptly, and (it should go without saying) don't ever blow or <u>rake your leaves</u> onto someone else's lawn.

INSIDER SAVINGS TIPS

Real-world advice for grads (and everyone else)

It's graduation season, and that means it's time for commencement speeches. You can probably guess what those speeches will be about: advice about following your dreams, never giving up, making your mark on the world — all that.

US News and World Report has compiled some actual practical advice that will give graduates the best start for the real world.

Even if you're not a graduate, this advice is solid for any stage of life:

- Establish credit, use it *wisely*, and monitor your credit score.
- Live within your means and beware of "lifestyle creep"— the temptation to spend more money the more you make.
- Save automatically through payroll deductions, automatic transfers, or a piggy bank. Get in the habit of saving money before you do anything else with it.
- Take advantage of your employer's 401(k) plans. If your employer matches, you're leaving free money on the table if you don't contribute.

 Pay your bills on time, all the time.



Access Development

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Parking Problems

Sure, you may be able to park in the street, but that doesn't mean you should park in the street. Where and how you park your car can be a huge source of annoyance to your neighbors, especially if your car is blocking their driveway or inhibiting access to their property. If you are lucky enough to have a garage, use it for the car, not as a substitute shed.

Trash Talk

You wouldn't throw litter into your neighbor's yard, but that's essentially what you're doing if you don't properly close your trash and recycling receptacles and the wind picks up your trash and dumps it on their lawn. Here's another neighborly tip: Don't put the trash cans out too early, or leave your cans at the curb too long after being emptied. Give the cans a good wash every now and then to keep offensive odors at bay.

Controversial Colors

While you may be partial to lime green or fluorescent yellow, your neighbors may not appreciate your <u>painting your entire house</u> in that intense hue. Some neighborhood associations provide a list of acceptable exterior paint colors, but even if your block has no such restrictions, you should take the character of the neighborhood into consideration before you go bold.

Disrespecting Boundaries

Property line disputes are among the most common reasons for neighbors to go to court. Whether you are putting in a new fence, adding a pool, paving a driveway, or <u>planting a garden</u>, it is a good idea to have a legal survey performed. Think back to the words of Robert Frost in the 1914 poem "Mending Walls": "Good fences make good neighbors."

Knollwood Homeowners Association

Vision—We welcome all to our thriving community with love, courtesy, and respect.

Mission—To preserve and promote Knollwood Subdivision as a pleasant community for residents and a vital contributor to the Greater Montgomery Area.

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Executive Council

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Communication with the Knollwood Homeowners Association must be sent to the Secretary.

No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn.

~Hal Borland



www.knollwoodhomeownersassociation.org

Around the Corner (News and Notes)

Our Condolences to:

Mr. & Mrs. William Harrison and Family (Knollwood Blvd) in the passing of his sister, Ms. Carrie Johnson, in April.

Mr. & Mrs. Cleveland Howze and Family (Ash Drive) in the passing of his brother in March.

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Williams and Family (Cottonwood Drive) in the passing of his father, Mr. John B. Williams, Sr., in April.

Thinking of You:

Ms. Mamie Muse, Maple Drive ** Mr. Howard Daniels, Elm Drive

Thank You:

For working on the clean up of the median—Mr. Thomas Anderson, Mr. Jimmie Horton, Mr. Lucious McDade, Mr. Lee Wheeler, and Mr. Woody Wordlaw

For keeping drains clear- Mrs. Evelyn Crayton

For keeping drains clear, taking care of vacant properties, and picking up trash throughout the neighborhood - Mr. Rena Harris

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Submit names in recognition of the Class of 2018 graduates, milestones and other achievements to block captains.

KHA Covenant and Restrictions Highlight 8.19 Storage of Materials and Equipment

All equipment, tools woodpiles, garbage cans, clothes lines refuse or storage piles shall be fenced or landscape buffered to conceal same from view of neighboring Lots and streets. No lumber, brick, stone, block, concrete or other building materials, scaffolding, mechanical devices, or any other similar materials or items shall be kept for longer than the length of time reasonably necessary for the construction to completion of the improvement for which same is to be used.

COVENANT CORNER

HOA Membership Dues

\$200.00 - May be paid in full

•Due on or before July 15, 2018

\$100.00 - Due on or before June 15, 2018

•\$75.00 late fee due after July 15, 2018

\$100.00 - Due on or before December 15, 2018

•\$75.00 late fee due after January 15, 2019

All payments by check or money order should be sent to: Knollwood Homeowners Association, P.O. Box 241641, Montgomery, AL 36124-1641

Observances

April	Month	Alcohol Awareness, National Autism Awareness, National Child Abuse Preven- tion, National Donate Life, National Mi- nority Health Month
April 7	Friday	World Health Day
April 17	Tuesday	Tax Day
April 22	Sunday	Earth Day
April 25	Wednesday	Administrative Professionals Day
May	Month	Arthritis Awareness, Hepatitis Awareness, Mental Health, National Asthma & Aller- gy Awareness, National Osteoporosis Awareness & Prevention, National Physi- cal Fitness & Sports, National Stroke
May 6	Sunday	National Nurses Day
May 13	Sunday	Mothers' Day
May 13 - 19	Week	National Women's Health Week
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day
June	Month	Men's Health, National Safety Month
June 14	Wednesday	Flag Day
June 17	Sunday	<u>Fathers' Day</u>
June 19	Tuesday	Juneteenth, World Sickle Cell Day
July 4	Wednesday	Independence Day