

# The Nottingham Newsletter – July 2012

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## **NEW BOOKKEEPER - CREST MANAGEMENT**

The Board has decided to engage the services of a new bookkeeping company that will provide better services for our community. **Crest Management** services many subdivisions in our area and the Board feels their goals better align with our neighborhood.

**Beginning with your third quarter assessment due July 1st - please send your payment to the following address:**

**Crest Management Company, AAMC  
PO Box 219320**

**Houston, TX 77218-9320**

**Please include your address on the check.**

If you have any questions, please contact the Community Accountant dedicated to the Nottingham Maintenance Fund, **Robin Motley** at 281-945-4624 or by email at [Robin@crest-management.com](mailto:Robin@crest-management.com)

## **WALL UPDATE**

Your Board is currently reviewing several bids for construction of a new wall for the South edge of the neighborhood running along Memorial. Our minimum requirements will include an eight foot tall wall similar to the walls that have been constructed by our neighboring subdivisions. We are working with the City of Houston to gain approval to build on the land adjacent to Memorial West Community Club. The agreement we are seeking will ensure that we can build the wall on that property to match to remainder of the wall and that the wall we build on it will never be altered. Projects like this take time and must not be rushed. Your Board members are just as anxious as the rest of you for completion and we are moving forward to complete this project as quickly as possible. Our new website will be used to communicate progress updates and we will tweet all milestones of this historic endeavor.

We want to thank the volunteers who graciously gave their time to clean up the fallen bricks a few weeks ago. Your time and muscle were greatly appreciated!

## **MEMORIAL WEST COMMUNITY CLUB**

**General Manager** Brian Montez

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**Membership** Diana Guarniere

[dhg@cactusenvironmental.com](mailto:dhg@cactusenvironmental.com)

**Swimming with The Sharks** – Our swim team went 3-2 in the White Division of the Memorial Spring Branch Swim Conference. We had 157 swimmers from 91 families (by far our largest group in several years - last year we had 122 from 65 families). Our recruiting efforts in Nottingham West paid off as we saw a great increase there. Nottingham IV membership was a slight increase, mainly due to many new young families moving into the area.

**Pool News** – Sweetwater Pools has been contracted to maintain the pool and provide lifeguards for the swim season. This year, the third lifeguard rotates to manage the check-in and snack bar, which has been a very successful improvement.

Around the property repairs have been completed on concrete work, including the entry where the roots were breaking up the walkway. Workers are in the process of repairing tiles around the pool as well.

If you have not come by for a swim, make plans to beat the heat and get refreshed at the Memorial West pool. This is a wonderful neighborhood amenity that you should come and enjoy!

**Club News** – Future plans to repair and update the clubhouse include:

- Replace wood paneling with sheetrock in the clubhouse and repaint
- Add wood blinds in clubhouse and Kirkwood room
- Add indoor/outdoor carpeting to the Kirkwood room (surface is too slippery for kids to use with wet bathing suits)
- Create office space in Kirkwood room for filing and for Club Manager Brian Montez.
- Remove trees that did not survive the drought.

So far we have heard great feedback, but let us know if you wish to see other needed improvements.

**Having a party and don't want to mess up your house?** – Contact **Brian Montez** if you want to rent the Clubhouse or Kirkwood Room, or if you want to have a swim party for your next event.

## Tennis News

K Factor Sports is conducting Tennis Camps this summer through August 10 for kids age 4-14. Private lessons for kids and adults are also available. Contact **Brian Montez** [brian.montez@gmail.com](mailto:brian.montez@gmail.com) for more details. Fall tennis programs will open for sign-ups in August.

League tennis will resume in the fall. Check the website for updates and activities.

## ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

**Brook Daniel** is the head of Architectural Review for the subdivision. Any resident that plans to make any changes, additions, renovations, etc. to their home is required to send Brook your plans for review and approval by the Board. Be sure to give yourself enough time, as the Board has 30 days to respond. Contact Brook at [brookedaniel21@yahoo.com](mailto:brookedaniel21@yahoo.com)

## DEED RESTRICTIONS

There will be a town hall meeting at the end of the summer to introduce the proposed changes to the deed restrictions. The date will be announced after the Board of Director's meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup>.

## WEBSITE

Thank you to **Blake Harrison** and his web development company Coobomedia for our new website [www.OurNottinghamHOA.org](http://www.OurNottinghamHOA.org). We are still building the site and would love to include some of your memorable photos from events around the neighborhood. Send them to **Lynne Marucci** [mlmarucci@att.net](mailto:mlmarucci@att.net) and we will make it even better! In addition, there is now availability to advertise your business on the website. If you would like to purchase the ad space at the bottom of the website, please contact Lynne. The cost is \$50 per month with a 3 month minimum and includes a mention in the newsletter.

## 2012-2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## IMPORTANT SERVICE NUMBERS

Security Patrol	Constable	281-463-6666
Waste/Recycle	Republic Waste Customer Service	713-849-0400
Mosquito Control	Excalibur Pest Control	281-353-6366

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Email, email, email!

Nottingham Civic Association has an active email list of many of our residents, but we are still not at 100%. If you would like to receive emails with important information about your community, please send your request to **Lynne Marucci** at [mlmarucci@att.net](mailto:mlmarucci@att.net) to add your name to the list. Be sure to include your full name and address in the email. This list will be used only to contact residents for security alerts, and neighborhood news.

### Nottingham Women's Club

The Nottingham Women's Club will have its Margarita Membership party on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. at 13919 Queensbury. For more information, contact **Melynda Boerm** at [melynda\\_97@yahoo.com](mailto:melynda_97@yahoo.com) or 713.858.2457.

### Help Wanted

MWCC is seeking a **Social Chair** to plan events for the community during the year. If you have an interest in volunteering for this fun position, please contact **Blake Harrison** at [blake@coobomedia.com](mailto:blake@coobomedia.com)

**Have a great summer and hope to see you around the neighborhood!**