



# The Greencrest Connection

Summer/Fall 2022

Bringing the Neighborhood Together

## 2021-2022 GHOA Board

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### **A note from the President:**

When I tell people that I'm the president of my local Home Owners Association, I usually get one of two responses; either instant repulsion and accusations that I'm one of those terrible lawn and garden Nazis, or deep sympathy (and sometimes even a hug) for taking on a huge, thankless job. While there may be a hint of truth to the latter, I want to assure you that neither I, nor anyone else on the board has any desire for Greencrest to become a heavy-handed HOA. We all volunteer our time and energy in service to this neighborhood that we love and cherish.

That said, the HOA has an obligation to uphold standards. Being a part of a community it is important we all respect each other and abide by the neighborhood bylaws, covenants, local codes and laws. I would like to remind everyone not to park vehicles and campers on the street, take care of your lawns, clear sidewalks, wait until the morning of trash collection to put it out, and contact the ACC before making changes to the exterior of your home. If you have questions or concerns please review the bylaws and covenants found on the Greencrest HOA website, or contact a board or ACC member.

Thanks, and I hope to see you at the picnic and/or Annual meeting.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **24 Sep**, Community Picnic, noon-2:00, southeast end of Sylvan Dr
- **20 Oct**, Annual HOA meeting 6:00-7:00 (Mark your calendars)

Board meetings are normally on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. All members welcome.



## **It's That Time of Year...**

Remember:

- Families with kids, bikes, dogs, and more kids are out and about. Please drive extra carefully!
- School is starting. Watch out for kids.
- These are some of the warmest days. Stay hydrated, and keep those lawns and gardens well hydrated too.
- Our neighborhood has bears, or at least one that frequently comes around. Here is a picture of it from this past week. Don't leave trash out overnight. He'll raid it and keep coming back in the future. Store trash cans inside and secure overnight.
- Take note of the fire conditions, and don't take chances. We live in a wooded area and a fire could be devastating.



## Let's talk Neighborhood Directory...

Hey neighbors. The board has recently received many questions about (and requests for) the neighborhood directory. The last Greencrest directory was published in 2018, so we're due (ok, *overdue*) for a new one.

The directory is a list of the names, addresses and phone numbers of the homeowners in the neighborhood, sorted both by last name and by address. It is only to be used by Greencrest residents, not the public-at-large, so it is not published online anywhere.

The GHOA board is planning on creating a new directory this year, but there are both practical and legal considerations that make this more complex than it may at first seem. We are compiling all the information, and hope to have the directories printed and ready for distribution by the annual meeting in October.

We are using the previous directory as a starting point, and then comparing that with the public records to see what properties have changed owners. We will send out a form to each household to allow you to tell us how you wish your household to be listed. You may choose to include information such as the names of some or all of the people residing at the address, and to possibly include an email addresses if you choose. You also will be asked to sign the form to give us legal permission to include the information. Please fill out the form and return it ASAP. Place them in mailboxes at 3003 Brenner Place or 3540 West David Lane. Please complete them and return them quickly so we can process the information.



## Helping Hands

Here are some folks in the neighborhood who may be able to help you with some chores. Please call for details:

- Josh Graul: Landscaping, 719-373-8733
- Noah Coddington: Snow Shoveling, Dog Sitting, House-Sitting 719-960-6564

Let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

## CONNECTING:

To learn more about the Greencrest Homeowners Association and what's going on in the Neighborhood, check out the following:

- **Greencrest HOA Webpage:**  
[www.greencresthoa.org](http://www.greencresthoa.org)

- **Greencrest List Server:**

To be added to this group, please contact Barb Sieving at (719) 661-8319.

- **"Greencrest Neighborhood" page on Facebook:**

Informal comments or events are here, but many people in Greencrest are not on Facebook so this site is exclusively for unofficial communications.

- **Quarterly Newsletter**

You're looking at it.

## Serving on the Board

On October 20<sup>th</sup> we will hold our annual HOA meeting at the Garden Ranch Baptist Church, 3830 Van Teylingen Dr (at the east end of the neighborhood) starting at 6pm. The meeting will include voting in new board members.

Typically we have had trouble recruiting new HOA board members. Many of us are very busy and don't have time and/or ability to help, but if you can find the time and think you may be interested we really need good people to step up to help serve on the board. Board Members will be voted in at the annual meeting and the board will choose its officers. Please consider volunteering as we could really use 2-3 new board members. You could help bring new ideas and help make great things happen for you, your family and your neighborhood.