

NEWSLETTER October 2015

MFFTINGS AND EVENTS

We continue to need involvement from our homeowners. We encourage any new or existing homeowners to consider working on the Board for the betterment of Rice Hollow. Please think about nominations for the Annual Meeting. If you would like to serve, please let us know.

The Annual Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 1st at the St. Andrews Library, in line with our amendment last year and our intent to have our business in order at the beginning of our fiscal year. Notices will be going out soon. We do have some By-Law amendments to propose. However, rest assured that we do NOT plan to propose a management company. We know that is an unpopular idea and if someone tells you that is in the works, they are not in the know. PLEASE send in your proxies as early as possible if you do not plan to come. Bringing a stack of proxies to the meeting causes unnecessary confusion at the start of the meeting as it takes time to figure out who is voting for whom. We would greatly appreciate it if you could mail those using the return envelope or deliver them to a serving board member as early as possible.

We will be having another neighborhood get-together on November 1. More details to come after the upcoming Board Meeting. The cookout last March went very well and we are all looking forward to getting to see everyone again soon.

GENTLE REMINDERS

Please remember to place your garbage and recycling bins out of site when they are not out for collection as required by our covenants and restrictions. If you plan to be out of town, please ask a neighbor to put your bins behind a fence or otherwise out of sight.

There have been some complaints in the neighborhood about animals. When you walk your dog, please keep it on a leash. The city requires leashes and your neighbors would appreciate it.

Please be neighborly regarding animal waste. Carry baggies for scooping and do not place the baggies in other people's garbage bins. We know you don't want to experience the joy of finding a burst bag of poop at the bottom of your garbage bin, so please follow the golden rule and do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Additionally, it has come to our attention that some people have been placing their bags of animal waste in their neighbor's leaf bags when walking by. Leaf bags are NOT an appropriate place to deposit animal waste.

UPDATE ON PROJECTS

We are still working on getting some new landscaping set up for the sign area. With all the rain, we've been prevented from implementing some changes that Judy Berry and the Board have been working on together. The current landscaping has damaged the sign structure and requires constant trimming to keep branches from damaging the adjacent property. We hope to get working on it soon and continue to improve our entryway.

The Little Free Library has been installed. Please go visit it and check out the book selection. If you have questions, John and Kelly Burbage will be minding the collection. You can also look at littlefreelibrary.org for more information little free libraries in general.

NEXTDOOR.COM – Find out what is going on in Rice Hollow.

Many of you have signed up for Nextdoor.com and may know about the useful information that has been posted. It's a great way to get information out to your neighbors, whether it's about a yard sale, a missing animal, or a great handyman you found.