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A Community Newsletter for the Brookfield Owners Association

# Brookfield



Home Improvements >>>

#### Please remember...

Please remember that NO improvements can be constructed on the property without Architectural Approval first through the ACC.

Contact the Certified Management (CMA) office in advance.

Call: (512) 339-6962

Email: frontdesk@cmaaustin.com

Have you submitted your request & have written approval from the ACC?



Community Events >>>

## Classic Ghostbusters Movie in the Park

Movie in the Park & Trunk or Treat.

When: Oct 27<sup>th</sup>

Where: Brookfield Bruno Circle

(located near Whittard of Chelsea Lane and Lipton Lane in the Brookfield Subdivision)

Porta-potties and hand washing station will be provided. You might want to bring a picnic blanket or folding chairs!

Time: Trunk or Treat begins at 7pm, Pizza at 7:45 and movie starts at 8pm!

If you would like to participate in the Trunk or Treat, contact CMA for details at: frontdesk@cmaaustin.com



Find more photos from past events at: <a href="www.facebook.com/brookfieldowners">www.facebook.com/brookfieldowners</a>

## The Brookfield Social Committee planned a lot of fun for the next year. Mark your calendars!

#### Brookfield Events for 2018:

- October 27<sup>th</sup> Movie in the Park & Trunk or Treat
- November 10<sup>th</sup> Neighborhood Cleanup
- November (TBD) Food Drive
- December 15<sup>th</sup> Caroling & Cookies with Santa

We can't pull off awesome events without volunteers! Want to help?

Contact CMA: frontdesk@cmaaustin.com





Notify CMA if you see a problem in the neighborhood.

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## News around the Neighborhood

Like & follow Brookfield Owner's Association official facebook page for events & news: https://www.facebook.com/brookfieldowners/

Brookfield's website no longer needs a login! http://www.brookfieldowners.com/

Trash Recycling Dates for October: 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Trash Recycling Dates for November: 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Trash Recycling Dates for December: 8<sup>th</sup> & 22nd Bookmark the MUD Recycling page: http://northtownmud.org/single\_stream.html

Each household receives 2 free Bulk Pickups through our trash service per calendar year. To schedule a pickup, call: (512) 421-1360

We now have a Community Board! Check the sign near the pool / playground for neighborhood news and events!





## Fall Neighborhood Cleanup – Nov 10<sup>th</sup>!

BOA will provide gloves and trash bags. Meet us at the park near the pool. We'll clean up the neighborhood together!

Suggestion: Bring a hat and water bottle.

## HAPPY HALLOWEEN NEIGHBORS!

If you are new to the neighborhood, welcome! You might be wondering when kids Trick or Treat and what the typical traditions are here - well, wonder no more!

On October 31<sup>st</sup>, our littlest kiddos usually start trick or treating at dusk before it becomes dark. Big kids tend to continue until porch lights are off.

If you have treats to give, leave your porch light on. Kids will know you have treats by the lights. Be sure to turn the porch light off when you are done for the night.

If you have non-food items (pencils, stickers, etc), you can add a teal pumpkin to your front porch to indicate your treats are safe for kids with food allergies.

You can also mark your home on the NextDoor neighborhood map as having treats, non-food items or even if you are hosting a haunted house. It's pretty cool. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ourtreatmap">https://tinyurl.com/ourtreatmap</a>

## Halloween Candy Safety Tips from CMA:

- For young children, remove any choking hazards such as gum, peanuts, hard candies, or small toys.
- Instruct your children to show you all their candy before eating it so that you can carefully inspect it for tampering.

Remember to drive slow since there will be many families out.

HAVE A SAFE, FUN HALLOWEEN BROOKFIELD!

#### **Burglary Prevention Tips >>**

#### **Travis County Sherriff's Office**

In an emergency, dial: 9-1-1 or 512-482-5860 Non-Emergency Dispatch: (512) 974-0845, Option 3

#### 1. LOCK IT UP!

Lock your cars and your homes. Install deadbolts on your exterior doors if you don't already have them. The cylinder should be pick resistant. Lock your doors every time you leave the house, even if you're leaving for just a few minutes during the day. The most popular times for residential burglaries are weekday daylight hours. In over 1/3 of burglaries, there is no forcible entry--someone forgot to lock the doors. The most crime in our neighborhood this Summer was theft from unlocked vehicles.

#### 2. Install solid doors.

Outside doors should be metal or solid hardwood and at least 1 3/4 inches thick. Frames must be made of equally strong material and each door must fit its frame securely. It is also recommended that residents replace the smaller (usually 1") screws on the lock's strike plate with longer screws that attach to the more solid interior door frame in the wall.

#### 3. Keep garage doors closed and locked.

Open doors and windows are commonly checked by burglars looking for an opportunity.

#### 4. Secure sliding doors and windows.

Cut a broom-handle to the length of the bottom track so that the window or door will not slide open when forced. Also, drill one hole through both casings and sliding window and insert a nail or pin.

#### 5. Secure sash windows.

To prevent wooden sash windows from being pried open, drill a downward sloping hole into the top of the bottom window through and into the bottom of the top window and insert a pin or nail. To prevent aluminum sash windows from being broken into, purchase a track lock that blocks the window track.

#### 6. Mark your property. Mark your valuables with an engraver.

Marking your property serves as a deterrent to would-be burglars and it helps police in identifying and returning stolen property. Make a property identification list. Put warning stickers on doors and windows.

#### 7. Purchase a burglar alarm.

A home alarm system can be a very effective burglary deterrent and fit into many people's needs. Test your system monthly.

#### 8. Leave a light on.

When leaving on trips, leave a light on in the bathroom. In the bedroom, attach a lamp and radio to a 24-hour electric timer set to go on at dusk and off at your bedtime. Close bedroom drapes and blinds.

#### 9. Use proper exterior lighting.

Place a light over every door. Double cones lights on each corner of the house will also light up windows. There are many solar powered options available as well.

#### 10. Work together with your neighbors.

When you are going to be away, tell trusted neighbors and ask them to watch your property. Have neighbors maintain your yard. When on vacation, have someone cut grass. Shrubbery should not hide neighbors' view of windows or doors. Have someone pick up newspapers and mail. Tell neighbors to call police if they notice anything suspicious.

#### 11. Maintain a current list of the serial numbers from your property.

Write down the serial numbers from valuables throughout your house. Keep copies of the list in multiple areas so at least one will be accessible. DON'T keep the only list *on* items such as computers or laptops as those items are frequently stolen by thieves.

#### 12. Request Close Patrol when out of town.

Travis County Sherriff's Office offers Close Patrol to homeowners and residents when out of town. They will keep a closer eye on your home. The form is found at <a href="https://www.tcsheriff.org/images/about/docs/close\_patrol.pdf">https://www.tcsheriff.org/images/about/docs/close\_patrol.pdf</a> - For Brookfield, you will send this form to the East command.

#### 13. If you see something, say something.

If you see something out of the ordinary or suspicious, don't post on social media and call it a day. Call the Travis County Sherriff's Office so they can come check it out. It may be nothing, but it could also prevent crime in our neighborhood. Err on the side of caution.



Check out the New Community Board located between the pool / playground on Tudor House. Just another way to stay up to date with news and events around the Brookfield neighborhood!

## did You know...

Brookfield Owners Association is managed by Certified Management of Austin?

Certified Management is Brookfield Managing agent. Certified Management provide the oversight of the common elements, collect homeowners' dues, disburse payments, and maintain the Association's books and records. Certified Management enforces the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CCR's) of the Association, which helps maintain property values and the aesthetics of your community.

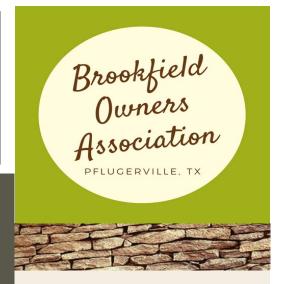
Our property manager is Vangie Bocanegra and she can be reached at (512) 339-6962 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Certified Management office does close daily from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. for lunch. You may also contact their office by email to frontdesk@cmaaustin.com

Certified Management of Austin, LLC is committed to serving your community and offering each homeowner an avenue to communicate with our firm and the Board of Directors. Please feel free to contact us for issues that concern the community. A community is only as strong as its individual owners, and all owners working together make a cohesively inviting neighborhood. Please take every opportunity to become involved in your community...it will make a difference in the quality of your neighborhood!

Contact us at **512-339-6962** 

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