

Greetings from your 2020 Board of Directors!



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Note from the President

It is my pleasure to serve as your 2020 President! My husband Don and I moved to Steeplechase in May of 2012. The first time we drove into this neighborhood, we knew we had found the perfect place to call home! It was quiet, well-kept, had unique beautiful homes, a huge swimming pool with a quaint park, and then to top it off, the two ponds at the entrance with those impressive fountains!!! And we hadn't even met any of the neighbors yet! I know each of you were also drawn to at least some of these dynamic features. So here we are in 2020, and I have been given the opportunity to serve as your 2020 President!

As your New Board of Directors of this fabulous community, we are eager to keep moving forward with new projects, while maintaining the old. We are hoping to increase the interest from those of you that have not yet been involved AND those that have. Volunteering a bit of your time to join us in our social activities, common grounds cleanup, etc. is very rewarding! Each of you have a unique quality to offer, even if it's visiting with your neighbors about ideas to improve our community. We would love for you to bring those ideas to us, so we can make it happen! We are not locked in to "how we've always done things". We are always open to new ideas!

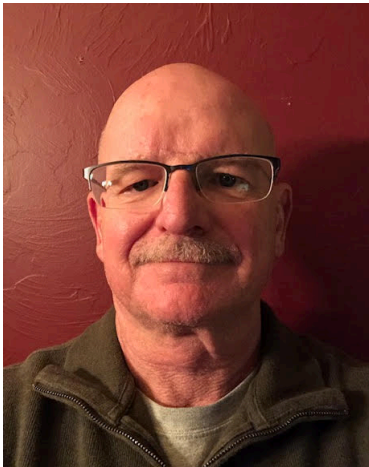
I'm sure you are very proud of our neighborhood, just as we are. We ask that you PLEASE be

mindful of our Covenants and By-Laws. If you would like to familiarize yourself with them, they can be found on our website, Steeplechaseedmond.com. We seem to be seeing many more trash/recycle bins that are not hidden from street view. If you have no other available spots to place them out of sight, please consider a privacy screen of some sort that is appealing to the public. (There are pre-made L-shaped wooden fences that can be purchased online.) Parking in the street is also becoming more of a trend. Please be courteous to your neighbors and park in your garage or driveway when possible. We don't want to look like a multi-family housing development! Our homes are one of our biggest assets. Let's keep the values of them up!



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BLOCK CAPTAINS

Betty Millican, our Block Captain Lead, will be keeping your Block Captains informed of updates and providing them with Newsletters, etc. to be passed on to you. Please feel free to call them for any questions or concerns. Visit our website for a list of Block Captains and contact information.



Report from Creek Erosion Committee

Members met with Edmond City Hydrologist Dept. to view the recent “mound” of sand and rock deposited at the intersection of the two creeks. This deposit is restricting the previous open water flow and creating water turbulence which has eroded the creek banks including the north bank which abuts to Steeplechase Road just West of the bridge. The City of Edmond has a direct interest in the road as

it is dedicated to the City but does not have control of the creek as it is private property – Steeplechase HOA. The City appreciated the HOA bringing this condition to them and ask that we file a Stormwater Information Form for their Prioritization of Stormwater Capital Improvement Projects. The form is forthcoming. While the City doesn’t have monetary funds for private property projects, they are interested in helping

in other ways should the HOA elect to remove the mound of debris from the center of the creek. This could include the city coordinating the project with the Corps of Engineers, as the Corps has control of all waterways. Hopefully to minimize further erosion of the creek banks, we can come up with a plan of removing and disposing of the “mound” of rock and debris at a reasonable cost.

Beaver Activity in Creek

We have lost more than a few trees along the creek banks due to beavers.

If you live along the creek, please keep an eye out for any new activity and let one of the Board members know, so that we can report it to our trapper.

When traps are placed, there will be signs to alert you to keep your children and pets away from those areas. We will also send out an email to everyone.



Watch Your Speed

Help keep our neighborhood safe for our children and pets at play.

Steeplechase Ladies’ Book Club



Please join us every 4th Sunday of each month at 7:00pm to discuss the chosen

book of the month and enjoy the camaraderie while savoring some hors d’oeuvres and wine! February’s book is “Where the Crawdads Sing” by Delia Owens.

Linda Kessinger will be hosting this gathering in her home located at 2417 Palomino Drive.

Please call Linda Reid, Meg Robinson, or Betty Millican for future books and locations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Steeplechase has several neighbors serving in the military. With the world situation being what it is today, some have been called to active duty, leaving behind spouses and children. As a neighborhood, it would be of great support to these families to offer help in a variety of ways, such as childcare for a few hours or assistance with lawn maintenance. If you are one of these families, please inform the Steeplechase Board and we will encourage volunteers to help you in any way we can. We want to be there when you need us!



Architectural Review Board

If you are planning to make any changes to your roof, fence, adding a swimming pool, etc., don’t forget to submit a **REQUIRED ARB** form.



They may be found on our Steeplechaseedmond.com website. We are also attaching one to this Newsletter for convenience. The completed forms can be placed in our pool mailbox or given to a Board Member.

Newsletter advertising

for our neighborhood entrepreneurs (under 18) has always been free. Ads for professionals in our membership are \$25 for a business card sized ad. The fee is used to offset the cost of printing the newsletters. Please submit ads to BOD members.

YARD OF THE MONTH

Yard of the Month Award

Spring is right around the corner, so have some fun and start thinking about making your yard look a step above the rest! Let us know your favorites. You never know when you may have a Yard of the Month sign displayed in YOUR yard!

Grounds

We are planning to improve the appearance of our Steeplechase entrances with new landscaping!

Jeryl Dobson has volunteered to lend a helping hand in getting them set up! Maintaining these flowerbeds by pulling weeds, trimming, etc. will be essential to KEEP them looking attractive. Weeds move in and spread fast, but if we all work together to get them pulled quickly, we can stay ahead of them! We would very much appreciate any volunteers when you have a little extra time.