



Wilderness Ridge HOA Board of Directors Update

We are rapidly approaching graduation season, which in our neighborhood, is often a real traffic challenge. We ask your help with parking during graduation parties and other gatherings. Our streets are narrower than regular residential city streets, so we encourage everyone hosting an event that necessitates street parking, to obtain 3 or 4 “no Parking” signs from an HOA board member. This will help ensure emergency vehicles will be able to get through. Please return the “No Parking” signs to the board member following your event.

We have lots of “tree issues” going on. **Pine Trees**- the golf course has lost several pine trees to disease and so the HOA has sprayed all our pine trees at the 27th street entrance and those on our cul-de-sacs. **Ash Trees** – We have received several questions regarding the Ash street trees on Whispering Wind Rd. There have been articles in the newspaper addressing the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) and the potential cost of dealing with the beetle. We have visited with Andy Campbell of Campbell’s Nursery, who developed the street tree plan for Wilderness Ridge. He says the city potentially faces a huge task in dealing with the EAB. His guess on the timing of the EAB reaching Lincoln is 2 to 5 years. Should the disease hit our street trees, Andy will be involved in determining the replacement trees.

Recently there has been a considerable amount of **picture taking at our round-about**. It makes a picturesque setting for photos; however, it is private property. Photos may be taken in front of the waterfall as long as all involved parties remain on the ground/street level and on the grass. Do not enter the water or rocked area.

The **landscape** lighting at our round-about is new this year and better suited considering the growth of the trees and bushes. We’ve had a great deal of winter kill and it has taken extra time to groom and replace the foliage as needed.

Here are ongoing reminders we want to continue to bring to our homeowners attention:

1. Our covenants state: “no garbage or trash can or container shall be permitted on your lot unless completely screened from view, except for pick up purposes.” Please keep your containers and trash out of sight except when out for pick up.
2. The board continues to get complaints from residents regarding cars that are speeding. The speed limit on Wilderness Ridge streets is 25 mph and vehicles that are not street legal are prohibited on our streets.
3. Don’t forget to sign up for the neighborhood alert service. This is a great service to quickly notify residents about burglaries, lost pets, vandalism and other issues that affect the safety and security of our neighborhood. If you haven’t signed up for the Wilderness Ridge Neighborhood Alert, send your email information to Anne Perlman at wridgealerts@gmail.com
4. If you are new to the neighborhood and have a question about the Homeowners Association, don’t hesitate to call a board member. Their contact information is found on our website, www.wildernessridgehoa.org.
5. If you are not currently receiving the newsletter via email, contact Rennie Walt and he will add your email address to the distribution list. The email distribution list is also used to notify residents of events that might increase traffic in the neighborhood as well as inform residents about new policies throughout the year.
6. Our street trees are growing rapidly and many low branches are extending over the sidewalk impacting walkers. Please keep your trees pruned throughout the growing season.

Your HOA Board of Directors