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QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF AMBERWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

2010 AMBERWOOD ANNUAL MEETING CONCERNS

I want to share a concern with all Amberwood residents about a continuing loss in member participation at our annual meetings. Annual meetings are held each October and give homeowners an opportunity to elect Board members, hear reports from our property management company, and voice neighborhood concerns.

Our HOA has 618 properties with voting rights and at least 62 properties must be represented to conduct the annual meeting. A quorum can be met by homeowners eligible to vote attending the meeting, by homeowners assigning proxy votes, or a combination of both. This is data from the last 3 annual meetings and the basis for my concern about the 2010 meeting.

October 24, 2007 - 57 Homeowners + 6 Proxies (No builder vote proxies were cast since we met quorum with homeowners and homeowner proxies.)

October 15, 2008 - 34 Homeowners + 6 Proxies (50 builder vote proxies were cast since we were unable to meet quorum with homeowners and homeowner proxies.)

October 21, 2009 - 27 Homeowners + 5 Proxies (70 builder vote proxies were cast since we were unable to meet quorum with homeowners and homeowner proxies.)

At this time there is only one builder lot remaining in Amberwood and builder vote proxies will not be available to allow us to meet quorum for the 2010 Annual Meeting. This is our neighborhood and I am requesting all homeowners try to participate this October. I also receive e-mails, comments, and calls from Amberwood homeowners with ideas to improve Amberwood. If you would like to participate as a Board member, please make sure you are nominated using the form provided by RealManage or attend the meeting and you can nominate candidates from the floor. The Board needs diversity and homeowner participation.

Tom Witt – Board President

TEEN DRIVING GUIDE

The website link below will educate and guide parents and teenagers about teen driving.

http://www.nsc.org/safety_road/TeenDriving/Documents/TeenDriverGuide2ndEdBook.pdf

Amberwood Community Website

<http://amberwoodhomeowners.org>

http://amberwoodhomeowners.org/classifieds/1_Kyle/

Stay Informed

Amberwood residents can use our HOA website to stay informed of neighborhood news and issues at <http://www.amberwoodhomeowners.org/>. We also have neighborhoods meetings at Chapa Middle School to discuss current developments and concerns. These meetings are informal and allow residents to hear neighborhood and local issues, voice opinions, and get to know each other.

Some of the major benefits to attending our neighborhood meetings are an increased understanding of HOA operations, interacting with our neighbors, and participating in Amberwood planning. If you have not been attending meetings due to scheduling, we are discussing alternate meeting days and will advise residents of any changes. If you are not attending because you don't know about the meetings, please send an e-mail to Tom Witt at thomaslwitt@austin.rr.com and he will add you to our Amberwood e-mail directory. In addition to being notified of upcoming meetings, you will receive e-mails on current issues and meeting summaries in case you are unable to attend.



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Do you want to get involved?

Join a COMMITTEE!

Contact the chairperson below to join or just stop in at the next scheduled meeting!

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**KYLE POLICE REPORT FOR
AMBERWOOD COMMUNITY**

September 2009 through March 2010
Compiled by Craig Wiseman and Mike Rubsam, Amberwood Safety Committee

- 41 incidents of non-specific police investigations
- 29 incidents of animal disturbances
- 12 incidents of family disturbances
- 1 incident of criminal property mischief
- 34 incidents of vehicle traffic stop
- 2 incidents of vehicle traffic accident
- 12 incidents of burglary of vehicle
- 3 incidents of theft
- 5 incidents of assault
- 7 incidents of I.D. theft/fraud
- 7 incidents of violation of city ordinance
- 8 incidents of disorderly conduct
- 8 incidents of misdemeanor or felony arrest

This 6 month period has been marked by increased police presence in our neighborhood as demonstrated by the high number of vehicle stops, general investigations and dozens of crime prevention calls. Our police department is serving us well in spite of being currently understaffed and we should show our appreciation whenever we can. Summer is here so please lock your cars to prevent theft and trim your bushes to keep your windows visible for police patrols.

Kyle Animal Control 268-8800
Kyle Police Department 268-3232



**BASKETBALL GOAL
GUIDELINES - PER ARTICLE 2
RESTRICTIONS**

Section 2.11 (B)

Permanent and portable basketball goals are permitted between the street right-of-way and the front of the residence on a Lot provided the basketball goal is located a minimum of twenty feet (20') from the street curb. The basketball goal backboard must be perpendicular to the street and parallel to the driveway and, if a permanent goal mounted on a black metal pole permanently installed into the ground. Portable basketball goals shall not be placed, at any time, on any street or right of way located within the community. Basketball goals must be properly maintained, and painted, with the net in good repair. The basketball goal backboard, net and post must be maintained in excellent condition at all times. Roof mounted basket ball goals are not permitted.



Amberwood Insight

Amberwood HOA Article 2 - Restrictions

1) Section 2.8 - Noise; Nuisances: "No noise or other nuisance shall be permitted to exist or operate upon any portion of the Property so as to be offensive or detrimental to any other portion of the Property." The Board, in its sole discretion, shall determine whether an action or activity constitutes a violation of this Article 2.8.

There are complaints about running vehicles with loud music in the neighborhood, especially late at night. Please refer to the following website for reference; <http://www.edo.org.au/edoact/factsheets/NoiseFactSheet.htm>.

2) As of September 1, 2007, two significant new dog laws have taken effect in Texas. Their intent is to help keep dangerous dogs off the streets, and prevent dogs from becoming dangerous in the first place. Unfortunately, both laws have serious shortcomings. These are discussed below.

Lillian's Law

The so-called "Lillian Stiles Law" was introduced by Republican Dan Gattis. It increases the jail time for owners who fail to reasonably secure their dogs, resulting in serious bodily injury or death. The new law will do absolutely nothing for victims, however, who will have to pay their own medical bills, will receive nothing to minimize the effect of their scars, and will not be compensated for pain, suffering, lost income, loss of earning capacity, disability or anything else.

To read the text of Lillian's Law visit:

<http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/tlodocs/80R/billtext/html/HB01355E.htm>

Be aware that the City of Kyle has a leash law in effect, which also applies to our subdivision. There have been sightings of dogs roaming the streets, some without collar. For the safety of the community, please adhere to the leash law to protect others as well as your pet. Take note too, that our subdivision had some restrictions regarding animals.

Section 2.12 – Animals. "No kennel or other facility for raising or boarding dogs or other animals for commercial purposes shall be kept on any lot. Only the keeping of ordinary household pets such as dogs and cats, NOT TO EXCEED TWO (2) EACH IN NUMBER, is allowed; however, no breeding, raising, or boarding of such pets is permitted on any lot. No pit bull terriers or other dangerous breed of dogs as determined by the Board in its sole discretion may be kept on any lot for any period of time. All pets permitted by this Declaration to be kept on a lot shall at all times be properly vaccinated and cared for. No poultry or livestock of any kind may be kept on any lot for any period of time. All pets shall be kept on the owner's lot and shall not be allowed to roam loose, and owner's having pets shall keep their lot and all other lots free of offensive or unsanitary accumulations of waste from their pet."

3.) Fences and Yards: As we are bound by the Amberwood HOA Covenants and Restrictions, we are obliged to maintain our houses, yards and fences in good condition by regularly mowing the grass, trimming bushes and trees, and fixing broken fences that will allow our pets such as dogs to get loose.



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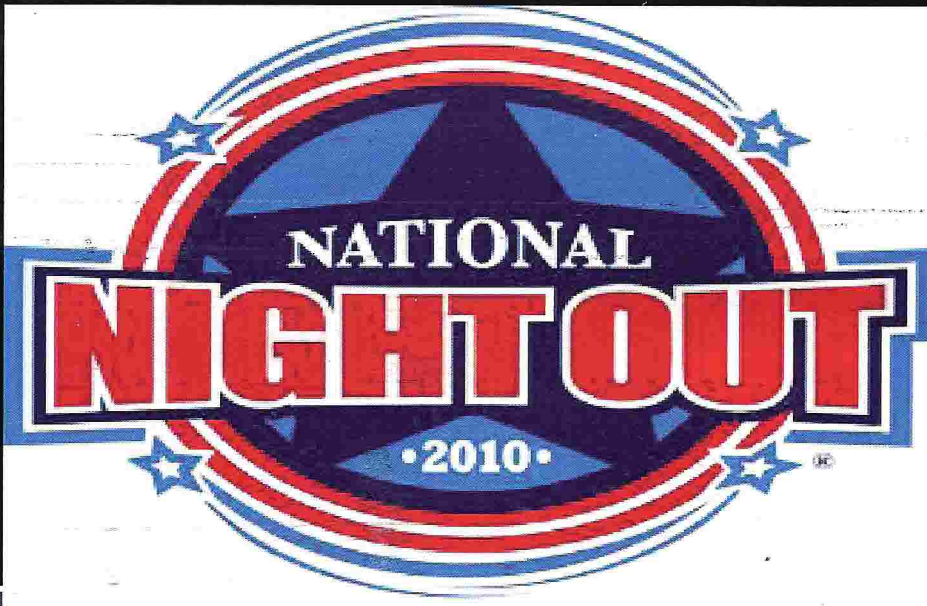


Amberwood Community
Garage Sale

August 7, 2010
7:00am to 2:00pm



Amberwood is a deed restricted subdivision. If any homeowner requires a copy of the Bylaws/Deed Restrictions, please contact RealManage. RealManage also asks that all homeowners update their contact information and mailing addresses by contacting RealManage (contact information listed on page 2).



POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Amberwood National Night Out – October 5, 2010
6:00pm to 8:00pm – At the Community Pool

LADIES OF AMBERWOOD

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

You, your family & friends are welcome to join us as we bring women, couples and families together for a fun fill year.

- JULY 24TH – MEET 'N GREET home of Sandra Bryant
- AUGUST 14TH – POOL PARTY 8PM – 10PM
- OCTOBER 2ND – LOA 3RD ANNIVERSARY (theme: WESTERN)
- DECEMBER 11TH – WHITE ELEPHANT PARTY
- BUNCO - 1ST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE ON ALL THE EXCITING EVENTS & FUN WE HAVE GOING ON!

- www.ladiesofamberwood.com

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- CALL SANDRA 512-262-0620 FOR MORE INFORMATION

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