

ARMBRUST ACRES

Armbrust Acres Homeowners Association Newsletter



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Upcoming Events

The leaves are changing and fall is just around the corner here in Armbrust Acres! We've got a fun lineup of events scheduled for our residents.

- October 18 - HOA Board Meeting - Heritage at Legacy - 7pm
- October 25 - Haunted Happy Hour - Mouth of the South Lakeside - 4:30-6:30pm - Free Apps + Drink Specials
- October 28 - Family Movie Night - AA Park - 7pm - Hocus Pocus + Snacks + Food Drive
- November 15 - HOA Board Meeting - Heritage at Legacy - 7pm
- November 23 - Thanksgiving Turkey Trot - AA Park - 10am - 1 Mile Walk/Run + Donuts and Cider
- December 16 - Breakfast With Santa - Mouth of the South Lakeside - 11am - Food and Live Music
- December 20 - HOA Board Meeting - Heritage at Legacy - 7pm

Announcements

- **Project Elf is back for the 34th year!** Read page 4 to learn how you can make a difference this holiday season.
- Make sure to **join the "Armbrust Acres Neighborhood Group" on Facebook** for an easy way to connect with your neighbors.
- For the latest neighborhood news and important updates **join our email list by emailing armbrust.voice@gmail.com.**

Letter From The President

It's fall, one of my favorite seasons; kids go back to school, the leaves are changing colors, warm, not hot, days and cool nights.

I want to thank all of you who have paid your annual dues and even made extra donations. If you haven't written the check or opened up our website to pay yet, please do so as your payment would still be appreciated. Dues are our primary income source and enable AAHA to keep the common areas and entrances beautiful, present Music in the Park, Independence Day celebration and other events, mow, fertilize, water and make improvements to the park, remove and replace trees, provide insurance and on and on.

Thanks to the efforts of Sienna Nania, our new Board member for activities, you will have a menu of events to participate in the next couple of months. They are highlighted elsewhere so look them over, attend if inspired to, bring your family and friends and have fun.

This summer I received a call from a resident who just had the fire hydrant in their circle repainted. He gave me the contact at MUD, so I gave him a call. He said all the rest of AA was on the schedule for next summer. I told him how cool the one they did looked and asked if there was any possible way, we would appreciate getting them done sooner rather than later. Well, they were all done recently and look super nice.

Even though it's not the most pleasant part of the Board's duties, enforcing the Covenants is a responsibility we accept and take seriously. Since the City went to the larger containers for our trash, we saw a noticeable tick-up in trash cans left outside and visible. Desiring to have everyone comply with the covenant which states "No garbage or trash can or container or fuel tank shall be permitted unless completely screened from view, except for pickup purposes," and having extra volunteer help available to do a tour of the neighborhood and prepare a list, the Board after much consideration unanimously agreed to send 71 letters to violators on August 1st. Here are a few of the comments we received:

- Thanks for your notice that my trash cans were in violation of our covenants. I didn't realize that was not acceptable. I have moved them into my garage so that they comply.
- You sent me this letter in error or this was only a one-time occurrence.
- I look around and see others with trash cans out...why should I comply?
- The trash containers in the park are stored in the open and readily visible.
- Thank you for enforcing our covenants and maintaining the quality neighborhood.

A recent subsequent tour and list noted that a majority of your neighbors have peacefully complied with this request. As I walk thru the neighborhood, much more often since becoming your President, I have noticed a marked improvement as well. Folks have called me asking questions, moved them into their garages, placed them in the back yard behind a privacy fence, built new wood fences, one circle has many new white screenings. I want to express my sincere thank you to all of you who have complied with this rather simple request. For those who haven't yet, I realize this may take a little more time. Please consider your neighbors and your neighborhood and remove them from sight from the street.

In fact, the comment about the trash cans in the park being visible was the impetus for the Board to seek bids to screen the trash cans there and at the same time enclose the port-a-potty. In talking to the residents (one of my favorite past-times) who live next to the park informing them of our idea, one said "keep all the smell together."

I am enjoying my relatively new role as your President. To be honest, it is challenging at times. By listening intently, focusing on doing what's best for the entire Armbrust Acres community, together please join me in making the world a better place!

Regards,



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Armbrust Acres Good Neighbor Award

Every quarter we'll be spotlighting a deserving member of the Armbrust Acres community who helps make it a better place for us all. **To nominate a neighbor email Erin Fairchild at erin.fairchild.aaha@gmail.com.**



Miles Lisowyj



"When my grandson Miles was in kindergarten he noticed that one bench was designated as a "Buddy Bench." Miles found out that a buddy bench was a place where a kid could sit to show that they needed a playmate. He thought it was a good idea and saw that it worked well in the school playground.

Miles grew up playing at our park and sometimes needed a playmate, so he told me that having a "Buddy Bench" would be a good idea. The AAHA Board approved the "Buddy Bench" concept, and Miles' great uncle made the "Buddy Bench" plaque, which we installed on July 9, 2023. Miles hopes it will help kids find a playmate. I am very proud of Miles." -Proud Grandpa Bob Lisowyj

Fun Facts About Miles

- **Age:** 9
- **Favorite school subject:** Science
- **What he wants to be when he grows up:** Soccer coach
- **Favorite thing about Armbrust Acres:** The park where he learned to climb, go down slides and swing, swing, swing!

Join Our Neighborhood Watch List!



Hi! I'm Phil and I send out the emails on behalf of our Neighborhood Watch to help keep our neighborhood safe. Please notify me of any vandalism, theft, or any incident that you feel Armbrust residents should be made aware of. My email alerts reach approximately 2/3 of the homes in our neighborhood. Alerts are sent blind carbon copied (bcc) to protect email privacy.

Email me at philhipps@hotmail.com to join the mailing list.

Annual Project Elf Details

Armbrust Acres residents and the Nebraska Children’s Home Society have partnered now for 34 years to make children’s holidays merry and bright. Through Project Elf, the Nebraska Children’s Home Society is able to reach out to the children and families they serve to make sure they have gifts and necessities during the holiday season and throughout the year.

You will find a list of children, along with their ages and wish lists. You will notice that this season the donation style has changed from tangible items to donations of gift cards, selected for each child either on behalf of the child’s family or the child themselves, depending upon the child’s age. According to Leah Lindell at the Nebraska Children’s Home Society, this change “reflects a thoughtful transition from offering tangible items and underscores the NCHS commitment to providing families with the freedom and dignity to prioritize their choice”. Further, she states, “This better reflects our trust in the families we serve – giving them the freedom and dignity to decide what their children need most”. Gift cards in the range of \$25-75 are suggested, but gift cards in any denomination are appreciated.

If your family wishes to sponsor a child, or children, on this list, please contact Jennifer Fontana by phone at 402-290-8965, or by email at 96fontana@gmail.com.

You will provide the child’s name and assigned number on the list. At that time, an arrangement can be made for gift card delivery to her home at 16630 Frederick Circle. All gift cards must be dropped off by Sunday, December 10. Tax receipts are available upon request.

AGD #	Participant's First Name	Participant's Gender	Participant's Age	Giftcard Ideas
6000	Andreas	Male	9 months	Walmart
6001	Anthony	Male	3	Walmart
6002	Antil	Male	5	Walmart
6003	Antionette	Female	15	Walmart
6004	August	Male	5	Walmart
6005	Christian	Male	3	Target
6006	Gabe	Male	18	Gamers, Walmart
6007	Heavenly	Female	8	Walmart
6008	Iyanna	Female	1	Walmart
6009	Kaiser	Male	2	Target
6010	Kamari	Male	2	Walmart
6011	Matal	Female	2	Walmart
6012	Mèsen	Female	2	Target
6013	Noah	Male	6	Walmaet
6014	Octavia	Female	5	Walmart
6015	Samson	Male	1	Walmart
6016	Serenity	Female	10	Walmart
6017	Slade	Male	1	Walmart
6018	TaNiya	Female	3	Walmart
6019	Unborn	Female	0	Walmart
6020	Aurelia	Female	10	Amazon
6021	Bryor	Male	11	Amazon
6022	Jeremiah	Male	14	Amazon
6023	Zachariah	Male	12	Amazon
6024	Alexis	Male	8	walmart, target
6025	Banyeli	Female	11	walmart, target
6026	Dallus	Male	17	game stop, walmart, target
6027	Dharma	Female	11	Walmart, Burlington, Ross
6028	Diego	Male	18	target, walmart, autozone, o'reilys
6029	Edher	Male	9	walmart
6030	Emmanuel	Male	12	walmart, target
6031	Francisco	Male	13	Walmart, Target, Burlington, Ross
6032	Ivy	Female	5	burlington, tj maxx, or walmart
6033	Kimberly	Female	5	walmart, target

AGD #	Participant's First Name	Participant's Gender	Participant's Age	Giftcard Ideas
6034	Lesly	Female	3	walmart, target
6035	Leslye	Female	10	walmart
6036	Liliana	Female	5	walmart, target
6037	Marco	Male	6 months	walmart
6038	Noelia	Female	5	walmart or jc penney
6039	Rikelme	Male	5	walmart, target
6040	Scarlet	Female	12	walmart
6041	Stacy	Female	2	walmart, target
6042	Abilene	Female	12 months	Target
6043	Alivia	Female	5	Walmart
6044	Aliyah	Female	7	Walmart
6045	Annabelle	Female	4	Target
6046	Au'Trell	Male	13 (special needs)	Target
6047	Ava	Female	10	Apple App Store
6048	Ayden	Male	2	Target
6049	Azekiel	Male	3 years old	Walmart
6050	Bjorn	Male	18 months	Target
6051	Dakota	Male	9	Walmart
6052	Diana	Female	2 1/2 years old	Walmart
6053	Diana	Female	2 1/2 years old	Walmart
6054	Eliza	Female	6 months	Amazon
6055	Emran	Male	11 months	Walmart
6056	Joseph	Male	4	Amazon
6057	Joseph	Male	5	Walmart
6058	Journey	Female	3	Target
6059	Kasper	Male	2 years old	Walmart
6060	Kendrick	Male	2 years old	Walmart
6061	Khareem	Male	11	Target
6062	Kimberly	Female	2 years old	Walmart
6063	Lennon	Female	1 year old	Target
6064	Leviticus	Male	18 months	Walmart
6065	Luna	Male	3	Target
6066	Mateo	Male	13 months	Walmart
6067	Melody	Female	3	Target
6068	Nova	Female	8	Walmart
6069	Oliver	Male	3	Walmart

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Fall Events at Armbrust

Hello Armbrust! I'm Sienna Nania. I'm a 15 year plus resident of Armbrust Acres. I am so pleased to be your new activities director. This fall we have a few community events I want to tell you about.

First, we have The Haunted Happy Hour for all of our adult residents to meet their neighbors and the board. We'll have information about events and how you can get involved with our community.

Next, on October 28th (rain date October 29th), we'll have the first of our Family Movie Nights at the Park. The first 50 kids in costume will get a free treat bag! We'll have glow bracelets and popcorn for all!

On Thanksgiving Day, we'll have a Turkey Trot at 10 a.m. This will be a short but fun 1 mile run/walk starting in the park and ending in the park. I hope everyone not cooking will join us.

In December we're hosting the man in red at our first Breakfast with Santa. It'll be held at The Mouth of the South Lakeside on December 16th at 11 am. Tickets will be \$29 for adults and \$10 for Kids 2 to 10. Two and under are free. Great food, live music, and photos with Santa are all included. Tickets will be available soon on the Armbrust Acres website, so keep an eye open on our Armbrust Acres Facebook page for more information.



Looking forward to meeting more of my neighbors and forming an activities group for the next year.

HOA HAUNTED HAPPY HOUR
OCTOBER 25TH

JOIN US AT
MOUTH OF THE SOUTH LAKESIDE
FROM 4:30 TO 6:30
FREE APPETIZERS AND GREAT DRINK SPECIALS

Meet your neighbors and your board members at this community event.

Come on down to the park for our very first **Annual Turkey Trot**
10 am start
We begin at the park and will go by the lake and then up through the neighborhood and back to the park.

Give those cooks a break and run some energy off the kids. Donuts and cider will be furnished at the finish line.

Walk Run
Dance Trot
just don't miss it.

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FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

The Armbrust Park
Saturday October 28th 7 pm

IT'S JUST A BUNCH OF FOES

Bring your blankets and chairs and join us in the park for some spooky Halloween fun.
First 50 kids in costume get a special treat bag.
All treats and no tricks will be served at the Concession Stand by neighborhood witches and friends.

Help the Sanderson Sisters collect can goods and pasta for the **Food Bank.**
Look for the big cauldron at the movie.

Food Drive
October 28
7pm

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December 16

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So Long Summer!

Summer 2023 was one for the books! Between the beautiful weather, the Independence Day event, and all the concerts at the park, summer in Armbrust Acres was a whole lot of fun. Thanks to everyone who shared their photos in our Facebook group! Here is a sampling.

