

The Preserve

Preserve Pathways Newsletter

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Save the Date

Preserve Board Meetings:

Feb 11, 2020 at FMSC

March 11, 2020 at 6:00 pm

Events:

Essential Oil Event Feb 25

Wine Tasting April 24

Clean-up Day April 25

Cooking Demo

Annual Meeting May 12

> Garage Sale May 16

Happy New Year!

We are off to a fast start in 2020!

- ♦ We have met with the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District regarding partnering on future projects. We currently have 23 areas that they will support us with consultation, advice and funding to do a variety of things from native habitat restoration to woodland management. Their support and involvement will allow us to increase the speed at which we impact our natural surroundings.
- One of the RPBCWD projects is to install cisterns to collect rainwater from the pool house and garage buildings. This will save greatly on our usage of city water for watering gardens and cleaning tools and equipment.
- Our attack on invasive plants continues. In addition to our grounds crews efforts we will be bringing in a herd of goats this year to help with buckthorn and others. This is also an RPBCWD project.
- The Upper Nesbitt path between Lanewood and Windrow will be resurfaced this year along with the paths in the High Point Tot Lot area.
- We have already made a few minor repairs to the mechanical systems for the pools and the new diving board stanchions will be poured in the Spring.
- We will be treating over 100 Ash trees for Emerald Asher Borer this year and also plan to plant 50 or so trees in anticipation of the natural attrition of our wooded areas. We are working with the EP City Forester to select species best suited for each area.

The Mission of The Preserve Association is to create and maintain a desirable place to live with a strong sense of community. This mission is in the forefront on every decision we make whether it's through planned activities or decisions made by our Design Review Team to keep The Preserve looking beautiful. We are interested in hearing your thoughts on what you would like to see offered in 2020. Here are just a few ideas we have come up with and would like to hear your thoughts on the following:

- Tennis and Pickleball: Would you be interested in taking lessons? Do you have a name and number of an instructor that could teach them? Would you be interested in having a group meet on a regular basis to play?
- Volleyball or Spike ball: Would you be interested in forming a team and playing on a regular basis?
- 5k, mini triathlon: A run through the neighborhood and a dip in the pool?
- Book, Photography, Walking or Running Club: would you be interested in being part of a club? During the day? Or evening?
- Gardening club: Would you be interested in taking part in a community garden at the Preserve?
- ♦ Activities for children: What activities would you like to see for children 0-6? 6-11? 11-13? 13-15?
- ♦ Ribfest: or a cook off?
- Bingo: would you like to have a monthly or quarterly bingo night? Family night or adult evening? Weekend or weeknight?

We are looking for feedback and interest in hopes of making this a success.

The events that are held at the Preserve are not paid for by annual dues.

Please contact Cindy at cindy@preserveassociation.com with input.



Construction at the Barn

Great News! The Barn is under construction to install a wheelchair lift to the second floor. This will allow people that are not able to navigate the stairs to attend events held in the party room. Whether it might be a Graduation Party, Wedding Reception, Rehearsal Dinner or any other gathering, the stairs to get to the second floor will no longer be an issue.

This a vision that has been discussed and dreamed about for many years. Through diligent savings efforts and careful planning, we are finally able to see this project come to life.

This process will not interfere with any parties currently booked. We expect to have it completed by the middle of April.

Healthy Living with Essential Oils

Learn how to use these powerful, non-toxic gifts from nature to support you and your family's wellness and get chemicals out of your home!

You will learn about Essential Oils, how to use them safely, and have an opportunity to get started if you want to begin!

Tuesday, February 25th at 7:00 pm at The Barn.

The cost is \$8 and you will go home with a gift! Please contact The Preserve to sign up and register.

Cleanup Day

Help us clean up along Anderson Lakes Pkwy and around The Preserve. Let's show pride for our neighborhood and our community. This is a great family activity.

When: Saturday April 25

Time: Meet at the Barn at 10:00 a.m.

Gloves/Bags and Sub lunch provided

Please RSVP by April 21st.

Renting the Barn

In 2019 there were over 300 events held at the Barn.

Graduations, meetings, weddings, bridal and baby showers; we can accommodate most any event. Only members of The Preserve Association can rent this beautiful space.



Spring and early Summer are very busy, so don't delay in booking your event. If you are interested in having a party in the Barn, call today to lock in your desired date and time.

Free Wine Tasting

Join us Friday, April 24th from 7:00 9:00 pm

Winery representatives will be here pouring their wines and offering information about them. They will be answering questions, whether they be the most basic or Master Sommelier level, they will keep you informed. Please RSVP by Tuesday, April 21st at 952-941-8400.





Updates:

- <u>Life Guards and Grounds Crew:</u> The Preserve Pool is a wonderful place to work and a great summer job for high school and college students. Now taking applications.
- <u>Website:</u> We are working on redesigning and updating our website for your convenience and we hope it will be a great source of information for you. Please visit our website from time to time and watch for the new updates.
- <u>Calendars:</u> We have "At A Glance" 2020 Preserve Calendars available in the office for our residents. Please stop by if you are interested in picking one up.
- <u>Annual Board Meeting:</u> Tuesday, May 12th. Board positions are open. This is a great way to make a difference. Please contact The Preserve.
- New Ownership: Baypoint Apartments is under new ownership and is now called Renew at Neill Lake. Look for updates and improvements to their property.

Reminders:

- <u>Selling Your Home?</u>: Remember to contact the Preserve Office. The new homeowner must be provided a resale disclosure certificate as well as association documents prior to closing. Not contacting us to request paperwork could effect your closing.
- <u>PROP:</u> The Preserve Office is an official PROP drop-off location so you are welcome to bring non perishable food items for the local emergency food shelf.
- <u>Dues:</u> 2020 annual dues invoices have gone out and payment is due by March 15th, 2020. We accept payment by cash, check or credit card. There is a 3% bank fee for processing all credit card payments.
- <u>Pool tags</u>: Pool tags are now permanent. DO NOT THROW AT THE END OF THE SEASON. There is a \$15.00 fee for lost cards.
- <u>Census 2020:</u> Remember to take part in the Census. Everyone counts and taking part is your civic duty.

Thank you to everyone that attended the events held in 2019!



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GREETINGS FROM THE
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Feed My Starving Children

Thank you to everyone that signed up for our FMSC event held in Chanhassen. Please check our FB and website for more events in the future. Thank you.

