



## Pool Season Reminders

In accordance with our pool contract, the last day of the regular pool season was Sunday, Aug. 21.

The pool was closed the week of Aug. 22 since school is in session, but residents will have four more weekend opportunities to swim:

Aug. 27-28  
Sept. 3-5 (note: the pool will be open on Labor Day)  
Sept. 10-11  
Sept. 17-18

Thanks for a great summer!

## Will you be “Board” when the kids go back to school?

Now that school started, many of our residents will have extra time on their hands without the little ones home all day, every day. Why not consider helping your neighborhood and joining us? We have a job open that you might be perfect for:

**Our Board of Directors currently has a vacancy.** This position would be an appointed one until the annual board elections at the end of next year. Since hiring Spectrum Assn. Management, board responsibilities have changed and there is less paperwork / official duty and more planning / collaboration to keep our neighborhood beautiful, safe, and fun to live in. Email us at [TBNBoard@yahoo.com](mailto:TBNBoard@yahoo.com) if you'd like more information about this opportunity!

## Garden Club

Neighbors interested in gardening and helping lead enhancements to our community amenities, the garden club would love to hear your ideas!

For more information please contact Minnie Shreck at [mmsandfriends@gmail.com](mailto:mmsandfriends@gmail.com) or join The Garden Club at their monthly meetings: 3rd Saturday of each month at Blue Bonnet Grill at Missouri City Golf Club for lunch.

## Social Committee

Our annual Summer Splash Pool Party was a huge success! We had our best turnout ever with over 125 residents and guests. Everyone enjoyed the free pizza, cookies, veggies, bounce house, fire truck tours, free hotel night door prizes and the kids games. Thanks to all of the volunteers that helped especially Barbara Houghton who coordinated the kids games and Larry Foxx of Foxx Mobile Music who volunteered again to donate his services.

Our next event is our National Night Out Pool Party on Tuesday, October 4, 2016. If you would like to volunteer to help out at our events or to donate food or door prizes please contact Peter Cruickshank at (832) 452-1680.

## Neighborhood Yard Sale

Thunderbird North is having our second annual Neighborhood Yard Sale! Last year's event was a HUGE success, with over 20 homes participating! This will be a fun and easy way to get rid of clutter and make some extra cash for the holidays. A neighborhood sale generates much more traffic than a single yard sale on its own, and you'll benefit from the word of mouth of so many neighbors promoting the sale! Both homeowners and tenants are encouraged to participate, and the best part—it's completely free!

Our sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 10. Those with small businesses are welcome to set up tables for their businesses at their yard sales as well. To participate you must sign up by **August 31, 2016.**

It is important to sign up early—the more homes we have participating the more shoppers we can attract!

You can sign up and get more information by emailing Katie Meeks at [mrskatiemeeks@gmail.com](mailto:mrskatiemeeks@gmail.com) or by coming to the August board meeting.



## Deed Restrictions

The Board of Directors would like to thank everyone for their support in maintaining our neighborhood. The enforcement of our deed restrictions is necessary to maintain the value of all the homes in our neighborhood.

A full copy of our current Deed Restrictions is available on our website, [www.tbnca.org](http://www.tbnca.org), under documents. You can report any concerns you have to Spectrum, our management company, for the homeowner's association to follow up on.

The city also has a program where individuals can report violations to the city code, anonymously if you wish, and then the city will respond and keep you informed of corrective action taken. This is only for those items that are a violation of city code. Visit <http://www.seeclickfix.com/missouri-city/report> to report violations.

## Water Conservation During Summer Months

You can reduce your water consumption by 20-40 percent without purchasing expensive equipment. Reducing water use can mean substantial savings on water, sewage and energy bills. The following suggestions will help you get in the habit of saving water:

### Kitchen

- Avoid using the garbage disposal. It uses a lot of unnecessary water and can lead to problems with septic systems. Start a compost pile instead!
- Run automatic dishwashers only with a full load.
- When washing dishes in the sink, use one side of the sink or a large bowl for rinsing, rather than running water.
- Keep a container of water in the refrigerator for cold drinks. If you have to run your tap while waiting for cold water, collect running water in pitcher for later use.

### Bathroom

- Conventional toilets use about five to seven gallons of water per flush. Water used for each flush can be reduced by placing two half-gallon plastic bottles filled with water in the tank.
- Install a low-flow aerator on your shower-head and sink. These devices can be purchased at a hardware store and are easy to install. They reduce flow to approximately three gallons per minute instead of the usual five to 10 gallons in a shower.
- Turn off tap water while brushing your teeth or shaving.
- Take shorter showers. During droughts, turn off water while soaping up.

Remember, when you use less water, you are also using less energy, leading to even greater savings. Visit [www.auduboninternational.org](http://www.auduboninternational.org) for more conservation tips.

## Nextdoor: Community Network

A number of Thunderbird North residents have joined a free community networking site called Nextdoor. We are up to over 140 residents now! Neighbors can share crime and safety concerns, local events, recommendations, items for sale/free, ideas about how to make the neighborhood better, and more. Our city is an active participant as well, with posts from the police department and emergency alerts. You have the option of participating with surrounding neighborhoods too if you like. To join Thunderbird North on Nextdoor, go to [nextdoor.com/join](http://nextdoor.com/join) and use code EBTAVQ.

## Missouri City Police Dept. starts new DDACTS program

In an effort to deter crime in the most efficient manner, the Missouri City PD has started a new Data-Driven Approach to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS). In a nutshell we are directing more officers to small geographic areas that are hot spots for crime or traffic accidents. Our officers will use traffic enforcement to maintain high visibility in the area and contact as many residents as possible to inform them about the issues and work towards solutions. So if you see an above average number of officers in a specific area, know that we are working towards keeping the citizens of this city safe in both their homes and vehicles.



The Thunderbird North Community Association Board meets at 6:30 pm on the third Wednesday of each month in the City Centre located at 2880 La Quinta Drive. The meeting is open to all residents of Thunderbird North.

- 8/31 Deadline to sign up for Yard Sale
- 9/10 Thunderbird North Neighborhood Yard Sale
- 9/17 Garden Club Meeting at Blue Bonnet Grill for lunch
- 9/21 Board of Directors Meeting at City Centre, 6:30pm
- 9/18 Pool Season Ends
- 10/4 National Night Out Pool Party at TBNCA Pool
- 10/15 Garden Club Meeting at Blue Bonnet Grill for lunch
- 10/19 Board of Directors Meeting at City Centre, 6:30pm

Stay up to date with what's happening in Thunderbird North by subscribing to our email updates! Visit our website, [tbnca.org](http://tbnca.org), and click on "contact" at the top of the screen, then fill in the "subscribe" box next to the email form. If you had previously subscribed to our old website prior to 2016, please re-subscribe now to be sure contact is not lost. We only send out 2-3 email newsletters a month, so you will not be overwhelmed!

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