# The Good Neighbor

The latest community news and announcements

## The Board

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# **Neighborhood Trick-or-Treat**



Sunday October 31st, 6pm-8pm

For those houses participating, please have your front porch lights on and instruct kiddos not to knock on doors without front porch lights on. And as always, have fun!

# Halloween Spider Slime

#### **Supplies**

- 2 (5 oz) bottles of clear school glue
- 10 oz water
- 8 oz liquid starch
- 1/4 cup glitter
- 1/4 cup Halloween spider confetti

#### **Directions**

This slime is very easy to make, and it makes a big bucket full so there's enough for 3-4 kids.

- In a bowl pour out the entire contents of both bottles of glue.
- Add the water to the glue.
- Add the glitter and confetti spiders and stir it all up.
- Slowly add about half the starch to the concoction and stir. If there is still some liquid, add about half of what is left of the starch and keep stirring.
- When it looks like a big glob of goo (like the picture above), then stop adding liquid starch. If there's still liquid in the bowl, then keep adding the starch a little bit at a time until it forms a glob.
- Once it's too thick to stir, then start kneading the slime with your hands to work any excess water into it, so that it's no longer sticky.

Now it's time to play! Your kids will get hours of fun from this slime. Mine love to put it in all sorts of containers and stretch it and make balls with it. It's really so much fun — even I like to play with it!



# **Board Member Spotlight:** *Kim Brown, President*

Kim has lived in 5 other states and South Africa, before moving here to Carroll County to be with her husband, Kevin (who owns Quantum Internet & Telephone). She teaches English as a second language online, is a reading tutor, and is the founder and chief community organizer of Carroll County Homeschool Community Center.

Aside from her love of planting trees with the Hampstead Tree Commission, Kim is going on year 10 of leading her Girl Scout troop, fifth year as a Battle of the Books coach, and second year as a First Lego League Robotics Coach.

"You only live once, take the trip," says Kim, showing her love of travel, especially to other countries and national parks. She loves to bore people with why we need more connected sidewalks and bike trails in Hampstead - community, exercise, get to know your neighbors, safety, to name a few.

Gardening consumes most of her free time, as it is a great place to listen to an audio book. She homeschools her two kids, as experiential learning is her passion. She decided to volunteer with the HOA, as they needed people, so why not?

Kim's tenure as our HOA president has come to an end, and we are currently searching for a volunteer to take her spot. If interested, please reach out to us via email to NorthCarrollFarmsHOA@gmail.com.

### **Neighborhood News**

### Volunteers Needed

There are still several vacant positions on the HOA Board and Architectural Committee. If you are able to volunteer, send us an email or reach out to one of the board members.

### **Tot Lot Mulching**

On Tuesday 10/12 our tot lot is going to be sprayed with pesticides to kill weeds ahead of our mulch delivery on 10/14. Please refrain from using the tot lot during this time.

Volunteers are needed 10/14, 10/15, and 10/16 to help spread mulch over the lot. This is a large job, so even if it's only for a few minutes your help will be greatly appreciated!

The HOA board will be obtaining quotes to potentially have a rubberized surface placed on the tot lot in the future. If anyone knows of a reputable company please let us know!

For any questions or concerns, send us an email.

See you around the 'hood! Your HOA Board

### **Important Dates**

October 11..... Columbus Day

October 12..... Tot Lot Spraying

October 14-16..... Playground Mulching

October 16..... Bulk Trash Pickup

October 31..... Halloween

November 16...... HOA Budget Meeting

December 7...... HOA meeting