# The Armour Star

# ARMOUR FIELDS HOMES ASSOCIATION



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# Holiday Lights Contest - New Categories for 2025!

We're mixing things up this year with brand-new categories to keep things festive and fun! Whether you're all about classic charm or synchronized showstoppers, there's a way for everyone to shine.

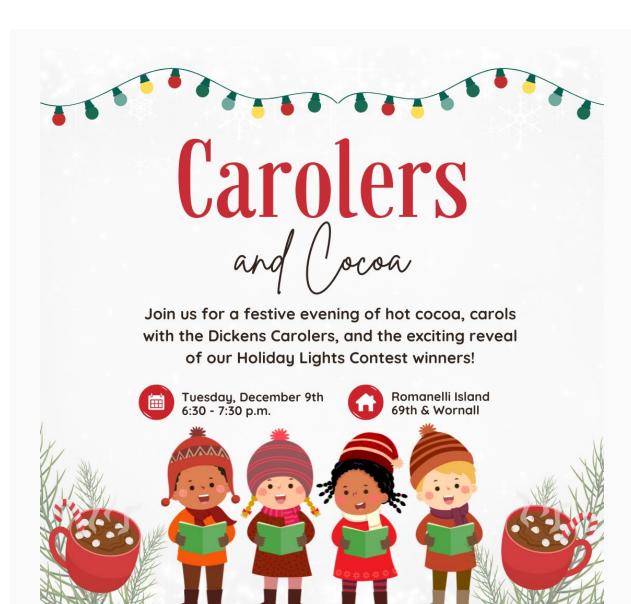
- → The Classic Glow Timeless lights and décor with that warm, traditional holiday feel.
- ▲ **The Griswold** For the brightest, boldest, most over-the-top light show (Clark would be proud).
- The Spark of Creativity Most unique or unexpected design.
- **FROCKIN' Around the Lights** Best use of tech, music-synced lights, or animation.
- Solution Block Party Brilliance Best block team effort.

Our neighborhood is a true holiday attraction for all of Kansas City, so you never know who might be driving by to admire your display! (Arno Road was even featured on Sunday Night Football last year ••).

see the grid below for important deadlines



Save the Date: Carolers & Cocoa



Add event to calendar













#### KCMO Fall Leaf & Brush Pick-Up

- \* KCMO will have leaf & brush pickup on Thursday, October 23rd & Thursday, November 20th.
- They will pick up brown lawn bags and small bundled sticks/debris **ONLY**.
- Curbside collection will take place on your regularly scheduled pick-up day.
- Additional information can be found <a href="here">here</a> (note: we are the **South region**).



### Weekly Leaf Pickup Service Now Available!

This year, Envision Lawn is offering weekly leaf pickup service for neighbors who want an easier way to keep their yards tidy this fall. You can sign up for 1, 4, 8, or all pickups. Simply enter your zip code on their website and submit your order. The cost is \$70 per pickup.

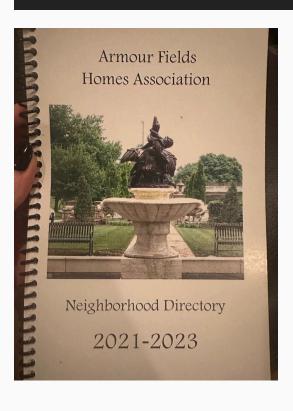
This information is shared as a neighborhood resource since many residents have already used this service in past years and paid more. Feel free to take advantage if it's of interest! Any and all questions regarding scheduling, pickup, payment, etc. should be directed to Envision.

#### Instructions:

- Complete the form and pay online.
- Blow or rake leaves into a long, narrow pile along the curb. The vacuum arm can reach about 3 to 4 feet into the lawn.

- Keep the leaf row clear of trees, bushes, fire hydrants, and light poles.
- Leaves only. Make sure your row is free of trash, rocks, sticks, or other debris.
- Do not park vehicles in front of your leaf row on your collection day.

#### Help Us: Do We Need A Directory?



In the past, every two years we've mailed a printed neighborhood directory. There's a cost associated with printing and mailing these, and the information quickly becomes outdated when people move.

We're considering a more costeffective option with an online, password-protected directory that can be updated easily and stay current throughout the year. Or maybe we don't need a directory at all.

Either way, we'd love your opinion:

Please take a moment to answer the one-question poll below.

#### Oktoberfest Recap



Our favorite event of the year did **not** disappoint! This year's Oktoberfest had a fun German twist, complete with a live German band, a stein-holding contest, and plenty of laughs. Thank you to all who came out, rode a pony, had some beer and danced a polka!

A special thank you to <u>City Barrel</u> for donating their delicious beer for our event! We're so grateful for their continued support. Next time you're nearby, stop in to say thanks, and take a moment to enjoy their amazing pizza, a cold beer (or two), and that great patio we all love. See below for their weekly specials and plan your next visit!

Our first stein-holding champion was **Joseph Miller**, with an impressive time of **7 minutes and 14 seconds**! Start working on those bicep curls now—this will officially be an annual contest.

A huge shoutout to **Laura Flynn-Golec** for planning her *first* Oktoberfest and absolutely knocking it out of the park. From the décor to the details, everything came together perfectly. Prost to the best neighborhood in Brookside!

#### **Nearby Events**

#### Brookside Trick-or-Treat Street

#### Friday, October 31, 2025, 4:00-6:00 pm.

Kids (and grown-ups) are invited to wear costumes and trick-or-treat among the shops in Brookside (between Wornall and Main, from 62nd Terrace to Meyer Boulevard).

#### City Barrel Pizza + Patio - Brookside/Waldo

City Barrel's owner, Joe Giammanco, is an Armour Fields resident who always supports our neighborhood — donating to every event without hesitation. Let's show him our appreciation by stopping in and supporting his business!

- \$10 Tuesday: \$10 select cocktails + flights
- Wine Wednesday: ½-price bottles all day
- Take-Out Thursday: \$40 family meal deal + ½-off kids menu
- Sunday Funday: \$5 Prox City, seltzer specials, and \$12 wing baskets

#### Your Dues at Work



# m Ward Parkway Urn Restoration

The historic urn along Ward Parkway recently got a much-needed refresh! The restoration was completed by **Gary Kershner of Creative Sculpture and Restoration Inc.** and his assistant, **Ben**, who did an incredible job bringing it back to life.

The urn is made from **three different types of marble**, which meant carefully mixing **three pigments** to achieve the perfect color match and replicating **three unique surface textures**. The team also **restored the base and rings**, along with repairs to the **lion's jaw and the Satyr's leg**.

It's looking better than ever, be sure to check it out next time you're nearby!

# Reminder: Report Security Incidents



Help us keep Armour Fields safe by submitting any security incidents through our Security Incident Report Form.
Your reports help the HOA, Titan Protection, and KCMO Police track patterns and address potential concerns in our neighborhood.

# SUBMIT AN INCIDENT REPORT HERE

For questions about
HOA security, <u>contact John Butler</u>, our
HOA board member
overseeing security.

\*This form is for data collection only and does not replace filing a police report or contacting Titan Protection directly. In emergencies, always call 911.

# Email Sign Up

If someone you know within our HOA is not getting our emails, please have them click the button below to be added to our list!

Sign Up Here