



WHAT'S NEW?

This is a publication for residents of Red Oak Hills to keep us up to date on our community and to provide a forum for sharing information.

JULY 2013 ISSUE

ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC



Ninety one people attended the annual meeting and picnic. We would appreciate your comments about continuing the annual meetings and summer picnics.

RESTRICTION OF THE MONTH

No noxious or offensive trade or activity shall be carried on upon any lot nor shall anything be done thereon which may become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood. This is the same as the city code.

CLUSTER BOX PROJECT

The CBU committee is still working on a plan to submit to the Board for the Board's approval. Any contractor in ROH that would like to bid on the installation of the mail boxes and the pad work is asked to let me know. We have been in contact with the Postmaster of the Shawnee Mission postal zone and have put forth our plans for his consideration. He will come to ROH and survey our CBUs. Please look for a survey asking for your input concerning the CBU project plus a few other topics. Hopefully, we can get this out in July.

NEW RESIDENTS

Welcome to our newest ROH residents! Their addresses and phone numbers are in the Directory changes at the end of the newsletter.

- Joe and Skylar, Red Oak Drive
- Shearer, Theresa and Ed, Clairborne Ct.
- Byrn Shaw and Whitney Shay, 70th St
- Winger, Robin and Robert, 66th Te

CITY OF SHAWNEE NEWS

Here are some composting rules. Contain your compost in an area not to exceed 375 cubic feet in the rear or side of your property. All composting must be done at least 30 feet from any building. Avoid diseased plants, human and pet waste, chemically treated wood, bbq grill ash, meat and fish scraps and bones, oils and other fatty foods, milk products, pernicious weeds.

You may include grass clippings , leaves ,tea bags, coffee grounds, fireplace ashes, vacuum cleaner lint, straw, hay, wood chips, sawdust, shredded newspaper.

Do not put yard waste in the storm sewers.

CABLE BOXES

At the annual meeting someone said that we needed to relocate the cable boxes. Gary Turner talked to the engineer at the city who gave us little hope that the cable companies would move the boxes to the rear of the property. The cable companies are putting the boxes to the rear in new subdivisions. Bushes or fountain grass may be our only hope in hiding the boxes.

CONTROLLED BURN

Hopefully, this fall we will be doing a controlled burn in two common areas. The area between Red Oak Dr, 68th Te, 67th Te. and Vahalla Court is one area. The other area is between Red Oak Dr., 68th St and 69th St. We will need the cooperation of home owners and access to their outside water and hoses.

The Fire Marshall and the city arborist have both visited these area. Danger of fire spreading is negligible. We have the kind of trees that will not burn readily and we are just burning accumulated brush. Please let us know of your concerns and if we can use your water hose if necessary.

PROPOSED NEW BOARD MEMBERS TO START AUGUST 1ST

We want to thank Joe Bellinger, on Red Oak Drive, and Lill Carlon, on Red Oak Drive, and Charles Sharpe, on 68th Terrace for volunteering to join the Board. A ballot will be sent to all residents to ratify the new members shortly.

NEED FOR ADDITIONAL BOARD REPLACEMENTS

Dick Ralston, our social chairman and long serving board member is retiring. Dick has been responsible for putting the details together for the Christmas Dinner and the Annual Meeting and Picnic for the last 7 or 8 years. He is going to be missed. We need someone to step up and replace Dick. Please, if you know someone who can donate a very limited amount of time, let me know.

Jill Peterson, our treasurer, will be moving. She and her husband Phil are building a retirement home in the woods of Minnesota which will put them closer to grandchildren. Please contact me if you have an interest. The treasurer is also an officer and board member of the ROH HOA corporation.

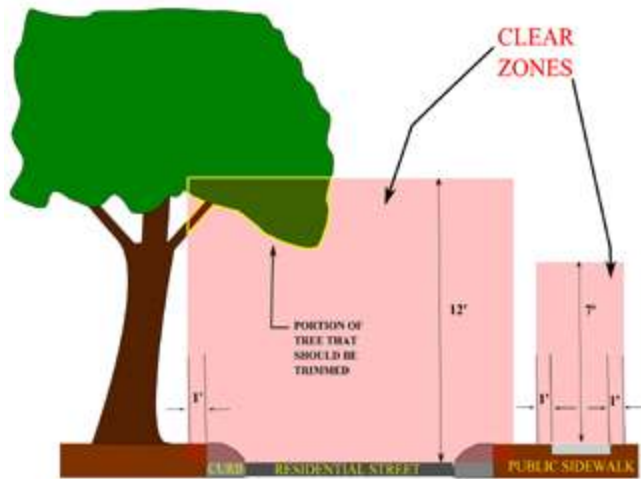
FLAGS

Thanks to Carol Collyard and Reese and Nichols for the flags at each home. Thanks to Niels Benberg for the lights to illuminate the flag at the Midland entrance.

TREE LIMBS OVERHANGING STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

The City has a "clear zone" for the safe passage of vehicles along the streets, and for pedestrians on sidewalks. Adjacent property owners are responsible for keeping the trees that adjoin their property trimmed so that the clear zones are maintained.

The street "clear zone" is shown here as a rectangular area 12' tall above the residential street surface and the width of the street plus 1' behind the curb on either side. The



clear zone height is 14' for busier non-residential streets (classified as arterial or collector streets). The sidewalk "clear zone" is 7' tall above the sidewalk and the width of the sidewalk plus 1' on either side.

CLASSIFIEDS

If you are a resident and have something to sell or you have a service

like babysitting or lawn mowing, you can send an e mail to Gary Turner for possible inclusion in the next newsletter.

Dr. C's Tutoring Services	Carolyn Conklin, Ph.D	Offering tutoring services for grades 6 and above in English (Reading for Information, Writing Compositions, Reports, Grammar), Social Studies (American History, Government, World History, Geography, Sociology, Psychology) and Reading for Understanding and Fun for all grade levels K-12th. Contact Carolyn at drchconklin@hotmail.com.
TV Armoire	FREE	Beautiful wood TV Armoire. 82" high. 53" wide. 44" interior width. We replaced it and have no more room. 268-4513. Gary and Suzie Turner 17709 W 67 th Te.

ROH Directory Changes

ADDRESS	ADDRESS LISTING	ALPHABETICAL LISTING
17404 W 70th	On pg 37 delete Henry Ribbing. Add Shawn Byme & Whitney Shay/	On pg 24 delete Henry Ribbing. Add Shawn Byme & Whitney Shay, 618-980-2140.
7011 Clairborne Ct	On pg 30 delete Nick and Helen Baustert. Add Ed & Theresa Shearer.	On pg 14 delete Nick and Helen Baustert. Add Ed & Theresa Shearer,
17819 W 66th Te	On pg 34 delete Sean and Amber Pistole. Add Robert & Robin Winger.	On pg 23 delete Sean and Amber Pistole. Add Robert & Robin Winger, 785-273-9361

ROH PICNIC RECIPES WANTED

So many residents commented on the delicious side dishes and desserts at the picnic. Are you willing to share yours? Please email nkoporc@att.net and we will publish you.

Here is the recipe for the tomato salad I brought to the Red Oak picnic. I think I found it in the Better Homes & Gardens magazine or Midwest Living a few years ago. I imagine if you do a search for the name of the recipe you will find it on your computer. The photo shows the tomatoes thickly sliced on a platter with the other ingredients scattered on top. For the picnic I doubled the recipe and cut the tomatoes into chunks so it would be easier to dish out and eat. The first time I made it I sliced the tomatoes and the platter looked pretty.

Enjoy!

Joani Brandenburg

Heirloom Tomatoes with Fresh Peaches, Goat Cheese, and Pecans

(Makes 6 servings)

1/3 cup white balsamic vinegar
1 garlic clove minced
2 Tablespoons brown sugar
2 Tablespoons olive oil
1/8 teaspoon salt

Whisk the above ingredients together and stir in 1 large peeled and diced fresh peach and 2 Tablespoons chopped fresh basil. Spoon over sliced heirloom tomatoes (about 2 pounds); top with 3 oz. crumbled goat cheese and 1/2 cup coarsely chopped toasted pecans. Sprinkle with freshly ground pepper to taste.