



## 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.

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### Meet The Jeffers



Double the family, double the fun. Mark and Teresa Jeffers moved into Red Oak Hills and joined Ben and Donna Witters (Teresa's oldest daughter) as members of our community. Mark grew up in Overland Park and Teresa is from Cole Ridge, Nebraska. They moved to Red Oak Hills from Kansas City, Kansas. Mark graduated from Pittsburg State University and Washburn University School of Law. He is now a sole practitioner attorney focusing in the area of family law. Teresa attended Southeast Oklahoma State University and she is an operating room RN at Providence Hospital. The Jeffers love

Chiefs football (long time season ticket holders ) and KU basketball. Family is an important focus. Between Mark and Teresa, they have five adult children and eight grandchildren. Their favorite vacation destinations are San Diego, Key West, Smoky Mountains, Buffalo River area of Arkansas (they love to camp, hike, and canoe), and any of the national parks out west - the Grand Canyon, the Tetons, Yellowstone, and Yosemite will be next. Welcome to the Jeffers!

### Reminders

Do not shoot guns of any kind at wildlife. This is not only unsafe and unnecessary (as we have pointed out before, the critters were here first), but it is illegal. A resident heard a gun go off a short while ago.

Also, please take a second look at your trees that line the side walk. Walkers can be poked in the eye by errant branches. The city has informed us that in a situation like that, the homeowner is responsible for all medical bills and a possible fine. So please keep these branches trimmed.

### Fun Volunteer Activity Where the 1920's Come Alive

Shawnee Town 1929 seeks dedicated volunteers who will share their passion for history with the public. Volunteers will be a part of the new living history program which

demonstrates the lifestyles of the 1920s. Volunteers will be trained in curriculum-based school programs, adult and family-oriented living history demonstrations, and seasonal guided historic site tours. You will get a sense of giving back to our rich community and teaching about our fascinating past through hands-on learning!

They also have a need for event volunteers. These event dates are posted at [www.shawneetown.org](http://www.shawneetown.org). There are also "behind the scenes" volunteer opportunities such as historic collections assistants, artifact/graphic design work, help with the sewing, or data entry and general office tasks.

If you or you know someone who would like to join Shawnee Town 1929 as a volunteer. Please contact:

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Volunteer Coordinator  
Shawnee Town 1929  
913-742-6424  
913-248-2360  
[hgilpin@cityofshawnee.org](mailto:hgilpin@cityofshawnee.org)

### **Status of Cluster Box Project**

Ten sandstone colored cluster mail boxes were ordered last week and are expected to be delivered this week. Niels Benberg will start the assembly and installation process. In order to gain experience, he will install boxes on the flat level pads first as they will be easiest.

We wish to remind residents who have not yet paid their share of the cluster box expense that they will not be issued keys to a new mail box. This policy was requested by ROH residents. Homeowners will have to rent a post office box at the Monticello branch or drive to Mission for held mail.

### **Dues for 2014**

About 92% of the annual dues have been paid to the Treasurer. Thank you for your prompt compliance with financial matters. If ROH needed to hire a management firm to handle these matters, it would cost our subdivision about \$1200 a month.

Approximately 32 residents have not paid either at least a portion of the special assessment and/or annual dues. Late fees for annual dues will go into effect soon.

### **Quarterly Financial Information now on our website**

We are happy to announce that you can now find ROH financial information on our website at <http://redoakhills.org>. Click on documents, then financials. Complete financials were always made available to any resident who requested the information. Now the information will be at everyone's fingertips. Special thanks to Chris Owen for pushing us to find a way to publish financials and to Scott Adams and Jana Bonham for figuring out how to make it happen. Please contact Jana Bonham at 268-1988 if you have any questions.

For those interested in receiving itemized spreadsheets of HOA expenses, please email

Jana Bonham at [jbonham94073@everestkc.net](mailto:jbonham94073@everestkc.net).

## **PUD Documents**

When you got a mortgage for your home that is within the legal boundaries of the HOA, you signed PUD documents. Your signature confirms that you agreed to abide by all the “constituent documents”. This includes restrictions, bylaws, articles of incorporation, dues, and special assessments.

## **HOA Restrictions**

Because of increasing pressure from e mails, phone calls, and conversations with residents, the Board is going to have to become more insistent that restrictions and covenants are observed. Legal advice concurs. ROH residents are pretty tolerant compared to residents in other HOAs. However, when violations persist and residents complain, we regret that we have to get involved.

The general areas that are not required to become members of ROH also have similar restrictions. However, there is no enforcement mechanism beyond the other homeowners.

## **Street Lights**

Thanks to the many residents who alerted the city that we had a street light problem. Joe Waers on Red Oak Dive was particularly involved, calling the city and encouraging them to get the lights fixed. We all appreciate your efforts.

## **Sharing E Mail Addresses with the Treasurer**

When we first started the e mail program, we promised that we would not share your e mail address with anyone. Gary Turner is now the only Board member with access to over 300 addresses. Is there anyone that would object to the Treasurer, Jana Bonham, also having access to your address? It would reduce calls between the President of the Board and the Treasurer and simplify their jobs. As in the past, no other Board member would have access to this information. Please contact Gary Turner if you have any concerns on this matter.

## **E-Waste, Shredding, Bicycle Collection and Latex Paint Event**

The City is hosting the community shredding, E-waste and bike collection event on Saturday, April 29th from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The event will be located in the Splash Cove parking lot at the Jim Allen Aquatic Center at 58th and King. This year the City of Shawnee is partnering with the City of Merriam to bring you a fantastic recycling opportunity just in time for spring cleaning!

Consumer electronics can be conveniently dropped off for recycling - the only items that have a cost for collection are televisions (\$10).

Shredding is free to the public; however, there is a suggested donation of \$5 per regular file box and \$10 per large file box. Donations will help off-set costs of the event and the remaining donations will go to the Shawnee Mayor's Christmas Tree Fund and the Merriam Parks and Recreation Scholarship Fund.

Have your kids outgrown their bikes? Do you have a bike that you never ride? Bring them to the event. The City will work to refurbish and redistribute the bikes through various community service organizations.

New this year is the latex paint collection event. The city of Shawnee is working with Johnson County Household Hazardous to collect unneeded latex paint. Latex paint will only be taken from households. No commercial institutions' paint will be accepted. Oil-based paint, aerosols, paint thinners, stains, and other household hazardous items will not be collected. To dispose of those items, please contact Johnson County Health and Environment at 715-6900. Please review information about how to identify latex paint to help you make sure your materials will be taken.

## Tidy Town

Tidy Town, the City's large item pickup will take place for residents who live west of Pflumm on Saturday, May 3rd. Your trash hauler is responsible for picking up these items. This service is included in your basic rate.

Contact your hauler for specific instructions and a list of items that they will pick up. Remember, do not place hazardous materials such as car batteries, paints, solvents, or liquid waste out for collection. Call Johnson County Health and Environment for disposal of these items at 715-6900.

Haulers will pick up all items that they accept that look like they are out for pick up. Be sure to remove items that you want to keep such as basketball goals, containers you intend on keeping, etc. from the curb during your collection day.

Special Reminder: If you are a Deffenbaugh customer, you will need to set one of your Deffenbaugh carts at the end of the curb so they know to pick up your items. If you do not do this, your items will not be collected.

## ROH RECIPE OF THE MONTH

### Chicken Rollatini

3 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves  
24 Genoa salami or pepperoni slices  
6 provolone slices  
18 asparagus spears, trimmed  
1 jar (24oz) Classico Tomato and Basil Pasta Sauce, divided  
1/4 cup shredded Parmesan or Romano cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Halve each chicken breast and pound to 1/4 inch thick. Season, then place 4 salami slices, one cheese slice, and three asparagus spears in center of each breast; roll up and secure with a toothpick.

Spread 1/2 cup of sauce on the bottom of an 11x7 baking dish. Put chicken in dish, top with remaining sauce and sprinkle with shredded cheese. Bake uncovered for 30 to 40 minutes or until cooked through. Serves 6.

