Red Oak Hills April Newsletter



Please join us for the Red Oak Hills Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9th at 10:00 am in the green space at the center of Red Oak Hills! See the link below for more information and how you can participate. Please note if it rains, we will reschedule to Saturday, April 16th. Click link <u>Red Oak Hills Easter Egg Hunt</u>

Things to do in April

Kansas City R&B Music Festival

Saturday, Apr 02 at 6:00 PM Municipal Auditorium in KCMO

<u>Santana</u>

Tuesday, April 12 at 8:00 PM T-Mobile Center in KCMO

<u>ROH Driveway Dish</u>

Saturday, April 30th 5:30-7pm Invitation to neighbors to meet in our driveways with snacks and conversation.

Sinatra and Friends

April 7-9 Kauffman Center

<u>Utepils</u>

April 30 2022 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Lenexa Public Market, 8750 Penrose Ln.

The Lenexa Utepils celebration is back this year. Utepils is a Norwegian word that essentially translates to "outdoors lager." It marks the enjoyment of a first beer outside after a long, cold winter. With the arrival of spring and the addition of several new breweries in Johnson County, there is no better time to cheer to outdoor beers! The event includes beer, outdoor games, food, music, and more! Do you have a dapper beard or stylish 'stache? We'll be the judge of that! Enter the second annual Beer'd & Mustache Contest during Utepils You could be crowned the champion of facial hair in several categories. Win a prize package of groovy grooming products! Admission is FREE!!

Sunday Baseball in Johnson County

One hundred years ago, fans made a day out of a Sunday baseball game in nearby Starwood Park. It was a great outing for the entire family. They packed a picnic lunch and traveled to the park on the Interurban, our area's own electric-powered streetcar system. The Hocker line ran farthest west, almost to the town of Zarah where Starwood Park was located.

The Johnson County Baseball League included 8 towns: Olathe, DeSoto, Wellsville, Edgerton, Merriam, Overland Park, Shawnee and Lenexa. Even local companies, to improve relations with employees, created baseball teams. Eventually, with the desire to travel anywhere by owning an automobile, our Interurban's popularity declined. Starwood's history also includes Sunday night dances, Chautauqua programs, an amusement park with merry-go-round and religious revivals held there since the mid nineteenth century and was focal point of local entertainment until the 1930's. A major development of the Shawnee Knights of Columbus Council was acquisition in 1976 of the old Starwood Park for picnic use, softball and outdoor Masses and recreation. Find more information at https://jocohistory.wordpress.com/2016/03/30/a-favorite-pastime/





Frank Russel and Harold Hines, player of the Zarah Ball Club, circa 1920-1925

For the children Animal Tales & Trails

This exhibit will let children experience what it's like to prowl in a wild animal's world. Kids can swing like a monkey through the jungle; climb up to an eagle's nest; slide down an iceberg like a penguin; tunnel through an ant hill; ride a camel through the desert; and so much more at this fun, wild, and FREE exhibit. For more information click here <u>Ånimal Tails</u> and <u>Trails</u>



Springtime Spring Rolls In the Air Fryer

Ingredients

- 2 tbs sesame oil
- 1/2 tsp minced garlic
- 2 cups shredded cabbage
- 1 cup matchstick carrots
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced bamboo shoots
- 1 tbsp fresh lime juice
- 2 tsp fish sauce
- 1tsp soy sauce
- 8 square spring roll wrappers
- water to seal wrappers

Directions

- 1. Preheat air fryer to 390°F (200°C).
- 2. Heat sesame oil in a skillet over medium-high heat and cook garlic until fragrant, about 30 seconds.
- 3. Add cabbage, carrots, and bamboo shoots to garlic and cook until slightly tender, about 5 minutes.
- 4. Remove skillet from heat and stir lime juice, fish sauce, and soy sauce into vegetable mixture.
- 5. Fill each spring roll wrapper with vegetable mixture, placing the filling just below the center of the wrapper. Fold the bottom point over the filling and tuck under. Fold in both sides and roll up tightly. Use water to seal the wrapper. Repeat with remaining vegetable mixture and wrappers.
- 6. Spray air fryer basket with cooking spray. Place spring rolls into basket, working in batches as needed, and spray rolls with cooking spray.
- 7. Cook spring rolls in air fryer for 5 minutes; turn over and cook until evenly browned, about 5 minutes more.

Spring Recycle

If it uses a power cord or runs on batteries, chances are good that Midwest Recycling Center (MRC) can recycle it. Located at 2000 E.19th St in Kansas City, MO, MRC has a lengthy list of items that can be recycled. Check it out at <u>https://mrcrecycling.net/list</u>.



Friendly neighborhood reminder-Protect the beauty of our neighborhood! As a reminder, deed restrictions in Red Oak Hills require residents to store trash and recycling containers inside your residence. Containers may only be placed outside /at the curb within 24 hours of the scheduled collection. Thanks for doing your part to keep Red Oak Hills attractive!



Meet Brad and Katey

We are Brad Conrow & Katey Sullivan, we moved to Shawnee and Red Oak Hills in May of 2021. We have been together for over 7 years and are getting married in just a few short months in September! We met freshmen year at Kansas State and the rest is history! Brad works as an Architectural Engineer and I work as a Palliative Care Social Worker at KU Med. We had our eye on Red Oak Hills for quite awhile as Brad's engineering firm is just down the street off of Midland!



We have a Red Heeler named Aggie who you will often find chasing her red frisbee around! She just turned one in January and is the best!

We feel so lucky to be able to be in Red Oak Hills and have found everyone to be so kind and welcoming. We have the best neighbors and really love being here! You can often find us on our deck with a drink or grilling out in the summer time! We look forward to meeting new people in the neighborhood!



Are you getting emails from the Red Oak Hills Board? If not, check your spam folder and/or email secretary@redoakhills.org



If you have a significant life event you would like to share with the neighborhood such as a birth, wedding, adoption, graduation, anniversary or loss, please send to <u>annissalh@me.com</u>.

About Us Jana Bonham, Jessica Horine, Chasity Mwangi and I (Annissa Freeman) are putting together this monthly newsletter for our Red Oak Hills community members. Why? We love our community to be published and want us all to stay connected not just for fun and sharing but also for help. The newsletter is to share news, events and fun things with one another. This newsletter will only be in electronic format however feel free to print and share with friends and family.