



# RED OAK HILLS 2025 Newsletter

**ROH ANNUAL  
EGG HUNT**

Saturday, April 19 | 10:00AM  
ROH Greenspace | Entrance by Little  
Library on Red Oak Drive

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*Wrapped candy donations needed (no eggs).*  
Please drop off by Wed 4/16 at 17601 W 70th St.  
*Egg hiders needed.* Text Caitlin to volunteer:  
913-568-5943

The poster features a light yellow background with a pattern of colorful Easter eggs in purple, pink, and blue, decorated with white polka dots and geometric patterns.

**SAVE THE  
DATE** Happy  
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**SUNDAY, MAY 4  
5:00-7:00PM  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PARK**

The poster has a dark background with colorful papel picado (Mexican paper cut) decorations in red, yellow, and green. The text is in a mix of bold, sans-serif and cursive fonts.

## (Un)common Cures

When rinsing muddy clothes with cold water, turn them inside out. Flushing the dirty side with water will only grind the mud into the fabric.

To tighten loose louvers on wood shutters, locate the tension screw (on the edge of the panel) and use a Phillips head screwdriver to turn it clockwise in small increments, checking the tension after each adjustment.

## Raindrop Walk

When a drop of rain falls on the Lenexa civic campus, it begins a long and busy journey to the heart of the City Center Watershed. Across the watershed, the City of Lenexa uses traditional stormwater treatment methods paired with natural solutions to clean and carry this rainfall to its destination.

Lenexa's Raindrop Walk is a self-guided walking tour that takes you on the journey of a raindrop. From the Lenexa Rec Center's main entrance to a bridge over the creek that carries water to Shawnee Mission Lake, you will venture across six stops throughout the 0.55 mile walk (1.1 miles round trip).

At each sign, you'll learn what challenges we face in protecting our water supply, how Lenexa treats rain runoff and ways you can help improve water quality at home — many of which you can receive reimbursement for through the Cost Share Program. Learn more about each of the six stops below.

Visit <https://www.lenexa.com/Parks-Places/Parks-Outdoors/Nature-Walks/Raindrop-Walk> for more information and tour map.



## How much rain fell last night?

RainDrop farm provides hyper-local rainfall data. Download the app or visit [www.raindrop.farm](http://www.raindrop.farm) to enter the zip code and learn the 24-hour rainfall, year-to-date rainfall and more.



## AARP Local

Discover local events in the area, access community news, volunteer opportunities, and more! Check out [local.aarp.org](http://local.aarp.org) to learn about free movie showings, online games, and information on health, caregiving, and recent scams among other knowledge for our lives.



## Nice Spring Walk

**The South Loop Trail at Shawnee Mission Park is now open!** The new 2-mile paved trail connects the Gary L. Haller Trail near Shelter 8 to the Walnut Grove and Parkhurst trails near Shelter 10 and Walnut Grove, creating a 5-mile-long paved loop all the way around Shawnee Mission Park. This addition provides a scenic and accessible route for walkers, runners, and cyclists looking to enjoy the park's natural beauty. Whether you're out for a leisurely stroll or a vigorous workout, the expanded trail system offers more options for outdoor recreation.





## Movie

### Juror #2

The movie follows family man Justin Kemp (Nicholas Hoult) who, while serving as a juror in a high profile murder trial, finds himself struggling with a serious moral dilemma... one he could use to sway the jury verdict and potentially convict--or free--the accused killer.

Directed by Clint Eastwood.



## Series

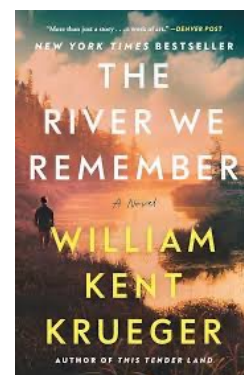


Set in a city-sized underground bunker in Colorado three years after a doomsday event, the series follows United States Secret Service agent Xavier Collins as he seeks to discover the truth behind the killing of the President of the United States. As Xavier comes under suspicion for President Bradford's death, he searches for answers about what really happened, and is unsure of whom he can trust as his questions lead to many shocking revelations.

## Book

*The River We Remember* by William Kent Krueger

Set in 1958 in a small Minnesota town, *The River We Remember* begins when the body of wealthy landowner Jimmy Quinn is found in the Alabaster River on Memorial Day. As Sheriff Brody Dern investigates the murder, long-buried secrets and old wounds resurface, exposing the town's deep divisions. The townspeople quickly suspect Noah Bluestone, a Japanese American World War II veteran who recently moved to the area with his Indigenous wife, fueling racial and cultural tensions. As Brody digs deeper, he must confront his own painful past while navigating a community filled with prejudice, loyalty, and hidden truths. The novel weaves together multiple perspectives, painting a rich and complex portrait of small-town life and the human capacity for both kindness and cruelty. With beautiful prose and a gripping mystery, *The River We Remember* explores themes of justice, redemption, and the lingering effects of war.



## April Shower Craft Fair

**April Showers bring the crafting hour!** The April Showers Craft Festival is on Saturday, April 5th, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Shawnee Civic Centre, 13817 Johnson Drive. Admission is free, making it a perfect outing for families, craft lovers, and anyone looking for unique handmade items. Visitors can browse a wide selection of handcrafted goods, including jewelry, home décor, art, and seasonal gifts. Local artisans will be showcasing their work, offering a great opportunity to support small businesses and find one-of-a-kind treasures. Whether you're shopping for a special gift or just enjoying a day out in the community, the festival promises a fun and creative atmosphere for all ages.



# Easy Crab Cakes



## Ingredients:

Lump crab meat  
3 Scallions  
1 1/3 c Bread crumbs  
3-4 tbsp Mayonnaise  
Lemon slice  
1/4 tsp Salt  
1/2 tsp Pepper

## Remoulade

1 c greek yogurt  
2 tbsp dijon mustard  
2 tsp cajun seasoning  
1/2 tsp horseradish  
1 tsp minced garlic  
salt  
pepper

## Crab Cake Directions

1. Thinly slice scallions and add to bowl
2. Stir in bread crumbs and mayonnaise, salt and pepper
3. Fold in crab, try not to stir
4. Scoop about 1/2 cup and make a patty
5. Pan fry in olive oil until each side is crispy brown
6. Serve with lemon slices and remoulade

## Remoulade Directions

1. Whisk together the Greek yogurt, dijon mustard, cajun seasoning, smoked paprika, horseradish, pickle relish, garlic, and lemon juice.
2. Transfer to a serving dish along with crab cake



## About Us

Jana Bonham and Annissa Freeman work together to create this monthly newsletter for our Red Oak Hills community members. Why? We love our community 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.