

Red Oak Hills Newsletter



KC Super Bowl Players

A lot of work (and a little luck) is required for a football player to make it to the "Big Game" and several local players have achieved it. Roy Foster attended SMW. He was a first-round pick of the Dolphins in 1982. He played in two Super Bowls, both with the Dolphins, His first was Super Bowl XVII against the Washington Redskins losing 27-17 and he was Miami's starting left guard in Super Bowl XIX which the San Francisco 49ers won 38-16. The Dolphins lost both games, bested by two of the best NFL teams of all time.

Ryan Lilja attended SMNW. He was the starting left guard for the Colts in Super Bowl XLI when they rushed for 191 yds in a 29-17 win over the Bears. He also was a starter for the Colts in their 31-17 loss to the Saints in Super Bowl XLIV. *Excerpt from the Kansas City Star article "Nine KC High School Players who later were in the Super Bowl"*. Read about the additional Super Bowl players from the KC Metro at <https://www.kansascity.com/sports/spt-columns-blogs/for-petes-sake/article58118133.html> .



Free Kansas City Symphony Concerts

On Wednesday, February 23, the musicians of the Kansas City Symphony will perform a one-hour chamber music program that will add joy and Mozart's Piano Quintet to the middle of your week. Although titled a free "Happy Hour" Concert, all ages can attend and the focus is on the concert not the cash bar! Reserve your free general admission tickets in advance and learn about additional concerts by visiting kcsymphony.org.



The Red Cross is experiencing the worst blood shortage in over a decade. City Wide Facility Solutions at 15230 W 105 Terrace in Lenexa is hosting an American Red Cross blood drive on February 8 from 10:00 to 3:00. Westside Family Church at 8500 Woodsonia Dr. in Lenexa is hosting an American Red Cross blood drive on February 15 from 1:00 – 6:00.

Did you know 1 in 7 people entering the hospital will need a blood transfusion? Hospitals and patients in need rely on donors to provide lifesaving blood. Crossroads Christian Church at 5855 Renner Rd. in Shawnee is hosting a Community Blood Center Mobile Drive on February 13 from 12:30 – 4:30. Help patients in need - donate today!



DONOR
donate blood

Construction in ROH



Our subdivision is fortunate to have lots of picturesque hills and valleys. However, with this comes the need for periodic maintenance of the metal storm water pipes that carry rain water away. The City of Shawnee has notified us that in 2022 many of our subdivision's storm water pipes will be refurbished with a plastic lining on the inside. This work is scheduled to begin soon and will continue for several months. While this may cause some short term inconvenience, this is needed maintenance and your patience is appreciated.

She Crab Stew (a quick and easy version) by Paula Dean

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 25 minutes Servings: 6

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup dry sherry
- 1 lb claw crabmeat
- , picked free of any broken shells
- 1 soup can half and half
- 1 soup can milk
- 1 (10 3/4-oz) can condensed cream of celery soup
- 1 (10 3/4-oz) can condensed cream of potato soup
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 2 tablespoon butter
- Salt
- Freshly ground black pepper



Directions

In a large saucepan, melt the butter and sauté the onion until translucent, 3 to 4 minutes. Add the soups, milk, and half and half. Add the crabmeat and bring just to a boil. Add the sherry, and salt and pepper to taste. Serve immediately. Or allow to cool to room temperature, then refrigerate or freeze immediately in plastic microwavable reusable containers with lids.

New Neighbors

Julia and Rebecca moved to Red Oak Hills just over a year ago after searching for the "just right" house and neighborhood in the KC area for a couple of years. We are both attorneys, Rebecca working in public finance and Julia in public defense, and like so many now are working in the office part-time and, attributable to the joys of Covid, at home part-time surrounded by our ever helpful ridiculous dogs whom we adore beyond reason. We are enthralled by our new neighborhood, our wonderful neighbors and the glories of gorgeous Shawnee Mission Park. We are also enjoying living in an area that has, shall we say, a more vibrant and interesting selection of restaurants and entertainment options than our previous location. We look forward to many wonderful years ahead in wonderful Red Oak Hills, really somewhat of a hidden gem in the KC metro area!



Talking Trash

To prevent safety hazards, minimize odors and protect our haulers, check out the following tips:

- Place carts 3 ft from cars and other carts.
- Position carts on the street with wheels against the curb.
- Clear branches and other obstacles that prevent cart pickup.
- Close lid completely with all items inside the cart.
- Exclude any nonacceptable or hazardous materials.
- Bag all trash to avoid odors from leaks and spillage.
- Avoid leaning items against cart or placing items on top of lid.
- Put materials in the correct container.
- Bag shredded items and place in trash cart.
- Do not bag recyclables.

Visit jocogov.org/departments/environment/recycling/recycling-101 for recycling tips.



THE HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS ARE COMING TO KC

Coming to the T-Mobile Center February 12th, The Harlem Globetrotters. The Trotters have been putting in work and they're coming to Spread Game. The all-new Spread Game Tour is an unforgettable experience. Don't miss ankle-breaking crossovers, ball-handling wizardry and an all-new in-game dunk contest. This is the team the whole family can cheer for. Go to harlemglobetrotters.com for details.



Home Grown

Made in KC store is a favorite for finding just the right locally made gift or Kansas City apparel. In the past, the drive was lengthy, from Shawnee to one of their locations. Now, there's good news for patrons. The Made in KC Marketplace in Lenexa has now opened. This hybrid coffee shop and retail store includes a multitude of retail stalls, a cafe and bar, plus three lanes of shuffleboard. Located just east of the Lenexa Public Market & Library and housed on the first floor of the Penn I building in The District, it fills over 8,000 square feet. Try a delicious coffee, sandwich, salad or pastry made by Parisi Coffee. Made in KC Marketplace is at 8703 Penrose Lane.



Donations for the homeless

Our neighbors, The Buses at 17412 67th Terrace are collecting donations for the homeless. Items always needed are :

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| tents | tarps | blankets | sleeping bags |
| flashlights | | | |
| <u>Mens/Womens</u> | | | |
| sweatshirts | jogger pants | socks | t-shirts |
| underwear | hats/gloves/scarfs | tennis shoes | |



Please leave donations on the front porch. Thank you for your donations.

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 annissalh@me.com.

About Us

Jana Bonham, Jessica Horine, Chasity Mwangi and I (Annis 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.