



## *RED OAK HILLS Newsletter*

### **Helping the Homeless**

Our neighbors, Rick and Alice Bush, continue to hand out much needed items to the homeless in KCMO. Current needs include tents, tarps, blankets, sleeping bags, flashlights, men's/women's sweatshirts, jogger pants, socks, t-shirts, underwear, hats, gloves and scarves. Drop off items on their front porch at 17412 67th Terrace. Feel free to contact Rick and Alice at [richardalanbush@gmail.com](mailto:richardalanbush@gmail.com). You can also reach Rick at 913-915-5282 or Alice at 913-909-7687, if you would like more details. Consider collecting items at your Super Bowl party! Thank you, ROH!



### **Meet the Collyards**

Ken and Carole have lived in Red Oak Hills since 1995. They absolutely love it because the location is convenient to much in the neighborhood. They think the area is awesome with the diversity of home styles and families. Both Ken and Carole are residential real estate brokers with Reese Nichols realtor. Ken is also a commercial realtor. They have been realtors for 40+ years. Give them a call if you have any real estate questions. They have a goldendoodle named Rocky. Perhaps you have seen Ken and Rocky on their morning walks or heard Rocky barking hello if you come by their cul-de-sac. They have three daughters, one son, 4 grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Some of them are local while the others are in the Colorado mountains, Seattle and Oregon. Carole has been a board member of the HOA for many years and welcomes any suggestions and ideas from residents of the subdivision. She's currently serving as social chair.



## Our Story Began with a Human Touch

Man's best friend may be the inspiration behind PawsAbilities products, but its story began with a human touch. PawsAbilities, based in Olathe, provides skills training and job placement for people with disabilities in Kansas City. PawsAbilities' young adults handcraft all natural dog treats, sew dog bandanas, and upcycle t-shirts into pull toys. Students also work in its retail and mobile stores, learning customer service skills for future jobs. PawsAbilities' love for pets and for people with special needs is one. Despite the positive contributions to America's workforce – lower turnover and absenteeism – finding jobs for people with disabilities can be difficult. PawsAbilities has an innovative job training/placement social enterprise. Visit <https://pawskc.org/> for additional information and to shop online.



## Dolly Parton: Here I Am

Dolly Parton leads a moving, musical journey in this 2019 Netflix documentary that details the people and places who have helped shape her iconic career. If you enjoy Dolly Parton: Here I Am, check out the New York Times 2020 bestseller Songteller: My Life in Lyrics. This volume explores the songs that have defined Parton's journey. Illustrated throughout with previously unpublished images from her personal and business archives, Songteller, highlights 175 of her songs and brings readers behind the lyrics from over 60 years of songwriting.



## Easy Homemade Bread-just 4 ingredients (compliments of TikTok)

### Ingredients:

- 3 cups flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp instant yeast
- 1 1/2 cup of HOT water

### Instructions:

1. Mix flour, salt, yeast
2. Add 1 1/2 cup of hot water and mix well and cover with plastic wrap for 2 hours (it should double in size)
3. Put dutch oven in 450 degree oven to heat
4. Flour work surface and lightly flour dough. Place dough on floured work surface and fold a few times so that it is not sticky. Shape into a ball
5. Place in dutch oven and bake covered for 30 minutes. Uncover and continue to bake for 10-15 minutes or until nice and crusty brown.
6. Butter and enjoy!



## One of the most anticipated restaurants for 2023, will be in Shawnee~ *WILD CHILD*

Located on the corner of Johnson Drive and Nieman Road and sitting between the fantastic craft cocktail bar Drastic Measures and the long-awaited Friction Brewing will be Wild Child, a new natural wine bar serving a bit of food and a stellar selection of “noes and lows” or no alcohol and low ABV house-made wines and cocktails. This is the second project for co-owners Jay Sanders and Derick and Shelley Shackelford, who saw a need in the drink landscape of downtown Shawnee and decided to fill it in the spot that once held a small shoe repair shop. At around 1,000-square-feet, Wild Child is a little smaller than Drastic Measures, but will feel much different with lots of windows and plenty of natural light. Expect to see lush green plants, modern furniture, and plenty of natural fabrics and texture in the space. Primarily a natural wine bar, Wild Child will also serve a selection of beer and cider and five classic cocktails, in addition to a large variety of non-alcohol and low ABV drinks that Sanders plans to make in-house using favorite cocktail flavors and low ABV wines for carbonation. Jeff Workman, former executive sous chef at Corvino Supper Club & Tasting Room, will be designing the snacks menu here. All of that adds up to a night out with this Wild Child will be in order come February.



**Little Known Fact**-Whether you've been inspired by Marie Kondo or not, you probably still have close to a third of a million items in your home. One report found that the average U.S. house has around 300,000 things in it. Yeah, we like stuff. Lots of stuff. Longtime friends Joshua Fields Milburn and Ryan Nicodemus share how our lives can be better with less. They've built a movement out of minimalism. Watch the documentary **The Minimalist Less is Now** on Netflix, it asks some profound questions around the stuff we have and hold onto and why.



*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](mailto:annissalh@me.com).*

### About Us

Jana Bonham, Jessica Horine, Chasity Robinson Mwangi and Annissa Freeman contribute to putting together 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.