



RED OAK HILLS Newsletter

HALLOWEEN PARADE

Please join us for the 3rd annual Halloween Parade on **October 29th at 11:00 a.m.!**

Kids, parents, dogs, and whoever else, please join us for a short parade of costumes! All neighbors are encouraged to dress up! We will be starting at the gatehouse entrance of Red Oak Hills, walking on the sidewalk to the cul-de-sac on 69th Terrace. Kids will receive candy in individual bags and be served hotdogs and cider.



We need your help to make this a success! Please drop off individually wrapped candy to 17820 W.69th by 10-27-22 and RSVP at [Red Oak Hills Halloween and Hotdogs](#)

Spectators The parade will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the Red Oak Hill entrance off Midland. You can set up chairs or stand and wave to kids. Be sure to grab your costumes and join us outside for a ghoulish good time.



Sunset Cheers - The kids all have had their fun earlier on the 29th, and it will be time for the adults to relax in the driveways of ROH. Please bring out your lawn chairs, music and drinks to your driveway (or go to your neighbors) and share a toast...to the Chiefs, life after Covid, or to good neighbors. Let's sit out, raise our glasses and toast one another.

Kansas City Talent

Political cartoonist, Lee Judge, was born in Roseville, CA, and landed his job at the *Kansas City Star* on April Fool's Day of 1981. Foreshadowing? Maybe. For over 35+ years, Judge penned clever drawings with sentiment, snark, and a heartfelt appreciation of all things KC. Check out <https://comicskingdom.com/lee-judge> for daily cartoons from this local artist.

Warning! Website is recommended only for those who can laugh at politics.



Support a local business

The Pantry KC is a small bakery located in Lenexa, KS that is woman-owned and operated. Deepal Patel is the baker, chef & owner. Dee graduated in 2015 from the New England Culinary Institute, one of the most world-renowned programs in the country, but that's not where her interest in baking began. After completing her degree in genetics at Purdue, she started baking as a hobby and quickly realized just how passionate she was about it. Dee's creative treats and beautiful designs got her noticed by the Food Network and she was invited to compete in the 2018 Spring Baking Championship. Growing up in Wales, she has truly lived all over the world and enjoys traveling as much as possible. "I've always wanted to open my own place," Dee says. "I have enjoyed working in hotels and resorts on a big scale for banquets and events, but now, I'm baking on a smaller, artisanal scale where I can experiment and put my own unique twist on my pastries and desserts." The Pantry KC resides at 7769 Quivira Rd. and is open on Saturday & Sunday from 8:00am - 3:00pm. Visit thepantrykc.com for more information. The cruffin and almond-cherry croissants are highly recommended!



12th Annual Cars in the Park Car Show

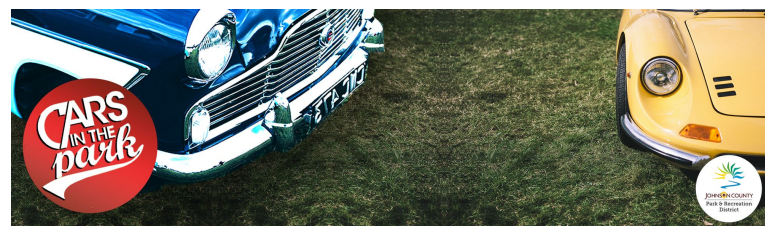
Saturday, October 2nd Theatre in the Park

9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

This event benefits JCPRD Special Populations programs and Special Olympics.

Shine up your vintage or contemporary car, truck, hot rod, or motorcycle because it is time to show them off. This event is for all ages and a DJ will be playing some golden oldies. There will be food trucks, raffle prizes, the 50/50 pot, and silent auction of amazing sports memorabilia.

Be sure to enter the event at Theatre in the Park, 7710 Renner Road in Shawnee, which is north of the main entrance to Shawnee Mission Park. Visit <https://www.jcprd.com/176/Cars-In-the-Park> for more information.



Drastic Measures – a fun Speakeasy in Shawnee

Are you looking for something a bit different? You may want to try the local Speakeasy in Shawnee - Drastic Measures. The atmosphere is great with a relaxing and chill-feel! They offer a small, yet cozy environment with fun specialty cocktails with names like Deadeye Diez, Born Lucky, Lip Service, and Ruined Vacation. They are located at 5817 Nieman Road, Shawnee KS, 66203

(www.drasticbar.com), and are open from 4:00 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. (1:30 on weekends) and there is no need to make a reservation!

Candy Donations

Donate your leftover Halloween candy for our local troops.

Drop off Location: 6747 Red Oak Dr. Collection bin on the porch.

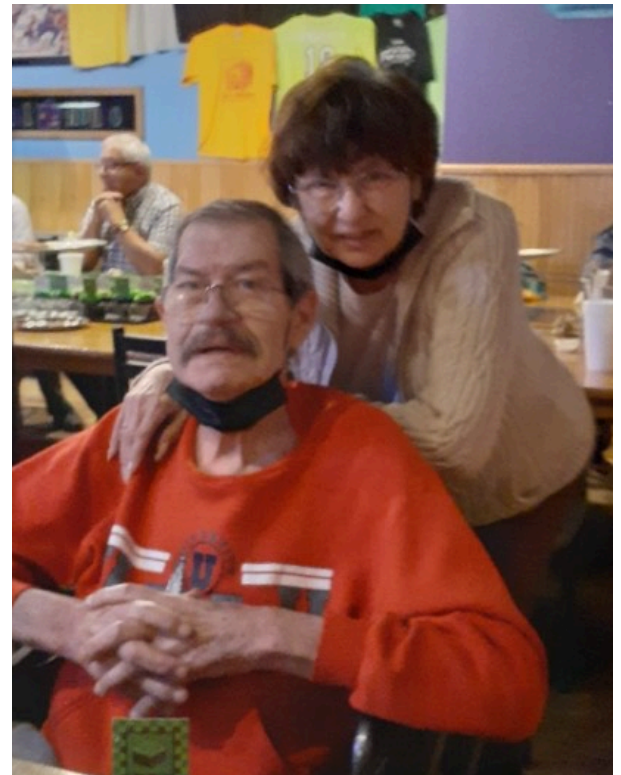
Drop off Dates: November 1 – 7



Meet John and Connie

John Tolich is originally from Utah and retired from the railroad and Connie Wolfe was raised in Missouri and was in the transportation business, which included a shuttle service she ran with John these past few years prior to her retirement. They both lived in Lenexa and then in Overland Park for three years prior to moving to Red Oak Hills this year, 2022. They chose their beautiful ROH community because they were seeking a one-level home that would accommodate and better suit some health challenges.

John and Connie have been partners for over thirteen-years, and they enjoy many aspects of their lives together. Some of their favorite pastimes include going to the flea markets and taking what they call, “flip the coin,” road trips. They are also big sports fanatics; their favorite teams are the Kansas City Chiefs and the Utah Utes (college football). John and Connie are fortunate to have Connie’s son, Joe, and her sister, Kathy staying with them for a while as they are getting settled and comfortable in their home.



If you see them around, be sure to give them a warm welcome to the neighborhood.

Trail Project

The Red Oak Hills Trail is a popular destination for many in our neighborhood. It needs some trimming and sprucing up to make the trail easier to navigate. If you have an interest, we will have a Trail workday on October 22, 2022, from 9:00 – 12:00. You will need to bring tools to work with to trim/ remove small to medium trees and vines. Pruner’s, loopers, weed eater, chainsaw are some tools that would be needed to accomplish our goal.

If you are interested in being a part of this project, please send an email to straittia2022@gmail.com or text to 417-825-3822 by October 15th. If it is raining on the 22nd we will reschedule an alternate day.

We will meet on Red Oak Drive by the Library (book exchange). ***Many hands make light work***

Did You Know?

The twist ties and clips you see on bread bags have a secret code. The code is universal and shared by bakers all over the world. The tag color tells you which day of the week your bread was baked.

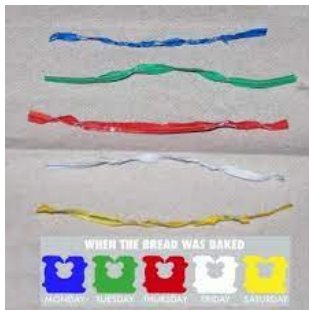
Monday: Blue

Tuesday: Green

Thursday: Red

Friday: White

Saturday: Yellow



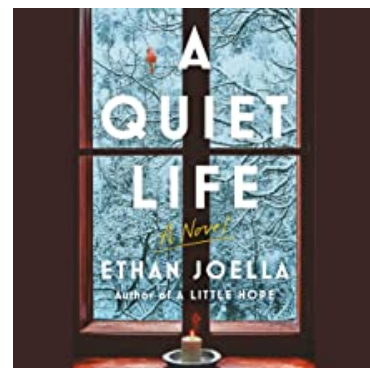
Wednesdays and Sundays are omitted because most bakers stick to a 5-day delivery schedule. One last secret...the colors go in alphabetical order, making it one less thing to forget as you grab the freshest loaf of bread.

Book Recommendation

"A Quiet Life"

by Ethan Joella, out 11/29/22

This profoundly moving novel follows characters fueled by loss as they reach out, connect and change each other in surprising ways: a recent widower facing the prospect of his yearly vacation without his beloved wife, a mother working long hours to fill the space left from the disappearance of her daughter, and a veterinarian who abandoned her career after the death of her father.



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 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.

