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2018 Annual Neighborhood Picnic at Greenway Fields Park

President's Letter

o begin, I would like to remind everyone to please water all trees in the street easement twice weekly or more if they appear dry. In early spring we planted 11 new trees, and we thank those residents for their commitment to keep the new plantings watered for the first three years. Please monitor any newer looking trees including plantings from previous years and water during this excessive drought we are experiencing. If you are missing a tree within the street easement at your property, please send an email to board@greenewayfields.org by September 30th with your name, address and approximate location for a tree in the street frontage. The board will review the list with available funding for fall plantings.

Thank you to the more than 80 residents who turned out for the Greenway Fields Homes Association annual picnic in June. This year we went with the grill out theme of brats, hot dogs and side dishes provided by many residents. Everything was delicious! Many residents also were creative with their dishes due to a power outage that lasted most of the day. Residents brought lawn chairs and enjoyed the company of neighbors with live acoustic guitar music provided at the park.

Additionally, we may have had a record turnout on July 4th for the annual popsicle parade with perfect weather conditions. A big thanks to Brookside Cosentino's market for the popsicle donation, and Sign Gypsies Midtown KC for the wonderful Popsicle Parade 2018 yard sign. Kids and parents got to enjoy popsicles, and a heavy rain shower from the fire hydrant provided by KCMO Fire Department.

In closing, this will be the final newsletter of 2018 as transitioned to an ad free newsletter with three annual issues. I want to remind everyone the holiday party this year will be Sunday, December 2, 2018 from 5-7 PM. I would like to thank Mike Minor & Scott Tansey at 418 W Meyer Blvd, who will graciously open their doors again this year to host this adult only event. Look for future communications via MailChimp to RSVP or you can email board@greenwayfields.org with number attending by November 28, 2018.

Sat. 8 AM-1 PM

Upcoming Events

63rd St & Wornall Rd

Brookside Farmers' Market

www.brooksidefarmersmarket.com



Plaza Art Fair 2018

Fri-Sun, Sep 21-23

www.plazaartfair.com



Brookside Wine Walk

Thr, Oct 12, 5-8 PM

6330 Brookside Plz Park



Sun. Dec 2, 5-7 PM

418 W Meyer Blvd

Home of Mike Minor & Scott Tansev Please no children except infants

RSVP to board@greenwayfields.org



Yard Waste Collection

South of 63rd St:

Nov 5-9 & Dec 10-14

North of 63rd St:

Oct 22-26 & Nov 26-30

Curbside collection will take place on your regularly-

scheduled trash day.

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Postal Carrier of 28 Years Retiring

letter carrier in this area for over 28 years. Her route involved delivering to over 250 households and walking 7.5 miles a day in rain, snow, or sun. She has become a customer favorite as well. Over the years many complementary letters have been written to the Postmaster about her dedication.

She has kept a watchful eye on the neighborhood and helped the police solve several property crimes. She has found packages that were misdelivered by UPS and returned them to the rightful owners. In fact, one was a christening dress nearly 18 years ago. Now that infant is in college and the family remains grateful to this day. It was not unusual for her to take time during her lunch hour

elanie Kumpf has been a and assist some of the elderly, with grocery needs, when they couldn't get to the store. She is credited with saving several dogs by stopping traffic and getting the pets back to their rightful owners, too.

She is looking forward to spending

more time with her husband, children, granddaughters, traveling to exciting places like Churchhill Downs to see the Kentucky Derby, and working in her vegetable garden in Lee's Summit, MO. Her last day to carry mail will be on Saturday, September 29th. She says, "she will miss all of her great customers!" Her e-mail is melaniekumpf@yahoo.com. On behalf of the Greenway Fields Homes Association, we thank her for the wonderful service and wish her all the best in her next chapter of life!



GFHA neighborhood postal carrier Melanie Kumpf is retiring after 28 years

KCFD turns fire hydrant into delightful shower

Popsicle Parade 2018

he 4th of July Popsicle Parade was quite festive this year. Sam Copeland and Max Levy from UMKC played patriotic tunes with their brass instruments. The front yard of Dan & Sarah Newman served as the meeting spot for the 200+ neighbors that attended. They were very gracious to provide colorful signage and a pop-up tent for the musicians, too.

The parade route was altered this year and traveled down Pennsylvania Ave. It then headed west on 65th before turning back north on Valley to Meyer Blvd. Next year the route will trek down Washington Street to 65th then back on Valley.

After the longest 7 minute parade ever popsicles were handed out, over 400 of them! They were provided courtesy of our neighborhood grocer, Cosentino's Market.

Our first responders from the KCFD, arrived with their big red fire-truck. They provided relief from the heat, with a water canopy from the fire hydrant for the youngsters. Thanks to all that attended this generations' long tradition in Greenway Fields!

Annual Picnic Weathers Power Outage

his year the Greenway Fields Annual Picnic was held on Saturday, June 2nd. The night before the event, the neighborhood experienced severe storms and many were without power for several days. Fortunately, the storms cooled off temperatures and the weather was near perfect for this evening gathering. Cosentino's Market provided many of the items complimentary and Scimeca's Italian special blend sausage was the featured food entree. Neighbors brought many delicious sides items of potatoes, vegetables, and desserts.

The added bonus was the exceptional music provided by Jay EuDaly, a well-known Kansas City guitar artist. Unfortunately, Jay needed a source to power his amplifier

and the entire area, around the block, was without power. Thanks to the volunteer efforts of Kurt Knapstein, he secured the last generator at Bledsoe's and the nothing was interrupted. Jay played requests for over 2 hours and received numerous ovations. In fact, several are planning to pursue guitar lessons at Jay's Master Guitar School.

Overall, this was a wonderful gathering of over 80+ neighbors in our community. The enhancements in the park with new grass, statues and walls refurbished, and new benches; made this an ideal setting for this annual event. Thanks to all that contributed and attended, too!

WE LISTENED!

82% of respondents in the recent survey were in favor of replacing the blue tiles on the street corners. The tile project is complete. Make your opinion count and look closely at the survey.

Autumn Thoughts on Gardening

ow that we're through summer and through the ravages of the Japanese beetle there are some things we can do in the autumn and spring to prevent the next infestation. Japanese beetles have ravaged large trees and have left them brown and looking very desolate. These trees are not dead and just need a little extra nutrition over the winter. Over the winter, if you can provide plant nutrition. such as fertilizer and extra water this would assist the tree to recover from the Japanese beetle attack To prevent this, plant geraniums next spring and add bird feeders wherever possible. This will assist in keeping beetle infestation to a minimum. These beetles are repelled by geraniums. All young trees should also receive extra fertilizer and water over the winter. To cheer up your garden for the winter, be sure to get chrysanthemums and other fall foliage. The best fall gardening tip I can provide is to do a good fall clean up. The most important thing is to enjoy the garden in the fall as you do in the spring and summer.



Security

Reminder:

- 1. Keep car doors locked when parked outside.
- 2. Keep home doors and windows locked.
- **3.** Call 911 to report suspicious activities.

