

Homes Associations of the Country Club District 222 West Gregory - Suite 201 Kansas City, MO 64114

#### **CURRENT RESIDENT OR**

# Planning Some Improvements?

B efore you start, it is recommended that any structural improvements to your home, or installation of fences, conform to the **Declaration of Restrictions** and to city ordinance. There are various building restrictions within the Greenway Fields

Homes Association. Violations could result in legal proceedings that can be undertaken by HACCD or any person with standing. Please contact Clarence 'Fox' Foxworthy (HACCD Executive Director) at (816) 523-2440, for guidance in these matters.



#### **Homes of the Month**

Congratulations to the following recipients:

MARCH Richard and Anne Kisner 6317 Valley Road (left)

APRIL
Patrick and Tina Fanning
420 W. Meyer Blvd.

Our neighborhood looks spectacular! Thanks for keeping it beautiful.

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# Greenway Fields

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#### **President's Letter**

ou will find various happenings within your Greenway Fields Homes Association. Keep the "Save The Date" list on this page and read the newsletter articles to learn about the different events in which you and your family are encouraged to participate.

With the upcoming Neighborhood Garage Sale, and the local Hazardous Waste Pick-up Event in June, you have a great opportunity for Spring Cleaning. Our Annual Picnic at Strawn Park (63<sup>rd</sup> &

Valley) is June 8, 2008. Last year over 40 families gathered, and we encourage you to attend. That long standing tradition, the Popsicle Parade, is another great way to get out and enjoy your beautiful neighborhood and friendly neighbors on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your support with the Safety and Security Contribution. We have increased patrol since January.

Get outdoors. Say hello, and wave as you go by. See you at the next event.

-Gina Valentino

# Save the Date

May 16 & 17 Greenway Fields Garage Sale \*

> May 29 Bulky Item Pickup

\* June 8

June 8
Annual Picnic at
Strawn Park

June 21 Hazardous Waste Drop-off Event

Drop-off Event

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July 4

Annual Popsicle Parade

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August 2

Hazardous Waste Drop-off
Event

Please see details about each of these events within this newsletter



# **Popsicle Parade**

his patriotic neighborhood tradition has now been taking place for over 50 years. With everyone dressed in red, white and blue and with bikes, scooters and strollers decorated with streamers and balloons, the crowd assembles on the southside of Meyer Boulevard. The parade route winds several of the blocks to the south and finishes back on Meyer. This will be the 6th Popsicle Parade that Linda Vogel has generously hosted from her home at 635 West Meyer Boulevard. We look forward to seeing the usual large crowd of all ages on Wednesday, July 4th at 10 a.m. Please encourage your neighbors, and those who have not taken part before, to join the fun!



# \* Annual Picnic Set For June

This year, the picnic will be held on **Sunday, June 8 from 5-7 p.m.** at **Strawn Park (63<sup>rd</sup> and Valley)** and all Greenway residents are invited to attend. We urge both long-time and new neighbors to come along to this wonderful social event hosted by your Homes Association.

RSVP to HACCD (Homes Associations of the country Club district) at (816) 523-2440. Let them know how many people from your

family will be joining us so that we may plan accordingly. Hamburgers, hotdogs, condiments and drinks are provided. Each household is asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Remember to bring plates, utensils and lawn chairs or a picnic blanket for your family. We are anticipating a visit from a KCFD fire truck and crew...if they are not otherwise engaged! We look forward to your company!

# Community Garage Sale

oin in with your neighbors to take advantage of newspaper advertising in the Kansas City Star and in the Wednesday Sun, as well as neighborhood signage, for the Annual Greenway Fields Garage Sale to be held on **Friday**, **May 16 and Saturday**, **May 17**. You can have your garage sale for one day or both, for whatever hours you prefer. Remember to have a supply of change on hand and be mindful of your home's security.



Please take a few moments to look at the advertising section inside. These are YOUR neighbors, and they are helping to fund this newsletter. If you decide to give them your business...let them know where you read about them!





# Telephone Alert System Implemented

As we continue to work on building our 'Block Captain' project, we are finding that email may not be the most efficient method by which to contact all neighbors. Mobilepage, a locally operated telephone



# Meyer Columns In Need Of Attention

hile upgrading our common areas within the Association, we have recognized, along with St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and Wornall Road Baptist Church, the deterioration of the historic arches at the entrance of Meyer Boulevard at Wornall Road. Although technically the columns are the responsibility of the Department of Parks and Recreation, there are no resources to maintain them. Board members met with city representatives and submitted a PIAC (Public Improvement Advisory Committee) request for restoration of the Meyer Boulevard Arches for the 2007 budget request period. Bids for work were in the \$40,000-\$50,000 range. We were granted \$26,500 from PIAC. That money is now available, and work will begin on the brick. Requests for additional funding have been submitted to the surrounding homes associations and various family foundations. How can you help? There are several ways...

- 1. Make a tax deductible donation.
- 2. Locate names of former residents who might be interested in contributing.
- 3. Contact our City Counsel to encourage funding for the remainder of the project for 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact former Greenway Fields president, Kathie Allison at (816) 361-6378.

voice messaging utility, currently being used by over 40 other homes associations, allows us to send a recorded phone message to all members instantaneously—and at a very small cost. We will use this to provide critical information alerts as well as reminders for things like the picnic and annual meeting. If you hear "Greenway Fields Homes Association announcement..." when you pick up your phone, please listen rather than hanging up.

In order to benefit from this service, you need to provide to us your phone number. Give your details to your block captain, a board member or email them directly to greenwayfields@hotmail.com if you have not already done so. You may include a secondary phone number and email address too. Your details will never be shared with any third party. You can optout of the service at any time by listening to the recorded message and following a prompt at the end, but we don't think you will want to, as the messages will be for the purpose of keeping you informed. There will be **no solicitation** and we promise not to bother you with frivolous announcements.



# Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

ur friends at the KCMO Household Hazardous Waste Facility have informed us of two upcoming hazardous waste collection events planned for locations close to our neighborhood. The first is **June 21**, though the location has not been finalized. You can call (816) 784-2080,

# Last City Bulky Item Pickup As We Know It!

he next bulky item collection for our neighborhood is scheduled for **Thursday, May 29**.

Commencing **June 1**, bulky items will only be pickedup by appointment. Call **311** to schedule a collection appointment. The city is going to this format in an effort to reduce cost.

For the May 29<sup>th</sup> pick-up, please have items to the curb by 7 a.m. on that date. These are items that will not fit into a trash bag or box and/or are 40 lbs—or heavier. Since a crane is used to lift the heavy items, please do not use bags or boxes, and do not place the items under low hanging branches or wires. Allow three days for the pick-up. If the pick up has not taken place by Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, please call 311 for assistance.

or visit the city web site (www.kcmo.org and go to 'city services') in early June to get the location. The second event will be held August 2 from 8 a.m. until noon at the back parking lot of the Burns & MacDonald Building at 9400 Ward Parkway.

Both events will be ABOP (Antifreeze, Batteries, Oil & Paint) only. Other materials must be delivered to the main HHW facility or to organized events where those items are being collected. (Apparently, they alternate the 'full-blown' events with ABOP events every 2 years. Call or check the web site for information.)

Materials should be delivered in original containers. Make sure lids are sealed and that the containers are standing upright in your vehicle. These chemicals should never be placed in the trash or poured down the drain.

Materials collected at HHW mobile events are recycled or disposed of through one of the city's hazardous materials contractors. Materials that are in good condition are offered back to the community through the KCMO Household Hazardous Waste Facility Swap Shop.

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