STRATFORD GARDENS HOMES ASSOCIATION

Member of the Home Associations of the Country Club District

Newsletter - July, 2014

Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting was held on May 22, 2014 at the Carriage Club with approximately 45 residents and at least 25 homes represented which is required by our by-laws.

The following people were elected to the Board of Directors:

Maggie Shine – President Paula Stack – Vice President and Secretary Greg Koehler – Treasurer Mary Martin – Islands Robert Flynn – Capital Improvements and Social Committee Brenda Knox Lubeck – Social Committee Phyllis Wilson – Welcoming Committee

Thank you to outgoing Board Members Raphael Suarez (President) and Charles Arthur (Vice President and Secretary) for three great years of service!

Greg Koehler (Treasurer) presented financial statements and a budget for the coming year. Currently, we are in good financial condition.

Block Parties

Do you want to have a block party? Get your neighbors together, get a permit and close off your street. How do I obtain a permit? See <u>http://kcmo.gov/publicworks/permits/</u> Have fun!

Crime Report

The report from Detective Parsons shows the following in our neighborhood: drunk drivers, warrant arrests, pedestrian checks, traffic violations, traffic tickets. Detective Parsons urges us to be aware of "strangers" in the neighborhood and to call 911 if you see suspicious characters/activity around.

Islands and Stonework

Currently, we are taking bids to have some bushes/plantings replaced and for masonry repairs. Time to spruce up the islands!

Vote August 5, 2014 – You want to read this ballot before you go to the polls!!

The KC Election Board's web site has an issues-only ballot for August 5: <u>https://www.kceb.org/useruploads/Sample_Ballots/08.05.14_sample_ballot_ISSUES.pdf</u> Links to the public-office ballots can be found here: <u>https://www.kceb.org/elections/ballot/</u>.

<u>Emails</u>

Thanks to everyone who supplied email addresses. We need more! If you are reading this on paper, please take a minute to email <u>Stratfordgardenshomesassn@gmail.com</u> or <u>maggie@maggieshine.com</u>. Benefits of email? You receive the newsletter days before the printed newsletter. Also, those with email addresses receive last minute notices the rest of you miss.