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Itøs that time of year where we have to start thinking about snow removal again. Just a reminder that snow removal is paid for by your homes association dues and is not provided by the City of Kansas City We are staying with last yearøs contractor. They did an outstanding job for us last year and we expect the same service this year. We have increased the budget for snow

removal in 2014, planning for two occurrences a month for December through March. Whether itos pre treating or actual plowing, we hope to be aggressive in dealing with snow and ice. We ask that you keep in mind that if Blue Hills needs snow removal, other associations and business also need the same service and everyone has to wait for their turn to get their streets cleared.

Our Survey Says-

Twenty-eight Blue Hills Estates residents responded to a survey this past summer to learn more about your views on neighborhood news issues. Top concerns expressed were speed of traffic, fireworks, snow removal, and not knowing very many people in the neighborhood.

When asked, 54% of neighbors said they would like a neighborhood event 1-2 times a year and 42% said 3-4 times a year. Most popular event choices were back-to-school/end-of-summer cookout (75%), ice cream social (50%) and Saturday morning coffee and doughnuts (48%). Twenty percent of respondents said they

would be willing to volunteer on a committee to help plan a neighborhood event. Our homes association budget includes funds to host these events, so if you would be willing to serve on a planning committee, please contact any of the board members.

When asked if they would participate in the following neighborhood activities:

Annual or semi-annual garage sale ó 54% said yes Annual neighborhood clean-up ó 46% Monthly competition for õBest Yardö ó 9%

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Can We Talk?

Help us send you information in a timely and inexpensive way! If you have a Facebook account, sign up to õlikeö our Facebook page (Blue Hills Estates) ó itos a closed page where only those who live in our neighborhood will see the posts. And please send your e-mail address to Steve Rinne at

<u>srinne@msn.com</u> ó it will only be used for neighborhood communications and not shared with anyone else.

Also, Blue Hills has a website on the Kansas City Homes Association site where you can view minutes of the homes association board meetings:

h p://www.ha-kc.org/
index.php/moassoc/44-bluehills-estates?layout=blog

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- The QuikTrip at Homes & Blue Ridge is under construction, with the opening anticipated to be Summer 2014.
- The Martin City Pizza & Tap Room (owned by and located next door to Martin City Brewing Co.) is scheduled to open by the end of 2013. Featuring their own microbrews and gourmet pizzas, they will have seating for 80.
- Margarita

 will be re-opening
 in Martin City at their previous
 location on Holmes Rd. in the
 summer of 2014.
- Construction on 135th Street through Martin City has been delayed and is expected to begin in early 2014. The street will be widened to three lanes and will have on-street parking and sidewalks added.
- A new Mazda dealership is open at 150 Highway and Washington.