BLUE HILLS ESTATES

HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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JOINT NEIGHBORHOOD EVENT!!!

Because of multiple requests, the Board of Directors is sponsoring a second "Shred Event" on Saturday, September 24, 2016 from 1P-3P at Island #4, directly across from 12818 Oakmont Drive. And thanks to the brain-child of a couple of our resident mothers, we will also have an ice cream truck available for you to pick up a treat and meet some of your neighbors!! Be sure and stop by!!

Once again Greg Morlan has volunteered to handle certain recycleables (listed below) and the restrictions for both shredding and for Greg to collect are:

For the shred truck:

- Residents are limited to personal shred items, no business volume as this event does not carry the same compliance regulations as a business shred situation.
- Each household is limited to no more then five boxes/bages of shredding, that is a limit of five total.

For the recycle items:

- Clear glass
- Brown glass
- Green glass
- Aluminum cans
- Tin
- Newspaper
- Magazines
- Press board (cereal and food boxes)
- Corrugated cardboard
- Plastics #1 & #2
- Toner and inkjet cartridges
- Old paint cans
- Pesticide cans and bottles

(Please read carefully as there are items of great concern within the minutes)

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 30!!

July 30, 2016 Annual Meeting Blue Hills Estates Homes Association Minutes

In attendance: Jim & Carol Rendina, Greg & Joanie Morlan, Joe Quinly & Janet Redding, Dan & Dee French, plus homeowners:

Phil & Valerie Barrett

Harvey Day

Mike Roberts

Steve & Marge Myers

Reza & Mary Zonnooz

Leah Gensheimer & Tom Diebold

Jim & June Vaughan

Elaine James

Rick Vick

John & M Wood

John & Kelly Young

Jana Thomas

Carrie Muldoon

Jerry Krause

Nicole & Aaron McCann

Mike & Mary Begnaud

Chipp & Karen Nelson

Agelon T Jones

Donna Ramel

Steve Rinne & Barbara Mueth	
Ethel Ardow & Sylvia Agara	
Jim & Karen Koch	
Ron Parker	
Jessica Griffiths	
Narbeli Galindo	
Karen Wilson	
(we think this might be a record number of members attending!!!)	

Items discussed:

- 1. Greg Morlan opened the meeting at 4P and welcomed the residents in attendance and provided a general introduction to the agenda. Greg thanked Miguel Cervantes of Dos de Oros for hosting us and provided special recognition to retiring board member Jim Rendina, who over the past quarter century has served on the board multiple times and just completed two back to back terms.
- 2. Joe Quinly provided an overview of the real estate market within Blue Hills Estates noting that values have increased slightly and this past year was fairly active for our sub-division compared to prior years. There are two homes on Oakmont Drive that are in the "flipping" stage, both back to the golf course and the new owner is expecting to get \$400K when it is done, there is much doubt in that price from all at the meeting but we will wait and see. Joe offered his services to anyone interested as he is a professional realtor.
- 3. Dan French gave an update on instructions to access the new online directory and indicated if needed, there is much more we can do with that particular technology if the need arises in the future. He fielded questions and provided some clarity on vandalism reminding all to keep their vehicles locked if outside and garage doors shut. The typical police response time can be up to an hour on non-emergency calls and even 15-20 minutes on emergency calls depending on where officers are responding from as South Patrol is a large area. Also emphasized neighbor cooperation and communication in these events and to use the Community Officer at SPD that is listed in the newsletters in preventative situations; discussed the use of the Blue Hills Estates Facebook site; asked residents if at all possible to NOT place their trash at the curb until the morning of pick-up as this draws the coyotes-foxes-possums and other "critters" into our living spaces and to do their best at remembering the one day delay on holiday weeks; a resident asked if we could engage a street sweeper to pass through the sub-division and Dan will check into that; a comment was made about vehicles being left on the St. Andrews Drive and how it impedes both auto and foot traffic, city ordinance allows for vehicles to be parked for no longer then 72-hours at any one time and the vehicle can be ticketed and towed after that period.
- 4. Greg asked the group if they would be interested in going together and getting a lawn treatment company to provide a discount if many in the neighborhood contracted that company together, he will be researching that option.
- 5. Jim Rendina covered the proposed budget for the 2016 17-year and there was some general discussion among the members, it was noted that our annual dues are locked and can't be raised, and that our snow budget is \$4,000 per year in contrast to some of our neighboring

sub-divisions who have budgets four and five times that per year.

- 6. The drawing was held for the resident in attendance to win "no dues" for one year and the Barrett's have won that prize.
- 7. Nominations were asked for to fill the seat on the board being vacated by Jim Rendina, Carrie Muldoon was nominated and is now a board member. Dan French, Greg Morlan and Joe Quinly were all three nominated to continue into a second two year term as members. The board will meet on August 10 to elect officers and handle any other business.

The annual meeting was adjourned at 4:50P and a Special Meeting for dues assessment was immediately opened in a separate session where an uncontested vote to keep dues at \$75 per year was taken.

ADDENDUM:

With respect to the crime discussed above, updates have occurred since the Annual Meeting. We had two attempted armed invasions just to the east of our sub-division on September 3rd, both were tharted by the homeowners. The advice in the minutes should be taken seriously, be in contact with your neighbors, keep your doors locked, and just like those tired old tornado drills in school, have a plan in place to handle such emergencies in your home. And sadly, the police department has cancelled the community police officer positions in the five patrol divisions so we have lost Mike Hammer as our go to contact at South Patrol. All the more reason to be alert and question unusual things in the neighborhood!

SOUTH KANSAS CITY ALLIANCE

This organization is very involved in the happenings and leadership of our area, if you wish to keep up with business and politics in South Kansas City, their website is: <u>http://southkcalliance.org/</u>.

The Board of Directors met on August 10th and elected the following slate for the Board:

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Joe Quinly, Director	816/813-2272	joequinly@aol.com

Also at this meeting we found out that the City will not schedule a special time for a street cleaner, there is a set schedule for the entire City and they do not vary from it.

This newsletter is brought to you by the Board of Directors of the Blue Hills Estates Home Owners Association.