



Oak Meyer Gardens Homes Association  
**Neighbor to Neighbor**

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**Oak Meyer Gardens Homes  
Association Annual Meeting**

The Oak Meyer Gardens Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 8th at St. Peter's Legacy Center (815 East Meyer Boulevard). The meeting will be preceded by a dinner provided by Carmen's Café. Dinner will be served at 5:15 pm.

Guest speakers at this year's meeting include Kansas City Councilwoman Jan Marcason, and Missouri State Representative Jason Kander. OMG residents are encouraged to attend and participate.

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**OMG Neighborhood Bonfire**

The Oak Meyer Gardens Neighborhood Bonfire will be held from 4pm - 6pm on Sunday, October 18th at the fire-ring in the northeast corner of Holmes Park. Hot dogs, marshmallows,

soft-drinks, and water will be provided compliments of Price Chopper. Bring the family and a spooky story to share!

## Crime Prevention & Community Awareness

The OMG Crime Prevention and Community Awareness program is designed to keep residents informed about neighborhood crime and/or suspicious activity. The program assigns volunteer "Block Captains" on each street to disseminate this information among their neighbors.

To prevent crime, one of the most important things we can do is report suspicious activity. If you believe the call warrants immediate attention, dial 911. If the situation is not life threatening, but does require a police officer to be dispatched, call the *non-emergency number at 816-234-5111*.

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### Free Christmas Tree Pickup

Have your Christmas tree hauled away at no charge by having it at the curb no later than 8am Monday, January 4th. The tree must be bare, and have no lights, tinsel, or lights. *Please note this service is for Christmas trees only - no brush or other debris will be picked up.*

If you have witnessed something in the past that you did not act on, but now feel it may be relevant, call *Officer John Trainor at 816-349-6428*. He can also be emailed at [JTrainor@kcpd.org](mailto:JTrainor@kcpd.org).

Neighbors watching out for one another (along with a few lights left on at night) is the best defense against crime.

If you are unsure if your street has a block captain, or if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Christie Makar at 361-7111 or send an email to: [christiedmakar@msn.com](mailto:christiedmakar@msn.com)

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### 311 Action Center

The 3-1-1 Action Center is your central point of contact for all City Services. If you need to request a City service or report a problem with City services, contact the Action Center by dialing 311 between 7am and 8pm on weekdays and from 8am - 5pm on Saturdays.

In addition to the 311 resource, the city recently launched a new, more user-friendly website at: [www.kcmo.org](http://www.kcmo.org)

## Curbside Brush & Leaf Pickup

The city collects up to 20 sacks or bundles of leaves and brush (excluding grass clippings) from residences during scheduled curbside collections in the spring and fall. Homes in OMG are on the *South Schedule*, and there are two scheduled pickups this fall (see chart to the right).

### *South Schedule, Fall 2009*

If your trash day is	Then your pickup days are
Monday	Nov. 9 & Dec. 7
Tuesday	Nov. 10 & Dec. 8
Wednesday	Nov. 12 & Dec. 9
Thursday	Nov. 13 & Dec. 10
Friday	Nov. 14 & Dec. 11

Please make an effort to take advantage of this city service. On a related note, *please help to keep our neighborhood drain basins clear of leaves and debris*. It is important that our streets drain properly and efficiently.

## OMG Real Estate Market Update

According to recent statistics\*, the OMG real estate market is healthy. Over the last six months, there were 15 sales, with an average sales price of \$201,733, which is normal based on past years. Currently there are 11 homes actively for sale, and 6 under contract. Analysis of these numbers reveals that we have a healthy *sales rate*, with only 4.4 months worth of inventory on the market. Anything less than 6 months of inventory on the market indicates a balanced market, which is great news.

It is probable that the government tax credit is giving our market a

boost, especially since our price-range is popular among first-time buyers. Also helping keep sales flowing are the historically low interest rates. It is a good time to sell - especially if you have a well-maintained home. Those are being snatched up faster than ever.

Information provided by OMG resident Sarah Snodgrass, Prudential Kansas City Realty, 816-204-0851.

\* *Statistics based on sales figures for Oak Meyer Gardens and Armour Hills Gardens in the local heartland multiple listing service (MLS) and are deemed reliable but not guaranteed.*

## OMG Dates

### October 18th

#### OMG Bonfire

Holmes Park

4pm - 6pm

### November 8th

#### OMG Annual Meeting

St. Peter's Legacy Ctr.

Dinner at 5:15 pm

## Joe Gets New Headphones



OMG's crime-fighting mailman, Joe, has decided to update his iconic set of headphones. In an exclusive interview with the OMG newsletter, Joe revealed that he has sourced several sets of his favored (and now discontinued) model of

Sony Sport headphones, and that his endorsement contract with Sony has been extended "into the foreseeable future."

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