



# Prairie Ridge

April 2007

*Proud to be on the historic Santa Fe Trail in the heart of Prairie Village*

## *Message from the President*

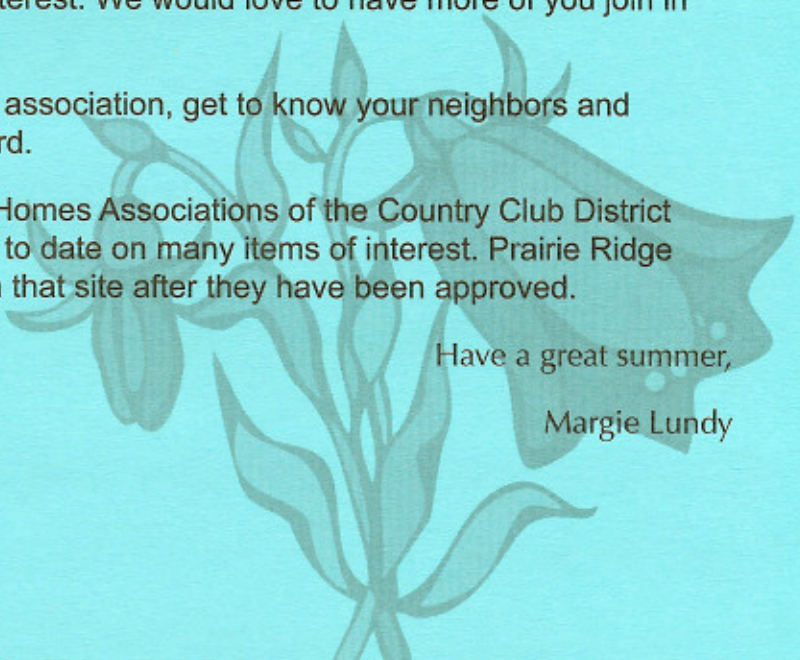
As outgoing President of your Prairie Ridge Homes Association Board, it has been a true privilege to work with Dianne, Sue, Ed, Jill Muller, Jim Klamm, and Jill Hardy. They are a delightful group of fellow Board members – hard-working and good-humored. They are dedicated to keeping Prairie Ridge a desirable place to live and to helping improve neighborhood relationships. We had fun working together and felt we were using our time towards meeting those goals. I will miss being on the Board with them.

At the Annual Meeting two new members to the Board were elected – Kelly Henning and Marc Montoy. They have attended their first Board meeting and have already willingly assumed responsibilities as secretary and treasurer.

This year we tried a new venue for the annual meeting by hosting a very nice appetizer and drink gathering at Homestead Country Club. The conversation was warm and the food was delicious and beautifully presented. Judging from all the compliments received, everyone really enjoyed the evening. Mayor Shaffer, Council person Laura Wassmer, Property Maintenance Officer Marcia Gradinger and HACCD Executive Director Clarence “Fox” Foxworthy were our guests. Laura and Marcia gave brief presentations bringing us up to date on issues of interest. We would love to have more of you join in next year.

Please get involved with your homes association, get to know your neighbors and support your great Prairie Ridge Board.

Remember – you can check out the Homes Associations of the Country Club District website, [www.haccd.org](http://www.haccd.org), to keep up to date on many items of interest. Prairie Ridge posts their board meeting minutes on that site after they have been approved.



Have a great summer,

Margie Lundy

## *A Sad Farewell and New Hello*

We regretfully say goodbye to Margie Lundy who has served as our President for the last six years. Thank you Margie for your time and leadership. We will all miss you!!!

Also leaving, is Ed Kramer, who has served as our Treasurer. Thanks to you Ed for your careful attention to our books.

We say hello to Board newcomers Kelly Henning and Marc Montoy.

Kelly moved to the Kansas City area from Louisiana to serve in a volunteer program after the 1993 Midwest floods. She is the Client Services Coordinator for First Step Fund, a non-profit business development agency in Kansas City, MO. Having lived on both sides of the state line, Kelly and her husband, Phil, have called Prairie Ridge home for six years.

Marc Montoy is a Senior Designer with FireDynamics (a division of Henderson Engineers, Inc.) which is located in Lenexa, Kansas. He resides at 7604 Juniper Drive where he is the proud owner of 3 dogs, Ike (Victorian Bulldog), Maggie (Bouvier des Flandres) and BJ (Lab). Marc has been a residence of Prairie Ridge for 8 years.

We are so grateful to have both Marc and Kelly be a part of our Association Board.

## *Please Say Hi to Your New Neighbors*

Ryan Harwell & Emily Wallace - 4930 W.78th Street

Dana Nicholas - 7847 Juniper

Lucas & Pauline Horton - 4920 W.78th Terrace

Jason Denney - 4720 W.78th Terrace

Eric Blattner & Amy Smithyman - 7520 Briar

Roger & Nancy Buford - 4706 W.77th Street

Curtis Repp - 7728 Fontana

Michael Jasa - 4802 W.78th Terrace

Jamie C. McNiece - 7729 Rosewood

Eise Grose - 7712 Fontana

Matthew & Emalie Murdoch - 4940 W.78th Place

Ines Shaw - 7805 Fontana

Roby C. Stanphill - 7856 Juniper

Marilyn Kaufman - 4832 W.76th Street

Janet Brune - 5115 W.76th Street

Kurt Bartolich - 4505 W.78th Street

Joyanne Teaney - 7752 Briar

Melanie Wright - 4517 W.75th Street

Joshua McCreary & Sarah Cook - 7528 Briar

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You may contact any of us with ideas. If you have complaints, please contact either the President or Vice-President.

# *It's Garage Sale Time!*

## *Saturday, June 2nd*

Make plans now to become part of the Semiannual Prairie Ridge Garage Sale Saturday, June 2nd.

It's a great way to meet people and make money at the same time!

Ads will run in the Kansas City Star. Signs will be placed on heavy traffic corners.

Shoppers will be given a printed guide and map. If you wish to have your address listed (no names will be published), please mail or bring the registration form to Jill Hardy, 4504 W. 77th Street by Friday, May 25th. (It is not necessary to register in order to participate).

We are looking into having a charitable organization schedule a pick up in the area the week following the sale so any leftovers can be donated.

### *2007 Garage Sale Registration*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Description of items in your sale: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please return completed form to Jill Hardy,  
4504 W. 77th Street by Friday, May 25th.**



## *5 Tips to a Successful Garage Sale*

Have you ever had a garage sale and were disappointed in the results? Even with plenty of lookers, you wondered where the buyers were? Well, to help meet that on-going goal to clean out your basement, or park in the garage, follow these simple tips to ensure success at your next sale.

1. **Clean** - Take a minute to wipe off the dust and grime on items that have been in closets, the garage or basement. No one else wants your dirt, even for a quarter.
2. **Group** - Arrange sale items by categories (kitchen, baby, electronics, linens). Also, display them so they can be easily seen and handled. No one wants to dig under tables, or deep into a box.
3. **Price** - Set reasonable prices. We are often sentimentally attached to items, but buyers are not. Even though you paid good money for those items, they are now used and sitting on your driveway. Also, price items so buyers don't have to ask what the price is over and over.
4. **Prepare** - Have items sorted and on tables in the garage the night before, so you can quickly set up in the morning. Early bird shoppers are ready to look and will move on if you are not open and ready to sell.
5. **Entice** - Encourage people to stop at your sale by having items visible from the street. Even if you want to sit inside the garage to stay out of the sun, have items fill the driveway so shoppers can see how much you have to offer.