

**BLUE HILLS ESTATES**  
**HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION**  
**NEWSLETTER – SPRING 2019**

**SAVE THE DATE!!!!**

The Blue Hills Estates Annual Meeting will be held on July 20, 2018, at 10 AM. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to attend. It will be followed by a neighborhood social from 11AM to 12 PM. The location for both the meeting and the social is the Sand Trap Bar & Grill, 13037 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64145. Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.

**SECRETARY WANTED!**

The HOA Board is short one position: secretary. If you or anyone you know is interested in serving the neighborhood, please let us know. Our team is committed to making Blue Hills Estates a wonderful place to live. We plan to take nominations at the annual meeting if the position is still vacant.

**CURB APPEAL**

Keeping Curbs clean:

The city no longer has a street/curb sweeping crew. Therefore, it is up to each of us to keep our curbs clean. Keeping the curbs free of tree limbs, yard clippings and other debris helps the rain drain properly and improves the appearance of your house and the neighborhood. As part of your mowing, be sure to pick up any debris that you may have blown into the street and curbs. - Thank You!

Lawn Mowing:

Speaking of mowing, the board has received several complaints about the upkeep--or lack thereof--of multiple lawns throughout the neighborhood. One thing ALL of us have in common is that we want our neighborhood to look nice. Please do your part by maintaining the outward appearance of your own home and lawn.

### Curb Replacement Update:

Last year your HOA Board submitted a request to the Public Improvements Advisory Committee (PIAC) to have the curbs in the neighborhood replaced. The city conducted a review of the project and considered it, along with other PIAC requests submitted by other neighborhoods. Unfortunately, the city did not approve our request. We plan to resubmit a new PIAC request this year. We hope that, with repetition and a meeting with one of the city council members, we can get this approved next year. If you have any contacts with the city that could help us schedule a meeting with a city council member, please contact Ed Van Buskirk at 816-215-1483.

### Mailboxes:

Mailboxes serve a vital purpose and either add to, or detract from the appearance of your house and the entire neighborhood. If your mailbox is looking tired, after the hard harsh winter and all the salt, consider replacing it with a new one or give yours a new coat of paint and make it both functional and attractive. Have some fun with it and decorate it for each of the holidays.

### Pothole on St. Andrews

A big thank you to the neighbors who put up cones to alert drivers of the giant pothole on St. Andrews. If you haven't already done so, please call 311 to make a complaint. The more calls, the more likely the city will respond.

## **DELINQUENT DUES & HOMEOWNER COMPLAINTS**

If you are curious about how the HOA board handles homeowner complaints or addresses delinquent annual dues, you can find information on the "Procedures" tab at <https://www.ha-kc.org/index.php/60-board>

## **UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dumpster Day & Neighborhood Social

WHEN: Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon

WHERE: In the Carnoustie Cul-De-Sac (905 Carnoustie Dr.)

As a service to our neighbors in Blue Hills Estates, your Homes Association has arranged for two dumpsters to be available for residents to dispose of NON-HAZARDOUS items that you can't put out with your regular weekly trash pickup.

The Social Committee will have Coffee, Lemonade and snacks plus some information about our summer activities. Come by and visit!

### Popsicle Parade

Decorate your bicycles, tricycles, scooters, wagons, wheelchairs and other fun modes of transportation for a Fourth-of-July-style parade down St. Andrews! If you don't want to be in the parade, come outside and cheer your neighbors on instead. The Popsicle Parade will take place on June 29<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments served at the end of the parade. More info to follow.

### Meet & Greet

We have a number of new neighbors that have moved to Blue Hills Estates since our last annual meeting. On July 20<sup>th</sup>, after this year's annual meeting, you will have an opportunity to socialize with neighbors, new and old.

We invite you to join us!

### You've Been Egged

Was your house 'Egged' around Easter week? We hope so. Julie Wolfe began a new neighborhood tradition that is fun and tasty called "You've Been Egged."

Neighbors secretly left a treat or surprise on the doorstep of other neighbors with a "You've been egged" note and instructions to surprise other neighbors. In October your house might get "Ghosted" with fun and delicious treats. Thank You Julie for starting this fun and delicious tradition!

\*Now that we have survived winter, social committee is working diligently to create events for the neighborhood that we can all enjoy. Please stay tuned.

\*\*This newsletter is brought to you by the Board of Directors of the Blue Hills Estates Home Owners Association. We look forward to seeing you in July!

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