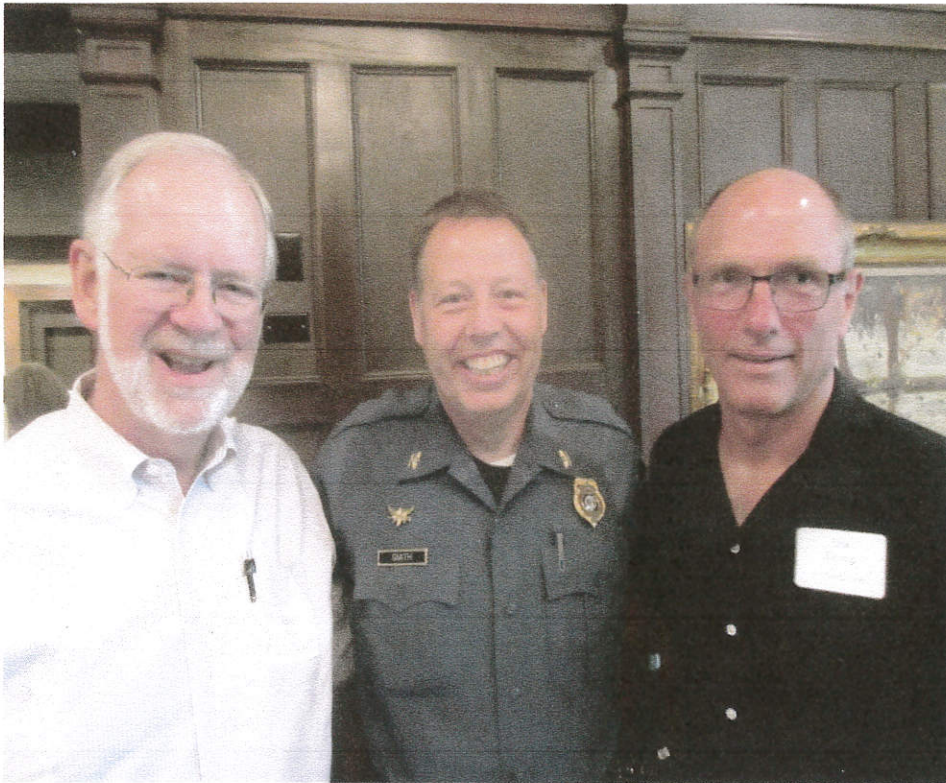


COUNTRY CLUB

DISTRICT HOMES ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Fall 2017-Winter 2018

2017 Annual Homes Association Meeting



CCDHA President Randy Irey, KC Police Chief Rick Smith, & Erick Elving, a CCDHA resident

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Save the Date:

The 2018 Homes Association meeting and dinner will be held on September 18, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Carriage Club. This is a great opportunity to visit with neighbors over a delicious dinner, be a part of the annual meeting, meet your board of directors, and listen to an interesting guest speaker.

President Notes from Randy Irey

Happy New Year to everyone! Looking back to 2017, I hope you joined us at our annual dinner meeting at the Carriage Club. If you did, you know how much fun it was; if you didn't, we missed you. In either event, circle September 18, 2018, on your calendar for this year's annual dinner meeting at the Carriage Club. Thank you to Board Member Joanne Kane for making

all the arrangements for 2017's successful gathering.

After many, many years of service, Jonathan Kemper has stepped down from the CCDHA Board. Similarly, Gary Seaton, this past year's secretary, chose to not run for re-election. A big THANK YOU to both of them; we are all really appreciative of their devotion and service to our

neighborhood. New Board members elected at the annual meeting were Cy Hund and Jim Wilkinson, and I was re-elected for a second term.

Randy

CCDHA Dues

Dues to the Country Club District Homes Association were recently sent out by US Mail. Payment deadline is January 31, 2018. Dues provide the operating funds for the CCDHA to carry out its activities. Approximately 60% of the dues are devoted to maintaining the 12 common areas and islands under the Association's control. This is the 4th year in a row that the dues have not increased. Prompt payment is appreciated.

Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Brett & Mary Ann Lewis

800 West 58th Street

Scott Claassen & Francine Dreiling

805 West 60th Terrace

Leonard Nunnink & Amy Burleson

1015 West 58th Terrace

Adam & Rachel Teeples

831 West 61st Street

Matthew & Madeleine Rau

1012 West 61st Terrace

Centennial Celebration of the Verkler Home

The Verkler Home—1001 West 61st Street; Pictured in the mid 1950's



Construction of Schmelzer Island; North of Verkler Home

The Verkler home was built in 1915, one of the first homes built south of Schmelzer (Rooster) Island and 61st Street. Liz and Ron Verkler have lived in the home for 44 years. Liz grew up at 54th and Brookside Boulevard. After her first husband suddenly died (they were the founders and owners of Meyers Dairy), she married Ron Verkler. Together, they raised three children at this location. The view from the back of the home is a deep view of open spaces and Schmelzer Island is the view from the front.

Island Insights

Each newsletter focuses on one of the historic and iconic features located on twelve islands throughout our beautiful neighborhood.



This fountain, located on Schmelzer Island, between Huntington and 61st Street, will no longer be a fountain with water. Through the years, it has aged, becoming labor intensive to keep it functioning. For years, it has been maintained by loving neighbors to keep it running. The estimate to repair the base and plumbing was deemed too expensive by a vote of the CCDHA Board. It will be repurposed with flowers for continued beauty and enjoyment on this lovely

Meyer Circle Sea Horse Fountain

After nearly \$1 million in repairs, the Sea Horse Fountain returned to its former glory last October. Many individuals and homes associations, including CCDHA, raised nearly \$600,000 to complete the repairs. The fountain has the ability to change colors, such as red for the Chiefs, and red, white and blue for Veterans Day. The LED lights under the stone wall, add a stunning finish, and remain on during the winter. The spring opening of this beautiful fountain (Royal blue?) can't come soon enough!



Air B & Bs Prohibited

A reminder to all homeowners, Air B & Bs and other short-term rental arrangements are not permitted within the CCDHA. The restrictive covenants governing the use of the land within the bounds of our Association clearly prohibit such activities. No homes are to be "used or occupied for other than private residence purposes" and all residences are to be maintained "for occupancy by a single family." The covenants clearly supersede any regulations by Kansas City and prohibit such arrangements in the CCDHA regardless of any action taken by the City.

Free Trees: Heartland Tree Alliance

In partnership with KC Parks & Recreation Department, Heartland Tree Alliance (HTA) is planting FREE trees in our neighborhood. Trees are planted along the street right-of-way, which is typically 5-10 feet from the street. There is no cost to the homeowner- except for water. HTA provides the tree, mulch, watering bag and will plant it for you (total value of \$400+) Each spring and fall, 500 trees are planted. Consider adding another tree to our neighborhood by going to <https://bridgingthegap.org/heartland-tree-alliance/treesforkcmo/>

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