

# Country Club Homes Association

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## Bonus Household Tip:

Some experts recommend draining your water heater periodically. Here are the basic steps:

First, turn off the pilot light or electric heating element.

Turn off the water supply, and allow the water to cool.

Attach a hose to the drain-cock at the base of the heater.

Run the hose outside or to your basement drain, and open the drain-cock.

Once the water and any sediment has drained out, close the drain-cock, turn the water supply back on and re-light the pilot or turn the heater back on.

## We All Flipped for the Fall Rendezvous

OUR FALL RENDEZVOUS, which was held on September 30 was an above & beyond success. This was the first time we'd attempted a morning meeting. Going in, the board was concerned about attendance from Country Club residents. This turned out to be something we didn't need to be worried about, as while we were sure we could get at least 75 people, the number actually was in excess of 150 residents.

Stunning weather was the first plus for the event, we couldn't have planned better weather. Then there was the draw of having Chris Cakes cooking up pancakes & sausage, served with coffee & orange juice for breakfast. It was really nice to have a good turn-out of residents of all ages for the festivities.



The Kansas City Fire Department brought out one of their pumper trucks, which is always exciting for the kids. Also, it is terrific to be able to say "thank you" directly to those firefighters who keep watch over our neighborhood homes.

We did have a ballot regarding a snow removal assessment of \$15.00 per household. It was passed by a large margin, so we will have a nice fund for the snow removal account, which had been diminished over the last few years.

It was wonderful to see so many neighbors out on a great day for the Fall Rendezvous. Let's keep that excitement & fun going for this year. See you in September! ☺



## A Welcome to our new neighbors!

John & Sara Waller  
411 West 58th Terrace

Bradley McDaniel  
426 West 59th Street

Mark Hoeltzel &  
Jean Carstensen  
638 West 59th Terrace

Ryan Manies &  
Paige Geiger  
431 West 59th Street

Cara Penner  
613 Huntington

Philip Khoury &  
Julie Munjak  
639 West 59th Street

Clay Wells  
423 West 59th Street

Tom & Rhonda Stiles  
416 West 59th Terrace

Next Bulk Trash Pick up is  
January 29.

## Association Dues

Your prompt payment of the association dues is appreciated. The budget is based on the number of properties and the amount of dues paid. The following properties have not paid their dues. Delinquencies are subject to interest and liens being placed on the property.

Delinquent dues as of  
January 8, 2008

- 421 Huntington  
- 440 West 59th Terrace  
- 418 West 60th Terrace

Properties with dues in excess of \$100 in arrears are subject to an additional \$100 fine. ☹

## BLOCK CAPTAIN ADDRESS ROSTER

Street - Block . . . . .	Block Captain . . . . .	# of Homes . . . . .	Phone . . . . .
57th Street - 400 . . . . .	Norma Spear . . . . .	6 . . . . .	333-0692
57th Street - 600 . . . . .	HELP WANTED . . . . .	6 . . . . .	
57th Terrace - 400 . . . . .	John & Shawn Keller . . . . .	11 . . . . .	333-2685
57th Terrace - 600 . . . . .	Jan Stacy . . . . .	12 . . . . .	523-3851
58th Street - 400 . . . . .	Jim & Janet Bereolos . . . . .	12 . . . . .	444-1222
58th Street - 600 . . . . .	Amy Foley . . . . .	12 . . . . .	333-6988
58th Terrace - 400 . . . . .	Stephanie McHugh . . . . .	21 . . . . .	523-7250
58th Terrace - 600 . . . . .	Kelly Heide . . . . .	21 . . . . .	326-8018
59th Street - 400 . . . . .	Teresa Olsen . . . . .	22 . . . . .	523-1362
59th Street - 600 . . . . .	HELP WANTED . . . . .	22 . . . . .	
59th Terrace - 400 . . . . .	Lee Ann Perkins . . . . .	22 . . . . .	523-5270
59th Terrace - 600 . . . . .	Betty Mantz . . . . .	24 . . . . .	213-0848
Huntington - 400 . . . . .	HELP WANTED . . . . .	20 . . . . .	
Huntington - 600 . . . . .	Catherine McCalla . . . . .	22 . . . . .	361-4543
60th Terrace - 400 . . . . .	Janet Blauvelt . . . . .	20 . . . . .	361-9624
60th Terrace - 600 . . . . .	Leslie Eden & Carl VanSant . . . . .	18 . . . . .	926-0041
61st Street - 400 . . . . .	Zoe Warmoth . . . . .	10 . . . . .	523-0844
61st Street - 600 . . . . .	HELP WANTED . . . . .	10 . . . . .	

## COUNTRY CLUB HOMES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS

647 West 59th Street . . . . .	Peg Horner, President . . . . .	822-1695
436 West 61st Street . . . . .	Zoe Warmoth, Vice-President . . . . .	523-0844
621 West 58th Terr . . . . .	Catherine Forbes, Secretary . . . . .	333-8853
401 West 58th Terr . . . . .	Nancy Reicher, Treasurer . . . . .	333-3876
614 West 59th Street . . . . .	Kevin Karst . . . . .	361-8676
431 West 58th Terr . . . . .	Mary Lu Johnston . . . . .	822-9829
621 West 58th Terr . . . . .	Phil Watkins, Newsletter . . . . .	333-6600

## A Corner in Brookside

I live on a corner in Brookside. There are two lovely stretches of my yard where, usually in the cover of darkness, my fellow dog owners think leaving their dog waste is okay. This may come as news, but the days of "my dog is just fertilizing the yard" is gone.

On September 20, 2007 the Kansas City Water Department Services published a conceptual plan called the **Overflow Control Program**. It is estimated to take over 25 years to complete the work of separating sewer & stormwater systems in a 56-square mile area in south Kansas City, bounded by the state line to the west, 85th Street on the south, the Blue River on the east & the Missouri River on the north. Even at the projected cost of between \$2.4 & \$3 billion, the City admits that this proposed Overflow Control Program will not fix the water pollution problem,

namely the bacteria *E coli* and coliform, both fecal contaminates. According to the plan the probable source is pet waste leeching into the stormwater systems that drain the entire metropolitan area, including Kansas communities.

I purchased biodegradable doggie bags online, a roll of 120 bags for \$8.99. I plan to buy an attractive container & place a roll of these bags on my fence. Maybe my fellow dog owners will consider using one next time, in the cover of darkness, when their dog decides to... well, you know. It's a behavior change which will have a significant impact on our environment & health, particularly the water quality.

Peg Horner, APRN, BC  
(That's advanced practice nurse, board certified)  
President, Country Club Homes

# The Breakfast that didn't go flat!

More photos from the Fall Breakfast Rendezvous!



## Services Directory

Heidi Schamberger - 816-582-9821

[www.k9closet.com](http://www.k9closet.com)

Style, comfort and everything savvy for the upscale pet.

Harry Baldwin - 816-333-2678

**Harry's Hardwood**

Lay, replace, finish hardwood floors.

Cynthia Black - 816-444-5352

**HomeStaging By Cynthia, Inc.**

Over 2,500 homes staged to sell since 1999. [www.HomeStagingByC.com](http://www.HomeStagingByC.com)

Robert Hawkins - 816-786-2288

**Driveways, Decks & Painting**

Seal asphalt drives & wooden decks.

Interior & exterior painting.

Free estimates.

Larry Murphy - 816-822-0379

**Murphy's Lawn & Landscaping**

Mowing, lawn care, clean-up, gutters, decks, fences, walls, planter boxes.

Phil Watkins - 816-333-6600

**Watkins Advertising Design**

Graphic design for businesses large or small. Focus on brochures, ads, direct mail & identity programs. [www.wadcorp.net](http://www.wadcorp.net)

Mike Clifford - 816-836-1040

**Clifford Tax Service**

Tax returns preparation and accounting for individuals and corporations.

Catherine Forbes - 816-587-8070

**River's Bend Gallery**

Visit historic Parkville to find a treasure of fine art glass, pottery, woodworking, paintings, jewelry & more. Bring this newsletter & get 5% off your purchase.

Chuck Wilson - 816-822-9829

**Wild Child Embroidery**

Embroidery on hats & other apparel. Fast turnaround!

[home.mindspring.com/~chuck15](http://home.mindspring.com/~chuck15)

## HOUSEHOLD TIPS

### Tip for Cleaning a Tub:

If you have a fiberglass tub, it should be cleaned differently than porcelain. White vinegar - heated and poured into a spray bottle - works wonders on fiberglass. Simply spray on and wipe off with a soft or micro-fiber cloth. After 10 or 15 minutes, pour more white vinegar on a clean sponge and scrub the entire tub, rinse well and dry.

### Cleaning Ceramic-Tile Floors:

Materials and Ingredients:

1 gallon warm water

1 Tbs. borax

2 Tbs. clear ammonia

bucket

rag or micro-fiber mop (your choice)

Never use a sponge mop to clean ceramic-tile floors. It will pull the dirt right into the grout tracks. This makes the floor more difficult to clean. A micro-fiber mop picks up all the dirt that a sponge mop leaves behind.

### Cats in houseplants:

To help discourage your cat from digging in your plants, put a little oil of cloves on a cotton ball and simply bury the cotton ball below the surface. Cover it with a little soil. It won't hurt your cat or plant, but may prevent your cat from digging.

### Furniture scratches:

If you're dusting and notice scratches in your furniture, the following household items can help you restore the luster:

**Crayons** - You can buy wood touch-up pens and wax crayons to fill scratches. Be sure to select the ones that match the color of the furniture. Children's crayons, however, can also work to cover scratches. Match the color closely and work the crayon into the scratched area.

**Blow Dryer** - Use a blow dryer (set on high) or a hot rag heated in the clothes dryer and buff the area until it has a smooth finish.

**Iodine** - For mahogany or cherry wood, try iodine. Apply liberally to the stain or scratch and dab with a dry, soft cloth. If it doesn't cover the scratch or stain with one try, repeat with a second application.

## Useful Numbers:



- Action Center** . . . . . 311  
for City Services
- Abandoned Vehicles** . . . . . 816-784-4080  
for getting a vehicle towed away
- Animal Control** . . . . . 816-513-9800  
to report abuse, dogs running loose,  
dogs with menacing behavior
- Dig Safely** . . . . . 800-DIG-RITE  
play it safe around your yard; (800-344-7483)  
always call BEFORE you dig!
- Fire Safety** . . . . . 816-513-9100  
for non-emergency fire-related  
information
- Gas Leak** . . . . . 800-582-0000  
evacuate first, then call for help  
outside of the building
- Home Weatherization** . . . . . 816-513-3025  
learn how a little bit of work can yield  
great savings on your energy bill
- Household Hazardous Waste** . . . . . 816-784-2080  
drop off your old paint, car batteries,  
pesticides & more; appointment required!
- Illegal Dumping** . . . . . 816-513-9000  
contacts an investigator at the  
Neighborhood Preservation Division

**Police Non-Emergency** . . . . . 816-234-5111  
for information or questions not  
requiring an immediate response

**Potholes** . . . . . 311  
report road hazards to the Action Center

**Power Line Down** . . . . . 888-544-4852  
never approach a downed power line  
yourself, even if it's on your vehicle or property

**Power Outage** . . . . . 888-544-4852  
report outages, flickering lights or  
other damage-related problems

**Recycling Center** . . . . . 816-561-1090  
take your glass, paper & other recyclables  
East 63rd Street, one block east of The Paseo  
Wed-Fri - 11:00 am-5:30 pm; Sat - 8:00 am-4:00 pm

**Temperature** . . . . . 816-540-6021

**Waste Management** . . . . . 311

- bulky item pick-up
- waste tire drop-off
- leaves & brush
- residential trash collection
- weekly curbside recycling

**Water Main Break** . . . . . 816-513-0209  
call for repairs outside of your home