



# PRAIRIE HILLS HOMES ASSOCIATION Neighborhood News

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## MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS AND YOUR CANDIDATES AT ANNUAL MEETING ON APRIL 2

The Prairie Hills Homes Association Annual Meeting brunch will be held at 12:30 pm, Sunday, April 2, at the Indian Hills Country Club, 6847 Tomahawk Road.

Mike Riley and Mike Kelly, Ward 3 candidates for the Prairie Village City Council, will be on hand to answer your questions about their visions and ideas for the city.

The 56th annual event will include door prizes provided by area merchants. Prizes will be awarded to the newest and most enduring residents.

Residents will get to vote on the upcoming budget and hear reports from PHHA board and committee heads.

This year's buffet will include an omelet station,

eggs benedict, waffles, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, mini carrot cakes, and ganache brownies.

The cost is \$15 per person. You should have already received your invitation. If you haven't, contact the Homes Association of the Country Club District at 816.523.2440 to reserve a place.

## TWO ISLAND DAYS IN 2006--APRIL 22 & MAY 6

Mark your calendars for the annual PHHA Island Day events. The traffic island garden upkeep will take place on two weekends this year:

On Saturday, April 22, we will add perennials and

mulch to the gardens.

On Saturday, May 6, we will add annuals as needed. All residents are encouraged to take part.

If you'd like to help, please contact Mark Stiles, master coordinator, or the

island captains listed below (You can also just stop by for either event).

71st & Cherokee:  
Kevin Dunn

71st Terr. & Cherokee:  
Linda Cosgrove

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## FREE ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC ON MAY 13

There is such a thing as a free lunch...in Prairie Hills at least. This year's PHHA Annual Family Picnic will be from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 13, at Windsor Park (Windsor south of Cherokee).

We'll provide a full picnic and entertainment.

All Prairie Hills residents are invited to attend.

About 150 residents attended last year's picnic.

Janie Wang and Jane A r-

gotsinger will organize this year's picnic.

If you've got any picnic ideas or would like to help, contact Janie at 671-8404 or awang1@kc.rr.com or Jane at 789-8125 or Janmh91@aol.com

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**April 2**  
Annual Meeting/Brunch

**April 8**  
Earth Day at SME

**April 22**  
Large-item pick-up

**April 29**  
Island Day

**May 13**  
Annual Picnic

**May 20**  
Car Show at Brighton Gardens



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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### Who are PHHA Board of Directors, and what do they do for you?

The Prairie Hills Bylaws state: "The corporate powers of the Prairie Hills Homes Association is vested in a board of six members. The PHHA Board of Directors shall conduct, manage, and control the property, affairs, and business of the Association. At each annual meeting, they shall present a complete detailed statement showing the assets, liabilities, and general condition of the association. They shall also cause to be kept a complete record of all the finances of the association showing all receipts and expenditures, assets, and

liabilities. They shall do and perform any other duties that may be prescribed for them by the members of this association at any regular or special meeting."

Most of the affairs of the association are social in nature. The board and various committees provide the annual meeting, picnic, garage sale, newsletters, traffic island maintenance, holiday homes tour, block parties, etc.

Enforcement of our deeds and restrictions has recently been put to the test with a request for a building setback variance. Legally, J.C. Nichols Co. transferred the enforcement of the restrictions to the Homes Association of

the County Club District (HACCD) in 1992. The HACCD was created in 1944 to handle the full-time administrative requirements of member homes associations, of which PHHA is one. PHHA and HACCD work closely together, and will continue to do so on all enforcement issues.

The lessons learned from this have been that the board needs to add to its responsibilities the task of stepping up its relationship with the City of Prairie Village on all building and architectural issues, working proactively for our good.

Mark Stiles, president  
PHHA Board of Directors

## WHO'S WHO IN PRAIRIE HILLS

### PHHA Board

#### President

Mark Stiles, 384.3095  
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#### Vice Pres.

Wesley Piercy, 488.0566  
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#### Secretary

Jenny Doty, 789.9374  
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#### Treasurer

John McMahon, 831.6192  
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#### Director

Loring Leifer, 831.7272  
(leifer@sprintmail.com)

### Director

Marsha Bjerkan, 362.2136  
(bjerkan@aol.com)

### Committee Heads

#### Annual Dinner

Loring Leifer

#### Garage Sale

John McMahon

#### Holiday Homes Tour

Jane Argotsinger

#### Island Day

Mark Stiles

#### Picnic

Janie Wang &  
Jane Argotsinger

### Maintenance:

Mark Stiles

### New Neighbors

Bev Vyhanek

### Newsletter

Wesley Piercy &  
Loring Leifer

### Communications & Complaints

Loring Leifer

### Meeting schedule

The PHHA Board meets at 7:00 pm on the second Monday of the month at the Prairie Village Community Center, 7700 Mission Rd.

All meetings are open to PHHA residents.



## PRAIRIE HILLS HOMES ASSOCIATION 2006-2007 BUDGET

	Proposed 2006-07	Approved 2005-06	Estimated 2005-06	Variance
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Base Assessment	\$16,300.00	\$16,300.00	\$16,277.14	(\$22.86)
Interest on Investments	\$400.00	\$250.00	\$638.53	\$388.53
Interest on Assessments	\$400.00	\$300.00	\$470.17	\$170.17
Other Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Meeting Income	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$900.00	(\$100.00)
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$18,100.00</b>	<b>\$17,850.00</b>	<b>\$18,285.84</b>	<b>\$435.84</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
Administration	\$5,300.00	\$5,300.00	\$5,300.00	\$0.00
Annual Meeting	\$1,800.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,526.77	\$973.23
Computer Services	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$486.90	\$313.10
Insurance	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$184.00	\$116.00
Legal Services/Taxes	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Island Maintenance	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,990.72	\$9.28
Capital Improvements	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,702.46	(\$702.46)
Postage	\$2,000.00	\$1,850.00	\$1,005.41	\$844.59
Social Activities	\$300.00	\$1,300.00	\$308.48	\$991.52
Annual Picnic	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$795.60	(\$795.60)
Directories	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,607.42	(\$407.42)
Newsletters	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$495.87	\$1,004.13
New Neighbor	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$31.07	(\$31.07)
Crime Prevention	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
HACCD Meetings	\$500.00	\$400.00	\$437.51	(\$37.51)
Holiday Tour	\$150.00	\$50.00	\$133.65	(\$83.65)
Stationary & Supplies	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$179.62	\$20.38
A/R Written Off	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.88	(\$1.88)
Other	\$100.00	\$500.00	\$103.46	\$396.54
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$18,100.00</b>	<b>\$19,900.00</b>	<b>\$17,290.82</b>	<b>\$2,609.18</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(LOSS)</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>(\$2,050.00)</b>	<b>\$995.02</b>	<b>\$3,045.02</b>

### Income Statement Terms

**Base Assessment:** Dues collected from members.

**Interest:** Interest earned on invested funds.

**Administration:** Fees paid to the Homes Association of the Country Club District for administrative and office services.

**Annual Meeting:** Funds used to defray cost of sponsoring the PHHA Annual Meeting.

**Computer Service:** Fees charged by HACCD for use of computer, such as printing mailing labels.

**Island Maintenance:** Costs of island upkeep and improvement, including plantings and statue maintenance.

**Social Activities** Costs in providing the garage sale, board meetings, and other PHHA activities.

**Newsletter:** Costs to print PHHA newsletter. PHHA volunteers do all writing, layout, and design.

**A/R Written Off:** Uncollected interest on assessments.

**Other:** Miscellaneous expenses may arise, including photocopying and other unanticipated expenses.



## PRAIRIE HILLS HOMES ASSOCIATION

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*(Continued from "Two Island Days" on page 1)*

71st Terr. & 72<sup>nd</sup> St.:

Pete Carpenter

Cherokee & Windsor:

Judy Root

72nd St. & Cherokee:

Pete & Bonnie Murdoch

72nd Terr. & Cherokee:

Liz Sterbenz, Alberta Bush, &  
Sue Montgomery

73rd St. & Cherokee: Mark Stiles

73rd St. & 72nd Terr.:

Shirley Hansell

73rd Terr. & Belinder:

Estela Abramo

73rd Terr. & Cherokee:

Erin Findley

74th St. & 73rd Terr.:

Linda & Steven Staudenmaier

74th St. & Belinder: Judy Bliss

Chadwick & Cherokee: Carol Kobza

75th St. & Cherokee:

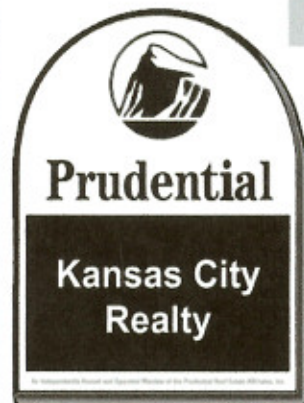
Jack & Talena Welch

## BLOCK HEADS?

Want to organize a block party?  
PHHA is offering \$50 grants toward  
the purchase of food.

Send your name, phone number and  
street address to Ann Colston, block-  
party coordinator, to acolston@kc.  
rr.com or call 722.0165. She can  
help you with the details.

# Wesley Piercy



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