

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Security Meeting

The CCDHA is planning a "Security Meeting" to be held at Country Club Christian Church on Saturday, March 7th from 9-11 AM to further discuss a topic brought up at our Annual Meeting and picnic. The board feels it is important to explore measures we, as homeowners, can take to ensure a safer neighborhood. We are inviting local police officers to come to the meeting and share with us the trends the police force are seeing in local crimes, what we can do to better safeguard our homes, and how we can best watch out for each other. We would like a rough idea of how many to set up for at the church so please email me at mtejde@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

Good Neighbors....

Clean up after dogs both large and small
 Take trash out after 3 p.m. the day before trash pick-up
 Avoid blowing grass clippings down sewers/gutters
 Let barking dogs inside so as not to bother neighbors
 Clean up leaves in the fall
 Retrieve a neighbors recycle bin that has blown into the street
 After a snow, clear a path on your sidewalk



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Thank You

Liz and Ron Verkler!

Interesting Street Plan

(Taken from the J.C. Nichols Company Records

State Historical Society of Missouri 1938)

The greatest curse of cities in their street plan is the too fixed adherence to uniform widths. The checker-board method of platting, with straight streets and rectangular blocks, in most cities is unthinkingly applied regardless of topography, strategic lines of communication, building sites, uses or needs. It is wasteful, extravagant, inelastic and an absolute failure in meeting the needs of a street plan.

The developers of the Country Club District are opposed to this method of laying out streets since it renders monotonous and stereotyped our American cities, destroying individuality, natural beauty and charm.

Purely residential streets in the Country Club District are related to main boulevards, traffic ways and business streets. They follow the lines indicated by configuration of the land, affording sites of interesting shapes and outlook and permitting individual landscape treatment. Vistas are carefully studied.

Country Club District streets have a cozy, domestic character and are quiet, self-contained and garden like. They create a charming suburban feeling, afford sunshine and free space for every home and promote greater safety for children. There are a few long, unbroken stretches in the direction of the prevailing winds.



Our New Neighbors

John & Jean Ann Ovel

1000 West 65th Street

Daniel & Kelly Reichman

815 West 57th Street

Matthew & Erin O'Laughlin

6022 Belleview

Alex & Jessica Blazer

825 West 63rd Street

Miniature parks have been built at frequent street intersections, adding interest to the street vistas, as well as serving as traffic guards and dust shields.

Pedestrian ways are provided occasionally to illuminate needless streets. Large blocks have been made possible and desirable, the motor car having superseded the horse-drawn traffic.

Nine miles of Kansas City's most beautiful boulevard and parkway development lie within the Country Club District. Brookside Boulevard, ninety feet and more in width, serves as the eastern portion. Ward Parkway, 160 to 500 feet wide, with its double roadway

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It's All About Community

Marti Lee, Executive Director of the Southtown Council, Waldo and Brookside Associations, presented a program on “how we can best nurture relationships and stabilize our neighborhood.” The discussion was held over lunch at CCC Church on November 11th.

The Southtown Council is a non-profit, incorporated, established, self-sufficient organization. The council provides a communications network between business associations, institutions, and neighborhoods that create the environment for greater economic and community growth. The council works to strengthen existing businesses and attract new ones and acts as a catalyst to initiate corrective actions where needed.

Street Plan continued

and parked center, traverses the western sector. Meyer Boulevard, widest single-roadway boulevard in Kansas City, joins Brookside and Ward Parkway in a magnificent pleasure drive. Gregory Boulevard, forming the southern boundary of the Country Club District, connects Ward Parkway with other links in the park and boulevard system to the east.

Meyer Circle with its great Sea Horse Fountain, standing in a pool of water 100 feet in diameter, is one of the most distinctive features of Kansas City's park system, the art objects that adorn it and approaching parkways have been given by the J. C. Nichols Companies. Ground for Ward Parkway and Meyer Boulevard, comprising ninety acres and valued at \$500,000, was given to the city by the owners for park use. It is important to note that Ward Parkway is recognized as one of America's foremost residential boulevards.



Ice hockey at the mirror pond on Ward Parkway

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