Prairie Ridge Homes Association Fall 2010 Newsletter

Adopt an Island!

As you know the beautifully kept islands throughout our neighborhood make Prairie Ridge a special place to live. Many volunteers take time to help keep them looking their best, but we need more. Some volunteers care for multiple islands and some islands do not have caretakers.

Don't worry-No mowing is required!

Please consider volunteering just a bit of your time to Prairie Ridge!

Maintenance is minimal and funds are available for planting if needed.

Please call Karen Chapman or Zach Hardy for more information or to volunteer



Tis the season...

Once again the Prairie Ridge Homes Association will be donating to the *Mayor's Christmas Tree Fund* in Prairie Village and *Santa America*.

Happy Holidays!

President's Letter

November 2010

Hello Neighbors,

It seems like yesterday that I was writing to you about gathering the leaves in our yards and other recycling options. Well, that was a year ago and there have been some new developments in the recycling efforts since then.

We now must use the brown paper bags for our yard waste instead of the plastic bags. We can still utilize re-usable trash containers for leaves and grass clippings and other compostable items. I converted my former house trash bins to yard waste containers and that works well. They hold more and are easily wheeled from the back yard to the curb on collection day.

Our new city trash containers have necessitated some creativity in storing and concealing them from street view. If you are like me, you may have a one car garage and there is no way those containers and my car are going to fit in that garage – with the door closed!

The change has been challenging for some but I think as a general observation, we are coping well. If you have some creative solutions for this issue send them to any one of the board members and we will publish them in the next newsletter.

Glass recycling is now well established with the big Purple Bins located about town. I read that the one in Corinth shopping center is the second most used bin in this area. Congratulations to all of us! Take the children along when you go to the recycle bin so they can get use to the concept as part of their future life style.

Our annual Ice Cream Social was held in August. The attendance continues to grow each year bringing together families and neighbors for fun and enjoyment. We were so pleased that Mayor Ron Shaffer stopped by to visit with the families and sample the Sheridan's Frozen Custard. That frosty frozen custard tasted pretty good on the warm afternoon. We hope you enjoyed it and look forward to seeing you at the Ice Cream Social next summer.

Your Prairie Ridge Homes Association board will conduct the annual business meeting in April. Look for the date and place in an announcement this spring. Please plan to attend as this is your opportunity to participate in your associations' activities and plans.

Wishing you a healthy and happy Winter season!

Dianne Pallanich, President Prairie Ridge Homes Association Board

Reminders:

Block party expenses for food and supplies are eligible for reimbursement up to \$50.00 total. (Actual reimbursement will depend on the number of parties submitting request for reimbursement). Please send requests to the treasurer.

Please remember to pay your homes association dues!







Bulletin BoardHelping Hands

Do you need someone to rake your leaves or shovel your snow? Are you someone who wants to rake leaves or shovel snow?

Either way let one of your board members know and we will match you up!

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Prairie Ridge

Proud to be on the historic Santa Fe Trail in the heart of Prairie Village

A community of homes bounded by 75th - 79th, Delmar to Rosewood