# WEST NEWS

An Official Publication of the Shadywood West Homeowners' Association

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# Welcome our new SWW neighbors

Please welcome these families who have moved into the neighborhood.

Dave and Kathy Hart 3510 SW Alameda Dr. 350-2308 kahart1141@att.net

Shawn and Andi Beach son Ivan 3450 Brandywine Ct. 256-0627 beach98@gmail.com

Aaron and Hollie Meek Children: Thomas, Will and Leah 6028 Stonybrook Ct. 228-2038 holliemeek@gmail.com

Harry & Martha Bishop 3653 SW Stonybrook 379-1874

#### **Block Captain News**

Sadly we say goodbye to Janice and Philip Magathan who are leaving Shadywood West. Thank you Janice for being a Block Captain for North Alameda Drive. Your service is much appreciated. We are grateful to Connie Pitman who has agreed to be the Block Captain for that area.

# Annual meeting of **Shadywood West** Homeowners' Association

6:00 PM, Sunday, October 16th, 2011 HyVee Meeting Room (Upstairs)

#### **Business Meeting Agenda**

Introductions

Call to Order

Establishment of a quorum (10% of members entitled to vote) Adoption of Agenda \*

Approval of previous minutes as distributed

#### Committee Updates:

- > President's Comments
- > Treasurer's report/budget
- > Secretary's report
- > Social Committee report
- ➤ Architecture Committee Chair report
- ➤ Grounds Committee report
- Senior Block Captain/Directory report

#### Old Business:

#### New Business:

- > Nominating committee discussion
- > Other business from the floor

\*The president reserves the right to change the order as a courtesy in the event there are guest speakers.

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#### SHADYWOOD WEST **HOMEOWNERS' ASSN**

#### **Officers**

**President:** Lisa Stubbs 6026 SW 36<sup>th</sup> Street, 272-6103 Vice President: Tim Gerhardt 6040 SW 37th Street, 273-5939 Secretary: Leslie Conrow 6031 SW 36<sup>th</sup> Street, 272-1458 Treasurer: Mark Burghart 6000 SW 34<sup>th</sup> Terrace, 273-3822

#### **Committees**

Architecture: Bill Haag, Jim Schroeder, Jake Ediger, Jane Fowler

**Directory:** Becky Stauffer

**Grounds:** Jane Fowler, Errol Williams

Don Catron, Dave Holthaus, Jeff

Sorrenson, Joe & Pam Foremann, Susan

Webber

Webmaster: Matt Harader

#### **Block Captains**

Wanamaker Road: Linda Ives 3339 SW Wanamaker Rd, 271-9246 East 34th Terrace: Rosilyn Martin 6026 SW 34<sup>th</sup> Terrace, 273-9832 Brandywine Ct: Pam Oroke 3443 Brandywine Ct, 228-1050 West 34<sup>th</sup> Terrace: Sandy Kirk 6216 SW 34<sup>th</sup> Terrace, 228-1287 North Alameda Dr.: Connie Pitman 3325 SW Alameda Dr, 273-1388 Mid Alameda Dr: Mary Kopp 3419 Alameda Dr. 213-0520 South Alameda Dr: Sue Meyer 3513 SW Alameda Dr, 228-2489 No. Stonybrook Dr: Lois Wages 3518 SW Stonybrook Dr, 272-8694 South Stonybrook Dr: Julie Pope 3644 SW Stonybrook Dr, 271-0711 Stonybrook Ct: Norma Schroeder

6014 SW Stonybrook Ct, 273-3985

36<sup>th</sup> Street: Lisa Stubbs 6026 SW 36<sup>th</sup> St, 272-6103

**36**<sup>TH</sup> **Street Ct:** Brenda Forster 6018 SW 36<sup>th</sup> Court, 271-9155

37<sup>th</sup> Street: Rita Webb 6024 SW 37<sup>th</sup> St., 273-0840

## **President's Comments**

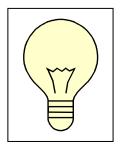
By Lisa Stubbs

2011 is fast winding down and I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful volunteers that help make our SWW Homeowners Association run smoothly and those who have helped with the many activities that have been offered in our neighborhood this year. I am encouraged by the resurgence of activities like the Easter egg hunt, neighborhood garage sale, 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and the upcoming holiday event at the Top of the Tower. Additionally, we have had several new activities like the recycling drive and a breakfast group. Thanks to everyone for their hard work! We try our best to keep everyone informed by using our Shadywood West web site, an annual Neighborhood Directory, the bi-annual newsletter and emails with timely reminders and alerts. Again, thanks to everyone who helped! Just a couple areas that will be very important to everyone as we continue our neighborhood's reputation as a great place to live- we will be planning several improvements to landscaped areas, so plan to attend the Oct. annual meeting for details. Also, our Architecture committee is looking to make suggestions for a long overdue updating of our covenant restrictions that would take into consideration the many new material types that are currently being used for home repair and improvement. Many of these materials were not available when our restrictions were first written. We will keep everyone posted as details come forward and make sure that you have an opportunity to express your thoughts. Lastly, I want to encourage everyone to make sure that you replace your yard light bulbs on a regular basis. As you may have read in the newspaper, Topeka has experienced several home burglaries in the form of home invasions. The best thing you can do to protect yourself and your neighbors is to make sure that your home is well lit at night. On a recent evening walk through our neighborhood, I noticed at least 7-8 homes with the front light out. Please help us make our neighborhood as safe as possible by replacing all burned out light bulbs immediately. Thank you to those who additionally put their porch and garage lights on nightly. It really does make a difference in deterring criminal activity. Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. We will be meeting at HyVee in the room on their second floor. This is our annual meeting where the budget will be voted on as well as other important issues from the agenda that will be delivered 2 weeks prior to the meeting. A proxy will be attached for your convenience if you are not able to attend. Please read the instructions carefully. (Cont'd Page 3)

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Looking forward to another wonderful year in our beautiful SWW neighborhood.

Lisa Stubbs SWW Homeowners Association President



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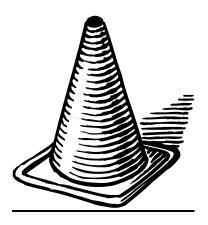
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#### **Road Construction Ahead**

The Kansas Department of Transportation Website has a \$2.6MM project scheduled to let in February on Wanamaker, starting at 29th Street and going south. We have all seen the preliminary surveying and staking work. As information becomes available concerning the schedule, and impacts to traffic, we will post them to the website. Once complete, Wanamaker will be a first class Boulevard all the way to 61st Street!





#### **Social Committee Update**

The Shadywood West Social Committee has been hard at working putting together a calendar of events for our neighborhood, and it looks like this year's line up has something for everyone!

Watch your doors for informational flyers on upcoming neighborhood activities. In the meantime, here's the list of events with dates and times for you to add to your calendar.

If you want to participate in the fun of planning special events for our neighborhood, join our committee by emailing Claudia Larkin at clarkin11@cox.net.

#### **Garage Sales**

Topeka City Code Section 114-37 allows two garage sales per year per home lasting not more than four consecutive days. Signs are allowed on private property only between 5pm Thursday and 5 pm Sunday. Signs are not permitted on Right of Way at anytime.

#### **Neighborhood Watch**

We have a good set of resident email addresses and an alert board of directors, especially Becky Stauffer. That gives us the capability of electronic notifications (for crime, vandalism, break-ins, strange vehicles, lost pets, etc.). It isn't immediate like a texting service, but it is as quick as people get their emails. To get something out quickly in this manner, notify Becky and Matt by email. They will forward the message to all.

Becky's e-mail is kymoore560@aol.com

Matt's e-mail is mattandjenn17@gmail.com



#### **Fences**

The Declaration of Restricitons for the Neighborhood states that "Only wood, brick or ornamental iron fencing may be erected on any lot. No fence shall be constructed or placed farther toward the street than the front side of the house."

Topeka City Ordinance states that "no portion of a fence shall exceed eight feet in height."

#### **Neighborhood Social Events Planned for 2011**

#### **Shady Lady Breakfast**

Back by popular demand! Come join us for breakfast and some neighborly chat!

DATE: Wednesday, Sep 28, 8:30 a.m.

TIME: 8:30 a.m. PLACE: Hy-Vee

COST: Dutch Treat

RSVP: Pam 228-1050

#### **Neighborhood Out-To-Eat Nights**

The last time we got together, we went to BossHawgs and had a wonderful time. Join us as we sample a few different dining establishments—and make plans to come to our Holiday Dinner Out in December.

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 15, 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Paisano's (Fleming Place)

RSVP: Claudia <u>clarkin11@cox.net</u> by October 12th

COST: Dutch Treat

#### **Holiday Dinner**

Save the Date

DATE: December 1st

PLACE: Top of the Tower

Additional information will be forwarded to you near the end of October.



#### Treasurer's Report by Mark A. Burghart

Set forth below is the proposed Shadywood West Homeowners' Association budget for Fiscal Year October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012. Most of the budgeted expenditures relate to the mowing and maintenance of common areas. I also would note that those homeowners who have not remitted Association dues for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011 might consider doing so. While the Association dues are voluntary, lending institutions and title insurance companies routinely require that I certify that all dues are current when homeowners are either refinancing or selling a home. If you have any questions as to whether or not you are current, please contact me at 273-3822.

#### Shadywood West Homeowners' Association Proposed Budget

	Oct '10 – Sep '11	Oct '11 – Sep '12
Income:		
Association Dues	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Interest Income	5.00	5.00
Total Income	\$12,005.00	\$12,005.00
Expenses:		
Bank Service Charge	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Meeting Room	200.00	200.00
Miscellaneous-Insurance	1,000.00	600.00
Office Supplies, Newsletter	,	
& Postage	750.00	750.00
Property Maintenance Expen	nses 7,395.00	4,500.00
Property Renovation*	0.00	22,000.00
Safe Deposit Box	110.00	120.00
Taxes		
Corp Annual Report	40.00	40.00
Property Tax	0.00	0.00
Taxes – Other	0.00	0.00
Total Taxes	40.00	40.00
Utilities		
Electric	1,000.00	1,000.00
Water	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Utilities	2,500.00	2,500.00
Total Expenses	\$12,005.00	\$30,720.00
Net Income	\$ 0.00	\$(18,715.00)

<sup>\*</sup>Property renovation costs will be paid primarily from reserves which currently total \$33,178.

For those who have not already paid, a check in the amount of \$100 should mailed to: Shadywood West Homeowners' Association, Inc.

Mark A. Burghart, Treasurer 6000 SW 34<sup>th</sup> Terrace Topeka, KS 66614

#### **Grounds Crew**

Please come to the meeting and check out the website for information regarding the renovation of the traffic circles and the entrances to the neighborhood.

#### **Architectural Committee**

Several of the homes in SWW had some extensive hail damage to their roofs. It is not always possible to see from the ground what damage has been done. So, you might want to contact your insurance agent and have your roof inspected. That is just what I did and I am waiting to hear the results, even though we don't see any damage. Also, please keep in mind that we do have restrictions per the covenants for our neighborhood on the types of materials that can be used as well as the color selection.

Please contact one of the members of our Architectural Committee BEFORE you do any roof replacement to make sure the materials are approved. It could save you a lot of trouble and money later. The committee has already looked at a couple roof materials being used for replacement. Those members are:

Bill Haag 272-6173 Jim Schroeder 273-3985 Jake Ediger 272-9150 Jane Fowler 272-9220

#### SWWHA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES, April 2010

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The meeting was called to order by President Lisa Stubbs at 6:00 PM in the HyVee meeting room. About 20 neighbors were present. The agenda was adopted and was approved by a voice vote. The minutes from the previous meeting were also read and approved.

**Newsletter**: Tim needs articles 1 month in advance. The deadline for the next newsletter is September 10, 2011. A proxy will be included in the October newsletter.

**Treasurer**: The treasurer's report was adopted and approved. Our fiscal year is from October to September. We have 88% paid dues; which is awesome! We have 16 non-paying households.

**Social Committee**: We made \$125.00 from our neighborhood recycling day. The Easter Egg Hunt will be April 16<sup>th</sup>, with a rain date of the 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are planning on having a 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. The first neighborhood breakfast was successful. 15 neighbors participated. Dinners are scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> at Boss Hawgs, October 15<sup>th</sup> at Paisanos, and December 1<sup>st</sup> at the Top of the Tower.

**Landscaping**: Jane has a large committee. They plan on cleaning and maintaining the circles without employing other help. They did have a professional draw up plans for the circles and the entrances. We no

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### **PROXY**

Homeowners – There are two areas which require votes during the fall 2011 annual meeting: the budget and the spring meeting minutes. The three voting options are to (a) attend in person and vote, (b) designate a proxy who can vote on your behalf (see the proxy form below), or (c) vote on the form below and provide it to one of the officers (see page 2 for listing) who will bring it to the meeting.

Homeowners must be current on their dues for their votes to count. There is one vote per household. The SWWHA directors appreciate your help in voting in one of these ways, as there are requirements for a quorom. \* I/ We designate the following person to cast our votes at the meeting in our absence: NAME: OR: PLEASE INDICATE YOUR VOTES IN THE APPROPRIATE PLACES BELOW. 1. BUDGET FOR OCT 2011THRU SEP 2012: I accept the budget as provided For\_\_\_\_\_ Against\_\_\_\_\_ 2. MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 2011 SPRING MEETING: For Against I accept the minutes as published AND MUST COMPLETE BELOW FOR EITHER OF ABOVE OPTIONS: Please sign here: Name(s) Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Address

#### SWWHA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES (Continued from page 6)

longer have a burn pile. April 23<sup>rd</sup> is a free recycling day. Call Jane if you have yard waste to haul to the forestry service. Pine wilt is a danger to pine trees. The city will cut your effected trees down for no charge. Please clean up your dog waste while walking your dogs. Also, please replace any burnt out yard light bulbs.

**Architecture Committee**: No new business. They have been asked to look into revising our restrictions on fencing, siding, and roofing.

Senior Block Captain: All block captain positions have been filled.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

A motion to adjourn was moved, seconded, and approved.

Respectfully Submitted

Leslie Conrow

Secretary

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#### West News, April 2011

Tim Gerhardt, Editor 6040 SW 37th Street Topeka, Kansas 66614