# Greenway Fields

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Strawn Park Pedestal After Repair

# **President's Letter**

It's been a busy year within Greenway Fields Homes Association and the holidays are always a special time in our neighborhood. I encourage you to join us for the Annual Holiday Party on Sunday, December 8th from 5-7pm. Once again, Marianne Roos and David Bland, 635 W Meyer Blvd, are our generous hosts and we are grateful for their hospitality. The Holiday Party is casual and fun, another great opportunity to visit with neighbors and friends. Kindly RSVP by December 4th to board@greenwayfields.org or (816) 729-4900.

With Fall and the shorter daylight hours, please be especially careful to watch out for pedestrians, runners, and bikers during you daily commute. Also, Greenway Fields has a porch light policy. We ask that you keep your porch light on throughout the night. This not only helps to light sidewalks but also aids in crime prevention. As usual during the holiday season, we will be increasing our random security patrol with off duty KCMO Police department officers. If you notice anything odd in our neighborhood do not hesitate to call 911 and report.

It would be hard to miss the recent sewer and storm drain construction project within our neighborhood. We are addressing a few remaining issues of clean-up and repair with the City. We can expect a few landscaping repairs to run late into the fall near Greenway Terrace and Pennsylvania. As things are getting back to normal, the board will be installing the delayed new rubber mulch at the Strawn Park playground for added fall safety protection and longevity. If you have any concerns from the recent construction, please contact the 311 Action Center.

Our tree committee has submitted to the City its plan for replanting on the residential street easement and is waiting for the City Forestry department's review and placement out to bid. It looks like it will be early spring before the planting of new trees and pruning will occur. This is being paid with our award of PIAC funding (public city funds) and a contribution from Greenway Fields Homes Association. More details will follow as we get closer to the planting date.

One last reminder—residents will see an \$8 increase in the GFNCID annual assessment by Jackson County on your tax bill. Over the last four years the GFNCID assessment has only been raised 50¢. The additional funding will add to the budget for landscaping, snow plowing, etc. and supplement our major maintenance reserve fund.

I hope you enjoy the fall foliage. It is certainly one of my favorite times of the year.

# Clem

### **Upcoming Events**

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#### Brookside Christmas Tree Lighting

Thur, Dec 5, 6-7 PM
Enjoy entertainment,
hot chocolate & cookies.
Experience a charming evening at Brookside Blvd & 63rd St.



# Annual Holiday Party Sun, Dec 8, 5–7 PM, 635 W Meyer Blvd Home of Marianne Roos & David Bland No children please except babies-in-arms. Please RSVP by 12/4 to board@greenwayfields.org



# Annual Holiday Lighting Contest Judging the night of Mon, Dec 16 Lights, wreaths, snowmen...

it's time to channel your inner Clark Griswold! Winners will be chosen in the categories of Most Original, Most Colorful, Best Block & Best of Show.



#### Leaf & Brush Pick-Up North of 63rd St: Thur, Dec 12 South of 63rd St: Thur, Nov 21



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# "Up to Date" in Greenway Fields

 $\mathbf{T}_{\mathsf{he}}$ recent infrastructure improvements encompassed in the Brookside Watershed Project are designed to increase the reliability of the water system, reduce sanitary sewer backups, and enhance the capacity of storm drainage. The benefit to residents of Greenway Fields is significant and adds to the value of our homes.

Although many residents have suffered through the construction associated with the Project-some

definitely more than others—the benefit to the most affected residents is measurable. Roads have been repaved, new gutters and driveway aprons installed, and sidewalk improvements completed. The cost of these repairs to the homeowner, if not a part of this Project, is sizable ranging from \$4,000-8,000 per homeowner.

All of these improvements continue to add to the appeal of our neighborhood.



#### Recycle These Items:

- Aluminum and metal cans
- Plastic bottles with a neck #1 and #2 (look for the number inside the chasing arrow symbol), such as water and soda bottles, milk jugs and detergent bottles.
- Plastic containers #3 thru #7 (look for the number inside the chasing arrow symbol), such as yogurt and margarine/ butter tub containers.
- Office paper, junk mail, newspapers (without plastic rain bag), phone books, catalogues and magazines.
- · Cardboard (thick corrugated and thin cereal box-type)
- Paper/Hardback books
- Pizza delivery boxes without food
- Cardboard egg cartons
- Shredded paper in a paper bag that is labeled as shredded paper





# **Helpful Tips for Recycling**

Recycling waste products has myriad positive effects: it diverts waste from our landfills. it helps keep our water and sewers clean, it reduces the need to use limited and/ or expensive resources. In Kansas City, it can even save you money by keeping your garbage within the two-bagsa-week quota.

Make it easy: Have a recycling container in the rooms where you are likely to produce recyclable waste. The kitchen is the largest source but home offices generate a lot of paper waste and even your living room might need a receptacle for periodicals.

Know what goes and what doesn't: www.kcmo.org has a list of everything that KCMO does and doesn't recycle. For instance, they take all plastic containers from #1-#7 (in the chasing arrow symbol on the bottom, aluminum and metal cans, paper, cardboard, books, pizza boxes, and cardboard egg cartons. They don't take plastic bags, glass, Styrofoam or treated paper (waxed cartons, gift wrap, photographs, pet food and litter bags). Print out the list and keep it handy while you are starting. Soon, you'll be familiar enough with the program to recycle the printed list.

Bag it up: When you forget to bring your reusable bags to the grocery store, ask for paper bags. You can use them to line your recycling receptacles and it makes taking the recycling to the curb a lot less messy.

Don't be limited: KCMO doesn't take glass, but Ripple Glass does. Our neighborhood drop-off is in the Brookside Wine & Spirits parking lot at 63rd and Oak. Plastic bags are accepted at most

grocery stores. KC Water runs a household hazardous waste program for paint cans, oil cans, batteries, CFL light bulbs, pesticides and other chemicals (4707 Deramus Ave). Just bought a new large appliance? The Habitat ReStore off Wornall in Waldo will take your old one today (instead of scheduling and waiting for bulk pick up). The electronics and computer equipment for free (518 Santa Fe Street). Target and many







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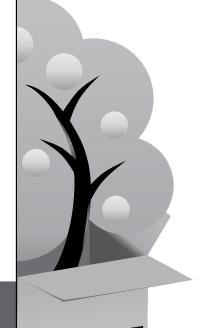
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