# Greenway Fields

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# President's Letter, May 2010



ave you remembered that the Greenway Fields Neighborhood Garage Sale is right around the corner? This coming weekend, in fact! I hope that you will have a chance to participate by either holding your own sale on May 8th, or perhaps hunting for some new treasures close to home. Please note the other upcoming neighborhood events—the Annual GFHA Picnic at Strawn Park on June 6th and the July 4th Popsicle Parade.

The Popsicle Parade is a long-standing tradition in our neighborhood with special duties for the owner of the house at the corner of Meyer and Summit. Linda Vogel, the current homeowner, has been a wonderful host of the event. On behalf of our entire homes association, I'd like to say Thank You. Linda anticipates moving in the near future, and I want to acknowledge her generous hospitality when graciously hosting the annual Popsicle Parade over the years, as well as several of our Holiday parties.

Finally, spring is here and our parks and islands are experiencing regular maintenance and beautification. These common areas represent all of us, and this pride reflects throughout our neighborhood.

Most of you know that the KC School District is closing many schools in the Fall. Your Board, along with neighbors, has been working with the administrators at Southwest Charter High School (located at Wornall and 65th—the south border to our Greenway Fields Homes Association) as well as the KC School Board to help with a successful transition as Westport High School students integrate with the current academic program. From parking issues and bus routes, to after-school activities, we are working together. I invite you to become involved and participate.

We no longer subscribe to Mobilepage telephone messaging system. The Board will continue to research options, and if you know of an inexpensive system, please let us know. In the meantime, be sure that you know your block captain and that they have your preferred contact details. This will help you to stay informed of issues and happenings in your street and neighborhood.

Greenway Fields is joining the technology age of the 21st century! The Board established a committee for the creation of the website. If you would like to be part of the website team, contact Ryan Felton at Ryan.Felton@Greenwayfields.org.

Enjoy the outdoors. Say hello, and wave as you go by.

See you at the next event!

Gina Valentino (816) 444-5439

#### NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

# Save the Date



Saturday, May 8th Greenway Fields Neighborhood Garage Sale

START YOUR SPRING CLEANING AND JOIN IN!

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Sunday, June 6th
Annual GFHA
Neighborhood Picnic
Strawn Park

5-7 p.m.

Sunday, July 4th

Annual Popsicle Parade

Commencing at

635 W. Meyer Boulevard

10 a.m.

# Annual Greenway Fields Picnic

Strawn Park

63rd Street and Valley Road Sunday, June 6th, 2010 5 p.m.- 7 p.m.

Come one! Come all!

Fire engine visit at 6 p.m.!!
Inflatable bouncy castle for U10s
Hamburgers, hotdogs & soft drinks provided
Plates, cups & utensils provided

#### What Can I bring?

Please bring either a side-dish or dessert to share BYO wine/beer, chairs & picnic blankets

RSVP to barbara.martin@greenwayfields.org or call Barbara Martin at 333-4890 by June 4th



# Things a **Burgler Won't** Tell You...

- 1. Of course I look familiar. I was here just last week cleaning your carpets, painting your shutters, or delivering your new refrigerator.
- 2. Hey, thanks for letting me use the bathroom when I was working in your yard last week. While I was in there, I unlatched the back window to make my return a little easier.
- 3. Love those flowers. That tells me you have taste...and taste means there are nice things inside. Those yard toys your kids leave out always make me wonder what type of gaming system they have.
- 4. Yes, I really do look for newspapers piled up on the driveway. And I might leave a pizza flyer in your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it.
- 5. If it snows while you're out of town, get a neighbor to create car and foot tracks into the house. Virgin drifts in the driveway are a dead giveaway.

- 6. If decorative glass is part of your front entrance, don't let your alarm company install the control pad where I can see if it's set. That makes it too easy.
- 7. A good security company alarms the window over the sink. And the windows on the second floor, which often access the master bedroom—and your jewelry. It's not a bad idea to put motion detectors up there too.
- 8. It's raining, you're fumbling with your umbrella, and you forget to lock your door-understandable. But understand this: I don't take a day off because of bad weather.
- 9. I always knock first. If you answer, I'll ask for directions somewhere or offer to clean your gutters. (Don't take me up on it.)
- 10. Do you really think I won't look in your sock drawer? I always check dresser drawers, the bedside table, and the medicine cabinet.
- 11. Here's a helpful hint: I almost never go into kids' rooms.
- 12. You're right: I won't have enough time to break into that safe where you keep your valuables. But if it's not bolted down, I'll take it with me.
- 13. A loud TV or radio can be a better deterrent than the best alarm system. If you're reluctant to leave your TV on while you're out of town, you can buy a \$35 device that works on a timer and simulates the flickering glow of a real television. (Find it at faketv.com.)

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Join your neighbors!

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Saturday, June 19, 2010 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Robert J. Mohart Center 3200 Wayne, KCMO (E. Linwood and Wayne)

#### HOUSEHOLD WASTE ONLY, NO BUSINESS WASTE •

This event is for Kansas City, Missouri residents only. Proof of residency • pharmaceuticals, scrap required. Space is limited to the • metal, paper to be shredded. first 420 vehicles on site • NO trash or electronics.

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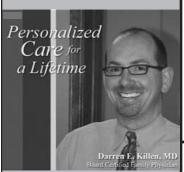


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MARCH Imraan Mir & Maleeha Mohiuddin 623 W. 62nd Street

APRIL
Bob & Judy Edsall
6220 Valley Road

MAY Terry & Jane Wolf 422 Greenway Terrace

If you are a future recipient, please call or email Wendy or Barbara with the news. We would like to keep track of the sign and photograph your home for the quarterly newsletter.

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