

Nall Hills Homes Association

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The Nall Hills Homes Association newsletter is published twice per year, in October and in January.



Annual Meeting Notice

Thursday, November 17, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.
 Location: Indian Woods Middle School
 Social Time with Refreshments 6:45 to 7:30

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One agenda item will be the replacement of the Nall Hills markers.

The annual meeting of the Nall Hills Homes Association will be held Thursday, November 17, 2005 at 7:30 at Indian Woods. We will conduct business as outlined in the meeting agenda, elect board members, and handle other business that is brought forth by those in attendance. One agenda item will be the replacement of the Nall Hills markers.

The Association's by-laws require at least 5% of homeowners present to conduct the meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, please complete the proxy which was mailed to you with the meeting notice and mail to or drop off at the Nall Hills Homes Association at 10025 Lamar, Overland Park, Kansas 66207.

Another option would be to give your proxy to a neighbor who is attending the meeting and have them give it directly to a board member.

Please join us for the meeting. This year's door prizes will again be donated by area merchants. Come see what we have!

Social time begins at 6:45.

Election of Board Members

Board members are elected for two year terms. Our board members who will continue the second year of their term are:

Dennis Wagner, 9708 Russell
 Linda Kana, 9637 Dearborn
 Barbara Larison, 9524 Walmer
 Mark Able, 9816 Riggs

Following are current board members who are slated for re-election to a new two-year term:

Mark Sutton, 6009 W. 99th
 Cindy Fisher, 9600 Woodson
 Bob Johnson, 9824 Russell
 Dan Stevens, 6516 W. 102

We have one open spot on the board. If interested, we would love to speak with you about it.

Please email the board at mail@nallhills.org to attend a board meeting.





Diemer Events:

Jan. 11
Band/Orchestra
concert, 7 p.m.

Jan. 12
Pre-K Day,
1:15-3:00 p.m.

Feb. 1
K-1 Music
Program,
7:00 p.m.

Feb. 16
Open House,
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Feb. 23
Gr. 2 Music
Program, 7 p.m.

Feb. 23
Pre-K Day,
1:15-3:00 p.m.

Diemer Elementary School News

Diemer students performed well on last year's standardized assessments. Our students continue to score well above state and national standards. Our 6th grade ranks in the 98th percentile on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, while our 3rd graders rank in the 99th percentile. Our school was **one of only four** in the district in which all 6th graders either maintained or improved their score from previous testing. We earned the Standard of Excellence in the three areas of Reading, Math, and Social Studies on Kansas Assessments.

A 6th grade student was selected as the Kansas PTA Award of Excellence winner for poetry, the highest award at the state level. Another sixth grader received the Kansas PTA Award of Merit award. Their names were published in

the Kansas PTA Bulletin. They were honored, along with other Reflections and Citizenship Contest winners at the Kansas PTA convention on April 30th in Lawrence, KS.

A 6th grader was recognized for performance on the AMC-8, which he took with his Algebra class. He was the top scoring 6th grader in the state, second on the state **overall** honor roll and first on the merit roll (for those under 7th grade).

Volunteerism is an important part of what makes Diemer a great school. Diemer has earned the PTA Parent Participation Award of Excellence. We celebrated contributions by more than 160 people who volunteered last year. Several families, staff, and community members donated time over three weekends to create a water garden in front of our school, which serves as a visual reminder of the dedication of our families and the

cooperative spirit in our neighborhood.

We look forward to another successful year as we work with the community to provide a stimulating learning environment, where each child can soar to new heights.

Pre-K Days/ Kindergarten Roundup - All 3-5 year olds in our community are invited to come to the school for Pre-K days. Children will enjoy music time, listen to a story in the library, and finish with a craft and a treat. Call the school office at 993-3100 to register. Kindergarten enrollment for children who will be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2006, will be March 31 at 8:30 a.m. Please call the school to get your child on the mailing list.

Indian Woods Middle School News

Indian Woods is very proud of the Kansas Assessment results from the 2004 – 2005 school year. The final results of last school year's Kansas math and reading assessments are official. On the reading assessment, Indian Woods students made AYP and

had the lowest percent of students in the unsatisfactory and basic levels that Indian Woods students have scored for the past four years. On the math assessment, Indian Woods students made AYP and earned the Level of Excellence for the second year in a row. One focus for this year is a school wide

reading initiative to help all of our students improve their reading comprehension, decoding skills, and vocabulary. Our goal is to continue to work towards achieving the Level of Excellence in both math and reading. Kansas Assessment Tests will be administered in March of 2006.



VISIT EACH SCHOOL'S WEBSITE AT
WWW.SMSD.ORG

Baseball League Completes 43rd Season

The Nall Hills Youth baseball league completed their 43rd year of providing a fun baseball league for your children with 497 players. This growing league for girls and boys age 6 – 14 has a neighborhood atmosphere with all fields in close proximity. Our emphasis is on a positive experience. We play for “skills, not scores”.

Participants enjoyed a night at the Royals, a team picture, tee-shirt, and baseball cap.

The Board made improvements to the fields and equipment.

We would like to thank the Trailwood PTA, the Shawnee Mission School District and the Nall Hills Homes Association for field improvements, which included baseball fine applied to fields and foul line striping.

It takes many coaches to sponsor our teams, and we know the families appreciate them. We would like to extend a special thanks to the following volunteers:

- **Bill Pearce**
- **Roch Thornton**
- **Bill Oberding**
- **Keith O'Neil**

2005 Nall Hills Coaches of the Year

Tee Ball Division
Brad DeKraai

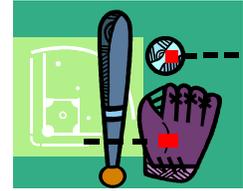
Coach Pitch Division
Lori Christie

Junior Division
Joe DeYoung

Senior Division:
Dan Aldrich

2006 Season

In 2006, we will need an adult umpire coordinator. This is a paid position. For more information, please call Bob Johnson at 383-2351 or the Nall Hills Homes Association at 642-8398.



*~ We play for
"skills, not scores" ~*

*For details about
baseball sign-ups,
volunteering, and
special projects,
please check out
www.nallhills.org.*

Association Board Members

President – Mark Sutton
6009 W. 99th Str, 648-8226

Vice-President –
Dennis Wagner
9708 Russell, 648-8268

Secretary – Cindy Fisher
9600 Woodson, 341-0447

Treasurer – Mark Able
9816 Riggs, 642-9209

Recording Secretary –
Erica Kurta
10025 Lamar, 642-8398

Community Services
Barbara Larison
9524 Walmer St., 649-6957

Share-A-Repair
Linda Kana
9637 Dearborn, 648-8483

Youth Activities
Bob Johnson
9824 Russell, 383-2351

Civic Affairs
Dan Stevens
6516 W. 102 St., 649-2494

Emergency Kit List

Natural disasters can happen anywhere, often impacting the availability of electricity, water, phone, and shelter.

It is recommended to have emergency items stored in the basement or a closet. Keep the items that you would most likely need during an evacuation in an easy-to-carry container such as a trash container, backpack or duffle bag. Rotate food, water, and medicine every six months. For a complete list of supplies and more details, see:

www.fema.gov/rrr/diskit

www.ksready.gov/Citizens

Food and Medicine

- * Bottled water (1 gallon per person per day, three-day supply)
- * Food and utensils (canned goods, non-cooking items)
- * Pet food and water
- * Medications (three-day supply)
- * First-aid kit

Paperwork/Records

- * Phone numbers
- * Documents (driver's license, passport, birth certificate) in a waterproof container
- * Medical information
- * Pet immunizations
- * Financial inventory (a list of bank accounts, and loans, including account

numbers)

*Cash (ATM and credit cards may not work)

Tools and Supplies

- * Flashlight/ extra batteries
- * Radio (battery-operated)/extra batteries
- * Cell phone (with nonelectrical charger)
- * Sleeping bags/blankets (one per person)
- * Plastic sheeting
- * Trash bags
- * Masking/ duct tape
- * Tools (can opener, knife, pliers, scissors)
- * Dust mask (one per person)
- * Clothing, footwear, and toiletries
- * Pet supplies (leashes)



Share-A-Repair Program

Had any repairs done to your house lately?

Let us know who you hired to do the work and what you thought of their workmanship.

Need to have some work done to your house?

See who others in your neighborhood have used for repairs and what they thought of

the workmanship before you hire someone.

Contact Linda Kana at 628-8483 or email at Linda.kana@midlandls.com.

Neighborhood Tips

Pride in our neighborhood keeps property values up and peace among neighbors.

Sometimes, because of health issues, job loss, busy lives, or not knowing what is expected, we may fall out of compliance with city regulations.

Nall Hills residents may leave a message on the Nall Hills phone line, noting the house number and street where there is a problem.

The Homes Association checks into the complaint and sends courtesy letters to homeowners as appropriate.

Common issues:

- Peeling paint (over 20% of any surface)
- Exterior storage of items (trash cans); may be set out up to 24 hours in advance of scheduled pickup.
- Inoperable vehicles in the driveway; license plate must be visible from street and tires must be inflated
- Storage of recreational vehicles (One RV, boat, or camper may be stored on the side or rear yard on grass or pavement. It may be parked in the front driveway for 48 hours, twice in a 30-day time frame.)
- Leaves or debris in curb or street

An alternative would be to call the Overland Park Neighborhood Preservation Office, now called Community Services (913-895-6370)

or email property@opkansas.org to leave a message for a city inspector.

Free brochures on a number of home maintenance topics are available at the Community Services office in the OP Community Center, 6300 W. 87th Street (the NW corner of Lamar and 87th Street).



Poop Scooping

Did you know that dog feces may contain parasite eggs that can linger for years? Please take a baggie along when you walk your dog to scoop up dog waste. It's the healthy thing to do for your family and for your neighbors.

Leaves
To protect our storm drainage system, please rake leaves away from curbs and storm drainage areas.



Helpful Numbers

Vehicles parked in the street over 48 hours:
Police Department
913-895-6000

Fence Permits:
Overland Park Planning and Development Services
913-895-6225

Neighborhood Complaints
Community Services
913-895-6370

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Mark Able recommends **the annual assessment for the year 2006 be set at \$122** per household (a \$2 increase from 2005). A contract increase of 2% with Deffenbaugh Trash Services is the main expense item expected to increase in 2006. All other expenses are expected to remain at current levels with minor inflationary adjustments. Mr. Able will entertain questions/concerns regarding the proposed rate increase and budget line items from the attending homeowners at the annual meeting.

Proposed 2006 Annual Budget and Projected 2007-2008

	Proposed Budget 2006	Cost per Home	Preliminary		Cost per Home
			Budget 2007	Budget 2008	
Receipts:					
2005 Assessments	154,818	\$ 122	157,356	159,894	\$ 126
Late Payment Fees Collection	2,000		2,000	2,000	
Total Operating Receipts	156,818		159,356	161,894	
Disbursements:					
Trash Service	137,312	108	140,056	142,799	112
Salary	8,700	7	8,700	8,700	7
Payroll Taxes	749	1	749	749	1
Youth Activities	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone	456	0	460	460	0
Print/Postage/Supplies	3,750	3	3,800	3,850	3
Insurance/Bond	6,163	5	6,286	6,412	5
Fees	790	1	840	840	1
Miscellaneous	1,100	1	1,100	1,100	1
Total Operating Funds Disbursed	159,020	125	161,991	164,910	130
Net Increase (Decrease) in operating funds	(2,202)	(2)	(2,635)	(3,016)	(2)
Interest Income on temporary idle funds	3,422	3	3,422	3,422	3
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash	1,220	1	787	406	0

Notes

A Certified Public accounting firm audits all accounts at the end of each fiscal year. Copies of the audit reports are available at the meeting and are open to public inspection. Details regarding current income and expenses and the basis for the recommended budget increase will be discussed at the annual meeting.

Trailwood Elementary School News



Trailwood Elementary School continues to represent the Nall Hills area and families in wonderful ways. Recent accomplishments include:

Trailwood students met the Standard of Excellence on the 2005 Kansas State Assessments in **all four tested areas**; Reading, Math, Science and Social Studies.

Our third and sixth grade students continue to score well above the district and national averages on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. Both grades rank at the **99% percentile nationally**.

Nineteen fifth and sixth grade students entered the Greater Kansas City Science Fair with two sixth grade students winning first place for the best sixth grade group project. A fifth grade student, division winner, was nominated for the **Discovery Channel Young**

Scientist Challenge and received an award from the **Medical Society of Johnson and Wyandotte counties**. Thirteen Trailwood students entered the Shawnee Mission Research and Development Forum with three students earning **Grand Awards** and one student winning the prestigious **Regnier Award for the top elementary project in Shawnee Mission**. Winning this award enabled Trailwood's fifth grade to take an all expense paid trip to Science City. Trailwood has won this award twice in the last five years.

Trailwood received the Friends of Special Education School Award that is given to schools demonstrating outstanding effort in supporting children with special needs. Four Trailwood staff members received individual Friends of Special Education Awards for their efforts in supporting students with special needs.

Our STAR program completed its second year at Trailwood with each classroom initiating a project based on community need as well as many school wide projects designed to support those in need. One example was our second annual Community Blood Drive organized by a Trailwood fourth grader.

Trailwood students were finalists and award winners in the Kindest Kansas

Citizen, Father of the Year, and the Photo Images of Aging in Kansas contests. Trailwood students entered the PTA sponsored Reflections contest. Forty-two students won school-wide awards, five students won district level awards and one student won a state award, with a total of 142 entries by Trailwood students.

Trailwood received the Kansas PTA Phoebe Apperson Hearst National PTA Excellence in Education Partnership Award and was a national finalist at the National PTA convention.

These are but a few of Trailwood's many accomplishments this year and reflects a tremendous commitment by **Trailwood classrooms** to continually keep students at the very edge of their ability. When we link dedicated parents, teachers, and students with appropriate goals, we drastically increase every child's opportunity to be successful and extend their learning. This combination, along with strong community support and the most wonderful children in the world, continues to make Trailwood the best!

Indian Woods Middle School Events



Indian Woods Middle School will present the Junior Broadway Play *Fiddler on the Roof* on Thursday, November 10th, and Friday, November 11th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Indian Woods multipurpose room.

All parents and community members are invited to attend. Contact the school office for ticket information.

The Indian Woods music program is alive and strong. Students are involved in band, orchestra, and choir and are working hard toward the winter concerts.

All concerts are at Indian Woods. All parents and community members are invited to attend. The following are the dates of the concerts:

Indian Woods Events

Fiddler on the Roof
11/10 and 11/11/05 @ 7:00 p.m.

Winter Orchestra Concert
12/12/05 @ 7:00 p.m.

Winter Band Concert
12/15/05 @ 7:00 p.m.

Winter Choir Concert
12/20/05 @ 7:00 p.m.

About the Nall Hills Homes Association...

The Community Area Credit Union

at 95th and Nall has donated meeting space for the Nall Hills Board of Director meetings, which is greatly appreciated.

The Nall Hills Homes Association was formed in 1956 when the Nall Hills neighborhood first began construction.

It has grown from 64 homes initially to the current 1264 homes.

This makes Nall Hills the second largest homes association in Overland Park, bordered on the north by 95th Street, on the south by Indian Creek, on the east by Nall, and on the west

by Glenwood.

The Board of Directors meets nine months out of the year at the Community Area Credit Union to plan activities and to address issues that are brought up by residents.

Nall Hills Has a Website!

The Nall Hills website has been up and running since 2003 as a service for Nall Hills residents. Please check it periodically to see what is going on in our neighborhood!

If you would, please send in your e-mail with your name and address. We will get your e-mail address from the e-mail and add it to our database. At some point, we

anticipate sending the newsletter via e-mail to save paper, as well as mailing costs. Our database will never be shared with anyone. Go to:

www.nallhills.org

Trash Pick-Up

NALL HILLS HOMES ASSOCIATION
10025 LAMAR
OVERLAND PARK, KS 66207



We're on the Web!
See us at:
www.nallhills.org

E-mail
mail@nallhills.org

Phone
913-642-8398

The Nall Hills Homes Association yearly dues are spent very wisely by the Board of Directors. Our trash collection fees are significantly smaller than our closest neighbors and we get trash pick-up twice each week.

Trash pick-up continues with Deffenbaugh Disposal. The Monday or Tuesday pick-up must be at the curb. Trash may be set out up to, but no more than, 24 hours ahead of time. The Thursday or Friday pick-up may be at the houseline or at the curb; however, yard trash and abnormal items must always be at the curb with a maximum of 10 bags per pickup. This insures that everyone will get their trash picked up that day. Please cut tree branches into lengths of four feet, tied in bundles of no more than 18 inches in diameter. Building materials are not allowed. For special pick-ups, call 631-3300.

Recycling is encouraged, but it is not included in our annual dues. To participate in recycling, please call Deffenbaugh at 631-3300.



Neighborhood Garage Sale

The annual Nall Hills Garage Sale was held from June 8th - 11th, 2005. The Association sponsored advertising in the Overland Park Sun and the KC Star. Board members made and delivered maps marked with participating homes to be handed out to garage sales. Participants were also given yard signs.

City ordinances for individual garage sales include:

- Limit 2 sales per year for no more than 4 days each time.
- Place signs 10 feet back from property line. No signs on telephone or utility poles, street signs, street corners, or public right-of-way.