

Spring 2024



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# NALL HILLS HOMES ASSOCIATION

## 2023 Annual Meeting Summary

The annual Nall Hills Homes Association meeting was held November 14, 2023, at Indian Woods Middle School. A quorum was present with 68 homes in attendance and 75 proxies received.

President Mark Sutton welcomed attendees and reviewed highlights of the past year including: grand opening of John Diemer Elementary; bylaws amendment to increase annual dues cap due to rising trash costs approved by over 2/3 of NHHA homeowners; and nearly 70 NHHA properties sold.

Secretary Charlotte Lewin read the 2022 minutes highlights, which were approved by those in

attendance.

Treasurer Mark Able presented the 2023 projected financial results and 2024 proposed budget, with a recommendation to increase 2024 dues to \$248 per home (an increase of \$7) which was passed unanimously by those in attendance.

Civic Affairs Lead Bill Rose-Heim led an emergency preparedness exercise.


Thank you to the following door prize donors: BridgeFit, Honey Baked Ham, KC Pretzel Boys, Nall Hills Liquor, Sprouts, Top Golf and NHHA.



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## Upcoming Events

**Garage Sale: June 19-22**

**Neighborhood Cleanup Day: September 21**

### *Garage Sale*

Registration is not required to participate. You may open and close your sale on the days and times convenient for you.

NHHA will provide advertising in the KC Star, social media and neighborhood entrance banners.

Learn more at [nallhills.org/garage-sale](https://nallhills.org/garage-sale)

### *Neighborhood Cleanup Day*

Republic Services will collect up to five bulky items per residence. Items must be curbside by 7 a.m.

For a detailed list of items that are accepted and not accepted, visit [nallhills.org/trash/bulkyitempickup](https://nallhills.org/trash/bulkyitempickup)

## NHHA BOARD

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### Open: Two At-Large Positions

Interested in joining the board? Email [nhha@att.net](mailto:nhha@att.net) to learn more.

## President's Message

Wow, from the extreme freezing weather of January 2024 to one of the warmest months of February on record, I'll bet if you are like me, you've been wondering what the heck is going to happen from April to December. Spring is just now coming into view and it looks like it is going to be a great spring season in Nall Hills. Our neighborhood is blessed to have three great schools (John Diemer Elementary, Indian Woods Middle and Shawnee Mission South High) in our boundaries. It doesn't get much better than that for the many families living in Nall Hills. We had a good turnout for the annual meeting last November at Indian Woods Middle School. And, we had a lot of new residents attending the meeting for the very

first time. It is great to welcome new residents. This is a perfect meeting to attend to learn more about the neighborhood, meet the board members who serve you and learn what is going on in and around Nall Hills. Additionally, you have the opportunity to ask questions before, during or after the meeting. Every board member is more than happy to answer your questions. We hope to see you again in November 2024 for the next neighborhood annual meeting. In the meantime, I hope every member of Nall Hills enjoys a joyous springtime, a summer full of fun and adventure and a fall season hoping the KC Chiefs can make history with the first ever 3-peat Super Bowl win.

### NEW

## Doing Good in the Neighborhood

**Do you know a neighbor who has inspired you with their volunteer work?** Send their name to [communication@nhha.net](mailto:communication@nhha.net). A NHHA board member will interview them for a short feature in the next newsletter.

### FIRST FEATURE:

NHHA board member **Amy Rose** moved with her family to 9641 Riggs St. in July 2022. Volunteering with the Johnson County Department of Aging and Human Services, Ms. Rose assists weekly coordinating rides for program participants and letting them know about their volunteer drivers. At other times she can be found at the Donation Center for the Friends of the Johnson County

Public Library sorting and shelving books for children.

Both centers seek additional volunteers. Amy invites those who like to work with puzzles to help the Johnson County Library to assemble puzzles to make sure all the pieces are included.

### Featured Organizations:

- Johnson County Aging & Human Services Catch-A-Ride/Home Delivered Meals
- Friends of the Johnson County Public Library
- Johnson County Public Library Volunteering

## Good Neighbor Award

The city of Overland Park Neighborhood Executive Committee (NEC) for Neighborhood Programs presents four different awards to individuals or groups from neighborhoods that are members of the NEC. Nall Hills is an NEC member. This year's Overland Park Good Neighbor award recipient was our own Nall Hills resident, Leslie Tremblay. She was presented the award at the December NEC Shindig by 2018 Good Neighbor recipient, Sharee Wiggins, also of Nall Hills (and NHHA board member and NEC delegate). To be nominated for this award, residents must display service, dedication, and commitment to the neighborhood with repeated acts of impact. Leslie was nominated by a resident of the Empire Estates neighborhood.

Leslie is a kind and generous neighbor. She has been generous and connected with others in the Buy Nothing Facebook Group. She requested and received a stand she put up in her front yard for plants for neighbors to take or donate. She uses donated yarn to knit hats for underprivileged

children. Last winter she knitted 25 hats for one second grade class and provided treat bags for each child. Leslie bakes bread and donates it to families in need. She supports The Little Free Pantry in Overland Park. She fosters kittens, supports a local cat rescue and hosted a garage sale by donation with proceeds going to the cat rescue. She is also responsible for enlisting the enormous help of feral cat trapper Rachel Coldanghise who helped Nall Hills control feral cat populations on Horton Street. Leslie and her husband Brian have lived in Nall Hills since 2008. After severe weather in July, Leslie and her husband borrowed a trailer and spent days cleaning up storm debris for elderly neighbors.

Congratulations to Leslie on receiving this wonderful award!



## Backyard Chickens Not Allowed

Overland Park recently passed an ordinance lowering the acreage requirements to house chickens in the city, effective January 1, 2024. However, regardless of the new city ordinance, please note that the Nall Hills Homes Association does not allow any type of livestock, including chickens, to be domiciled

on any lot within the association, per the bylaws of the association. As such, permission from the city to house chickens does not supersede the existing prohibition in the bylaws. Please contact the NHHA office with any questions or concerns.

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## OPCARES

Submit a service request at [opcares.opkansas.org](https://www.opkansas.org/opcares).

Common requests include exterior property maintenance, street repairs, traffic signals, street lights, noise complaints and animal control.

## NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS

**John Diemer Elementary**  
 9600 Lamar Ave.

**Trailwood Elementary**  
 5101 W. 95th St.

**Indian Woods Middle**  
 9700 Woodson Dr.

**Shawnee Mission South High School**  
 5800 W. 107th St.

## CONNECT WITH JOHNSON COUNTY

Visit a local library branch or checkout digital materials. [jocolibrary.org](http://jocolibrary.org)

Explore parks in our area and register for activities and programming for all ages. [jcprd.com](http://jcprd.com)

Make an appointment to dispose of hazardous materials and learn about recycling programs. [jocogov.org/department/environment](http://jocogov.org/department/environment)

Get prepared for severe weather and sign up for emergency alerts. [jocogov.org/department/emergency-management](http://jocogov.org/department/emergency-management)

## ARE YOU READY TO VOTE?

- Upcoming events:**
- Primary Election | Aug. 6**
    - Voter Registration Deadline | Jul. 16
  - General Election | Nov. 5**
    - Voter Registration Deadline | Oct. 15

Register to vote, view your sample ballot, lookup your polling place and view advanced in-person voting locations. [jocoelection.org](http://jocoelection.org)

## Summer Fun in OP

**Downtown OP Farmers' Market**  
*Saturday and Wednesday mornings*  
Check website for hours: [opkansas.org/recreation-fun/farmers-market/](http://opkansas.org/recreation-fun/farmers-market/)

**Third Fridays in Downtown OP**  
Pop in to art galleries and local businesses 5-8 p.m. on the third Friday of every month.

**Arboretum & Botanical Gardens**  
Explore 300 acres of gardens, trails and prairie. Free admission the first Tuesday of each month.

**Outdoor Pools**  
OP has four outdoor pools: Stonegate, Tomahawk Ridge Aquatic Center, Young's and Bluejacket. Purchase a season pass at a community center.

**Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead**  
Experience farm living, tour a Kanza encampment or one-room school house, fish and feed baby goats. Admission is free after 2 p.m. Monday-Thursday (except some holidays).

## Trash Service Update

At the annual meeting in November 2023, we discussed how the services improved from August until the November annual meeting. Unfortunately, service the weeks of Christmas and New Year's completely fell apart.

At the end of February 2024, President Mark Sutton and Treasurer Mark Able had a one-on-one meeting with two members of the Republic Services management team. It was a productive meeting and they clearly recognized their services were not meeting our expectations. There have been positive changes in leadership in the past six months (new General Manager, new Operations Manager and a new Fleet Service manager in March) who are working diligently to "right the ship." This will not be fixed overnight, but we were encouraged by the planned corrective action and what we have seen so far with improved services

since the second week of January 2024. While there are occasional, isolated misses, once you notify the NHHA Board, we can usually assist to get issues resolved in a day or two.

**Please notify us in the evening on the day of any missed service at [communication@nallhills.org](mailto:communication@nallhills.org) so we can try and make arrangements with Republic Services for recovery.**

In 2024, we will focus on the reality, as many of you shared with us at the annual meeting and via email, that this is not the end of the world. Yes, maybe a slight inconvenience at times, but nothing like the much bigger challenges we are facing today as a city, state and country. Just know, the Nall Hills Board is working tirelessly to address all services issues in a timely manner.