

Shoal Brook II Newsletter

Mission Statement

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” - Margaret Mead

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We hope everyone had a spooktacular Halloween! Do you have lots of left over candy or candy you don't want the kiddos eating? Local orthodontists are offering a candy buy-back. Visit <http://www.kctv5.com/news/14350668/detail.html> for more details.

Official Business

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A Neighborhood General Membership Meeting was held on October 21, 2008 at the Meadowbrook United Methodist Church. All residents were invited to attend. Board Members present were: President Trish Marin, Vice President David Severenuk, Secretary Susan Fair, Treasurer MJ Loar and Member at Large Danny Taylor.

Tamara Mills of the KCMO Codes Department was in attendance to discuss issues that may be present within the neighborhood. Her contact information is listed below.

A discussion was held regarding building a new entrance sign to the neighborhood. Although this could be down the road a ways, we would

like your ideas as to the appearance of the sign. It was suggested that a contest be held, so please start thinking about a design. Per the City codes, the sign cannot exceed 32 square feet or 6 feet in height. There are many other guidelines we must abide by so it is still being researched.

Attached to this newsletter is a request for information for the new neighborhood map and reference sheet. If you would like to have your information posted, please have these forms returned to Susan Fair, Secretary at 3505 NE 77th Terrace as soon as possible.

Announcements

Anyone interested in participating in a neighborhood watch program, please contact President, Trish Martin.

The Gladstone Community Center is offering a Senior Services Fitness Class Subsidized Program. You must be 60 years of age or older and reside in Clay County. Clay County Senior Services will pay up to \$30.00 per person, per quarter with a maximum subsidy of \$120.00 per year, per person for exercise classes. Please call the Fitness Center at 423-4205 for more information.

There is a new place in town for kids to romp. The Fun Run in Liberty is a children's indoor play center and imagination village. For more information visit www.funrun-4kids.com. Discounts given to law enforcement.

Events

The Back to School Parade and BBQ was a huge success. This event gave old and new neighbors the chance to socialize as a community. The children had a great time touring the fire truck and police car and getting wet. To view pictures of this event, go to the neighborhood website at <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/kc/sbii/>.

The dumpster was put to good use so there will be future dumpster days beginning next spring. There will be a dumpster scheduled for yard waste and trash.

The Board has discussed forming two new committees. An entertainment committee will gather input from the members of the Association as to the type of events the membership would like the Association to facilitate and provide. This committee would also be responsible for selecting, scheduling and determining the cost of the special events and social activities and reporting them to the Board. Some of the ideas suggested for this committee to organize are: an ice cream social, back to school parade and BBQ, garage sales, holiday lighting competition, game night and sports teams. We realize this is a lot of responsibility for one committee, therefore an additional committee may be formed in the future. A welcoming committee would cordially greet new residents at the earliest appropriate opportunity and **offer** them a small "Welcome" package. The committee would ascertain what the "Welcome" package would contain, the total costs of which would not exceed \$10.00 and shall report to the Board the contents of the package. A place to volunteer for these committees is listed at the bottom of the information sheet attached hereto.

Christmas is just around the corner. The Association would like to hold a Holiday Lighting Competition. There will be a prize given. A flyer with details will be hand delivered in the near future.

To see a complete listing of events in the Kansas City area for the month of December, go to http://lucyslist.blogspot.com/2008/10/calendar-of-events-december_12.html.

Recipe of the Quarter

The recipe this quarter comes from Heidi Lyman. She made these for the Back to School Parade and they were wonderful!

Savory Crescent Chicken Squares (or Triangles)

3 oz of cream cheese, softened
3 T butter, melted
2 C cooked cubed boneless chicken
1/4 tsp salt and pepper, to taste
2 T milk
1 T chopped onion
1/4 C chopped olive (optional)
1 (8 oz) can of refridgerated crescent dinner rolls
3/4 C crushed crouton (or dried bread crumbs)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Blend cream cheese with 2 T butter until smooth

Add next six ingredients and mix well

Spoon 1/2 C meat mixture onto 2 triangles of dough (making a square shape - **don't separate all triangles**)

Pull 4 corners to the top and twist slightly, seal edges by pinching

Brush tops with remaining butter and sprinkle with croutons

Bake on ungreased cookie sheet for 20-25 minutes

****Optional**

Make smaller sizes by separating all triangle pieces of crescent rolls

Spoon mixture into triangles

Pull 3 corners together twist slightly and seal edges

Bake for 14-16 minutes

Helpful #'s and Information

Sun Tribune News 816-454-1814

Poison Control 1-800-366-8888

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Parents as Teachers is an early learning program for parents of children ages birth to 5 years.

To enroll in this free program call 816-413-5650 or visit www.nkcsd.k12.mo.us.

Adventure Club/before and after school care 816-413-5475

Clay County Senior Services offers you the chance to enrich your life and have fun, on them. You must be 60 years or older and live in Clay County. If you would like more information on the many classes, field trips and opportunities available with this scholarship, call 816-455-4800. This program is funded through the Clay County senior levy fund.

Neighborhood Website

The site is located at: <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/kc/sbii>. Simply type this Internet address into your Web browser and visit the site to see how useful it can be! Once you arrive, we encourage you to bookmark the site (or make it your home page) so you can return easily.

In addition to the features mentioned above, our Web site has an easy-to-use discussion area called "Talk About It" that enables all of us to exchange ideas, concerns and questions about neighborhood issues. Our Web site also has a Community Calendar that lists upcoming meetings, events, and garage sales; a Meet Your Neighbor section that allows us to create (or hotlink) our personal Web pages; a free Classified Advertising section, and an Add-A-Page feature that makes it easy for anyone to prepare and post Web pages devoted to any topic of interest.

Visit our Web site to learn more about our neighborhood, and become actively involved by posting announcements and events and participating in its many interactive features. If you don't have Internet access at your home or office, local libraries have computers.

Our Web site has been made available to us at no cost by Neighborhood Link and its corporate sponsors, who have created a place on the Internet where every neighborhood in our metro area (and others around the country) can have their own free, interactive Web sites. For more information, or to help in our Web site's ongoing development, contact our Neighborhood Coordinator at pmartin2164@msn.com.

