

# SAFETY TIPS

## Leave your porch lights on!

Help light the neighborhood, the sidewalk and your house.

## Trim bushes & trees!

Keep bushes trimmed down to 3 ft. & tree branches up to 7 ft.

**Make your house visible.** Make sure your house numbers are visible to all emergency vehicles. House numbers should be on front & back — this includes the alley!

## Lock It. Remove It or Lose It.

Always lock your vehicle, home and garage! Don't leave valuables in plain sight.

## Keep your license plate safe!

Use anti-theft screws to secure your plate to your car. These screws can be found at local hardware stores. Don't forget the specific drill bit to secure to your vehicle. Or use two different screws, so thieves need two different tools to take the plate.

## Keep our neighborhood safe!

Report all suspicious activity, vandalism or crime to our neighborhood officer. Even if the incident has passed.

**Contact** Alexander Wall

**Office** (785) 368-3051 **Cell** (785) 969-3994

**Email** [awall@topeka.org](mailto:awall@topeka.org)

# CHILI FEED RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who supported the Chili Feed this year!

- Over 30 chili varieties donated
- 180+ attending = \$727.68

# STAY CONNECTED!

Stay up-to-date with neighborhood announcements & events!

- **NEW!!** [www.CollegeHillTopeka.org](http://www.CollegeHillTopeka.org)
- Facebook [CollegeHill-TopekaNeighborhood](https://www.facebook.com/CollegeHill-TopekaNeighborhood)
- NextDoor
- Twitter [@CollegeHillINA](https://twitter.com/CollegeHillINA)
- Email [Neighbors@CollegeHillTopeka.org](mailto:Neighbors@CollegeHillTopeka.org)

# FIRE SAFETY

**Smoke Detectors** Test smoke detector batteries twice a year during daylight savings time, do so by pressing the test button on the face of the smoke detector. If the test fails to sound the alarm or the detector is sounding a chirping sound, replace the batteries immediately. If the smoke detector is ten years old or older, it is recommended to replace the whole smoke detector with a new unit. (You can see the manufacture date on the back of the smoke detector after it is taken off of the detector mount.)

**Hard Wired Detectors** Detectors that are wired into home electrical systems; make certain they have a battery backup. Test batteries twice a year during daylight savings time, if test fails, do as stated before. If hard wired detectors do not have a battery backup, it is recommended to purchase a battery powered detector for a backup.

# KEEP COLLEGE HILL THRIVING WITH DUES!

**Annual College Hill Dues** are now **\$20**.

**What if the entire neighborhood paid their dues?** \$12,000 (600+ households)

**Why pay dues?** *Free* family events

- 4th of July festivities
- National Night Out Against Crime
- Biannual newsletters to keep you updated
- Neighborhood Directory • New Website!!
- **SEND DUES TO BEV LAW, 1522 PLASS**

Projected Budget 2016	
Event	\$ Amount
4th of July	\$1,323.52
Night Out Against Crime	\$250.00
Newsletter	\$504.28
Website	\$60.00
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$2,137.80</b>
Chili Feed Fundraiser 2015	\$662.00
Recycling Drive	\$351.92
Dues 2015	\$898.35
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,912.27</b>



# THE COLLEGE HILL BOOSTER SPRING 2016

## SPRING EVENTS

### RECYCLING DRIVE

MARCH 12

### EASTER EGG HUNT

MARCH 26

### CLEAN UP DAY

APRIL 16

### BLOSSOMS

APRIL 30

### RECYCLING DRIVE

JUNE 11

### STARS & STRIPES FESTIVAL

JULY 3 & 4

## NEIGHBORHOOD ROUND TABLE

### Join in on the discussion!

3rd Monday of each Month  
Westminster Presbyterian Church, 13th & Boswell

**All neighbors welcome!**

## COLLEGE HILL BLOSSOMS SATURDAY, APRIL 30

### A Spring Gardening Event, 13th & Boswell, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Eat breakfast with your neighbors, buy some bedding plants, and bid on a gift certificate to the Burger Stand. It's a great way to spend a Saturday morning! Bring friends and join us for our **Annual College Hill Blossoms Spring Fundraiser for Boswell Square Park**.

We are looking for **donations** for the **silent auction**.

- gift certificates, art, gardening supplies, any new product is welcome

**Questions? Donations? Contact** Sue Fackler (785) 235-6758 or [suefackler5@gmail.com](mailto:suefackler5@gmail.com)

• We also welcome Hosta plants from your garden! Put in pots & bring to **Westminster Church, April 29** between **6:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

## RECYCLING DRIVE

### SATURDAY, MARCH 12

Recycling has become a part of our everyday lives. Did you know you can help out your neighborhood by saving your metals every week?

- **aluminum, steel, and other metals** (brass doorknobs, copper piping, old storm doors & windows).

Separate metals by type.

- **9 a.m.** Porch Pickup or Arrange a Pickup

**Contact** John or Carol Christensen, (785) 357-1437

- **Quarterly Drive** Prepare for the summer recycling drive on June 11, 2016.

## COLLEGE HILL CLEAN UP SATURDAY, APRIL 16

*Free* Recycling, Part of Keep America Beautiful

- Dumpsters in **Boswell Square Park** from **8 a.m. - 2 p.m.**
- Landfill • Yard Waste Disposal
- Confidential Shredding • Electronic Recycling
- **Volunteer!** Contact Ben Alford (785) 235-6758

# COLLEGE HILL BOARD

- President** Erin Snethen (785) 608-9839
- Vice President** Katrina Shaw (785) 554-0003
- Treasurer** Bev Law (785) 232-9974
- Wall of Fame & Homes Tour Recycling** Sue Fackler (785) 235-6758  
Christensens (785) 357-1437
- Newsletter** Erin Snethen (785) 608-9839
- Code Compliance** Delores Smith (785) 234-2883
- College Hill Blossoms** Sue Fackler (785) 235-6758
- Spring Clean-Up & Website Maintenance** Ben Alford (785) 235-6758

**Event Volunteers Needed! Our neighborhood thrives because of amazing volunteers. Please consider offering your time for the following events!**

- Stars & Stripes Festival/Fourth of July
- National Night Out
- Chili Feed

## 4TH OF JULY

Don't miss the **annual Stars & Stripes Festival** to celebrate the **4th of July!**  
**Sunday, July 3**

- dessert potluck, snow cones & popcorn
- bike decorating • music, games & contests

**Monday, July 4**

- Turtle Races • Parade at 10 a.m.
- Contest Winners announced
- Lunch at Boswell Park

The 4th of July festivities are celebrated every year! A community highlight. Please support this event by volunteering, paying dues & joining in on the fun! Thank you!

# ASK DELORES!

Longtime CH resident Delores Smith is very involved with Harvesters. Here's how you can get involved.

**Harvesters** serves 2,000 households every month. Be a part of the team! Arrive at Harvesters on the second Tuesday of every month.

**What's Needed?** 50-75 volunteers  
**Time** 8:15 - 11:00 a.m.

**Location** 215 SE Quincy, (785) 861-7700

**More info?** www.harvesters.org

**Contact** Delores Smith (785) 234-2883

# RECYCLING IDEAS

**Recycling** provides a great source of income for the neighborhood. Since the quarterly neighborhood recycling drives began in September 1990, our **College Hill Association** has received \$12,624.58 from recycling! Many thanks to the Christensens for volunteering their time to this fundraiser.

**Ways to Recycle?** Keep at separate trash can for your food cans & drink containers.

**Having an event?** Buy a disposable recycling bin. Ask your guests to recycle their beverage cans for the neighborhood. Tell us how you recycle so we can encourage more neighbors to help with the quarterly drive!

# CH DIRECTORY

We need your info! A new College Hill Directory is coming! Send Kat your name, email address & phone number.

**Contact** Katrina Shaw  
(785) 554-0003 or katkake1@gmail.com

# CH HOUSE PLAQUES

- Show off your College Hill pride!
- Cost is \$50 per plaque
- Non-profit, historic plaques
- Place on house, fireplace or use for decor
- **Contact** Bev Law (785) 232-9974

# METRO RIDES

**TOPEKA METRO.....**

We can get you there!

Our community has lost the neighborhood grocery store. As of February 13, **Dillons at Huntoon & Washburn** is now closed. This is a great loss to the neighborhood & the residents of College Hill and surrounding neighborhoods. **Topeka Metro** has put together a helpful chart detailing bus routes to local grocery stores & pharmacies in our community.

## 1 SEAT RIDES

Route	Grocery	Pharmacy
⑫ Huntoon	Aldi's West, Walmart West, Sam's Club	Walmart West, Sam's Club
⑦ Washburn	Walmart South, Walgreens*	Walmart South, Walgreens*
⑩ W. 10th	Dillons & Walgreens**, Walmart West, KMart West, Walgreens***	Walgreens**, Walmart West, KMart, Walgreens***
⑰ W. 17th	KMart, Walmart, Sam's, Walgreens***	KMart West, Walmart West, Sam's Club, Walgreens***

\*Walgreens 37th & Topeka

\*\*Fleming Place

\*\*\*Walgreens 10th & Topeka

# CH BANNERS

Using the Blossoms fundraising dollars, College Hill was able to purchase the banners lining 17th Street from Washburn to MacVicar. It's a great way to call attention to our historic neighborhood. Thank you to all who worked on this project! And thank you to all who support the Blossoms fundraiser year after year!

# NEL FRANCES LINDNER

## RICHMOND, 1926 - 2016

Beloved long-time member of the College Hill neighborhood, Nel Frances Lindner Richmond died peacefully on February 12, 2016 at age 89. Nel was a vital force in the College Hill community where she and her husband Robert lived for almost 48 years. She worked tirelessly to improve and promote the neighborhood she loved so dearly. She served as the first treasurer of the College Hill Neighborhood Association and chaired the Boswell Square Wall of Fame committee for many years. Following are highlights from her published obituary.

Born in Carrollton, Missouri she moved to Kansas with her parents. "In Garden City, Nel married Maurice W. Lindner, a farmer and stockman, on March 30, 1947. He died on February 8, 1964." "As a widow with three children," Nel began working for local businesses and "was the secretary for the Garden City Chamber of Commerce." "On January 19, 1968, she married Robert W. Richmond, an author, educator, and historian, whom she had met in the fourth grade in Wellington, Kansas." They moved with her children to a beautiful three story home in Topeka's historic College Hill neighborhood, in which Mr. Richmond still resides.

"She enjoyed her Westminster Presbyterian Church community and committees, the Topeka Symphony League, and Nautilus Club. The Kansas City Royals have lost their biggest fan. Nel loved and supported all things involving Washburn University, including the Kappa Sigma Mothers Club. She worked tirelessly for the College Hill Wall of Fame. She brought her extended Frazier family to Topeka every other July 4th for the Frazier Fling where the College Hill parade and Boswell fireworks were enjoyed by everyone. The fling will go forth this year in her honor."

**Memorial Service** 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in July 2016

"Nel Richmond was a great and accomplished lady, a wonderful person, mother, wife, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend. She gave and received love in heroic portions."

**Memorial Suggestions** "The Nel Richmond Charitable Fund," 1401 S.W. College Ave., Topeka, KS 66604.

**Donation Recipients** Heifer International, Westminster Presbyterian Church, College Hill Wall of Fame, Performing Arts for Children & the Finney County Historical Society.