

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## 4th of July Stars & Stripes Festival

Tuesday, July 3

- dessert potluck, bike decorating & music

## Wednesday, July 4

- Turtle Races and Parade at 10 a.m.
- Wear a fun costume, dress up your dog, decorate your bike or ride on a float

The 4th of July festivities are celebrated every year! A community highlight.

## College Hill Recycling

Saturday, July 7

- **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 Christensens, (785) 554-8068

## National Night Out Against Crime

Saturday, August 11 We need a group of motivated volunteers!

Contact Ardith Woertz (785) 272-1600.

## SPAGHETTI DINNER

Proceeds benefit the Nancy Epoch Theater Scholarship Fund for Children.

Tuesday, April 24, 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Westminster Presbyterian, 13th & Boswell

Tickets \$8 for adults and \$4 children (4-12).

Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert, drinks

**Nancy Epoch**, who passed away unexpectedly in January, was a choir member and

director at Westminster Presbyterian Church for 25 years. She was widely known in the

Topeka community as a teacher, music

director, and mentor of hundreds of young

people. **Questions?** Contact Sue Fackler.

**CHILI FEED RESULTS**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Chili Feed this year! A huge thank you to all

our volunteers who make this event possible.

- Over 20 chili varieties donated

- 175+ attending = \$1345.00

**Winners** Traditional - Stu Ford.

Non-traditional - Sue Fackler.

Vegetarian - Meredith Fry. So delicious!

# 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 8 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.

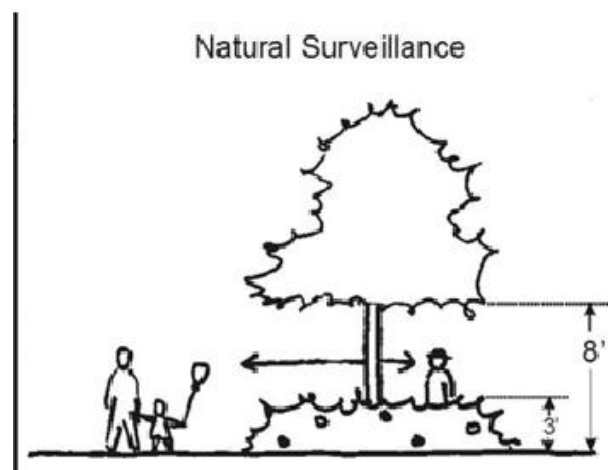
## Keep our neighborhood safe!

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

Contact Officer Michael Hendricks

Office (785) 368-3055 Cell (785) 969-2449

Email mhendricks@topeka.org



# 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 Tom Luellen, 1619 Plass**



# THE COLLEGE HILL BOOSTER SPRING 2018

## EVENTS

### CLEAN UP DAY

APRIL 21

### BLOSSOMS

APRIL 28

### STARS & STRIPES FESTIVAL

JULY 3 & 4

### RECYCLING DRIVE

JULY 7

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

AUGUST 11

### CH ANNUAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 17

## CH MEETINGS

### Join in on the discussion!

New Meeting Schedule! Join us bi-monthly, on the 3rd Monday of that Month at 7pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 13th & Boswell.

**All neighbors welcome!**

## COLLEGE HILL CLEAN UP SATURDAY, APRIL 21

Free Recycling, Part of Keep America Beautiful

- Dumpsters in **Boswell Square Park** from **8 a.m. - 2 p.m.**
- **Items Not Accepted** Tires, toilets, hazardous waste (paint, chemicals, pesticides, lawn chemicals, batteries) and please, no yard waste - see alternative locations listed below.

- **Etiquette** Please don't overfill dumpsters or leave items beside the dumpsters. Only add items during times listed above. It keeps our volunteers happy!

There are other recycling opportunities in Topeka/Shawnee County this spring. See the type, location and dates below.

- **Tires** April 28, Shawnee County Solid Waste Dept.

1515 NW Saline, 9 am to 1 pm

- **Yard Waste** June 2, Garick Waste, I-70 & MacVicar, 8 am - 4:45 pm

- **Free Landfill Day** June 9, Rolling Meadows Landfill, 7351 NW US Highway 75, 7 am - Noon

- **Donation** Consider donating certain household items to non-profits like Topeka Habitat Restore. Visit website [www.topekahabitat.org/restore-merchandise](http://www.topekahabitat.org/restore-merchandise) for accepted items.

- **We need Volunteers!** Contact Ben Alford (785) 633-2351

## COLLEGE HILL BLOSSOMS GARDEN EVENT SATURDAY, APRIL 28 8:00 - 11:00 AM

### A Spring Gardening Event and College Hill Fundraiser

Eat breakfast with your neighbors, buy some bedding plants, and bid on silent auction items that include yoga, artwork, kid's bike accessories, a tennis lesson from a Topeka High coach, Chihuly Art Glass books, gift cards, gardening products, College Hill embroidered towels, and MORE. This auction has become famous in the community for its eclectic array of items!

We are looking for more donations for the silent auction....any new product, gift card, etc.

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

We welcome hosta plants from your garden. Please put them in pots and bring to

Westminster Church, April 27 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Invite friends to College Hill Blossoms!



# COLLEGE HILL BOARD

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| <b>4th of July Parade</b>                        | <b>Susan Duffy</b><br>(785) 230-0881   |
| <b>National Night Out</b>                        | <b>Ardith Woertz</b><br>(785) 272-1600 |

## STAY CONNECTED!

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

- **NEW!!** [www.CollegeHillTopeka.org](http://www.CollegeHillTopeka.org)  
*Find the meeting minutes online!*
- Facebook **CollegeHill-TopekaNeighborhood**
- NextDoor
- Twitter **@CollegeHillINA**
- Email [Neighbors@CollegeHillTopeka.org](mailto:Neighbors@CollegeHillTopeka.org)

## ANNUAL MEETING

**September 17 at 7pm, Westminster**  
Come to the College Hill Annual Meeting to elect new officers!

# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Hello neighbors and happy spring!**  
The newsletter is a fantastic opportunity to thank the amazing volunteers within College Hill. They plan and staff our remarkable events. They coordinate with County and City governments to bring positive change to our neighborhood. They manage and staff dumpsters for an entire weekend so neighbors in College Hill and Elmhurst can participate in the neighborhood Clean Up event. They share their creative talents to design and implement monuments to our neighborhood. They create and distribute flyers so EVERYONE in the neighborhood is aware of upcoming events. They pick up our recycled materials four times a year, to improve our planet and add to our budget. They open their homes to share the joy of historical architecture. They cook food and donate it in hopes College Hill will profit. They give baskets to new neighbors. They share ideas and help their neighborhood in very simple ways. Thank you, volunteers! Without your help College Hill would not be the neighborhood it is today. With that said, it's time for us to bring in additional volunteers. If you have ever considered volunteering within College Hill, now is the time. Volunteering improves leadership skills, provides experience, strengthens bonds in the community, and inspires development and positive change. The College Hill neighborhood is safer and more enjoyable to live in because of its volunteers. Don't hesitate to email with any questions or your pledge to do more for your neighborhood.

**president@collegehilltopeka.org**  
— Katrina Shaw, president

"No one can do everything but everyone can do something."  
~Unknown

# A TRIBUTE TO SALLY ZELLERS

**By Sue Fackler**

The unexpected death of Sally Zellers has left a void in College Hill and in many of our lives. She was an invaluable friend, resource, and leader in this neighborhood. Her quick wit and upbeat attitude brought people together to find solutions. For decades Sally and her husband Don have helped us keep College Hill safe. What started as *neighborhood watch*, then *stroll patrols*, and for 20+ years as the chairs of the CH safety committee, ultimately became Sally's full-time career as director of Safe Streets for 17 years and later the NET Reach Program in East Topeka. She was trained as an arbitrator in neighbor disputes, and was a nationally sought after speaker at conferences on safety. She also had a trusted relationship with Topeka law enforcement. Like many of us, she loved this neighborhood and championed its accomplishments to city groups. Every year she and Marsha Sheahan would bring a bus load of the new Leadership Topeka class to College Hill. We would dazzle the members with stories of College Hill leadership including a celebrated partnership forged with the city, USD 501, Parks & Rec, Westminster Presbyterian, and the neighborhood to create Boswell Square Park. They hoped our successes would motivate other neighborhoods. On a more personal level many of us knew her from her friendly, caring presence in our neighborhood. For years she and her running buddy, Kari, could be seen exercising in the early morning, and later in the day she and Don were frequent walkers. She always stopped to visit with anyone and I still look out my window hoping to see her walking by. She worked all the neighborhood events, and she and Don even chose to be married in Boswell Square. Yes, there is a void in College Hill without her, but she taught us so many lessons about being a good neighbor that her legacy will continue!

## REMEMBERING HELEN JENSEN

**By Brendan Jensen**

Helen Jensen was a remarkable lady who lived in College Hill for 50+ years in the home her father built in the early 1920s. She attended both Randolph Elementary and Boswell Jr. High before eventually graduating from Washburn with a Master's in Education. She taught in the Topeka area, including USD 501. Though she retired in 1983, she continued to volunteer long after and received the Topeka Friends of Education Award in 2004. She was also an accomplished pilot — a rare feat for women in her day. Many of us on Jewell remember her reading on her porch swing and riding her big black bicycle around the neighborhood. Her love of College Hill has resulted in at least three sets of Jensen's calling the neighborhood home. She leaves us with a legacy of service to her community and a great many fond memories.

## 17<sup>TH</sup> STREET MARKERS

College Hill residents are proud of our past and the neighborhood we have become. This summer, two limestone markers will be placed on the outermost median islands on 17th St. between Washburn and MacVicar Avenues. The markers will stand approximately 4' tall. When the street medians were built with the reconstruction of 17th St., concrete bases were laid anticipating the marker's placement. The medians were funded with College Hill Neighborhood Association funds and a \$2,500 City of Topeka grant. The limestone was selected to compliment the many Washburn campus buildings and the bus benches along the street. **Stay tuned!** College Hill neighbors will celebrate this event with an unveiling!