

## BLOSSOMS

The spring gardening fundraiser was a great success this year and a perfect start to spring! This event wouldn't be possible without the amazing volunteers who put their heart into making it a success. Thank you everyone for supporting Blossoms again this year!

- Plant & Food Sales, Silent Auction
- \$2,589.44 raised for Boswell Square Park

## RECYCLING

The July recycling drive was a success again this year totaling \$126. Thank you to everyone who participated and volunteered your time to help collect. The next recycling drive will be **Saturday, December 9 at 9 a.m.** for porch pick-up. Or **Contact** the Christensens (785) 554-8068 to arrange a pick-up.

## CHILI FEED 2019

Are you ready for the annual **College Hill Chili Feed**? There's a chili contest, delicious desserts and time to catch up with neighbors! Early 2019 date to be announced. **We need volunteers for this event!** **Contact Erin Snethen at 608-9839.**

## 17<sup>TH</sup> ST MONUMENTS

Have you noticed the beautiful **17th Street Monuments**? We want to celebrate these recent neighborhood additions. Stay tuned to email, Facebook and Nextdoor for details about the 17th Street Monument Unveiling happening this fall; possible date Sept. 30.

## 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

- Biannual newsletters to keep you updated
- Stars & Stripes Festival • New Website!!
- **Send Dues to Tom Luellen, 1619 Plass**

## FALL CAMPOUT

Do you love to camp? Join us for the inaugural **College Hill Campout in Boswell Park.** Fall 2018 or Spring 2019 date to be announced. Stay tuned! **Interested?** Contact Zach Snethen, zachsneten@gmail.com

## CH MEETINGS

**Join in on the discussion!**

New Meeting Schedule! Join us bi-monthly, on the 3rd Monday (January, March, May, July, September, November) at 7pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 13th & Boswell. **All neighbors welcome!**

## 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.

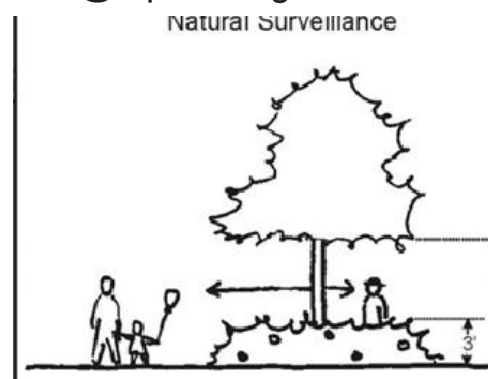
**Keep our neighborhood safe!**

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

**Contact** Officer Alexander Wall

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

**Email** awall@topeka.org



# THE COLLEGE HILL BOOSTER FALL 2018

## CH ANNUAL MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Please join us **Monday, September 17th at 7 PM** in the **Fellowship Hall at Westminster Presbyterian Church** located at **13th and Boswell** for the **Annual College Hill Neighborhood Association** meeting. We will be holding board member elections. The **College Hill Nominating Committee** presents the following slate for 2018-2020 officers:

**President** Ardith Woertz (Jewell)

**Vice President** Christy Stewart (Plass)

**Treasurer** Tom Luellen (Plass)

**Secretary** Gail Kennedy (MacVicar)

Our speakers for the evening will be **Peggy Oster** from the **Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging** and **Tim Esparza** from the **City of Topeka Neighborhood Planning Department**. Ms. Oster will be discussing information regarding services and assistance within Shawnee County provided by the Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging. Mr. Esparza will be discussing a recent neighborhood review of College Hill as well as tools and services that may be available to us. These services include an additional review resulting in a strategic neighborhood plan with partnership among several City departments including the Planning Department, Property Maintenance, and Community Policing to focus on improving our neighborhood.

## COLLEGE HILL TOPS THE LIST OF GREAT KANSAS NEIGHBORHOODS FOR 2018

**College Hill tops the list as one of the best neighborhoods in Kansas.** The Kansas Leadership Center chose four neighborhoods in Kansas as the cream of the crop for 2018. "Neighbors are committed to being a diverse, friendly and welcoming community composed of new and longtime residents of differing ages, backgrounds and economic levels." You can read the article in its entirety by visiting the following link: <https://klcjourn.com/wyandotte-county-lawrence-topeka-house-four-of-the-best-neighborhoods-in-kansas/> Share the love! Boast about your neighborhood by sharing this article with your family and friends. College Hill should be proud of this honor and we thank the Leadership Center for choosing our great neighborhood.

## EVENTS

**RECYCLING DRIVE**

SEPTEMBER 8

**ANNUAL MEETING**

SEPTEMBER 17

**RECYCLING DRIVE**

DECEMBER 9

**HOLIDAY DECORATING**

DECEMBER 21

**CHILI FEED**

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2019

# COLLEGE HILL BOARD

- President** **Katrina Shaw**  
(785) 554-0003
- Vice President** **Ardith Woertz**  
(785) 272-1600
- Treasurer** **Tom Luellen**  
(785) 580-9425
- Wall of Fame & Homes Tour** **Sue Fackler**  
(785) 235-6758
- Recycling** **Christensens**  
(785) 554-8068
- Newsletter & Chili Feed** **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) 633-2351
- 3rd of July** **Erin Snethen**  
(785) 608-9839
- 4th of July Parade** **Susan Duffy**  
(785) 230-0881
- National Night Out** **Ardith Woertz**  
(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)

# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Hello neighbors,**  
 In this, my last note to you as President of the College Hill Neighborhood Association, I want to thank you for the opportunities this volunteer post has provided me. It has been my pleasure to serve, in one position or another, on the College Hill Neighborhood Association Board since 2014. In that time I have learned more about my community than I ever imagined. Since it's inception 28 years ago, the Neighborhood Association has done some truly amazing things on behalf of the College Hill Neighborhood. My personal favorites are the Wall of Fame and Gazebo in Boswell Park, the flags and monuments on 17th Street, and the truly unique events, like the 4th of July Parade and movies in the park. Every other month the Neighborhood Association hosts a public meeting to discuss current events, neighborhood concerns, and future plans. I encourage you to attend to get to know your neighbors, improve your neighborhood, and be involved in your community.

I will continue to work toward the betterment of College Hill through our events. I encourage you to volunteer your time as well. Giving back to your community is one of the easiest ways to ensure fulfillment and joy in your neighborhood.

Thank you for allowing me to serve College Hill. The opportunities to work with fellow neighbors, city officials, and friends have been enlightening and provided me with a sense of pride for our city and our great neighborhood.

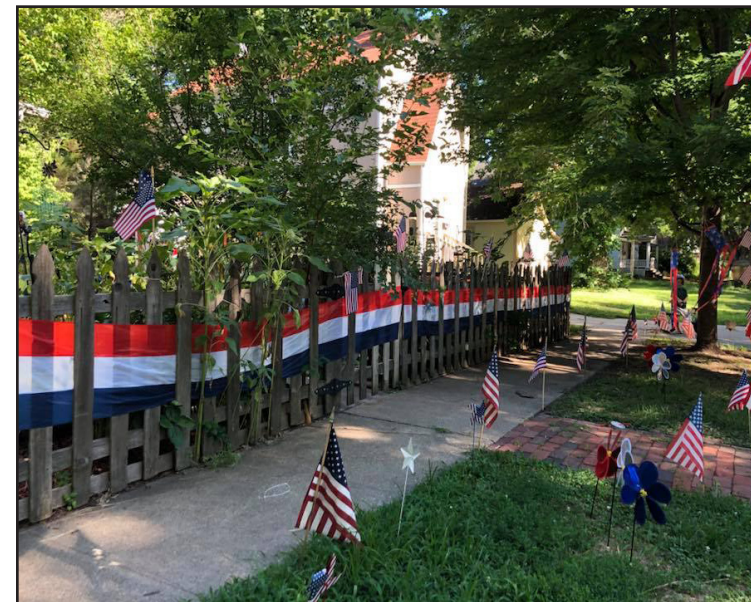
— Katrina Shaw, president

# STARS AND STRIPES FESTIVAL 2018

What a fantastic summer in College Hill! If you missed any of the events during the Stars and Stripes Festival this year, here are a few highlights. The fun began with a dessert potluck with neighbors and community friends, listening to the talented sounds of the bluegrass band Signal Ridge.



On the 4th, the day began with the annual College Hill turtle race. What a turnout this year! The historic parade started at 10 am with the Grand Marshall Brendan Jensen (Deputy Mayor) leading the way. The parade featured the College Hill band, creative floats, cyclists and other festive costumed participants.



For 2018, the home decorating contest was reinstated this year. This year's winners were 1<sup>st</sup> place: 1309 Garfield, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 1327 College and 3<sup>rd</sup> place: 1520 MacVicar. The winning house on Garfield (left) even extended their decorations into the yard. Thank you to everyone for participating and making our neighborhood look festive for the 4th of July.