



# Fence Talk

## University Heights Association, Inc.

### July, 1999



#### University Heights Board Meeting

Unfortunately, the Neighborhood Board Association Meeting held June 7<sup>th</sup> was poorly attended. Once again, officers were not elected due to the lack of a quorum. Hopefully, the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting at 6919 Columbia at 7:30 pm will have 100% attendance by the following neighbors who were elected to the board:

- Joe Wilson
- Tim Cross
- Angela Fedderson Heinze
- Alyssa Royse
- Patrick Kieley
- Juliette Smith
- Marc Goldstein
- Suzanne Loui
- Dave Gardin
- Jonathan Katz
- Malcolm Bee
- Michael Dukes
- Liz Lewis
- Brian Phillips
- Emmanuel Yentumi
- Alternate – John Jennings
- Alternate – Naomi Lebowitz

As always, any other interested neighbors are encouraged to attend. In addition to the election of officers, one of the items on the agenda is planning the annual picnic to be held in September.

The board is not scheduled to meet in August. Hope to see you July 13<sup>th</sup>!

#### Trustees Notes

Many neighbors have inquired about the possibility of mosquito spraying. The Trustees would like to hear your feelings before proceeding. Please call Paula O'Keefe (862-6296) with your input.

Most of the yellow curb painting designating "No Parking" has been completed. Please adhere to these markings. Please do not block the sidewalk ramps with your car or your yard waste. These ramps are for the disabled, for strollers, and for others inclined to use them. Please be courteous!

The Trustees will be meeting with Frank Ollendorf and other city officials on July 1<sup>st</sup> at 3pm at City Hall to discuss enforcement of No Parking on the east side of Trinity coming into the neighborhood. Any members of the Traffic/Parking committee, as well as members of the Neighborhood Association are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please call Paula O'Keefe at 862-6296.

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Don't the planters on our lampposts look great?!? Many thanks to Judy Harmon and other members of the garden club for planting and hanging them. Thanks also to all of you who have adopted a lamppost and are keeping it watered and healthy!

If you can help an hour or two a week, an hour or two a month, or an hour or two every once in a while, help is needed watering the planter at the subdivision entrance. Call Judy Harmon 863-6159 or Becky Ballard 727-9149.

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## Delmar-Harvard Playground

On June 4, Delmar-Harvard Elementary dedicated its wonderful new playground and green space. We are fortunate to have this play area in our neighborhood; it not only provides a safe place for our children to play at school, but it also serves as a neighborhood playground after school hours, during weekends and during the summer.

Many of our University Heights neighbors donated to the "dollars for the playground" fundraising campaign that made the project a reality. Thank you for your generosity.

There were several contractors who donated services and/or materials to this project. You can tell them "Thank You" by hiring them for projects you may have at your homes:

R.G. Ross Construction Co. (General Contractor)  
638-9255

Paramount Construction Co (excavation)  
531-5865

Brooks Co. (plumbing)  
569-3511

Pioneer Paving (asphalt paving)  
544-3291

Environmental Recycling, Inc. (recycled plastic lumber)  
382-7766

There are many other individuals, businesses and organizations that made this project possible. Our community can truly be proud of this great team effort!

-Thanks to Mark Johnston for the information for this article!

## Vacation Reminders

It's that time of year when everyone heads for better climates. When you go, be sure to make your house look as lived-in and normal as possible while you're gone.

Here are our annual home security reminders :

- Hire a house-sitter, or leave lights and maybe a radio (but not a TV) on timers
- Leave shades and curtains in normal positions
- Have someone pick up mail and papers
- Have the lawn mowed and watered
- Have a neighbor park a car in your driveway and put trash bags at your curbs at proper times
- Have neighbors keep an eye on your property

## POISON IVY ALERT

You should be aware that we do have a lot of poison ivy that is growing in University Heights. Most cases of poison ivy seem to have been contracted while weeding or working in gardens. The mild winter may have contributed to the nasty plant's current vigor. The majority of people are sensitive to poison ivy, and reactions range from mildly inconvenient to truly unpleasant. The old saying "leaves of three—let it be" is the best way to avoid testing your immunity! Ivy can be identified by its three shiny, somewhat "toothed" leaves and reddish stems. It often hides out in beds of English ivy or Virginia creeper. It resembles Virginia creeper, which also has three leaves occasionally (Virginia creeper usually has clusters of five leaves as well on the same plant, which can help you tell it from poison ivy). If you suspect that you do have a patch of poison ivy, don't pull it up with your bare hands. Wear gloves (which must be washed in hot, soapy water afterwards) or cover your hands with something you can throw out with the plants. There are also systemic sprays available at most hardware and garden stores. You apply the spray to the plant's leaves and it will kill it to the root in a matter of days. These sprays are very toxic, so be careful not to spray other plants nearby. If you inadvertently touch poison ivy, wash the affected part immediately with strong soap and warm water. Remember, sensitive individuals can also pick up a case of poison ivy by petting dogs or cats that have walked through it and gotten the oil on their fur. **NEVER** burn the plants. The smoke can be very toxic and dangerous if breathed.

**FIRST AID:** If you think you have touched a poison plant, wash immediately with soap and water, then with rubbing alcohol. Calamine lotion relieves the itching.

-Article from "the archives" July, 1987

## Fence Talk

We still need some help with Fence Talk. Comments and suggestions are welcome. We would welcome anyone who would like to write a paragraph or a page, once a month, or once in a while. You pick the subject. We'd also like to receive original cartoons, puzzles, jokes and riddles (from adults or children). Articles by kids or about kids are welcome. This is your chance to be a journalist and help your community, too! Call Janet Schaper 726-5352 or Paula O'Keefe 862-6296.

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## FENCE TALK CLASSIFIEDS

### BABY SITTERS

Lisa Price 862-6237  
Terec Wilson 721-8157  
Jenny Phillips 725-4567  
Bradley Land 725-0785  
Cayla Damick 863-7106  
Andrea Johnson 726-5452  
Lauren Taylor 863-2020  
Matthew Daughaday 863-3008  
Cassie Phillips 725-4567  
Evan Pheiffer 725-7067  
Emily Patterson 862-5293  
Alison Damick 863-7106  
Anne Johnston 726-5997  
Ben Scrivner 721-0921  
Allison Scott 725-0893

### PET SITTERS

Ryan Patterson 862-5293  
Melanie Kemp 725-4570  
Cayla Damick 863-7106  
Allison Scott 725-0893  
Jenny Phillips 725-4567  
Evan Pheiffer 725-7067  
Bradley Land 725-0785  
Ben Scrivner 721-0921

### LAWN MOWING

Justin Vail 727-9149  
Evan Pheiffer 725-7067  
Evan Johnston 726-5997  
Bradley Land 725-0785  
Drew Bloom-Ellis 727-1362

### PAINTING

Dan Diekneite 863-7258  
Patrick Beckman 862-0383

### ESTATE SALES

Ruth Cobb 863-2144

### HOUSE SITTING

Mary Jo Maroney 727-8554

### WRITING/PUBLISHING

Myra Vandersall 725-1059

### WATER PURIFIERS

Michael Williams 726-5644

## FENCE TALK UNCLASSIFIEDS

**WANTED** Anyone who is trying to get rid of or sell used darkroom equipment or photography supplies, please call John Vandersall at 725-1059, or Matthew Daughaday at 863-3559.

**ODD JOBS WANTED** Strong, reliable teenager willing to do odd jobs such as: mowing lawns, yard work, painting, pet sitting, etc. Payment is negotiable. Please call Drew Bloom-Ellis at 727-8231.

**INTERPRETER WANTED** by philatelist (stamp collector) - French, Arabic & Portugese. "pay U.S. Mint Postage" Also, fellow philatelists. Foreign issues only. Call before 11am daily. S. Stein 862-1857.

**CLEANING** Best maids for thorough cleaning in your home. Call Maria Beckman, 832-4578, 6949 Cornell

**ART INSTRUCTION** Adults or children Alaine Peaslee-Hinshaw offers one-on-one and group art instruction in her home studio at 6921 Amherst. Learn to paint, pot, print, sculpt, make paper or create stained glass. Call 721-8231.

**FOR SALE** Large rectangular glass topped dining table. Dark green metal supports. Almost new. Will trade for a smaller table. Call 863-2407.

**FOR SALE** Firewood & Mulch, Dean Blechle, Rt. 4 Box 443A, Perryville, MO 63775, 573-547-2217. His services come highly recommended by Debbie Schwartz on Princeton

**MISC HELP** Orion Trotter will help with computer, pet sit, dust, or clean windows, inside & out, call 863-0483

**FOR SALE** 1992 Sundance, manual transmission, sunroof, Blaupunkt cassette stereo, 102,000 miles but engine is in superb condition, needs some work on muffler, minor work on body. 863-2407.

**HOUSESITTER** Homeowner in University Heights would like to house sit July 18-August 14. Call Judith Gainer at 914-381-5968.

**FOR SALE** 1986 Chevrolet Celebrity; 27,500 miles, air conditioning, power steering, new radiator, distributor, practically new tires. Good running order \$3,550. 726-5608

**NEED COMPUTER HELP?** Contact Ben Scrivner. 721-0921

**NEEDED** Reader for person with visual impairment. Clear diction desired. Rate \$8/hr. Call 863-5499

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## CALENDAR

July  
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- 4 Sunday 4th of July Holiday  
5 Monday Refuse collection for Monday routes  
12 Monday Starlight Concert Series Heman Park 7:30  
City Council Meeting 7:30pm, City Hall  
13 Tuesday University Heights Board Meeting 7:30, 6919 Columbia  
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### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Fence Talk Editors: Paula O'Keefe, 862-6296  
Janet Schaper, 726-5352

Block Homes: Marilyn Cathcart, 862-6244

Contractor File: Shane Calkins, 725-3058

Trustees: Ron Scott, 725-0893 6942 Amherst

Kathy Sorokin, 725-2953 6940 Columbia

Paula O'Keefe, 862-6296 6919 Columbia

Police (non-emergency): 725-2211

City Hall: 862-6767

U. City Library 727-3150

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