

# Carriage Oaks HOA

Fall Newsletter

September 2014

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## Halloween Tips

Please help make this a wonderful experience for our kids. Make sure we do the following :

- Have working yard lights
- Slow/safe driving
- Neighborhood cars not parked on the streets
- Porch lights on if you are participating



## Fall Neighborhood Garage Sale

Carriage Oaks Neighborhood Garage Sale will be held October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. COHA will pay for the ad in the newspaper and provide the signs at the entrances to the subdivision.

Our intention is to hold a neighborhood garage sale in spring and in fall.

Please e-mail or call if you are interested.

## Neighborhood Clean-up

The Homeowner's Association will pay to have a dumpster available for our homeowners to use for a week. It is being conveniently scheduled right after the garage sale from October 20<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup>. If all goes well we will look into a dumpster for Spring.

## Fall Clean-up Programs and Dates

The following events are held each spring and fall and are sponsored by the City of St. Joseph. The 2015 Spring dates have not been calendared and will be set after the beginning of the year.

Homeowners must present property tax receipts to prove eligibility for the Clean Sweep program.

Additional guidelines may apply and that information may be obtained at the City of St. Joseph Landfill website <http://www.stjoemo.info>

St. Joseph Landfill  
9431 50<sup>th</sup> Rd SE  
St. Joseph, MO 64507  
816-253-1120

### Clean Sweep Program

October 1<sup>st</sup> thru 7<sup>th</sup>. St. Joseph residents are allowed to bring yard waste, trash, appliances and up to 6 passenger tires (off the rims) free of charge two days per year. Hours are weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Hazardous Waste Day

October 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the parking lot of the Remington Nature Center. Again, the city website has additional guidelines and regulations for this program.

## Join COHA on Facebook

[www.facebook.com/carriageoaks.hoa](http://www.facebook.com/carriageoaks.hoa)

### EXTERIOR ADDITIONS OR MODIFICATIONS

- ✓ Any exterior additions or modifications to your structure or property such as fences, pools, retaining walls, water projects, changing of paint color, etc., **requires prior approval of the HOA Board.**
- ✓ For your convenience, you may drop off plans to Bob Linebarger at 3304 W. Devonshire, or e-mail [carriageoaksdrc@yahoo.com](mailto:carriageoaksdrc@yahoo.com)

## Suggestions Requested

We are looking for ideas to better handle our tree trimming in the boulevards. Trimming and maintaining the trees is the homeowner's responsibility. This is now becoming a larger problem for the subdivision as the trees continue to age and grow. So.....we are looking for some suggestions.

City ordinances require 8 feet of clearance over sidewalks. Here are a couple of options that have been mentioned in our board meetings:

- ✓ Promote a Volunteer Work Day – Designated volunteers could then go thru the neighborhood to trim the trees above the sidewalks and at street level where needed.
- ✓ Hire an outside service to handle the trimming and increase association dues to cover the additional expenses.

**If you have any thoughts or suggestions, please feel free to contact a board member or send an e-mail to: [carriageoakshoa@yahoo.com](mailto:carriageoakshoa@yahoo.com)**

## Winter Tips

Hard to believe that winter will be coming soon but please remember that it is important for our school children and walkers to have cleared sidewalks after snowfalls occur. Actually, our covenants require walks to be shoveled within a reasonable time period after a snow or ice event.

## Website Update News

We are working with our web developer to update our website. Newsletters for 2013 and 2014 are being posted along with the minutes from our Annual Meetings.

We are also providing information about the Clean Sweep and Hazardous Waste Programs. The dates shown will be updated each spring and fall when they are calendared by the city.

We would like to add information and dates for our neighborhood garage sales as well.

The website information does not change rapidly or often. We are using our Facebook page to provide more current information. We have had neighborhood users post information about lost pets, etc. so it can be a helpful forum for communication within the neighborhood.

## Spruce Up Tips

Does your mailbox need a spruce up? One of the least attractive things in our subdivision is our mailboxes. There are many that are in need of repair or replacement. Next time you pull in the driveway, take a peek at your mailbox.

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The Carriage Oaks Board of Directors holds meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm at Meierhoffer Community room, located 5005 Frederick

Boulevard.

Please contact any board member if you have something to bring to the board.

No HOA Board meetings will be held during the months of July and August.

## Numbers to keep handy!

[www.carriageoaksHOA.net](http://www.carriageoaksHOA.net)

- Illegal fireworks, loud music, abandoned car, underage drinking, and **suspicious solicitor**: 271-4777
- Barking dog, dead animal, and loose animal: 271-4876



Check out our website ([www.carriageoakshoa.net](http://www.carriageoakshoa.net)) or posts from the group COHOA on Facebook for upcoming information and events.

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