



Highleah Highlights

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Board of Directors

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Dorinda Meihls
First Vice President
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(Pet Committee)

Paula Goth
Second Vice President
Education Grant

John Baggs
Secretary
(Security)

Todd McQuade
Treasurer
(House and Grounds)

Handy Phone Numbers

Highleah Office
816-257-0070

Maintenance Emergency
913-894-3441

Security Patrol*
816-864-4548

*You must enter your phone number
and hit the pound sign. Then hang up.

Your call will be returned.
The line is not answered and
you cannot leave a message.

Natural Gas Company
816-756-5252

Power & Light Service
816-325-7930

Animal Control
816-325-7205

Citizens Information Center
816-325-7000

UTILITIES: 8/7 - 9/6

Water/Sewer: \$9,678.54
Electric: \$1,651.98

Highleah, Independence Square Promote Cooperative Housing in Halloween Parade

Come to the 64th Annual Halloween Parade in Independence and see some familiar faces as you've never seen them before.

Highleah Townhouses, Inc., and Independence Square Townhouses, Inc. are proudly promoting cooperative living with a float entry. Staff and board members will be in costume and walking alongside the float, handing out candy.

The parade is at 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 27, on the historic Independence Square. The parade begins on Walnut and ends at McCoy Park on Bess Truman Parkway.

All judged entries in the parade are eligible for a first or second place trophy.

Trick-or-treating will take place on the square before the parade from 1 to 3 p.m. Merchants giving away treats will be marked by balloons.

The parade is presented by the Independence Chamber of Commerce.

BOARD MEETING, September 18, 2012

NEWSLETTER MINUTES

Marsha Clark, president, announced that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Other board members present were Dorinda Meihls, first vice president; Paula Goth, second vice president; John Baggs, secretary; and Todd McQuade, treasurer. Also attending were Carol Gibson, on-site manager; Gina Zukel, assistant manager; Kevin McQuade, maintenance superintendent; Lynn Sutton, maintenance staff; Melva Linville, property manager, and Suzanne Miles, human relations coordinator, with Linville Management Services, Inc.; and Dudley Leonard, cooperative attorney.

Marsha welcomed members and thanked them for attending. She said enough members were present for the annual meeting but not enough to vote on the bylaws, which requires a majority. Ninety-six members were present in person or by proxy. For a majority, 165 were needed.

Marsha read the official notice of the Annual Membership Meeting mailed to all members as proof of notice of the meeting.

John read the minutes of the annual meeting held on September 20, 2011. The minutes were approved as read.

Officer and committee reports were presented by Marsha, Dorinda, Paula, John and Todd.

Melva gave the managing agent's report. She prepared a pie chart illustrating how carrying charges were spent and distributed copies to members. The cooperative's assets are \$12,145,841. Reserves are \$831,580. In the past year, 2,287 work orders have been completed. There have been 21 move-ins and 34 move-outs.

Marsha asked for three volunteers to serve as inspectors of election. Jacob Passman, Theresa Forge and Deah D'Alessandro volunteered.

Marsha announced that one position was open on the board of directors: the seat currently held by Paula Goth.

Marsha said Paula had submitted a resume and her name was on the ballot.

She asked for nominations from the floor. There were no more nominations from the floor and a motion to close the nominations was made and carried.

Jacalyn Ferrell delivered a speech in support of Paula.

Paula then addressed the members.

Members chose to vote by acclamation for Paula and she was elected to a three-year term.

Door prize drawings were held. Melissa Beikman won a month's free carrying charges; Marilyn Nevils won \$50; and Vickie Smithson won \$25.

The annual meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Highleah Members Enjoy Affordable Advantages

At the annual meeting, Melva Linville, property manager for Linville Management Services, Inc., presented these facts about cooperative living at Highleah.

If individual members were required to pay the water bill for their unit, it would cost every household about \$26 a month.

Every member of Highleah Townhouses, Inc., pays an average cost of only \$41 a month for mowing and grounds maintenance from April through September and \$3 a month for snow removal from November through February.

Every member of Highleah pays an average cost of only \$6.00 a month for security patrols.

Every month, the Board of Directors holds an open session of the board meeting to allow members the opportunity to find out more about the operations of the cooperative.

Members can ask questions or voice their concerns to the board and to management. The meeting is held at 6 p.m. on the third Monday of the month.

Midwest Foster Care and Adoption Association. Please Help Us.

The association food pantry needs canned goods, cereal, boxed meals, toiletries and other non-perishable items.

Members can donate to the pantry by placing items in the food box in Highleah's clubroom.

The deadline is October 31.

The association supports and advocates for abused and neglected children and the families caring for them. The mission is to provide foster and adopted children in the Kansas City area a stable, loving and nurturing family environment.

The association's pantry serves an average of 1,700 families a year. A longtime supplier of the food pantry has changed its policy and will no longer be able to assist Foster Parent Support Agencies.

For more information, visit the web site at www.mfcaa.org.

Services for Hire

Year in Review Sept 2011 - Sept 2012

HOUSE CLEANING

Husband and wife team looking to clean your rooms from top to bottom, spic 'n span! Very reasonable rates. Call 816.257.4991 day or night.

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