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Highleah Townhouses, Inc. • 2001 W. Pembroke Crescent, Independence, MO 64057

## Board of Directors

Jim Legge  
President  
(Newsletter & Pet Complaints)

Marsha Clark  
First Vice President  
(Security)

Dan Hastings  
Second Vice President  
(House and Grounds)

Dorinda Meihls  
Secretary  
(Pet Registration)

## Handy Phone Numbers

Highleah Office  
816-257-0070

Maintenance Emergency  
913-894-3441

Security Patrol  
816-645-3001

Police (Non-Emergency)  
816-325-7300

Natural Gas Company  
816-756-5252

Power & Light Service  
816-325-7930

Animal Control  
816-325-7205

Citizens Information Center  
816-325-7000

## UTILITIES

Jan. 7, 2011 - Feb. 10, 2011

Water/Sewer: \$8,947.12  
Electric: \$910.22

## BOARD MEETING, February 28, 2011

### NEWSLETTER MINUTES

Jim Legge, president, called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. Other board members present were Marsha Clark, first vice president; Dan Hastings, second vice president; and Dorinda Meihls, treasurer.

Also attending were Carol Gibson, on-site manager; Gina Cowan, assistant on-site manager; Kevin McQuade, maintenance superintendent; and Melva Linville, property manager, and Suzanne Miles, human relations coordinator, for Linville Management Services, Inc.

Attending the open session were three members, a visitor and a member of the Central Jackson County Patrol.

Minutes of the January 24, 2011, board meeting were approved.

Carol discussed the on-site manager's report. In February, there were 25 defaults, three installation permits received and approved. Several reasonable accommodation requests were submitted for handrails.

Statements of credit and of charges are not available at this time. The grievance meeting has been postponed until March 21. Two move-ins were conducted. Currently on the market are two three-bedroom units, 13 two-bedroom units and one one-bedroom unit. Two two-bedroom units have been sold.

The board voted unanimously to accept Carol's report.

Kevin presented the maintenance report. In January, 167 work orders were completed. There were two move-outs.

Palmer Lawn Professionals applied salt and sand to the streets on January 18 for a total cost of \$350. A new snow thrower was purchased at a cost of \$968.39.

Some work remains to be done on the property renovation project including lowering the speed bumps and painting them. The new maintenance building has been approved by the City of Independence.

The board voted unanimously to accept Kevin's report and to approve the purchase of the snow thrower.

Jim opened the floor to member concerns. Rehab requirements were discussed by a member preparing to move out.

Jim thanked members for attending and the open session ended at 6:21 p.m.

## *Time is running out to apply for \$500 grant*

The deadline is March 15 for students who wish to apply for the education grant.

Information sheets and application forms are available in the office.

Applications, essays and transcripts must be received in the office no later than March 15 sent to the attention of Dorinda Meihls. The student must make arrangements with a high school administrator to send an official student transcript to the office.

Family members of students must be in good standing at Highleah. The grant is awarded to high school graduates who will be attending an accredited college, university or trade school in the summer or fall.

Please send to the attention of:

Education Grant  
Highleah Townhouses, Inc.  
2001 Pembroke Crescent West  
Independence, MO 64057

### *Sign up for selection committee*

Members who wish to participate in the student selection process for the education grant should submit a letter of intent to include the reason the member wants to serve on the committee along with their address and telephone number.

Letters must be received in the office no later than March 15 sent to the attention of Dorinda Meihls.



## **New Highleah Logo Chosen**

Coming soon to the Highleah newsletter: a new look and a new name.

Gene Raddatz designed the winning entry in the cooperative logo contest. He will be recognized with a \$50 gift card at the March board meeting.

The logo will appear on the cover of the newsletter, on the cooperative's Web site and in all Highleah correspondence.

"We had good participation by our members who submitted attractive designs," said Jim Legge, board president. "We thank all the artists for their creativity and interest in our community."

The board gratefully acknowledges Phillip Bryant, Carlos Cook, Angela James and Jacob Passman for entering the logo contest.

"We expect to have the new logo ready for the next issue of the newsletter," Jim said.

The new logo is in keeping with the recent extensive renovations throughout Highleah. After the property was upgraded and improved, the cooperative needed a fresh logo to reflect the updated look.



## **Yard Sale Slated for May 21**

Look for bargains throughout the cooperative all day long on Saturday, May 21.  
That's the date for the annual cooperative yard sale.  
The rain date is May 28.

## *To the Board of Directors, On-Site Staff and Members of Highleah:*

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to all of you for your many kind words, cards, prayers and expressions of condolence on the passing of my wife of 41 years in December.



As many of you know, this was followed by the death of a very dear sister in Maryland. It has been a very stressful two months but the knowledge that your concerns were with me has done much to see me through this difficult time.

Thank you, again, for everything.

- Jim Legge  
President

## **Personal Property Insurance Can Protect Cooperative Members**

Can members of Highleah Townhouses afford to be without insurance?

Property insurance offers protection and coverage in such unfortunate situations as a fire, water damage and other disasters that can occur unexpectedly and inconveniently, said Tom Quick, vice president of Cretcher Heartland Incorporated, an insurance agency in Overland Park.

Quick cites four reasons cooperative members should consider personal property coverage for belongings in their units.

1. Based on limits and coverages, insurance for your personal property can be purchased for as low as \$160 a year.
2. Insurance coverage is available to pay you for the improvements and betterments you have made to your unit.
3. Insurance coverage is available to pay your living expenses if you are displaced from your unit by fire or other covered peril.
4. Insurance coverage is available for your defense and settlement for the property damage or bodily injury you or any member of your household are liable for.

Please contact your insurance agent for additional information and premiums to meet your needs and budget.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Daylight Saving Time Begins Set clocks ahead one hour	14	15 Education Grant Applications Due	16	17	18	19
20	21 Board Meeting Open Session 6:00 PM	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		