

Carriage Hill 7-9 Homes Association, Inc.

#### **BIKE RIDE AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL**



The annual bike ride and ice cream social will be held Sunday afternoon June 29 at 2:00pm in the 63rd Terrace south cul-desac. Bring your bike, scooter, skateboard, wagon, roller skates, anything on wheels to ride up and down 63rd Terrace. If you'd rather not ride, please line the street to cheer on the "parade". After the ride, stay to enjoy an ice cream sundae!



#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**



Several families and over a dozen children joined us for our 2014 Easter Egg Hunt. The Easter Bunny stopped by for photos and to start the official egg hunt. Crafts, face painting, and snacks were avail-



face painting, and snacks were available, along with a table featuring the Google Fiber Bunny and in-





We once again enjoyed our patriotic flag display on Memorial Day. Thanks to our team of volunteers who set out and picked up the flags. We look forward to another flag display on the 4th of July. If you are able to help place or pick up flags in the neighborhood, contact JoAnn Fisher at (816) 455-0416. Ideally, there would be a few volunteers for each street in the neighborhood.

#### **SUMMER JOBS**

Hello neighbor, do you have summer chores you need done? Kyle Hayden, this year, is mowing lawns, fertilizing, walking dogs, and other odd jobs. Please call ahead to schedule a time. **(816)-454-5639** 



#### **GOOGLE FIBER UPDATE**

Great news! Our Fiberhood met its sign-up goal on May 6<sup>th</sup>. That means everyone who signs up by the June 19<sup>th</sup> deadline will definitely get Google Fiber service! If you haven't signed up yet go to www.fiber.google.com and sign up!

Over the course of the sign-up period several common questions have come up:

Since our sign-up goal is reached do I still need to sign up by the June 19th deadline?

YES! The sign-up goal is the bare minimum needed to get Google to build in our area. If you want Google to install at your house you must sign up by the deadline. Only people who sign up will get the service

So signing up by the June 19th deadline is my only chance to get Google Fiber?

Correct. Treat this as your one-and-only chance to get this service installed. There will be no late signups or installs after all others are complete. Google wants to come in, do one huge wave of construction and move on.

I'm either in a contract with someone else or content with my current service. What's the point of signing-up?

Think of it this way: You already have the AT&T and Time Warner cables on your house so you can choose between the two. This gives you the opportunity to add a third option. Even if you want to stay with your current provider having the option of Google Fiber is a huge bargaining tool with other providers. Remember, this is your only chance to sign-up. Don't regret it later.

If I want to just have the fiber cable installed and nothing else what does it cost?

For that you sign up for the "Basic" service. There is a \$300 install fee that you can pay up front or divide it up into \$25/month payments for one year. The install comes with free basic internet service for 7 years, but you are not required to use it. Any internet or TV service you currently have installed will not be affected having Google Fiber installed.

Since the sign-up deadline ends June 19th will they begin installing on June 20th?

Unfortunately no. All the construction we've seen around the neighborhood would lead you to believe that though. What we have seen the crews installing is the underground conduit that will hold the fiber-optic cable they will attach to our homes. Another crew will still need to install the cables in those conduits. While Google will not give dates for actual installs we've been told off-the-record that late summer or early fall is the earliest we can expect to see in-home installations.

Want to keep up with news on Google Fiber installation? Check out the Fiberhood Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/brooktree.fiberhood">www.facebook.com/brooktree.fiberhood</a>

Still have questions? Feel free to contact Neighborhood Fiber-Nut, Pete Stedman, at: **pstedman@thestedmans.net**. If Pete doesn't know the answer he will find out for you.



#### LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!

Carriage Hill 7-9 Homes Association now has a Facebook page. For all the latest information in between newsletters, find and like our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CarriageHill79">www.facebook.com/CarriageHill79</a>

We need assistance in administering this page. If you can help, contact Pete Stedman at: pstedman@thestedmans.net







FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
For more information, contact
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www.gladstone.mo.us

#### STORMS AND ROOFERS

It's storm season again, and that means heavy rains, high winds and hail; all of which can cause damage to roofs. After these storms have passed through, storm chasing roofers, primarily from out of state will swarm affected cities and neighborhoods and Gladstone is no exception. Please do not fall prey to these storm chasers. Be cautious of door knockers who come unsolicited offering estimates on roofing work.

It is easy to become a roofing contractor, as all that is required is a business license and a permit to install a roof.

If you have had damage or suspect you have had damage from a storm, consider these steps first:

- Take action to stop any leaks that might damage interiors.
- Call your insurance agent or company.
- Ask the agent or adjuster what the process will be and take notes or ask for an email or fax.
- Take any steps suggested by the insurance representative.
- Take pictures of your roof, even if you do not see any damage. Leave the determination to the adjuster, not a roofing contractor.
- Wait to get estimates until your adjuster has examined your roof.

When selecting a roofing contractor, please consider the following.

- Avoid door-to-door solicitors.
- Do not sign any documents until you are sure you have chosen the contractor you want.
- Avoid contractors willing to help save your deductible, which may be unlawful.
- Ask for referrals from neighbors and others you trust.
- Make sure the company actually exists by looking up on a third-party directory, such as a printed telephone or business association directory. The number provided by the contractor may just be for show, and they may even set up a website with false information about its operation.
- Check with the city of Gladstone (or the jurisdiction where the house is located) to make sure the contractor has a business license and if doing work for you has a permit, which is required by the City.

**Note:** the City of Gladstone also requires a final inspection of roofing work, so make sure that a final has been done before you make your final payment to the contractor.

There are many storm chasing roofers, but there are as many or more local longtime greater Kansas City area roofers, and even local Gladstone roofing businesses, which have served Gladstone for years and will for years to come

#### **ATTENTION CARRIAGE HILL 7-9 Home Owners**

If you are getting a new roof, even if it is the same type of roof, please complete the Architectural Control Form and return to a Home Association Board Member. (A copy of the form is attached to this newsletter).

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| <b>Note:</b> Please refer to the Carriage Hill 7-9 Home Association, Inc. Directory for contact information.        |
| If you would like to volunteer to help with a committee, please contact the President, Wendy Hargrave to volunteer. |

## Welcome to our New Neighbors

Ali Mahzoom and Marie Fortune, 3950 NE 63rd Terrace





Challenge Begins: September 1st- September 28th

Enrollment begins at the Community/City sponsored Health Fair

Date: July 24th

Time: 9:30 a.m. - Noon

**Location: Gladstone Community Center** 

Enrollment Deadline: August 25th.

#### Strive to Thrive

We encourage family, friends and business' to gather for this year's healthy lifestyle challenge!

While building team camaraderie, this four-week friendly fitness competition encourages healthy lifestyle habits. Each team is to record their team's fitness minutes and healthy eating habits into the weekly log provided on the City's website. Tips, suggestions and information on health and healthy lifestyles will be available regularly to help keep the team's motivation high.

**Team Categories:** Team (family or other combined team excluding corporate team)

Corporate or Business Team

Individual

The fitness component will include recording exercise or walking minutes. The Nutrition component will included recording fruit/vegetable servings.

Fee: TBA

**Awards:** Prizes will be awarded and recognitions made during the awards ceremony at the Scarecrow 5K Run/Walk- Date: Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.



### "Strive to Thrive" Coloring Contest

Entry Deadline: Monday, September 15th

Themes:

#1 – How My Family and I Exercise or Play Together for 60 Minutes per Day #2 – How My Family and I Eat Right with Colors (eating more fruits & vegetables)

Submit your artwork on 8 ½ x 11 paper