

## HOHA's End of Summer Bash (EOSB) /Picnic Saturday, August 10,

Put this date and time on your calendar. All current (2024) HOHA members will be admitted at no cost. All residents of Harvey Oaks that aren't current members will be charged \$14.00 per person to attend. All guests of current HOHA members will be charged \$7.00 per person to attend. **GRANDCHILDREN OF CURRENT MEMBERS ARE ADMITTED AT NO COST!**

The EOSB kicks off the 2025 HOHA membership drive. This is an opportunity to renew your membership and become an active member of this organization.

Mike and Natasha Tesnar, of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, are corporate sponsors of the event and residents of Harvey Oaks.

Food trucks at the event will include the following:

- Burning Bridges
- Cheese Life
- Jason's Donuts
- Kona Ice
- Pulled BBQ



The Following events/games/services will be available:

- Tiny Town for children 10 years of age or younger.
- Magic Show from 6:00-6:45 pm.
- Foam Party from 7:00-8:00 pm.
- Complimentary pop, water, beer, and seltzer will be available to all current HOHA members. (identification will be necessary for alcoholic beverages)
- Vendors with information on products and samples will be available.
- Silent Auction from 5:00-7:30 pm.
- Live music from 5:00-8:00 pm

All children 10 years of age or younger will receive 10 tickets to Tiny Town activities!

## Children's Patriotic Parade was held earlier on June 22

Approximately 118 adults and children attended this event and paraded with patriotic decorated bikes, scooters, wagons, and baby strollers around the center park.

This event wouldn't have been possible if it wasn't for the following individuals.

- Audry Childers-general chairperson
- Carol Feelhaver-registration
- Traci Selby-registration
- Omaha Police Department-providing an escort
- Omaha Fire Department-providing a fire truck



## Volunteers Needed for the Offices of Vice President and Treasurer

The duties of the Vice President include the following:

- Perform the duties of the President in his/her absence.
- Audit the HOHA's treasurer's books, periodically, if necessary.
- Perform other duties as assigned.
- Term of office is two years.

Duties of the Treasurer include the following:

- Have charge of all funds belonging to the Association.
- Receive all deposits from the various events.
- Disburse funds when necessary with appropriate documentation.
- Prepare and present monthly financial reports at the HOHA General Membership meeting.
- Prepare and present a yearly budget in August that is voted upon in September. The fiscal year for HOHA is October 1-September 30.
- Perform other duties as assigned.
- Term of office is two years.

In order for HOHA to remain a strong organization, volunteers will need to be found that are willing to take on these positions.

These offices don't require a lot of time, but are so necessary for the success and future of the Association. Please consider volunteering to be part of HOHA and support your neighborhood.

Anyone interested in the positions or would like more information can contact Luke Hawkins at [lucasmhawkins@gmail.com](mailto:lucasmhawkins@gmail.com) or 402-714-3580.



## Yard of the Month Nomination Procedure

If you would like to nominate a home in your area for the 'Yard of the Month' distinction, you can e-mail Andrew Legge, fatmanlegge@gmail.com with the house's address.

HOHA always likes to recognize homeowners for the upkeep of their property and this is one way to recognize them. There are many beautiful lawns in Harvey Oaks. Help HOHA recognize these individual homeowners and nominate them for Yard of the Month.



# HOHA News

## Harvey Oaks Citizen Patrol

What is a Citizen Patrol? A Citizen Patrol is a trained group of residents organized to increase the safety of the neighborhood. They patrol the streets in their neighborhood to provide a presence and report any incidents and problems to the police. They are non-confrontational and coordinate their activities with the police. The Citizen Patrol is the next step beyond the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Purpose of the Citizen Patrol-The main purpose of the Citizen Patrol is to provide a visible presence on the streets in your neighborhood as a deterrent to any criminal activity. Having concerned residents on the street actively watching what is going on in their neighborhood sends a clear message to strangers in the neighborhood, that crime will not be tolerated. Thieves, vandals, and drug dealers do not wish to be observed, so the presence of law-abiding residents alone can help reduce crime.

The second purpose of Citizen Patrol is to report suspicious or illegal activities to the police. We do not have enough police officers to patrol every street in Omaha, so the police rely on residents of the area to inform them about crime, incidents, and suspects. These patrols provide timely information to the police, which can help them apprehend criminals.

In addition, patrols provide an opportunity for citizens to participate in activities to improve their community and they can react to other threats to their neighborhoods.

Your help is needed-Harvey Oaks would like to reinstate this service in the neighborhood.



## Citizen Patrol - Keeping Harvey Oaks Safe

### Citizen Patrol Volunteer Requirements:

- New volunteers must attend a four hour evening training class conducted by the Omaha Police Department (OPD).
- The volunteer must pass a background check every two years processed by the OPD.
- There must be at least two adults (18 or older) in each vehicle while patrolling.
- Patrollers will use their own vehicles and provide their own fuel and insurance.
- All patrollers must carry a cell phone as a means to communication for contacting the police if necessary.
- Patrollers will wear the designated identification badge issued by the OPD when on patrol.

### Citizen Patrol Responsibilities:

Each patroller should:

- Go out on assigned patrols.
- Observe and report. Never confront anyone verbally or physically and never attempt to detain anyone.
- Contact 911 when necessary.
- When on patrol, never carry anything that is or resembles a weapon (i.e. gun, knife, bat, etc.)
- Accept responsibility for damage to or loss of any equipment received from your Citizen Patrol.

If you are interested or would like more information on this program/service contact Luke Hawkins 402-714-3580 lucasmhawkins@gmail.com.

This program helps make Harvey Oaks a safe place to live.

## Entrance Island Cleaned Up at 151 and Center

Sallie and Dan Frei along with Nicole Herbert worked on this project. Together they cleaned and updated this island.



## School Starts Thursday, August 8

- All Millard Public School students will be heading back to school on Thursday, August 8. Please be aware of children walking to and from school on area streets. They may not be watching for you but watch for them! Safety is the number one concern.



## HOHA's End of Summer Bash (EOSB) /Picnic Saturday, August 10 (Continued)

Youth Emergency Services (YES) is the designated charity for the event and will receive 20% of the revenue from the Silent Auction.

Representatives from the Omaha Police Department and the Douglas County Sheriff's Office will be present to interact with residents and children. An opportunity to join HOHA and support the organization with yearly dues is available.

Please note that no private alcoholic beverages can be brought into the park at this event. Also, Shirley Street will be closed at 151 to 152 from 5:00-8:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to make this event successful. If you would be willing to work an hour or more at the event sign up by going to the website and following the prompts for signing up.

Students needing volunteer hours for graduation can sign up also. Students will be asked to work from 4:30-8:30 pm and earn 4 volunteer hours. Students will also receive a \$5.00 coupon for the food trucks and complimentary pop and water.

### Additional times volunteers are needed are as follows:

- 10:00-11:00 am-set up
- 8:00-9:00 pm-clean up

"Harvey Oaks is definitely a Place to Call Home."

Make this event successful and sign up to be part of it.

## The End of Summer Bash/EOSB Kicks Off the 2025

### HOHA Membership Campaign

The cost of HOHA membership is \$50.00 per year for a family. This membership cost provides the numerous benefits to our community and helps keep Harvey Oaks a great place to live!

To join HOHA for 2025, you can pay dues at the EOSB, go to the website ([www.harveyoaks.com](http://www.harveyoaks.com)) and follow the prompts for membership, or send a check directly to the membership committee at 15209 Castelar Circle.

## POSTING SIGNS IN ENTRANCE ISLANDS

Residents and businesses are requested NOT to post signs in the entrance islands. The signs break the landscaping fabric and allows weeds to grow in the islands.

Temporary placement of signs also limits visibility and could cause an accident. HOHA would appreciate your help and cooperation in this matter.

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## Third Annual Harvey Oaks Golf Classic

In spite of the weather, the Harvey Oaks Golf Classic was held on Sunday, May 19. Seventy-two golfers participated in the event. Below are the sponsors that helped make the event successful.

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- Sean O'Casey's Pub
- Tires Plus



Approximately **\$4,000.00** was made at the event and these funds were used to finish the 144 and Harvey Oaks Avenue entrance island renovations.

The golf planning committee consisted of the following.

- Trent Bradshaw
- Corey Podwinski
- Denny Schaeppi



Ashley Doherty and Traci Selby worked the event registration desk.

A tremendous thank you to all the golfers, volunteers, and sponsors that made this event successful.



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# HOHA Minutes

## MINUTES

### Harvey Oaks Homeowners Association (HOHA) General Membership Meeting Thursday, July 11, 2024

#### Sean O'Casey's Pub-2523 South 140 Avenue-Omaha, NE



The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Luke Hawkins, President.

Officers, Committee members, and Area Representatives present at the meeting were: Warren Curry-Newsletter, Area 9, Ashley Doherty-Webpage, Carol Feelhaver-Secretary, Nominating, Social, Welcome, Jim Grabenbauer-Parks, Kevin Hughes-Ball field, Neighborhood Clean-Up, Andrew Legge-Yard of the Month, Area 4, Lacey Ruffino-Yard Sale, Holiday Party, Denny Schaeppi-Golf Classic, Social, and Jim Small-Advertising, Residents-Emily & Casey Craven-Area 4.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Nominating**-the following report was given

- HOHA needs volunteers for the following positions.
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Citizens Patrol Chairperson

**Membership Report**-Traci Selby wasn't present to give a report.

**Parks Report**-Jim Grabenbauer gave the following report.

- A request to have the lights on the tennis courts stay on until 11:00 pm was received.
- The timer on the lights is currently not working and a service order has been issued for repair.
- The City of Omaha Parks (City) close at 11:00 pm
- The neighbors backing up to the tennis courts have requested the lights not be turned on after 10:00 pm.
- Both the City and HOHA felt this was a valid request.
- Maintenance of the ball diamond continues as the diamond looks very good. Budget restrictions may limit the amount of improvements that can be made.
- The deadline for the June/July newsletter is May 15.
- More QR codes will be used to refer members to the website for additional information on various events.

**Newsletter**-Warren Curry

- The newsletter deadline for the October/November issue is September 15.

**Webpage**-Ashley Doherty stated there was no report.

**Advertising Report**-Jim Small gave the following report.

- Jim is working on renewals from current advertisers.

**Citizens Patrol Report**-No report was given.

**Social Committee Report**-The following report(s) were given.

- **Fireworks**
  - The event went smoothly. Most of the parking problems were solved with the City's assistance.
  - Approximately 1,000 people attended the event.
  - A total of \$1,500.00 was collected for the display next year.
- **Children's Patriotic Parade**
  - There were 118 adults and children that attended the event.
  - Representatives of the Omaha Police and Fire Departments also attended the event.
- **EOSB/Picnic**
  - The date, time, & location is Saturday, August 10, 5:00-8:00 pm in the North Park.
  - Mike and Natasha Tesner are the corporate sponsors of the event.
  - Food trucks will be at the event from 5:00-8:00 pm.
  - The food trucks include: Burning Bridges, Cheese Life, Donuts, Kona Ice, and Pulled BBQ.
  - Tiny Town will be available to children 10 years of age and younger. Ten tickets will be issued to each child at the registration desk.
  - There will be family activities.
  - Live music will be from 5:00-8:00 pm.
  - A Magic Show will be from 6:00-6:45 pm.
  - A Foam Party will be from 7:00-8:00 pm.-recommended for elementary school age children.
  - There will be 11 Vendors at the event.
  - A Silent Auction will be held from 5:00-7:30 pm.
  - Youth Emergency Service is the designated charity for the event and will receive 20% of the revenue from the Silent Auction.

- Shirley Street will be closed at 151 to 152 from 5:00-8:00 pm.
- The 2025 HOHA Membership Drive will be kicked off at this event.
- The Omaha Police Department and the Douglas County Sheriff's Office will have representatives at the event.
- Volunteers are needed for the event. Anyone can sign up by going to the HOHA website and following the prompts regarding the EOSB.
- Pre-registration for the event is available. Residents can pre-register on the website.
- Bracelets for pop, water, and alcoholic beverages will be handed out at the registration table.
- Set up will be from 10:00-11:00 am.
- Clean up will be from 8:00-9:00 pm.
- Without enough volunteers, many activities may have to be closed early.
- All current HOHA family members will receive a \$5.00 coupon to be used at the Food Trucks.
- All current 2024 HOHA members are admitted at no cost. All residents that aren't current HOHA members will be charged \$14.00 per person to attend. Guests of current HOHA members will be charged \$7.00 per person. GRANDCHILDREN OF CURRENT HOHA MEMBERS ARE ADMITTED AT NO COST.

**Ball field Committee**-Fall registration to use the field for practice sessions is on a first come basis.

**Neighborhood Clean-Up Day**-There will be a Fall clean-up day. More information will be coming.

**Treasurer's Report**-Trent Bradshaw wasn't present to give a report.

**Ball field Committee**-Kevin Hughes wasn't present to give a report.

#### **Old Business:**

- The 144 and Harvey Oaks Avenue entrance island renovations have been completed.
- Dan & Sallie Frei and Nicole Herbert have cleaned up the 151 entrance island.
- Volunteers are needed to move the rock from Converge Church's parking lot.
- There has been no new information on the proposed apartment complex behind the shopping center.

#### **New Business:**

- The 2024/25 HOHA budget will be presented at the August meeting.

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As there was no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. by HOHA President, Luke Hawkins. The next regular meeting is Thursday, August 8, 2024, 7:30 p.m. at Sean O'Casey's Pub, 2523 South 140 Avenue, in the back party room.

**2024 HOHA Meeting Schedule-Second Thursday of each month-7:30 p.m.**  
August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14. There is no December meeting.

Respectively submitted,  
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# NOTES FROM HOHA



## Notice to Residents

Boats, campers, and RV's over 20 feet in length can't be parked in the front/side of the home. This is a City of Omaha code violation and can result in a fine to the homeowner.

## Residents are Reminded—Lock Your Cars

If you park your car outside on the street or in your driveway, please remember to lock your car. Unfortunately, there has been a lot of vandalism to unlocked cars in the neighborhood. Catalytic converters are being stolen off vehicles and sold. Make sure your car is parked in a well lit area to avoid this from happening.



## Tennis Court Etiquette

There is no reservation schedule for the area tennis courts. It is on a first come basis.

The light on the courts will only work until 10:00 pm daily. All City of Omaha parks close at 11:00 pm. The neighbors backing up to the tennis courts have requested the lights be turned off by 10:00 pm.



## Speeding on Area Streets

Residents are reminded the speed limit on area streets is 25 mph. Please observe this speed limit as you travel in and out of the addition. If children are outside they may NOT be watching for you, but please watch for them!!!

Exceeding the speed limits on residential streets is breaking the law. Motorist can be fined for this behavior.

HOHA has received numerous complaints about motorists NOT stopping at Stop signs. Stop signs were put in these locations for a purpose, and need to be observed.

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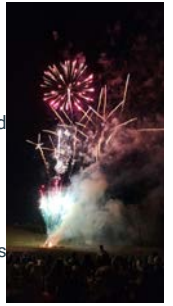
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### Annual Fireworks Display Held on June 22

Over 1,000 people gathered in the Harvey Oaks North Park for the annual fireworks display. In order for this event to be successful many volunteer hours were put in by various individuals. HOHA would like to thank the following individuals for their time and effort:

- Corey Podwinski-general chair
- Dan Fisher-obtained street barricades
- Jim Grabenbauer-use of generator
- City of Omaha-assistance with closing the street, traffic control, and park maintenance
- Drew Thompson-fireworks coordinator
- Donna Thompson-food truck coordinator
- Cub Scout Pack #435 for cleaning up the park after the display was completed



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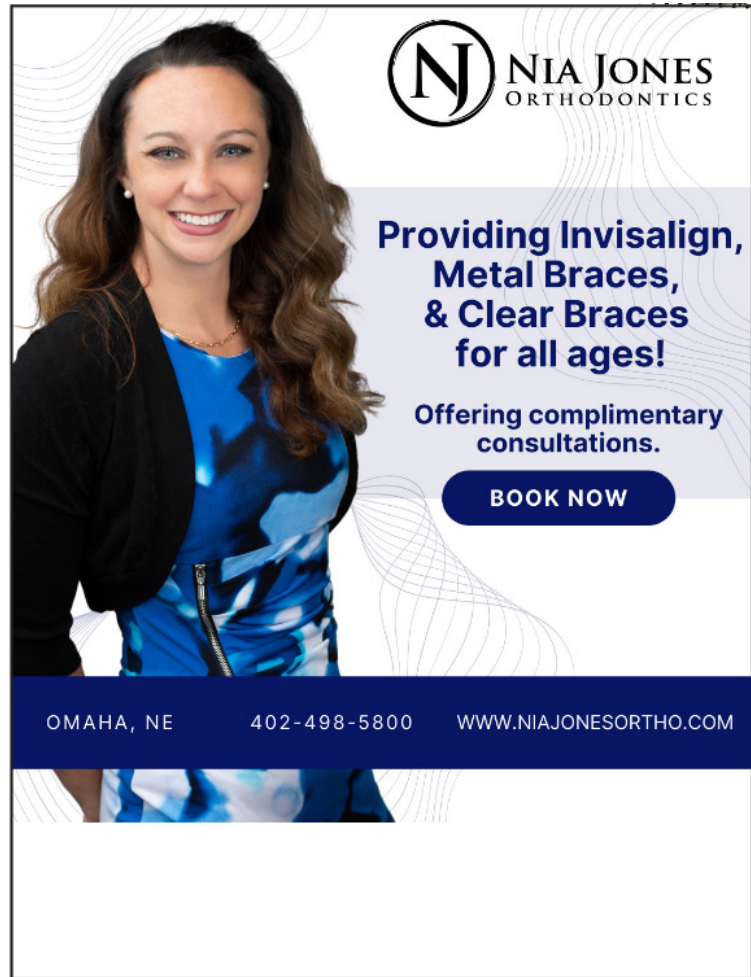
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