

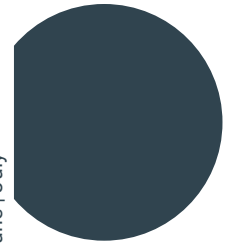


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HOHA's End of Summer Bash/Picnic Is Coming in August

The 2024 End of Summer Bash/Picnic will be August 10, 5:00-8:00 p.m. in the North Park. The theme of the event this year is 'Harvey Oaks, a Place to Call Home'. Put the date and time on your calendar. All current 2024, HOHA members will be admitted at no charge. All residents of Harvey Oaks that aren't current members will be charged \$14.00 per person. All guests of current members will be charged \$7.00 per person. Grandchildren of current members will be admitted at no charge.

Each 2024 HOHA family member will receive a \$5.00 coupon to be used at the Food Trucks to purchase food.

Food trucks at the event will include the following.

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

There will be complimentary drinks at the event. Anyone wanting an alcoholic beverage will need to provide proof of age. No alcoholic beverages can be brought into the any City of Omaha Park. Tiny Town will be back for children ages 10 and under.

Shirley Street from 151 to 152 will be closed for the event.

The event will feature food, fun, games, and entertainment. A Silent Auction will also be held. Youth Emergency Services (YES) will receive 20% of the profits to support their programs and services in the Omaha area.

Volunteers are needed to make this event successful. Anyone interested in helping can contact Carol Feelhaver at Feelhaver@centurylink.net.

Spring Candy Hunt - Many Braved the Cold Weather

On April 20, 39 adults and 58 children attended and hunted candy in spite of the weather. The wind was blowing, but that didn't stop the enthusiasm of the eager hunters.

HOHA would like to thank the following individuals for their help with the event.

- Sharon Fabry-hid candy
- Carol Feelhaver-worked check-in
- Dan Fisher-use of cones to block off the street
- Jay Jolley-hid candy
- Makena Jolley-hid candy
- Marilyn Lovelace-hid candy
- Traci Selby-worked check in

Stacy Jolley chaired the event and did her usual tremendous job.

Neither wind nor cold weather can stop HOHA. Everyone will

Family Area Garage Sale Was Successful

The Annual HOHA Garage Sale was held on April 25, 26, & 27 with 16 families participating. HOHA would like to thank Lacey Ruffino for chairing this event. Mike and Tash Tesnar printed the map of the 16 homes participating.



Watch for more information on the 2025 event.

A Volunteer to be HOHA's Vice President is Needed

The duties of the Vice President include the following:
Perform the duties of the President in his/her absence.
Audit the treasurer's book, periodically, if necessary.
Perform other duties as assigned by the President.
Anyone interested in more information can contact Luke Hawkins at lucashawkins@gmail.com or Carol Feelhaver at Feelhaver@centurylink.net.

Help keep HOHA strong, and volunteer your time. Remember, this is your neighborhood, and HOHA helps keep property values strong.





Yard of the Month Nomination Procedure

As the weather gets warmer, and 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

Changes to the Regular Trash Pick-Up Days for 2024

- Tuesday, September 3-will be moved to Wednesday, September 4 (Labor Day Holiday)

To help accommodate the large quantity of yardwaste in the spring, the City of Omaha (City) provides a collection window when unlimited paper yardwaste bags will be collected and stickers will not be required on the bags. Bundles of brush will be required to be stickered even during these times. Bags of yardwaste collected during this time will be composted to make Oma-Gro compost.

The dates of the Spring unlimited yardwaste collection are May 6-June 14.

All yardwaste for this collection period must be in paper yardwaste bags. No plastic bags, no trash cans, no bundles of brush will be picked up during this period. You may use your regular black lid waste cart for yardwaste at the same time; however material in the waste cart will not be composted.



Damage to Area Streets

Anyone noticing damage to area streets is asked to call the Mayor's Hotline and report the location. The number to call is 402-444-5555 or go on-line at <https://public.works.cityofOmaha.org/repo>.

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HOHA is Looking for Various Volunteers

In order to facilitate the programs offered by HOHA, volunteers are needed! Please look at the list below and consider helping with the various projects. HOHA can only be as strong as its volunteers. If volunteers aren't found, many of the programs sponsored by HOHA will have to be eliminated.

- Vice-President
- Citizens Patrol Coordinator
- Committee members for the various activities (End of Summer Bash, Parks, Holiday Party/festivities).

Job descriptions are available for all these positions. Please contact Luke Hawkins at lucashawkins@gmail.com or Carol Feelhaver at Feelhaver@centurylink.net for a copy or if you have questions about the positions.

With enough volunteers, the project goes faster and easier. 'Teamwork makes the dream work!!!!'

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Congratulations Graduates

HOHA would like to congratulate all graduates. Whatever level you graduated from, HOHA would like to wish you the best of luck in the future.

- College
- Technical College
- High School
- Middle School
- Elementary School
- Pre-School



Entrance Island Renovations Completed at 144 and Harvey Oaks Avenue

The 144 and Harvey Oaks Avenue entrance island renovation project has been completed. The revenue from the 2022 and 2023 Harvey Oaks Golf Classic financed this undertaking.

The proceeds from 2024 Golf Classic will be put toward the renovation of the 148 Street entrance islands. This is just another example of HOHA working to improve your neighborhood.

Youth Emergency Services (YES) Selected at HOHA's Designated Charity

YES will receive 20% of the total revenue from the Silent Auction at the End of Summer Bash/Picnic.

- The mission of YES is to serve homeless and at-risk youth by providing critically needed resources which empower them to become self-sufficient.
- The programs of YES include the following.
- *Street Outreach*-YES outreach workers hit the streets, searching for youth in crisis. Team members invite youth ages, 12 to 21, to the Street Outreach Center where they can have a warm meal, take a shower, and access other support services.
- *Transitional Living*-Provides long-term services to homeless youth, ages 16 to 21. Youth reside in apartment-style living for a maximum of 18 months and work closely with transition advocates to set and accomplish goals that empower them to be self-sufficient.
- *Emergency Shelter*-A family-style residence with separate sleeping areas for male and female youth, ages 16 to 20. Youth can stay up to three weeks. Trained staff assists youth in developing a plan to address their immediate situation.
- *Maternity Home*-Provides long-term services to pregnant or parenting mothers, ages 16-21. Young moms live in a family-style residence for a maximum of 18 months and work closely with transition advocates to set and accomplish goals.

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HOHA is an Active Part of Your Neighborhood

Below is a list of accomplishments HOHA has achieved during 2023.

- Maintained the schedule for practice times at the Harvey Oaks ball diamond.
- Provided up keep on the baseball practice diamond.
- Sponsored an annual Garage Sale on April 28, 29, and 30 with 25 families participating.
- Sponsored a Spring Golf tournament to help renovate the entrance islands. Eighty golfers participated and raised a total of \$4,800.00 to help with renovation costs.
- Sponsored a Spring Candy Hunt on April 15. Seventy children attended and collected candy.
- Sponsored a Children's Patriotic Parade with 54 children participating.
- Sponsored the Annual Fireworks Display on June 24. The event was well attended.
- Sponsored a Fireworks Clean Up on June 25.
- Sponsored the Annual End of Summer Bash/Picnic on August 12, with 449 individuals attending.
- Made a donation of \$800.00 to Youth Emergency Services from proceeds from HOHA's Silent Auction.
- Made donations of pop and water to Harvey Oaks Elementary School for their annual Carnival.
- Made a cash donation to the Harvey Oaks School's Carnival.
- Made a cash donation to the area Scout Troop.
- Made a cash donation to the Millard North High School After-Prom Party.
- Provided a newsletter to all current members.
- Provided an on line directory for current members.
- Provided new residents with welcome packets.
- Continued the maintenance of the three entrance islands which includes paying insurance, utility costs, and maintenance.
- Maintained active communication with Heartwood Preserve's development coordinator.
- Worked with the City of Omaha on projects and concerns in the neighborhood.
- Maintained the tennis courts.
- Maintained the Parks.
- Sponsored the Yard of the Month program.
- Sponsored a Fall Clean-Up Day on October 7. Four City of Omaha trucks were filled with trash as well as many items recycled.
- Holiday lights were put up on the entrance islands by HOHA volunteers.
- A family Holiday Party was held on December 3 at Converge Church. There were 103 adults and children that attended.
- Maintained active HOHA Board addressing different problems in the neighborhood.
- Sponsored and maintained a HOHA website.



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Harvey Oaks Homeowners Association (HOHA) General Membership Meeting Thursday, May 9, 2024-7:30 p.m.

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: Trent Bradshaw-Treasurer/Golf Classic, John Brehmer-Guidelines/Area 17/ Neighborhood Clean-Up/Nominating/Parks, Warren Curry-Newsletter/Area 9, Ashley Doherty-Webmaster, Carol Feelhaver-Secretary/Social/Nominating/Welcome, Sandi Fravel-Area 6, Tim Glover-Nominating, Jim Grabenbauer-Parks, Nicole Herbert-Social/Area 7, Lacey Ruffino-Family Garage Sale, Traci Selby-Membership/Social/ Area 24, Denny Schaeppi-Golf Classic/Social, and Jim Small-Advertising.

Committee Reports:

Nominating-the following report was given

- HOHA has openings in the following areas:
- [Vice President](#),
- [Treasurer](#),
- [Citizens Patrol](#).
- [There are also openings for volunteers on the Parks, End of Summer Bash/Picnic \(EOSB/ Picnic\), and Nominating committees.](#)

Membership Report-Traci Selby gave the following report.

- There are 314 households that are members of HOHA for 2024. This is 40% of the homes in Harvey Oaks.

Parks Report-Jim Grabenbauer gave the following report.

- The renovations to the entrance islands at 144 and Harvey Oaks Avenue are complete and look great.
- A tremendous thank you to John Brehmer who has moved rock from the 144 Street island to the 148 Street island to fill in any areas needing it. Volunteers are needed on Saturday, May 11, to help finish this project.
- Dead tree limbs have been removed from the islands/parks.

Newsletter Report-Warren Curry gave the following report.

- 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.

Webpage/Social Media Report-Ashley Doherty stated there was no report.

Advertising Report-Jim Small gave the following report.

- Current delinquent advertisers, in the newsletter, are in the process of being contacted about renewing their ads.

Guidelines Issues-John Brehmer stated there was no report.

Citizens Patrol Report-the following report was given.

- A chairperson for the Citizens Patrol is needed. Anyone interested can contact Luke Hawkins at lucasmhawkins@gmail.com.

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

- The HOHA Spring Candy Hunt was held on Saturday, April 20, 1:00 p.m. There were 97 adults and children that attended.
- The Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale was held on April 25, 26, & 27. Seventeen families participated in the event.
- The 2024 Harvey Oaks Golf Classic will be Sunday, May 19, with an 8:00 a.m. shotgun start.
- The corporate and the beverage sponsors have been obtained. Fifteen golf holes have sponsors. To date, 44 golfers have signed up for the event. The cost is \$80.00 per golfer. The revenue will be used to renovate the entrance islands at 148 and Center.
- The Children's Patriotic Parade will be Saturday, June 22, 11:00 a.m. in the middle park.
- The 2024 Fireworks Display will be Saturday, June 22, at dusk in the North park.
- Fundraising efforts continue to meet the revenue goal for the event. An additional \$1,000.00 is still needed.
- Drew Thompson, licensed pyrotechnician, is in charge of the display.
- The display can only happen with neighborhood financial support.

Food Vendors have been set up for the display.

- Burning Bridges-6:00-8:00 p.m.
- Carousels Desserts (frozen desserts)-gluten and dairy free-7:30-9:00 p.m.
- Gyro-6:00-8:00 p.m.
- Jason's Donuts-7:30-9:00 p.m.
- Kona Ice-6:00-9:30 p.m.
- LaGaviota Mexican Food-6:00-8:00 p.m.

• **A reminder, there can be no alcoholic beverages brought into City of Omaha Parks.**

- The 2024 EOSB/picnic will be Saturday, August 10, 5:00-8:00 p.m. in the North park.
- The theme of the EOSB/picnic this year is, 'Harvey Oaks-A Place to Call Home.'
- Tiny Town (for children age 10 and under) will be back and run from 5:00-7:30 p.m.
- Since this is a family event, many of the activities will be geared to family involvement.
- Ten tickets will be given to children, 10 and under, to participate in the games/activities.
- Food Vendors at the EOSB/picnic are as follows.
- Burning Bridges, Cheese Life, Jason's Donuts, Kona Ice, and Pulled BBQ. These food trucks will be at the event from 5:00-8:00 p.m.
- All current (2024) HOHA member households will be given a \$5.00 food ticket per person to use purchasing food from the food trucks.
- This event is no cost to current, 2024, HOHA members. All residents not current HOHA members will be charged \$14.00 per person to attend. Guests of current HOHA members will be charged \$7.00 per person to attend. Grandchildren of current HOHA members are admitted at no cost.
- Mike and Natasha Tesner are corporate sponsors for the event.
- Volunteers are needed to work one hour shifts at the event. Anyone willing to volunteer can contact Carol Feelhaver, Feelhaver@centurylink.net.

Ball field Committee-Kevin Hughes gave the following report

- The practice field is in great shape and ready for the season to start.
- Most of the practice times have been reserved for the spring season.
- Everyone has been notified how to park around the park.

Fireworks Display Committee-Corey Podwinski gave the following report.

- Corey reported an additional \$5,000.00 is needed to fund the 2024 Fireworks Display.
- Several fundraising ideas were suggested to raise the additional funds. Without the additional funds, the display might have to be cancelled.
- HOHA is an active organization, and a public awareness campaign/fundraiser of what HOHA does for the neighborhood will start.
- If every home in Harvey Oaks would donate \$65.00 the event would be funded.
- Food Vendors have been set up for the event.
 - Burning Bridges-6:00-8:00 p.m.
 - Carousels Desserts (frozen desserts)-gluten and dairy free-7:30-9:00 p.m.
 - Gyro-6:00-8:00 p.m.
 - Jason's Donuts-7:30-9:00 p.m.
 - Kona Ice-6:00-9:30 p.m.
 - LaGaviota Mexican Food-6:00-8:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Clean-Up-the following report was given.

- Crescent Oaks will be sponsoring a Spring Clean-Up Day on May 18. Anyone interested in helping with the event can contact Becky Kane, 402-333-9533, becky@scarlet-thread.com for more information.
- There will be a Fall 2024, Clean Up Day in Harvey Oaks. More information will be coming.

Treasurer's Report-Trent Bradshaw gave a report.

- Anyone interested in a copy of this financial report through February 29, 2024 should contact Trent at trent_m_bradshaw@yahoo.com.

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

Old Business: None presented.

New Business:

- The baseball diamond's back stop needs painting. John Brehmer agreed to accomplish this task.
- The weeds around the practice field benches were unusually high. The City of Omaha has since mowed this area.



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New Business (cont.):

- Mud and dirt has accumulated on the sidewalk around the park's walking path. The Parks committee will look into this issue.
- Residents are reminded to lock their cars if they are parked outside.
- Stacy Jolley was thanked for chairing the Spring Candy Hunt.
- Lacey Ruffino was thanked for chairing the Annual Garage Sale.

As there was no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. by HOHA President, Luke Hawkins. The next regular meeting is Thursday, June 13, 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.

July 11, August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14. There is no December meeting.

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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.



Posting Signs in the Entrance Islands

Residents are asked NOT to place signs in the entrance islands advertising different events. The signs break the landscaping fabric and allow weeds to grow in the islands.

The temporary placement of these signs can also reduced visibility and could cause accidents. Your help and cooperation is requested.



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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