

THE VILLAGE VOICE

**NEWS OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKS, CLAY COUNTY, MISSOURI
SUMMER, 2000**

INCUMBENT TRUSTEES REELECTED

Mary Lou Butterworth and John C. Howell were reelected as Trustees in the April 4 election. At the first Board meeting, Dr. Howell was reelected as chairman of the Board, David Pena as vice-chairman, and Mary Ann Louthain as Village clerk.

Steve Mowry will continue to serve as the Village attorney on a monthly retainer.

OAKWOOD COMMUNITY PICNIC AN ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE

Residents of the Oaks join with residents in our sister community of Oakwood to express appreciation for the persons who prepared for the annual picnic on Thursday, June 15.

Special thanks to Betty Jacobson who has served as president of the Oakwood Community Association for four years. In the business part of the evening, she made a special plea for volunteers who would be officers of the Association so that these special events can continue to take place. The other major events are the annual visit of Santa Claus to homes with small children and the biennial preparation of the Oakwood residential directory.

Man and women are both eligible to be elected as officers. If you are able and willing to give some hours each year to the Association, please call Mary Ann Louthain so the information can be given to Betty and she can get in touch with you. Please include your telephone number..

THREE TRUSTEES SURVEY VILLAGE FOR NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS

Last month John Hagen, David Pena and Betsy Rosetti walked through the Village to determine areas of work that needed to be done by either the Village or by residents. They examined places where road repair was needed and John Hagen will be in touch with our road service contractors to get estimates on that work.

Major attention was given to properties where weeds, small trees and other rank vegetation are growing in roadside ditches. Since the Village has no storm sewers, these drainage ditches are essential to maintaining our roads.

In a number of situations, the trio found violations of Ordinance 57 dealing with vegetation growth. At the June meeting, the Board approved a recommendation that letters rather than formal notices be sent to property owners requesting immediate actions to bring their properties into compliance with Village regulations. These letters are now being sent..

With occasional heavy rains a real possibility at this time, it is essential that drainage ditches be clear for water flow. The Board will review the streets later to check on compliance. Thank all residents for seeing that ditches are clear.

