THE HOMES, INC February 2012

NEWSLETTER

THE HOMES, INC ∙660 MANORCREST, KANSAS CITY, KS 66101 ∙913-321-2471∙www.thehomesinc.com

**THE HOMES AND CREDIT UNION OFFICES WILL CLOSE:**

**FEBRUARY 20 – PRESIDENT’S DAY**

2011 Real Estate Taxes

**Pro rata portion of 2011 real estate taxes:**

**Single unit: $285.49**

**Double-unit: $570.98**

**REMINDER**

**HOLIDAY DECORATIONS SHOULD BE REMOVED BY FEBRUARY 1ST.**

**Maintenance Fee Increase Effective March 1st 2012**

1 Bedroom - $215.00 ($44 increase)

2 Bedroom - $220.00 ($43 increase)

3 Bedroom - $225.00 ($43 increase)

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

THE HOMES INC 913-321-2471

AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE 913-948-2211

Q.H.F. CREDIT UNION 913-342-3421

KCK POLICE DEPARTMENT 913-596-3000

KCK ANIMAL CONTROL 913-321-1445

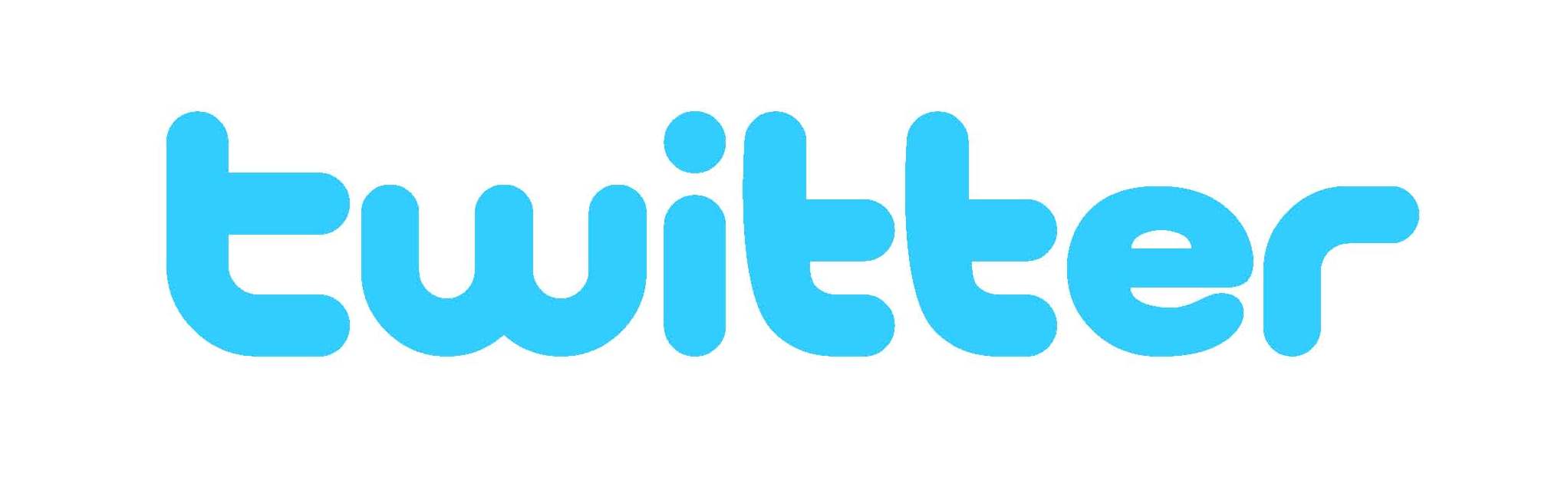
POTHOLES 913-573-8307

CITY QUESTIONS & COMPLAINTS 311

STREET LIGHTS/POWERLINES 913-573-9522

BPU 913-573-9000

KS GAS SERVICE 1-800-794-4780

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THE HOMES

BOARD MEETING

February 20, 6pm

IN THE CLUBROOM

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**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS**

**Meeting at the clubroom on Tuesday, February 7 at 5:00pm**

**The guest speaker will be Blake Elliott with BPU. He will be discussing the 2 Degrees 2 Save Program.**

**Refreshments will be served.**

There was a good turnout of stockholders at the January meeting. Dennis Vallejo, Community Police Officer, was the guest speaker. He encourages anyone that sees anything suspicious in the neighborhood to call the police at 596-3000. The police need you to make the call. The more calls made, the more documentation the police will have. This will lead to more neighborhood police patrols. You can request to remain anonymous when you make the call! If you are a victim of a crime, you need to report it to the office and to the police.

**HAVE YOU BEEN A VICTIM OF CRIME? JOIN NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH AND LEARN HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR NEIGHBORS.**

**TIPS FOR WALKERS**

-Choose busy streets and avoid passing vacant lots, alleys, or deserted construction sites.

-Don’t walk or jog alone. Take a friend or neighbor along if possible. At night stick to well-lighted areas.

-Get to know the neighborhoods where you live and work.

-Carry your purse close to your body, and keep a firm grip on it.

-Carry a wallet in an inside coat pocket or front pants pocket.

-Don’t overload yourself with packages. Avoid wearing shoes or clothing that restrict your movements.

-Carry a whistle or other sound device in case of an emergency.

**TIPS FOR DRIVERS**

-Always lock your car and take the keys, even if you’ll only be gone a short time.

-Keep your car in good running condition to avoid breakdowns.

-If your car does break down, raise the hood or tie a white cloth to the street-side door handle. Stay in the locked car. If someone stops to help, ask him or her to phone for assistance.

-Park in a well-lit area. Be sure that it will still be well lit when you return. Be alert when using parking garages.

-Never pick up hitchhikers. Never!

-Before getting into your car, look underneath and inside it.

**STOLEN AUTOMOBILES**

**RECENTLY THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL AUTOMOBILES STOLEN WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. PLEASE REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR OR ACTIVITY.**

Jim Trinidad offers an inexpensive item to prevent auto theft. A starter disabler can be installed in your auto. The disabler has a convenient chip that you remove and the vehicle will not start. For more information call Jim Trinidad at 816-289-9162.

4. If you own a double unit, what is your pro rata portion of real estate taxes?

Credit Union?

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 9TH**

**VOTING IS FROM 7:30am – 7:30pm / Annual Meeing will begin at 8:00pm**

The following stockholders were nominated

Bob Anver - 2 Jena Garr - 1 Sharon Norris - 3

Beatrice Arce - 2 Terry Jackson - 7 Kayla Ross - 2

Rosetta Cantwell - 3 Melonie Jones - 3 Charles Sawyer - 4

Sherri Davis - 2 Monte Lewis - 1 Frank Spears - 7

Brandon Deal - 1 Sherry McCool - 1 Anna Windam - 1

Paul Eklund - 1 Frank Moss - 1

Nominees are eligible to submit a statement of 100 words or less about being a board member that will be published in March’s newsletter.

2. What is the total amount of loans as of 12/31/11 at the Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union?

**TRANSFERRING YOUR SHARE OF STOCK UPON YOUR DEATH**

* Are you listed as sole owner of your share of stock?
* Do you have on file (at the office) a beneficiary that will inherit your share of stock upon your death?

To transfer your share of stock to the beneficiary upon your death and prevent your stock from entering into probate, you need to complete a Transfer on Death (TOD) form. Please contact the office for more information.

**NEWSLETTER TRIVIA**

We want to encourage all residents to read the newsletter. You will find 10 questions within the newsletter. Write down your answers, along with your name and address. Bring the information to the office and drop it in the lock box. At the monthly board meeting we will randomly choose an answer sheet and if all the answers are correct, that resident will receive $25 off their next month’s maintenance. The following is the first question…

1. What is the total amount of loans as of 12/31/11 at the Quindaro Homes Federal

Now find the other nine questions and bring your answers to the office!

Employees and board members of the Homes and their family members are not eligible to participate.

**BPU Offers Free Programmable Thermostat to Utility Customers**

**2 DEGREES 2 SAVE reduces heating/cooling costs up to 15%, helps environment**

The Kansas City Kansas Board of Public Utilities (BPU) recently launched the **2 DEGREES 2 SAVE** program, a new initiative that is intended to reduce energy usage, lower customers' heating and cooling costs, and protect the environment. Participants that sign up for this BPU program will receive a free Honeywell programmable thermostat professionally installed (a $300.00 value). The initiative utilizes a programmable thermostat which allows BPU to raise participants' temperature setting by 2 degrees during peak energy use hours. By doing this, air conditioners work less, and cycle more frequently which when combined with the air conditioners of all participants means that fewer are running at the same time and BPU's peak load is reduced. BPU will only adjust the temperature of a participant's home by 2 degrees from where they actually set it. Adjustments, if they occur, will only happen on weekdays from June through September, and will occur only when necessary (generally just a few times each summer). Events are never scheduled on weekends or holidays, making adjustments even less noticeable. Because the new thermostat is both programmable and more accurate than conventional thermostats, participants could save up to 15% on their annual heating and cooling costs. Participants will even be able to set their thermostat from any computer connected to the Internet. To be eligible for the **2 DEGREES 2 SAVE** program, customers must have a central air conditioning or heat pump system in good working condition, have space where their current thermostat is to mount a new 6-inch x 7-inch thermostat, and be a homeowner or have the property owner's written permission to participate in the program. To enroll or get more information about the 2 DEGREES 2 SAVE program, call 1-888-267-6609 or e-mail BPU at [2degrees2save@bpu.com](mailto:2degrees2save@bpu.com).

**WOMEN’S RESOURCE CENTER, INC.**

1819 N. 18th St., Kansas City, Ks 66104, 913-999-4431 or 913-281-2759

It’s now 2012, a year for restoration and order. The Women’s Resource Center, Inc. plan is to restore a Single Mom to have goals for her life and a plan of action to become self sufficient in our Communities. Single Moms who are preparing to have a career and college prepping, in which, will not only impact our Communities, but her children, as well. We have several young ladies who have signed up with our program, which involves participation with training session workshops, Career development, financial & money management, and Computer Skills, (resume, job search, etc.) These mothers will have an action plan of how to make better choices in their lives, with Case management and Mentoring. Sandra Charles, a Volunteer at WRC, stated “there are so many positive results. Such as to encourage, to empower, and mentoring in all areas of a single mother’s life”. “I have gained personal insights as well as closure in a lot of my own personal problems. Upcoming Events: RSVP to attend.

Feb. 01 Recruiting Mentors / Volunteers Feb. 14 Valentine’s Day

Feb. 15 Valentine’s Day Luncheon Feb. 25 Empowerment Group

March 24 Mentors/Mentees Banquet - Guest Speakers: Min. Christa Cobbins - Evangelistic Center COGIC –K.C.K. Co-Pastor Janice Bailey – Love Fellowship Center-K.C.K.

**Personal Property Tax Information**

Personal Property Renditions will be mailed the beginning of January. By state law, every person who owns or holds personal property must complete and return this form to the County Appraiser's Office by March 15th. Penalty accrues 5% monthly up to 50% for failure to file. ***Notice to all Boat Owners -*** All watercraft shall be listed and taxed in the taxing district in which such property is located on the first day of January, except property in transit shall be listed in the taxing district where the owner resides (K.S.A. 79-304). ). Property in transit includes watercraft located outside the State of Kansas on January 1, if such watercraft is covered by the federally approved numbering system administered by the Kansas Dept. of Wildlife and Parks.  Boats and motor vehicles are the only items that can be prorated when newly acquired or sold. Notify the Appraiser's Office at time of sale to inquire proration of tax. Deadline to notify the Appraiser's

Office at time of sale to inquire proration of tax. Deadline to notify the Appraiser's Office for watercraft proration is December 20th. (K.S.A. 79-306e).  If you have any of the above types of property and have not received a form or have any questions, please contact the Personal Property Dept. 573-8400.

**Senior Citizen Utility Rebates**

The popular Senior Citizen Utility Tax Rebate program will start January 3 and run through March 30.

The program rebates a portion of the amount paid by eligible seniors for utilities during 2011. Persons applying must be 65 years of age during the entire year of 2011, live in Kansas City, Kansas, and their total income for the year cannot exceed $25,000.  The maximum refund is $150. Applications will be taken in the Unified Government Clerk's Office at KCK City Hall, 701 N. 7th St., Room 323. The hours are Monday-Friday 8am - 4:30 pm.  The Area Agency on Aging, located in the Security Bank Building at 1300 N. 78th St. will assist seniors with filling out applications by appointment only on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 573-8531 for an appointment.  Eligible persons should bring all gas, telephone, and BPU bills paid during 2011; proof of income, social security statements; social security number; interest statements and other documents to verify income. Call the Unified Government Clerk's Office at 573-5260 for more information.

**Homestead and Senior Property Tax Programs**

Homeowners receiving a Homestead Property Tax or Safe Senior Property Tax Refund and checking the 'Advancement Box' on their K 40H or K-40PT Forms are eligible for advancement toward their County Real Estate Taxes. The tax payer must file the Homestead or Safe Senior Refund Claim annually and cannot have any outstanding balances with the Kansas Department of Revenue. The advancement information will be sent electronically to the County Treasurer's office and may appear on your annual property tax statement towards the 1st half of the amount due on the tax statement. Homestead and Food Sales Tax Refund assistance will be available from free volunteer tax assistance programs. The Clerks' Office at 701 N. 7th Street, KCK. will be available to assist in the preparation of forms for those meeting the guidelines of the Homestead Property Tax, Safe Senior Property Tax, and Food Sales Tax Refunds. Assistance for these refunds will be offered from January 3, 2012 through April 17, 2012. Statement(s) of proof of household income are required.

**Need a Ride…. The following agencies offer transportation assistance**

Midwest Medical Transportation

7700 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 203, Overland Park, KS 66206, (913) 677-3100.

Transportation provided for health reasons. Vans with lifts available and can cross county/state lines. Cost depends on the destination, can be anywhere between $40 to $60. Kansas Medicaid can also be billed. Monday – Friday: 7:00 am - 5:00 pm. Reservations made at least 24 hours in advance.

Unified Government Transportation Services

5033 State Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66102, (913) 573-8351. The agency operates several transportation service programs. First, there is a fixed route regular bus transit system, “The Bus” that operates in Wyandotte County. Cost is $1 for regular passengers and 50¢ for elderly, students, and people with disabilities. The bus system also contracts with the Metro in Wyandotte. Transfers are free to Metro buses and monthly metro bus passes are acknowledged. Second, there is a para-transit service especially for people with disabilities called Dial-A- Ride. Cost is $2 one way or $3 round trip. For scheduling a ride call (913)573-8351. Other services/programs are listed under Wyandotte Area Agency on aging.

We Serve Cab Company

3800 Georgia, Kansas City, KS 66104, (913) 371-5464. Transportation provided for all purposes Assistance is available to wheelchair users. The cost includes $ 1.70 fee and $1.60 per mile; cost is covered by Medicaid and Front Guard Insurance (inform the agency of your disability or senior citizen status). Prefers 24 hour reservation, but not required. Monday – Saturday: 6:00 am – 10:00 pm.

Wyandotte Leavenworth Area Agency on Aging

9400 State Ave., Kansas City, KS 66112, (913) 328-4531. For scheduling transportation: (913) 573-8308

9. Who is the community police officer for The Homes, Inc?

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**THE HOMES, INC.**

**January 16, 2012**

President Harold Watson called the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of The Homes, Inc. to order at 6:00 p.m. on January 16, 2012.

Present were: Harold Watson, Charles Sawyer, Elaine Hines Jena Garr and Karen Anver, Board Members; Elizabeth Bothwell, Manager; Greg Goheen, Attorney; and Karen Brokesh, Transcriber.

Ten stockholders attended the meeting.

President Watson welcomed the stockholders to the meeting and announced that, as provided by the By-Laws of the corporation, only stockholders of record are entitled to attend the board meeting. President Watson also asked all stockholders in attendance to hold their questions and comments until after the finish of regular business at which time anyone who wishes to speak will be allowed to make a statement.

President Watson reminded the stockholders to state their name and address so that the minutes can accurately reflect all comments made during the open session. Stockholders were asked to hold their comments until executive session or to speak with the manager one-on-one if they did not want their comments reflected in open session.

Stockholders are reminded that if they have a problem with their unit, to please report it to the office during regular business hours.

It was announced that the work order report for December, 2011 has been posted.

Minutes of the regular meeting of December 19, 2011 and the December 19, 2011 Executive Session had previously been distributed to all board members. Charles Sawyer moved to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Jena Garr. Carried unanimously.

Treasurer Anver reported that the financial statements have been reviewed and were found to be in good order. The income statement and balance sheet were posted for the duration of the meeting. Elaine Hines moved to accept the financial report as presented. Seconded by Jena Garr. Carried unanimously.

There were no stockholder change requests approved by the manager.

The first stockholder change request for board consideration was that of Angelica Martinez, 10 Summitcrest Drive, to install a small satellite dish on either the vent pipe on the roof or the porch roof due to poor reception. Work will be done by Direct TV.

The second stockholder change request for board consideration was that of Claudia Meraz, 44 Viewcrest, to install a small satellite dish on either the vent pipe on the roof or the porch roof due to poor reception. Work will be done by the satellite dish company. Charles Sawyer moved to approve both change requests and leave it to the manager’s discretion as to where the dishes are installed. Seconded by Jena Garr. Carried unanimously.

Secretary Hines read the stock transfer approvals as follows:

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| **ADDRESS** | **TRANSFER FROM** | **TRANSFER TO** |
| 3150 N. 9th Street | Joshua D. Springer and Wiley D. Sherwood | Wiley D. Sherwood |
| 787 Manorcrest | Regina Gai Green | Linda Sue Vanderhagen |
| 67 Viewcrest | Jin Gan Lin | Jin Gan Lin & William P. Green |
| 10 Reidcrest | Deborah Sue McClure & Arline Ayers | Deborah S. McClure |
| 841 Manorcrest | Maria Calderon | Pamela Green |

After being informed that the stock transfers were in order, it was moved by Elaine Hines and seconded by Charles Sawyer that the Corporation waive its option to purchase the shares of stock and approve transfer of same. Carried unanimously. The manager was reminded that all original signed stock certificates must be stored with the credit union if the stockholder has an outstanding loan.

*Announcements:*

Representatives from Google will attend the February 7, 2012 Neighborhood Watch meeting to discuss their new high speed internet. If enough stockholders are interested in getting the faster internet, it could be made available in The Homes by Google. Dennis Valejo has been assigned as the new community policy officer for the area. Officer Valejo is very hardworking. There have been a number of break-ins to cars and car thefts in the area recently. Residents are encouraged to report these to the police as the patrols are based on the number of calls received.

The Financial Committee met this month and has a concern about the classification of expenses. The committee will speak with the manager about this issue.

The speed limit throughout The Homes is 20 miles per hour. Please be alert and careful as you drive through the neighborhood and look out for children at bus stops.

There is no assigned parking in The Homes. As a courtesy to neighbors, stockholders are asked to respect the “usual” parking spaces that are used and ask any guests to park in overflow areas rather than in front of units in spaces where a stockholder may usually park.

If you or someone you know would like to volunteer their time to shovel and salt porches and sidewalks for the elderly or disabled in the community, please contact the office.

*Old Business to be Discussed:*

The office and maintenance shop have signed up to participate in the BPU installation of touch thermostats which should reduce heating and cooling costs by approximately 2%. Installation is free and persons interested in getting them installed in their homes should contact BPU.

*New Business to be Discussed:*

A petition to establish a benefit district has been submitted to the Unified Government Public Works Department for the replacement of sidewalks, curbs and sewer lines. The signatures submitted will be verified by the engineering department. Manager is working with the BPU to have the water supply lines from the street main to the buildings replaced at the same time. This process has many formal steps within the Unified Government including engineering studies, committee reviews/recommendations, authorization of improvement, financing and plan preparation. The process could take up to two years to complete.

The Annual Meeting of the stockholders will be held on March 9, 2012 at 8:00 p.m. in the clubroom. The doors to the clubroom will open at 7:45 p.m. The board positions currently held by Charles Sawyer and Jena Garr will be up for re-election. The General Election for the two vacancies on the Board of Directors will be held from 7:30 a.m. through 7:30 p.m. on March 9, 2012. Only stockholders of record as midnight

February 17, 2012 will be eligible to vote in the election. Only one vote per share of stock is allowed even though there may be more than one stockholder listed on the share of stock.

The board asked for volunteers for Election Judges for the March 12, 2012 election. The Judges must be present from 7:30 a.m. until the final tally of the votes are counted at the end of the election and then reported at the Annual Meeting. Bill Bradford, Evelyn Doorman, George Tucker, Rosetta Cantwell and Joyce Maskill will be contacted to see if they will volunteer to serve as Judges.

The letters and nomination forms for the upcoming annual meeting were distributed to the board. Charles Sawyer moved to approve the letter as to form advising of the annual meeting, the letter enclosing the stockholder nomination form, the stockholder nomination form and the acceptance and declaration form with the letter to be mailed. Seconded by Karen Anver. Carried unanimously.

The board asked for volunteers for the Nomination Inspection Committee. The Committee sorts nominations and counts and delivers acceptance forms to all nominees. This year’s Nomination Inspection Committee will be comprised of Bob Anver, Mary Jane Watson and Beatrice Arce.

Manager announced the winner of this month’s newsletter trivia was 139 Viewcrest. The winner will receive $25.00.

*Comments from Directors and Attorney:*

None.

*Comments from Stockholders:*

Mary Jane Watson, 28 Viewcrest, reported several units have items on their front porches that are in violation of the Rules and Regulations.

Jerry DeMeyer, 4 Summitcrest, reported on the amount of litter and trash he has been picking up in the neighborhood recently and reminded all stockholders that trash cans with lids are required.

Sherry McCool, 12 Summitcrest, suggested the corporation use a name other than “maintenance fees” for the fees paid each month.

Bob Whittington, 127 Viewcrest, reported a stockholder that has not been using a trash can.

No further business to come before the board the board adjourned into executive session.

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R. ELAINE HINES

SECRETARY

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HAROLD WATSON

PRESIDENT

Transcribed by Karen Brokesh

**EVENTS AROUND TOWN**

**2/01/12 – 2:30-3:30 - JFK Recreation Center Grand Re-opening**

The event will be featuring some of the Harlem globetrotters, followed by a hard wood classic basketball competition that starts at 4pm. Elected officials will be present, superintendent of schools, F.L.Schlagle marching band and many others will be there. Refreshments provided.

**Saturday, February 4, 2012, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM - 11th Annual Eagle Day**

Please join us on Saturday, February 4, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for our 11th annual Eagle Day event at Wyandotte County Lake. The event will take place at both the Mr. & Mrs. F.L. Schlagle Library and J.P. Davis Hall. Events taking place at the library include live Bald Eagle presentations by Operation Wildlife at 10:00 a.m. and again at 1:30 p.m. and presentations by author Ty Smede entitled “The Return of the Bald Eagle” at 11:30 a.m. and again at 2:45 p.m. Patrons may view Bald Eagles along the lake (binocular checkout available) and a children’s craft area will also be available all day. At Davis Hall, visitors will have the opportunity to visit with volunteers from Operation Wildlife and see a variety of live hawks, owls and falcons.  
For more information, please call 913-299-2384.

**New and Used Building Materials & Workshop:** Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 4701 Deramus Ave. K.C, MO or 303 W. 79th St. K.C., MO, 816-231-6889. Hours are Monday – Friday, 10am – 6pm (Donations/purchase pick-up until 5pm); Saturday, 9am – 4pm (Donations/purchase pick-up until 3pm)

**Medicare Savings Program Application Assistance** is offered by appointment, over the phone, or in your home. Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK) is a free program offering older Kansans an opportunity to talk with trained, community volunteers and get answers to questions about Medicare and other insurance issues. Please call the SHICK Hotline at 1-800-860-5260 to speak to a volunteer. If you are a resident of Wyandotte or Leavenworth County, you can reach a local volunteer at 913-573-8531.

**Quindaro Boulevard Family Health Care:** 530 Quindaro Boulevard, KCK 66101. Phone: (913) 722-3100. [www.swbfhc.org](http://www.swbfhc.org), **Se habla Español.** Your Health is important to us! Family Health Care provides primary health care for the entire family. Services include care for pregnant women, children and adults (including chronic diseases such as HIV, HepC and diabetes). Family Health Care is a non– profit safety net clinic with services provided on a sliding scale for those who do not have insurance. Our goal is to improve your family’s health by providing comprehensive health care services. **No patient is turned away for inability to pay.** Call (913) 722-3100 for an appointment. Monday - Friday Social and legal services from 12:00pm to 6:00pm Monday - Thursday The medical clinic is open 3:00pm to 6:00pm

**Workforce Development at Kansas City Kansas Community College**

A full complement of training solutions in order to meet your needs. 7250 State Ave., KCK, 913-288-7659

1. What does a TOD prevent your stock from entering?

C:\Users\The Homes\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\DRN7Q8BA\MCj04420360000[1].wmf HELPFUL HINTS ABOUT LIVING IN THE HOMES

**YARDS & PORCHES:** Please take the time to clean up/organize your yard and porch. The size of our porches do not allow for you to keep many items on them before they start to look cluttered and messy. If you do not have a shed an affordable idea to store your items in are: deck and patio boxes. They range in cost from $30 to $100 and can be purchased on-line or at your local discount store. Items that should not be on your porch: **appliances, boxes, buckets, mops, paint containers or any other "non outdoor" items**. The office offers free paint for the porches.

**HOLIDAY DECORATIONS.** The Homes welcomes all your festive efforts for holiday decorating on the outside of your home. Remember not to attach anything to your siding and roof and to remove the decorations by February 1st.

**LITTERING.** Think twice about throwing your trash out your car window or into someone's yard. First, it's rude and selfish. Someone will have to pick it up and most of the time it is the maintenance staff. This takes time and money away from other residents needs. Second, it is against the law. Littering is a Class C violation that is punishable by a fine up to a $500.00. If you are witnessed littering the police will be called and you will be charged, by The Homes, for the time it takes to pick it up and dispose of it.

**TOYS & BIKES:** Please do not leave toys & bikes in the parks. They create a mowing hazard and a opportunity for thieves. If you have lost a toy or bike in a park, check the office to see if it was picked up.

**CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS:** Carbon monoxide or CO is found in combustion fumes that are produced by gas stoves and heating systems. CO from these sources can build up in enclosed or semi-enclosed spaces. People and animals in these spaces can be poisoned by breathing it. The Homes offers carbon monoxide detectors for $25 installed.

**BURN PILE AND DUMPSTER.** Contact the office before dumping items in the burn pile or the dumpster located at the office. The burn pile is for yard waste (tree limbs, brush, and grass) only. DO NOT PLACE BUILDING MATERIALS IN THE BURN PILE.

**ONLY FLUSH TOILET PAPER.** The pipes in our homes are over 60 years old. They do not have the capacity to wash away any other material. Do not flush baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, diapers, paper towels, Q tips, etc. If maintenance finds these items consistently causing a back up in your pipes you may be charged for the repair.

**PARKING:** The Homes does not have assigned parking. Please be considerate of your neighbors and their parking needs. Try not to park in a spot that is normally used by your neighbor. If you have guest, have them park in the overflow lots.

**KEEP FURNANCE AND WATER HEATER AREAS CLEAN.** Having too many clothes, boxes, or general clutter in your utility area can be a fire hazard. Please keep yourself and your neighbors safe and keep your utility areas clean. **DO NOT PILE CLOTHES OR OTHER ITEMS ON TOP OF THE WATER HEATER OR FLU AREA.**

**STICKS AND LIMBS:** Place sticks/limbs in 4 foot bundles to the curbside for pickup by maintenance.

3. What is the time, date and location of this year’s Annual Meeting?

**AUTO**

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| Jose’s Auto Service | 1413 N. 18th KC Ks | 913.371.9101 |

**CHURCH**

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**COMPUTER**

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| Heartland On-Site Services | Joe Dix | 913.735.7121 |

**FURNANCE / AIR CONDITIONING**

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| Clair Heating & Cooling | Jon Clair | 913.334.4020 |
| RBG Heating & Cooling |  | 913.952.5122 / English  913.562.4479 / Spanish |
| Schuler Heating & Cooling |  | 913.262.2969 |
| Smitty’s Heating & Cooling | Joe Smith | 913.299.1488 |

**HOME REPAIR**

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| Air Duct Cleaning/Carpet Cleaning  PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS | Rosario Ortiz | 816-215-5114 |
| Handyman Pros &  Real Deal Pressure Washing | Brandon Deal | 913.707.2669 |

**AUTO**

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| Aamco Total Car Care | 1000 State Ave KC Ks | 913.342.5000 |
| Jose’s Auto Service | 1413 N. 18th KC Ks | 913.371.9101 |

**CHURCH**

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| Bridge of Hope Community Church | 1925 N. 11th KC Ks | 913.499.6741 |

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| Handyman Pros &  Real Deal Pressure Washing | Brandon Deal | 913.707.2669 |
| L. Donnell & Sons Construction | General Const & Elect. | 816.820.8227 |
| Reliable Flooring | Shawn Walters | 913.944.1970 |
| Wallpaper Hanger/Painter | Annamaria | 816.810.8872 |

**LAWN CARE**

|  |  |  |
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| Todd Bothwell |  | 816.517.6639 |
| Leaf/ Snow Removal | Matt Eklund | 913.526.2974 |
| J D Jackson |  | 816.803.9914 |
| Rolling Reel Grass Cutting | J. Hall | 913.233.2541 |
| Yard Work | Annamaria | 816.810.8872 |

**NOTARY / TAX SERVICE**

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| Becky, Tax Representative |  | 913.232.7339/816.516.1959 |
| Open Door Mobile Notary | Mary Jane Watson | 913.281.4405 |

**PERSONAL**

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| Angels of Grace Child Care | 1220 Troup Ave Ste. B | 913.233.2944 |
| Artistry Cosmetics | Mary Jane Watson | 913.281.4405 |
| Avon | Karen Anver | 913.342.2660 |
| Custom Made to Order Jewelry & Watch Repair | Tammy Eklund | 913.342.2326 |
| Hair Salon | Niki | 913.710.6216 |
| Housecleaning | Angelica | 913.235.7573 |
| Housecleaning/Errands | Jennifer | 913.226.1698 |
| House-sitting/Pet & Plant Care | J. Hall | 913.233.2541 |
| Housecleaning/Babysitter (24hr)/Dog Walker | Annamaria | 816.810.8872 |
| Sell It on EBay | Bob Anver | 913.342.2660 |
| Tina’s Alteration & Repair |  | 913.633.1495 |

**PET SUPPLIES**

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| Dresslers Dog Supplies | 1708 Steele Rd KC Ks | 913.722.2430 |

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

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| Freeze Frame Photography | Dee Dee Johnson | 816.716.8865 |

**RECYCLING**

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| C & E Recycling | Chris | 913.904.8501 |
|  | Eric | 913.907.6764 |

 **IN OUR THOUGHTS…**

The families of Ed Jones and Pat Reid.

C:\Users\The Homes\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\J83UXIBK\MC900430233[1].wmf Happy Birthday to those residents that celebrate their birthday in January & February including Harold Watson, Bob Whittington & Curtis King

**LOST CAT**

**Spider is a short hair gray cat with white under front legs. Spider was wearing id and flea collars. Call**

**913-940-3629**

TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT SUCH AS A BIRTHDAY, WEDDING OR DEATH, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE

Call Raul 913-961-4586

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Tide - Regular, Febreeze, and Rose Scent

Laundry Detergent, 5 gallons, $35

Downy - Blue Mix and Mountain Spring

Fabric Softener, 5 gallons, $35

Palmolive Dish Detergent, 5 gallons, $40

All detergent is concentrated and sold in 5 gallon containers.

6. What items will be replaced throughout the Homes if the Unified Government accepts the petition to establish a benefit district?

Call Raul 913-961-4586

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| One Bedroom | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 900 Manorcrest |  | Deal | 913.707.2669 | $ 3,500 |
| 31 Summitcrest |  | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $ 6,200 |
| 3132 N Allis (Appt Only) | Appliances  s/h will pay 3 months of maintenance fee | Marquis/  HofMiller | 816.518.1165 | $ 8,775 |
| Two Bedroom Up | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 873 Manorcrest |  | The Homes | 913.653.1313 | $ 3,500 |
| 113 Viewcrest |  | Melendez | 913.233.1067 | $12,000 |
| 3183 N 9 (Appt Only) | C/A | Byers | 913.371.1226 | $ 9,500 Make Offer |
| Two Bedroom Down |  | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 727 Manorcrest | C/A, Shed | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $ 7,000 |
| 741 Manorcrest |  | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $ 7,000 |
| 841 Manorcrest | C/A | Calderon | 913.602.5591 | $ 6,000 |
| 954 Manorcrest | C/A, Basement | Ramos | 913.621.4532 | $13,000 |
| 959 Manorcrest | C/A | Schlaman | 785.393.0520 | $ 8,500 |
| 826 Roswell |  | Patlan | 913.963.4095 | $ 9,500 |
| 841 Roswell |  | Gregg | 913.371.5673 | $10,233 |
| 12 Viewcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, Shed | Gaeta | 913.235.7573 | $ 8,000 |
| 69 Viewcrest | Appliances, C/A | Avila | 913.645.8603 | $ 9,350 |
| 80 Viewcrest | C/A, Deck, Shed | Vandaveer | 816.721.3759 | $14,000 |
| 115 Viewcrest | Stove, No C/A | Rivas | 913.371.3001 | $ 9,000 OBO |
| 130 Viewcrest | C/A, Deck, Patio, Shed | Rivera | 913.522.9147 | $ 9,500 |
| 131 Viewcrest | No C/A | Acosta | 913.271.3744 | $10,000 |
| 5 Craigcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D | Prince | 913.999.1599 | $12,000 |
| 3000 N Allis |  | Walther | 856.278.1040 | $ 10,000 |
| 3149 N Allis |  | Hernandez | 913.563.2635 | $ 13,500 |
| Three Bedroom |  | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 670 Manorcrest | C/A, Driveway, W/D, Shed | Harrison | 816-518-2130 | $30,000 |
| 948 Manorcrest (Appt Only) | Shed | Ontiveros | 816.585.4469 | $16,000 |
| 21 Viewcrest | C/A,Stove, Fridge, W/D, D/W | Steffen | 816.728.1508 | $ 8,000 |
| 133 Viewcrest | C/A,Stove, Fridge, W/D, D/W | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | BID |
| 135 Viewcrest | C/A, Stove, Deck | Drowns | 816.739.5626 | $11,500 OBO |
| 138 Viewcrest | Stove, D/W, No C/A | Magill | 913.530.7300 | $ 8,000 |
| 139 Viewcrest | Appliances | Dulac | 913.205.4000 | $ 6,000 |
| Double Unit |  | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 23/25 Summitcrest | Appliances | Forcier | 816.679.0801 | $12,500 |
| 39/41 Summitcrest | Stove, Fridge | Lopez | 913.952.5386 | $25,000 OBO |
| 84/86 Viewcrest (Appt) | C/A, Shed | Eberhardt | 913.281.5847 | $22,000 |

THE HOMES UNITS FOR SALE

8. As a courtesy to neighbors where should guests of residents park?

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| Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union  As of December 31, 2011 | NEEDED |
| Assets: |  |
| LOANS | 596,046.66 |
| ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES | - 12,165.53 |
| SECURITY BANK | 125,670.96 |
| CHANGE FUND | 200.00 |
| COMMUNITY AMERICA CU – SAVINGS | 62.11 |
| COMMUNITY AMERICA CU – CD | 104,705.27 |
| BANK MIDWEST | 53,911.23 |
| KCCU MEMBERSHIP SHARES | 11,428.85 |
| KCCU CASH MANAGEMENT | 1,426.77 |
| CREDIT UNION 1 SAVINGS | 26.26 |
| INDUSTRIAL STATE BANK | 84,418.07 |
| INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN | 1,548.06 |
| INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN | 100,000.00 |
| M & I BANK | 100,000.00 |
| COMMERICAL STATE BANK OF BONNER SPRINGS | 100,000.00 |
| PREPAID INSURANCE | 2,380.79 |
| NCUSIF | 11,253.82 |
|  |  |
| **TOTAL ASSETS** | **1,280,913.32** |
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| Liabilities: |  |
| ACCOUNTS PAYABLE | 1,000.00 |
| AUDIT FEE - PAYABLE | 0.00 |
| NCUSIF PREMIUM PAYABLE | 888.00 |
| FEDERAL & KANSAS TAXES DUE | 165.00 |
| SHARED DIVIDENDS PAYABLE | 0.00 |
| MEMBER SHARES | 1,030,828.31 |
| REGULAR RESERVES | 31,510.21 |
| RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES | 26,500.00 |
| UNDIVIDED EARNINGS | 190,021.80 |
| NET INCOME | 0.00 |
|  |  |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES** | **1,280,913.32** |

**5. If you do not have a shed, what is an affordable idea to store your items?**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| February 2012 | | | | | | |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday  1 | Thursday  2 | Friday  3 | Saturday  4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7  **NEIGHBORHOOD**  **WATCH –Clubroom**  **5:00PM** | 8 | 9  **SPIRITUAL STUDY, Clubroom**  **1-2 PM** | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14  **HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY** | 15  **CREDIT UNION BOARD MEETING**  **4:30 PM** | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20  **THE HOMES BOARD MEETING**  **6 PM**  -------------------  **THE HOMES & CREDIT UNION CLOSED**  **-------------------**  **PRESIDENT’S DAY** | 21 | 22 | 23  **SPIRITUAL STUDY, Clubroom**  **1-2 PM** | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |  |  |  |

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Newsletter Editors, Elizabeth Bothwell and Debbie Walters

10. What 5 items are you not suppose to flush down the toilet?

**FEBRUARY TRIVIA & FUN**

Be Mine Band-Aids

3 stars based on 40 reviews

* Click star to rate
* Rated by 40 members

Top of Form



For sheer fun, turn ordinary bandages into these snazzy temporary tattoos.

Materials:

Band-Aid Marker Stickers

Instructions:

Decorate a plain Band-Aid with a paint pen or permanent marker. Add stickers, if desired.  
  
Message Ideas:  
I'm stuck on you   
Let's stick together   
You make me feel better   
I'm there if you get into a scrape

Sweet Necklace

[](http://familyfun.go.com/assets/cms/crafts/sweet-neckless-candy-neckless-valentines-day-craft-photo-420-FF0209EFA01.jpg)

Colorful hard candies, and one giant conversation heart, serve as the jewels in this Valentine's Day necklace.

Materials:

Plastic wrap Scissors

Unwrapped candies Ribbon

Instructions:

Cut a strip of plastic wrap 36 inches long and 4 inches wide. Starting in the middle of the strip and working toward the ends, lay unwrapped candies 1 inch apart along the strip's center. Make your row of candies about 20 inches long.

Fold the plastic wrap around the candies and roll it up to make a long tube. Tie 3- to 4-inch lengths of ribbon between the candies and at the ends.

To form the necklace, tie together the ends of the plastic wrap and trim the excess.

**Crayon Hearts**[](http://familyfun.go.com/assets/cms/crafts/crayon-hearts-valentines-day-craft-photo-420-FF0207VALA25.jpg)

Total Time: 1-2 Hours

Materials:

Crayon pieces Heart-shaped metal cookie or muffin tin (hearts are about 1 1/2 inches across)

Scrap paper Double-sided foam mounting tape

Scissors Colored card stock

Marker

Instructions:

Heat the oven to 250°.

Fill each mold with crayon pieces and bake until the crayons melt, about 10 to 15 minutes. Tip: Place a sheet pan under the crayons to catch any drips. Once they're cool, remove the hearts from the molds and smooth any rough edges by rubbing them on a piece of scrap paper. Use small pieces of foam tape to stick each heart to a 3-inch circle cut from card stock. Suggested messages: You color my world Valentine, you make my heart melt

7. What is the last day of the month that items can be submitted for the newsletter?