

THE HOMES, INC.

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2018

**THE HOMES
BOARD MEETING
May 21, 6:00 pm
IN THE CLUBROOM**
Stockholders and residents
are welcome

2018 HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION

Open from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm on the
following Saturdays:

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| April 21 | July 21 | Oct. 20 |
| May 19 | Aug. 18 | |
| June 16 | Sept. 15 | |

DROP OFF LOCATION 2443 SOUTH 88TH ST.

Automotive products accepted include auto batteries, brake fluid, carburetor cleaner, degreasers, gasoline & fuels, and used motor oil. In addition, residents can bring 10 car and/or pickup tires if the rims are removed from the tires.

Home improvement products accepted include concrete cleaner, driveway sealer, furniture stripper, glue with solvents, latex & oil based paints, paint thinner, putty, grout, calk & spackle, roofing tar, stain varnish & lacquer, turpentine, water-based glues, and wood preservatives.

Household items include aerosol products, drain & oven cleaners, mothballs, nail polish remover, polishes with solvents, spot remover, and propane cylinders.

Lawn and garden products include fertilizer with weed killer, herbicides, insecticides, pesticides, and rodent bait.

THE OFFICE IS NO LONGER ACCEPTING DEBIT AND CREDIT CARDS. WE STILL ACCEPT CASH, CHECK AND MONEY ORDER. YOU CAN HAVE YOUR BANK ISSUE A MONTHLY CHECK THAT THEY SEND TO THE HOMES. CONTACT YOUR PERSONAL BANKER FOR MORE INFO.

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The **KCK Public Mobile Library**
has started visiting The Homes!
Their scheduled stop will be every other
Wednesday from 3^{PM} - 5^{PM}

**Check out a book or
work in the computer lab!**

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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|---|----------------|
| THE HOMES INC | 913-321-2471 |
| AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE | 913-948-2211 |
| QHFCU | 913-321-3214 |
| KCK POLICE DEPARTMENT | 913-596-3000 |
| KCK ANIMAL CONTROL | 913-321-1445 |
| POTHoles | 913-573-8307 |
| CITY QUESTIONS & COMPLAIN | 311 |
| BPU (Customer Service) | 913-573-9190 |
| BPU ELECTRIC (Street lights and power line) | 913-573-9522 |
| BPU WATER | 913-573-9622 |
| KS GAS SERVICE | 1-800-794-4780 |

If you have an issue that has not been addressed, please call the office and report the issue again. I want to be informed and knowledgeable about any issue(s) a stockholder is having.
Elizabeth Bothwell, Manager.

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Meeting in the clubroom

Tuesday, May 1st, 6:30pm

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Tuesday, June 5th, 6:30pm

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.

NEWSLETTER TRIVIA

THERE IS NO NEWSLETTER TRIVIA FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

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 \$30 off the next month's maintenance.

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

EVENTS

4/25/, 4/28/, 5/2/, 5/5/, 5/12/, 5/16/, 5/19/, 5/23/, 5/26/, 5/30/, 6/2/ 2018 - Alcott Arts Center Second Saturday Exhibit

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM - Alcott Arts Center, 180 S. 18th Street, Kansas City, KS 66102, (913) 233-2787, alcottartscenter.org. Show your support and visit the Alcott Art Center to enjoy beautiful artwork and performances by talented local artists of all ages! Featuring different exhibits each month. (Note: The Alcott is NOT ADA Accessible. For more info call 913-233-2787).

05/05/2018 - Marble Day 2018

9:30 AM to 1:00 PM - Moon Marble Company Store, 600 East Front Street, Bonner Springs, KS 66012, 913-441-1432, marbleday.com. The Annual Marble Day Celebration is a fun, family day celebrating spring, marble games and activities and other old-fashioned outdoor games and activities. Events include a tractor cruise, wacky parade, bike rodeo, marble tournament, marble art and invention contest, Running of the Pinkys, cake walk, straw tunnel and straw mountain, food vendors and much more.

05/05/2018 - 34th Annual Polski Day Celebration

11:00 AM to 7:00 PM - All Saints Parish , 811 Vermont Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101, (913) 721-0081, polskiday.com. Come enjoy ethnic foods, cold beer, live music, a parade, dancing, children's games and much more at the 34th Annual Polski Day! The parade begins at 11:00 am on 12th & Central Avenue and will lead to 8th & Central Avenue. Polka Mass begins at 4:00 pm. Live music will be both indoor and outdoor from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm.

05/08/2018 - Immigrants and refugees in the community

6:30 p.m. - "They Are Our Neighbors: Immigrants and Refugees in Our Community" will be presented at the Main Kansas City, Kansas Public Library, second floor auditorium, 625 Minnesota Ave. The program may discuss the difference between an immigrant and a refugee, what it means to have a green card and be a permanent resident versus a citizen, how many immigrants and refugees are living in the city, where they come from and why, do they have to pay taxes, how the community can help to welcome and integrate them. There will be stories from immigrants and refugees who settled in the Kansas City area.

05/10/2018 - Health fair

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. - A free Provider-Health Fair will be held at the Pierson Community Center, Pierson Park, 1800 S. 55th, Kansas City, Kansas. The community event is sponsored by the Wyandotte County-Kansas City, Kansas, Human Services Department and Council of Community Members. Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families may attend, and information about services and resources will be provided. For information, call 913-573-5502 or email wccdo@wycokck.org.

05/24/2018 - 05/26/2018 - Shrine Rodeo & Demo Derby

7:00 Pm - Abdallah Shrine Temple, Leavenworth County Fairgrounds, 22618 Mclouth Road, Tonganoxie, Ks 66086, (319) 321-2152, Rodeo Tickets: \$15 For Adults, \$5 For Kids Age 6-12. Demo Derby: \$15 For Everyone Ages 6 And Over. It's the greatest sport on dirt! The Shrine Rodeo & Demo Derby stampedes into Tonganoxie May 24-26 with rodeo action on May 24-25 and the cars roarin' on May 26! There's something for everybody at the Shrine Rodeo and Demo Derby! Concessions on the grounds. Tickets available at the gate, online at www.ShrineRodeo.com, and at Brothers Market in Tonganoxie. For more information, visit www.ShrineRodeo.com or call 913.362.5300. Thursday, May 24 is First Responders and Military Appreciation Night. All First Responders (police, firefighters, and EMTs) and military (retired and active) will receive free admission to the rodeo that night, along with their families. Please bring ID.

05/25/2018 - A Night At The Museum: Strawberry Hill Museum Auction

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM - Strawberry Hill Museum, 720 North 4th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101, (913) 371-3264, strawberryhillmuseum.org. The first Strawberry Hill Museum Auction will be held Friday, May 25th at St. John's Auditorium (420 Barnett Ave, Kansas City, KS) starting at 6:00 pm. Auction tickets are \$35.00 each, including food and drink. Stick around for the grand finale auction item, "A Night At The Museum" which includes dinner for two, an overnight stay in the museum and breakfast the following morning. Great fun indeed! Limited seating available. Purchase tickets online at www.strawberryhillmuseum.org

24th Annual Shepherd's Center of Kansas City, Kansas

This is one of our largest annual fundraisers and we need your time and treasure to make it as successful and fun as it has always been! Bring your books and treasures. Donate and hour or two to help us set up and work! To volunteer or request pick up of donations, please contact Melissa Bynum at 913-281-8908 or melissab@sckck.org. Donations will be accepted at the church beginning at 8am on Thursday, May 10. No clothing or magazines will be accepted. Donations are tax deductible.

BARGAINS GALORE??

8am to 5pm

Friday and Saturday

May 11 and 12, 2018

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF TURNER

701 SOUTH 55TH STREET, KANSAS CITY, KS

BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED ON SATURDAY MORNING. Join the members of First Baptist Church of Turner for breakfast at the sale? Church members will serve a biscuit and gravy breakfast with a drink for only \$5 from 8am to 10am. Proceeds will send a young person to camp!

With tax time upon us, the flood of scam phone calls from "The IRS" will start up. The scammers can program the caller ID to show US Govt. or IRS. However, the IRS will never call and demand payment over the phone. Other scams include reducing your credit card rates, the lottery or sweepstakes money you have won, etc. Please warn stockholders not to respond to any suspicious calls. If they have any doubts about a call, have them call me. If they don't speak English very well, have them call Bea Arce who will relay the message to me.

MOWING SERVICES

Paul Eklund - 913-626-2646

FOR SALE

Red Oak Desk - \$65
Office Chair - \$25
Wheelchair - \$20
913-999-4340



HELPFUL HINTS ABOUT LIVING IN THE HOMES

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

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.

PLUMBING: DO NOT FLUSH FLUSHABLE WIPES. The pipes in our homes are over 70 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. The sink and tub drains are only for water disposal. Do not force items down the drains. If maintenance finds these items consistently causing a back up in your pipes you may be charged for the repair.

SECURE YOUR HOME. It is very important that you have a trusted family member or friend on your stock certificate or a TOD (Transfer on Death) or a will specific to your unit. If you do not then the Homes will incur legal debt proving that the Homes has equity in the unit. The Homes will have to take a financial loss because we will not receive HOA fees (Home Owner Assoc. fees – maintenance fees) for an unknown number of months. Plan for your future and the Homes future.

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. **NEVER PARK IN YARDS OR COMMON GROUND.**

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 alternative is to store your items in a deck or patio box. 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 your porch railings.

SPEEDING. The speed limit in The Homes, Inc. is 20 mph. It only takes a few seconds for a distracted child to dart out in the road. Please be aware and safe while driving.

AUTOMOBILE REPAIR. It is against the rules to work on your vehicle in The Homes. If your vehicle needs repair then you will have to take your vehicle out of the neighborhood or take your vehicle to a mechanic. Unless you are changing a flat tire you should NEVER put your vehicle on a jack in the Homes.

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.**

NOISE. Please be mindful of the level of noise you create. It is our responsibility to keep the sound we make to a reasonable level so we are not disturbing our neighbors. Sometimes, simply communicating with your neighbors and working out an understanding can resolve this and many other problems.

SPRING INSPECTIONS BEGINS THE WEEK OF MAY 7TH

**THE ONLY ITEMS THAT ARE ALLOWED ON
PORCHES ARE
LAWN CHAIRS
LAWN TABLES
PATIO/DECK BOXES
FLOWER POTS
GRILLS**

NOTHING ELSE IS ALLOWED ON YOUR PORCH!
IF THERE ARE OTHER ITEM(S) ON YOUR PORCH YOU WILL RECEIVE
A WARNING LETTER TO REMOVE THE ITEM(S) AND A DEADLINE TO
COMPLETE THE TASK. IF YOU DO NOT COMPLETE THE TASK BY
THE DEADLINE, THE HOMES MAINTENANCE STAFF WILL REMOVE
THE ITEMS AND A CHARGE OF \$150.00 WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR
ACCOUNT. YOUR ITEMS WILL BE STORED IN THE GARAGE AND
YOU CAN RETRIEVE THEM AFTER THE \$150.00 IS PAID.
THIS POLICY WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. IF YOU VIOLATE THIS
POLICY MORE THAN ONCE YOU WILL HAVE TO COME BEFORE THE
BOARD AND EXPLAIN WHY YOU ARE NOT FOLLOWING THE RULES
OF THE HOMES, INC.

**IF YOU HAVE TOO MANY ITEMS STORED ON
THE OUTSIDE OF YOU UNIT YOU WILL BE
REQUIRED TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A
SHED OR PURCHASE AND INSTALL A
DECK/PATIO BOX.**

UNITS FOR SALE

| One Bedroom | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
|-------------------------|--|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 31 Summitcrest | Stove, Fridge | Neely | 913.424.7089 | \$6,500 |
| 731 Manorcrest | | QHFCU | 913.321.241 | \$4,500 |
| Two Bedroom Up | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 773 Manorcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, Basement | Garcia | 913.602.7737 | \$11,500 Nego |
| 787 Manorcrest | | QHFCU | 913.321.2471 | \$2,232.97 |
| 839 Manorcrest | | QHFCU | 913.321.2471 | \$6,149.16 |
| 855 Manorcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, Deck | Ramos | 913.235.4676 | \$9,900 |
| 872 Manorcrest | C/A | QHFCU | 913.321.2471 | \$5937.36 |
| 3020 N Allis | C/A, Stove, Fridge | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | \$5937.36 |
| 65 Viewcrest | | Foran | 913.371.6780 | \$12,000 |
| 113 Viewcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D | Millan | 816.803.2697 | \$8,500 |
| Two Bedroom Down | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 826 Roswell | C/A, Appliances Call before showing | Millan | 816.803.2694 | \$12,000 |
| 831 Roswell | | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | Make Offer |
| 24 Viewcrest | C/A, Shed | QHFCU | 913.321.2471 | \$ 9,471.15 |
| Three Bedroom Up | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 828 Manorcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, Shed | Lopez | 913.486.0456 | \$13,000 |
| 3150 N 9 th | | QHFCU | 913.321.2471 | \$ 8,819.25 |
| 18 Viewcrest | C/A | Medina | 913.406.6093 | \$13,000 |
| 58 Viewcrest | C/A | QHFCU | 913.321.2471 | \$ 10,356.70 |
| 139 Viewcrest | C/A , Stove , Fridge , Washer/Dryer | Cristal | 816.419.9387 | 14,000.00 |
| Double Unit | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 6/8 Reidcrest | C/A, 2 bdrm, Shed, Patio | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | Make Offer |

The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas is accepting applications for 2018 Summer Employment Program. Jobs range from summer laborers, lifeguards and recreation instructors. Applications may be obtained in the Human Resources Department, 701 North 7th Street, Room 646, Kansas City, Kansas, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and also on the website at www.wycokck.org.

The Summer Employment Program tentatively benefits in June of 2018 and lasts approximately 7 to 13 weeks. The minimum age requirement for this positions is 16 years of age. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, May 9, 2018. Applications can be submitted to the Human Resources office between 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. The UG looks forward to working with the citizens of our community and educating them to the many career opportunities that the Unified Government has to offer. Please feel free to contact Human Resources at 913-573-5660 with any questions or concerns.

MAY 2018

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|--|--|--|----------|--------|----------|
| | | 1 Neighborhood Watch Meet 6pm | 2 KCKPL Mobile Library 3-5pm | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 Ana's Club 5pm-7pm Bring a snack. Enjoy music, food, & friends! | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 The Homes Board Meeting 6pm | 15 | 16 KCKPL Mobile Library 3-5pm QHFCU Meeting 4:30pm | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 The Homes Board Meeting 6pm | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Memorial Day (OFFICE AND CREDIT UNION CLOSED) | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

Please call or email the office if you would like the Newsletter hand delivered, emailed, or both. The newsletter is always available in the office.