THE HOMES, INC August 2012

NEWSLETTER

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

**Lightning fast internet with GOOGLE.**

**Details on page 8.**

**\*\*\*\*WATER METER UPGRADES\*\*\*\***

The Board of Public Utilities is upgrading all water meters throughout our community. If they have not contacted you by phone to schedule an appointment, they will be coming door to door. If you are not home, they will leave a door hanger. DO NOT IGNORE THIS! A $75 charge may be added to your utility bill if the new meter is not installed. To schedule an appointment with BPU’s contractor, please call 877-423-3198, Monday-Friday, 6am-10pm and Saturday, 6am-7pm.

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BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

AUGUST 8

5 – 6PM

IN THE CLUBROOM

FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

REGISTER YOUR CHILD WITH THE OFFICE BY AUGUST 6. SEE PAGE 18

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**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

THE HOMES

BOARD MEETING

August 20, 6pm

IN THE CLUBROOM

Stockholders are welcome!

FOLLOW US ON ...  AND 

**Neighborhood Watch Meeting cancelled for Tuesday, August 7**

**Join Us at Night Out Against Crime at Indian Springs Mall**

**NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME**

* **August 7, 2012**
* **Indian Springs Mall Lower Level**
* **4601 State Ave**
* **6:00 PM**

The Kansas primary elections are Tuesday, August 7.

Senator David Haley asked Bob and Karen Anver to run for Democratic Committeeman and Committeewoman in the August Primary Election. The filing date had passed before they were asked. At the polling booth you can write in their names on a Democratic ballot. They need five (5) votes each in order to be placed on the Wyandotte Democratic Committee.

Bob Anver and The Veterans Committee at General Electric are collecting funny and ugly sweaters to send to the troops in Afghanistan. Last year a large number of sweaters were sent and the soliders had a “fashion show”. Please drop off your sweaters to The Homes office by September 15.

**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 the next month’s maintenance. The following is the first question…

1. What is the cost to pre-register with Google Fiber?

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.

Credit Union?

**BPU Tips on Conserving Water**. With little planning, you can cut your water bill significantly, saving money and protecting our most precious natural resource.

-Check your pipes and toilet for leaks regularly.

-Take a quick shower instead of a bath.

-Turn off water while brushing your teeth.

-Don't use the toilet as an ashtray or waste basket.

-Run the dishwasher only when you have a full load.

-Wash dishes in a sink of hot soapy water, not under a running faucet.

-Wait until you have a full load before running the washing machine.

-Mulch around flowers and plants to retain moisture.

-Wash your car with a bucket instead of a hose.

**BPU Tips on How to Stay Cool This Summer**. Your air conditioner — including the filters, coils and fins — needs maintenance to function effectively, particularly during the hot summer months. The following tips will help you avoid a decline in air conditioning performance and increased energy use.

**Filters:** To achieve optimum performance, you must routinely replace or clean your unit’s filters. Dirty filters block normal air flow, reducing efficiency, and the air that does get through will carry dirt directly into the evaporator coil, impairing its heat-absorbing capacity. Keeping the filter clean can lower your air conditioners energy consumption by up to 15 percent. Clean or replace your air conditioning system's filter or filters at least every month or two during the cooling season.

**Coils:** Your air conditioners evaporator coil and condenser coil will inevitably collect dirt, reducing its efficiency. A clean filter helps, but the coil should be checked annually and cleaned if necessary. Outdoor condenser coils can also become very dirty — if dirt is collecting on its fins, it should also be cleaned. Remove debris from around the coil and trim foliage back at least two feet for adequate air flow.

**Coil Fins:** The aluminum fins on evaporator and condenser coils are easily bent, blocking air flow through the coil. Use a fin comb (sold by air conditioner retailers) to return them to nearly original condition.

**Drains:** Occasionally pass a stiff wire through the unit's drain channels to remove any clogging debris.

**Window Units:** In-window units need proper sealing between the air conditioner and the window frame to keep things cool. Inspect the seal to ensure it makes contact with the unit's metal case. Also, don’t forget to prepare the unit for winter by either covering it or removing and storing it.

**Summertime tips to stay cool . . .**

**Stay indoors and, if at all possible, stay in an air-conditioned place.** If your home does not have air conditioning, go to the shopping mall or public library-even a few hours spent in air conditioning can help your body stay cooler when you go back into the heat. Call your local health department to see if there are any heat-relief shelters in your area. Electric fans may provide comfort, but when the temperature is in the high 90s or above, fans will not prevent heat-related illness. Taking a cool shower or bath, or moving to an air-conditioned place is a much better way to cool off.

**Drink lots of cool, non-alcoholic fluids.** If you're exercising or working, drink 2 to 4 glasses of water an hour. If you lose a lot of fluid on a hot day, sports drinks are preferred over water because they will replenish sodium.

**Check with your doctor if you have health problems that require you to limit fluid intake or you're taking diuretics** - ask him/her how much you should drink while the weather is hot.

**Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.** Drink more fluids (nonalcoholic) regardless of your activity level. Don't rely upon thirst as an indicator of your need for water; it's not reliable in very high heat.

**Don't drink liquids that contain caffeine, alcohol, or large amounts of sugar** - these actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also, avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps.

**Avoid hot foods, and keep meals light.** Foods (like proteins) that increase metabolic heat production also increase water loss (the body has to work harder - and use more blood - to digest heavy foods).

**NEVER leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle.** Certainly don't leave children or pets in a vehicle, even for "a few minutes." Heat builds up rapidly to exceptionally high temperatures in a closed vehicle, and it doesn't take much exposure to make children or pets very ill

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

SPECIFICATIONS FOR PET OWNERSHIP IN THE HOMES, INC.

* Pets are to be penned, on a tie out or leash at all times they are outdoors.
* Dogs at large (not on leash, a tie out or in fenced area) are handled through Animal Control. Complainant should leave name and phone number, telling the dispatcher they want to file a complaint against the dog’s owner. Pets should not be tied near street-side sidewalks. These sidewalks are for public pedestrian use and are not to be obstructed.
* Residents are allowed no more than two (2) dogs or five (5) cats per unit. Any combination of up to five (5) pets is allowed as long as no more than two (2) are dogs.
* No excessive barking between the hours of 11 p.m. and 8 a.m.
* Excessive dog barking is not handled through Animal Control. Complaints should be referred to Mr. Greg Carr, Dispute Resolution, 913-573-5225. Complainant should leave their name, phone number and the address of the barking dog with Mr. Carr. Mr. Carr will contact the dog’s owner. The complainant remains anonymous.
* Pets required by city ordinance should be licensed and vaccinated for rabies yearly.
* Injured and stray-confined animals are handled through Animal Control. Complainant should follow up with Animal Control within 2 hours of first call.
* Defecation should be removed from the yard on a regular basis. If the stockholder is unable to do this work for any reason, there are services listed under pets in the yellow pages who do this work for a nominal fee.
* If The Homes has to remove excessive pet waste from a stockholder’s yard, there will be a $50.00 charge for each occurrence. Flagrant violations of these specifications can result in eviction under the nuisance clause of The Homes, Inc. Rules and Regulations.

**6. What cooling center is located at 701 N. 7th Street?**

Zorro &

Sophie (brother and sister)

Steadt

Lady -

8 years old

Katrina Michelle Morris – 8 year old

**Cute Pet Contest**

Do you have a cute pet! Submit a photograph and information about your pet to the office. Each month we will choose 4 photo submissions and publish them in the newsletter.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE HOMES, INC.

July 16, 2012

Vice President Kayla Ross called the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of The Homes, Inc. to order at 6:00 p.m. on July 16, 2012.

Present were: Elaine Hines Karen Anver, Frank Moss and Kayla Ross, Board Members; Elizabeth Bothwell, Manager; Greg Goheen, Attorney; and Karen Brokesh, Transcriber. Harold Watson was absent.

Sixteen stockholders attended the meeting.

Vice President Ross 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. Vice President Ross 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.

Vice President Ross 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 June, 2012 has been posted.

Minutes of the regular meeting of June 18, 2012 and the June 18, 2012 Executive Session had previously been distributed to all board members. Karen Anver moved to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Karen Frank Moss. 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 Karen Anver. Carried unanimously.

Stockholder change request approved by the manager is as follows:

22-24 Summitcrest: Replace framing his around windows – Melonie Jones. Work will be done by MCL Remodeling.

6 Reidcrest: Install cable television – Suzanne Spears. Work will be done by Time Warner Cable.

The first stockholder change requests for board consideration was that of Jose Llave, 882 Manorcrest, to install a 6’ x 10’ plastic privacy panel on his patio. The divider will be 6’ high. Work will be done by self. Similar requests have been approved for other stockholders. Karen Anver moved to approve this request. Seconded by Frank Moss. Carried unanimously.

The second stockholder change request for board consideration was that of Rebecca Westpfahl, 770 Manorcrest, to build a 15 x 30 deck. The yard can accommodate this request. Elaine Hines moved to approve this request. Seconded by Frank Moss. Carried unanimously.

Secretary Hines read the stock transfer approvals as follows:

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| **ADDRESS** | **TRANSFER FROM** | **TRANSFER TO** |
| 670 Manorcrest | Steven M. Harrison, trustee, or his successors under the Harrison Family Trust Fund | Charles A. Sawyer and Gloria E. Sawyer |
| 3132 N. Allis | The Homes, Inc. | Jimmy J. Tavis and Jordan R. Adams |
| 886 Manorcrest | Daniel M. Clair and LeRoy Clair | Daniel M. Clair |

After being informed that the stock transfers were in order, it was moved by Karen Anver and seconded by Frank Moss 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:*

The speed limit in The Homes is 20 m.p.h. Stockholders are asked to be respectful of their neighbors with parking and to have guests use the overflow lots whenever possible.

The July, 2012 winners of the Yard of the Month award are:

First Place: 770 Manorcrest

Second Place: 83 Viewcrest

Third Place: 3164 N. Allis

Manager announced the winner of this month’s newsletter trivia was 9 Reidcrest. The winner will receive $25.00 off their maintenance.

*Old Business to be Discussed:*

Neighborhood Watch has been working with Commissioner Nathan Barnes on getting funds for street repairs. $125,000 is also available for curb and sidewalk repairs. Bob Anver is working with the manager to get an estimate on what the costs may be to replace the sewers.

The Unified Government will be out this week to mark the areas where the two traffic calming devices will be installed.

The Financial Committee met on July 12, 2012. The corporation remains a little over budget but nothing that the Committee is concerned about. The corporation should still be able to pay of its loans as planned.

*New Business to be Discussed:*

Manager is placing an ad with the Kansas City Kansas Chamber of Commerce. It will be placed in the Kansas City Kansas/Wyandotte County Street Map and Resource Guide with over 10,000 copies to be distributed over the next 18-24 months. These maps are popular with new persons in the area and potential commercial relocation candidates. The cost of the ad is $369.00.

Additional cement repairs are needed for porches and sidewalks. The contractor has submitted a bid of $2,000.00 for these repairs. Elaine Hines moved to accept this bid. Seconded by Karen Anver. Carried unanimously. This should conclude all concrete repairs needed this year.

Occupant forms and Rules and Regulations booklets will be sent out at the end of July.

The inside of the clubroom has recently been repainted and it looks very nice. The cabinets will soon be refinished.

*Comments from Directors and Attorney:*

None.

*Comments from Stockholders:*

Bob Whittington, 127 Viewcrest, thanked maintenance for helping him with a water leak recently.

Bill Bradford, 953 Manorcrest, reported that the paving work at 10th & Manorcrest looks great. He also encouraged all stockholders to thank the City for any good work that they do.

Marianna Rios, 23-25 Summitcrest, reported that her tires have been slashed twice lately and that a police report has been filed.

Sherry McCool, 12 Summitcrest, commented that she is very happy with her neighbors.

Melonie Jones, 24 Summitcrest, commented on the number of trash cans that have no lids and the number of cars that have been parking illegally.

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

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R. ELAINE HINES

SECRETARY

APPROVED:

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HAROLD WATSON

PRESIDENT

Transcribed by Karen Brokesh

7. If you can’t afford a shed what is a more affordable item to store outdoor items in?

**From Google:**

When we announced that we wanted to provide a community with Internet access more than 100 times faster than what most Americans enjoy today, we asked who was interested in working with us. More than 1,100 cities raised their hands, and those of you in Kansas City, Kansas and Kansas City, Missouri won us over with your enthusiasm for better, faster web connections. Today as we launch Google Fiber in Kansas City, we’re continuing with the same approach. Instead of us deciding where and when we install, we’re asking you. Tell us if you want Google Fiber in two easy steps:

**1. Pre-register: Starting today, if you live in an eligible Kansas City household, you can pre-register by visiting google.com/fiber. All you need to do for pre-registration is provide some basic information (like your name and address) and pay a $10 deposit.**

**2. Rally your neighbors: Over the next six weeks, get your neighbors and friends to pre-register too.**

Here’s why: Google Fiber works better when communities are connected together. So we’ve divided Kansas City into small communities we call “fiberhoods.” We’ll install only where there’s enough interest, and we’ll install sooner in fiberhoods where there’s more interest. You can check out your fiberhood’s pre-registration goal, as well as a real-time status update of all Kansas City fiberhoods on our rankings page. The rally lasts for six weeks and ends on September 9. When you participate, not only will you help bring Google Fiber to your home, you’ll also help bring it to your community—if your fiberhood reaches its pre-registration goal, we’ll also connect community buildings like schools, libraries and hospitals with free Gigabit Internet. After the rally, we’ll let you know if your fiberhood has reached its goal. If so, you can sign up for your service package. The first homes will get service shortly after the rally ends, and all qualifying neighborhoods will receive service before the end of 2013. In the meantime, you can come visit Kansas City’s Google Fiber Space, where you can experience a gigabit first-hand and check out TV in crystal clear high definition. The Fiber Space will be open daily starting this Saturday, July 28. We’ll also be holding events throughout the community during the rally. Stay tuned for more on the Google Fiber KC Blog. And remember, if you want Google Fiber, you need to pre-register your home by September 9 and tell your neighbors to pre-register too.

**The details:**  
90% of Wyandotte County is grouped into Google defined Fiberhoods. These Fiberhoods consist of anywhere from 500-1500 of your neighbors. Based on the size of the Fiberhood, a certain percentage of every Fiberhood has to meet a sign-up goal. In other words, the percentage goal depends on how many people are in your Fiberhood and varies from Fiberhood to Fiberhood. So, for example my Fiberhood is *Parkwood* Park. The boundaries are from 10th St on the W boundary to the tracks/Front St. on the East boundary, Quindaro on the South to 69 on the North. My Fiberhood has to sign up 69 people total, 10%. If we get that 10%, we're guaranteed. When the sign-up goal is complete, your Fiberhood will receive Google. Those who get Google first will be the Fiberhoods with the highest percentage of sign-up starting in KC, KS. and moving to KC, MO.   
  
Additionally, each Fiberhood has been assigned a Google employee who is their outreach person. This is the person with whom we coordinate brochures, educational materials, and outreach events. The

**Highlights:**   
1. Studies have shown that having fiber installed to your home can raise the home value $2k-$5k. (this is great for homeowners and landlords)  
2. For the free internet package: if you pay the $300 fee you get free internet for 7 yrs and you can pay the fee in $25/monthly installments.

3. If your Fiberhood signs up, then public safety entities, schools and learning centers in the Fiberhood get fiber for free, but only if the Fiberhood meets its goal.

**Go to google.com/fiber and pre-register**

3. How many pets are pictured in the “Cute Pet Contest”?

**COOLING STATIONS IN WYANDOTTE COUNTY**

**The Homes, Inc. Clubroom: 660 Manorcrest, KCK**

7:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday-Friday

**Main Branch: 625 Minnesota Avenue, KCK**

8:30 am- 8:30 pm (Monday-Thursday), 8:30 am - 5 pm (Friday-Saturday), 1 pm - 5 pm, (Sunday)

**Argentine Branch: 2800 Metropolitan, KCK (not handicap accessible)**

8:30 am-8:30 pm, Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-5 pm, Friday-Saturday, 1:00 p.m.  - 5 p.m. Sunday

**Wyandotte West Branch: 1737 North 82 Street, KCK**

9 a.m.  - 9 p.m., Monday- Thursday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Friday-Saturday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday

**Turner Community Library: 831 South 55 Street, KCK**

Noon-8 pm, Monday-Thursday, 10 am-5 pm, Friday, 10 am - 2 pm, Saturday, Closed on Sunday

**Salvation Army - Open Cooling Center: 6723 State Avenue, KCK**

8 a.m.  -   4 p.m., Monday through Friday

**Library: 201 North Nettleton, Bonner Springs**

9 a.m.  - 8 p.m, Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Friday-Saturday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday

**Community Center: 200 East 3rd Street, Bonner Springs**

8 a.m.  - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday

**Eisenhower Community Center - 2901 North 72, KCK**

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. - 9 p.m., Monday through Friday

**Joe E Amayo Argentine Community Center - 2810 Metropolitan, KCK**

9 a.m. -  9 p.m., Monday through Friday

**Armourdale Community Center - 730 Osage, KCK**

3 p.m. - 9 p.m., Monday through Friday

**John F. Kennedy - 1310 North 10th Street, KCK**

2 p.m. - 9 p.m., Monday through Friday

**Turner Recreation Commission: 831 South 55 Street, KCK**

8 am-8:30 pm, Monday-Thursday, 8 am-5pm, Friday, 8 am-2 pm, Saturday, Closed on Sunday

**Kansas City Kansas City Hall Lobby - 701 North 7th Street, KCK**

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Monday through Friday)

**Willa Gill Center - 645 Nebraska, KCK**

9 am-1 pm and 2 pm-5 pm(Monday-Friday), 9 am-12:45 pm (Saturday, Sunday and on holidays)

**Public Housing High Rise, Cafeteria Area, 915 Washington Blvd, KCK**

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (each day)

**Juniper Gardens Community Center, 1980 North 2 Street, KCK**

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (each day)

**Mt. Carmel COGIC, South Wing, 2025 North 12 Street, KCK**

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Monday through Friday)

**Bonner Springs Family YMCA, 2251 S. 138th Street, Bonner Springs**

1 p.m. - 4 p.m. (each day)

**Providence YMCA/Ball Family Center, 8601 Parallel Parkway, KCK**

1 p.m. - 4 p.m. (each day), Closed on Sunday

**ALL YMCA centers require a photo ID**

8th Street Family YMCA, 900 N 8th Street, KCK, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.(each day)

4. What address won second place yard of the month?

**EVENTS AROUND TOWN**

**Back to School Fair**

Kansas City Kansas Community College, 7250 State Ave, August 4, 9am-1pm

* Health Screening, Sports Physicals (6th-12th grade – Bring Participation Forms), and Immunizations (Bring Immunization card)
* Free School Supplies, Books, and Haircuts
* You must show proof you live in Wyandotte County and children must be present.

**Back to School Night**

The Homes Clubroom, August 8, 5-6pm

* Free School Supplies and Backpacks

You must register your children no later than August 6.

**Free Fitness Classes for Seniors & Young Adults**

Quindaro Family Health, Faith Lutheran Church, 530 Quindaro Blvd, 913-621-0100, ext 208

* Bend & Flex, strengthening & stretching exercises, 11-11:45 am, Tuesdays & Fridays
* Wu-Qiqigong, flowing form of meditation for healing, giving relief for pain & stress, 5-6pm Thursdays

**YouthBuild** a life skills training program in construction trade, leadership skills, completing GED classes and participating in community service projects. Schedule Tuesday-Friday, 8am to 3:30pm. Applicants must be a Kansas resident, ages 16-24. Space is limited. Application deadline is Friday, August 10, 2012. For more information call 913-371-3770. Get Paid to Learn!

**Local Farmers Markets**

Some of the markets double the Senior Vouchers and the SNAP/ Vision program

* Rosedale Farmers Market, corner of Rainbow Blvd and SW Blvd, 5/6-9/30, Sundays 12-3 p.m.
* Grinter House Market, 1400 S. 78th St, 4/14 to 10/20, Saturdays
* KCK Green Farmers Market, Strawberry Hill (6th and Ann), June - September

Wednesdays 8am-1pm and Saturdays 9am-1pm

* Juniper Gardens (3rd and Richmond), June - September , Mondays 9:30am - 1pm
* Catholic Charities (2220 Central), June – September, Tuesdays 9:30am - 1pm

**Live in Wyandotte County?** **Have a family?** Call CONNECTIONS, 913-321-9999. We can help you make the right connections to build a strong family. You want the best for your family — we’re here to help. If you are pregnant or care for a child under five years old, CONNECTIONS is for you. We can help you find answers to important questions for your family. CONNECTIONS is available for no cost, and we can visit you in your home. Call us to get connected to community resources today. Parenting Skills • Parent Health /Child Health • Independence Household Necessities/Housing Support • Job Advice

**Every Tuesday and Wednesday - Free Summer Movies**

[Legends 14 Theatre](http://www.visitkansascityks.com/component/mtree/entertainmentnightlife/legends-14-theatre.html), 1841 Village West Parkway, Kansas City , KS 66111, 913-428-2992  
<http://www.phoenixtheatres.com>. Free Summer Movies - Doors open at 9am and the movies will begin at 10am. Groups can reserve tickets from Noon-9pm Monday of the week they would like to come by contacting Mr. Nicklin at 913-428-2928. There are a limited number of ticket reservations available.

**2012 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days**

The days for drop off are Saturdays, August 18, September 15 and October 20, 2012. Wyandotte county residents can bring tires, motor oil, batteries, antifreeze, degreasers, paints, varnishes, solvents, lawn & garden insecticides/pesticides, and household cleaning products to 2443 South 88th Street, Kansas City, Kansas. For additional information call 573-5400.

**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

**Best Choice Save-A-Label** **For P.A.W.S. (People Helping Animals)**  
The Save-A-Label program is an extremely successful program which helps non-profit organizations raise money. Currently, there are more than 10,000 non-profit groups in the Associated Wholesale Grocers trade area that participate in the program. These groups earn $.03 for each Best Choice UPC symbol redeemed, with a minimum of 1,000 labels required for redemption. This program represents more than 1.2 million cases of Best Choice products

purchased by consumers in one year. You can bring your Best Choice UPC labels to the office and we will redeem them for credit to the P.A.W.S. (People Helping Animals) organization.

**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

**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.

**ARE YOU TURNING 65 THIS YEAR? ARE YOU ALREADY RECEIVING MEDICARE BENEFITS? IS YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME LESS THAT $1361 PER MONTH**

**($1839 per month for a married couple)?**

Then…you need to apply for Extra Help from Medicare. Medicare, not you, may pay for your premiums, copays, and deductibles! For help by appointment in our office call the local SHICK office at the Wyandotte/Leavenworth Area Agency on Aging at 913-573-8531 or 1-888-661-1444. APPLY for extra help with the Social Security Administration online at www.social security.gov, or by phone at 1-800-772-1213.

5. What is being sent to residents along with an occupant form?

Yard of the Month

July 2012 Winners

1st – 770 Manorcrest



2nd – 83 Viewcrest



3rd – 3164 N. Allis



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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**Public Service Announcements**

**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 |
| Tomz Toyz Race & Repair | 4301 Swartz Rd. KC Ks | 913-279-1663 |

**CHURCH**

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

**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 | Rosario Ortiz | 816-215-5114 |
| Handyman Pros &  Real Deal Pressure Washing | Brandon Deal | 913.707.2669 |
| CTC Electrical Service | Jeremy Tollie | 913.375.0070 |
| 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 |
| Grass Mowing/Yard Work | Matt Eklund | 913.526.2974 |
| Jano’s Lawn Service | Antonio Mandujano | 913.944.8082 |
| J D Jackson |  | 816.803.9914 |
| Rolling Reel Grass Cutting | J. Hall | 913.233.2541 |
| Yard Work | Annamaria | 816.810.8872 |
| Abe Sawyer |  | 913-562-7252 |

**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 |
| Cupcakes by Frederick  9. How much money does the credit union have in regular reserves? | William Frederick | 913.248.5416 |
| Custom Made to Order Jewelry & Watch Repair | Tammy Eklund | 913.342.2326 |
| Hair Salon | Niki | 913.710.6216 |
| 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 |

**PAINTING**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Todd Bothwell |  | 816.517.6639 |
| Matt Eklund |  | 913.526.2974 |
| Abe Sawyer |  | 913.562.7252 |

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

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| Freeze Frame Photography | Dee Dee Johnson | 816.716.8865 |

**RECYCLING**

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

**Cash Reward**

At the end of June a package was delivered to a resident on Viewcrest. Unfortunately, someone took the package. The package contained something very important and expensive. If you have any knowledge or information about this please call the office.

**Paint for sale**

Behr exterior premium plus

Color is artichoke (matches buildings painted green)

$30 per gallon or best offer. 913-233-2541

**FOR SALE**

To inquire on the items below call 913-999-4340

1. AB Doer Twist w/ workout video, $150

Tones muscle Massages back while exercising

1. 4 each Tires & Rims (205-70-15), $500

-------------------------------------------------------------------------Casio Keyboard w/49 keys, 4 Octave, background music & drums, $30, 913-515-3664

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Iron Bench (White), $40, 503-709-2290

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| Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union  As of June 30, 2012 | NEEDED |
| Assets: |  |
| LOANS | 596,804.16 |
| ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES | - 14,022.79 |
| SECURITY BANK | 67,047.85 |
| CHANGE FUND | 200.00 |
| COMMUNITY AMERICA CU – SAVINGS | 85.74 |
| COMMUNITY AMERICA CU – CD | 104,968.94 |
| BANK MIDWEST | 53,911.23 |
| KCCU MEMBERSHIP SHARES | 11,428.85 |
| KCCU CASH MANAGEMENT | 1,435.71 |
| CREDIT UNION 1 SAVINGS | 26.28 |
| INDUSTRIAL STATE BANK | 84,545.12 |
| INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN | 1,550.01 |
| INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN | 100,000.00 |
| M & I BANK | 100,000.00 |
| COMMERICAL STATE BANK OF BONNER SPRINGS | 100,000.00 |
| PREPAID INSURANCE | 4,676.83 |
| NCUSIF | 10,308.28 |
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| **TOTAL ASSETS** | **1,222,966.21** |
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| Liabilities: |  |
| ACCOUNTS PAYABLE | 618.00 |
| AUDIT FEE - PAYABLE | 0.00 |
| NCUSIF PREMIUM PAYABLE | 1,776.00 |
| FEDERAL & KANSAS TAXES DUE | 165.00 |
| SHARED DIVIDENDS PAYABLE | 0.00 |
| MEMBER SHARES | 970,679.14 |
| REGULAR RESERVES | 31,510.21 |
| RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES | 26,500.00 |
| UNDIVIDED EARNINGS | 191,717.86 |
| NET INCOME | 0.00 |
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| **TOTAL LIABILITIES** | **1,222,966.21** |

10. What day and time is the Homes Back to School Event?

C:\Users\Liz\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\ENT1MFF8\MC900383564[1].wmf Are you interested in walking with a partner? Enjoy exercise and beautiful weather. Call the office to be a volunteer or a participant.

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| One Bedroom | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 728 Manorcrest | C/A, Fridge, W/D, Furnished | Tsai | 913.321.2471 | $3,000 |
| 900 Manorcrest |  | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $3,500 |
| 3118 N Allis | C/A, Stove, Patio | Rueff | 757.572.5165 | $4,500 OBO |
| 31 Summitcrest |  | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $6,200 |
| Two Bedroom Up | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 745 Manorcrest | No C/A | Hullaby | 816.678.9871 | $6,000 |
| 839 Manorcrest | No C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D | Jackson | 816.803.9914 | $7,500 |
| 3116 N 9th | C/A, Stove, Fridge, Furnished | West | 913.999.2517 | $11,000 OBO |
| 85 Viewcrest | C/A, Shed, Furnished (except art work), Fridge, Stove, W/D | Dickey | 727.319.3736 | $13,995 |
| Two Bedroom Down | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 5 Craigcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D | Prince | 913.400.1133 | $10,000 |
| 727 Manorcrest | C/A, Shed | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $7,000 |
| 741 Manorcrest | C/A | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $7,000 |
| 783 Manorcrest | C/A | Deal | 913.707.2669 | $10,000 |
| 954 Manorcrest | C/A, Basement | Ramos | 913.621.4532 | $13,000 |
| 3000 N Allis |  | Walther | 856.278.1040 | $9,500 |
| 3149 N Allis | C/A, Stove, Fridge, Microwave | Hernandez | 913.563.2635 | $11,000 |
| 841 Roswell |  | Gregg | 913.371.5673 | $10,233 |
| 1 Summitcrest | C/A, Stove, Shed | Robleado | 913.488.5563 | $12,000 |
| 14 Viewcrest | C/A, Appliances, Deck, 2 Sheds | Couch | 913.371.6911 | $12,000 |
| 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 |
| Three Bedroom | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 948 Manorcrest | Shed, Appt Only | Ontiveros | 816.585.4469 | $16,000 |
| 822 Roswell | C/A, Appt Only | Gallegos | 913.638.0521 | $14,500 |
| 824 Roswell | C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D | Gardea | 913.601.0218 | $13,000 |
| 44 Viewcrest | C/A, Deck, Appt Only | Meraz | 913.991.8131 | $13,000 |
| 133 Viewcrest | C/A,Stove, Fridge, W/D, D/W | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | BID |
| Double Unit | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 960/966 Manorcrest | C/A, Shed | Dyche | 913.406.5968 | $6,000 |
| 3133/3141 N Allis (1/1 bedroom) | No C/A | Englehardt | 913.342.3225 | $10,000 OBO |
| 39/41 Summitcrest (2/2 bedroom) | Stove, Fridge | Lopez | 913.952.5386 | $25,000 OBO |
| 84/86 Viewcrest (2/2 bedroom) | C/A, Shed | Eberhardt | 913.281.5847 | $20,000 OBO |

* PAY MONTHLY ASSOCIATION FEES WITH INTUIT PAYMENT NETWORK -To receive your monthly association (maintenance) fee invoice via email, please send your name, address, and email address to homespayments@sbcglobal.net.

THE HOMES UNITS FOR SALE

* UNIT INSPECTIONS - The maintenance staff will conduct an inspection of all units for sale.

Any repairs or damages that are the stockholders responsibility must be completed before the sale is final.

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| August 2012 | | | | | | |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday  **1** | Thursday  2 | Friday  3 | Saturday  4  BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR, KCKCC, 7250 STATE AVE  9AM-1PM |
| 5 | 6  LAST DAY TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT | 7  KANSAS PRIMARY ELECTION  -------------------------  NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME  INDIAN SPRINGS MALL 6PM | 8  BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT @ THE HOMES  5PM– 6PM | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13  FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR KCK (USD 500) | 14 | 15  CREDIT UNION BOARD MEETING  4:30 PM | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20  BOARD MEETING  6:00 PM | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |  |

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Newsletter Editors, Elizabeth Bothwell and Debbie Walters

8. How many furnace/air conditioning contractors are listed in the newsletter?

**AUGUST TRIVIA & FUN**

**Skirting the Pants (**Turn your daughter's outgrown jeans into a trendy no-sew denim skirt.)

[](http://familyfun.go.com/assets/cms/crafts/skirt-pants-craft-photo-420-FF0808EFA07.jpg) Total Time Needed: 1-2 Hours

Materials

* Old jeans Scissors Masking tape Glue

Instructions

Start by cutting the legs off the jeans just above the knee and setting the scraps aside. Use scissors to open the inner leg seams. Then, open the front seam to one inch below the zipper (A), and the back seam to about 7 inches below the waist.

Cut denim triangles from the scraps to fill the spaces in the front and back of the skirt. Use fabric glue to attach them in place. Secure the seams with masking tape until they dry.

For a hem, turn the skirt inside out and fold the edge to your desired length. Glue it in place, and again use tape to hold it while it dries.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT REGISTRATION FORM

FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

THE HOMES CLUBROOM, 5-6PM

Child’s Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Grade\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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2. When are the Kansas primary elections?