Happy May Birthdays

THE HOMES, INC May 2015

NEWSLETTER

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

REMEMBER TO MOW YOUR LAWN ON A REGULAR BASIS. IF THE HOMES HAS TO MOW YOUR YARD THE FIRST TIME CHARGE IS $75 AND EVERY OTHER TIME IS $150.

**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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**IF YOU HAVE A NEED TO CALL THE AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE PHONE, ALWAYS LEAVE A MESSAGE.** The after hour’s maintenance phone is for **EMERGENCIES ONLY**. Turning on your outside water, etc. are not emergencies. A clogged toilet is an emergency. Please be mindful of this.

**Starting April 30th the newsletter will no longer be delivered to every unit. If you are interested in receiving the newsletter you have four options**

**1. You can have the newsletter emailed to you.**

**2. You can stop by the office and pick up a newsletter.**

**3. You can have the newsletter delivered to your unit.**

**4. You can view the newsletter at www.thehomesinc.com.**

**Please call the office and let us know your preference.**

THE HOMES

BOARD MEETING

May 18, **6:30pm**

IN THE CLUBROOM

Stockholders are welcome

FOLLOW US ON ...  AND 

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS**

**Tuesday, May 5**

**6:30pm in The Clubroom**

* The Neighborhood Watch is applying for a $3,000 grant. Neighborhood Watch and The Homes are working together to decide how best to use the grant to improve the community.
* A group helping countries in Africa to obtain better health is in need of empty prescription bottles with lids. You can drop the prescription bottles off at the office.
* The Shiners are selling Vidalia Onions, 5lb bag $6.00 or 10lb bag $11.00. The onions will be here the week of May 4. Contact Bob Anver, 913-342-2660.

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 that 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.

1. When is the date and time of the next Board of Directors meeting?

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE HOMES, INC.

April 20, 2015

President Kayla Ross called the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of The Homes, Inc. to order at 6:30 p.m. on April 20, 2015.

Present were: Elaine Hines, Kayla Ross, Frank Moss, Charles Sawyer and Effie Barber, Board Members; Greg Goheen, Attorney; and Karen Brokesh, Transcriber. Manager Elizabeth Bothwell was absent.

Fifteen stockholders attended the meeting.

President Ross welcomed the stockholders and occupants to the meeting. President Ross also asked all persons 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 Ross reminded all attendees to state their name and address so that the minutes can accurately reflect all comments made during the open session. Everyone was 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 March, 2015 has been posted.

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 16, 2015 and the March 16, 2015 Executive Session had previously been distributed to all board members. Effie Barber moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Seconded by Charles Sawyer. Carried unanimously.

Treasurer Moss reported that the financial statement for February has been reviewed and found to be in good order. Frank Moss moved to accept the financial report as presented. Seconded by Charles Sawyer. Carried unanimously.

The stockholder change requests approved by the manager this month are:

776 Manorcrest: Install a 7 x 7 Rubbermaid shed – David Bohnert. Work will be done self.

16 Summitcrest: Install 10 x 12 shed – John Delameter. Work will be done by Tough Shed.

866 Manorcrest: Plant bushes in yard – Mary L. Hahner. Work will be done by self.

7 Viewcrest: Remodel bathroom – R. Elaine Hines. Work will be done by contractor affiliated with Home Depot.

7 Viewcrest: Install vinyl flooring in unit – R. Elaine Hines. Work will be done by Troy Morerod.

64 Viewcrest: Install two 3-tier cement blocks/retaining wall in front of unit to prevent erosion – Siliva McClaughlin. Work will be done by self.

21 Viewcrest: Install satellite dish – Estebon Maldonado. Work will be done by Dish Network.

The first stockholder change request for board consideration was that of Elizabeth Peresic, 789 Manorcrest, to install a handicap ramp to her unit. Frank Moss moved to approve this request. Seconded by Elaine Hines. Carried unanimously.

The last stockholder change request for board consideration was that of R. Elaine Hines, 7 Viewcrest, to install a driveway in front of her unit. No permit has been obtained yet for this work. Charles Sawyer moved to approve the request as long as the owner is responsible for the removal and replacement costs of the driveway due to any utility work. Seconded by Frank Moss. Motion carried with Elaine Hines abstained.

Elaine Hines read the stock transfer approvals as follows:

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| **ADDRESS** | **TRANSFER FROM** | **TRANSFER TO** |
| 16 Summitcrest | Veronica Rodriguez | Johnnie E. Delameter |
| 60 Viewcrest | Angel P. Hernandez | Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union |

After being informed that the stock transfers were in order, it was moved by Elaine Hines and seconded by Effie Barber 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.

*Reports and Announcements:*

The Neighborhood Watch Committee plans to submit an application for grant monies from the Neighborhood Horizon Fund for neighborhood improvements. The grants awarded will be up to $3,000.00. Suggestions for use of any grant monies awarded should be made to Bob Anver who will then pass them on to the Board of Directors for consideration. Neal Harris Heating and Air Conditioning will also come out to check and tune-up air conditioning units for $79.00. A reduced rate may be available if enough persons sign up for the service.

The Finance Committee met recently and reviewed the 2015 budget. The Committee approved the budget as drafted and recommends it for Board approval. Erosion problems will be reviewed next by the Committee. The Committee asked the Board to identify issues so that budgeting can be made for costs to remedy erosion areas.

There was no stockholder trivia drawing this month due to the manager’s absence. Two prizes will be awarded next month.

Ray Stacey announced his is no longer able to continue heading the Bradford-Coffelt Memorial Tree Committee due to his health. Volunteers are needed to help with the committee.

Stockholders were reminded that the speed limit in The Homes is 20 mph and please look out for small children playing outdoors.

There is no assigned parking. Stockholders were asked to use overflow parking for guests. If you have more than two vehicles in your household, please make use of the overflow parking as well rather than filling up all the spaces in front of the building.

Guests that are staying in units longer than 30 days need to be registered on an occupancy form. The occupancy policies only allow two persons in each bedroom.

Everyone was reminded that all dogs must be kept on a leash. This is a policy the Board is strictly enforcing. If you do not comply, you may lose your pet privileges. Stockholders should be careful leaving dogs tied up outdoors alone due to several wild dogs in the neighborhood.

*Old Business to be Discussed:*

None.

*New Business to be Discussed:*

Spring inspections will begin at the end of April, 2015.

A new maintenance employee has been hired through a temporary agency. His name is Roger Latimer.

The property insurance is due to renew on April 21, 2015 at a cost of $78,058. This is a slight increase from last year because extra protection has been added for mold. Frank Moss moved to renew the property insurance. Seconded by Charles Sawyer. Carried unanimously.

The budget approved by the Finance Committee will be distributed to all board members for review and approval at the May meeting.

*Comments from Directors and Attorney:*

None.

*Comments from Stockholders:*

Jim White, 14 Summitcrest, commented on the number of kids playing in the street.

Ray Stacey, 3125 N. Allis, thanked The Homes for the grass seed provided for his yard and asked anyone who would like a tree from the Bradford-Coffelt Tree Fund to contact him. Mr. Stacey also reported that children have been destroying the new playground equipment.

Beverly Waltrip, 25 Viewcrest, asked questions about decorative fence restrictions and reported that dogs remain loose near her unit. She also thanked maintenance for their help with new appliances.

Anna Windham, 786 Manorcrest, reported that she has obtained a restraining order against Chuck O’Brien who keeps coming onto her property.

Sherry McCool, 12 Summitcrest, commented on the spring inspections.

Jerry DeMeyer, 4 Summitcrest, reminded stockholders to mow their yards.

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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KAYLA ROSS

PRESIDENT

Transcribed by Karen Brokesh

**TIPS FOR INTERACTING WITH POLICE**

What to do if you’re stopped by police

* Do stay calm and be polite
* Do not interfere with or obstruct the police
* Do not lie or give false information
* Do prepare yourself and your family in case you are arrested
* Do remember the details of the encounter
* Do file a complaint with internal Affairs if you feel your rights have been violated

**If you are stopped in a car**

**You should pull to the right side of the road as soon as it is safe to do so.** Turn off the car, turn on the internal light, open the window and place your hands on the steering wheel.

Have your **driver’s license, registration and proof of insurance** ready to show the officer if requested.

**If an officer asks to look inside your car, you can refuse to consent to the search.** But if police believe your car contains evidence of a crime, your car can be searched without your consent.

**Both drivers and passengers have the right to remain silent.** If you are a passenger, you can ask if you are free to leave. If the officer says yes, sit silently or calmly leave. Even if the officer says no, you have the right to remain silent.

**Your rights**

* You have the right to remain silent. If you wish to exercise that right, say so out loud.
* You have the right to refuse to consent to a search of yourself, your car, or your home.
* If you are not being detained, you have the right to calmly leave.
* You have the right to a lawyer if you are arrested.

**If you are stopped for questioning**

**Stay calm.** Don’t run. Don’t argue, resist or obstruct the police, even if you believe you are innocent or you believe police are violating your rights. Keep your hands where police can see them.

**Ask if you are free to leave.** If the officer says yes, calmly and silently walk away. If no, the officer has the right to temporarily detain you for investigative purposes. If you are under arrest, you have a right to know why.

**You have the right to remain silent** and cannot be punished for refusing to answer questions. If you wish to remain silent, tell the officer out loud. In the State of Kansas, you must five your name, address and what you’re doing if asked to identify yourself.

**You do not have to consent to a search** of yourself or your belongings, but police may “pat down” your clothing if they suspect a weapon. You should not physically resist, but you have the right to refuse consent for any further search. If you do consent, it can affect you later in court and it can be withdrawn at any time.

**If you are arrested**

**Do not resist arrest,** even if you believe the arrest is unfair. You can plead not guilty to the charge you are arrested or cited for and have your day in court before a judge, who will decide your guilt or innocence. In some instances, your case may be presented to a jury for a determination of guilt or innocence.

Safety First Courtesy Always Kansas City Kansas Police Department

**Tornado Safety**

Living in the Kansas City area, we know all too well about the dangers of tornadoes. Despite living in the Midwest, where tornadoes frequently threaten the spring and early summer weather, relatively few residents actually have a [**home tornado plan**](http://www.kcredcross.org/general_calltoaction.asp?CTA=2&SN=5251&OP=5253&IDCapitulo=575X01B31I#Prepare) or [**disaster supply kit**](http://www.kcredcross.org/general_calltoaction.asp?CTA=2&SN=5251&OP=5253&IDCapitulo=575X01B31I#Assemble) in place. It’s important to [**stay tuned**](http://www.kcredcross.org/general_calltoaction.asp?CTA=2&SN=5251&OP=5253&IDCapitulo=575X01B31I#Stay Tuned) for storm warnings and know the difference between a [**tornado WATCH**](http://www.kcredcross.org/general_calltoaction.asp?CTA=2&SN=5251&OP=5253&IDCapitulo=575X01B31I#Watch) and [**tornado WARNING**](http://www.kcredcross.org/general_calltoaction.asp?CTA=2&SN=5251&OP=5253&IDCapitulo=575X01B31I#Warning)**.**

**Prepare a Home Tornado Plan**

* Pick a place where family members could gather if a tornado is headed your way. It could be your basement or, if there is no basement, a center hallway, bathroom or closet on the lowest floor. Keep this place uncluttered.
* If you are in a high-rise building, you may not have enough time to go to the lowest floor. Pick a place in a hallway in the center of the building.

**Assemble a Disaster Supplies Kit Containing:**

* First Aid kit and essential medications.
* Canned food and can opener.
* At least three gallons of water per person.
* Protective clothing, bedding or sleeping bags.
* Battery-powered radio, flashlight and extra batteries.
* Special items for infant, elderly or disabled family members.

**Stay Tuned for Storm Warnings**

* Listen to your local radio and TV stations for updated storm information.
* Know what a tornado WATCH and WARNING means:
	+ A tornado WATCH means a tornado is possible in your area.
	+ A tornado WARNING means a tornado has been sighted and may be headed for your area. Go to safety immediately.

**When a Tornado WATCH Is Issued...**

* + Listen to local radio and TV stations for further updates.
	+ Be alert to changing weather conditions. Blowing debris or the sound of an approaching tornado may alert you. Many people say it sounds like a freight train.

**When a Tornado WARNING Is Issued...**

* + If you are inside, go to the safe place you picked to protect yourself from glass and other flying objects. The tornado may be approaching your area.
	+ If you are outside, hurry to the basement of a nearby sturdy building or lie flat in a ditch or low-lying area.
	+ If you are in a car or mobile home, get out immediately and head for safety (as above).

**After the Tornado Passes...**

* + Watch out for fallen power lines and stay out of the damaged area.
	+ Listen to the radio for information and instructions.
	+ Use a flashlight to inspect your home for damage.
	+ Do not use candles at any time.

2. How many 1 bedrooms are for sale?

**EVENTS**

**04/06/15 to 05/25/15 - Spirited: Prohibition in America,** Wyandotte County Historical Society & Museum, 631 North 126th, Bonner Springs, KS 66012, 913-721-1078, <http://www.wycomuseum.org>. A special NEH on the Road Traveling Exhibition. In a tumultuous era spanning 13 years, Americans could no longer manufacture, sell, or transport intoxicating beverages. Prohibition was now a part of the Constitution, holding the same status as freedom of speech and the abolition of slavery. Ratified in 1919, the 18th Amendment stirred up a passionate and sometimes volatile debate between “wets” and “drys” that will forever cement Prohibition’s place in history. Spirited: Prohibition in America brings visitors back to this period of flappers and suffragists, bootleggers and temperance lobbyists, and real-life legends, such as Al Capone and Carry Nation.

**05/02/15 - Tractor Cruise**

National Agricultural Center & Hall of Fame, 630 Hall of Fame Drive, Bonner Springs, KS 66012, 913-721-1075, <http://www.aghalloffame.com>. Tractor enthusiasts from all around the metro will gather to drive the 35 mile loop around Wyandotte County. With stops at Grinter House, Wyandotte County lake and Cabela's. This scenic drive will be one to remember.

**05/02/15 - Marble Day 2015**

Moon Marble Company Store, 600 East Front Street, Bonner Springs, KS 66012, 913-441-1432

<http://www.moonmarble.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 and activities 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 other traditional games and activities. Festivities will begin at 8am-2pm in Downtown Bonner Springs. For a complete schedule of events go to [www.marbleday.com](http://www.marbleday.com).

**05/02/15 to 05/02/15 - Race 4 Domestic Violence Prevention 5k**

Wyandotte County Park, 126th Street & State Avenue, Bonner Springs, KS 66012, 913-573-8327, <http://www.wycokck.org/parks>. Join us on May 2, 2015 for our 2nd annual 5K Run/Walk. The event raises funds and awareness for local Domestic Violence Shelters. This year we will have a timed event with professional course set for those who compete. Early bird is registration $20, and regular registration is $25

**05/02/15 to 05/02/15 - 2015 Annual Polski Day Celebration**

All Saints Parish, 811 Vermont, Kansas City, KS 66101, 913-721-0081, <http://www.polskiday.com>. 31st annual celebration! Come enjoy ethnic foods, music, cold beer, children's games and more! FREE admission.

**5/15/15 - National Women's Health Fair**

Unified Government Public Health Department’s “Women’s Health Fair” TIME AND DATE: Friday, May 15, 2015 from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. LOCATION: John F. Kennedy Community Center, 1310 North 10th , ST., Kansas City, KS 66104 Breast Exams Blood Pressure Height/Weight/BMI Blood Cholesterol Test Hemoglobin/Blood Sugar Spinal Check Community Resources Refreshments Door Prizes

**5/16/15 – 9th Annual Bike Rodeo**, Schlitterbahn Waterpark, 9400 State Ave, Kansas City, Ks, 9am-12:00pm. Bike Riding Skill Course, Tour Schlitterbahn attractions, Identikid, Free Bike Helmets and T shirts to the first 300 kids.

3. How much does the bus transit charge for people with ADA disabilities?

**All Welcome: The Bruised, Battered and Cast Aside**

The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City has been a safe haven for animals needing help since 1912. Like other shelters across the nation we take in homeless animals and provide a safe place for them to wait until they are reunited with their owners or adopted into a new home. What makes the Humane Society of Greater Kansas City different from most shelters across the nation is the philosophy and dedication to do whatever it takes to save every pet that comes into our care – no matter the animal’s health, situation or the cost involved.

Our no-kill philosophy extends to help pets in need -- not just the healthy and easy to place ones. We believe all animals deserve a chance and even if they’re not perfect there’s someone out there who will think they are the perfect pet for them. We specifically take in pets that wouldn’t have a chance in many other places, and while in our care if we discover a health or behavior problem we don’t give up on them either

**How Can You Adopt a Shelter Pet?**

To adopt any of the sweet pets at The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City, download our one-page adoption application form from hsgkc.org, complete the form and email it to **Karen@hsgkc.org**, or fax it to 913.596.2483. If you have specific adoption questions, not answered by our website, please call 913.596.1000. Our adoption process is a matching process of matching you with the right pet and vice versa. (No same day adoptions.) Most of our dogs do require a fenced yard.

**Shelter Hours**

Mon. – Fri. Adoptions 9 am – 5 pm **General Info**………………… 913.596.1000

Saturday Adoptions 9 am – 4 pm **To See the Pets**………………… hsgkc.org

Mon. – Fri. Clinic 9:30 am – 4 pm **Volunteer Info**………913.596.1000 ext. 122

**To Make a Gift**………913.596.1000 ext. 114

**Mandatory Spay/Neuter: Something to Ponder**

Like many issues in animal welfare, mandatory spay/neuter laws

have their supporters and detractors. One of the key successes of our Ray of Hope project has been the enforcement of mandatory spay/neuter in Wyandotte County. The results are amazing. In addition to maintaining a no kill status for the county (less than 1%), we have witnessed a 56% reduction of animals going into the KCK Animal Control shelter in the last three years! Make no mistake, this is not directly a result of spay/neuter itself (that will come later), rather it’s the enforcement. Early on we talked with the municipal circuit court, in which pet owners receiving citations would be given 30 days to get into compliance with all of the local ordinances for pets. It turns out that it is cheaper to get into compliance, than to be assessed the full fee by the court and have the animal removed from the home. A win/win for both animal and pet owner!

Targeted spay/neuter grants have made this even more successful. Dividends from spay/ neuter are being felt across the metro area as intake in most shelters have been declining for the last several years even as the number of spay/neuter surgeries are going up! We know adoption numbers are generally flat in the long term. If the metro area can further reduce the number of animals needing to go into shelters to the point of matching that adoption number, we would see the whole KC metro area become a no kill community.

Shirley Elmore, a resident at The Homes, gladly volunteers to take any resident’s pet to receive shots and be spayed or neutered at the Humane Society of Kansas City, Kansas. Shirley can be reached at 913-621-4628. Shirley’s endeavors to help animals within are community are time consuming and costly. A “Save the Animals” savings account has been created at the Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union. All donations are appreciated and go towards the betterment of the animals. You can drop off donations at the office or directly mail a donation to the credit union (QHFCU, 660 Manorcrest Dr., Kansas City, KS 66101). Please note on the donation that it is for the “Save the Animals” fund.

4. How many phone numbers are available to provide lawn care?

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

**BURN PILE AND DUMPSTER.** Contact the office before dumping items in the burn pile located at the office. DO NOT PLACE BUILDING MATERIALS IN THE BURN PILE. DO NOT OVERFILL THE DUMPSTER LOCATED IN THE OFFICE PARKING LOT.

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

**GRASS SEED.** A healthy lawn of lots grass not only looks good but controls erosion. SEED, SEED, SEED. The office offers free seed to residents.

**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.

**TRASH**. Do no put your trash to the curb until 4:00 p.m. the day before pickup.

**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 go 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.

**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.**

**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.

**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.**

**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.

**SECURE YOUR HOME.**  It is very important that you have a trusted family member or friend on your stock certificate. In the event of your death, if you are the sole person on the stock certificate your home will go into probate. Probate can be messy, expensive and time consuming to relatives and friends. Plan for the future.

**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.

5. How much money is needed to purchase the whole set of pet oxygen masks?

**Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union**

**March 31, 2015**

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|  | LOANS |  |  |  |  | 501,386.33 |
|  | ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES |  |  | -11,615.06 |
|  | SECURITY BANK  |  |  |  | 249,046.22 |
|  | CHANGE FUND |  |  |  | 200.00 |
|  | COMMUNITY AMERICA CU - SAVINGS |  |  | 85.99 |
|  | COMMUNITY AMERICA CU - CD |  |  | 256,679.25 |
|  | Academy Bank |  |  |  | 54,520.93 |
|  | KCCU CASH MANAGEMENT |  |  |  |
|  | QUEST CREDIT UNION |  |  | 11.28 |
|  | INDUSTRIAL STATE BANK |  |  | 85,149.44 |
|  | INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN |  |  | 1,556.82 |
|  | INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN |  |  | 100,000.00 |
|  | M&I Bank |  |  |  |  | 100,473.09 |
|  | COMMERCIAL STATE BANK OF BONNER SPRINGS |  |  | 100,000.00 |
|  | PREPAID INSURANCE |  |  | 468.50 |
|  | FURNITURE & EQUPIMENT |  |  | 250.12 |
|  | NCUSIF |  |  |  |  | 10,351.89 |
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|  |  | **TOTAL ASSETS** |  |  | **1,448,564.80** |
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| Liabilities: |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | AUDIT FEE - PAYABLE |  |  | 162.50 |
|  | FEDERAL & KANSAS TAXES DUE |  |  | 165.00 |
|  | SHARE DIVIDENDS PAYABLE |  |  |  |
|  | MEMBERS SHARES |  |  | 1,187,695.97 |
|  | REGULAR RESERVES |  |  | 31,510.21 |
|  | RESERVE FOR COTINGENCIES |  |  |  | 26,500.00 |
|  | UNDIVIDED EARNINGS |  |  | 201,266.92 |
|  | NET INCOME |  |  |  | 1,264.20 |
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|  |  | **TOTAL LIABILITIES** |  |  | **1,448,564.80** |
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6. What is the phone number to the Human Society’s volunteer line?

**DONATIONS NEEDED**

In last month’s newsletter we provided information on how to protect your pet from a fire. We would like to provide our local fire department with the life saving pet oxygen masks. There are three sizes that will snugly fit small, medium and large pets. The flexible tube and the supply tank are the same used with a human mask, but the pet mask is a totally different design and size and is made to snugly fit over the pet’s nose and deliver the steady flow of oxygen needed to revive a troubled pet. Each mask cost approximately $75.00. Please donate to the “Save the Dogs and Cats” fund so that we can purchase a small, medium & large mask for our local fire department. You can drop off or mail donations to the Homes office or the Quindaro Homes Credit Union. Help protect the pets in our community. Ensure that the tragedy of a fire does not include losing a pet. To date $103.00 has been received in donations. We still need $122.00 to purchase a small, medium and large mask.

7. What event takes place on 05/15/15?

The Women's Chamber offers scholarships to women who are non-traditional students. The scholarship amount ranges from $500 to $2,500 based on the available funds and the individual need. The Women's Chamber defines a "non-traditional student" as: 24 years of age or older, is financially independent, and has dependents. All applicants must be residents of Wyandotte County that are attending any post- secondary institution. The Women's Chamber is currently accepting applications for 2015: http://www.womenschamberkck.org/content/ scholarships Please submit application and all required documents no later than May 30, 2015 to: Gayle Lee, WCC Scholarship Chairman Women's Chamber of Commerce KCK PO Box 12611, Kansas City, KS 66112.

2015 Wyandotte County

Extension Master Gardeners

Plant Sale

Friday, May 1st, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 2nd, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Extension Office – Wildcat Room – 1200 N. 79th Street, Kansas City, KS

Vegetable Plants: tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, herbs and more grown by our Master Gardeners for this sale

Berry Plants

Flowers: annuals, perennials, and Kansas native wildflowers

Ornamental Grasses

Garden Miscellany: including books, small tools, decorations

It's finally time to plant! Our awesome friends, the K-State Extension Master Gardeners, are having their plant sale this Friday and Saturday, May 1 and 2. Support this great group and buy your flower and vegetable plants - it's time to get things growing in the garden!

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| **Type of Service/Repair** | **Company Name** | **Contact/Address** | **Phone Number** |
| **Appliance Repair** | Glenn’s ApplianceArt Tucker |  | 913.321.7462913-334-4186 |
| **Automotive** | Herrera’s Service ShopTomahawk Auto ServiceTomz Toyz Race & Repair | 1516 Central Ave4301 Swartz Rd | 913.562.4202913.233.0190913.279.1663 |
| **Carpet Flooring/Tile Installation** | Reliable Flooring | Marvin SmithShawn Walters | 913.548.3195913.944.1970 |
| **Computer Repair** | Heartland On-Site Services | Joe Dix | 913.735.7121 |
| **Electrical** | Shogren Electrical | Perry Shogren | 913.238.7014 |
| **Haircuts for Homebound Seniors** |  | Juanita Priolo | 816-606-0026 |
| **Lawn Care** | Green Brothers MowingJerry | Juan VerdeAntonio MandujanoOscar HernandezJerry | 816.522.5006913.944.8082913.660.6244913.998.3848 |
| **Locksmith** | A Shamrock Locksmith | Ronny Peters | 913.215.1479 |
| **Painting** | Unity PaintingJerry | AnnaMarieMoyaJerry | 816.810.8872816.335.5155913.998.3848 |
| **Personal** | Artistry CosmeticsAvonBabysitting/Infant CPR CertifiedCupcakes by FredrickCustom Made Jewelry & Watch RepairPix by Dee DeeHousecleaning/Babysitter/Dog WalkerSell It On EbayTina’s Alteration & RepairHome Health Care | Mary Jane WatsonKaren AnverReagan AdamsWilliam FredrickTammy EklundDee Dee JohnsonAnnaMarieBob AnverRosita Pineda | 913.281.4405913.342.2660913.832.9266913.248.5416913.342.2326816.716.8865816.810.8872913.342.2660913.633.1495913.514.4020 |
| **Recycling** | C&E Recycling | ChrisEric | 913.904.8501913.907.6764 |
| **Siding & Windows** |  | Mario | 913-486-3174913-488-5563 |

**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.

8. After a tornado passes, you should not use this at any time?

**SERVICE AND REPAIR**

**AUTO**

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**Transit - Dial-A-Ride**

Transportation services provided to ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) clients that are certified being disabled. This service is provided Monday through Friday. The fare for this pre-reserve service is: $3.00 each way. For assistance call (913)573-8351.

**Tranist - Aging Transit**

For many elderly or disabled individuals, public transportation is the only way to get to the doctor, the grocery store, the drug store, or to see a friend. Most of us have aging parents or grandparents that have or will lose their ability to drive. How will they get groceries? Or go to the doctor? The UG Transit system provides some innovative transportation alternatives that help them maintain their independence. The transit services are:

Provides transportation for seniors 60 years of age and older to the area grocery stores, Monday through Friday. The fare for this pre-reserve service is:$1.00 each way. .50 cents each way to Nutrition sites

For assistance call (913)573-8308. The Wyandotte County Area Agency on Aging provides a Nutrition Program for seniors 60 years of age and older. Transportation is provided for the Nutrition Program. The following services are provided through the Nutrition Program. For assistance call (913) 573-8308.

Home Delivery Meals: Hot and Frozen meals, better known as "Meals on Wheels" are delivered to seniors prescribed by a physician to be home bound. These meals are delivered Monday through Friday.

Congregate Meals (Site Persons): Seniors are picked up at their homes and transported to Nutrition Sites where they received a nutritious meal and participate in various other activities such as arts and crafts, and workshops. Contact the Area Agency on Aging at (913) 573-8531.

**Homestead Refund Advancement Program**

This program provides eligible homeowners with the opportunity to apply a portion of their anticipated Homestead refund to help pay the first half of their property tax. There is a question on Form K-40H asking the homeowner whether they want their next year’s homestead advancement sent directly to their County Treasurer. If the box is checked on the 2012 K-40H, the 2013 homestead advancement will be sent directly from Kansas Department of Revenue to the County Treasurer. This eliminates the need for the homestead claimant to physically deliver the homestead eligibility letter to the County Treasurer.

If you do not check this box, you cannot participate in the homestead advancement program, and none of your homestead refund will be used to pay your 2013 property taxes.

**Utility Tax Rebate**

The program offers senior citizens a rebate on a portion of the amount of utilities paid during the previous year. Persons applying must meet all three qualifications listed below:

Be 65 years of age during the entire tax year

Live in Kansas City, KS

Total household income must not exceed $25,000

If you are eligible, your refund will be a total of:

Gas franchise tax paid to Kansas Gas or Atmos Energy

90% of water pollution charges

6.9% of water and electricity paid to the Board of Public Utilities

Franchise tax (special municipal charge) paid to SBC or AT&T

Refund on city sales tax (based on income)

The maximum refund is $150.

Applications will be taken at the Municipal Office Building, 701 N. 7th St., Clerk's Office, Suite 323, Kansas City, KS 66101. Eligible persons should bring:

All gas, telephone, and BPU bills paid during the tax year

Proof of income, i.e. social security, pension, interest, work, etc.

Please call the Unified Government Clerk's Office at 913-573-5260 if you have any questions.

9. If you arrested what should you not do?

10. How many dogs can a resident own?

**COMMUNITY RESOURCE LIST**

**Crisis/Support/Hotlines Shelters**

24-hour Crisis Line (Any crisis) 913-268-0156 Friends of Yates (domestic violence) 913-321-0951

Abuse Hotline (Child, adult, elder) 800-922-5330 Rose Brooks (domestic violence) 816-861-6100

Local Domestic Violence Hotline 816-468-5463 Homeless Hotline 816-474-4599

MOCSA (Rape crisis line) 913-642-0233 Kansas City Rescue Mission 816-421-7643

National Domestic Violence Hotline 800-799-7233 Salvation Army (Homeless) 913-232-5400

Wyandot Center Crisis Line 913-788-4200 Shalom House (single men) 913-321-2206

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| **ONE BEDROOM** | **Owner** | **Phone** | **Price** |
| **TWO BEDROOM UP** | **Owner** | **Phone** | **Price** |
| 884 Manorcrest (C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D, Shed) | Wheeler | 913.827.2185 | $12,000 |
| 3109 N 9th (C/A, Stove, Fridge) | Parast | 913.710.6216 | $9,000 |
| 3116 N 9th (C/A, Appt Only) | West | 913.548.5407 | $8,500 |
| 5 Reidcrest | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | Make Offer |
| 83 Viewcrest | Garcia | 913.321.2471 | $20,000 |
| 112 Viewcrest (Newly Remodeled) | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | Make Offer |
| **TWO BEDROOM DOWN** | **Owner** | **Phone** | **Price** |
| 835 Manorcrest (C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D, Shed, Patio) | Biggs | 479.754.4388 | $12,000 OBO |
| 954 Manorcrest (C/A, Basement) | Ramos | 913.621.4532 | $13,000 |
| 3000 N. Allis | Walther | 856.278.1040 | $11,500 |
| 7 Summitcrest | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | Make Offer |
| 60 Viewcrest (C/A, Stove, Fridge, Shed, Patio) | QHFCU | 913.321.2471 | $8,500 OBO |
| 88 Viewcrest (C/A, Stove, Fridge, Dishwasher, Deck, Shed) | Eklund | 913.909.4687 | Contact S/H |
| **THREE BEDROOM** | **Owner** | **Phone** | **Price** |
| 788 Manorcrest (C/A, Patio, Appliances) | O’Brien | 913.620.8521 | $9,000 |
| 832 Manorcrest ($11,000 with appliances) | Reitmeyer | 316.737.5038 | $8,200 |
| 822 Roswell (C/A, Appt Only) | Gallegos | 913.638.0521 | $14,500 |
| 827 Roswell (No C/A, WD) | Bolton | 913.396.3919 | $8,500 |
| 830 Roswell (C/A) | Llamas | 913.260.7144 | $7,200 |
| 19 Viewcrest “AS IS” | Linderman | 816.898.5163 | $2,000 |
| 33 Viewcrest (C/A) | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | Make Offer |
| 54 Viewcrest (C/A) | Osorio | 913.952.4592 | $6,000 |
| 134 Viewcrest (C/A, Stove, Fridge) | Rebeck | 913.709.0226 | $12,000 |
| 139 Viewcrest (C/A, Fridge) | Mora | 816.419.9387 | $11,000 |
| **DOUBLE UNIT** | **Owner** | **Phone** | **Price** |
| 6/8 Summitcrest (C/A, 2 Sheds, Deck, 1 bedroom Appointment) | Green | 913.321.6947 | $25,000 OBO |
| 15/17 Summitcrest (C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D, 5 bedroom) | Olivarez | 913.689.8895 | $19,000 |
| 23/25 Summitcrest (C/A, No C/A on 25, 4 bedroom) | Rios | 913.375.0218 | $8,000 |
| 27/29 Summitcrest (C/A, 3bedroom, 2 bath) | Streeter | 913.620.5366 | $15,000 |
| 84 / 86 Viewcrest, 2/2 Bedrm (C/A, Shed) | Eberhardt | 913.281.5847 | $17,000  |

THE HOMES UNITS FOR SALE

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| May 2015 |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday1 |  Saturday2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5BIBLE GROUP STUDY2PM IN THE CLUBROOM-------------------------NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH 6:30PM IN THE CLUBROOM | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10MOTHER’S DAY | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18THE HOMES BOARD MEETING IN THE CLUBROOM 6:30PM | 19BIBLE GROUP STUDY2PM IN THE CLUBROOM | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25THE HOMES AND CREDIT UNION OFFICES CLOSEDFOR MEMORIAL DAY | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
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FOR SALE:  25 cubic foot Whirlpool French Doors Refrigerator, Ice Maker, water in door, about 14 years old measures 35-1/2” across by 69-1/4” high, color white, asking $125.00. Call Bob or Karen 913-342-2660

For Sale Converter box

$15

913-999-4340

THE HUMANE SOCIETY

Groomer - Terry 816-582-1367

Small pet carriers for sale $7.00