

Neighborhood News



2009 BUILD GREEN CONFERENCE

Board of Public Utilities will host their 2009 Build Green Conference Thursday April 2, 2009, Jack Reardon Convention Center 500 Minnesota Avenue.

Registration for the Build Green Conference is \$35, and includes continental breakfast, buffet lunch and registration packet. Attendees can register at the door on the day of the conference.

For more information or to register for the conference, call 913 - 573-9898. Exhibitors call 913-573-9180

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING INFORMATION

Master Gardeners Plant Sale

WHEN: Friday & Saturday –
May 1st & 2nd 9am-5pm

WHERE: Wyandotte County Extension Office (79th & State Ave)

WHO: Wyandotte County Extension Master Gardeners are Members of this community who have traded K-State horticultural classroom training for volunteer time.

Mayor Reardon “on the move”

Mayor Reardon's First Floor First Friday will be Friday, February 6, at Bonner Springs City Hall 205 East 2nd Chamber 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm. Citizen wishing to speak with the Mayor will have five minutes.

**Unified Government Offices
will be closed to observe
the following:**

Presidents Day
Monday, February 16, 2009

News and Notices

No More Homeless Pets KC

No More Homeless Pets KC has been actively working with a number of local municipalities (Riverside, for example) to implement TNR and we have received many inquiries from other cities in the area for information. Apparently there is an effort to trap and kill stray cats in KCK. My group (No More Homeless Pets KC) is attempting to contact the neighborhood groups to educate them about TNR (trap-neuter-release), the more effective and humane way to control feral cats. Please contact Kimberly Adwell No More Homeless Pets KC 816-333-7387 for additional information.

Leadership Development Training

Sponsored By:

Liveable Neighborhoods

LeadOn

Spring Series 2009

Session 1: February 21

Session 2: March 21

Session 3: April 18

A continental breakfast will be provided. This is an approved training for you association's MOU with Liveable Neighborhoods. Register with Sherry 913-573-8737.

Neighbors Who Care Presents

Severe Weather Fair 2009

March 7, 2009 * 11:00 am-2:00 pm

4601 State Ave Indian Springs

Be prepared* Get a kit* Make a plan* Be informed*

Get involved

Come and enjoy films, speakers, information booths, and activities for the children.

For additional information contact

"Downtown KCK 2nd Friday ArtWalk"

***A GREAT NIGHT TO
VISIT GALLERIES AND
RESTAURANTS
IN DOWNTOWN KCK!***

***FRIDAY – February
13th – 5:00 PM TO
8:00 PM***

Citizens Academy Current Opening

The Kansas City Kansas Police Department will sponsor their Annual Citizens Academy. Classes are tentatively scheduled to begin March 5, 2009 at the Police Training Academy, 1228 North 79th Kansas City, Kansas. The Citizens Academy is designed to build a relationship with the community. It will also help citizens understand what is necessary to keep their neighborhoods safe from crime.

For more information or to register for the class please contact Maj. Terry Hall ay 596-2056.



Please join us

**Wednesday, March 4, 2009
Painted Hills Golf Course
7101 Parallel, Kansas City,
KS**

**7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m
for our free breakfast event
to kickoff**

**March is Red Cross Month
and**

**Then, meet us back at Painted Hills from
5 p.m. to 7 p.m as we sponsor the
Business After Hours**

With the KCK Chamber of Commerce!

We hope you can join us!

RSVP to BynumMeli@usa.redcross.org

Or

913-321-6314

You're Invited

Grassroots Leadership

Sponsored by Regional Prevention Center of Wyandotte

**Clean Air Advocacy
Presented by Denise Jensen
& John Neuenswander**

**American Lung Association
Monday, February 9 2009
6 Dinner
7-9 Program
KCK Community College
7250 State Ave.**

Please call 913-288-7625 for reservation.

SENIOR CITIZEN

Utility Tax Rebate To Begin

Beginning January 2 thru March 31, 2009, senior citizens will be able to take advantage of a utility tax rebate. The program offers senior citizens a rebate on a portion of the amount paid for utilities during 2008. Persons applying must be 65 years of age during the entire year of 2008, live in the city of Kansas City, Kansas, and their total income not to exceed \$25,000. The maximum refund is \$300.

Applications will be taken at the Municipal Office Building East, 701 N. 7th St., Room 323, Kansas City, Kansas, in the Unified Government Clerk's Office, Monday-Friday, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm.

The Area Agency on Aging, located in the First Community Bank Bldg., 1300 N. 78th St., Suite 100, will fill out applications by **appointment only** on Tuesdays and Thursdays by calling 573-8531.

Eligible persons should bring all gas, telephone, and BPU bills paid during 2008; proof of income, social security statements, interest statements, etc., and social security number. Printouts from the utility companies will be accepted. Please call the Unified Government Clerk's Office at 573-5260 if you have questions.

ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS!!!

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, working in cooperation with your Unified Government, can help you address Lead-Based Paint Hazards in your home for FREE in order to prevent lead poisoning in young children. A state-certified risk assessor will inspect your home and determine the services needed to stabilize the lead-based paint in your home. Types of work may include removing and replacing windows and doors, as well as painting. All inspections and lead hazard work are FREE for Homeowners (landlords will pay a small fee).

Owner-occupied property may qualify if:

- You own and occupy a home in Wyandotte County that was built before 1978.
- Your household income is less than 80% of the area's median income. For a family of 4, household income must be less than \$54,700.
- You have a child 6 years of age or younger who lives in your home or visits your home often.
- For at least 5 years following lead hazard work on your property, you agree not to sell the property.

Rental property may qualify if:

- You own rental property in Wyandotte County that was built before 1978, and has no more than 4 housing units.
- All rental units are occupied by or available to families with a household income at or below 80% of the area's median income.
- For at least 3 years following any lead hazard work on your property, you agree to give priority to families with a child under 6 years of age.
- For at least 5 years following lead hazard work on your property, you agree not to sell the property.

For more information, please contact us at: Project Lead-Safe KCK
1333 South 27th Street
Kansas City, KS 66106
Phone: (913) 262-0796
Fax: (913) 262-8251



Wyandotte County Workforce Partnership

Youth Services Open House

Youth Opportunities Discovered

Wednesday, February 4, 2009

4 pm– 7pm

522 State Avenue

Kansas city, Kansas 66101

913-754-6128

**RSVP : Andrea Pedersen,
913-754-6128**

PORTABLE RECYCLING CONTAINERS NOW AVAILABLE

Liveable Neighborhoods now has a limited number of portable recycling containers that we will be loaning out for special events. We will try and accommodate all requests but it will be on a first-come first-serve basis. It will be the responsibility of the sponsoring organization to pickup and return the recycling containers from the Liveable Neighborhoods office at the Neighborhood Resource Center, 4601 State Avenue, KCK. Office hours: M.-Fr. 8 am to 5 pm.

The portable recycling containers are very easy to set up and the recyclables will end up in a clear plastic bag. You can recycle both plastic bottles and aluminum cans in the clear plastic bag. It will be the responsibility of the sponsoring organization to take the clear plastic bags with plastic bottles and aluminum cans to the Recycling Center. The Recycling Center accepts plastic bottles and aluminum cans in the same container so you will not have to separate the recyclables.

The Recycling Center is located at 3241 Park Drive, Kansas City, Kansas. Their hours of operation are on Thursday and Saturday from 8 am to 1 pm and on Friday and Sunday from 11 am to 4 pm.

When contacting Liveable Neighborhoods, each organization should estimate how many portable recycling containers and extra plastic bags they will need for their event. In addition, the organization should give dates for pickup and return of containers. The containers are foldable 3/8" steel frames which open up like scissors. They stand approximately 4' high when set up. Each container also has a lid that is placed on the top of each container. Please allow adequate room in your vehicle for transporting the containers.