



UNIFIED GOVERNMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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Liveable Neighborhoods Neighborhood News

Your neighborhood group information can be placed here.

If you would like newsletters made, contact our office at

(913) 573-8737 or email us at
vmliveableneighbor@wycokck.org.

Armourdale Political Forum

Platform presentations only

No debating, no opponent bashing allowed. 3 minute presentations
Question & Answer Session following not timed.

Wednesday February 13TH 5:00-7:00 PM

Armourdale Recreation Center 730 Osage Ave.

Mayoral Candidates, Commissioner Candidates,
Board of Public Utility Candidates, School Board
Candidates

Sponsored by: Armourdale Renewal Assoc. &
HMNA-Historic Mid Town Northeast Assoc.

CALL 913-371-5696 For more information.

Refreshments will be served.

Temporary Move for Probate Department and Domestic Court Services

On Monday, January 28, 2013 the Probate Department, Div. 10, and Domestic Court Services will move temporarily into the old county clerk's office on the 2nd floor of the Courthouse while their offices on the 1st floor are being remodeled. Phone numbers will remain the same. Mail drop-off and pick-up will remain where it currently is. The only change to that will be the fact that the doors to that office will be locked between 12:00 and 1:00 each day. Judge Lynch will hold court in Div. 18 on the 2nd floor during the remodeling. Judge Blomberg will hold court in Div. 1 on the 3rd floor during the remodeling. Signs will be posted directing visitors to the appropriate office or courtroom.

Kansas City, Kansas Chamber of Commerce Political Forums

Mayoral Primary forum on February 20th from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the KCK Public Schools Central office in the first floor auditorium.

Community Candidate Forum for the General election on March 20th & 21st at the Community College Performing Arts Center from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Each evening will be for the contested races for Unified Government Mayor/CEO, Commissioners; KCK Public School Board; KCK Community College Board; and BPU.

February Calendar of Events

1/26/2013 through 4/13/2013

FREE Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program

2220 Central Ave. Thursday 5pm –9pm Saturday 9am-3pm

If you earned less than \$50,000 in 2012 and do not own rental property, you may qualify for free tax preparation. Clients are served on a first come first serve basis. You must bring all of the following documents: W-2, 1099's, 1098's ect., social security card or ITIN cards for you and all of your dependants and a picture ID. It's preferable that you also bring your 2011 tax return with you. If you would like to claim the homestead credit, you will need to bring your landlords information (name address and phone number).

2/5/2013

Community Summit

South Branch Library 3104 Strong Ave.

Please RSVP (913) 279-2219 8:00am-11:30am

The event is part of a national leadership grant awarded to Hartford Connecticut Public Library in 2010 designed to promote immigrant civic engagement. Breakfast will be served so please RSVP.

02/5/2013

Hands On Investing: Where has all the yield gone?

West Wyandotte Library 1737 North 82nd

913-596-5800 6:00pm Free

Start the new year off right and get in financial shape with Scott Kaufmann, Kaufmann Financial. There are two moments in life that require income: Now and later. Learn how to create and build an income stream that will provide income from now until retirement.

02/6/2013

Hands On Investing: I'm from the government and I'm here to Help...

West Wyandotte Library 1737 North 82nd

913-596-5800 6:00pm Free

Start the new year off right and get in financial shape with Scott Kaufmann, Kaufmann Financial. Learn how to avoid relying on Social Security as your primary source of income during retirement.

2/15/2013

Adventures In Learning (Shepherd's Center)

First Baptist Church 29th and Minnesota

913-281-8908 or www.shepherdscenterkck.org

8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Call for a lunch reservation. Join us for adventures in learning. Meet a friend , make a friend.

02/28/2013

Liveable Neighborhoods Meeting

Free - everyone welcome 8:30am-10:00am

Neighborhood Resource Center (4601 State Ave. SE Corner)

913-573-8737 or vmliveableneighbor@wycokck.org

Come learn about important programs and services available in your community. Also get updates on what's happening at city hall, the KCKPD and the WYCO Sheriffs Department.

For more information about events in Wyandotte County go to www.visitkansascityks.com and go to www.wycokck.org and register for the UG E-News.

Reminder: Unified Government Offices will be closed Monday February 18th in honor Presidents day.



9:00am to 11:00am at
Trinity Community Church
5010 Parallel
To register call
(913) 573-8737

“Know Yourself.....Know Your Community”

Good Neighbor Training

Feb. 19, 2013 : Overview of GNT, Economic Development, Building Inspection and Business License/Occ. Tax

Mar. 26, 2013: Code Enforcement, Demolition and Abatement, and Rental License

April 23, 2013: Operation Brightside, Health Department, Animal Control, and Liveable Neighborhoods

Neighborhood Housing Task Force :

Moving Forward

The Neighborhood Housing Task Force was initiated in March 2012. by U.G. Commissioner Brian McKiernan. The Co-chairs of the task force are Ed Linnebur, Director of the Downtown Shareholders and Greg Talkin, Director of the U.G. Neighborhood Resource Center.

Members of the NHTF include a wide spectrum of partners, NBRs, CDCs, Neighborhood Leaders, U.G. staff and elected officials.

One of the issues that the NHTF decided to research and continue to support is improvements in the existing state law to address abandoned housing. The law is a tool for nonprofit organizations to gain receivership and rehab abandoned properties and eventually become the owners of the property returning the home to a viable structure for a family to rent or own. State Representative Stan Frownfelter also a member of the NHTF is leading the charge for a change in the state law during the 2013 session. In addition, the NHTF has recommended reestablishment of the Landlord Training Program and has created a brochure in English and Spanish explaining the pros and cons of signing a contract for deed.

Commissioner Brian McKiernan and members of the Task Force will be presenting information to the Mayor and Unified Government Commissioners on Jan. 31, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.