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.

Reminder:
Unified Government Offices will be closed Monday January 20th in honor of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

January Calendar of Events

1/17/2014
Adventures In Learning (Shepherd’s Center) Grace Lutheran Church 3333 wood Ave.
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.

1/25/2014
13th Anniversary Eagle Day Celebration Schlagle Science Library 4051 West Drive 913-299-2384 or www.kckpl.org/schlagle 9:00am - 4:00pm Free
This special day will pay tribute to our national symbol, a once-endangered bird of prey that has enjoyed a remarkable recovery through the efforts of many dedicated organizations and individuals.

1/20/2014
2014 KCK Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Celebration Jack Reardon Civic Center (5th and Minnesota) 913-433-6955 11:00am 1:00pm, Free
Addressing the theme, “Martin, Mahatma, Mandela; still paying the price for The Dream! – how long?”, the Reverend Doctor Otis Moss, Jr., retired pastor of Olivet Institutional Baptist Church located in Cleveland, Ohio will be the keynote speaker.

Liveable Neighborhoods Meeting
Please join us for the next Liveable Neighborhoods meeting January 23, 2014 8:30am at the Neighborhood Resource Center 4953 State Ave.

Christmas Tree Recycling Locations
Residents of Wyandotte County can drop off their tree for recycling December 26, 2013 through January 31, 2014 All tinsel, lights and ornaments must be removed. All drop off locations will be clearly marked with a sign.

Christmas tree drop off locations are as follows:
• Stony Point Park - 527 N. 86th (North East corner of parking lot)
• Alvey Park - 4834 Metropolitan (North side of the South parking lot)
• City Park - 2601 Park Drive (In the park around the corner on the grass)
• Wyandotte County Park (Bonner Park) - 631 N 126th (Ball field parking )

* Please drop off trees in designated areas only.

Important Phone Numbers

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KCK SENIOR CITIZENS’ UTILITY TAX REBATE PROGRAM
GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2014
TO QUALIFY FOR THE REFUND, ALL THREE MUST APPLY:
BE A KANSAS CITY, KANSAS RESIDENT. RESIDENTS OF BONNER SPRINGS AND EDWARDSVILLE ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE REFUND.
2. BE 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER DURING THE ENTIRE CALENDAR YEAR OF 2013 (BORN BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1948).
GROSS INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES, INCLUDING THAT OF SPOUSE, SHALL NOT EXCEED $25,000 PER YEAR.

TO APPLY FOR THE REFUND:
YOU MUST COME TO THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT CLERK’S OFFICE, THIRD FLOOR, ROOM 323, MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING, 701 NORTH 7TH STREET, KANSAS CITY, KANSAS 66101. BRING ALL 2013 UTILITY BILLS FOR TELEPHONE, GAS, AND BPU. YOU MUST ALSO PROVIDE PROOF OF INCOME FROM SOCIAL SECURITY, PENSIONS, W-2S, INTEREST EARNED, RENTAL PROPERTIES, ETC. SAID INFORMATION MAY ALSO BE MAILED TO THE CLERK’S OFFICE. ALL MAIL-INS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2014.

MAKE APPLICATION BETWEEN JANUARY 2 AND MARCH 31, 2014, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:30 A.M. AND 4:00 P.M.

THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING, LOCATED AT THE MIDTOWN KCK METROCENTER, 849 NORTH 47TH STREET (SOUTH ENTRANCE) WILL FILL OUT APPLICATIONS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS BY CALLING 573-8531.

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE, YOUR REFUND WILL BE THE TOTAL OF THE FOLLOWING (NOT TO EXCEED $150):
• GAS FRANCHISE TAX PAID TO KANSAS GAS OR ATMOS ENERGY
• 90% OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL CHARGES PAID TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
• 10.9% OF WATER AND ELECTRICITY PAID TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
• FRANCHISE TAX (SPECIAL MUNICIPAL CHARGE) PAID TO AT&T
• A REFUND ON CITY SALES TAX (BASED ON INCOME)

PLEASE NOTE: INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN THE SENIOR CITIZEN AND SPOUSE LIVING IN THE RESIDENCE WILL RESULT IN THE REFUND BEING LOWERED BY ONE-HALF FOR WATER POLLUTION, ELECTRICITY/WATER AND GAS. EXAMPLE, ADULT CHILDREN AND THOSE WITH CHILDREN LIVING WITH THE APPLICANT. THIS ALSO INCLUDES ADULT GRANDCHILDREN.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT CLERK’S OFFICE AT 573-5260.

Excel In Career Technical Education Initiative
Excel in Career Technical Education is a bold and innovative plan to enhance career technical education in Kansas and better prepare high school students for college and careers. Through Senate Bill 155, free college tuition for high school students in postsecondary technical education courses and incentives to school districts for students earning industry-recognized credentials in high demand occupations is provided. The initiative has received national recognition as “Top Ten Innovations to Watch” from the Brookings Institute. Financial components included in Senate Bill 155:
Student tuition reimbursement ($11.75 million), $1,000 incentive to high schools for students earning an industry-recognized credential ($1.5 million). Transportation reimbursement provide student access to postsecondary programs ($500,000), Marketing to increase student participation in career technical programs ($50,000).

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