



UNIFIED GOVERNMENT
NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



OCTOBER 2014

Liveable Neighborhoods Neighborhood News

Your neighborhood group information can be placed here.

If you would like newsletters made, contact Andrea at
(913) 573-8737 or email ageneraux@wycokck.org.

Kids Halloween Safe Night Locations

There will be events at all Unified Government recreation centers on Friday October 31st. For more information regarding times and activities at each community center, please contact (913) 573-8327. Center locations:

JFK Recreation Center - 1310 North 10th Street.

Eisenhower Center - 2901 North 72nd Street.

Argentine Community Center - 2810 Metropolitan.

Armourdale Community Center - 730 Osage.

Bethany Community Center - 1120 Central Ave.

Kensington Gym - 2900 State Ave.

Piper Community Center - 3130 N 122nd Street.

Other Halloween Events:

Halloween at the Alcott "Super Heroes and Villains" - Friday October 31, 2014 5-8pm Come take a stroll through our "city" and help the heroes fight off all the evil that has come for a visit. On your way to get your candy, be sure to stop at the face painter to get your disguise and Darryl Woods booth for pop culture art. If you would like to volunteer or donate please call (913) 233-2787

Wyandotte County Fair Assoc. - Saturday October 25, 2014 1:00pm-4:00pm 13700 Polfer Road. For more information call (913) 788-7898.

Rosedale Healthy Halloween - Saturday October 25, 2014 2-5pm at Whitmore Park 1412 Southwest Blvd. KCK 66103. Come celebrate Halloween the fun and healthy way!

8th Street YMCA Trunk or Treat - Friday October 24, 2014 5:30pm - 8:00pm at 900 North 8th Street Kansas City, KS 66101. For more information contact JoAnna Rogers at (913) 321-9622.

Adventures In Learning

October 17, 2014 8:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
 Grace Lutheran Church 3333 Wood Ave.
 913-281-8908 or www.shepherdscenterkck.org
 Call for a lunch reservation. Meet a friend and make a friend.

Liveable Neighborhoods Meeting

Thursday October 23 , 2014 8:30am to 10:30am
 Neighborhood Resource Center (4953 State Ave.).
 For more information call 913-573-8737 or
 email ageneruax@wycokck.org.
 There will be no meeting in November or December.

2014 Kansas City, Kansas

Burn Permit Process

Residents in Kansas City, Kansas are allowed to apply for a burn permit for the time period of October 16, 2014 through November 15, 2014 at any of the Fire Stations currently staffed by the Kansas City, Kansas Fire Department. Kansas City, Kansas residents are limited to one 3-day burn permit per burn period that allows for the combustion of one 10 foot by 10 foot or smaller pile of naturally occurring residential organic yard waste generated onsite. If you operate a business out of your home you are classified as a business and cannot participate. Applications must be received and approved at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of burning. Open burning with a permit is allowed between the hours of 7:00am to 6:00pm

The resident doing the burning must be at the burning site at all times. Residents shall maintain a copy of the burn permit on site, an adequate water supply and/or fire extinguisher while conducting open burning. In no circumstance shall open burning occur within 15 feet of any building or within 15 feet from any one's property line. Piling of brush, tree limbs, grass and other organic materials are limited in size to 100 square feet at the base.

Each Burn Permit allows for one organic pile per permit, one permit per residential property. (yard waste generated such as tree limbs, leaves, weeds, brush and grass) All organic materials burned within the city limits of Kansas City, Kansas are limited to organic materials and/or burning without a permit shall be subject to Section I-7 (General Penalty, Continuing Violations) of the general provisions code of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/KCK.

At no time shall wire insulation, tires, rubber products, plastic, automobile products, paper, cardboard, construction chemicals, household chemicals or any other material that normally emits dense smoke, noxious odors or hazardous air pollutants be burned.

At any time, the Fire Chief or his designee may revoke burn permits or ban open burning. Weather conditions (high winds, low humidity) may make open burning too dangerous. Open burning may also be suspended when air pollution "Red Alert" days are declared by the Mid America Regional Council, MARC, and the Unified Government.

Parade Schedule



Silver City Day Parade - Saturday October 4, 2014
 10:00am along Strong Ave.
 For more information email silver-cityday@gmail.com.
Turner Days Parade - Saturday October 11, 2014 10:00am along 55th Street. For more information go to www.turnerdays.com or call (913) 596-2240.

Local Farmers Markets

KCK Farmers' Market
 June - October
Strawberry Hill (6th and Ann)
 Wednesdays 7:30 to sellout
Juniper Gardens (3rd and Richmond)
 Mondays 7:30am - to sellout
Catholic Charities (2220 Central)
 Tuesdays 7:30am - to sellout
 The market doubles the Senior Vouchers and the SNAP/Vision program. For more information contact: Rachel at (913) 909-1027
Turner Community Garden Market
55th and Klamm
 Wednesday 9:00am - 12:00pm
 For more information contact Sharon at sharonhooverkck@gmail.com or (913) 596-1193.

Important Phone Numbers

City questions and complaints.....	311
Police Non-Emergency.....	(913) 596-3000
Liveable Neighborhoods.....	(913) 573-8737
Community Policing.....	(913) 573-8720
Code Enforcement.....	(913) 573-8600
Animal Control.....	(913) 321-1445
BPU.....	(913) 573-9000
Deffenbaugh.....	(913) 631-3300
Potholes.....	(913) 573-8307
Fire Department.....	(913) 573-5550
KCKPD Narcotics Hotline.....	(913) 573-6287



Going Green Corner

By Kirk Suther, Operation Brightside



What Will You Do With Your Leaves?

What will you do with all those leaves that fall on your lawn in the autumn? Will you burn them? Will you bag them and put them into the landfill? Will you blow them onto the street and have them end up causing problems with our stormwater drains?

Have you considered using your leaves in your landscaping? The tree leaves that accumulate in and around your lawn represent a valuable natural resource that can be used to provide a good source of organic matter and nutrients for use in your landscaping. You can and should take advantage of managing and using leaves in your yard's landscaping with the following options:

- **Mowing Leaves:** A light covering of leaves can be mowed, simply leaving the shredded leaves in place on the lawn. However, mowing the lawn is not an effective method of leaf management when a heavy leaf cover is present. Removing the leaves is then required.
- **Mulching with Leaves:** A layer of leaves applied to the surface of the soil as a mulch around trees, shrubs, in flower and vegetable gardens will conserve soil moisture, control weeds and grasses, reduce soil erosion, and prevent soil crusting. Mowing your leaves or putting them thru a shredder will create a more uniform mulch material.
- **Composting Leaves:** The process of decomposition or composting can be carried out in simple compost piles, bins or more elaborate homemade or purchased devices. Composting leaves and other landscape wastes can be used to add a natural source of nutrients to soil; to loosen tight heavy clay soils; and to help sandy soil retain moisture and nutrients.
- **Tilling Leaves into Soil:** Organic materials can be directly applied to garden soil using a plow or tiller which will allow the decomposition or composting process to occur directly in the soil rather than in the compost pile. The autumn season, when a variety of organic materials are available in the form of leaves, pruning, garden refuse, and lawn clippings is an ideal time to do direct application of organic materials into garden soils. A backyard garden tiller should be able to directly incorporate 4" to 5" of organic materials at one time.

Source: *Kansas State University Extension Website*

2014 Household Hazardous Waste Collection

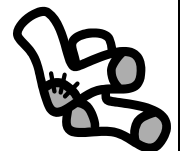
The final drop off day for 2014 for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection for Wyandotte County residents is October 18th. The site will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The site is located at 2443 South 88th Street in Kansas City, Kansas. (South on 88th Street from K-32) or (East of I-435 using Woodend exit near Kaw River)

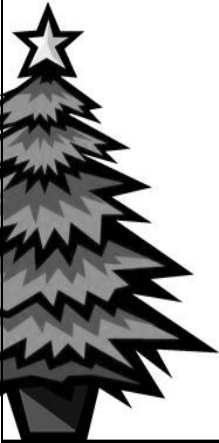
When bringing items to the collection site please label or identify all items. Items accepted include tires (limit of 10 tires and rims need to be removed), motor oil, batteries, antifreeze, degreasers, paints, varnishes, solvents, lawn & garden insecticides/pesticides, and household cleaning products.

For additional information call 573-5400.

Neighborhood Resource Center Sock Drive!

Through the months of October and November, the Neighborhood Resource Center will be collecting donations of socks for Crosslines Community Outreach. You can drop off your donation to the Neighborhood Resource Center Monday - Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm. For more information contact Andrea at (913)573-8645 or ageneraux@wycokck.org.





It's Tree Decorating Time!

It is that time of year again for the Mayor's Annual Holiday Tree Lighting
December 5, 2014

We are calling on neighborhood groups to join the decorating fun. Bring your creative ideas and show your neighborhood pride.

To reserve your tree contact us at:

(913) 573-8737 or email

vmliveableneighbor@wycokck.org

There are a limited number of trees so please reserve yours as soon as possible!!

KCK Public Library Bookmobile!

The Kansas City, Kansas Public Library is holding a ribbon cutting to celebrate the launch of its brand new bookmobile. The community is invited to attend the event celebrating this momentous occasion. Those who attend will have an opportunity to see the bookmobile before it begins its official route.

The bookmobile is a key component in the library's mission of connecting members of a dynamic community with information, tools, resources, and welcoming spaces to enrich their lives. The purpose of the bookmobile is to serve individuals who have difficulty reaching a library branch. It extends current library services to the larger community and helps to lessen the digital divide. It will provide access to library collections as well as the ability to access the internet through an on-site wireless connection and a mobile computer lab.

The Bookmobile Ribbon Cutting will be at 2:30 pm on October 1, 2014. It will take place at Juniper Gardens at 1980 N. 2nd Street, Kansas City, Kansas, 66101. For more information:

Kim Woolery, Public Relations, Kansas City, Kansas Public Library

Phone: 913-279-2106

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Own Your Health Now

**Health Screenings, Health Education, For All
A 9Health Fair**

Saturday October 11, 2014
8:00am - Noon

Trinity Community Church
5010 Parallel Parkway
Kansas City, KS 66104

****Participants must be 18+ years of age.****

Free Screenings

- Blood Pressure
- Height/Weight/BMI
- Glucose
- Oral Health
- Breast Exam
- Talk to Medical Professional
- Vision/ Eye Health
- Help with Affordable Care Act Enrollment

Visit www.oyhn.org for a complete list of screenings.

2014 Making a Difference Nominations

Send us your success stories about anyone you know who deserves to be recognized in neighborhood leadership, excellence in Code Enforcement, community partnering or crime fighting. Just submit their name and contact information along with a brief summary of how they have made a difference in the community. The summary should relate to one of the three categories listed.

Feel free to e-mail your nominations to ageneraux@wycokck.org by Nov. 15, 2014. You can also mail your nomination to: Liveable Neighborhoods 4953 State Ave. K.C.K. 66102. Recipients will be announced at the 2014 Annual Neighborhood Group Luncheon on December 4th. For more information call (913) 573-8737.