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ROSEDALE NEWS AND VIEWS

RDA Office Moves to 1403 S.W. Blvd.

Last week the RDA moved to a new location. We hope this will be a permanent move for us. The building will belong to RDA and will house our office and we hope, several other businesses.

We had hoped to spend some time making repairs, cleaning and painting prior to moving, but that was not possible. Over the next several months to a year we will work on a

comprehensive renovation plan to improve the building. Our hope is to bring other businesses or agencies into the area to share the building.

Several years ago RDA had a master plan drafted for redevelopment of this area. It is our hope that the changes we make to our new building will help this plan along the path to reality.

Your help and support in the coming year is crucial to RDA's future as we take this giant step forward. This next year will be a

very trying time for us. RDA is no more or less than Rosedale residents, businesses and schools working together to improve our community. Together we are making a difference.

FESTIVAL & PARADE SUCCESSFUL AGAIN

Thanks to every one of the 90 plus volunteers who made the fourth annual Rosedale Community Parade and Festival a success. Hundreds of hours of time is spent in

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RDA MONTHLY MEETING FOUR TOPICS, FOUR SPEAKERS

Tuesday, September 24, 1996
7:00 p.m.
Bell Center, 36th & Rainbow

NEW DEVELOPMENT AT S.W. BLVD & RAINBOW

This gateway to Rosedale locale has been sold by the City to a developer. The site is on top of the hill behind Dairy Queen. The developer, Parkway Real Estate, would like your reaction to their planned project.

STATUS OF FIRE STATIONS NEW AND OLD

Don DeSeure will discuss plans for the two old fire stations now vacant and staffing of the new station.

HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE NEW DIFFICULTIES

The rumor is that homeowners insurance will be much more expensive and difficult to obtain in the coming year. Some area residents are already experiencing difficulty in finding coverage. Our speaker will be Frank Click.

HOMEWORKS - HELP WITH PURCHASING A HOME

First time homebuyers will benefit from a special program by Neighborhood Alliance. If you or someone you know is in the market this could save them \$\$\$.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME BUSINESS HOUSEHOLD

ADDRESS ZIP CODE

CONTACT PERSON

DAY PHONE EVENING (RESIDENTS)
Annual Business Dues - \$60 Annual Household Dues - \$12

Please mail application along with check made payable to: Rosedale Development Association
3408 Rainbow Blvd.
Rosedale, Ks. 66103

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preparation for this project and many more hours on the actual day of the event. Without the many volunteers it would be impossible to stage this annual festivity.

Special Thanks to:

Judy Smith and Ruby Hare for putting the Parade together with help from:

Phil Smith
Jerry Sullivan
Bonnie & Elmer Sharp
Dee Shead
Mike Moreno

Parade Judges:

Sandy Gonzalez
Mindy Saucedo
Elmer Sharp
Michael Carter
Patricia Walters
Michelle Clark
Jerry Sullivan
Susie Overman

Joe Hohendorf & family for most of the work on the Festival.

Gene Hill of Westport Printing for printing and the stuffed animals.

Hatty Hatfield of Bingo Alley for the Petting Zoo.

Hinckley & Schmitt for the water.

Terry Masters of Bernie Elec. for the supplies for the permanent elec. boards at the park.

Jesse Hulse of Hulse Elec. for construction of the elec. boards.

Kraft/Alliant Food Serv. for the cups.

Rick Silva of Silva Foods and Micky Davis for the radios.

And all the many other donors and volunteers that make this event possible. **Thanks!**

SPECIAL RECEPTION IN HONOR OF GEORGE ARMSTRONG

You are invited to help us honor George and his long service to our community. He has been a life long Rosedale resident and civic leader and is now moving out of the area.

George has been responsible for many improvements to Rosedale and to the Rosedale Memorial Arch.

**Join us on Sunday, Sept. 22
2 to 4 p.m.
1444 Southwest Blvd.**

Problems with 601 S. W. Blvd. Again and Again

RDA has been trying to get the business at 601 Southwest Blvd. to clean up for the the past 10 months. This business called Paradise Auto (what a joke) is supposed to be a used car dealership. It appears to be a junk car and salvage operation. Recently it is looking like a bad flea market.

The City Inspections Dept. has served notice on the owner and taken him to court twice. Judge Cook has been too easy on the owner, believing his promises to clean up the site. The next step is for the Inspections officer to start over with a new case (number 3) against the business owner and the property owner.

This is the worst looking property on the Blvd. and it is just across the street from our new Sonic Drive-In. How can we encourage new businesses to locate here if we tolerate junk like Paradise Auto? We must do everything possible to ensure a good climate for business in Wyandotte Co. This includes tough codes enforcement and planned, quality development and zoning.

It is my feeling that the Codes Department needs the funding to hire several more inspectors. The current inspectors have a very heavy work load especially when then have to repeatedly take the same offenders to court over the same problem.

Debate Watch '96 - A Way to Voice Your Concerns

On September 25th the first of a series of Presidential Debates will be televised. People throughout the nation including KCK will be getting together in small groups to watch the debate, discuss the issues and complete a survey. The results will be sent immediately to a central location and released to the public. This allows us as citizens to impact future debates, not just the news media who decides what kind of 'spin' to place the debates.

Several groups in Rosedale plan to participate in this event. If you want your opinions to be part of the research, you can participate also. All it takes is a group of 6 to 8 people who will watch the debate together on the 25th. RDA has all the information for you to lead the discussion and complete the short survey. Call 677-5097 in you wish to be involved.

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SPECIAL MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**Public Hearing on Residential Parking Permit Area -
Wednesday, September 25th,
7p.m., Bell Community Center,
36th & Rainbow Boulevard**

The City of Kansas City, KS. will hold a public hearing concerning the establishment of a residential parking permit area in the Rosedale community. The public will have an opportunity to comment on the proposal. The boundaries are as follows: along Adams Street and Booth Street from West 40th Avenue to West 42nd Avenue. The proposed residential parking permit area was petitioned by the area residents. Written statements may also be submitted for the record on or before September 25, 1996, to the following address: Residential Parking Permit Public Hearing, Attn: Traffic Engineer, 701 North 7th Street, K.C., KS. 66101.

The parking permit fee will be \$12.00 per year, per vehicle. "The City of Kansas City, KS. will make reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities on an as needed

basis provided adequate notice (48 hours prior) is given to the ADA Coordinator. If you require accommodations, contact the Office of Disabled 573-5680 (V) or 573-5681 (TTY)."

**Wyandott Days at the Wy.
Co. Museum - Saturday &
Sunday, October 19 & 20**

Don't miss this event it will be a very special family event.

Wyandott Days is a celebration of life in Wyandott City, KS. in the 1850-1880 period. The city was originally named for the Wyandot tribe or Native Americans migrating to this area from Wyandot County, Ohio in 1840. History will come alive as visitors will revisit the Buffalo Soldiers and Missouri Free Trappers. Witness spinning, weaving, soapmaking, lacemaking, shepherding with dogs, games and more from this period plus special Native American dances and period music. You can try some homemade apple cider and root beer. Admission and parking is free. For more information call 721-1078.

Public Hearing on Home-owners Insurance

**Tuesday, September 24,
5-6p.m. at Reardon Civic
Center**

The Kansas Insurance Dept. Homeowners Availability Task Force is conducting a public hearing to discuss availability and affordability of homeowners insurance in our area. If you wish to testify at the hearing contact Tom Wilder at (913) 296-7807 and let him know.

JOBS

Sonic Drive-In

Now hiring for all positions. Stop by at 535 S.W. Blvd.

Katz Donuts

New business now hiring. Stop by at 643 S.W. Blvd.

Voter registration deadline for the upcoming election is October 21st. If you wish to register contact RDA office or Darrell Dye at 384-6380.

Bell Community Center

Join the Fall Family Fun n' Stuff at Bell Community Center, 36th & Rainbow Boulevard. Bell Center is Rosedale's very own multi-purpose community center now independently managed by RDA staff. Bell is a not-for-profit, community-driven facility dedicated to programs targeting families and individuals seeking to use their leisure time in a constructive manner.

Fall 1996 classes include: co-ed aerobics; Hatha Yoga; karate for kids and adults, boxing and activities for seniors. Volleyball and basketball leagues are also being formed. An open gym is offered daily for individuals or groups at a minimal fee. The gym and event/meeting rooms are also available to rent for special occasions. Please call Bell's Director, Michael Carter, at 262-5060 for information on enrollment procedures, fees, leagues and other services offered at the center.

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Both non-perishable food as well as financial donations will be accepted for the 1996 Feed-A-Family Program benefiting the Rosedale Community. Donations may be taken to the RDA Office at 1403 S.W. Blvd. from now until November 21 or bring them to the RDA meeting on the 12th at Bell Center. Special pick-ups may be arranged by calling Brent Baker at 588-5145 or Wendy Wilson at 677-5097.

This program is sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 37. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

RDA Members to Vote for Vice-President for Residential and Business Sector

Every year the Rosedale Development Association's residential and business members are requested to nominate and vote for two (2) members-at-large representatives to the RDA Board of Directors. The residents select one (1) person to serve as the Vice-President

of the residential sector and the business members select one (1) person to serve as the Vice-President of the business sector. Each V.P. serves a one-year term. These board positions are critical for the fair representation of Rosedale's residential and business community on the board of RDA. Maybe you know of someone who would be a good representative and is willing to attend meetings and serve on committees. If you would like membership information or have questions about this

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RDA MONTHLY MEETING School Truancy & Suspension: A Community Concern

Tuesday, November 12, 1996
7:00 PM

Bell Community Center, 36th & Rainbow
(in the meeting room, not in the gym)

A Town Meeting on School Truancy and Suspension Issues will be the topic at this special gathering sponsored by the Rosedale Development Association. Learn how it's affecting our communities and how our tax dollars are used to combat it. Is it working? Mark your calendars to attend on Tuesday, November 12, 7:00 p.m., Bell Community Center, 36th & Rainbow Blvd. **Bring some tough questions.**

James White
Assistant Superintendent,
Student & Parent Services,
KCK School District 500.

Invited guests are:
Marionna Poke-Stewart
Life Skills Specialist with the Alcott
Learning Center

Linda Daniel
Principal at Rosedale
Middle School.

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process, please contact Carolyn or Wendy at 677-5097 by **Wednesday, November 27th.**

Ballots for Residential & Business Vice-President

Please feel free to write in the name of someone you think would represent you on the RDA Board. Residential Members vote for Residential V.P. **only.**

Residential Vice-President

Tim Hamilton

Paul Davidson

or _____

Business Vice-President

Myrna Corpeny
The Gardener's Gardener

or _____

Mail ballots to the RDA office.

Wanted: Bell Board of Directors

The Bell Community Center is still needing to recruit candidates to serve on its Board of Directors. The Center will eventually be an independent not-for-profit organization and is needing a strong, resourceful, critically thinking, governing body to make it one of the best organized and financially stable community centers in the area. If you or someone you know has the time and interest, please contact Michael Carter at 262-5060 for a candidate application.

RDA Holiday Celebration on December 19th

Details on menu, price and program were still being finalized when this newsletter went to press. Please reserve the evening of Thursday, December 19, as the time to celebrate and share in the spirit of the holidays with the members of the Rosedale Development Association, all of its volunteers, neighborhood association members and friends. The Best Western Village Hall (behind Applebee's) has been reserved for the occasion. A cash bar should begin at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Please call 677-5097 for more information and reservations.

Students and Dare Officers Paint out Graffiti

Last month students from the Highland Middle School in Turner and the KCK Dare Officers spent a day painting out graffiti in the Rosedale area. After painting the areas under I-35 at Mill Street and at 18th they enjoyed a cook out and some football at Rosedale Park. It was a beautiful day and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. **Thank you to all involved.**

601 S.W. Blvd. Clean-Up

Thanks to the City's Code and Legal Departments the mess at 601 is finally gone. A new business, an automobile detailing shop, should open in the very near future. The businessman responsible for the mess faces possible jail time for his actions, or lack thereof. **Thanks to all who helped including Judge Cook.**

Volunteers Needed at Bell Center

Volunteers are needed to help staff the Bell Community Center at 36th & Rainbow Boulevard. Bell Center was contracted over to the Rosedale Development Association by the City this past April to staff, maintain and provide community programming. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. Current funding only allows for one (1) full-time and one part-time employee to cover all hours. Little time is left to develop and administer much needed community classes and programs. This is an opportunity for community-minded individuals to step forward and assist with those responsibilities that can be independently handled. We encourage anyone who is willing to help whether you're a senior citizen who has some spare time, a college or high school student needing to complete community service requirements or even because you're someone who sees a need and gives from the heart. If interested, call Michael Carter, the center's director, at 262-5060.

Health Tip Metabolism Matters

Exercises using leg muscles (largest in the body) cause the greatest rise in metabolism. Aerobic activities, such as running, stair climbing and bicycling, fire metabolism up highest.

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Opportunities to Get Involved and Make a Difference

Stopping Violent Crime: New Directions for Reduction and Prevention - A National Debate

This is a free event to be held in Topeka on December 3, 1996 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. It will feature Arthur Miller, host of Court-TV and 'America and the Courts' on C-Span and professor of Law, as the moderator. Participants include: **Richard Thornburgh**, former U.S. Attorney General. **William Webster**, Former Director of the FBI. **David Sentelle**, Judge. **Nicolas Pastore**, Chief of Police in New Haven. **Marvin Wolfgang**, **Alan Lizotte**, **Susan Estrich**, and **Bruce L. Benson**. For more info. contact the RDA office at 677-5097. Although this event is free you must pre-register

to receive admission tickets. Space is limited.

Privatizing Child Welfare (Community Forum)

Friday Nov. 15, 1996 - 10 am.-Noon KCK City Hall Council Chambers. Call Carol Ackerson at 831-9500 for more information.

Safety Tips On the Street

- 1) Do not walk alone. Use the buddy system or groups.
- 2) Always walk confidently and quickly, staying alert to your surroundings.
- 3) Do not take shortcuts through vacant or parking lots.
- 4) Stay away from doorways and shrubbery, walk near the curb facing traffic.
- 5) Whenever possible, walk only in well-lighted, busy areas.

Aerobics Class at Bell Center
Get in shape for the holidays and beyond. Join the hi/lo impact aerobics class that offers a little "Funk" two (2) days a week. Future plans are to build this program to the highest level of fitness. The class is for beginners, intermediate, and advanced. It's easy to follow and easy on the joints. Classes are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays for six (6) weeks, 5:45 - 6:30 p.m., for a fee of \$30. Certified instructor is Esther Toombs. **Call 262-5060 to register or for more info**

JOBS

Eagle Overhead Door Co.
This company is looking for a service man. They will pay up to \$15 per hour. Call 362-8447 or stop by at 1145 S.W. Blvd.

Basketball
TURKEY SHOOT
Saturday, November 23, 1996
Bell Community Center, 36th & Rainbow Blvd.
Sponsored by Westwood IGA

Win a Turkey!

Mom and Dad put on your sneakers and join in the fun at the First Annual Rosedale Turkey Shoot. Teams consist of two members (one parent & one child). Each team will be allowed 20 shots (10 shots each). The team with the most free throws wins a turkey for the holidays. Entry fee is \$3.00 per team.

6 yrs. & under, 9 - 10 a.m.
10 - 12 yrs., 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
16 - 17 yrs., 1 - 2 p.m.

7 - 9 yrs., 10 - 11 a.m.
13 - 15 yrs., 12 - 1 p.m.

Call Michael Carter at 262-5060 for more information and registration.

THE ECONOMY OF ROSEDALE AND ITS FUTURE

ATTENTION!!!!

BUSINESS OWNERS &

MANAGERS

Please attend an important meeting

regarding "The Economy of Rosedale

and Its Future."

WHEN: Wednesday, November 13, 1996

WHERE: Bell Community Center

36th & Rainbow Blvd.

TIME: 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Bring a "brown bag lunch." Complimentary

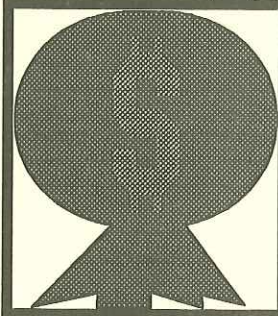
drinks & SILVA's chips & salsa will be served.

Meet with other business

owners and managers and be

part of an economic

development focus group.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Wendy Wilson

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