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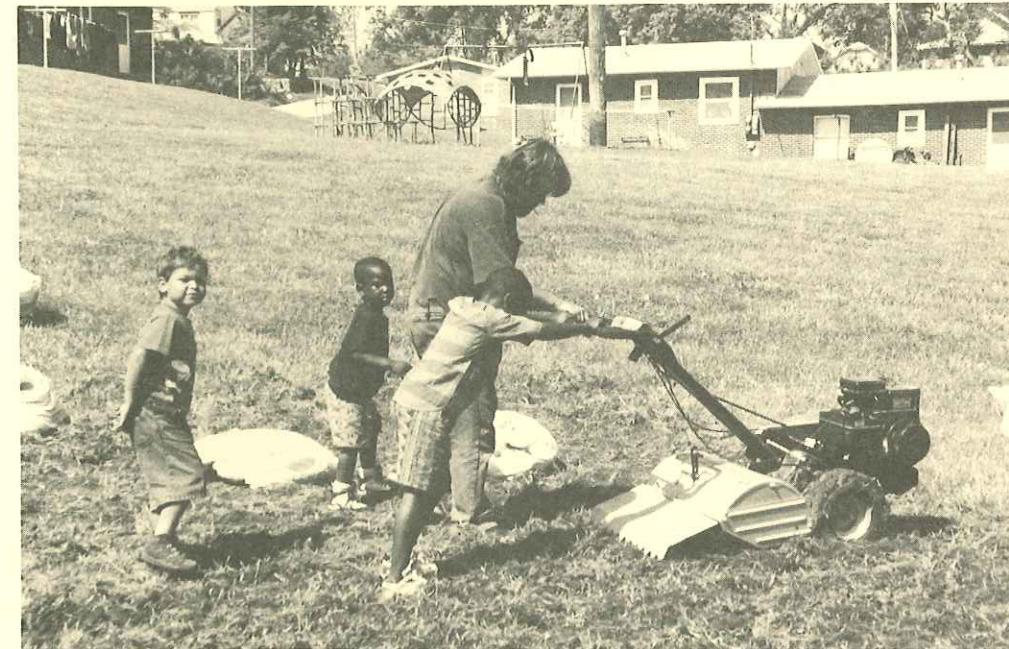


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## Children's Garden Takes Shape



Thanks to Steve & Kathy Mollett and Jim Jenkins the Children's Community Garden in Belrose Manor took a giant step toward reality last week.

The children are excited about "their" garden. They were telling adults that it is just for kids and checking to insure no one was messing with their dirt. This was the response last week shortly after RDA members tilled the ground and added soil amendments. Rain had delayed tilling for 12 days. Planting should be completed by May 17th.

We are looking for anyone who might have some time to help the children with their garden. A person who has experience with vegetable gardens and enjoys teaching children would be perfect. This person should consider making a summer long commitment to the project (one day a week minimum).

We have talked about making a scarecrow, putting together  
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## Flood Control

Would you like to know the Corps of Engineers plans for flood control on Turkey Creek?

I recently attended a meeting at which the Corps laid out their various plans for Turkey Creek. As of now if everything goes perfectly actual work should begin in 1999. The most likely plan involves deepening and widening the creek channel, replacing several bridges and construction of several underground diversion channels for hillside runoff from Mission Rd., Cherokee-Iowa St, and Rainbow Blvd. on the Kansas side.

If you would like to look at the details including maps and a time line please call the RDA office at 677-5097.

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## Monthly Meeting

Our next monthly membership meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday, May 24, 1994**  
7:00 P.M.  
3424 Rainbow Blvd.

James Elliott, Director of Development for Old Northeast Inc. will be our featured guest speaker. The Old Northeast group is located at 6612 Independence Ave. in K.C., Mo. Mr. Elliot will tell us about the various successful programs they use to build stronger neighborhoods.

Recently they have been trying to curtail street prostitution. They have a mobile crime watch that has been featured on the TV show Hard Copy and on local TV stations. Old Northeast Inc. also owns and manages property and rehabs older homes.

We will also have a short presentation by Eagle Security on the services they have to offer our community.

## ROSEDALE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION NEWS

### Fire Works Wins Award

Congratulations are in order for Fire Works of Kansas City, Inc. They were this year's winner of the Small Business of the Year Award for Outstanding Civic Contributions presented by the KCK Chamber of Commerce.

Fire Works won their award for their contributions to the Christmas in October program and for their large involvement in MOSCA's Childrens Project Aware.

Fire Works is located at 735 Southwest Boulevard. They are fire and water damage specialists for residential or commercial properties.

We are proud to have them as a part of the Rosedale community. Keep up the good work.

### Twin City State Bank Beautifies Corner Lot

Twin City State Bank has turned a deteriorating corner into a beautifully landscaped parking lot and ATM site. It's wonderful to see a business that makes major improvements to the community. I especially appreciate the extra expense they incurred to install the beautiful plantings.

Please take the time to drive by and take a look for yourself. If you have a little extra time stop in at Twin City Bank and tell them how you feel about the improvements they have made.

Our hats are off to Twin City State Bank. We are proud to have you in Rosedale.

### FESTIVAL

Our 2nd annual parade and festival is shaping up nicely thanks to the efforts of our volunteer committee people.

Janette & Annette Strong and Marlene Cleavenger head up the parade committee. Their plans for the parade include a performance by the Old Time Fiddlers group prior to the actual start of the parade. Also, a video tape will be made of the entire event and will be available at cost to those who want a copy.

Dee Shead, Kathy Mollett and Judy Smith are organizing the festival. They are planning a raffle with multiple prizes including, so far, a computer, ceiling fan, \$200 worth of Avon products, \$100 gift certificate to Price Chopper, Renaissance Festival tickets, dinners at area restaurant, gift certificates good at area businesses, \$50 cash, etc.

The Dixie Cadillacs will be performing at the festival as will Folklore Venezuela and others. Various dance groups will also perform.

This year's event looks like it will be larger than last year. If you or someone you know wishes to participate in the parade or festival please call 677-5097 and I will send you an entry form. Space for festival booths is limited so it will be first come first served.

### Gardeners Unite

Are you an avid gardener or just a beginner? Do you enjoy looking at other's gardens? If you answered yes to these

questions you may be interested in a new group that is forming.

The Rosedale Garden Group will be an informal club that may meet several times a year to tour member's gardens or to go on field trips. We hope to have fun while trading plants and information. Some of us may want to go on plant buying trips to some of the specialty plant gardens in Lawrence, Cleveland, Mo. or north of St. Joseph, Mo. We may also get involved in setting up community gardens or establishing small neighborhood parks on vacant lots.

At this point we are looking for others that are interested in plants and fun. Leslie Bissell has volunteered to put together a list of those who are interested and to send out mailings about special tours or trips.

If you are interested please contact Wendy at 677-5097.

### Vacant Lot Becomes Garden

As of two weeks ago a Laotian family began clearing two overgrown lots on S. 12th Terr. of small trees and brush and began planting a large garden. Both lots were tax delinquent and filled with trash. RDA located the property owner and asked his permission to plant a garden on the lots. He was more than willing. We also contacted the Laotians to see if they were interested in the lots.

Thanks to RDA member Judy Smith for locating the lots and the Laotian family. We would like to see more of our vacant lots turned into gardens or parks. If you wish to establish a community garden and need assistance RDA can help. Call us.

### Church Garage Sale

The Rosedale Baptist Church at 907 S.W. Blvd. will hold a garage sale on May 19, 20, and 21 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be clothes, toys, baby items, kitchen stuff and more.

### Equipment Needed for Rosedale Middle School

The Rosedale Middle School is in immediate need of:  
Mini-blinds for windows  
Tables or desks for library  
File cabinets for library office  
New library shelving  
Used computers for students  
Copy & laminating machines  
Secretarial chairs for teachers  
Typewriter and desk  
VCR / Video camera

If you can help with any of this please contact Ellen Rosner at 722-7450 or RDA at 677-5097.

## JOBS

**Strasser True Value Hardware**  
Full Time help needed  
Contact Lou Strasser  
910 S.W. Blvd.  
236-5858  
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### Job Wanted

Employers, are you looking for a talented, stable, experienced employee? One who is bi-lingual and has a degree in Advertising Administration?

Carolyn Ruiz fits the bill. She has many skills in public relations and advertising. She also has a background in Hispanic Studies from New Mexico State University. Carolyn, a Rosedale resident, seeks employment in a reputable, progressive organization enabling utilization of her multi-faceted experience, interests and education.

If interested please contact Ms. Ruiz at 262-5671.

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Special thanks go out to the following businesses and residents for their new or renewed memberships.

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### Thanks to Councilman Elmer Sharp

I hope most of you have noticed the new curbs and repaved roads in Rosedale Park. We have Dr. Sharp to thank for getting this completed 2 years ahead of schedule.

The back road from Puckett Rd. into the park had been in bad shape for years. It had deteriorated further with the increase of traffic including heavy trucks during the time the Turkey Creek Bridge was out.

### Children's Garden Cont.

a small garden library and just teaching the kids about nature in general. If you think this is something you would like to do please call the RDA office at 677-5097.

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## ROSEDALE HOLDS FIRST DRUG HOUSE PROTEST



Thank you, Thank you, Thank you to everyone who participated in our first drug house protest on Friday, June 3rd. As a result of our protest the landlord has begun eviction proceedings to remove the problem tenants. These tenants were shooting guns, using children on bicycles as couriers and openly selling drugs.

Some of the protesters took a tour of several adjacent blocks noting the other area crime/drug houses. It was a good chance for neighbors to meet other neighbors who are willing to stand up and stand together against crime and drugs.

**parking lot at 7pm. We will then go to our chosen site for the evening's protest. This way we will surprise the dealers and kill their business for the evening. Bring a chair and a protest sign if you wish. The police will again be with us.**

**Our next protest will be July 1st. Everyone will meet at the Frank Rushton School**

Over 100 people showed up to protest crime, guns, and drugs at an apt. on 42nd and Pearl including Channel 9 News, police officers from KCK and KU, a Missouri neighborhood activist who has closed down 19 drug houses using this method, landlords, apt. managers, and area residents. We had hot dogs and chips for all courtesy of Westwood IGA and free pop courtesy of the KU Police. The kids used sidewalk chalk to decorate the street with anti-drug slogans. An area resident created 12 great protest signs for us and others brought their own signs.

## Monthly Meeting

Our next monthly membership meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday, June 28, 1994  
7:00 P.M.  
3424 Rainbow Blvd.**

Dr. Roger Lampson, Vice-chancellor of the University of Kansas Medical Center will be our guest speaker. Dr. Lampson has some exciting news to tell us. I think everyone will be pleased with K.U.'s new venture.

We will also address concerns of some Hanover Heights neighborhood residents.

I also have some great news concerning Rosedale and the Liveable Neighborhoods Task Force and some of their plans.

Please come and bring a neighbor.

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## ROSEDALE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION NEWS

### Handyperson Referral List

RDA has begun compiling a list of area residents who do home repair or maintenance work. We are including persons who do lawn care and equipment repair also. The people on our list come with good referrals from other area residents.

We would like to expand our list. If you have had someone work for you who is reasonable and reliable please let us know. On the other hand if you have had a bad experience with a worker or company we would like to know this too.

We believe in supporting local people and businesses as a way of strengthening our community.

### RDA Awarded Grant

RDA had just received our first grant. Neighborhood Alliance, a group that serves both Missouri and Kansas by promoting good neighborhoods, awarded RDA a \$2,362 grant. The money is to purchase tools and equipment to clean up and beautify our neighborhoods.

RDA will be assisting elderly, handicapped and low income homeowners with lawn care, gutter cleaning, and minor exterior repair. We will also be cutting and cleaning vacant lots and roadsides utilizing our Court Referred Workers.

We will be able to expand the scope of our project by participating in a summer pilot project with the City. We will be able to hire a supervisor for our court workers and purchase a few more tools. In return we

agree to cut vacant weedy lots in our area for the City. We are cooperating with the Parks Dept. on this project.

This project will begin on June 20th. If you know of someone who truly needs some assistance please call RDA at 677-5097.

### Bi-City Family Fair

On Saturday, June 25th from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. there will be a Family Fair sponsored by the cities of KCK and KCMO at the Huron Rose Garden, 7th and Ann. RDA will have a booth at the fair.

This will be a fun event. Free T-shirts, free pony rides, free petting zoo, free moon walk, free hoops game and more. There will be all day entertainment and a variety of food and informational booths.

Come and plan to spend the afternoon celebrating our cities and their neighborhoods.

### An Evening at the Woodlands

Join RDA and CABA for an evening at the Woodlands on Thurs. August, 11th. The cost per person is \$13.95 and includes everything (except your bets): admission, reserved seating, program, and dinner.

Dinner is a buffet with salads, sliced sirloin, chicken breast, vegetables, potatoes, rolls, dessert and coffee or tea. It will be served from 6:45-8:00pm. The races take place from 7:30-10:45pm. To reserve your spot call Janet at 371-4511. Payment must be made before Aug. 2.

### New Streets

Thanks to the Public Works Dept. and Councilman Sharp for repaving many of our residential streets recently. The work was completed very quickly and neatly. It is a joy to drive through the two neighborhoods that have been repaved.

Residents are not the only ones who appreciate the smooth streets. In-line skaters (roller bladers) have been taking advantage of the new surfaces. Our area seems to be the new hot place for this activity.

The paving company hired by the City did a superb job. I was impressed at the speed with which they completed the job. Thanks again to the City.

### Youth Camp

The Kansas City Kansas Fraternal Order of Police provide camping opportunities for area youth each summer. They sponsor a Youth Camp for needy boys and girls from 9 to 14 years of age.

This camp is a chance for kids to get away from the city and have positive interactions with our police officers. If you know of any area youth who would be interested in this camp or wish to sponsor a child, please contact RDA or the KCK Police Dept. The kids families do have to meet certain income criteria.

### Free Weatherization

There is free home weatherization available in the Rosedale area if you meet certain income guidelines. Harvest America Corp. operates a Weatherization Assistance Program. This program places special emphasis on serving low income, elderly and handicapped persons who rent or own their homes.

The program provides:  
Furnace inspections  
Air leakage sealing  
Attic and wall insulation

These free services help to improve winter heating and summer cooling comfort and reduce your utility bills.

Applications are available at Harvest America Corp., 14th and Metropolitan, KCK 66103 or by calling 281-2781

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