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ROSEDALE NEWS AND VIEWS

RDA Receives Kauffman Fund Grant

Rosedale Development Association has received a grant from the Kauffman Fund for Greater Kansas City, a donor advised fund of the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation. The grant of \$9,170 is for a summer youth program at Bell Community Center.

Our Summer Youth Program began on June 10th and will go through Aug. 26th. Activities begin at 9 AM and run until 2 PM Monday through Friday. We still have openings available for any youth aged 7 to 15 years. Activities cover a wide range from Boxing to Baby-sitting, Arts to Life Skills, Sign Language to Rap music and much more.

For more information or to enroll for classes contact: **Bell Community Center** 3591 Rainbow Blvd. 262-5060

Community Policing Officer on Vacation

Ron Mahr will be unavailable from June 17th through July 18th due to special training in Topeka and his vacation.

Two other officers will be responding to our calls for assistance in the interm. These are: Larry Chronister 818-6754 pg Ruben Rodriquez 391-1934 pg.

IMPORTANT CITY COUNCIL AND CITY **BUDGET MEETING**

The Mayor and City Council invite you to attend a City Council/ Town Forum on:

Tuesday, July 2nd., 6:30 PM **Argentine Recreation Center** 2800 Metropolitan

The evening will begin with a regular City Council Meeting and then move into discussion of the City's 1997 budget priorities. We will all have the opportunity to make comments or suggestions on the 1997 budget. This meeting will focus on Council Districts 3 and 6.

This is your chance to make your wishes known regarding how the City spends your tax dollars.

Railroad Crossing Milled

Thanks to City Engineer Fred Backus and the Public Works Dept. for prompt action to reduce a very rough railroad crossing at Mill Street and Lake Ave. They responded to a request by RDA very promptly and within a few days had milled the pavement to smooth out the ride over the crossing. They have also contacted Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad to ask them to address the apparent subsidence of the railroad bed at this location.

The City's prompt response in this matter is greatly appreciated by both residents and area businesses who now have a much smoother road to travel.

Monthly Meeting

CANDIDATE FORUM **COUNTY COMMISSIONER & JUDGES**

Tuesday, June 25, 1996 7:00 PM 3424 Rainbow Blvd.

Candidates running for local office (Wyandotte Co.) will be given a few minutes to make a statement then we will open it up for questions. Councilman DeSeure will act as Moderator.

The primary election in Wy. Co. is very important. Every vote counts! Knowing who to vote for as Judge has been difficult for me. I have not had the info. to make an educated decision in the past. Judges decisions on issues such as crime impact directly on our safety. Please join me on Tuesday.

Rosedale News and Updates

Mennonite Youth Help Out in Rosedale

A youth group from the Eden Mennonite Church in Mound Ridge, Kansas spent the week of May 27-31 cleaning up and painting in Rosedale. The group was hosted by the Rosedale Mennonite Church at 1444 S.W. Blvd. The Bell Community Center provided shower facilities for the group.

They cleaned a vacant lot near the church, including cutting down weed trees, helped a handicapped man paint his home, assisted several elderly ladies with major yard clean-up, helped an older man with a problem caused by a deteriorating rock wall, and painted the home of another resident. They went about the work with lots of enthusiasm and a sense of fun.

It is heartening to see young people with a positive outlook on life, striving to help others and doing the best job possible. Especially in an area that has recently experienced the violent death of a teen and youth involved in gangs and high risk behaviors.

SUPPORT KU POLICE FIREWORKS STAND

47TH & ADAMS
Opening June 28th
Hours: 11AM to 10 PM

Great Prices and selection Kid Packs/Family/Aerial

Look for the Red Lights Funds raised go to support the Feed-A-Family Program.

RENTAL LICENSING EFFECTIVE JULY 1.

The City has adopted Ordinance 66057 establishing a Rental Licensing program. The purpose is to add an additional tool to the community's arsenal for fighting blight in our neighborhoods.

Beginning July 1, 1996 the City will require that every residential rental unit in the City be licensed. The only exceptions will be motels and hotels, nursing facilities, and Housing Authority properties.

Each landlord must file an application form at the beginning of each year along with their license fee. Since the program will begin halfway through this year, the 1996 fee will be cut in half. There is a 10% per month penalty for late filings.

For more information contact: **License Division** 573-5280 or visit the 3rd Floor of City Hall.

Summer Weed Program

Thanks to funding from Operation Brightside RDA will once again clean and mow vacant weedy lots in Rosedale. We have hired a supervisor/worker to manage court workers (when we have them) or otherwise to do the work himself. In past years we have been able to mow lawns for some area residents who were unable to maintain their lawns. We will not be providing this service this year as we hope to focus our efforts on cutting the vacant lots more often.

The supervisor will be driving a white Ford Cargo Van with the Rosedale Development Assoc. name on the side. Feel free to introduce yourself to our worker and don't hesitate to let the RDA office know of any problems or complaints.

Proposed RDA By-Laws Change

At the June meeting of the RDA Board of Directors it was proposed that the by-laws be changed to read that the board shall consist of 17 members. The current by-laws state that the board shall consist of no less than 11 (eleven) members.

A vote will be taken at the July 2nd Board meeting. The meeting begins at 11:45 at 3408 Rainbow Blvd. Anyone interested may attend the meeting.

The RDA Board is going through restructuring to insure that it truly reflects the diversity of Rosedale and members have the skills necessary to lead RDA in addressing current and upcoming issues.

MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to the following residents and businesses for their new or renewed membership in RDA. You are a partner in building a strong, safe community.

Paul Davidson
Harold & Shirley Hepfer
Westwood IGA Super Ct.
Robert & Steven Colson
John & JoAnn Keir
Carol Kane
Bank Midwest
Marc's Gift & Garden Ct.
Melissa Smith
Virginia Hughes
Philip Gardos

Rosedale News and Updates

Red Alert! Day

When air pollution levels are predicted to be high, Skycast issues a Red Alert! You may hear about it on the radio and local television or read about in the newspaper. When an alert is issued you are asked to practice to following tips:

Fill up your gas tank after 7 PM and try to avoid topping off your tank.

Check to make sure your gas cap is tightly sealed.

Limit your driving by car pooling or riding the bus. Drive during "off peak" hours to avoid intense traffic congestion. Don't idle your engine for more than a minute.

Keep your vehicle tuned up and make sure that the emission controls are operating properly.

Reduce the use of all other gas-powered machines and vehicles.

J.C. Harmon Reunion

The Fighting Hawk's Class of 1976 is holding its 20-year reunion in July. (The exact date was unknown when this newsletter went to press). Other 70's classes are also invited. Call 236-7359 ASAP for more information.

Attention: Business Owners RDA is happy to publish area employment opportunities in our monthly newsletter. Mail or Fax information to us. FAX 677-3437

A Family Affair: Family Fun and Programs to Address the Needs of Today's Family (or singles)

Bell Community Center, Friday, June 28th, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Special Guest: OTIS TAYLOR, Former KANSAS CITY CHIEF

6:00pm to 7:15pm - Family-Style Picnic

7:30pm to 8:30pm

Children age 4 to 6 years to gym for session with Clowns

Youth age 7 to 18 (boys and girls) will "work out" with Otis Taylor

Adults choose from one of 3 classes

Session 1: "Remember you were a teen, too"

Find our about your teen's development and ways to manage behavior during this difficult period in their lives. Presented by staff of Heart of America Family Services

Session 2: "Silent Screams: How Domestic Violence Impacts the Home and Community."

For men and women who want to know more about the impact of this subject on children, families and our community. Presented by staff of the Joyce Williams Center

Session 3: "It Ain't Over till It's Over: Exploring the Myths of Aging" If you ever thought that it's over when you start getting senior discounts, think again. Presented by staff of Heart of America Family Services

\$3.50 per person, \$5 per family, limited scholarships available.

Call 677-5097 to reserve your place before Wed. June 26th

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Greater Rosedale Community Festival & Uproar Parade

Mark your calendars! This year's festival and parade are scheduled for Saturday, September 7th. The festival will once again be held at the Rosedale Park from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The parade will also begin at 10 a.m. and will travel east from 14th & Merriam Lane to Southwest Blvd. & Mill Street.

"A Family Affair" is this year's theme as this event has proven to be a fun day for family members of all ages. Festivities will include day-long entertainment such as live music, dancing, puppet show, food, games, crafts, information and much more. A Home Run Derby and a Frisbee Golf Putting Tournament will be added to the excitement. Contact the RDA office (677-5097) to sign up for the tournaments, enter the parade, or, to rent booth space for your group or business. Volunteers are needed to help

Help Us Clean Up Our Act

In preparation for the Rosedale Uproar Parade, a community action team invites you to join them on Wednesday, September 4. Meet them in the parking lot across from Quick's Bar-B-Q at 6:30 p.m. They will provide trash bags to clean up the streets from 14th & Merriam Lane to Mill Street. Bring your gloves and a sense of humor. Join them for 15 minutes or one hour. Not only will you have fun (and good exercise!), but you'll make Rosedale more BE-U-T-Ful. Need info? Call 262-0510. THANKS!

staff RDA's ticket booth, game and beverage booths.

Earn \$\$\$\$\$ for Your Neighborhood Group and Have Fun

Once again, this year RDA is offering Rosedale neighborhood groups the chance to earn money for volunteer hours put in at the Rosedale Festival and Parade on Saturday, Sept. 7th. We will offer \$5 for every 2 hours of work and the neighborhood working the greatest number of hours will receive an extra \$100. We need over 60 volunteers to make this year's event a success.

You can help your neighborhood group and the greater Rosedale community while having fun. You can help for 2 hours or all day. Please contact the RDA office (677-5097) if you can help us out.

Wy. Co. Regional Prevention Center Gives Grant to RDA

Linda Stewart, Director of the Regional Prevention Center of Wyandotte County, has provided RDA with a grant to assist us with our fourth annual Parade and Festival. This is the third year in a row that they have helped us with this event. Their involvement and support of the Rosedale community is helping us to reach our goals and realize our vision.

Oh Where, Oh Where Can They Be?

As of Tuesday, August 6, the Rosedale Development Association office has been temporarily relocated to 3424 Rainbow Boulevard (just a few doors south of the old address). RDA has been very fortunate for the generosity of the Best Western Motel for providing them with rent free space for many years. A move to a permanent location should happen sometime next month after negotiations to acquire a donated building at 1401 SW Boulevard have been finalized.

Give to RDA thru United Way Pledges

You may request your United Way pledge to go directly to the Rosedale Development Association. This may be done by filling out the donor card specifying your share go to RDA. This year's pledge drive is scheduled for September 12 thru November 14. Please call RDA at 677-5097 for more information.

RDA Needs

As some of you know, a successful and connected community depends largely on the generosity of its residents and businesses. RDA will soon be moving to a permanent location and will need volunteers to assist in cleaning, painting and doing some minor remodeling. They are also needing an upright file cabinet with four (4) drawers. Please contact Wendy ASAP at RDA to offer your assistance.

Rosedale News and Updates

WANTED: Board of Directors for Bell Community Center Earlier this year, RDA took over management of the Bell Recreation Center from the City of KCK. The intention has always been that Bell become an independent not-forprofit, 501 (c)(3), organization. The formation of a resourceful, wellinformed, committed and criticallythinking board is necessary for its success. Interested persons are asked to fill out a volunteer application which will be reviewed by a selection committee. Contact Michael Carter, Bell Director, at 262-5060 for more information.

I.C. Harmon Multi-Year Reunion at Argosy

Plans for the 20-year reunion of the J.C. Harmon Class of 1976 have been finalized. A dinner and dance is scheduled for Saturday, August 31st, at the Argosy in Riverside (not on gambling boat). A picnic is also planned for Sunday, September 1st, at Wyandotte County Lake. Other 70's classes are also invited. Call 236-7359 ASAP for cost and reservation info.

You're Invited! Rainbow/Mission **Neighborhood Association**

This new neighborhood group meets every third Tuesday of the month at the Citadel of Prayer Church, 3950 Rainbow Boulevard. Their next meeting is scheduled for August 20th riencing and the debris which at 7 p.m. Participation is open to (but not limited to) residents who live between Rainbow Blvd. and Mission Rd., and 39th St. and 43rd St. Questions? Call Carolyn at RDA, 677-5097.

IOBS!

The New Wave Mini Mart at 34th and Rainbow Blvd. is looking for help in the store. Call 677-7788 or stop in.

Free Help thru September 31st for Victims of Spousal/Partner Abuse

If you or someone you know has suffered personal injury through spousal/partner abuse--physical (hitting) or mental (emotional deterioration)--to self, by persons in a past, current, or ongoing relationship.....help is now available!!! Heart of America Family Services. located at 5424 State Avenue, is offering three (3) counseling sessions free of charge. Call 342-1110 for your confidential appointment, or for more infor.

Rosedale Volunteers Train to **Assist Victims**

Eight (8) residents of Rosedale recently participated in a series of classes to learn about various aspects of domestic violence. The twelve hours of listening and discussion covered a working description of abuse, a profile of the abused person, and helping the abused (the victim). A comprehensive list of helpful telephone numbers was made available for use in the community. Please contact the RDA office (677-5097) if you'd like a volunteer to contact you.

Time to Clean Your Gutters

Gutters need to be inspected and or cleaned frequently especially with all the rain we've been expecollects there over time. Neglecting this could mean water damage to your home and/or basement. This neglect could also result in water damage to your neighbors property if homes are built too close together. New homeowners may not be aware of this necessary maintenance.

Neighborhood Groups Clean-Up

The Rose Alert Neighborhood Watch group spent some time recently improving their area. They cleaned and painted the playground equipment at Whitmore Park. This area has recently been plagued by a rash of graffiti due to juveniles marking territory.

The Rainbow/Mission Neighborhood Assoc. has taken on the job of mowing a vacant lot at 42nd and Adams. This lot is owned by the Wendy's Fast Food Resturant on Rainbow and has been a problem for the last several years. The group has made contact with Wendy's management personnel and received promises but no action. They intend to try billing the business for mowing the lot.

Say Goodbye to Your Old Car

Donate your used car to the National Kidney Foundation through the Kidney Cars Program. The funds can help save lives. They'll arrange for a free pickup and you can qualify for a tax deduction. Call the Kidney Car Hotline at 816-231-5353.

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