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**ROSEDALE NEWS AND VIEWS**

**Rosedale Help Day Successful**

Thanks to the 78 seniors from St. Thomas Aquinas High School and a few Rosedale volunteers the Help Day was a great success. The group arrived eager and early at Bell Center for their work assignments. The volunteers were split into groups of 3 to 6 depending on the individual project to be completed. Some youths worked with several neighborhood groups on special clean-ups, others were assigned to assist older area residents with minor home repairs, yard clean-up and planting flowers. A total of eleven homeowners were helped and several vacant lots and roadsides were cleaned up. Some of the youths were having such a good time that they didn't want to quit at the end of the event.

The reports back have all been very positive. They enjoyed helping the residents and working in an area of town that many of them rarely visit. This type of project teaches youth the value of and good feeling that come with helping others and giving back to a community. It was a good interaction for everyone involved and we hope to repeat this project next year.

We wish all the seniors the very best as they graduate from High School and move forward into adulthood.

**Recyclers Wanted**

Several neighborhood groups in Rosedale are in the process of obtaining curbside recycling. The Frank Rushton group already has the required number of households signed up. The Hilltop group is working on getting a minimum of 40 households signed up. The recyclables are picked up once a week at a cost of \$2.50 per month.

If you are interested in curbside recycling contact your neighborhood group leader or the RDA office for more information.

**For Sale! Rosedale Stuff**

**Pins:** RDA is bringing back the Rosedale Arch Pins at your request. The pins, cast in gold metal with a red and green rose in the center of the arch, are a reproduction of the RDA logo. These are exactly like those RDA had made seven or eight years ago. They will sell for \$7.00 each. We are producing a limited supply, but we would be happy to take your order in advance so you don't miss out.

People have been asking me for these pins but until several months ago I had only heard about them never seen them. They are very classy lapel pins and I am glad we have the opportunity to obtain a small supply. Call RDA if you want us to reserve a pin for you.

**Book:** The RDA office has two copies of the "History of Rosedale" by Margaret Landis for sale. We may be able to obtain a few more copies if we get enough requests. The cost is still only \$10.00. If you haven't seen this book stop by the RDA office. It is filled with old photographs of Rosedale and the people who were early leaders.

It is truly a wonderful book for any Rosedalian to own.

**HELP Needed for Rosedale Festival and Parade**

Yes, once again volunteers are needed to organize the annual Parade and Festival. This is not an event that can be successfully organized with only 2 or 3 people. If you enjoy this event and wish to see it take place again this year we desperately need your help. The more volunteers the less time each one will need to donate.

Melissa Smith has generously volunteered to head up the Festival Committee but as of now **no one** has contacted her to offer help. If you have a little free time and wish to see this event continue for the kids and Rosedale families, please call Melissa at 342-1110.

Paul Davidson will coordinate the Parade, but he too needs help. Call him at 262-2741 if you would like to help with the parade.

Suggestions for stage performers,

**Monthly Meeting**

**KCK Animal Control  
Issues and Procedures**

Tuesday, May 27, 1997

7:00 P.M.

Bell Community Center  
36th & Rainbow

Our guest will be from the City's Animal Control Division. I hope to get a better understanding of how this dept. operates and how we can more effectively put a stop to the

single stray animals and the packs of dogs that roam our area. This is a chance for all of us who have, in the past, been frustrated with responses from this dept. to resolve our concerns.

preferably those who will donate their time, will be welcomed. RDA loses money on this event each year and it is only because of a generous grant from the Regional Prevention Center of Wyandotte Co. that we were able to hold the event for the past two years. This year we are on our own. The grant funds will be unavailable. We are thankful to the Regional Prevention Center for their help in the past. **Now we need your help.**

### Where Oh Where to Plant the Roses!

The site for the Rosedale Rose Garden has once again been changed. The current plan is for the southwest corner of the intersection at 7th St. and Southwest Blvd. near Shoney's. The original site at Mission and S.W. Blvd. had to be scraped due to roadway repaving scheduled for this site in the next year. An alternative site at Adams and Rainbow was chosen but it was discovered that the Rainbow Towers Apts. had received permission from the City to plant the flower bed at this site. So, we move to plan three. Actually I think this will be the best site of all due to the high visibility of this location. Since the roses are on their way to the Rosedale Beautification Committee it is none too soon to finalize a site. Gary Stubbs of the Public Works Dept. said the City had originally planned to do some landscaping at this corner but no longer had the money to do so. Maybe it was meant to be this location all along.

Rainbow Towers Apts. has just competed the planting of the City owned flower bed at Adams and Rainbow. They have done a wonderful job and hope to take it on next year also. If you have the chance, please take the time to thank them. (It was an expensive project for them.) It is nice to see a business investing in beautifying our Rosedale community, especially when it is not even their property. **Thank you to the Rainbow Towers Apt. management.**

### New Home Construction

Habitat for Humanity is building a new single family home at 2818 W. 43rd St. Commerce Bank is one of the sponsors of this project, a first for Rosedale.

Habitat would like to build other homes in Rosedale, so I am working with them to locate possible sites. They prefer to build several homes near each other and thus are looking for an area with 4-7 vacant, affordable and buildable lots. If you have any ideas on possible sites or any strong opinions on this issue please contact the RDA office.

### Brightside /Clean-up and Picnic

Once again Rosedale 'got out the trash' for this annual spring cleaning. It took several days for the City crews to collect all the debris set out for this year's pick-up. I don't have a tonnage report on area 3 yet, but for the past few years we have led the City in this category. I don't know exactly what this says about Rosedale, but I hope it means that we have been doing some serious house and neighborhood cleaning.

We had a good group turn out for the picnic in Rosedale Park. It was a little chilly but we kept warm grilling almost two cases of hot dogs. A group of AmeriCorps workers joined us as did residents and our councilman.

Bell Center scheduled a soccer clinic in conjunction with our picnic. Two representatives from the Wizards ran kids and adults through a series of drills. Everyone had a good time.

Thanks to all of those who volunteered to clean-up and to work the picnic: Forrest Rhea, Susie Overman, Jeff Binder (my husband), Andy Jackson, Judy Smith and many others.

### First Youth Night at Bell Center

The band, Experiment Gone Bad, played on, loudly. Kids from Argentine and Rosedale Middle Schools and Harmon H.S. talked, ate, danced, shot hoops and played games. We had a light turn out, about 30 kids, for our first Youth Night. This was not unexpected. We had no idea who would come, ages, what music they wanted to listen to or what activities would interest them. We now have a better idea, alternative music is out, a D.J. with Rap, R&B and some Salsa is in.

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to

monitor the youth: Susie Overman; Brian Everett; AmeriCorps volunteers, JoAnn Hughes, Anthony Moreno and Teresa Wadleith. Thanks to Rick Silva for the snacks and for being the official photographer. Thanks to the three reserve officers from the Sheriff's Dept. for providing the security. A big thanks to the Rosedale Optimist Club members for sponsoring this event and for dropping by to check on us.

We plan to start this up in the fall when the teens are back in school. I hope we will be able to attract a crowd by providing the type of music they wish to hear, within limits (no Snoopy Doggy Dog allowed).

### ROSEDALE OFFICE IS A PIT, I NEED HELP TO MAKE IT LIVEABLE

Okay, so this is not news to most of you. An Interior Decorator I'm not. Many of you have asked repeatedly when RDA was going to plan a work/clean-up day. Well, here it is: **Saturday, June 14th, 9:00 A.M.** at the office. Just show up in old clothes ready to get dirty. We will focus only on the RDA office, moving and organizing stuff, removing the rest of the ugly orange carpet and glued down pad, removing the fake shingled roof in the front area and painting (if we get that far).

**If you wish to help, please call the office so I can have enough tools and treats for everyone. I plan to have some fun too!**

### 1948 Rosedale High School Reunion Scheduled

Members of the class of 1948 are planning a **50 year** reunion for May of 1998. If you were a member of this class or know someone who was and how to contact them please call or write to:

Joanne Leaveld Goulding  
1-913-631-6783  
or  
Ruth Waller Cross  
RR #2  
Stover, Mo. 65078

### Bell Open House - June 7th

**BIG! BIG! EVENT.** On Saturday, June 7, 1997 from noon to 4 p.m. Bell Community Center will be hosting an Open House. There will be a live band, live radio broadcast, prizes, refreshments, demonstrations, information booths and Summer Community Class registration. We hope to have our Summer Youth Program info. and sign up available also, (this depends on whether we receive a grant we have applied for. Recipients won't be notified until the end of May.)

We hope you will find the time to drop by, enjoy yourself and maybe sign up for a fun class. Bring the family. For more information call Mike at 261-4360.

Bell Center is also needing people to teach crafts and conduct game classes for the 50 Plus Program at Bell. If you would like to teach or just get a group together for cards, chess, checkers, cribbage, canasta, poker, bridge etc. contact Mike at Bell - 261-4360.

### JOBS

#### AmeriCorps seeks Corps members

United Way AmeriCorps has a few openings for Corps members to serve in one of three city sectors: Argentine, Central Ave., or Northeast KCK. Full time corps members receive a living stipend, educational award, health care, child care and training. A person must be at least 18 years old (no upper age limit), and be able to serve between the hours of 8:45 A.M. to 4:45 P.M., Tuesday through Saturday. Here's a chance to help others and learn more about the community. For details and an application call Ann Jurcyk, AmeriCorps Executive Director at 371-3674.

#### Weekly Study & Support for Parents

To help parents cope with challenges involved in bringing up a family, the University of Kansas Medical Center

will offer a weekly study and support group for parents of children ages birth to 18 years of age for **free** from noon to 1:00 p.m. in room 5010 at the KU Medical Center (fifth floor of new bldg.), 3910 Rainbow Blvd. For more information, call 588-5640.

### Belrose Meeting and Rally

Several weeks ago a meeting was held at Bell Center between area residents, landlords, social service providers, government officials and the KCK Housing Authority to look at reducing crime in and around public housing, specifically in Belrose Manor. As a result of this somewhat tense meeting and a subsequent meeting, several ideas have come to light that might help with the problems.

The first, and most visible, was to hold the City's first Anti-Crime Rally of the year in Belrose. Which we did on May 13th. Many of the residents came out to join us in the march. A number of the children kept the Mayor afterward to sign autographs. This march was a way to tell the criminal element that their behaviors would no longer be tolerated and to show support for the majority of law abiding residents who are struggling to raise a family in Belrose.

The Hilltop Neighborhood Group, whose area includes Belrose, is reaching out to those who live in the complex and inviting them to join in the neighborhood group. They plan to distribute Welcome Baskets to all new residents in the area including those in Belrose. We hope this will make law abiding people feel a part of the community while informing law breakers of a strong, watchful neighborhood that will work with the police and city to make their lives miserable.

The Mayor and Housing Authority are also looking at the possibility of creating a restricted traffic flow in and out of Belrose Manor and to this end will be making a survey of traffic flow and patterns.

The Housing Authority is considering setting up a Hot Line for residents to anonymously turn in information on criminal activity.

We are also looking at the possibility of changes in State law to allow faster and easier evictions for behaviors that endanger the welfare of others. Forrest Rhea is currently leading this effort.

Belrose property is well maintained and by the Housing Authority. It is the behaviors of a few residents and outsiders who hang out in Belrose that are causing the problems. We fully realize that their are also problems in the area surrounding Belrose. Both of these areas must be addressed together if we ever hope to have a safe neighborhood without gunfire and violence.

I hope what we start here will have a positive impact on all public housing throughout the city. This includes privately managed properties such as Silver City Apts. Its not fair to the children and their families who live in or around public supported housing to have to put up with the violence. **We must do whatever possible to stop the violence and crime that the children see every day.**

### Membership/Those Who Make It Possible

Thanks to the following residents and businesses for their support.

**Willie M. Warren  
Delbert Owen  
Leo & Sarah Lenihan  
Joel Barnes  
Westwood IGA  
Gale & Peggy Horton  
William & Joy Schmid  
Deb Wald  
Wyandot Mental Health  
Adolph & Ethel Howard  
M-Press  
Ronald McDonald House of KC  
Robert S. Hanson  
Jim Millam Ditching**

A special thanks to **Robb Baxley** for his contribution to RDA through his United Way Donor Choice option.

**Election Time, Again. Primary is Tuesday, July 8, 1997. This is a very important election. It will determine the future of Wy. Co. Every vote counts. Get informed and vote for your future.**

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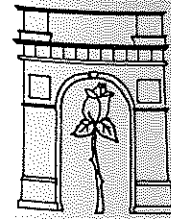
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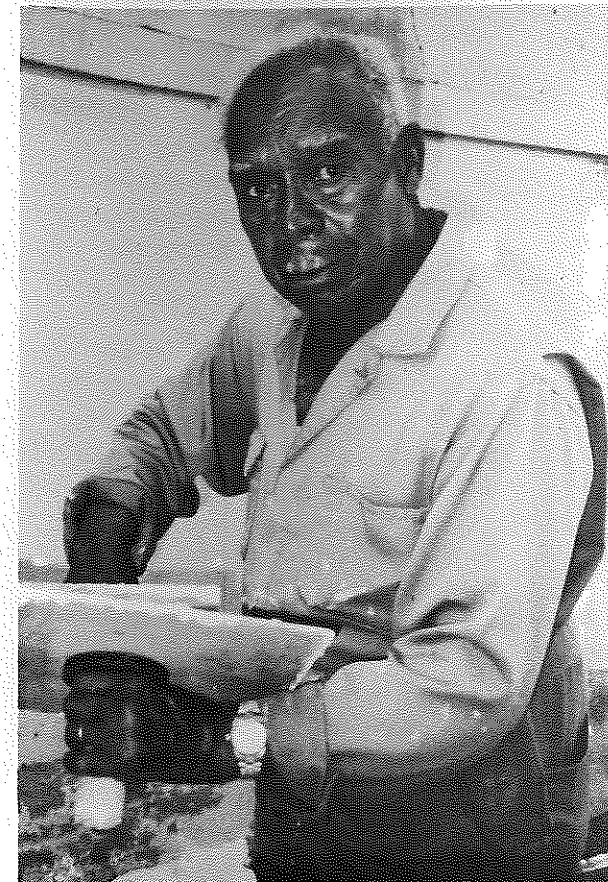


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Mr. Johns works his magic on our office walls.

Volunteers Begin Office Rehab

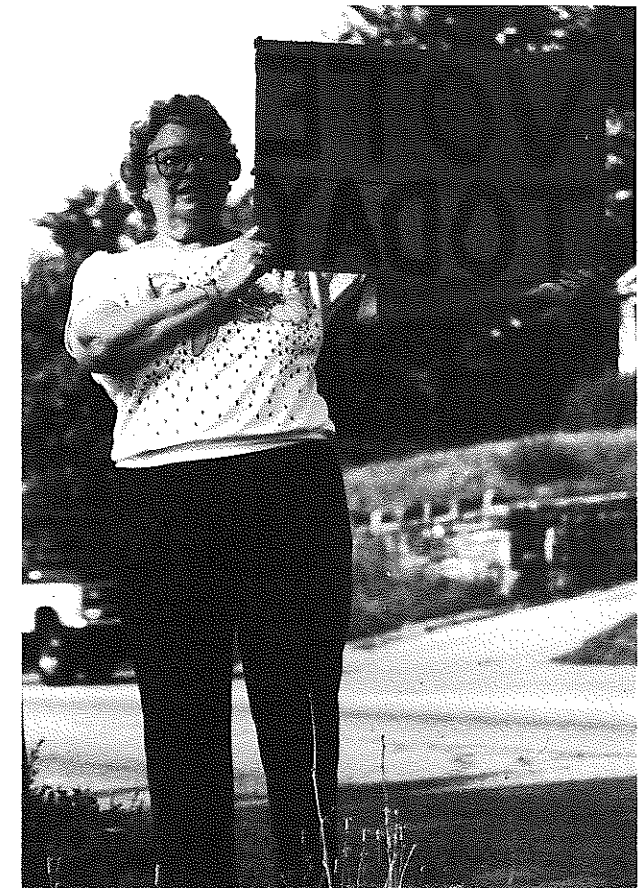
Several people have graciously volunteered their time and talents to help RDA fix up our office. After last month's clean-up and tear-out we were ready to begin making repairs.

Mr. Brincie Johns, a long time Rosedale resident, patched our old plaster walls. This was no easy task since the old plaster was one inch thick in places. We were told the old mix was river sand and gypsum plaster. Mr. Johns mixed sand he gathered from the Kansas River with a plaster mix to match the old walls as

closely as possible. It was a pleasure to watch him work. I think he may have done this type of work a few times before.

Mr. Bob Page and Mr. Bob Johnson cruised by to assess our electrical needs. The plan is to finish the walls and then add some new electrical outlets on the west wall. We hope this can be completed in the next several months.

Bob Ward Painting has offered to paint the office as soon as we are ready. Needham Plumbing recently fixed the bathroom pipes next door, at 1401.



Virginia Hughes getting out the vote in Rosedale.

Exercising Right to Vote Is Important In Rosedale

On Tuesday, July 8, you may have seen RDA members standing on the sides of our main roads with "Vote Today" signs. Thanks to: Forrest Rhea, Gale Horton, Edie Adams, Paul Davidson, Bill Larson, Russ Brink, Jr. and Virginia Hughes.

Reminding people to vote and helping people to register to vote are two goals of the CATS Voter Registration committee. This group and others in RDA feel strongly that every vote counts and the more people who go to the polls, no

**No July Meeting**  
**RDA Office Closed**  
**for Vacation**  
July 22-30

matter their affiliation, the better. When you don't vote you give up some of your freedom and power.

On Tuesday, September 9, you may see some of these same people out again for the general election. If you would like to join them call the RDA office or Paul Davidson at 262-2741.

**Rolling Down the River  
... You're Invited ...**

The Missouri River Queen may keep rolling down the river to St. Louis or New Orleans for good. River Queen representatives tell us that plans are being made to go on tour at the end of September and they are not certain if they'll be back.

Please join members of Hilltop Neighborhood Assoc. and other Rosedale neighbors in a relaxing evening under the stars on Kansas City's only cruising riverboat (no gambling). Let's take advantage of this opportunity as we may never have it again. This cruise features live entertainment, full cash bar, and concession stand. Admission is \$10 for adults; kids 12 and under 1/2 price; 3 and under free with paid adult. You will be responsible for your own reservations. We're shooting for the two-hour, 9-11 p.m., cruise on **Saturday, August 16th**. Location is 1 River City Drive, Kansas City, Kansas. Call 281-5300 or 1-800-373-0027 to make your reservation. Mention **Rosedale** if you want to sit with the group. Arrive early as the boat departs at 9 p.m.

Daytime sightseeing cruises are also available and some include a buffet lunch or dinner.

*If you are interested in future group day or overnite trips to places of*

*interest please call Carolyn at 677-5097. She is the official RDA travel and party planner.*

**URGENT NOTICE  
Meeting on Future of  
Bell Community Ct.**

*At 7 p.m. on Monday, August 4th, 1997, at Bell Community Center, RDA will host a special meeting on the future of this facility in our community. There are some outside interests that could affect the future of the Center. It is critical that we have your input as to what you want to see at the Center or if you even care if a Community Center exists in Rosedale.*

**Crime Watch Rally  
Friday, July 25**

Join the Parkwood Colony Neighborhood Group and other groups for around the City for this event. Let's show our support for our Northeast community by attending this rally at the **Parkwood Park Shelter House, 950 Quindaro, noon til 8:00 p.m.** Many people from other neighborhood groups joined us for our march in Belrose Manor so now it's time for us to help another group. The Parkwood Colony members are disturbed by the perception that the Northeast area is not safe. They are calling on all neighborhood groups, businesses, churches, residents and concerned citizens to visit the Park and enjoy the day with positive activities and attitudes. They are asking groups to set up tables to promote positive activities.

The more we know the truth about each other's neighborhoods, the easier it will

be to change KCK's negative image and build a great liveable city.

**GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP  
- AUG. 11**

**Domestic Violence, For Better or For Worse!** Is the title of the next Grassroots Leadership workshop, **August 11, 6 to 9 p.m.** The subtitle is "The children are watching!". The workshop will look at the myths and realities, cycles of violence, choices and freedom associated with domestic violence.

The Regional Prevention Center of Wyandotte County sponsors these free educational workshops for the community. They are especially valuable to members of neighborhood groups that must deal daily with the issues covered by these training sessions. All sessions include a free dinner. But reservations are a must - Deadline is Aug. 6, 1997. The location is the Conference Center by the duck pond at the Kansas City, Ks., Community College, 7250 State Ave.

**School Desegregation Exit Plan on  
Public Display for Comments**

On July 12, 1997 USD 500 filed a motion with the United States District Court in KCK requesting that the school district be released from a 19 year-old desegregation order. The district has been working with the U.S. Department of Justice to develop this Exit Plan that would lead to the end of the court mandated desegregation order. The court will accept written comments about the Exit Plan addressed to U.S. District Court, 500 State Ave, Kansas City, Kansas 66101. The plan may be view at the Argentine Branch Library, 2800 Metropolitan, Tues.- Thur., July 22-24, from 12 -8 p.m.; and Friday, July 25, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Housing Status**

**4127 Lloyd-** The vacant house at this address has been securely boarded up and the lot cleaned thanks to members of the Hilltop Neighborhood Assoc. (Carolyn Ruiz, Susie Overman, Forrest Rhea, Ray Lindsey and Darrell Dye) and Community Policing Officer Tom Zamora, Wendy Wilson, and Kevin Pulliam. The next door neighbors furnished the electricity for our saws. We covered 14 windows, 3 doors, picked up several bags full of trash in the front yard and mowed the lot. It was a lot of work but it had to be done. There was evidence that several persons were sleeping on the floor and neighbors reported "druggies" were in and out of the house.

**1513 S.W. Blvd.** -Boarded up in January by RDA and the Rose Alert Neighborhood group it has recently been purchased by a young couple, they are fixing it up. It's great to see this house saved from the vandals and being lived in once again. Good work Rose Alert!

**RDA Speaks to Broadcasters  
Association**

Last week as Director of RDA I was provided the opportunity to speak to a gathering of TV and Radio broadcasters from the Greater KC area. I told them I feel they are doing a better job of including positive stories about KCK and Wy., Co. I talked to them about how great Rosedale is (of course) but also on how devastating it is to all of the "good"

people working to improve KCK when they focus on our problems and make negative comments about us. I suggested more positive stories on youth, and minorities and coverage of events or communities where many different races and ethnic groups are truly working together for a common goal. I also asked for their help in connecting the various communities of the metro area. Help us understand why Lenexa should care what happens in KCK and vise versa. It was a great chance to let them know the true power they have to improve communities or help in their decay.

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- Thanks to the following business and residents for your support:
- Tim & Lee Dye
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  - Annabelle Eason
  - Fonna Young
  - Rhonda & Kevin Dennis
  - Jerry & Debby Sullivan
  - Strasser True Value Hardware
  - T.J. Fleming Co.
  - Ernie Johnson & Carol Marinovich
  - Gayl & Denise Northcutt
  - Stultz Manufacturing Co.
  - Joe M. Herrera, DDS
  - Carol Kane
  - Roy & Doretta Joplin
  - Pat Sedlock, Inc.
  - Judith & Marvin Yawakie
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**GREATER ROSEDALE  
COMMUNITY FESTIVAL  
& UPROAR PARADE**



**Parade theme "Strike Up the Band"**  
Contact the RDA office for Festival Booth or Parade forms  
677-5097