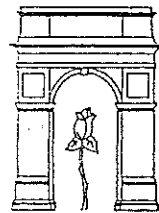


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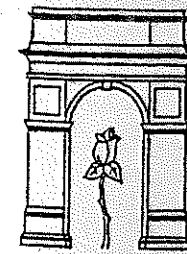
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January 2004

**Business Feature**



Jim Muncy, the warehouse manager, maneuvers a forklift in the ABC Supply warehouse.

ABC Supply first came to Kansas City in 1991. Their location at 111 Southwest Boulevard is their fourth in Kansas City. ABC Supply sells roofing materials, wholesale to contractors for both residential and commercial locations. Their business has seen a lot of growth over the years. The Southwest Blvd. location is part of a national chain that includes 280 stores. They are the number one store in the district and have 45 employees. Because of their success, soon they hope to move from their current location. They will add siding, window, and guttering materials to their inventory. Even though ABC's current location is no longer convenient to them or their neighbors, they have decided to stay in the Rosedale area, moving just off Southwest Blvd. Mike Lyle, the manager, explained that Rosedale is a good location because people are familiar with Southwest Blvd. and it is just off the highway. He said that there are multiple other businesses that draw contractors to the area and create a good customer base. Having strong companies in Rosedale is positive in its own way, but ABC Supply has also benefited Rosedale by donating materials to the Southwest Blvd. Family Health Clinic's expansion. If you want

to find out more about ABC Supply Co. call (913) 722-4747 or find information on the web at [www.abcsupply.com](http://www.abcsupply.com)

**Youth's View: Saturday Academy Update**

We attended Saturday Academy, because we thought it would be fun. It was fun, because we went on field trips and we saw movies and we create stuff. We have two people come in every Saturday to help us be non-violent. Their names are Jeff and Sierra. They bring fun games and we like to do them. We love coming to Saturday Academy.

-Marc Villanueva  
6th grade, Frank Rushton

**Frank Rushton**

On January 13 Frank Ruston students celebrated math and science education. Students attended a assembly during the day where Gary Lezack spoke about his job as a weather man and how important math and science were to him. That evening from 6 to 7:30 students and their parents attended a Math and Science Night where students could show off their academic prowess. Such educational events seem to be paying off as 25 students were rewarded through the Excellence in Education program Jan. 22. Congratulations to these students and thank you to the community members who help promote success in education.

**African American History Month**

February is African American History Month. This year is significant because it has been fifty years since the Brown vs. The Topeka Board of Education case. To mark this important month, Kansas City Kansas Community College, Unified Government of KCK and Wyandotte County, National Association Advancement of Colored People, KCK, KCK Democracy InDEED Project, and YWCA of Greater Kansas City are sponsoring the following events:  
Feb. 2-27 - **Special Exhibit:** by Zolamo Galleries in KCKCC Intercultural Center featuring African

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**Feb. 3 (Tue.) – First Annual State of Wyandotte Co./KCK Community Forum:** 7-9 p.m. Performing Arts Center, KCKCC

**Feb. 4 & 5 (Wed. & Thurs.) – “In Pursuit of Freedom and Equality”:** Video and Discussion 9 a.m., 10 a.m., and 11 a.m. (Feb. 4); 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. (Feb. 5) in Room 2705 – Ms. Virginia Freeman, Guest Facilitator

**Feb. 10 (Tue.) – Professional Development Luncheon and Roundtable: Teaching Anti-Racism and White Awareness in Academia:** Private Dining Room KCKCC, Noon to 3:30 p.m. Please RSVP by calling 913-288-7672 by Feb. 6 at noon. Dr. Frances Condon, University of Minnesota, Guest Facilitator.

**Feb. 16 (Mon.) – Essay Contest Deadline:** Call 913-288-7672 for details.

**Feb. 21 (Sat.) – Unified Government’s Annual Black History Program and Dinner:** Keynote speaker: Ms. Deborah Dandridge, University of Kansas and Brown Foundation. 6 p.m., Reardon Center. Tickets \$30. Call 913-573-5474.

**Feb. 24 (Tue.) – Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *Brown vs. Board of Education*:** Keynote speaker: Ms. Cheryl Brown Henderson, President of Brown Foundation. 11 a.m., in the Performing Arts Center. Public Reception to follow in KCKCC Intercultural Center.

### Free Exercise Program

The Center on Aging at the University of Kansas Medical Center is sponsoring a free exercise program for older adults (55+) at the Theo and Alfred M. Landon Center on Aging Building in the Community Resource Room. The program will meet twice weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. Areas of concentration will include balance training through T'ai Chi, weight lifting for strength and aerobic exercise on a stationary bicycle. Trained professionals will supervise all areas. There is free parking in front of the building. Registration is limited due to the size of the room. If you would like to participate, call Diane Clark at (913) 588-1218 to sign up as soon as possible. All participants will be expected to get a signed statement from their physician stating they are approved to take part in the exercise program.

### Community Rewards Program

If you have a Price Chopper Shopper Card, you can support RDA, while you shop. Price Chopper has a Community Rewards Program called Xtra Helpings. Through this program 1% of your purchase will be donated to RDA, until May 31, 2004. In order to designate the 1% to RDA, register online at [www.mypricechopper.com](http://www.mypricechopper.com), or come into RDA. Don't forget that when you register you will need your Price Chopper Shopper Card.

### Tax Preparation

It is that dreaded time of year again: tax time. This year you will have a little help sorting through your receipts. Beginning Feb. 2, the AARP will have a Tax-Aide site open in the Kansas City Kansas City Hall at 7th and Ann St. Assistance will be available Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. until April 15. This assistance is free, but is on a first come first serve basis, so be prepared to wait in line. For more information call (913) 299-1799. You can also contact the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 or find information on the web at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

### Strategic Plan

This month our focus is on the youth development aspect of our strategic plan. We hope to strengthen connections with youth and that youth who participate will show an increase in positive behaviors.

- Youth programs will have been established at 3 schools in Rosedale to encourage positive behaviors and parental involvement.
- 450 youth will have participated in youth programs with the goal of building relationships with caring adults, developing leadership skills, developing strong community connections.
- 70% of youth who participate in the Rosedale Saturday Academy and the Community TREE programs will increase their GPA by .15, they will decrease unexcused absences, they will decrease the number of documented reports of disciplinary action in the quarter in which they participate in the programs.

We consider youth development to be an important part of our programming. Often times you can help us to reach these goals. Read the “Rosedalians Reaching Out” segment to learn ways that you can help.

### Rosedalians Reaching Out

**Job Title:** Adult Sponsor of Community TREE

**Responsibilities:** TREE stands for (Teach, Responsibility, Educate, and Empower). The Rosedale Development Association has received funds from the H&R Block Foundation to help youth make positive contributions in the building of a stronger Rosedale community. Through the use of mini grants from \$50 to \$150 Rosedale youth (ages 11-16) work with an adult sponsor to carry out community service projects. Adults assist youth as they write a proposal for a mini grant, and present the proposal to the RDA staff. Adults provide guidance, coaching and feedback to the youth during the duration of their project and are present on the day(s) of the project. Some Community TREE projects that are coming up in the near future that you can assist with are:

- Running a bingo night at Rosedale Towers
- Creating May Day baskets for Rosedale residents.
- Creating decorations for Flag Day.
- Planting trees on Arbor Day.
- Escorting youth to Topeka so that they can serve as pages.

**Qualifications:** Enjoy working with youth, coaching them.

**Time Commitment:** Depends on the length of the project, usually 10 hours over three weeks.

**Benefits:** The opportunity to inspire, mentor and possibly teach youth new skills.

### Rosedale History

Hattie Hatfield has been a Rosedale resident all of his life. As a youth he remembers going to the Rosedale swimming pool near Rosedale High School. In the winter, when it would snow, Hattie would shovel sidewalks to earn money. Snow was also an opportunity for celebration, as people would light bonfires and kids would sled down the streets. Another popular activity were ball games in the streets. Hattie remembers playing in Hudson Rd., which is now Rainbow Blvd. The depression hit Rosedale hard. “We was tickled to death to get about anything in those days,” Hattie said. Like many others, Hattie’s family was on relief. Because both of his parents were ill, Hattie remembers that he had to make the trip to the fire station, which was the city hall, jail and police station all in one, every Tuesday to get the family’s grocery order. Groceries cost \$6.66 a week for three people and Hattie remembers eating a lot of beans and pork. Trash collection was done in a horse drawn

wagon that had eight drums in it. Hattie remembers that the trash would leak all over the neighborhood. When Hattie broke his shoulder playing football at Rosedale High School, he went to Bell Memorial Hospital, which was in an old GI barracks and still had wooden sidewalks around it. The hospital bill was 25 cents, but during the depression even that bill was difficult to pay. Hattie’s parents died when he was sixteen, he quit school and went to work for the Jones Store Co. Eventually Hattie was able to go into business for himself and built a bar at the site of an old filling station. He then opened a second bar and finally a bingo parlor. Bingo, however, was not always an acceptable pastime. When it was illegal, bingo was played at the VFW post. When Hattie and his friends were caught, they were fined \$25, but they always knew when they were going to be caught. On such occasions, the police would say that they had to take all the money being gambled, but would only take \$20 and leave the rest. The Chief of Police, after all, belonged to the VFW post. Hattie remembers one night in particular, when the head of the vice squad broke up a bingo session and cleared everyone out. He was then beat over the head with a purse by an irate woman who was yelling, “You’re no son of mine!” The policeman’s only response to his mother was: “The mayor’s mother made me do it!” Bingo was legalized in 1966, and Hattie claims to have had the first bingo license in Kansas City, KS. Though many things have changed over the years some things have not. Hattie still has his bingo parlor, Hattie’s Moo Cow, on 47th St.

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### Words of Wisdom

**“There are only two ways to live your life.  
One is as though nothing is a miracle.  
The other is as if everything is.”**  
Albert Einstein

view performance of the play, *Seanacahs*, which addresses the issues of grief, loss, and violence in schools this March. The performances, which target middle school-aged children are free and open to the public. During the summer, the company will involve local children in building the sets and costumes for the play. The company is also working on a partnership with Sumner High School to put on a musical called, *Brand New Day*. Please call Julia Othmer at 816/221-PLAY for more details.

#### **A Note to Business Members**

The Bi-State Turkey Creek Assn. is still holding meetings to address flood control in the area. Call the office for more information.

#### **Please Submit**

We would like to start including letters or pieces of creative writing from community members in the RDA newsletter. No age requirements; we'd like to hear from all corners of the community. Please send any letters to the office under the heading: newsletter, and we'll see what we can do.

#### **A Tip from Hilltop**

When leaving your car outside overnight in the winter, mix 3 parts vinegar with 1 part water, and coat the windows with this solution. This combination will keep the windshield ice and frost-free.

#### **LAST SUMMER**

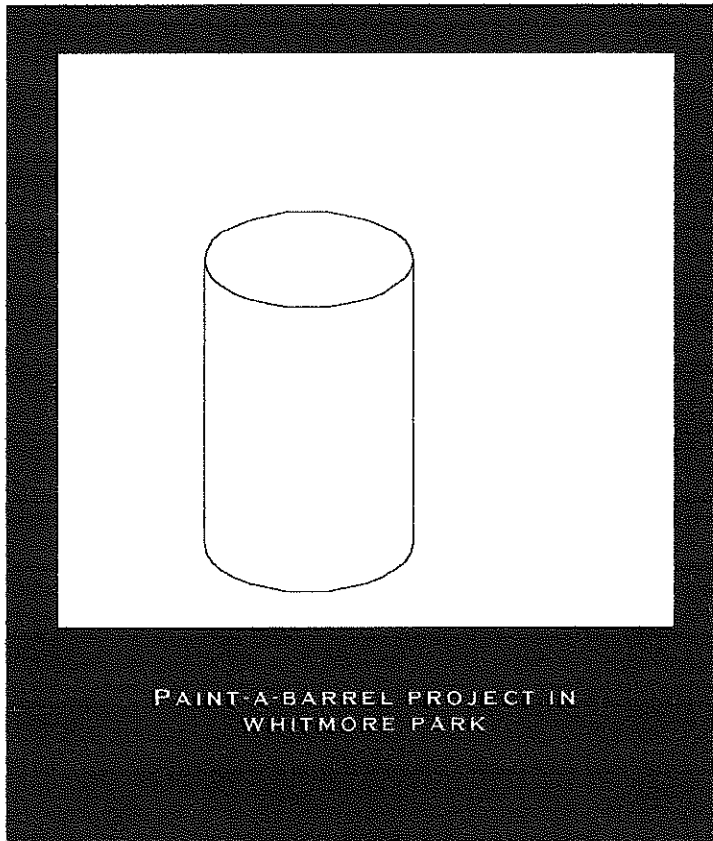
##### *Summer Youth Employment*

Last summer, the RDA received a grant from the BPU to

ture careers. The program was a great success! In all, 22 youth were employed from the ages 14 to 20. RDA will receive the grant again this year. Please call, Erica, at the RDA if you have any questions.

#### **Paint-a-Barrel Project**

In July, RDA held a paint-a-barrel project to promote trash pick-up in Rosedale. Area youth came together for a day of colorful (and messy) fun painting trash barrels in Whitmore Park. Thanks to everyone who attended the project and helped the community. We are very proud of the artwork that was done on the barrels, and they can be seen around the community.



employ area youth in summer jobs. Funds were given to Argentine for vacant lot maintenance and city beautification projects, to a tutoring program at A. M. E. Zion church, and to provide area youth with internships of interest to their fu-

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