

VOICE

The Star of Kansas



VillageFest

Come celebrate Independence Day at the City of Prairie Village's 21st Annual VillageFest Celebration on Tuesday, July 4th. Admission is free and all activities are held on the Municipal Campus at 7700 Mission Road.

The festivities on July 4 begin with a pancake breakfast hosted by Chris Cakes from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Harmon Park Pavilion. The Spirit Award Ceremony will be held at 8:30 a.m. with a return engagement by our own Prairie Village resident and Kansas City Symphony Chorus member Kristy Lambert singing the National Anthem.

Other activities throughout the day run from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and include: a giant slip and slide; children's parade; live music; children's crafts; bounce houses and other inflatables; petting zoo and pony rides; face painters; living history exhibit; and much, much more.

If you like baking, you'll want to enter our annual Pie Baking Contest for the chance to win a prize and bragging rights for the best pie. Register at www.pvkansas.com/piebakingcontest. Crafters will be back with handmade items for sale.

Headstrong for Jake will return this year. New bicycle helmets will be provided for the first 350 participants by the Jake Clough Headstrong Foundation, 501(c)3. The mission of Headstrong for Jake is to educate both children and their parents regarding the importance of always wearing a properly fitted bike helmet.

Everyone is invited to VillageFest 2017; bring your family, friends, and neighbors! The schedule of events and map are on pages 5 and 6 of the newsletter. Save the enclosed flyer and bring it to the event on the 4th!

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Greetings Prairie Village Residents:

Another beautiful summer is underway in Prairie Village! VillageFest is around the corner, the pool is busy, parks are bustling, and sidewalks are full. With the warmer weather comes an uptick in pedestrian traffic. I urge residents to slow down as they drive through our neighborhoods, and to be mindful of the crosswalks. It is Kansas law to stop for pedestrians.

As you drive through the south part of the City, you'll see significant progress underway at the new Meadowbrook Park and development. Roadways and other infrastructure are nearing completion. Dial Realty was selected by Van Trust to develop a senior living facility, the apartment building construction is well underway, and lots for the single family homes and townhomes are for sale. Johnson County Park and Recreation district has begun construction on the new activity center located at the former clubhouse, and are finalizing details for the destination playground.

Summer also means significant road improvements. Construction will begin soon on Mission Road from 75th Street to 84th Street. Incorporating elements from the recent improvements to the north portion of Mission Road, the south section will receive wider sidewalks, new amenities, and aesthetic improvements. General street repairs will also be made in various locations throughout the city. Thanks for your patience during construction. Maintaining our infrastructure in the city is vital!

Please join me in extending well wishes to our departing City Administrator, Quinn Bennion, after 10 years of service to the City of Prairie Village. Quinn has accepted the City Manager position in his hometown of Vernal, Utah. Quinn has been a tremendous asset to our City and has spearheaded many significant projects during his tenure, including the redevelopment of Meadowbrook Country Club, bond issues and related street improvement projects, acquisition of new parkland, creation of the Community Improvement Districts, initiation and expansion of the trail system, designation as an Aaa rated city, and many, many others. We are sorry to see him go!

Finally, I'd like to thank former council member Ashley Weaver, who served Ward I for the past 5 years. Her dedication and passion for Prairie Village is appreciated.

Enjoy the remaining days of summer, and I hope to see many of you at VillageFest!

Sincerely,

Laura Wassmer, Mayor

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COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

Meadowbrook Park Playground: Let the Kids Vote

Johnson County Park & Recreation District wants to get the children involved by helping pick the design of the playground to be built at the future Meadowbrook Park at 91st and Nall.

JCPRD evaluated eleven proposals from six different companies for the new playground. The choices were narrowed to three designs, and on July 4 at VillageFest kids ages 2-12 will be encouraged to vote on their favorite design. Each design will be represented at the festival with video displays.

The goal is to develop a one-of-a-kind destination playground incorporating the most current elements of play on the market, or even more desirable, unique play elements that are comprised of new designs that have not been utilized in the region or area. There will be two general areas with play value and variety for ages 2 to 5 years and 5 to 12 years. Other guidelines for the proposals include creativity and originality that is visually appealing to children and adults. It also needs challenging equipment with safety, ADA compliance, and inclusive play consideration. Additionally, durability and ease of maintenance of equipment with a strong warranty are important.

The playground will cover approximately 15,000 square feet or one third acre and will be located near the new activity center. The surfacing materials for the playground use areas will be a combination of synthetic turf and bonded rubber. The projected budget for the playground is over \$700,000. Completion is planned for Spring 2018.

Save the Date for JazzFest

Mark your calendars for the 8th annual Prairie Village Jazz Festival on Saturday, September 9th at Harmon Park. The festival offers our community the opportunity to enjoy world-class entertainment right at home in Prairie Village. Headlining the 2017 festival will be Oleta Adams. For more information, visit www.pvkansas.com/jazzfest or contact Joyce Hagen Mundy at 913-385-4616 or jhmundy@pvkansas.com. Interested volunteers should contact Meghan Buum at mbuum@pvkansas.com



Half Off Pool Memberships

Starting July 17, pool memberships for residents and non-residents are half off! Stop by the City Clerk's Office in City Hall or purchase online.

Resident	Price Starting July 17
Individual Membership	\$22.50
Senior Citizen (60+)	\$20

Non- Resident	Price Starting July 17
Individual Membership	\$37.50
Senior Citizen (60+)	\$32.50

*Half off prices only apply to memberships. Swim cards and SuperPasses are not reduced.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
July 3	Council Meeting	Canceled	
July 4	Independence Day		Offices Closed
July 4	VillageFest	7:30 pm	Municipal Campus
July 17	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
August 7	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
August 21	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers

Team Ball Field Reervations Due

Applications for soccer and baseball fields for the fall season will be accepted until July 15. If you do not receive an application in the mail by July 8, contact the City Clerk's office at 913-381-6464 or visit www.pvkansas.com for more information.

2018 Budget Hearing

A public hearing will take place on either Monday, July 17, 2017 or Monday, August 7th at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers to hear comments and suggestions about the City's 2018 budget. A copy of the proposed budget is available online and at the City Clerk's office. Please refer to the City's website at www.pvkansas.com for other key budget dates.

PV HAPPENINGS

New Pool Manager



After 11 seasons at Prairie Village Pool, Joel Rios will not be returning as the pool manager this season. While we are sad to see him go, we are very thankful for Joel's service to our community and wish him the best! We would like to introduce our new pool manager, Skyler Myers. Skyler has previous experience by the water having worked as a lifeguard at the Lawrence Aquatic Center as

an undergraduate student at the University of Kansas. Since those days, Skyler has earned a Masters degree in Education from Rockhurst University and an Education Specialist degree in School Administration from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He spends the other nine months of the year teaching high school English and US History in the Blue Valley School District. When he is not at the pool he enjoys spending time with his wife Katie and their rambunctious two year old daughter. Welcome aboard, Skyler!



July

Dion Hitchings and Sonia Reeder-Jones

A reception will be held on July 14, 2017 from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

August

Rachel Singel and Hal Moran

A reception will be held on August 11, 2017 from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Annual Enumeration

Do you have a new pet? The City will be conducting an animal census this fall to account for the number and ownership of all dogs and cats in Prairie Village. The census will help keep your animals safe and protected by ensuring that your pet can be returned safely to its home if lost and by certifying that all animals have rabies vaccinations. Please contact Barb Fisher with questions: 913-385-4685.

Special Offer for Prairie Village Residents from Republic Services

As we finish our first six months of servicing the Prairie Village residents we want to thank you for the opportunity you have extended to us. Republic Services is more than just a residential waste and recycling hauler.

We also offer roll off service for the Prairie Village residents. So whether you have a remodeling project, some landscape work to do, or just some "extra" clean-up work, I would invite you to call Sheri Alexander at 816-521-3175. We understand that the size of the container and timing of delivery can vary based on the specifics of your particular needs. Jennifer has the experience to walk you the different sizes, and give you the most cost efficient pricing possible.



Popular Annual Financial Report

The City of Prairie Village is pleased to announce its fifth Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR). The City produces a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) each year, which outlines the City's financial position and operating activities and includes audited financial statements; however, due to its length and scope, the CAFR is not a user-friendly document.

In an effort to make financial information more accessible, the Finance Department developed the PAFR which includes a summary of City services, Statement of Net Position, revenues, expenditures, debt and an economic outlook. To view the City's Popular Annual Financial Report, refer to the City's website at www.pvkansas.com.

Fourth Friday Concerts

Make plans to attend Hillcrest Church's Fourth Friday Concerts in Franklin Park this summer. These summer evenings are always a hit with free food and live music. Bring your neighbor and a lawn chair and enjoy!

- July 28 – The Recliners
- August 25 – Hard at Play



VillageFest

21st ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, July 4th ★ 7:30 a.m.—1 p.m. ★ Prairie Village Municipal Campus ★ 7700 Mission Road

Attractions

9:00AM—1:00PM

Trackless TrainCity Hall Parking Lot
 Rock Wall.....City Hall Parking Lot
 Bungee Pods.....City Hall Parking Lot
 Tornado.....City Hall Parking Lot
 Sister Act Face PaintingCity Hall Grounds
 Human Hamster BallsEast of Main Stage
 Child Craft CenterCommunity Center
 YMCA Kids Area.....Comm. Center Lawn
 Inflatables.....Community Center Lawn
 Petting Zoo.....Community Center Lawn
 Pony RidesCommunity Center Lawn
 Skate Board Facility.....Near City Hall Parking Lot
 Craft Booths.....City Hall Parking Lot
 Slip 'N Slide.....The Hill

Special Events

Pie Baking Contest *Pavilion*.....8:30 Submission
 Registration Required....10:30 Results
www.pvkansas.com/piebakingcontest
 World War II Plane Flyover.....10:00
 Free Swim *Prairie Village Pool Complex*.....11:00-6:00
 Children's Parade *Front of City Hall*.....11:00
Decorate your bikes, trikes & wagons and meet at City Hall by 11:00. All are welcome to participate. No registration necessary.
 Marching Falcons
City Hall Parking Lot.....11:10
 Meadowbrook Park Playground Vote
City Hall Parking Lot.....9:00-1:00

Special Guests

9:00AM—1:00PM

Mr. Bones.....VillageFest Grounds
 Euston's Hardware.....Community Center Lawn

Questions?

Visit the **Information Booth** Located in front of City Hall.

Free Parking

Shawnee Mission East High School
 7500 Mission Road
 Mission Road Bible Church
 7820 Mission Road
 Mission Road Community of Christ Church
 7842 Mission Road

Entertainment

Main Stage—Across from City Hall

Funky Mama.....9:25-9:50
 Jim "Mr. Stinky Feet" Cosgrove
 and the Hiccups10:15-11:00
 MultiPhonic.....11:30-1:00

South of Community Center

Clement McCrae Puppets...9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00

Harmon Park Pavilion

Award Ceremony.....8:30-8:45
 - Welcome by Mayor & Pledge of Allegiance
 - Star Spangled Banner sung by Kristy Lambert,
 PV Resident & Kansas City Symphony Chorus.
 - Community Spirit Awards
 Janie Next Door.....8:45-9:10

Displays

9:00AM—1:00PM

City Committees & Sponsors....Comm. Center Lawn
 Police Department/Med-Act.... City Hall Parking Lot
 Fire Department DisplayCity Hall Parking Lot
 Classic Car Display.....Pavilion Parking Lot
 Historical Display.....Inside City Hall

Food for Purchase

Chris Cakes.....7:30-11:00
Harmon Park Pavilion
 Popcorn Man.....9:00-1:00
City Hall Parking Lot
 Treats by Rex Nolan.....9:00-1:00
City Hall Parking Lot
 HyVee.....9:00-1:00
Community Center Lawn
 Polar Oasis.....9:00-1:00
City Hall Parking Lot

Restrooms

City Hall Police Department
 Community Center Harmon Park Pavilion
 Prairie Village Pool Complex

Lost & Found

Visit the **Information Booth** Located in front of City Hall.

For More Information

Call City Hall at 913-381-6464, Like Us on Facebook—Prairie Village VillageFest or Visit www.pvkansas.com/VillageFest

Don't Forget to Bring Blankets or Lawn Chairs!

VillageFest 2017 Thanks the Following Sponsors



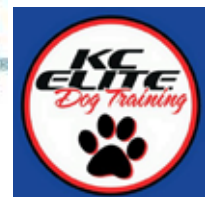
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VillageFest

MISSION ROAD

Entrance Closed



Parking

Children's Parade Staging Area and Starting Point

City Hall
RESTROOMS

Main Stage Directly Across From City Hall

Prairie Village Pool Complex
Free Swim 11:00-6:00
RESTROOMS

Info Booth & Volunteer Check-In

Police Station
RESTROOMS

Meadowbrook Park Playground Voting

Community Center Lawn

Food Vendor

Food Vendor

Parking Lot Area

Community Center
RESTROOMS

Harmon Park Pavilion

Chris Cakes Pancake Breakfast
Patriotic Service
Pie Baking Contest

RESTROOMS

Police Department/
Med-Act Display

Hy-Vee
Food Station

Skate Board Facility

Water Station

Vendor Entrance Only

Craft Booths

Pony Rides and Puppet Show

CFD#2 Fire Department Display

MISSION ROAD

POLICE DEPARTMENT

What Animal Control Wants You to Know

Community Service Officers (CSOs) are responsible for enforcing the City's animal control ordinances. Officers normally work seven days per week responding to citizen requests and patrolling the City to identify stray animals or animals violating the City's leash law. One of their goals is to assist residents with animal related issues, as well as providing guidance on being responsible pet owners.

The following sections highlight a few of the City's most common issues or questions. The following does not represent the entire animal control chapter of City code, but serves to answer many common questions. For a copy of the complete Animal Control and Regulations section, please see Chapter 2 of the City Municipal Code.

For more City code information, or for a better understanding, please visit the City website at: <http://www.pvkansas.com>.

LOOSE ANIMALS AND PROPER CONTROL

It is considered unlawful to permit any dog to run at large within the City. Running at large is when a dog is not firmly attached to a hand-held leash and under physical control of the owner. It is also considered running at large if the dog is not prevented from making uninvited contact with humans or animals. This includes situations when the dog is on a leash.

Cats do not have a leash law; however, a cat entering the property of anyone who has already complained orally or in writing to the neighbor is in violation of City code.

No animal is allowed to cause damage while off their property.

Report your lost pet to Animal Control! We are often times the first call someone makes when they find a loose pet.

ANIMAL NUISANCE/BARKING

A public nuisance is any animal that excessively, continuously, or at an untimely hour makes noise. Dogs are allowed to bark, but not in excess. Chasing cars or people or damaging property are also considered a public nuisance.

STRAY OR FERAL CATS

The City does respond to calls involving sick, injured or destructive cats, but does not respond to calls related to stray or feral cats. The Prairie Village Police Department asks residents to not feed, water or harbor loose cats. Stray cats will likely return to their proper home and feral cats are wild animals that can fend for themselves.

LICENSING/RABIES INOCULATION

The owner of any dog and/or cat does need to register their animal with the City. Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required. It is required that every animal maintain a current rabies vaccine.

An animal should be licensed within 30 days of being brought into the City or attaining six months of age. This applies to foster animals as well. There is no license fee for service/work dogs as long as there is adequate proof the dog is fully trained as a service/work dog, and is current for the year on its rabies vaccination.

ANIMAL BITES

A bite is considered any break in the skin. It is the duty of anyone having knowledge of a bite or attack to report it to Animal Control or the Police immediately, or as soon as practical.



DOG DAYS OF SUMMER!

Saturday, August 19, 2017
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Franklin Park
(Rain Date: Saturday, August 26)

Temporary Off-Leash Dog Area Available Throughout The Event.
Music and Activities For Your Doggies Will be Available.

PET CONTESTS
Starting at Noon.

- Owner/Pet Look-A-Like
- Best Trick
- Best Costume
- Best Kisser

Multiple vendors present throughout the event!
Food and drinks available for purchase - proceeds go to the Shop With a Cop program

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!
Hosted by Prairie Village Animal Control

Current City license and rabies tag must be on each dog!

For the safety of yourselves and others, please refrain from participating in this event if your dog's behavior is questionable around other dogs and/or strangers. Thank you!

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PUBLIC WORKS

Prairie Village Streetlights

Prairie Village purchased the streetlight system, consisting of 2,062 streetlights spread throughout the City, from KCP&L in 2016. The streetlight system contained 334 LED lights at the time of purchase and the City is in the process of upgrading the remaining 1736 streetlights to LED's now. The LED heads will last longer than the existing heads, require significantly less maintenance, reduce the frequency of outages, and save on electricity costs. For example, the LED upgrades are projected to decrease the yearly electricity costs from \$94,000 to \$53,000 for an estimated savings of \$41,000 per year.



Standard Streetlight

The City currently contracts with Black & McDonald for streetlight repair and maintenance. Residents can report outages, lights that stay on during daylight hours, intermittent lights, and any other damages or maintenance needs by calling 913-385-4647. Reports can also be made on the City website at pvkansas.com/servicerequest.



New LED Streetlight

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