

# VOICE

The Star of Kansas



Come celebrate Independence Day at the City of Prairie Village's 22nd Annual VillageFest Celebration on Wednesday, July 4. 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; craft vendors; 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](http://www.pvkansas.com/piebakingcontest).

Everyone is invited to VillageFest 2018; bring your family, friends, and neighbors! The schedule of events and map are on pages 4 and 5 of the newsletter. Save the enclosed flyer and bring it to the event on the 4th!

## FEATURES:

**3** Jazz Festival 

**5** VillageFest Schedule 

**7** JoCo Parks & Rec Classes 

# MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Prairie Village Residents,

Earlier this year, ETC Institute administered a citizen survey for the City of Prairie Village to assess satisfaction with the delivery of City services and to help determine priorities for the community. This six-page survey was mailed to a random sample of households throughout the

City. A total of 704 households completed the survey, far exceeding our statistically accurate sampling goal of 400. This high response rate illustrates that residents are engaged in the community and care about maintaining the high levels of service and amenities that the City provides.

While we continuously strive to improve, the survey results are extremely positive and we are pleased to share them with you.

Of residents who had an opinion:

- 99% rated Prairie Village as an excellent or good place to live
- 97% rated Prairie Village as an excellent or good place to raise children
- 95% were satisfied with the overall feeling of safety in the community

In addition, Prairie Village is 39% above the national average and 32% above the Kansas City Metro average (includes Kansas City and Johnson County communities surveyed) in the satisfaction with the overall quality of services provided by the City.

From the citizen survey, we learned that maintenance of City streets, sidewalks and infrastructure, public safety, bike and pedestrian transit, and enforcing codes and ordinances are top priorities. There was also significant feedback about appropriately managing the teardown and rebuilds of our housing stock so that the character of the Village is not lost. Rest assured that these continue to be top priorities for the City Council and myself as well.

We are grateful for those who took the time to provide us with their feedback, and we will continue to strive to ensure Prairie Village remains a great place to live.

Sincerely,

Laura Wassmer, Mayor

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# PV HAPPENINGS

## PVERC at VillageFest

The Prairie Village Environment and Recycling Committee is excited to once again offer fun, family friendly games at VillageFest that will help you grow your knowledge of recycling and energy efficiency best practices. In addition to educational games, the committee will have a booth outside the community center with helpful handouts detailing what can and can't be recycled through PV's curbside recycling program. You can also sign up to get involved with the committee and stay informed about its activities. We look forward to seeing you on July 4!

## Prairie Village Recycles

Congratulations Prairie Village!  
Over the last 12 months, you have recycled...  
3,827,680 pounds!



## Team Ball Field Reservations Due

Applications for soccer and baseball fields for the fall season will be accepted until July 20. If you do not receive an application via e-mail, contact Barb Fisher in the City Clerk's office at [bfisher@pvkansas.com](mailto:bfisher@pvkansas.com) or visit [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com) for more information.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
July 2	Council Meeting	6:00 pm	Council Chambers
July 4	Independence Day		Offices Closed
July 4	VillageFest	7:30 am	Municipal Campus
July 16	Council Meeting	6:00 pm	Council Chambers
August 6	Council Meeting	6:00 pm	Council Chambers
August 20	Council Meeting	6:00 pm	Council Chambers

## Save the Date for JazzFest

Mark your calendars for the 9th annual Prairie Village Jazz Festival on Saturday, September 8 at Harmon Park. The festival offers our community the opportunity to enjoy world-class entertainment right at home in Prairie Village. Headlining the 2018 festival will be Logan Richardson Blues People.

For more information, visit [www.pvkansas.com/jazzfest](http://www.pvkansas.com/jazzfest) or contact Joyce Hagen Mundy at 913-385-4616 or [jhmundy@pvkansas.com](mailto:jhmundy@pvkansas.com). Interested volunteers should contact Meghan Boom at [mbuum@pvkansas.com](mailto:mbuum@pvkansas.com)



### JULY

#### July Artists: Senior Arts Council

A reception will be held on July 13, 2018  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### August

#### August Artists: Polly McCann, Jennifer Janesko, and Cheryl Moran

A reception will be held on August 10, 2018  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar now to view these upcoming exhibits at the R.G. Endres Gallery and attend opening receptions honoring these talented artists. Gallery hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Gallery is located in City Hall at 7700 Mission Rd.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Prairie Village Police Department OPEN HOUSE

- Meet & Greet your local Police officers
- Tours of the Police Department
- Public Safety & Crime Prevention Tips
- Equipment Displays
- Picture Opportunities
- Light Refreshments

Saturday, August 25, 2018  
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
7710 Mission Road  
All are welcome, see you there!!

### Neighborhood Safety

Prairie Village continues to be a great place to live, which, in part, is due to our amazing residents who make the city safe and enjoyable. This being said, it should be mentioned that we all need to continue to do our part to stop crime before it happens. This can be done simply by making sure your house doors, garage doors, and windows are locked, especially overnight and when away from your home. It's important to do the same in regard to any vehicles you own, whether in the driveway or the garage. Keeping valuables out of sight and locking your car doors can help with crimes of opportunity. We ask our residents to help reduce crime in the community by taking these simple steps.

### Going on Vacation this Summer?

Be sure to take advantage of the City's great House Watch program when traveling this summer or anytime year-round! The House Watch program can be completed through the City's website and is for residents who would like an officer to periodically check on their home while they are away. During time away, an officer will come to the home and make sure the doors and windows are all secure and ensure criminal activity has not taken place in the home owner's absence. A short questionnaire is required to complete a house watch application, but is well worth your time. You can complete your house watch request at [www.pvkansas.com/housewatch](http://www.pvkansas.com/housewatch).



# VillageFest

## 22<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 4th ★ 7:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. ★ PV Municipal Campus ★ 7700 Mission Road

### Attractions

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Trackless Train .....City Hall Parking Lot  
 Rock Wall.....City Hall Parking Lot  
 Bungee Pods.....City Hall Parking Lot  
 Tornado.....City Hall Parking Lot  
 Mechanical Bull.....City Hall Parking Lot  
 Ninja Warrior Jump .....City Hall Parking Lot  
 Sister Act Face Painting .....City Hall Grounds  
 Balloons by Alex.....City Hall Grounds  
 Human Hamster Balls .....East of Main Stage  
 Child Craft Center .....Community Center  
 YMCA Kids Area.....Community Center Lawn  
 Inflatables.....Community Center Lawn  
 Petting Zoo.....Community Center Lawn  
 Pony Rides .....Community Center Lawn  
 Skate Board Facility.....Near City Hall Parking Lot  
 Craft Booths.....City Hall Parking Lot  
 Slip 'N Slide.....The Hill  
 Yard Games.....City Hall Parking Lot

### Displays

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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

### Special Guests

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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

### Questions?

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

### Entertainment

#### Main Stage—Across from City Hall

Funky Mama.....9:25-9:50  
 Jim "Mr. Stinky Feet" Cosgrove  
 and the Hiccups .....10:15-11:00  
 MultiPhonics.....11:30-1:00

#### South of Community Center

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

#### Harmon Park Pavilion

Spirit 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 member  
 - Community Spirit Awards  
 Janie Next Door.....8:45-9:10

### 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

### Special Events

Pie Baking Contest..... Pavilion  
 Registration/Submission..... 8:30  
 Results.....10:30  
[www.pvkansas.com/piebakingcontest](http://www.pvkansas.com/piebakingcontest)  
 World War II Plane Flyover.....10:00  
 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

### Food for Purchase

Chris Cakes..... 7:30-11:00  
 Harmon Park Pavilion  
 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](http://www.pvkansas.com/VillageFest)

**Don't Forget to Bring  
Blankets or Lawn Chairs!**

### VillageFest 2018 Thanks the Following Sponsors



Lathrop and Gage | Representative Stephanie Clayton | Commissioner Ron Shaffer | Representative Melissa Rooker



# VillageFest

MISSION ROAD

Parking

Entrance Closed



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

Yard Games

Community Center Lawn

Food Vendor

Food Vendor

Parking Lot Area

Community Center  
RESTROOMS

Police Department/ Med-Act Display

Hy-Vee Food Station

Harmon Park Pavilion

Chris Cakes Pancake Breakfast  
Patriotic Service  
Pie Baking Contest

RESTROOMS

Skate Board Facility

Craft Booths

Water Station

Vendor Entrance Only

CFD#2 Fire Department Display

Pony Rides and Puppet Show

MISSION ROAD

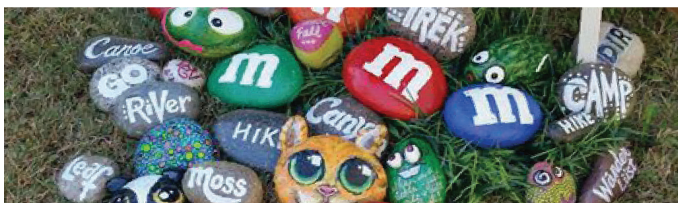
A partnership between the City of Prairie Village and the Johnson County Park & Recreation District

**Craft Workshop Series** (All Ages)

**Nature Art Workshop, \$5 per person, per session**  
**Monday mornings from 10 - 11 a.m.** Each session will rotate between three Prairie Village parks. Awareness of humans' impact and interaction with nature is the primary goal of this workshop series; reigniting interest in natural play through creativity and imagination within a safe environment.

- **Nature Paint Brushes**, course ID: 11175  
**June 4** - Harmon Park/Santa Fe Pavilion
- **Drawing Tree**, course ID: 11177  
**June 11** - Franklin Park
- **Watercolor Leaf Prints**, course ID: 11178  
**June 18** - Weltner Park
- **Nature's Landscape**, course ID: 11179  
**June 25** - Harmon Park/Santa Fe Pavilion
- **No Workshop July 2**
- **Rock Drawings**, course ID: 11180  
**July 9** - Franklin Park
- **Rock Painting**, course ID: 11181  
**July 16** - Weltner Park
- **Shadow Art**, course ID: 11184  
**July 23** - Harmon Park/Santa Fe Pavilion
- **Process Art Sculpture**, course ID: 11185  
**July 30** - Franklin Park
- **Contact Collage**, course ID: 11187  
**August 6** - Weltner Park

For information on the above programs contact Devin at (913) 826-3163.



*All listed craft workshops and exercise programs are held in Prairie Village parks!*

**Outdoor Exercise Programs**

- **Drop In Yoga, \$5 per person** **Starts June 21**  
**Third Thursdays, Noon - 1 p.m.** course ID: 11255  
 Join us for these hour long classes at Franklin Park. For information call (913) 826-2950.
- **Monday Mojo Walks, Free! 9 a.m. start**  
 Rotating at Prairie Village Parks, course ID: 11253  
**1st & 3rd Monday** - Porter Park  
**2nd & 4th Monday** - Franklin Park
- **Outdoor Fitness in the Park, \$35 per 50 minute session**, course ID: 7458  
 Call (913) 826-2950 for an appointment. Training sessions can be held at the Prairie Village park of your choice. Sign up today!



To register for a class visit [JCPRD.com](http://JCPRD.com), click "register for activities," and use the course ID listed above. Drop ins are welcome to register on site (credit cards only please).

National Gold Medal Award Winner for Excellence!



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## Half Price Pool Memberships

<u>Resident</u>	<u>Price Starting July 17</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>	<u>Price Starting July 17</u>
Individual Membership	\$22.50	Individual Membership	\$37.50
Senior Citizen (60+)	\$20.00	Senior Citizen (60+)	\$32.50

## Pool Reduced Hours - Updated

The PV Pool is extending hours to open some pools at 2:00 p.m. the first week of reduced hours.

### Week of August 6-August 10:

- Lap Pool and Meter Pool – Open 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- All Pools – Open 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### Week of August 13-Close:

- All Pools – Open 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Weekend hours remain 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



## CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

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