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The Star of Kansas



ENHANCING YOUR PARK EXPERIENCE

As you are enjoying the long-awaited spring weather, hopefully you have noticed the new Park Identification Signs located in your City's parks. The signs were a long-time effort of the Park and Recreation Committee and were designed to look similar to the City Entrance Signs. (A few signs have not been installed yet due to the upcoming improvements.) The new identification signs were the kick-off for implementing the **Parks and Recreation Master Plan**, adopted last year.

Starting in early spring, improvements to **Franklin Park** will begin. These improvements were presented during a public forum in January. Indigo Design, who also completed the City's Parks Master Plan, shared preliminary schematic designs with the public, the Parks & Recreation Committee and the City Council. Improvements to the park include widening the park trail to 8', the addition of a new park shelter, restroom facilities and nature-play elements allowing children of all ages to interact with their natural surroundings. The design phase

of the project has been completed and construction is set to begin in mid-May. The City anticipates disruptions to the central portion of the park to last until mid-September. As one of our community's most utilized parks, we understand this construction may disrupt your experience. Your patience is appreciated as we make these improvements.

Exciting improvements to **Weltner Park** are also currently being planned as well as other minor enhancements recommended in the Master Plan. To learn more about the Parks and Recreation Master Plan or improvements to Franklin Park, please visit <http://www.pvkansas.com/parks/ParkandRecreation-MasterPlan> or contact Chris Engel at 913-381-6464 ext. 4206 or cengel@pvkansas.com. Please feel free to attend the monthly Park & Recreation Committee meetings, scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. For more information, contact Park & Recreation Chairperson, Diana Ewy Sharp at 913-383-2291.



Shelter Elevations



Restroom Design



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE



As spring approaches, school and family activities pick up, making our lives busier. Things are no different at the City, with activities which will affect everyone.

The 2010 spring general election occurs on April 6th. There are City Council candidates running in all six wards. Please take the time to exercise your right to vote and make a difference in your community by participating in the election.

Construction projects financed through the bond issue are underway in addition to the annual Street Resurfacing Program. Anticipate increased construction throughout the City on streets and the storm drainage system. Visit www.pvkansas.com for more information on these projects.

Implementation of the Parks Master Plan recommendations will be underway in Franklin Park. Construction will be taking place throughout the spring and into summer. A park shelter, permanent restrooms, and a new nature play area are among the added amenities. For a more detailed plan of the improvements, visit www.pvkansas.com.

The 9th Annual Earth Fair will provide an opportunity to learn more about “going green.” Earth Fair 9 will take place on April 17th from 10 am to 3 pm at Shawnee Mission East High School. Check out page 16 for more information.

And who can forget about spring cleaning. The City has scheduled the annual bulky item pick-up for April 24th. In addition, the City will be sponsoring an electronic recycling event on that same day. See page four for details.

It has been a long winter, so take some time to enjoy the coming of spring.

Ron Shaffer, Mayor

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COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

SISTER CITY COMMITTEE

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2010 finds the Sister City committee hard at work. Early in the year committee members hosted three visitors from our sister city of Dolyna, Ukraine. All three guests had previously visited Prairie Village and formed a bond with the committee members and residents they met. The

purpose of their visit was to spend time at local agencies to gain a greater understanding as to how they operate. Two of our guests, Oksana Yakymiv, Director of the School of the Blind in Dolyna and Larysa Galushyna an English teacher at the school were able to spend time and study the operations of the Kansas City School for the Blind. However, the visit was extra special for the third member of their party, Tetyana Seniv, Director of the Dolyna Museum. Born with debilitating cataracts, Tetyana's vision had progressively gotten worse throughout her life to the point that she would eventually become totally blind. In concert with Sister City committee members Vera Glywa and Cindy Dwigans, Prairie Village resident Nancy Wallerstein contacted Jim Denning with Discover Vision Centers. Those efforts resulted in a series of corrective surgeries for Tetyana not readily available to her in Ukraine. The Prairie Village Lions Club, other KC Metro Lions Clubs and concerned citizens raised money to help with the cost of

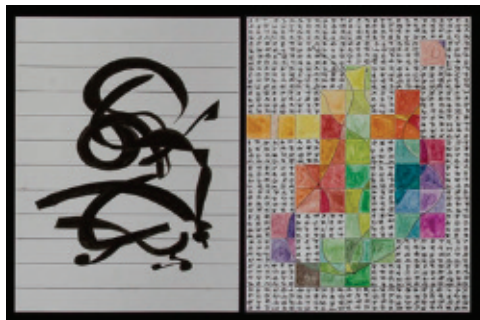
Tetyana's airline ticket. US Peace Corp Volunteers working in Dolyna, also helped to raise funds through their membership in their Alaskan Lions Club. Tetyana's cataract removal and Lasik surgery, by Discover Vision Center's Dr. John Doane, was able to correct her vision to 20/20. Tetyana said, "If it was not for the help from Vera, Cindy, Nancy, Discover Vision Centers and the Sister City Committee, I would have died not knowing there was so much beauty in the world."

In addition to hosting visitors from Ukraine, the Committee has been diligently preparing to host an April gallery showing at the Endres Gallery located in City Hall. In December, the Dolyna museum, where Tetyana is the Director, hosted a showing of works by their local artists. This provided an opportunity to develop their community involvement and volunteerism. Prairie Village chose works from the Dolyna showing to be shipped to the US specifically for the April show. This exhibition of Ukrainian art is a great example of the increasing partnership between our sister cities. In addition to these selected pieces, we have a variety of works by other Ukrainian artists, examples of folk art and handicrafts and pieces on loan from private collections. Join us April 9th from 6:30-8:00pm for the reception, and at 7:30 we will host a presentation on the exhibition and its cultural context.

The Sister City Committee meets the second Monday of every month in City Hall at 7:00pm. For more information please contact Chris Engel at 913-381-6464, ext. 4206 or cengel@pvkansas.com.

Arts COUNCIL Prairie Village

Mark your calendars now to view these exhibits and attend opening receptions honoring these talented artists. Gallery hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.



MARCH

The art of Lynne Hodgman is based on the ideas of language and time. She creates language-like symbols she calls Glyphs and each one is unique. Lynne's Glyphs are made from ink, paint, paper, clay, fiber and metal. A reception will be held on March 12th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

BRICK ORDER DEADLINE APRIL 1ST

The Prairie Village Arts Council continues to sell personalized bricks for the Community Center patio. If you would like to order a brick for yourself or a loved one, your order must be received by April 1st for the

brick to be installed in time for VillageFest 2010. Individual bricks are priced at \$35, with a portion of the amount being tax-deductible. Corporate sponsorships begin at \$100.

Orders can be placed online at www.pvkansasarts.org or an order form can be picked up at City Hall.

For more information, contact Jeanne Koontz at 913-385-4662 or send an email to jkoontz@pvkansas.com.



APRIL

The month of April will feature mixed media from our Sister City in Dolyna, Ukraine. These works will mesmerize you with details that delight the eyes. This is a rare opportunity that will only occur once in a blue moon, so be sure to see these rare treasures! A reception will be held on April 9th from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

PV HAPPENINGS

Lifeguard and Operations Attendant Applications are Being Accepted

The City of Prairie Village is accepting applications for lifeguards and operations attendants for the 2010 pool season. Lifeguard pay starts at \$8.46/hour. Operations attendants begin at \$7.25/hour. The Greater Kansas City American Red Cross and Paul Henson YMCA are currently offering lifeguard certification courses.

All Prairie Village lifeguards must be Red Cross certified before they can start. Applications are available online at www.pvkansas.com. Please contact Chris Engel at 913-381-6464 or cengel@pvkansas.com for further information.

Tax Credits Available to You

There are many tax credits related to your home that may be available to you. The home buyer credit has been extended until April 30, 2010. It is an \$8,000 tax credit* (\$4,000 married filing separate) given to those who purchase a home by April 30, 2010 and close on the property no later than July 1, 2010. Visit www.federalhousingtaxcredit.com for more information.

There are also various energy tax credits available. Congress has reintroduced tax credits for energy-efficiency improvements to existing homes. These federal income tax credits are available for home improvements completed from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010 and include insulation, energy-efficient windows and doors, energy-efficient biomass fueled stoves and more. Homeowners can claim up to \$1,500 in combined tax credits. Visit www.energystar.org for more information.

There are federal tax credits available for homeowners who install solar energy systems (including solar water heating and solar electric systems), small wind systems, geothermal heat pumps, and residential fuel cell and microturbine systems. Individuals can receive a 30% tax credit for systems placed in service before December 31, 2016. For more information visit www.energy.gov/recovery/taxbreaks.htm.

The State of Kansas has established the Efficiency Kansas Loan Program which provides low-cost financing for cost-effective energy efficiency improvements to homes (up to \$20,000) and small businesses (up to \$30,000). Financing is accessed through participating lending institutions and utilities. Visit www.efficiencykansas.com for more information.

Ever wonder what to do with your grass clippings and leaves

Learn How to Compost - The Prairie Village Environmental Committee will be hosting an educational class on **April 27th** at 7:00 pm in the Prairie Village Community Center, 7700 Mission Road to show you how.

Backyard composting is a great way to divert leaves and grass clippings from the local landfill. Composting is pretty simple once the basics are understood and applied. This class will provide all the “dirty little secrets” so that you can compost with speed for a wonderful finished product to use in your garden.

For more information call 913-381-6464 or go to www.pvkansas.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
March 1st	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
March 22nd	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
April 5th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
April 6th	General Election	All Day	
April 17th	Earth Fair	10 am – 3 pm	SM East HS
April 19th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
April 24th	Large Item Pick-Up	All Day	
April 27th	Composting Class	7:00 pm	Community Center

Large Item Pick-up and E-Recycling – April 24th

The City’s annual large item pick-up will be on Saturday, April 24th. All items must be at the curb by 7:00 am for collection. There will be a separate collection on the same date for CFC containers including refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, ice makers, and dehumidifiers. For Large Item Pick-up rules visit www.pvkansas.com. This is a free service for Prairie Village

residents, so take advantage to clean up! If you need to get rid of any electronics, there will be an E-Recycling event that same day, April 24th, from 8 am to 2 pm at the Waddell & Reed Office Complex at Shawnee Mission Parkway and Lamar Ave. Volunteers for the event are also needed. Contact Dennis Enslinger at 913-385-4603. Visit www.pvkansas.com for more information.

PARKS, RECREATION

Community Programs



VISIT US ONLINE!

<http://pvkansas.recware.com>

- Register for Summer Recreation Activities – **Select View Activities**
Note: Private tennis, swim, or dive lessons only available at City Hall.
- Purchase Prairie Village Pool Memberships – **Select Membership**
Note: 10 Swim Cards and NE Johnson County Super Passes only available at City Hall.
- Reserve a Park Pavilion or the Community Center – **Select Reserve**

The website also allows the viewing of fees, dates, time, locations, age requirements, the number of openings remaining and other activity information for recreation programs and memberships.

To get started visit <http://pvkansas.recware.com> - select **Request Account**

SUPERPASS - BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Once again the City is partnering with our neighboring cities to offer the SuperPass. With the SuperPass your annual Prairie Village pool membership will allow you unlimited access to all of the partnering cities' pools. In addition to access to the Prairie Village Pool you will gain admittance to:

A further enhancement to the program this year is the allowance of non-resident pass holders to purchase a SuperPass. **To qualify for the SuperPass as a non-resident you must have had a non-resident membership with the City of Prairie Village for the previous two years.**

FAIRWAY SWIMMING POOL

6136 Mission Road, Fairway, KS 66205
(913) 722-3161

LEAWOOD AQUATIC CENTER *(pending)*

10601 Lee Boulevard, Leawood, KS 66206
(913) 327-3977

MERRIAM AQUATIC CENTER

6040 Slater, Merriam, KS 66202
(913) 322-5550

MISSION MUNICIPAL POOL

6090 Woodson Road, Mission, KS 66202
(913) 722-4590

ROELAND PARK AQUATIC CENTER

4843 Rosewood Drive, Roeland Park, KS 66205
(913) 432-1377

SUPERPASS UPGRADE FEES:

	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>
Household / Family (max 5 people)	\$30	\$50
each additional person over 5 total	\$5	\$5
Individual / Senior	\$15	\$25

The Super Pass is an additional charge to the price of a membership and cannot be purchased independent of a membership.

The Super Pass is non-refundable, non-transferable.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

The Prairie Village Pool opens Saturday, May 29th, at 11:00 a.m. and closes for the season on Monday, September 6th, at 6:00 p.m. **The pool may be closed or hours shortened due to weather conditions, the availability of lifeguards, scheduled competitive swim and dive meets, maintenance, safety, or other City sponsored events.**

For more information, call the Prairie Village Pool at 913-385-4650 after May 29th or the Municipal Offices at 913-381-6464 at anytime. Check the information board at the pool's front desk for notices of additional special activities and events.

Joel Rios will return as Prairie Village Pool Manager for the 2010 season.

A concession stand is provided at the pool for your convenience, but may be closed periodically due to low attendance or inclement weather.

REGULAR HOURS:	
Leisure Pool and Wading Pool (6 & under)	11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Diving Well, Water Slides and Meter Pool	Noon to 8:30 p.m.
Adult Pool and Lap Lanes	11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. (weekends) Noon to 8:30 p.m. (weekdays)
Lap Lanes (Adults Only)	4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Concession Stand	Noon to 8:30 p.m.

2010 POOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1	Registration begins for Pool Memberships, Swim Team (Residents Only), Dive Team and Synchronized Swim Team	July 4	VillageFest 2010 - Free swim for all Prairie Village residents – Pool complex closes at 6:00 p.m.
May 1	Swim Team Registration for Non-Residents begins	July 6	Dive Team Meet – Slides and Diving well close at 5:00 p.m.
May 19	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro members and parents 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	July 9	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
May 21	Deadline to register for ALL Aquatics Teams	July 13	Dive Team Meet – Slides and Diving well close at 5:00 p.m.
May 28	Prairie Village Swim Team Placement Evaluation	July 16	Pool Memberships reduced 1/2 off excluding Super Pass and 10 Swim Cards.
May 29	Pool opens for the season at 11:00 a.m.	July 23	Water Show Rehearsal – Meter Pool and Adult Pools close at 5:00 p.m.
June 3	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro Swim members and parents 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	July 25	Water Show at 8:30 p.m. Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.
June 7	First day of Swim Team, Dive Team, and Synchronized Swim Team Practice	August 6	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
June 17	Swim Team Meet – Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.	August 16	Reduced hours begin – Pool opens at 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
June 18	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.	September 6	Pool closes for the season at 6:00 p.m.
July 1	Swim Team Meet – Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.		

SWIM AND DIVE MEET CLOSINGS

Prairie Village is also partnering with the cities of Fairway, Leawood (pending), Merriam, Mission and Roeland Park to allow pass holder's all-day access to their pools on days the Prairie Village Pool is closed for meets. **This service is free and included in the price of both resident and non-resident pool membership.**

A Prairie Village pool membership grants you all-day access to the following pools on these days:

Fairway	June 17, July 6, July 13
Leawood (pending)	June 17, July 13
Merriam	June 17, July 1, July 6, July 13
Mission	July 1, July 13
Roeland Park	June 17, July 13

SWIMMING POOL MEMBERSHIPS

Annual pool memberships go on sale April 1st at the City Clerk's Office in City Hall. Normal office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. From May 24th through June 3rd, office hours will be extended from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday with normal office hours on Friday.



SWIMMING POOL FEES FOR THE 2010 SEASON

RESIDENT:

2 Person Family Membership	\$140
Household Membership (max 4 people)	\$150
each additional person over 4 total	\$5
Individual Membership	\$72
Senior Citizen (age 60 and over)	\$55
Swim Card with 10 admissions	\$50
Super Pass (max 5 people)	\$30 / \$15
each additional person over 5 total	\$5

Non-Resident:

Household Membership (max 4 people)	\$290
each additional person over 4 total	\$5
Individual Membership	\$153
Senior Citizen (age 60 and over)	\$100
Child Membership (16 and under)	\$100
Swim Card with 10 admissions (pass holders only)	\$55
Super Pass (max 5 people)	\$50 / \$25
each additional person over 5 total	\$5

All Prairie Village residents and business owners with an administrative/retail license in Prairie Village may purchase memberships at resident rates. Proof of residence and a valid driver's license is required.

Daily Gate Admission Fee	\$6
Twilight Admission Fee (After 5:30 p.m.)	\$4
Lost ID Card	\$3

All household members over 18 will be required to show identification and/or a utility or credit card bill to verify proof of residency. Children under one year of age do not require an ID card and will be admitted free to the pool.

The City reserves the right to revoke membership privileges to anyone attempting to manipulate the number of people included on a household membership.

Pool memberships are Non-Refundable. Daily Admission fees and 10-Swim cards will not be refunded or applied to a membership purchase.

10-Swim cards are only valid for the season in which they are purchased.

If you have questions regarding specific fees, ID cards, etc., contact the City Clerk's Office at 913-381-6464, TDD 800-766-3777, or e-mail cityclerk@pvkansas.com.

ID CARDS

All new pool members are required to obtain a photo ID in the City Clerk's office. Existing members can use their previous card or obtain a new one. ID cards must be presented upon entering the pool complex only by the person to whom the ID card is issued. Any violations or "pass backs" of ID cards may result in forfeiture of your membership privileges for the remainder of the season.

POOL RENTALS

Prairie Village residents may rent the Leisure Pool, Slide Pool, and Diving Well as a package any available evening between June 1st and August 8th after the pool closes to the public. Parties may be held from 8:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. The rental fee is \$387. All food must be kept within the concessions area, and will not be permitted in the pool complex until 8:30 p.m., nor will any non-paying or non-member guest. In addition, all pool rules apply during pool rentals. *Note: The Pool Manager on duty may close the entire pool complex, or any portions of the pool complex, for any weather, safety or maintenance reason.* For more information, please ask a Pool Manager on duty about date availability, or contact the City Clerk's Office at 913 381-6464.



AQUATICS

SWIMMING POOL FEES FOR THE 2010 SEASON

AQUATIC TEAM REGISTRATION FEES:

Resident	\$97
Resident, second child on same team.....	\$91
*Non-resident without Prairie Village Pool Membership	\$138
*Non-resident with Prairie Village Pool Membership.....	\$97

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Residents of Fairway, Lenexa, Overland Park, Shawnee, Merriam, Roeland Park or Olathe --- Prairie Village is a member of the Johnson County Swim and Dive League (JCSDL). The JCSDL bylaws state that individuals must compete in the city they reside, if that city has a JCSDL member team. Exceptions are; (1) the participant must live closer to the Prairie Village pool than the pool in the city they reside, or (2) the individual must have competed on the Prairie Village team for the last two consecutive years.*



SWIM TEAM:

www.freewebs.com/pvswimteam

Open to youth aged 6 to 18

Offered in both Competitive and Pre-Competitive formats

Head Coach: Rob Cole

An evaluation to determine placement on the competitive or pre-competitive team for **new team** members is on Friday, May 28, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Prairie Village Pool (please bring a swimsuit).

Practice time is daily Monday – Thursday from:

- 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. for **Competitive** swimmers age 12 to 18
- 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. for **Competitive** swimmers age 6 to 11
- 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. **or** 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for **Pre-Competitive** swimmers

DIVE TEAM

www.freewebs.com/pvswimteam

Open to youth aged 6 to 18

Head Coach: Cathy Jones

Practice time is daily, Monday – Friday at the following times:

- 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. for **Competitive** swimmers age 6 to 11
- 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. for **Competitive** swimmers age 12 to 18

SYNCHRONIZED SWIM TEAM

www.freewebs.com/pvswimteam

Open to youth aged 7 to 18

Head Coach: Nancy Morgan



Practice is from 10:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m., on either Monday & Wednesday or Tuesday & Thursday depending on skill level. There may be additional practices on Fridays and Saturdays in July, if necessary.

The season culminates with the **51st Annual Water Show** on Sunday, July 25th at 8:30 p.m.

SWIM AND DIVE TEAM LESSONS

Open to any youth participating on the 2010 Prairie Village Swim or Dive Team. Lessons are taught in a semi-private format, and are intended to aid in skill and technique development. Lessons are purchased in packages of (6) 1/2 hour lessons for \$30.

Lessons are held Monday – Friday between the following times:

- 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for Swim Team
- 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for Dive Team

IMPORTANT: The day and time your lessons are scheduled must be pre-arranged between you and your team coach. Please pick up a lesson form in the City Clerk’s office before approaching your coach for lessons.

AQUATIC TEAM ORIENTATION

Please plan to attend a pre-season Aquatic Team Orientation. This event will allow swimmers and their parents to meet the coaches, ask questions, and gather important information about the teams.

Orientations are held in the Prairie Village City Council Chambers in City Hall on the following days:

- Wednesday, May 19th, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- or
- Thursday, June 3rd, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

AQUATIC PROGRAM REFUNDS

Team fees, including fees for lessons not taken, are refundable up to one week after team practice begins minus a \$5 administrative fee.

**The deadline for all aquatics registrations is
Friday, May 21st.**

TENNIS IN PRAIRIE VILLAGE

Rebecca Snodgrass, USPTA Certified, will be returning to the Prairie Village Tennis Program this year as the Youth and Adult Tennis Instructor. Teresa Holmes will be returning as coach of the Kansas City Junior Tennis League Team and also Adult Group Lessons instructor.

Tennis courts are available in Harmon, McCrum, and Windsor parks to all Prairie Village residents on a first come, first served basis, free of charge, when courts are not reserved for tournaments or City-sponsored lessons.

2010 TENNIS CALENDAR

April 1	KCJTL and Tennis Lesson registration begins	June 1	KCJTL League practice and play begins
May 22	Kansas City Junior Tennis League Kickoff at Harmon Park Tennis Courts, 8 a.m.-11 a.m.	June 14	Second session of youth tennis lessons begins
May 29	KCJTL Challenge Camp from 1-4 p.m.	June 21	Second session of adult tennis lessons begins
June 1	First sessions of youth & adult tennis lessons begin	June 28	Third session of youth tennis lessons begins
		July 12	Fourth session of youth tennis lessons begins

YOUTH GROUP LESSONS (Up to age 15)

PEE WEE CLINIC (Up to age 6) – Introduction to the basic skills of tennis using a variety of games that incorporate fun and learning. Meets Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 a.m. for 30 minutes. Cost is \$41 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and a maximum enrollment of 6.

MIGHTY MITES CLINIC (Ages 7 to 10) – Introduction to the strokes of tennis, including games for fun and fitness. Meets Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. There will be two different sections for Mighty Mites during Session 1 - one at 9:00 a.m. and one at 11:00 a.m. Both sections are 50-minute classes. Sessions 2 through 4 will have only the 9:00 a.m. section. Cost is \$54 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and maximum enrollment of 10.

YOUTH GROUP LESSONS

Sessions run two weeks and will be held as follows:

Session 1 June 1 - June 10	Session 3 June 28 - July 8
Session 2 . . . June 14 - June 24	Session 4 July 12 - July 22

FUTURE STARS CLINIC (Ages 11 to 15) – Learn how to play tennis and have fun learning the correct strokes. Meets Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. for 50 minutes. Cost is \$54 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and maximum enrollment of 10.

ADULT GROUP LESSONS (16 years and older)

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Sessions will be established for four or more players (maximum enrollment of 8). Each session includes six 50-minute lessons. The lessons are twice a week on Monday and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. for three weeks. The cost is \$62. Sessions will be held as follows:

Session 1 June 1 - June 17	Session 2 June 21 - July 8
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Private Lessons allow instructors the opportunity to work with players on individual needs. The fee is \$23 per 1/2 hour lesson.

Semi-Private Lessons for two persons are structured to meet individual needs. The fee is \$15 per person per 1/2 hour.

Three and a Pro is a program for youth and adults. You bring two friends and play with the pro. This is good practice for doubles play and stroke instruction is given. The cost is \$17 per hour per player.

PRIVATE & SEMI-PRIVATE LESSONS (Adult or Youth)

Prairie Village is a member of the Kansas City Junior Tennis League (KCJTL). In this program, youth ages 8 to 18 develop, improve, and refine their tennis skills. The League consists of weekly clinics, Challenge Days, weekly team matches, and an end-of-year tournament. Cost is \$92 per participant (\$86 for each additional family member on team). **No refunds will be allowed for the Kansas City Junior Tennis League team.**

A KCJTL Kick-Off, including an initial clinic, will take place on Saturday, May 22nd from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Interested players must

register by May 14th to be eligible for the first week of league play. This year the coach will hold a tennis camp for registered players on May 29th from 1-4 p.m. **The camp cost is included in JTL registration.** For the first hour participants will receive instruction through fun and challenging games. They will then be set up with a challenge match to help determine the first week's ladder. League play begins on June 1st. Visit <http://pvkansas.recware.com> or the league website at www.kcjtl.org for more information.

PARKS, FACILITIES & RESERVATIONS



Pavilions in City parks may be reserved throughout the year for use between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Groups of 20 or less may reserve part of the Harmon Park Pavilion; groups of 21 to 100 may reserve the entire pavilion. Pavilions are also available in Meadowlake, Porter, Windsor, and Bennett Parks, as well as the Santa Fe Pavilion in Harmon Park. The fee for pavilion reservation is \$8.00 per hour for Prairie Village residents and \$15.00 per hour for non-residents.

PARK FACILITY RESERVATIONS

1. Check pavilion availability online at <http://pvkansas.recware.com>
2. Fill out a Facility Reservation Form. Applications are available through the City Clerk's Office and at www.pvkansas.com.
3. The City will recognize reservations by issuing a Facility Reservation Permit. Permits may be obtained by the requesting person from the City Clerk's office.
4. Clean up of the premises shall be done by the group using the facility. The sponsor is responsible for actions of the group. The City is not responsible for lost or stolen articles, or accidents. The City will clean the facility the day of the event if it is a regular scheduled work day. On a non-scheduled workday, the facility will be cleaned on the previous work day.
5. If you wish to use amplified sound equipment, you must obtain a permit from the City Clerk's office when you make your shelter reservations.

BALL FIELD RESERVATIONS

Written requests to schedule ball fields must be filed with the City Clerk's office prior to the date of use. Applications are available at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road. The City Clerk takes applications for the spring and summer in January and for the fall season in August.

TENNIS COURT RESERVATIONS

Tennis courts are first come first serve for the public, but are able to be rented for tournaments. If you would like to hold a tournament for your friends, family, church, organization, or business, call the City Clerk's office at 913-381-6464, TDD 800-766-3777, or stop by the Prairie Village Municipal Offices at 7700 Mission Road. The cost for tournament reservations is \$7 per court per hour.

PARK LOCATIONS – HOURS 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM

- Bennett Park -- 77th Street and Rosewood
- Brenizer Park – Tomahawk & Prairie Lane
- Franklin Park – Somerset & Roe
- Harmon Park – 77th Place & Delmar
- McCrum Park – 69th Terrace & Roe
- Meadowlake Park – 2900 W 79th Street
- Porter Park – Tomahawk & Roe
- Prairie Park – 6938 Mission Road
- Santa Fe Trail Park – 7727 Delmar
- Schliffke Park – 6845 Mission Road
- Weltner Park – 78th Street & State Line Road
- Windsor Park – 71st Terrace & Windsor



JOHNSON COUNTY PROGRAMS

OFFERED IN PRAIRIE VILLAGE



JOHNSON COUNTY
PARK & RECREATION
DISTRICT

SWIM LESSONS & PROGRAMS

Registration for lessons & programs will be taken through Johnson County Park and Recreation District (JCPRD) 6501 Antioch – Merriam, Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You may also register by phone at 913-831-3359 between 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. For more information about JCPRD programs, visit their website at www.jcprd.com. You do not need to be a member of the Prairie Village Pool to take swimming lessons through Johnson County Parks and Recreation.

Johnson County Parks and Recreation offers a variety of classes from 6 months to adult. Please contact JCPRD for specific class offerings, times and prerequisites if any. The JCPRD Swim Program will conduct out of water safety and deck training for days of inclement weather or insufficient staff.

Classes will be held at various times between 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

MORNING & EVENING SWIM LESSON SESSIONS

Sessions run two weeks and will be held as follows:

Session 1 June 7 - 17

Session 2 June 21 – July 1

Session 3* July 6 – 15

Session 4 July 19 – 29

Session 5** August 2 – 12

*Session 3 will be Tuesday - Friday

**Session 5 will only offer morning classes.

Lessons are offered Monday through Thursday, with Fridays held for make-up and training days as needed.

COURSE FEES FOR LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS (*per session*)*

Sessions run two weeks and will be held as follows:

\$48..... Johnson County Residents

\$53..... Non-Johnson County Residents

*No child will go without lessons if he or she is unable to pay. Contact the Johnson County Park & Recreation District at 913-831-3355 ext. 227 for scholarship information.

SWIM LESSONS & PROGRAMS

WATER EXERCISE (50+)

Participants in this program will use the resistive and buoyant nature of water with various exercises. This is a complete body workout without weight bearing stress. Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Sessions begin on June 1st and run through August 30th.

K.C. BLAZERS MASTER'S SWIMMING

This is an adult fitness swimming group. Swimmers are grouped according to ability to train in competitive swimming for fun and fitness. Registration includes up to four 90-minute workouts per week.

Workouts are held Monday through Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sessions begin June 1st and run through September 2nd.

JOHNSON COUNTY SUMMER DAY CAMP (AGES 6-10)

Summer Day Camp will be held at the Harmon Park Pavilion, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., beginning May 26th and running through August 6th. The day camp is fully licensed by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Camp registrations accepted by web at www.jcprd.com, mail, fax or in person only. NO PHONE IN REGISTRATION.

NON-CITY SPORTS PROGRAMS



British Soccer is hosting a Soccer Skills camp led by professional coaches from Great Britain on June 21 – 25 at Meadowlake Park. British Soccer Camps provide players of all ages and abilities with the rare opportunity to receive high-level soccer coaching from a team of international experts. Each day includes individual foot skills, technical drills, tactical practices, small-sided games, coached scrimmages, and a daily

tournament. Equally important, the Challenger coaching staff provides your child with lessons in respect, responsibility, integrity, sportsmanship and leadership. Camp programs include a free ball and shirt and a free British Soccer jersey for online registrations 45 days prior to camp!

Register online at www.challengersports.com

For further information call Mike Parry 800-878-2167 ext. 227

JUNE 21 - 25

Camp for ages 5 to 8 runs from 9:00 am to noon - \$115

Camp for ages 9 to 14 runs from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm - \$115

Flag Football – Challenger Sports will facilitate a Flag Football camp at Meadowlake Park on June 14 – 18.

Register online at www.challengersports.com

For further information call Josh Flett 800-878-2167 ext. 223

JUNE 14 – 18

Camp for ages 6-12 runs from 9:00 am to noon - \$90

PRAIRIE VILLAGE RECREATION PROGRAM FEE ASSISTANCE



Scholarships are available to qualified Prairie Village residents for pool memberships and team fees. Scholarships are available to adults and all children living in the household below the age of 18. All scholarship applicants will be required to provide the City with their previous years' federal tax return as part of the application. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 913-381-6464 or cityclerk@pvkansas.com.

CONTACT US

MUNICIPAL OFFICES

7700 Mission Road

Prairie Village, KS 66208

913-381-6464

HOURS: Monday - Friday – 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX

7711 Delmar

Prairie Village, KS 66208

913-385-4650

COMMUNITY CENTER

7720 Mission Road

Prairie Village, KS 66208

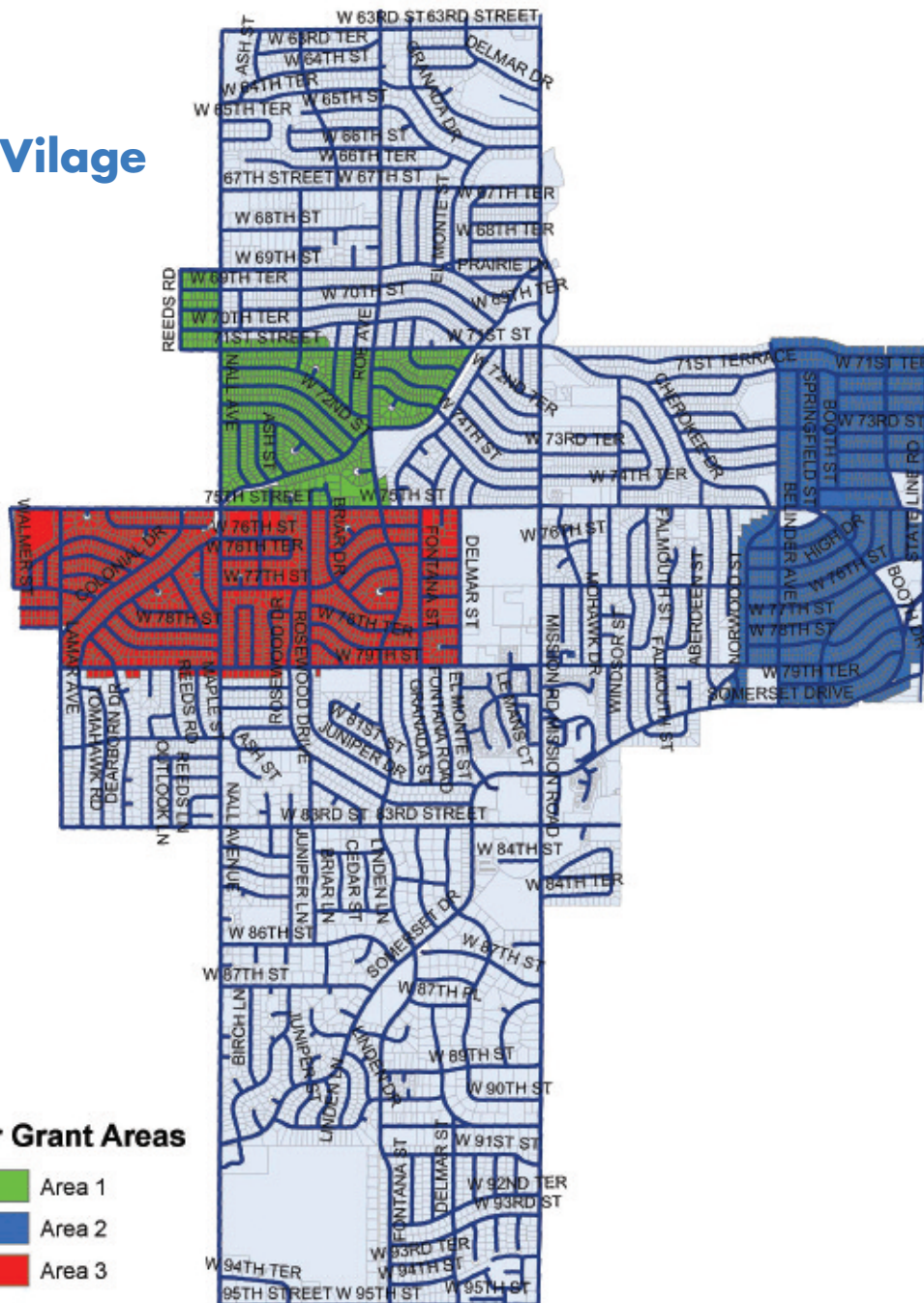
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EXTERIOR GRANT PROGRAM

The City Council has renewed the Exterior Grant Program after another successful year. The 2010 Program will begin accepting applications on March 1st of this year. For this year's program the council has expanded two of the areas (see map), adding all Prairie Village addresses from 69th St. to 71st St., west of Nall to Reeds and adding all addresses from 71st St. to 75th St. from Roe to Tomahawk in Area One. The boundary for Area Three was expanded east to Delmar St. from 75th St. to 79th St. The previous two years of the program have seen over \$400,000 worth of improvements made to 39 homes in your

neighborhoods. Homeowners located in the designated areas must make a minimum \$5,000 investment on pre-approved projects to qualify for a 20% reimbursement on construction and material costs up to \$2,500. Homeowners that are interested in participating in this year's program may contact City Hall at 913-381-6464 or visit www.pvkansas.com and click on the exterior grant link on the main page. Applications will be accepted March 1, 2010 through September 1, 2010. Funding for the program is limited so apply early.

City of Prairie Village Exterior Grant Program



Exterior Grant Areas

-  Area 1
-  Area 2
-  Area 3

PUBLIC SAFETY

NEW LAWS FOR TEEN DRIVERS



At first glance, the Graduated Driver's License Law that went into effect on January 1, 2010, can be somewhat confusing. The following is clarification of those changes by explaining each category of license and applicable restrictions:

Instruction Permit (*Duration: 12 months*)

- Minimum age 14 (If under age 16, written application of parent/guardian required)
- Must pass vision and written examinations
- Must be accompanied by adult in front seat who holds a valid driver's license with at least one year of driving experience (No person except supervising driver can be in front seat)
- NO wireless communication devices while driving except to report illegal activity or to summon emergency help

Restricted License (*Duration: 12 months*)

- Minimum age 15 (Written application of parent/guardian required)
- Must have held an Instruction Permit for at least one year and completed at least 25 hours of supervised driving
- Must have successfully completed an approved Driver Education course (not required if applying at age 16)

If under age 16, may drive at any time:

- To/from or in connection with any employment
- Most direct route to/from school for the purpose of attendance
- When accompanied by an licensed adult in front seat

During this time:

- Must complete additional 25 hours of supervised driving (10 of the 50 hours total must be at night)
- One non-immediate family member minor passenger (less than 18 years old) is allowed
- NO wireless communication devices while driving except to report illegal activity or to summon emergency help

Full License

- Age 17 (if applying as a first-time applicant)
 - Must pass vision, written and driving exams with appropriate license in hand
 - Must provide proof of age and identification
 - Signed affidavit of parent or guardian, stating applicant has legally completed at least 50 hours of adult (at least age 21) supervised driving with at least 10 of those hours being at night

Visit <http://www.ksrevenue.org/dmvteen.htm> for a complete explanation of changes.

9-1-1 and YOU

As we all know we are living in a fast-paced world these days. It should come as no surprise the overwhelming majority of us use cell phones to connect and keep connected to everyone around us, whether using the functions of the phone, texting, or email.

Prairie Village Police Department dispatchers answered 40,000 phone calls in 2009, approximately 8,000 which were 9-1-1 calls. The percentage of 9-1-1 landline vs. 9-1-1 wireless calls was split at about 50 percent each. A noticeably large volume of these 9-1-1 calls were non-emergency calls. Cell phone usage has become commonplace over the past few years, and most of us probably know someone who has cancelled home phone service in favor of a cell phone.

While the total number of 9-1-1 calls continues to remain about the same annually, cellular 9-1-1 calls are slowly becoming the majority. While the City would never discourage the use of the 9-1-1 system, it is important to curtail the use of 9-1-1 for non-emergency reasons so the 9-1-1 lines are available for emergency calls. There are a limited number of 9-1-1 lines, and if all lines are busy with other calls, a true emergency might not be answered in a timely manner.

The Prairie Village Police Department has a published non-emergency phone number of **913-642-5151**. Please consider adding it to your home or cell phone contact list. This number is answered 24-hours a day, seven days a week by a dispatcher who will be able to assist you with non-emergency police or animal control-related calls. The call will still be handled quickly and professionally, however, the 9-1-1 emergencies will be realized and handled with top priority.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tim Kobe, Communications Supervisor, at 913-385-4620, or tkobe@pvkansas.com.

COMMUNITY CORNER

The 50 Plus Program *Enjoy Life!*

50 PLUS PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

No experience necessary in this absolute BASIC BEGINNER PAINTING class for 50 PLUS! Your instructor, Barbara O'Leary, discusses the different painting mediums and how they act and react. Learn to sketch and then paint a work of art. Classes meet at Prairie Village Community Center Wednesdays at 10AM beginning March 10th.

Get started with GENEALOGY to discover your family history! Start from scratch and learn the process of creating a written record of your immediate family and ancestors. Information on where to access records in your area and from internet sites is to be reviewed. Participants will receive reference material to assist future research.



Decide to try HATHA YOGA! You can learn basic yoga poses to reshape your body and mind in one total body workout. Use of light hand weights is optional. Classes will meet at Prairie Village Community Center Thursdays at 8:30am. Please call 913-826-3160 for more information.

Get FIT AND FEISTY with an energizing morning workout of low impact aerobics, Pilates and strength training. Exercises stretch and tone your body while providing an effective cardiovascular workout. Classes meet at Prairie Village Community Center Tuesdays at 7:30am and Thursdays at 7:15am.

These programs are brought to you by the Johnson County Park & Recreation District 50 Plus Program. Sign up for any program at least a week ahead of time at the Roeland Park office by calling (913) 826-3160.



FOURTH FRIDAY CONCERTS



Live music and free food will be center stage at the sixth annual *Fourth Friday Concerts in the Park* series, sponsored by Hillcrest Covenant Church. Bring a lawn chair and join us on the Fourth Friday on June 25th, July 23rd and August 27th

at Harmon Park (77th and Delmar) from 6:30 – 8:30 pm! Visit www.hillcrestcov.org for more information.



CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

913-381-6464 • info@pvkansas.com • www.pvkansas.com

CITY HALL & MUNICIPAL COURT

7700 Mission Rd
Quinn Bennion, City Administrator
Dennis Enslinger, Assistant City Administrator
Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk
Bettina Jamerson, Court Administrator

PUBLIC SAFETY

7710 Mission Rd
Wes Jordan, Chief of Police

PUBLIC WORKS

3535 Somerset Dr
Keith Bredehoeft,
Interim Public Works Director



**Prairie Village Municipal Office
7700 Mission Road
Prairie Village, KS 66208**

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EARTH FAIR 9: WAKE UP TO A GREENER EARTH

Saturday April 17th – 10 am to 3 pm
Shawnee Mission East High School (75th & Mission Rd.)

After a year off, the Prairie Village Earth Fair is back!! This will be the 9th Earth Fair at Shawnee Mission East and it's going to be a good one!

The Earth Fair provides an opportunity to not only celebrate this awesome planet we live on, but also to learn how we can live a little lighter on the earth. The 35+ vendors and exhibitors that are coming to Earth Fair 9 will be representing many aspects of sustainability. These are just a few of the subject areas represented: backyard composting, recycling, healthy yards, air quality, gas cap testing, nature conservation, electric cars, energy savings, appropriate technology, and more.

Earth Fair is also happy to host a farmers market this year. If the spring cooperates, you will be able to partake in the first harvest of the year, grown with the attentive and loving hands of our local farmers. If you are planning on growing a garden this year, you will be able to pick up vegetable seedlings at the market as well.

Some other fun activities include, "from trash to treasure," painting on recycled glass bottles, recycled clothing fashion show, and live music by Checkered Past and other performers.



Wake up to a greener earth and celebrate our planet with your community by being part of the 2010 Prairie Village Earth Fair.

Earth Fair is made possible by the commitment of the City of Prairie Village, the Environmental Committee, and the generosity of Shawnee Mission East High School.

For more information, contact Katie Nixon at pvearthfair@gmail.com or 816-809-5074.