

# VOICE

The Star of Kansas

## Corinth Square

### UPCOMING CHANGES TO SOMERSET DRIVE NEAR CORINTH SHOPPING CENTER

In March of 2011, the City will begin a project on Somerset Drive from Roe Avenue to Reinhardt Drive. This project is jointly funded by Johnson County's CARS program and the City of Prairie Village. The project will consist of concrete curb, sidewalk, and asphalt rehabilitation. A new 8 foot wide sidewalk is planned on the south side of Somerset from Roe Avenue to Mission Road. This wide sidewalk is part of the Park Master Plan Trail System and will provide greater access for residents to get to the newly renovated Franklin Park and to the Corinth Shops. In addition, a significant change to Somerset Drive will take place between 83rd Street and Reinhardt Drive. This area will be reduced from a 4-lane roadway to a 3-lane roadway. The 3-lane roadway will provide one driving lane in each direction with a center turn lane in the middle. Right turn lanes will also be added at specific locations. In looking at the traffic volumes along this section of Somerset Drive (83rd to

Reinhardt Drive), it was determined that a 3-lane section would accommodate the through-traffic while improving access to adjacent streets and properties, as well as, being more friendly to pedestrians. Pedestrian refuge islands will be installed in the center turn lane to provide for better pedestrian access to the Corinth Shops from the surrounding neighborhoods. As with all construction projects we appreciate your patience during construction.

The Somerset Drive Project is just one of the construction projects that will begin in the Spring of 2011. Two additional major street projects are the Cambridge Road realignment and changes to Nall Avenue from 63rd Street to 67th Street, which is a joint project with the City of Mission. For more information about any of these upcoming projects please visit the City website at [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com). Go to Resident Resources >> Roads Traffic and Transportation >> Construction Projects.

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Greetings,

The very cold temperatures and accumulation of snow from recent storms has made this a very challenging winter. We commend the Public Works Department and thank them for their dedicated service by keeping the City Streets cleared during these difficult conditions. We take great pride in the fact that after each snow event, Prairie Village received numerous compliments about the excellent condition of our streets. We also want to thank our Residents for helping with snow removal efforts by moving your vehicles from the streets and being good neighbors by clearing your sidewalks. These harsh conditions damage our city infrastructure and create future problems.

To continually monitor the conditions of our infrastructure, the City Council recently held a work session. At the work session, council members and staff were briefed on the current condition of the City's infrastructure and the need to maintain these City assets in order to prevent future extensive / expensive long-term repairs. Given current economic times, decisions regarding maintenance and reconstruction of these assets will pose a challenge as the City Council begins deliberations developing the 2012 budget and beyond.

Our Residents continue to emphasize the importance of maintaining the City's current level of Public Works' services, as well as, infrastructure maintenance and reconstruction. Accordingly, you are encouraged to read the article on page 13, which provides more detail about the recent work session and contains links to the information presented. In the coming months, as the 2012 budget process develops, we will keep you updated on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Ron Shaffer, Mayor

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# COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

## Park & Recreation Committee



Franklin Park Nature Play Area

### FROM THE PARK BENCH:

*"If you never did you should. These things are fun and fun is good." ~Dr. Seuss*

### PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN UPDATES

Mayor Shaffer, City Council Members, and Parks & Recreation Committee members have been hearing such positive comments about the recent improvements at **Franklin Park**. We are excited about completing the first Parks Master Plan project and will be hosting a rededication on May 21st at 10:00 am.

Based on feedback from a neighborhood meeting, design work is now underway for the second park project at Weltner Park. Dramatic plans for this park include realigning Cambridge Street and creating one large park area versus the two street-divided parks that exist now. Eliminating the

section of Cambridge dividing the park will allow for more green space and a much more usable park. The street project is scheduled for this spring and the park improvements will follow. Tentative plans include a new play area with nature play activities, a new perimeter trail, and a new shelter near the play area. Indigo Design is handling the design work. Watch for a community-wide rededication this fall.

### COMMUNITY CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY

Work is progressing on the feasibility study. 1,500 surveys were randomly mailed to residents this past fall to help determine priorities for the possible development of an indoor community center/aquatic center. The survey is now complete and committee members, along with project consultant, 360 Architecture, will be reviewing the results in the upcoming weeks. We will keep you informed as the process continues.

### JOIN US

Please remember you are welcome to attend the monthly Parks & Recreation committee meetings, held on the second Wednesday of each month (except summer months), 7:00 pm, City Hall. Feel free to contact me with any thoughts, questions, or concerns.

Diana Ewy Sharp

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**Arts**  
COUNCIL  
Prairie Village

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

### MARCH

**Ted Denton's** 3-D constructions are unrehearsed and are born through a concentrated state of playfulness. The mind and hands do a dance with line, shape and color. He encourages the viewers to intuitively respond to his works. A reception will be held on March 11th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

### APRIL

**Sarah Bracco and Jeannie McDermott** will be gracing the walls of the R.G. Endres Gallery with their watercolors during April. Sarah's lifelong passion for art led her to becoming a teacher. She loves sharing the world of art through discovery and enjoys the challenge of translating an idea into a personal artistic statement. She currently teaches art classes at the Nelson Atkins Museum of Art. Jeannie studied drawing and painting at the Kansas City Art Institute and Johnson County Community College. She generally works in watercolors, painting landscapes or still lifes. A reception will be held on April 8th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

# PV HAPPENINGS

## Now Hiring for Summer Employment at the Prairie Village Pool

The City of Prairie Village is accepting applications for lifeguards and operations attendants for the 2011 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.** Apply online at [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com). Contact Chris Engel at 913-381-6464 or [cengel@pvkansas.com](mailto:cengel@pvkansas.com) for further information.

## Website Redesign Survey

We're eager to hear what you think about the redesigned website. Fill out the online survey at [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com) or send comments to [jkoontz@pvkansas.com](mailto:jkoontz@pvkansas.com).

## E-News Sign-up

Did you know you can get updates about specific City activities? By signing up for e-news, you can select from a variety of topics including: events, council meetings, committee meetings, city news, job openings, bid postings, and construction projects. Sign-up is easy. Go to [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com) and select e-News. All that is required is an email address. Stay connected and sign-up for the items you care most about.



## 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 2011. 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](http://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 [jkoontz@pvkansas.com](mailto:jkoontz@pvkansas.com).

## Don't Forget to Vote in the Spring Elections

Mayor Ron Shaffer and Council Member Michael Kelly have filed for the Prairie Village Mayoral Race. The mayor of Prairie Village serves a four year term. The mayoral position is the only City position on the spring general election ballot which will take place on Tuesday, April 5, 2011.

Other positions on the ballot include: an At-Large Position for the Shawnee Mission School Board, Johnson County Community College Trustees and Water District No. 1 Board Members. For more information regarding the election or voter registration, visit [www.jocoelection.org](http://www.jocoelection.org).



## CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

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### Public Works

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 Bruce McNabb, Public Works Director

# 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:

### FAIRWAY SWIMMING POOL

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

### LEAWOOD AQUATIC CENTER

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

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.

### SUPERPASS UPGRADE FEES:

	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>
Household / Family (max 5 people)	\$40	\$55
Each additional person over 5 total	\$5	\$5
Individual / Senior	\$20	\$30

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.

### NEW THIS YEAR

Expanded Tennis Programming  
*See page 9*

Purchase your Household Membership  
early & receive a discount  
*See page 7*

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

The Prairie Village Pool opens Saturday, May 28th, at 11:00 a.m. and closes for the season on Monday, September 5th, 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 28th 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 2011 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.

### 2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1	Registration begins for Pool Memberships, Swim Team (Residents Only), Dive Team and Synchronized Swim Team	June 23	Swim Team Meet – Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.
May 2	Swim Team Registration for Non-Residents begins	July 4	VillageFest 2011 - Free swim for all Prairie Village residents – Pool complex closes at 6:00 p.m.
May 15	JazzFest 5K	July 5	Dive Team Meet – Slides and Diving well close at 5:00 p.m.
May 17	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro members and parents 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	July 8	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
May 20	Deadline to register for ALL Aquatics Teams	July 12	Dive Team Meet – Slides and Diving well close at 5:00 p.m.
May 21	Franklin Park Rededication at 10:00 a.m.	July 18	Pool Memberships reduced 1/2 off excluding Super Pass and 10 Swim Cards
May 27	Prairie Village Swim Team Placement Evaluation 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.	July 22	Water Show Rehearsal – Meter Pool and Adult Pools close at 5:00 p.m.
May 28	<b>Pool opens for the season at 11:00 a.m.</b>	July 24	Water Show at 8:30 p.m. Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.
June 1	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro Swim members and parents 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	August 5	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
June 1	First day of Swim Team, Dive Team, and Synchronized Swim Team Practice	August 15	Reduced hours begin – Pool opens at 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
June 9	Swim Team Meet – Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.	September 5	<b>Pool closes for the season at 6:00 p.m.</b>
June 17	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.	September 10	JazzFest in Harmon Park
June 21	Dive Team Meet – Slides and Diving well close at 5:00 p.m.		

### SWIM AND DIVE MEET CLOSINGS

Prairie Village is also partnering with the cities of Fairway, Leawood, 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 9, June 21, July 5, July 12  
**Leawood** ..... June 9, June 21, June 23, July 12  
**Merriam** ..... June 9, June 21, June 23, July 5

**Mission** ..... June 9, June 23, July 5, July 12  
**Roeland Park** ..... June 21, June 23, July 5, July 12

# 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. On May 25th, 26th, 31st and June 1st, office hours will be extended from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Purchase a Household Membership between April 1st and April 30th and receive \$10 off your total purchase.**



## SWIMMING POOL FEES FOR THE 2011 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) .....	\$40 / \$20
each additional person over 5 total .....	\$5

### NON-RESIDENT:

Household Membership (max 4 people) .....	\$250
each additional person over 4 total .....	\$5
Individual Membership .....	\$150
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) .....	\$55 / \$30
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](mailto: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 7th 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 2011 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](http://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 27, 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

**Pre-Competitive practice sessions are capped at 30 participants each. These sessions fill up quickly.**

### DIVE TEAM

[www.freewebs.com/pvswimteam](http://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](http://www.freewebs.com/pvswimteam)

Open to youth aged 7 to 18

Head Coach: Melanie Muecke

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 **52nd Annual Water Show** on Sunday, July 24th at 8:30 p.m.

### SWIM AND DIVE TEAM LESSONS

Open to any youth participating on the 2011 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:

- Tuesday, May 17th, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- or
- Wednesday, June 1st, 6:30 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 20th.**



# 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. **Tracy Cooper**, USPTA Certified, will be the new 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.

## 2011 TENNIS CALENDAR

March 1 ... Registration begins for spring Private Tennis Lessons & Warm-Up for Summer Tennis	May 31 ... 1st sessions of youth tennis lessons begin	June 27 ... 3rd session of youth tennis lessons begins
April 1 ... KCJTL and Tennis Lesson registration begins	June 4 ... KCJTL Challenge Camp from 1-4 p.m.	June 28 ... 2nd session of adult tennis lessons begins
May 21 ... Kansas City Junior Tennis League Kickoff at Harmon Park Tennis Courts, 8 a.m.-11 a.m.	June 6 ... KCJTL League practice and play begins	July 11 ... 4th session of youth tennis lessons begins
	June 7 ... 1st sessions of adult tennis lessons begins	
	June 13 ... 2nd session of youth tennis lessons begins	

## YOUTH GROUP LESSONS *(Up to age 15)*

Sessions run two weeks and will be held as follows:

Session 1 . . . . . May 31 - June 9	Session 3 . . . . . June 27 - July 7
Session 2 . . . . . June 13 - June 23	Session 4 . . . . . July 11 - July 21

**PEE WEE CLINIC *(Up to age 6)*** – Meets T, TH 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)*** – Meets M, T, TH at 9:00 a.m. for 50 minutes. Session 1 has an additional session offered at 11:00 a.m. Cost is \$54 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and maximum enrollment of 10.

**FUTURE STARS CLINIC *(Ages 11 to 15)*** – Meets M, T, TH 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.

## OTHER TENNIS LESSONS

### ADULT GROUP LESSONS *(16 yrs. & older)*

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 Tuesday and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. for three weeks. The cost is \$62. Sessions will be held as follows:

Session 1 . . . . . June 7 - June 23	Session 2 . . . . . June 28 - July 14
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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.

*Lessons in April & May will be given by Tracy Cooper. Rebecca Snodgrass will give lessons during the summer months.*

## KANSAS CITY JUNIOR TENNIS LEAGUE (KCJTL)

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 21st from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Interested players must register by May 15th to be eligible for the first week of league play.

This year the coach will hold a tennis camp for registered players on June 4th 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 6th. Visit <http://pvkansas.recware.com> or the league website at [www.kcjtl.org](http://www.kcjtl.org) for more information. **Prairie Village JTL participants must register at City Hall and not on the JTL website.**

## NEW THIS YEAR

With the addition of Tracy Cooper (USTPA Certified) to the tennis staff, tennis programming has been expanded into the spring.

Private, Semi-Private and Three and a Pro lessons have been expanded to April and May. See section on Private & Semi-Private Lessons for details. **Register Now!**

**WARM-UP FOR SUMMER TENNIS (All Ages)** – Get your game back in shape for the summer. Includes 5 sessions which will cover skills building and mechanics while focusing on fun and fitness. Sessions meet Wednesdays for 50 minutes at Windsor Park starting

April 6th. Beginners meet at 4:00 p.m. Intermediate meets at 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$50 per participant. **Register Now!**

**CARDIO TENNIS (All Ages)** – Cardio Tennis is a new, fun group activity featuring drills to give players of all abilities an ultimate, high energy workout. Taught by a teaching professional, Cardio Tennis includes warm-up, cardio workout, and cool down phases. If you are looking for a great new way to get in shape and to burn calories, you must try Cardio Tennis. Sessions are same dates and cost (\$62) as Adult Lessons on Tuesday and Thursday from 7:00pm – 7:50pm at Windsor Park.

# 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. Pavilions are available in Franklin, Harmon, 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. Large groups may reserve both sections of the Franklin or Harmon Park Pavilions. The fee for these reservations is \$12.00 per hour for Prairie Village residents and \$22.50 per hour for non-residents.

## PARK FACILITY RESERVATIONS

1. Check pavilion availability online at <http://pykansas.recware.com>
2. Fill out a Facility Reservation Form. Applications are available through the City Clerk's Office and at [www.pykansas.com](http://www.pykansas.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 seasons 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 St
- 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 4:30 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](http://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 9:00 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.

#### MORNING & EVENING SWIM LESSON SESSIONS

*Sessions will be held as follows:*

Session 1 ..... June 6 - 9

Session 2 ..... June 13 - 16

Session 3\* ..... June 20 - 30

Session 4 ..... July 11 - 21

Session 5\*\* .. July 25 - August 4

\*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 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+)

Get fit and have fun! Enjoy this fast-paced shallow water class that is sure to leave you energized. Resistance equipment challenges hard-to-tone muscles. Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Sessions begin on June 1st and run through August 31st.

#### 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 1st.

#### JOHNSON COUNTY SUMMER DAY CAMP (AGES 5-10)

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 31st and running through August 5th. The day camp is fully licensed by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Camp registrations accepted by web at [www.jcprd.com](http://www.jcprd.com), mail, fax or in person only. **NO PHONE IN REGISTRATION.**

## NON-CITY SPORTS PROGRAMS

**JUNE 27 - JULY 1**

Camp for ages 5 to 12 runs from 9:00 am to noon - \$118



**British Soccer** is hosting a Soccer Skills camp led by professional coaches from Great Britain on June 27th – July 1st 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](http://www.challengersports.com)  
For further information call Mike Parry 800-878-2167 ext. 227

**JUNE 13 – 17**

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

**Flag Football** – Challenger Sports will facilitate a Flag Football camp at Meadowlake Park on June 13 – 17.

Register online at [www.challengersports.com](http://www.challengersports.com) For further information call Josh Flett 800-878-2167 ext. 223



## 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 [cengel@pvkansas.com](mailto:cengel@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  
913-381-6464

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# PV HAPPENINGS

## Update on Capital Infrastructure

On February 5, 2011, the City Council held a work session regarding the condition of the City’s infrastructure (drainage systems, streets, buildings and parks) and the need to maintain these City assets in good or better condition. The Public Works staff presented information about the cost associated in the rehabilitation of the physical infrastructure, the City’s historic funding levels and possible impacts if the infrastructure falls into a state of disrepair.

Overall, the condition of the City’s infrastructure is good, especially for a City which is celebrating its 60th anniversary. One reason for this is the City has historically provided strong financial support for its physical infrastructure programs. In 2009, 2010 and 2011, due to the City’s financial situation, funding for the physical infrastructure (capital improvements) was reduced below historic averages and the level necessary to maintain existing infrastructure in good or better condition.

Future funding projections, based on existing revenue sources, show further reductions in 2012 through 2014. Because of these funding constraints, the City is beginning to fall behind in its goal (as outlined in the City’s Comprehensive Plan - Village Vision) to maintain the physical infrastructure in some areas.



As a result of the work session, the Mayor and City Council directed staff to research possible options for the upcoming 2012 Budget process. A summary of the report’s findings along with the complete report, can be found on the City’s website [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com). Go to City Government >> Projects.

## Bulky Item Pick-up

The City’s annual large item pick-up will take place on Saturday, April 30th for houses north of 75th Street (including 75th Street) and Saturday, May 7th for houses south of 75th Street. 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](http://www.pvkansas.com). Go to Resident Resources >> Trash Recycling & Yard Waste >> Solid Waste. This is a free service for Prairie Village residents, so take advantage to clean up! Don’t forget, one small bulky item can be placed out during the first full week of each month on your designated trash day.

## Exterior Grant

The City Council has renewed the Exterior Grant Program after another successful year. The 2011 program will begin accepting applications on March 1st of this year. For this year’s program the council has included all houses that front 75th Street. 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. Funding for the program is limited so apply early. For a map of the exterior grant program area and more information on the program, visit [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com). Go to Residents Resources >> Home Improvements >> Exterior Grant Program.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
March 7th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
March 21st	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
April 4th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
April 18th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
April 29th	JazzRee Fundraiser	7:00 pm	U.S. Bank
April 30th & May 7th	Large Item Pick-up	7:00 am	

# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Scam Prevention

According to the Investor Protection Trust, 20% of Americans over the age of 65 have fallen victim to financial scams. Here are some typical scams.

### YOU'RE A WINNER

You receive a call or letter saying you've won a prize or a lottery, but in order to receive it, you need to wire money for taxes, fees or shipping. No legitimate contest will have you wire money prior to receiving the prize. **Do not** send any money to any organization that promises a prize or lottery money in return. If you did not enter a lottery or drawing, then you cannot win.

### BOND MONEY FOR GRANDCHILD

Someone poses as your grandchild, saying they have been arrested outside the US and they need bond money. **Do not** send money to anyone or anywhere without verifying your loved one is in trouble. Call your grandchild or their parents to verify they

are in fact in another country. Ask the caller for personal information only your grandchild will know.

### YOU NEED A NEW ROOF

The "contractor" offers special deals, free inspections or sees something wrong with your roof. If you agree to it, you are charged an outrageous price for work that probably didn't need to be done, prices increase in the middle of the job or work never gets completed. To protect yourself: ask to see City contractor's license, ask for references, ask your neighbors, do not rush into an agreement, and be careful.

No matter how anxious you are to get your winnings, help your loved one, or complete the work around your home, remember to trust your instincts and insight while you try to avoid rip off artists. If it is too good to be true, it is probably a scam. If you have any questions, contact Crime Prevention Officer Matt Boggs at (913) 385-4613 or mboggs@pvkansas.com.

## Burglary Prevention Tips

Recently, Prairie Village has been experiencing higher numbers of burglaries -- the primary method of entry is forcing open the front door. The main target seems to be flat-screen televisions and gaming systems. While on patrol, we have noticed many houses with open blinds in the front rooms. In the early evening and night hours, flat-screen televisions can easily be seen through the windows. While we do not know the primary method the criminals are using to select houses to break into, the most recent burglaries have happened when no one was home. This is leading us to believe that many of the houses did not have any lights on at the time of the burglary. These houses are generally dark and have no vehicles in the driveway. While nothing you do can guarantee your home will not be burglarized, following these simple steps could help reduce the likelihood of your home being selected for a burglary:

- Keep your blinds closed after the sun goes down to prevent anyone from seeing your possessions
- Keep lights on or put lights on timers inside your home to give the appearance someone is home
- Use motion lights and porch lights to illuminate the exterior
- Do not let mail or newspapers pile up outside
- Take your trash cans from the curb as soon as possible after pick-up
- Do not leave notes on your door for deliveries or let dry cleaning hang on the front door



- Shovel snow from the driveway or make tire tracks in it as soon as the snow is finished falling

We need the help of the community to stop these crimes. Call the police immediately when you see suspicious activity in your neighborhood. Watch for vehicles slowly circling your neighborhood and people knocking on doors who ask for non-residents. A vehicle backing into the driveway of a dark house is suspicious and should be reported. With your help, we can stop criminals breaking into our homes. If you have any questions, or for more information, contact Crime Prevention Officer Matt Boggs (913) 385-4613 or mboggs@pvkansas.com.

# COMMUNITY CORNER

## 50+ Programming at the Community Center



Get FIT AND FEISTY with an energizing morning workout of low impact aerobics and strength training. Exercises stretch and tone your body while providing an effective cardiovascular workout. Classes meet at the Prairie Village Community Center Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:15am. New sessions begin on 3/3 & 3/24.

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.



## Friends of VillageFest



In response to residents and businesses wishing to support Prairie Village's annual 4th of July celebration, VillageFest, the Planning Committee has created "Friends of VillageFest." These funds will be spent enhancing our community's daytime Independence Day salute!

In addition to financial support, volunteer opportunities are available. Join the Planning Committee or volunteer a few hours on the day of the event. Volunteers are always welcome and appreciated! Come join the fun!

To learn more, please contact Jeanne Koontz at 913-385-4662 or jkoontz@pvkansas.com.

**Please mail your tax-deductible donation to:**

Prairie Village Municipal Foundation  
 Friends of VillageFest  
 7700 Mission Road  
 Prairie Village, KS 66208

**Thank you for your kind support! See you on the 4th!**

## 60th Anniversary Article

The City of Prairie Village will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year. Incorporated on February 19, 1951, Prairie Village originally included the land between Mission Rd. and Roe Ave. on the east and west and 67th St. and 69th Ter. on the north and south. In honor of the 60th Anniversary, the Village Voice is looking for the residents who have lived in Prairie Village the longest. If you think this is you, contact Jeanne Koontz at 913-385-4662 or jkoontz@pvkansas.com. We will need your name, current address and any former addresses in Prairie Village, phone number or email, and the year you moved to Prairie Village.

## Upcoming JazzFest Fundraising Events

The Prairie Village JazzFest Committee invites you to mark your calendars for the following fundraising events:



- **JAZZFEST 2011**  
Saturday, September 10th at Harmon Park
- **JAZZREE 2011**  
Friday, April 29th 7 to 9 pm at US Bank 6940 Mission Road with appetizers, drinks, live jazz performers & a silent auction
- **BRGR Luv 4 Jazz 5k**  
Sponsored by BRGR on Sunday, May 15th beginning at 8 a.m. in front of BRGR at the Corinth Square Shopping Center

For more information on all events follow us at [www.pvkansasjazz.org](http://www.pvkansasjazz.org) or call Joyce Hagen Mundy at 385-4616.

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

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## VILLAGE GREEN

### **EARTH FAIR 10: BRINGING IT HOME!**

**Saturday April 16th – 10 am to 3 pm**  
**Shawnee Mission East High School**  
**(75th & Mission Rd.)**

Looks like the 10th Annual Earth Fair is shaping up to be a good one. Earth Fair 10 wants to inspire you to bring home the information you learn and use it in your every day life. The vendors at Earth Fair are from the whole eco-spectrum and will show you how to live green 365 days a week. There will also be live entertainment outside (weather permitting) for your enjoyment. New this year is the DIY Corner where you can learn useful eco-skills for everyday living like darning socks, knitting, etc.

Along with sponsor PV Post, Earth Fair wants your entries in the Sustainable Illustration/Photo/Video contest! Create an image, snap a photo or shoot a video (up to 2 minutes long) that shows how to “Bring it Home” and you may win a prize! (All submissions must be original works. Author grants Earth Fair an



unrestricted license to use each submission.) Check [www.pvpost.com](http://www.pvpost.com) for submission guidelines and details. All entries will be on view at Earth Fair!

Be sure to come with an appetite so you can enjoy the delicious organic lunch available for purchase. After lunch, you can buy some vegetable seedlings from the farmers market so you can start your own garden and enjoy fresh produce grown in your own yard.

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](mailto:pvearthfair@gmail.com) or 816-809-5074.