

# VOICE

The Star of Kansas

## CITY COUNCIL MAKES DECISION ON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROCESS FOR FORMER MISSION VALLEY SCHOOL SITE

The City's Comprehensive Plan, Village Vision, which provides guidance for land use decisions, did not anticipate the closure of Mission Valley Middle School. Initially, the City began working with the School District and then with the new property owner, MVS, LLC, represented by RED Development Brokerage, to study the area bounded by the former Mission Valley Middle School site and the area north to 83rd Street from Mission Road to Somerset Drive.

At the February 6th City Council meeting, after discussing the scope of the study and receiving public opposition to the study, the City Council directed staff to complete a comprehensive plan amendment for just the former Mission Valley Middle School site (18.43 acres). The Council confirmed that the study would be based upon the existing allowable land uses of the current R1-a zoning

which includes, but is not limited to single family dwellings, public institutions, publicly owned parks and recreation areas and special use permit uses.

The cost of the comprehensive plan amendment is not to exceed \$5,000. The amendment would be similar to the Somerset School section of the Village Vision (pages 8.6-8.7). Public review of the proposed comprehensive plan amendment would follow the standard review process. A public hearing would be held before the Planning Commission which would make a recommendation to the City Council for consideration.

For more information or questions, contact Dennis Enslinger at 913-385-4603 or [denslinger@pvkansas.com](mailto:denslinger@pvkansas.com). Visit the project page at [www.pvkansas.com/projects](http://www.pvkansas.com/projects).

Water tower photos courtesy of [pvpost.com](http://pvpost.com)

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# MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Greetings,

As spring approaches, school and family activities pick up, making our lives busier. Things are no different at the City, with activities for everyone to participate in this spring.

The 2012 spring general election occurs on April 3rd. 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. For more information and a list of candidates, see page 4.

Pool memberships and recreation activities go on sale April 2nd. Purchase your pool membership in April and receive a \$10 discount. The City also has additional recreational activities throughout the spring and summer. Check out all the offerings in the recreation brochure on pages 5 – 12.

The 11th Annual Earth Fair “Connecting the Dots” will take place on April 21st from 10 am to 3 pm at Shawnee Mission East High School. See page 3 for more information.

And who can forget about spring cleaning. The Electronics Recycling Event will take place on Saturday April 28th from 8 am – 2 pm at Black & Veatch (114th St & Lamar Ave). The City has scheduled our annual large item pick-up for May 12th for homes north of 75th Street and May 19th for homes south of 75th Street. Take advantage of these free services.

And, take some time to enjoy the coming of spring.

Sincerely, 

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# COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

## Earth Fair 11: Connecting the Dots

The 11th Annual Prairie Village Earth Fair “Connecting the Dots” will take place Saturday, April 21st at Shawnee Mission East High School from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Admission is free. The community is invited to return for another great year of networking, interactive learning, great entertainment, organic food and environmental demonstrations.

Karin McAdams, Earth Fair committee member says, “more than ever, we’ll be demonstrating that everyone can help deal with the effects of a tough economy in the face of climate change and scarce energy.”

Participate in hands-on learning activities for kids and adults and join in environmental workshops. Check out the book fair, alternative transportation vehicles and a variety of local vendors. Food trucks will once again bring unique dining to the event, creating a festival atmosphere.

The Prairie Village Environmental Committee appreciates the support from the Prairie Village community and looks forward to another great event. Organizers welcome ideas and feedback about the event on our Facebook page – Prairie Village Earth Fair. For more information visit [www.earth-fair.com](http://www.earth-fair.com).



## Visit the Newly Improved Weltner Park

Weltner Park was recently updated with new features including a park shelter, playground, and walking path. Make sure to stop by the park and enjoy the new amenities.



Located at 78th & Cambridge near the Hy-Vee Shopping Center, the Weltner Park Pavilion can be reserved for your next birthday party or event. Visit [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com) to reserve the pavilion or call 913-381-6464.

**Save the date for the park dedication on the morning of May 12th and look on the website for more information.**

### MARCH

After becoming enchanted by the art of nature printing Fred Mullett started his first company in 1993. He has been involved in the paper craft business for over 17 years as purveyor and educator. Fred does teaching tours and is a member of the Nature Printing Society. A reception will be held on March 9th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.



### APRIL

Come see a variety of media styles from the Shawnee Mission East Art Faculty during the month of April. A reception will be held on April 13th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
March 5th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers	April 16th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
March 19th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers	April 21st	Earth Fair	10:00 am	Shawnee Mission East
April 2nd	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers	April 28th	Electronics Recycling	8:00 am	Black & Veatch
April 3rd	General Election	7:00 am – 7:00 pm	Polling Places	May 12th & 19th	Large Item Pick-up	7:00 am	

# PV HAPPENINGS

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

Council Member positions in each of the City's six wards are up for re-election this spring. There was a primary election held on February 28th for the Council Member position in Ward 4. The top two vote recipients will be placed on the general election ballot. The general election will take place on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. For more information regarding the election or voter registration, visit [www.jocoelection.org](http://www.jocoelection.org).

### Candidates

Council Member - Ward 1 (4 year term)

- Al Herrera (Incumbent)
- Ashley Weaver

Council Member – Ward 2 (4 year term)

- Ruth Hopkins (Incumbent)

Council Member – Ward 3 (4 year term)

- Andrew Wang (Incumbent)

Council Member – Ward 4 (4 year term)

**Primary required to narrow to two candidates**

- Dale Beckerman (Incumbent)
- Brooke Morehead
- Timothy Pickell

Council Member – Ward 5 (4 year term)

- David Scott Morrison (Incumbent)

Council Member – Ward 6 (4 year term)

- Diana Ewy Sharp (Incumbent)
- Ted Odell



## 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 2012 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 913-385-4635 or [cengel@pvkansas.com](mailto:cengel@pvkansas.com) for further information.

## Save the Date - Large Item Pick-up

**May 12th – Homes on and north of 75th Street**

**May 19th – Homes 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. This is a free service for Prairie Village residents, so take advantage to clean up! For more information, visit [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com).



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## Brick Order Deadline April 2nd

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 2nd for the brick to be installed in time for VillageFest 2012. Individual bricks are priced at \$35, with a



portion of that amount being tax-deductible. Corporate sponsorships begin at \$100. Orders can be placed online at [www.prairievillagefoundation.org](http://www.prairievillagefoundation.org) or an order form can be picked up at City Hall. For more information, contact Jeanne Koontz at 913-385-4642 or [jkoontz@pvkansas.com](mailto:jkoontz@pvkansas.com).

# PARKS, RECREATION

## Community Programs



**VISIT US ONLINE!**

[www.pvkansas.com/parksandrecreation](http://www.pvkansas.com/parksandrecreation)

- 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 SuperPasses 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) 722-8200

**ROELAND PARK AQUATIC CENTER**  
4843 Rosewood Drive, Roeland Park, KS 66205  
(913) 432-1377

SUPERPASS UPGRADE FEES:		
	Resident	Non-Resident
Household / Family (max 5 people)	\$40	\$55
Each additional person over 5 total	\$5	\$5
Individual / Senior	\$20	\$30

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

The SuperPass is non-refundable, non-transferable.



**Register Online Now!**



**NEW THIS YEAR**  
Purchase your membership early & receive a discount! See page 7

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

The Prairie Village Pool opens Saturday, May 26th, at 11:00 a.m. and closes for the season on Monday, September 3rd, 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 26th 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.

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

Joel Rios will return as Prairie Village Pool Manager for the 2012 season.

### 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.

## 2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 2	Registration begins for Pool Memberships, Competitive Swim Team, Pre-Competitive Swim Team (Residents Only), Dive Team and Synchronized Swim Team	June 15	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
May 1	Pre-Competitive Swim Team Registration for Non-Residents begins	June 19	Dive Team Meet – Slides and Diving well close at 5:00 p.m.
May 12	Weltner Park Dedication	July 3	Dive Team Meet – Slides and Diving well close at 5:00 p.m.
May 15	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro members and parents 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	July 4	VillageFest 2011 - Free swim for all Prairie Village residents – Pool complex closes at 6:00 p.m.
May 18	Deadline to register for ALL Aquatics Teams	July 6	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
May 19	JazzFest 5K	July 11	All City Swim Meet – Pool complex closed all day (Rain-out date – July 12)
May 25	Prairie Village Swim Team Placement Evaluation 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	July 16	Pool Memberships reduced ½ off excluding Super Pass and 10 Swim Cards
May 26	<b>Pool opens for the season at 11:00 a.m.</b>	July 20	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
May 29	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro Swim members and parents 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	July 27	Water Show Rehearsal – Meter Pool and Adult Pools close at 5:00 p.m.
May 29	First day of Swim Team Practice	July 29	Water Show at 8:30 p.m. Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.
June 4	First day of Dive Team and Synchronized Swim Team Practice	August 3	Moonlight Swim – Pool complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
June 7	Swim Team Meet – Pool complex closes at 5:00 p.m.	August 13	Reduced hours begin – Pool opens at 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
		September 3	<b>Pool closes for the season at 6:00 p.m.</b>

## 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:

<b>Fairway</b> . . . . .	June 19, July 3, July 11	<b>Mission</b> . . . . .	June 7, June 19, July 3, July 11
<b>Leawood</b> . . . . .	June 7, June 19, July 11	<b>Roeland Park</b> . . . . .	June 7, June 19, July 3, July 11
<b>Merriam</b> . . . . .	June 7, July 11		

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# SWIMMING POOL MEMBERSHIP

Annual pool memberships go on sale April 2nd 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 23rd, 24th, 29th and 30th, office hours will be extended from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Purchase your membership between April 2nd and April 30th and receive \$10 off your total purchase!**



## SWIMMING POOL FEES FOR THE 2012 SEASON

### RESIDENT:

2 Person Family Membership.....	\$143
Household Membership (max 4 people).....	\$153
each additional person over 4 total.....	\$5
Individual Membership.....	\$74
Senior Citizen (age 60 and over).....	\$57
Swim Card with 10 admissions .....	\$50
SuperPasses (max 5 people).....	\$40 / \$20
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.

### NON-RESIDENT:

Household Membership (max 4 people).....	\$255
each additional person over 4 total.....	\$5
Individual Membership.....	\$155
Senior Citizen (age 60 and over).....	\$105
Child Membership (16 and under).....	\$105
Swim Card with 10 admissions (pass holders only).....	\$55
SuperPasses (max 5 people).....	\$55 / \$30
each additional person over 5 total.....	\$5

**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 4th and August 5th 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.



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# AQUATICS

## SWIMMING POOL FEES FOR THE 2012 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: Kaleb Stoppel

An evaluation to determine placement on the competitive or pre-competitive team for new team members is on Friday, May 25, 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:

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 53rd Annual Water Show on Sunday, July 29th at 8:30 p.m.

### SWIM AND DIVE TEAM LESSONS

Open to any youth participating on the 2012 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 (5) 30 minute lessons for \$35.

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. Coaches will have lesson forms. Please have them sign the lesson form before bringing it to the City Clerk’s office for payment.

### 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 15th, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
or
- Tuesday, May 29th, 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 18th**



# 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 also be returning as coach of the Kansas City Junior Tennis League Team and the 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.

## 2012 TENNIS CALENDAR

March 1 . . . Registration begins for spring Private Tennis Lesson & Warm-Up for Summer Tennis	May 29 . . . First session of youth tennis lessons begin	June 11 . . . Second session of youth tennis lessons begins
April 2 . . . KCJTL and Tennis Lesson registration begins	June 2 . . . KCJTL Challenge Camp from 1-4 p.m.	June 25 . . . Third session of youth tennis lessons begins
May 19 . . . Kansas City Junior Tennis League Kickoff at Harmon Park Tennis Courts, 8 a.m.-11 a.m.	June 4 . . . KCJTL League practice and play begins	June 26 . . . Second session of adult tennis lessons begins
	June 5 . . . First session of adult tennis lessons begin	July 9 . . . Fourth 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 29 - June 7    Session 3 . . . June 25 - July 5  
 Session 2 . . . June 11 - June 21    Session 4 . . . July 9 - July 19

**Pee Wee Clinic (Ages 4 to 6)** – Meets T, TH mornings at 8:30 a.m. for 30 minutes. Cost is \$42 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and a maximum enrollment of 6. Participants must be able to hold and swing a racquet.

**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 \$55 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 \$55 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and maximum enrollment of 10.

### 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 \$66. Sessions will be held as follows:  
 Session 1 . . . . June 5 - 21        Session 2 . . . . June 26 - July 12

**Private Lessons** allow instructors the opportunity to work with players on individual needs. The fee is \$23 per for 30 min. lesson.

**Semi-Private Lessons** for two persons are structured to meet individual needs. The fee is \$15 per person for 30 min. lesson.

**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 for 60 min. per player.

## 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 19th 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 2nd 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 4th.

Visit <http://pvkansas.recware.com> or the league website at [www.kcjtl.org](http://www.kcjtl.org) for more information.

## BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Tracy Cooper (USTPA Certified) will once again be offering Private, Semi-Private and Three and a Pro Tennis Lessons in 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 Thursdays for 50 minutes at Windsor Park starting April 5th. 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 way to get in shape and to burn calories, you must try Cardio Tennis. Sessions are same dates and cost (\$66) as Adult Lessons from 7:00 p.m. – 7:50 p.m. 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, Weltner, 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 and reserve online at: <http://pvkansas.recware.com>.
2. Reservations can also be made at City Hall. Download a Facility Reservation Form at [www.pvkansas.com](http://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 team 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, or stop by the Prairie Village Municipal Offices at 7700 Mission Road.

### 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



### 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.

### MORNING & EVENING SWIM LESSON SESSIONS

#### Morning & Evening Swim Lesson Sessions

Session 1 . . . . . June 4 - 8	Session 3 . . . . . June 18 - 28	Session 5 . . . . . July 23 - August 2
Session 2 . . . . . June 11 - 15	Session 4 . . . . . July 9 - 19	Session 6 ** . . . . . August 6 - August 10
		**Session 6 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)\**

\$55 . . . . . Johnson County Residents	\$60 . . . . . Non-Johnson County Residents
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\*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.

#### 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 4th and run through August 31st.

workouts per week. Workouts are held Monday through Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sessions begin May 29th and run through August 30th.

#### 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 29th and running through August 3rd. The day camp is fully licensed by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

#### 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

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 18 - 22**

Camp for ages 5 to 12 runs from 9:00 am to noon - \$125



**British Soccer** is hosting a Soccer Skills camp led by professional coaches from Great Britain on June 18th – 22nd 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 at least 45 days prior to camp!

Register online at [www.challengersports.com](http://www.challengersports.com) For further information call Mike Parry 913-599-4884 x 227

**JUNE 25 – 29**

Camp for ages 6-12 runs from 9:00 am to noon - \$95

**Flag Football** – Challenger Sports will facilitate a Flag Football camp at Meadowlake Park on June 25 – 29.

Register online at [www.challengersports.com](http://www.challengersports.com) For further information call Josh Flett 913-599-4884 ext. 223

**Omega Soccer Camps** – Omega Soccer will facilitate soccer camps at Franklin Park during three sessions in June and July:

June 11 – 15 (ages 6-14)

June 18 – 22 (ages 6-14)

July 9 – 13 (ages 15-19)

Register online at [www.omegasc.com](http://www.omegasc.com).

For further information call Gaspard d’Alexis at 913-484-1595 or 816-942-6714.



## 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](mailto:cityclerk@pvkansas.com).

## CONTACT US

### MUNICIPAL OFFICES

7700 Mission Road  
Prairie Village, KS 66208  
913-381-6464

### SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX

7711 Delmar  
Prairie Village, KS 66208  
913-385-4650

### COMMUNITY CENTER

7720 Mission Road  
Prairie Village, KS 66208  
913-381-6464

### HOURS:

Monday – Friday – 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

[info@pvkansas.com](mailto:info@pvkansas.com) • [www.pvkansas.com](http://www.pvkansas.com)

Visit us Online at [www.pvkansas.com/parksandrecreation](http://www.pvkansas.com/parksandrecreation)

# PV HAPPENINGS

## Exterior Grant

The City Council has renewed the Exterior Grant Program after another successful year. The 2012 program will begin accepting applications on March 1st of this year. 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/exteriorgrant](http://www.pvkansas.com/exteriorgrant).

## Electronics Recycling Event

**Recycle your electronics and much, much more on Saturday, April 28th from 8 am to 2 pm at Black & Veatch (114th St & Lamar Ave).**

The City of Prairie Village will be co-sponsoring an e-recycling event with the City of Overland Park. In addition to e-recycling there will be a paper shredding station, DEA medications take back station, and Habitat ReStore, Goodwill, and Revolve Bicycle will be on hand to help with recycling efforts.

## Municipal Foundation Increases Scholarship Funds

Three years ago, the Prairie Village Municipal Foundation developed a plan for raising scholarship funds for families financially unable to participate in the City's summer recreation programs.

Last December, for the third year in a row, "Gingerbread House Decorating Parties" were held for that purpose. More than 100 participants, including children, parents, grandparents and friends gathered at Brighton Gardens to enjoy an afternoon of fun. Participants received a preassembled house, frosting (for glue) and selected "just the right candy" for their house from a variety of edible decorations.

Mayor Shaffer and local artist Nicole Emanuel shared in the fun, as well. Each decorated a gingerbread house before the event. Their houses were then raffled off to two lucky winners.

In December, \$1,367 was collected from the sale of houses, gifts to the project and the raffle. The Municipal Foundation would especially like to thank Brighton Gardens (residents and staff) for use of their facility and State Line HyVee for providing some of the candy for the houses. Thank you also to the participants, volunteers and for all who contributed extra funds for this event.

All proceeds raised through this project will help create lasting, summer memories for families in need of financial assistance this year. This means families who would not normally be able to purchase a pool membership or purchase swim lessons for their children, will be able to this summer due to the money raised. Watch for details later this year on the 2012 Gingerbread House Parties!

## Community Garden Update

In its inaugural season, all 30 Community Garden plots were rented in just 8 days! Now, that may sound like success but, in truth, not a seed has been planted and the hard work is yet to come. Now, we must focus on organization, education and even more basic things like where to keep the keys to the water spigot! There will be regular meetings on the second Saturday of each month. These meetings are for plot holders and any citizen interested in volunteering or learning about our community garden as it develops. We can always put willing hands to work! To be notified of upcoming meeting times and location, please send your name, phone number and email address to [pv花园@pvkansas.com](mailto:pv花园@pvkansas.com) and we'll add you to our email list.



## PUBLIC SAFETY

### Thanks for Supporting Shop with a Cop

Thank you to the following businesses for making generous donations towards the Prairie Village Police Department's first annual Shop with a Cop held in December. These businesses donated special gifts for the seven Prairie Village children who participated in the program:

- Bruce Smith Drugs
- Euston Hardware
- Mely's Yogurt & Ice Cream
- Sole Patch
- Sopra Salon & Spa
- Village Active

Thank you, also, to the community for making individual donations to the event. Donations for Shop with a Cop can be made to the Prairie Village Municipal Foundation and are accepted throughout the year at the Prairie Village Police Department.



**Prairie Village**  
**MUNICIPAL FOUNDATION**  
*Supporting Your Hometown*

### Tips for Handling Solicitors

As the weather warms up, more solicitors are going to start coming to your door wanting you to buy something or donate to a cause. Here are some tips for handling solicitors. If someone is at your door and you do not want to talk with them, you do not have to answer the door. Please give them an indication someone is home (talking through the door, turning on the light, looking out the window, etc.). You can politely decline any of their services and ask them to leave. If they persist in knocking on the door, call the police to respond. Also, solicitors cannot knock on doors displaying a "No Solicitation" decal or sign posted on the door. Decals are available free of charge at City Hall or the Police Department.

Some of these solicitors are professional sales people and their job is to get you to buy whatever they have to offer. If that means stretching the truth a bit, or preying on your good nature and kindness, so be it. It is difficult for most people to tell somebody 'no.' If the story seems too rehearsed or unbelievable, don't buy what they are selling. If you feel uncomfortable with the solicitor, do not give them any money. Never let a solicitor inside your home. Even in bad weather, keep the solicitor outside your home. If you would like to have the door closed, step outside and close the door behind you.

Solicitors may not solicit prior to 10:00 a.m., after 8:00 p.m. or between the hours of 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Solicitors must give you a signed receipt upon your request for purchases or contributions exceeding \$5.00. No solicitor may stay on your property after being asked to leave, and they must solicit at the main entrance only. Solicitors must obtain a permit and display the permit while soliciting.

If you see any violations, call the Police Department at 913-642-5151. If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Crime Prevention Officer Matt Boggs at 913-385-4613 or mboggs@pvkansas.com.

Cut out and post this "No Solicitor Decal"

# NO SOLICITORS

Pursuant to P.V.M.C. 5-203

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Kansas



# COMMUNITY CORNER

## The Best Roses for the Kansas City Area

It's time to think about what to plant in our gardens this spring, and if roses are on your list, then you will not want to miss the March meeting of the Johnson County Rose Society. Alan Stevens, Ph.D., will be the guest speaker for the meeting at 7pm on Thursday, March 8th, at the Prairie Village Community Center, 7720 Mission Road.



Dr. Stevens is a K-State Extension Specialist for Horticulture and Leader of the K-State Research Center at Olathe. He specializes in field research to discover the best plants to grow in the Kansas City climate.

A new feature of the meetings this year will be the "Consulting Rosarians Corner" which will give members and guests an opportunity to talk free one-on-one with a consulting rosarian about specific questions or concerns regarding all aspects of rose growing and care.

All JCRS meetings are free and open to the general public. Refreshments are provided. For more information about the meetings, programs, and other activities of the JCRS, or for membership details, please visit their website at <http://www.rosesocietyjoco.org>, by calling (913) 826-3160.

## Art Classes at the Community Center

The Johnson County Park & Recreation District offers a variety of art classes at the Prairie Village Community Center (7720 Mission Rd) from drawing to painting to paper mache. Contact Sarah Lenahan for a list of classes offered or for more information at 913-826-3163.

## Dragon Alert...Save the Date!

The 9th Annual Corinth Elementary School's "Dragon Dash" will be held on Saturday morning, May 5th. Everyone in the community is welcome to participate. Dragon Dash consists of a 5K and a 1-Mile Fun Run, starting and ending at Corinth School (8301 Mission Road). The 5K is on a USATF certified course with chip timing.



Afterwards, there will be a post-race breakfast and snacks available. The North Johnson County Allstars will also perform. For more information on this family event, go to [www.corinthdragons.com](http://www.corinthdragons.com) or call the school office at 913-993-2900. Dragon Dash is a benefit for the Corinth Educational Foundation.

## Asset Building in Kansas City

Financial instability and generational poverty are growing in our communities. Interfaith Housing Services, a faith based non-profit organization founded in Reno County, Kansas, is using an innovative tool to reduce generational poverty and increase financial stability for low and medium income families. Interfaith Housing Services began offering the Individual Development Program (IDA) in 2008. IDAs are designed and proven successful at transitioning low- and moderate-income families away from government and social service assistance and into self-sufficiency.

Last year the Kansas Department of Commerce asked Interfaith Housing Services to expand the IDA program into more Kansas communities. With the generosity from local donors like Sandi Weaver of Financial Security Advisors, a 19-year Prairie Village company, Interfaith Housing Services was able to expand this tool into the Kansas City area. With the support from Sandi and other local donors, Interfaith Housing Services was able to partner with The Family Conservancy to offer IDAs in Kansas City.

The Family Conservancy has helped 1,274 IDA holders save more than \$1.5 million including matching funds to purchase a first home or make

home repairs, get a college degree or start a small business. The Family Conservancy is still recruiting Kansas families to participate in the program.

To contact The Family Conservancy, visit [www.thefamilyconservancy.org](http://www.thefamilyconservancy.org) learn more about Interfaith Housing Services at [www.ihf-housing.org](http://www.ihf-housing.org).



# MASTER TRAIL PLAN AMENDMENT

The Master Trail Plan is a comprehensive planning document which is used in determining possible locations for trail segments within the City. The Master Trail Plan was developed, with public input in 2009, as a result of a resident survey which indicated a strong desire for a trail system within Prairie Village.

Recent construction of a trail segment along Nall Avenue by the City of Mission (67th to Shawnee Mission Parkway) has led the City to consider changes to the adopted Master Trail Plan. Currently, the Master Trail Map indicates a future trail along Roe Avenue from 63rd Street to Franklin Park. The proposed amendment would change the location of any future Roe



Avenue trail segment to Nall Avenue. If approved, Nall Avenue would then become one of the major north /south trail segments. If the proposed modification is approved, it would also require the extension of several proposed or alternate east/west connections including 63rd Street, 67th Street, 69th Street, and 79th Street.

All of the proposed changes are classified as street-edge trails or widened sidewalks. In order to accommodate both pedestrian and limited bicycle traffic, the trails are constructed approximately 8 feet wide, where possible, and are constructed of concrete. There are currently no plans to construct any of the segments being considered under the proposed amendments. Trail segments are typically constructed as part of a major street project. An example of a typical trail section can be found on the east side of Somerset Ave between 83rd and Roe Avenue.

The Planning Commission will consider the possible amendments at their April 3rd meeting which will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 7700 Mission Road. For more information visit the Master Trail Plan Project Page at [www.pvkansas.com/projects](http://www.pvkansas.com/projects) or contact Dennis Enslinger at [denslinger@pvkansas.com](mailto:denslinger@pvkansas.com) (913-385-4603).

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