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WEEKLY TEXTILE RECYCLING PICK-UP BEGINS APRIL 1

Beginning April 1, the City of Prairie Village, in conjunction with Team Thrift, will offer weekly home pick-up for clothing and textiles. Acceptable materials include clothing of any type, towels, sheets, blankets, shoes, rags, bedding, curtains, sewing scraps, and more. Items can be in any condition.

Donating is easy! Items should be bagged or boxed, marked "PV," and placed by the front door, porch, or garage by 7:00 a.m. on your regular trash and recycling collection day. The donation container will not be returned. Your donated items are tax deductible. Team Thrift will collect the items and leave a tax receipt on the front door.

Donated items will be delivered to area thrift stores, shipped to developing countries, or repurposed into other products, like sound barriers or insulation. While physical items may end up in a variety of locations, proceeds from the sale of donated items will remain local.

The Prairie Village Foundation will be the charitable recipient of the funds, which helps Prairie Village residents in need with utility assistance, minor home repairs, food assistance, and other vital needs. The Prairie Village Foundation also provides support to local school children, arts programming, park development, and community events like VillageFest and JazzFest. The more pounds of textiles donated, the more Prairie Village benefits!

While this program offers a convenient way to help the community and the environment, donating through this weekly collection is not the only way. There are many worthwhile charitable organizations that will accept donated items.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Laura Wassmer appointed as Mayor

On February 2, 2015, the Prairie Village City Council voted unanimously to appoint Council Member Laura Wassmer to the position of Mayor for the duration of former Mayor Ron Shaffer's term, ending in April 2015. Wassmer served as a Council Member representing Ward IV since her election in 1998, has chaired and co-chaired the Parks and Recreation Committee, and has served on a wide variety of other city committees.



A general election to determine the next Prairie Village Mayor will be held on April 7, 2015. Mayor Wassmer is the only candidate who filed for the office of mayor.

Open City Council & Planning Commission Positions

The City of Prairie Village is currently accepting applications to fill the Ward IV Council seat vacated by Mayor Laura Wassmer. This appointment will be for the term ending April 2018. Interested Ward IV residents should submit a cover letter and resume to Mayor Wassmer, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village KS 66208 or mayor@pvkansas.com. To determine your Ward, visit www.pvkansas.com/wardmap.

Applications are also being accepted for Planning Commission. New applicants and incumbents will be considered for the expiring Planning Commission positions. To apply, visit www.pvkansas.com/volunteer by March 27, 2015.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
March 16	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
March 28	Earth Fair	10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Shawnee Mission East
April 6	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers
April 11	Large Item Pick Up	7:00 a.m.	North and on 75th Street
April 18	Large Item Pick Up	7:00 a.m.	South of 75th Street
April 20	Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Council Chambers

ELECTED OFFICIALS

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2016 Budget Calendar

Each year, the City of Prairie Village reviews the budget phases and sets the budget calendar. To view the 2016 budget calendar, visit pvkansas.com/budgetcalendar.

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COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

14th Annual Prairie Village Earth Fair March 28, 2015

The 14th annual Prairie Village Earth Fair is Saturday, March 28th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Shawnee Mission East Gymnasium, 75th and Mission Road, Prairie Village, KS. This celebration of the planet is brought to you by the City of Prairie Village and Shawnee Mission East High School and is open to the entire community with fun for all ages!

As part of this year's theme, "(en)Lighten Your Footprint... because the Earth matters," the fair will feature several presentations to help attendees connect what they learn to immediate actions they can take. Topics will include green consumerism, fair trade, xeriscaping and support of natural pollinators such as bees and monarchs. Visit earth-fair.org for a schedule and more information.

With over 50 exhibitors each year, the fair features a mix of environmental resources, earth-friendly products, youth-friendly craft activities and live animals, including birds of prey, lizards and snakes. Want to catch a peek at the newest in hybrid, electric and environment-friendly cars? You'll see those at the fair as well.

Entertainment will include performances from Eco-Elvis, StoneLion Puppets, the Green Swing band, and a student choir from Belinder Elementary. Delicious lunch, snacks and beverages will be available for purchase from three local food trucks: CoffeeCakeKC, Prairie Fire Oven, and Taco Republic.

The SME Used Book Sale returns again offering a great selection of used books, CDs and DVDs, with your purchases benefitting the school's library. The library welcomes your donations which can be

brought to the Shawnee Mission East High School office. Contact Kathi Knopp at 913-993-6617 if you have questions or are bringing a big load.

Revolve Community Bike Shops will collect bicycles for all ages and in any condition for reuse in the community.

Bicycle accessories (tires, tubes, tools) are also welcome. They will also have a volunteer mechanic on hand to perform safety checks/adjustments on your bikes and provide safety tips as well. So get your bikes out and bring them!

In addition to Earth Fair festivities, Shawnee Mission East High School's service organization, SHARE, will host its annual garage sale fundraiser in the auxiliary gym. Now called the SHARE 3R (ReCycle, RePurpose, ReUse) Sale, event proceeds will benefit the organization's mentoring and tutoring programs in Shawnee Mission School District elementary schools with the greatest need for assistance.

The Earth Fair is free and open to the public. But bring money to shop for great products. For more information, visit www.earth-fair.org, check out the Facebook page www.facebook.com/pvearthfair or follow us on Twitter @PVEarthFair.



MARCH

Mid America Pastel Society (MAPS) brings together practicing pastel artists as a group to educate and promote community interest and support for the medium of pastels in the visual arts, to support artists in their artistic development, exhibit work as a group and individually, to provide teaching workshops for further development of artists using pastel, and to make a contribution to the community through development of student artists in the pastel medium.

A reception will be held on March 13th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

APRIL

The Saturday Group is comprised of photography enthusiasts who are currently taking, or who have taken a continuing education class in Creative Photography at Johnson County Community College. Their work has been featured in local galleries and received awards in juried shows.

A reception will be held on April 10th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Arts
COUNCIL
Prairie Village



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.

PUBLIC WORKS

Prairie Village Park Improvements

Prairie Village Public Works is putting the finishing touches on a wide variety of park improvements as part of the City’s park renovation plan. McCrum Park, Prairie Park, and Harmon Park were the focus of 2014 efforts.

In McCrum Park, new playground equipment and swings, including an accessible swing donated by Parenting Children with Special Needs, a tricycle path, a fenced play area, and a climbing rock were installed. Overhead utility lines were buried. A park shelter, previously located at Weltner Park, was renovated and relocated to McCrum Park. A few weather dependent items remain to be completed, including final grading of a play berm and a pour-in-place rubber path to the accessible swing.

The Harmon Park tennis courts were reconstructed. A nine hole disc golf course was installed in Harmon Park at the end of the summer and been actively used by players of all skill levels. In Prairie Park, a picnic table and climbing rock were relocated to accommodate new toddler swings.

Improvements for 2015 are planned at Taliaferro Park, including a new nature play area and improvements to the sports fields. Bennett Park will receive a nature play area with a sandbox and handicap accessible digger donated by Parenting Children with Special Needs, as well as a new walking path.



PUBLIC SAFETY

Overall Crime Numbers Trend Downward

CRIME	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Average
Robbery	1	6	3	2	4	3.20
Assault	105	79	68	84	67	80.60
Burglary	77	62	52	52	36	55.60
Residential	68	58	45	45	26	48.40
Business/Misc	9	4	7	7	9	7.20
Theft	273	230	215	184	192	218.80
Auto Theft	18	17	13	23	14	17.00
Criminal Damage	243	145	111	96	51	129.20
TOTAL CRIMES	764	589	507	486	428	554.80

The overall number of crimes in 2014, 428, decreased significantly compared to the five-year average of 555. The chart highlights crime types that typically bring the most concern to our community; however, the Prairie Village Police Department tracks additional crimes such as fraud, forgery, and others, which factor into the overall total.

Crime is difficult to forecast and often runs in cycles. While the department certainly appreciates the downward trend, there are always some good reminders to pass along in a continuous effort to reduce crimes of opportunity: do not leave valuable items in your vehicle overnight or in plain view if running errands, lock doors and remove keys, close garage doors, and keep an eye out for suspicious activity. While this information is not new, sometimes it just takes a nudge to change habits and become more prevention-minded.

Please do not become a statistic—help our community be less vulnerable to crime.

PARKS & RECREATION *Programs*



VISIT US ONLINE!

apm.activecommunities.com/pvkansas

- Register for Summer Recreation Activities
(Note: Private tennis, swim, dive and skateboarding lessons only available at City Hall)
- Purchase Prairie Village Pool Memberships
(Note: 10 Swim Cards and SuperPasses only available at City Hall)
- Reserve a Park Pavilion or the Community Center

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 apm.activecommunities.com/pvkansas - select **(Sign In or Create 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

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:		
	Resident	Non-Resident
Household / Family (max 5 people)	\$50	\$55
Each additional person over 5 total	\$5	\$5
Individual / Senior	\$25	\$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.

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT
Purchase your membership early & receive a discount! See page 7

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

The Prairie Village Pool opens Saturday, May 23, at 11:00 a.m. and closes for the season on Monday, September 7, 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 23 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 his 10th year in 2015.

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 7:00 p.m.

2015 POOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1	Registration begins for Pool Memberships, Swim Team (Residents Only), Dive Team and Synchronized Swim Team	June 25	Swim Meet – Pool Complex closes at 5:00 p.m.
May 1	Swim Team Registration for Non-Residents begins	July 4	VillageFest 2015- Free swim for all Prairie Village residents – Pool Complex closes at 6:00 p.m.
May 15	<u>Deadline to register for ALL Aquatics Teams</u>	July 7	Dive Meet – Slides and Diving Well close at 5:00 p.m.
May 20	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro members and parents 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	July 9	Swim Meet – Pool Complex closes at 5:00 p.m.
May 23	Pool opens for the season at 11:00 a.m. (Reduced hours May 26-29)	July 10	Moonlight Swim – Pool Complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
May 27	Aquatics Orientation for Swim, Dive and Synchro Swim members and parents 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	July 16	Pool Memberships reduced ½ off excluding Super Pass and 10 Swim Cards
May 30	Prairie Village Swim Team Placement Evaluation 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	July 17	Moonlight Swim – Pool Complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
June 1	First day of Swim and Dive Team and Synchronized Swim Team Practice	July 24	Water Show Rehearsal – Meter Pool and Adult Pools close at 5:00 p.m.
June 9	Dive Meet – Slides and Diving Well close at 5:00 p.m.	July 26	Water Show at 8:30 p.m. – Pool Complex closes at 5:00 p.m.
June 12	Moonlight Swim – Pool Complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.	August 7	Moonlight Swim – Pool Complex remains open until 10:00 p.m.
June 18	Swim Meet – Pool Complex closes at 5:00 p.m.	August 10	Reduced hours begin – Pool opens at 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
		September 7	Pool closes for the season at 6:00 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.**

SWIMMING POOL MEMBERSHIP

Annual pool memberships go on sale April 1 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.

Purchase your membership between April 1 and April 30 and receive \$10 off your total purchase!



SWIMMING POOL FEES FOR THE 2015 SEASON

RESIDENT:

2 Person Family Membership	\$153
Household Membership (max 4 people)	\$163
each additional person over 4 total	\$5
Individual Membership	\$79
Senior Citizen (age 60 and over)	\$62
Swim Card with 10 admissions	\$58
Babysitter (must be purchased w/ Household or 2 Person)	\$63
Super Passes (max 5 people)	\$50 / \$25
each additional person over 5 total	\$5

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

NON-RESIDENT:

Household Membership (max 4 people)	\$274
each additional person over 4 total	\$5
Individual Membership	\$166
Senior Citizen (age 60 and over)	\$113
Child Membership (16 and under)	\$113
Swim Card with 10 admissions (passholders only)	\$63
Babysitter (must be purchased w/ Household)	\$68
Super Passes (max 5 people)	\$55 / \$30
each additional person over 5 total	\$5

Daily Gate Admission Fee\$7

Twilight Admission Fee (After 5:30 p.m.)\$5

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/non-transferable. 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, or e-mail cityclerk@pvkansas.com.

ID CARDS

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

POOL RENTALS

Prairie Village residents may rent the Leisure Pool, Slide Pool, and Diving Well as a package any available evening between June 3 and August 9 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 \$308. 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 2015 SEASON

AQUATIC TEAM REGISTRATION FEES:

Resident.....	\$100
Resident, second child on same team.....	\$95
*Non-resident without Prairie Village Pool membership.....	\$149
*Non-resident with Prairie Village Pool Membership.....	\$102

**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:

Open to youth aged 6 to 18
Offered in both Competitive and Pre-Competitive formats

An evaluation to determine placement on the competitive or pre-competitive team for **new team members** is on Saturday, May 30, 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:

Open to youth aged 6 to 18
Child must be able to jump off the diving board and swim to the ladder unassisted.

Practice time is daily, Monday–Thursday 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
(The Synchronized Swim Team will be postponed if a qualified coach is not found and/or 25 participants have not signed up by May 15.)



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 54th Annual Water Show on Sunday, July 26 at 8:30 p.m.

SWIM AND DIVE TEAM LESSONS

Open to any youth participating on the 2015 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 \$36

Lessons are held Monday – Friday between the following times:
• 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for Swim and Dive Teams

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:

- Wednesday, May 20, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- or
- Wednesday, May 27, 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 15**

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. Both Rebecca and Tracy will offer Private, Semi-private, and Three and a Pro tennis lessons. (See Private Lessons section below.)

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.

2015 TENNIS CALENDAR

April 1 KCJTL and Tennis Lesson registration begins	June 1 First session of adult tennis lessons begin	July 14 . . . Fourth session of youth tennis lessons begin
May 16 KCJTL Open House at Harmon Park Tennis Courts, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	June 15 . . . Second session of youth tennis lessons begin	July 13-17 KCJTL End-of-Year Tournament
June 1 First session of youth tennis lessons begin	June 22 . . . Second session of adult tennis lessons begin	
June 1 KCJTL League practice and play begins	June 29 . . . Third session of youth tennis lessons begin	

YOUTH GROUP LESSONS (Up to age 15)

Sessions run two weeks and will be held as follows:

Session 1 June 1 - June 11	Session 3 June 29 - July 9
Session 2 June 15 - June 26	Session 4 July 13 - July 23

Pee Wee Clinic (Ages 4 to 6) – Meets T, TH mornings at 8:30 a.m. for 30 minutes. Cost is \$47 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and a maximum enrollment of 6. Continuing in 2015, this clinic will follow USTA Quick Start Program by using foam/low compression balls (provided).

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 \$60 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 \$60 per participant. There is a minimum enrollment of 4 and maximum enrollment of 10.

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 \$105 per participant (\$95 for each additional family member on team). **No refunds will be allowed for the Kansas City Junior Tennis League team.** Interested players must register by May 15 to be eligible for the first week of league play. League play runs June 13 through July 10. The end of year tournament will be held July 13-17.

The Coach will hold a KCJTL Kick-Off Open House on Saturday, May 16, from 8:30 am – 10:00 am.

Visit apm.activecommunities.com/pvkansas or the league website at www.kcjtl.org for more information.

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 Monday and Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. for three weeks. The cost is \$69. Sessions will be held as follows:

Session 1 June 1 - 16	Session 2 June 22 - July 7
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Private Lessons allow instructors the opportunity to work with players on individual needs. The fee is \$25 for 30 min. lesson.

Semi-Private Lessons for two persons are structured to meet individual needs. The fee is \$16 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 \$18 for 60 min. per player.

GROUP TENNIS CLASSES

Cardio Tennis (All ages) – Monday and Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m., Harmon Park. Session 1: June 1-16, Session 2: June 22 – July 7.

Cardio Tennis is a new, fun group activity featuring drills to give players of all abilities an ultimate, high energy workout for six 50 minute sessions. 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. \$69 per participant. **Register Now!**

PICKLEBALL LEAGUE

With the recent renovations at the Harmon Park Tennis Courts, Prairie Village is now introducing Pickleball. This sport can be described as an activity that combines elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. It is played on a on a badminton-sized court with a paddle and a plastic ball.

Register Now! March 17th is the registration deadline. Prairie Village is offering two weeks of clinics during the weeks of March 23 and March 30 at various days and times. This will assist in determining the skill level for participants and the formation of the two-person teams.

The Spring Pickleball League will begin on Tuesday, April 7 and last for six weeks. The cost for each participant is \$30 per person. Participants can choose to play either – Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:00 p.m. or Friday mornings beginning at 9:00 a.m.

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, Taliaferro, 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: apm.activecommunities.com/pvkansas
2. Reservations can also be made at City Hall. Download a Facility Reservation Form at www.pvkansas.com.
3. The City will recognize reservations by issuing a Facility Reservation Permit. Permits may be obtained by the requesting person from the City Clerk's office.
4. Clean up of the premises shall be done by the group using the facility. The sponsor is responsible for actions of the group. The City is not responsible for lost or stolen articles, or accidents. The City will clean the facility the day of the event if it is a regular scheduled work day. On a non-scheduled workday, the facility will be cleaned on the previous work day.
5. If you wish to use amplified sound equipment, you must obtain a permit from the City Clerk's office when you make your shelter reservations.

BALL FIELD RESERVATIONS

Written requests to schedule ball fields must be filed with the City Clerk's office prior to the date of use. Applications are available at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road. The City Clerk takes 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 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.)

- 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
- Porter Park – Tomahawk & Roe
- Prairie Park – 6938 Mission Road
- Santa Fe Trail Park – 7727 Delmar
- Schliffke Park – 6845 Mission Road
- Taliaferro Park – 2900 W 79th St
- 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. **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

Session 1 June 8 - 11	Session 3 June 29 - July 2	Session 5 July 20 - July 30
Session 2 June 15 - 23	Session 4 July 6 - July 16	

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)**

Johnson County Residents			Non-Johnson County Residents		
4 lessons . . . \$39	6 lessons . . . \$55	8 lessons . . . \$71	4 lessons . . . \$43	6 lessons . . . \$60	8 lessons . . . \$78

*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.

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 May 26 and run through September 3.

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 June 1 and running through July 31. The day camp is fully licensed by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

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

OTHER SPORTS PROGRAMS

BRITISH SOCCER JUNE 15-19

Camp for ages 5 to 12 runs from 9:00 a.m. to noon - \$142



British Soccer is hosting a Soccer Skills camp led by professional coaches from Great Britain on June 15 – 19 at Porter 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

For further information call Mike Parry 913-599-4884 ext. 227

SKATEBOARDING 101

Skateboarding 101 (ages 3 - 12) - \$50

Dan Mapes with Dan's Sk8 School will teach participants skate park etiquette, balance, basic skills and simple tricks perfect for beginners. Class will meet a total of four Saturdays. Parents must be present for the duration of each session. Helmets and a skateboard are required; knee and elbow pads are highly recommended. Registration begins March 2 and is limited to 10 participants per session.

Class will meet at the Prairie Village Skate Park from 10:00 – 11:30 am on the following dates:

Session 1: March 28, April 11, April 25, May 9

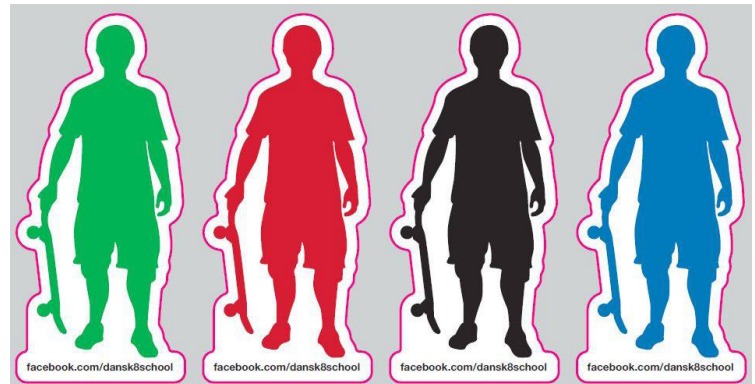
Session 2: June 6, June 20, July 18, August 1

Session 3: August 15, August 29, September 12, September 26

For questions, please visit facebook.com/dansk8school or daniel.r.mapes@gmail.com.

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 Nolan Sunderman at 913-385-4635 or nsunderman@pvkansas.com.



CONTACT US

MUNICIPAL OFFICES

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913-381-6464

SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX

7711 Delmar
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913-385-4650

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HOURS:

Monday - Friday - 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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PV HAPPENINGS

Revisions to RV and Equipment Parking & Storage Regulations

In January the City Council passed revisions to the recreational vehicle (RV) and equipment parking and storage regulations that will go into effect on July 1, 2015. This includes trailers, boats, jet skis and other such recreational equipment. The revisions were passed after a year-long discussion on the topic by the City Council. The revisions continue to allow the permanent parking/storage of RVs and equipment on residential property, with new considerations regarding placement and screening. Currently, RVs and equipment must be parked on a hard surface, behind the front building line of the house, five feet away from the rear and side lot lines and in all instances 15 feet from the street.

The following items were added as part of the revisions passed in January:

- Screening – RVs and equipment must be fully screened up to six feet. If a RV or equipment is taller than six feet, screening above six feet is not required. Full screening may be the use of evergreen plantings or fencing permitted by the City Code to substantially screen the RV or equipment from public and ground level view from a neighboring property.
- Placement – RVs and equipment must be parked behind the front building line of the house and behind the front building line of the houses directly adjacent.
- Covers – Covers are not required, but if one is present, it must be custom fit to the contours of the RV or equipment.
- Temporary Parking – RVs and equipment are allowed to be temporarily parked anywhere on the property as long as it is on a hard surface up to 7 days total in a 30 day period.

KCP&L Rate Increase

Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L) has filed a rate increase request with the Kansas Corporation Commission to increase rates for electric service in Kansas. The 12.5% increase will be a fixed cost (not based on electrical usage), and raise the electric bill approximately \$11.67 per month for an average resident. New rates would be effective on or around October 1, 2015.

Members of the public may direct comments and concerns to the Kansas Corporation Commission: public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov or 800-662-0027.

Summer Employment at the Prairie Village Pool

The City of Prairie Village is accepting application for lifeguards and operations attendants for the 2015 pool season. Lifeguard pay starts at \$8.46/hour. Operations attendants begin at \$7.26/hour. All Prairie Village lifeguards must be Red Cross certified. Apply online at www.pvkansas.com.

Friends of VillageFest

Planning is underway for the 19th annual VillageFest, Prairie Village's Fourth of July celebration. Without our generous sponsors and volunteers, this free community event would not be possible. If you would like to support VillageFest, consider making a tax deductible donation to "Friends of VillageFest" or volunteer a few hours on the day of the event. Thank you for your kind support!

Tax deductible donations may be sent to:

Prairie Village Municipal Foundation

Friends of VillageFest

7700 Mission Road

Prairie Village, KS 66208



VillageFest

Interested volunteers may contact:

Courtney McFadden

cmcfadden01@yahoo.com, 913-381-8089

To learn more about VillageFest, please contact Meghan Buum: 913-385-4662 or mbuum@pvkansas.com.

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 1 for the brick to be included in the 2015 installation.

Bricks are installed annually by July 4. 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.prairievillagefoundation.org or an order form can be picked up at City Hall. For more information, contact Meghan Buum at 913-385-4662 or mbuum@pvkansas.com.





PRAIRIE VILLAGE TEXTILE RECYCLING®

FAQs

WHO BENEFITS FROM MY DONATIONS?

The funds generated from your tax deductible donations go to The Prairie Village Foundation to help deserving and qualified residents with vital needs, arts programming, park enhancement, and community events.

WHAT ITEMS CAN I DONATE?

"Textiles" includes everything from clothes & shoes to curtains & towels! If you have a specific item you're unsure of, just ask.

WHEN WILL MY DONATIONS BE PICKED UP?

Textile Recycling will be picked up on the same schedule as your weekly trash pick-up.

WHERE SHOULD I PLACE MY DONATIONS?

Donations should be placed near your front door, porch, or garage with "PV" clearly marked on the bag/box and visible from the street to ensure that our drivers will see your donations.

WHERE WILL MY DONATIONS GO?

Your donations will go to 1) local thrift stores, 2) third world countries to help the needy, or 3) be repurposed.

WHY DONATE?

Curbside set out is not the only way! There are many worthwhile organizations who will accept your donated items. This program provides a convenient way to help the community as well as the environment

THE PRAIRIE VILLAGE FOUNDATION

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PICTURES, FROM TOP TO BOTTOM:
Shop With a Cop (photo credit-PVPost.com), Jazz Fest,
Weltner Park, Art Exhibit, Skate Park, Exterior Home Repair
("A Brush With Kindness"), PV Arbor Day (New Tree Planting)



Donating is easy! Your donations should be bagged or boxed, marked with "PV" in large letters, and set out near your front door, porch, or garage to be visible from the street.



SET-OUT PROCEDURES

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2015 LARGE ITEM PICK-UP

It's time to get rid of unwanted junk from your garage or basement during the City's annual Large Item Pick-up.

Saturday, April 11, 2015 for residents on 75th Street and north of 75th Street

Saturday, April 18, 2015 for residents south of 75th Street

Items must be at the curb by 7:00 a.m. and no larger than a standard-size refrigerator. Deffenbaugh will pick up refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and ice makers. Please place these items a couple feet away from non-refrigerant items.

Items collected include:

- Appliances
- Railroad ties (4' or less in length)
- Fencing (Cut into 4' x 4' sections. Bundle loose pickets for easy collection.)
- Furniture
- Tree limbs cut to 4' or less in length and secured in bundles not more than 18" in diameter.
- Carpet (cut into 4' x 4' sections)
- Bundle or package loose items. Put out only those items not collected by regular trash service.



For Large Item Pick-up rules visit www.pvkansas.com/largeitempickup. If you have any additional questions, call Deffenbaugh at 913-631-3300. This is a free service for Prairie Village residents, so take advantage to clean up!

CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

CITY HALL & MUNICIPAL COURT

7700 Mission Rd
Quinn Bennion, City Administrator
Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk
Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director

PUBLIC SAFETY

7710 Mission Rd
Wes Jordan, Chief of Police

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