

VOICE

The Star of Kansas



Come celebrate Independence Day at the City of Prairie Village's 20TH ANNUAL VillageFest Celebration on Monday, July 4th. Admission is free and all activities are held on the Municipal Campus at 7700 Mission Road.

This year we will be selling commemorative 20TH ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS for only \$5 – children and adult sizes. You'll love the winning design. The shirts will be on sale at City Hall during the month of June as well as at the event itself.

The festivities on July 4 begin with a pancake breakfast hosted by Chris Cakes from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Harmon Park Pavilion. The Spirit Award Ceremony will be held at 8:30 a.m. with a return engagement by our own Prairie Village resident and Kansas City Symphony Chorus member Kristy Lambert singing the National Anthem.

New (water theme fun) this year – a HUGE SLIP-N-SLIDE down the big hill from the Pavilion. Come ready to get wet & have fun! We'll also be dunking local PV celebrities in a dunk tank.

If you like baking, you'll want to enter our annual Pie Baking Contest for the chance to

win a prize and bragging rights for the best pie. Register at www.pvkansas.com/piebakingcontest. Crafters will be back with handmade items for sale.

The Headstrong for Jake Bike Rodeo will be returning again this year. The bike rodeo is designed to teach bicycle riding skills, as well as, educate both children and their parents regarding the importance of always wearing a properly fitted bike helmet. New bicycle helmets will be provided for the first 350 participants by the Jake Clough Headstrong Foundation, 501(c)3. All participants need to bring their own bicycle to the bike rodeo.

Other activities throughout the day run from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and include: a children's parade, live music; children's crafts; bounce houses and other inflatables; petting zoo and pony rides; face painters; living history exhibit; and much, much more. (PS – Mr. Bones will be back!)

Everyone is invited to VillageFest 2016; bring your family, friends, and neighbors! The schedule of events and map are on pages 4 and 5 of the newsletter. Save the enclosed flyer and bring it to the event on the 4th!

FEATURES:



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Greetings Prairie Village Residents:

The spirit of celebration is abundant in Prairie Village!

In May, City Council members, City staff, and I joined our community partners from VanTrust Real Estate, Johnson County Government, the City of Prairie Village, Johnson County Wastewater, and Johnson County Park & Recreation District to celebrate the formal groundbreaking of the future Meadowbrook Park and redevelopment. Over the next three years, we'll see the property transform from an abandoned golf course into a destination gathering place for Prairie Village residents for generations to come.



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Our younger residents are surely celebrating the end of the school year— it's always hard to believe how quickly the months pass by! Families are undoubtedly enjoying another summer spent at our Prairie Village parks and pool. Meanwhile, our high school graduates are likely looking back fondly on those childhood summers as they anticipate the next stage of life. The last summer “at home” is a bittersweet time. They will soon learn, as many of us have, that Prairie Village will always be home!

This summer, we're also celebrating the 20th anniversary of VillageFest! Through the years, tens of thousands of residents have enjoyed our annual 4th of July festival, and countless volunteer hours have gone into the planning and preparation of this wonderful Prairie Village tradition. I hope to see you at this year's event!

Sincerely,

Laura Wassmer, Mayor

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COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

Prairie Village Foundation

THE PRAIRIE VILLAGE Foundation

Helping Our Neighbors. Enhancing Our Community.

The Prairie Village Foundation continues to do wonderful work in our community to assist those in need. Thanks to the generous donations of Prairie Village residents and businesses, the Foundation donated more than \$15,000 to help our Prairie Village friends and neighbors in need, as well as donating deeper into the heart of our Johnson County community.

New this year, the Foundation allocated funds directly to the Prairie Village Police Department for their “Citizens Assistance Program.” This fund will be used when officers see an immediate need to help a community member. They may see a need arise after a violent wreck or when they respond to a house call. Also new this year, the Foundation allocated funding to Consolidated Fire District #2. Thanks to the Foundation’s donation, the Fire District was able to purchase carbon monoxide detectors for county residents who don’t already have one installed in their home.

Other organizations receiving funding include: Johnson County Minor Home Repair Fund, Village Food and Clothing Pantry, Lutheran Church of the Resurrection’s “Saturday’s Miracle” and Habitat for Humanity’s “Brush with Kindness” Program. The Prairie Village Foundation takes great pride in providing for our community members - right here in Prairie Village as well as in the Johnson County area. The Prairie Village Foundation, Helping Our Neighbors. Enhancing Our Community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

| DATE | EVENT | TIME | LOCATION |
|-----------|------------------|---------|------------------|
| July 4 | Independence Day | | Offices Closed |
| July 4 | VillageFest | 7:30 am | Municipal Campus |
| July 5 | Council Meeting | 7:30 pm | Council Chambers |
| July 18 | Council Meeting | 7:30 pm | Council Chambers |
| August 1 | Council Meeting | 7:30 pm | Council Chambers |
| August 15 | Council Meeting | 7:30 pm | Council Chambers |

Save the Date for JazzFest

Mark your calendars for the 7th annual Prairie Village Jazz Festival on Saturday, September 10th at Harmon Park. The festival offers our community the opportunity to enjoy world-class entertainment right at home in Prairie Village. Headlining the 2016 festival will be Dan Thomas & Voyage and Marilyn Maye.



For more information, visit www.pvkansas.com/jazzfest or contact Joyce Hagen Mundy at 913-385-4616 or jhmundy@pvkansas.com.



JULY

Senior Arts Council

The Senior Arts Council founded in 1977 is an organization of Artists over 50 years of age. The exhibit includes oil, acrylic, and watercolor artists and photographers. The group puts on a number of exhibits each year throughout the area. Please come and enjoy this multi-talented group of artists. A reception will be held on July 8, 2016 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

August

Cookie Cave and Mary Ann Coonrod

A reception will be held on August 12, 2016 from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Calling all artists! - The 10th Annual State of the Arts Exhibition is now accepting submissions for the October 2016 show. The State of the Arts is a juried event featuring two-dimensional or three-dimensional art work. Submit your artwork for consideration at www.pvsota.org.

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

PV HAPPENINGS

2017 Budget Hearing August 1st

A public hearing will take place on Monday, August 1st at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers to hear comments and suggestions about the City's 2017 budget. A copy of the proposed budget is available online and at the City Clerk's office. Please refer to the City's website at www.pvkansas.com for other key budget dates.



Popular Annual Financial Report

The City of Prairie Village is pleased to announce its fourth Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR). The City produces a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) each year, which outline the City's financial position and operating activities and includes audited financial statements; however, due to its length and scope, the CAFR is not a user-friendly document.

In an effort to make financial information more accessible, the Finance Department developed the PAFR which includes a summary of City services, Statement of Net Position, revenues, expenditures, debt and an economic outlook. To view the City's Popular Annual Financial Report, refer to the City's website at www.pvkansas.com.

Community Corner Fourth Friday Concerts

Make plans to attend Hillcrest Church's Fourth Friday Concerts in Franklin Park this summer. These summer evenings are always a hit with free food and live music. Bring your neighbor and a lawn chair and enjoy!

- July 22 – Hard at Play
- August 26 – Abbey Road

Team Ball Field Reservations Due

Applications for soccer and baseball fields for the fall season will be accepted until July 15. If you do not receive an application in the mail by July 8, contact the City Clerk's office at 913-381-6464 or visit www.pvkansas.com for more information.



Animal Enumeration

Do you have a new pet? The City will be conducting an animal census during the months of July and August to account for the number and ownership of all dogs and cats in Prairie Village. The census will help keep your animals safe and protected by ensuring that your pet can be returned safely to its home if lost and by certifying that all animals have rabies vaccinations. Please contact Barb Fisher with questions: 913-385-4685.

Johnson County Rose Society

The July meeting of the Johnson County Rose Society will be a round-table discussion led by the ARS Rosarians around the question of "What's Buggin' Me?". The discussion will focus on diseases and pests that may be showing up in rose gardens in the summer months. Members and visitors are welcome to bring pictures or samples of problems they are experiencing for help with identification and tips on how to manage the problem. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 14 at the Prairie Village Community Center.

In August, the JCRS will present a panel discussion focusing on rose care and tips for keeping roses healthy at the end of summer. Included in the discussion will be advice on fertilizing, watering, and spraying. Members and guests are encouraged to bring questions for the panel to address. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 11 at the Prairie Village Community Center.

All JCRS meetings are free and open to the public. Refreshments are provided. For more information about the meetings, programs and other activities of the Johnson County Rose Society, visit their website at www.rosesocietyjoco.org. You can also find them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/JoCoRoses.



VillageFest

20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SCHEDULE

Monday, July 4th ★ 7:30am—1:00pm ★ Prairie Village Municipal Campus ★ 7700 Mission Road

Attractions

9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Trackless TrainCity Hall Parking Lot
 Rock N Roller.....City Hall Parking Lot
 Tubs of Fun.....City Hall Parking Lot
 Sister Act Face PaintingComm. Center Lawn
 Human Hamster BallsEast of Main Stage
 Child Craft CenterCommunity Center
 YMCA Kids Tumbling Area.....Comm. Center Lawn
 Inflatables.....Community Center Lawn
 Petting Zoo.....Community Center Lawn
 Pony RidesCommunity Center Lawn
 Skate Board Facility.....Near City Hall Parking Lot
 Craft Booths.....City Hall Parking Lot
 Dunk Tank.....City Hall Grounds
 Slip 'N Slide.....The Hill

Entertainment

Harmon Park Pavilion

Award Ceremony.....8:30-8:45
 - Welcome by Mayor & Pledge of Allegiance
 - Star Spangled Banner sung by Kristy Lambert,
 Resident of Prairie Village & member of the
 Kansas City Symphony Chorus.

Main Stage—Across from City Hall

Janie Next Door.....8:45-9:10
 Funky Mama.....9:25-9:50
 Jim "Mr. Stinky Feet" Cosgrove
 and the Hiccups10:15-11:10
 MultiPhonics.....11:40-1:00

South of Community Center

Clement McCrae Puppets...9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00

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

Special Events

Pie Baking Contest Pavilion.....8:30 Submission
 Registration Required....10:30 Results
www.pvkansas.com/piebakingcontest
 Free Swim Prairie Village Pool Complex...11:00-6:00
 Marching Falcons Pavilion.....11:15
 Children's Parade Front of City Hall.....11:15
 Decorate your bikes, trikes & wagons and meet at
 City Hall by 11:00. All are welcome to participate.
 No registration necessary.

Displays

9:00 AM—1:00 PM

City Committee & Sponsor Displays...Comm.
 Center Lawn
 Police Department/Med-Act Display.....City Hall
 Parking Lot
 Fire Department Display & CPR 101City Hall
 Parking Lot
 Classic Car Display.....Pavilion Parking Lot
 Historical Display.....Inside City Hall

Food for Purchase

Chris Cakes.....7:30-11:00
 Harmon Park Pavilion
 Nothing Bundt Cakes.....9:00-1:00
 City Hall Parking Lot
 Popcorn Man.....9:00-1:00
 City Hall Parking Lot
 Treats by Rex Nolan.....9:00-1:00
 City Hall Parking Lot
 HyVee.....9:00-1:00
 Community Center Lawn
 Polar Oasis.....9:00-1:00
 City Hall Parking Lot

Special Guests

9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Mr. Bones.....VillageFest Grounds
 Home Depot Kits.....Community Center Lawn

Questions?

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

Free Parking

Shawnee Mission East High School
 7500 Mission Road
 Mission Road Bible Church
 7820 Mission Road
 Mission Road Community of Christ Church
 7842 Mission Road

Restrooms

City Hall Police Department
 Community Center Harmon Park Pavilion
 Prairie Village Pool Complex

Lost & Found

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

For More Information

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VillageFest

MISSION ROAD

Parking

Entrance Closed



Prairie Village Pool Complex

Free Swim 11:00-6:00

RESTROOMS

City Hall RESTROOMS

Children's Parade Staging Area and Starting Point

Main Stage Directly Across From City Hall

Info Booth & Volunteer Check-In

Police Station RESTROOMS

Children's Parade

City Hall Parking Lot Area

Food Vendor

Food Vendor

Community Center Lawn

Community Center RESTROOMS

Water Station

Harmon Park Pavilion

Chris Cakes Pancake Breakfast
Patriotic Service
Pie Baking Contest

RESTROOMS

Skate Board Facility

Police Department/ Med-Act Display

Hy-Vee Food Station

Craft Booths

Vendor Entrance Only

CFD#2 Fire Department Display

Pony Rides and Puppet Show

MISSION ROAD

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Important Reminders on Dog Safety

Whether a dog is known or unknown there are plenty of tips to stay safe around dogs. Even a dog known as ‘friendly’ can bite; be cautious to respect their comfort level. It is important to remember that sudden movements and an excited attitude will excite a dog, which could lead to an unsafe situation. Be mindful that reaching or hovering above a dog could make the dog feel attacked or unsafe. Don’t lean over a dog or pet the top of their head, a safer option is to pet under the neck or chin. The best way to approach a dog is to allow the dog to approach you while you remain calm and still, allowing them to sniff. The best way to approach a dog with no owner around is: don’t!

As a dog owner, it is your responsibility to maintain a safe environment for other people and your dog. Part of being a responsible dog owner is discerning ways to stay safe and keep others safe. Here are some tips:

- Always walk your dog on a leash
- Give other people and dogs space
- ASK before introducing your dog to any person or animal
- Pay attention- to your dog, the environment, and others
- Take precautions to ensure your dog doesn’t run loose
- Stay calm and enjoy your time with your pet!
- Dog waste transmits disease, please clean up after your pet.

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER!

Hosted by Prairie Village Animal Control



Saturday, August 20, 2016
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Franklin Park
(Rain Date- Sunday, August 21)

Current City license and rabies tag must be on each dog!

11-11:15
12-12:15

Demo by “Sit Means Sit”

PET CONTESTS

- Owner/Pet Look-A-Like
- Best Trick
- Best Costume
- Best Kiss



1-1:15

Demo by Local Agency’s K-9 Unit

Temporary Off-Leash Dog Area Available Throughout The Event

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

****VENDORS FROM 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.****

Sit Means Sit
Queen of Paws
Doggie Cots
Loopdeuxloops
Carol’s Scarves for Pets
Cassie’s K-9 Bakery
Origami Owl



****VENDORS FROM 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.****

Farmers Insurance
InstaFun Photo Booth
Pampered Poms
Pampered Paws Grooming
Jamerry Nails

****PET ADOPTION 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.****

Bonner Rescue
The Rescue Project

The Funnel Cake Truck and other food vendors will be selling food from 10-2!

For the safety of yourselves and others, please refrain from participating in this event if your dog’s behavior is questionable around other dogs and/or strangers. Thank you!

PUBLIC WORKS

Summer Road Construction

Residents throughout Prairie Village may have noticed an increase in orange barrels as construction projects pop up throughout the city during the summer months.

A number of road projects are either underway or have already been completed. Like all infrastructure, roadways deteriorate over time and require a variety of improvements based on their condition. Projects range in scope from street resurfacing to complete redesign and reconstruction, like the project on Mission Road from 71st Street to 75th Street.

The latest updates on construction projects are available online at pvkansas.com/orangebarrelreport. For questions related to road construction, please contact Public Works at 913-385-4647.



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VILLAGE GREEN

Simple Steps to Fight the Bite

The most important thing Prairie Village residents can do to prevent the spread of mosquito-borne illnesses such as Zika, Chikungunya and West Nile virus infection is to mosquito-proof your home and wear insect repellent, according to the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment.

Zika is of greatest health concern for pregnant women and those who may become pregnant while infected because the infection is linked to severe birth defects in babies. West Nile virus infection is typically mild, but can cause serious neurological effects, especially in senior adults and children under age 5. Chikungunya infection typically causes joint pain and fever in travelers returning from affected areas. Infants and adults over age 65 are most at risk for severe Chikungunya disease.

The following actions will protect you and your family:

-  Wear EPA-registered insect repellents, long sleeves and pants to prevent mosquito bites. When used as directed, these insect repellents are proven safe and effective even for pregnant and breastfeeding women. During the day, apply sunscreen first and then the repellent to exposed skin.
-  Mosquito-proof your home by installing or repairing screens on windows and doors. Use your air conditioning, if you have it.
-  Empty and scrub out items that hold standing water in and around your home. Flower pots, buckets, gutters/downspouts, kiddie pools, grill covers, pet dishes, discarded tires and birdbaths can become a breeding ground for mosquitoes if they are not emptied and cleaned on a regular basis. Tightly cover water storage containers so that mosquitoes cannot get inside to lay eggs.
-  Pregnant women should avoid travel to any area with Zika.
-  Information provided by JoCo Health & Environment department. Visit jocogov.org for more information.

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