



NEWSLETTER

October 2010

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PVHA Calendar

November 8 Board Meeting

Board Meetings begin at 7pm at Faith Lutheran Church. Please inform us if you wish to attend a Board Meeting, as the building will be locked.

A Brief Introduction to Prairie Village and Your Homes Association

Originally platted in 1941, J.C. Nichols began the development of what we now know as the City of Prairie Village. Beginning with the homes located between 67th and 69th Street and Mission Road and Del Mar, Nichols developed the community into what was deemed in 1949 by the National Association of Home Builders as the “best planned community in America.” The design of pedestrian scaled residential blocks anchored by shared community shopping centers was revolutionary for its time and is often the envy of modern development.

J.C. Nichols then created Homes Associations, including the Prairie Village Homes Association of which you are a member. There are thirty-nine Homes Associations in the City of Prairie Village today. These Associations were created to “protect, preserve, and improve neighborhood property values by keeping homes attractive and desirable.” *

Sixty-nine years later, Prairie Village is a thriving city with many proud residents and scores of families seeking to relocate here. As times have changed, so have the expectations around single family residences and the amenities they offer. This includes items ranging from dwelling size

(square feet), number of car garages, and building materials, all the way to innovative ways to improve energy efficiency through the use of higher performing insulations, new windows, and more efficient mechanical systems.

Many of you have begun to reshape the community on your own and your reinvestment in your home and community is valued. To act as a resource to help guide this redevelopment, the PVHA would like to investigate a partnership with the City of Prairie Village to create an Overlay District to help inform critical matters related to the built environment of Prairie Village. Many of Prairie Village’s fundamental design qualities were set forth by J.C. Nichols within the restrictions of each Homes Association to be enforced. Unfortunately some of those restrictions have been found to be unenforceable and out of alignment with the City’s current codes. (Some of the criteria often covered by overlay districts includes, but not limited to: building height, width, setbacks, exterior materials, and out buildings.)

Interest is building among the various Homes Associations of Prairie Village, with many voicing support of this effort. This initiative will seek public input and develop an understanding of what you value most and begin to establish enforceable expectations for these specified community qualities shared by the City and the Association alike. In order to move forward and learn more about the possibilities, the PVHA would like to gauge your interest in a dialogue with the City to help guide our future.

*The Prairie Village History Book Committee and Dawn Grubb, *Prairie Village, Our Story, The City of Prairie Village*, 2002

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Please take the PVHA Survey at:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MRYPX5V>

Think Green

The PVHA Board of Directors would like your help in an effort to cut costs while at the same time conserve our environment. To do so we offer you the opportunity to receive future Prairie Village Homes Association Newsletters via email or downloadable documents from the website. However, we will continue to mail hardcopies to neighbors who do not have access to email. If you would like to receive future newsletters via email, please contact spencer17@kc.rr.com with your name, physical address, phone number, and email address. You may also sign up for paperless newsletters on the website.



Welcome New Neighbors

June

Randall Wood 4519 West 69th Terrace
Jason Hamilton 7124 Village Drive
Christopher Kaufman 4622 West 69th Terrace
Corey Janda 5221 West 72nd Street
Jeff Otto & Karen Hahn 7136 Buena Vista
Morgan & Megan Shay 4306 West 74th Street
Craig Smith 7120 Roe
Melissa Carrico 5030 West 72nd Terrace
Michelle Krumrey 7120 Linden Road
Jean Ramsey 4717 W. 70th Street
Karen Staehling 4301 Oxford Road
MHS LLC 4636 West 70th Terrace
Michael Kelly 7164 Buena Vista
MHS LLC 4330 West 70th Street

July

Jordain & Jordan Massad 6816 El Monte
James & Aileen Troester 7239 Village Drive
Gregory Wolcott 7415 El Monte
Cathleen Jacobs 4917 West 70th Street
Scott Strickler & Virginia McGie 5321 West 71st Street
Craig Kaplowitz 4427 West 70th Terrace
Matthew & Kandace Thomas 4637 West 72nd Ter

August

Karen Metz 7338 Rosewood
Thomas & Orriah Graves 6732 Fontana
Lee Duong 4116 West 67th Terrace
Mary Albers 5012 West 70th Street
Elkhair Properties, LLC 4122 West 73rd Street

September

Philip Best & James Odom 7011 Roe
Gregory Walsh 5002 West 70th Terrace
Dean & Melissa Thiede 4616 Tomahawk Road
Brenda Chezek 7471 Village Drive
Mason & Malaney George 5214 West 72nd Terrace
Gary & Kerry Mowrey 4516 West 69th Terrace

October

Christopher and Linda Iliff 4138 West 73rd Street
Jaimie & Brett Deuth 5320 West 73rd Street
Bridget Sheehan 4022 West 68th Street



All Those Fall Leaves!

It is that time again when the beautiful trees in our neighborhood drop their leaves. As you enjoy the cooler weather while raking up those leaves, please remember that you are allowed twelve yard waste items per week (any combination of bags, containers, or bundles) during the months of October and November. Any excess yard waste can be set out in approved containers, bags, or bundles but will require an overflow waste sticker at a cost of \$1.25 per item.

A Big **THANK YOU** To Our Dedicated Island Beautification Volunteers!

Adriane Zender, Angie & Matt Eastlack, Ashley Weaver, Barbara Zillner, Becky Gertzen, Brent Muecke, Brooke Santa, Chris Longly, Chuck Dehner, Cyndee Davee, Cynthia Robinson, Darby Brender, Darlene Mount, Helen Messner, Jason Rothwell, Kimberly Goings, Lauren & Andrew Wymore, Lynn Crossette, Mary Hoytal, Maurice Brownlee, Pat & John Roberts, Ron Keehn, Sallie & Jim Wiley, Shelley & Trevor Bacon, Stephanie Rawe, Trish Orth, Sue Kimble, Susan Britton, Susan Forrest, Susan Woodbury, Tami Wainwright, Tia Franks, Tina & Paul Abney, Tory Krebs

Home Seasonal Preparation

As winter approaches make sure you are prepared. Here are some tips to help get you ready:

- Call and schedule to have your heating system checked by a licensed professional.
- Check gutters and clean them if necessary. Clogged gutters can result in flooding when the snow melts.
- Have your chimneys inspected by a chimney service and, if necessary, cleaned.
- Drain and shut off outdoor water faucets.
- Replace the batteries in carbon monoxide and smoke detectors, and check to make sure these are in working order.
- Check fire extinguishers and charge and replace as necessary.
- Make sure you have rock salt, sand, snow shovels, and any other items you will need during the winter.



Police Department Car Seat Installation



The Prairie Village Police Department Traffic Unit educates the driving public on the proper use and installation of child safety restraints. The officers of the Traffic Unit are available on **Wednesdays from Noon to 2 p.m.** to assist you in the installation of your child safety restraint. To make an appointment, please call 913/385-4656

Fall/Winter Family Fun

Trick or Treat at the Prairie Village Shops – Sunday, October 31, 3:00-5:00 pm

Crown Center Ice Terrace opens – November 5

The 81st Annual Plaza Lighting Ceremony – Thanksgiving evening, November 25

Luminary Walk, Kansas City Sculpture Park, Nelson-Atkins Museum - Friday, November 26, 5:00-9:00 pm

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Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Education – 10:45
See the Web Site for a full list
of opportunities and events.