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THE HOMES, INC November 2011

NEWSLETTER

THE HOMES, INC ∙660 MANORCREST, KANSAS CITY, KS 66101 ∙913-321-2471∙www.thehomesinc.com

**ARTS & CRAFTS SALE**

Saturday, November 5th 12-4pm

At the Clubroom

Jewelry, Photos, Avon, Arrangements, Wreaths and much more

Great gifts for the holidays

THANKSGIVING DINNER

At the Clubroom

NOVEMBER 24th

1-6pm

All residents and their family and friends are welcome to come.

Side dishes are appreciated.

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**THE HOMES AND CREDIT UNION OFFICES WILL CLOSE:**

**VETERANS DAY, NOV 11**

**THANKSGIVING, NOV 24-25**

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

THE HOMES INC 913-321-2471

AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE 913-948-2211

Q.H.F. CREDIT UNION 913-342-3421

KCK POLICE DEPARTMENT 913-596-3000

KCK ANIMAL CONTROL 913-321-1445

POTHOLES 913-573-8307

CITY QUESTIONS & COMPLAINTS 311

STREET LIGHTS/POWERLINES 913-573-9522

BPU 913-573-9000

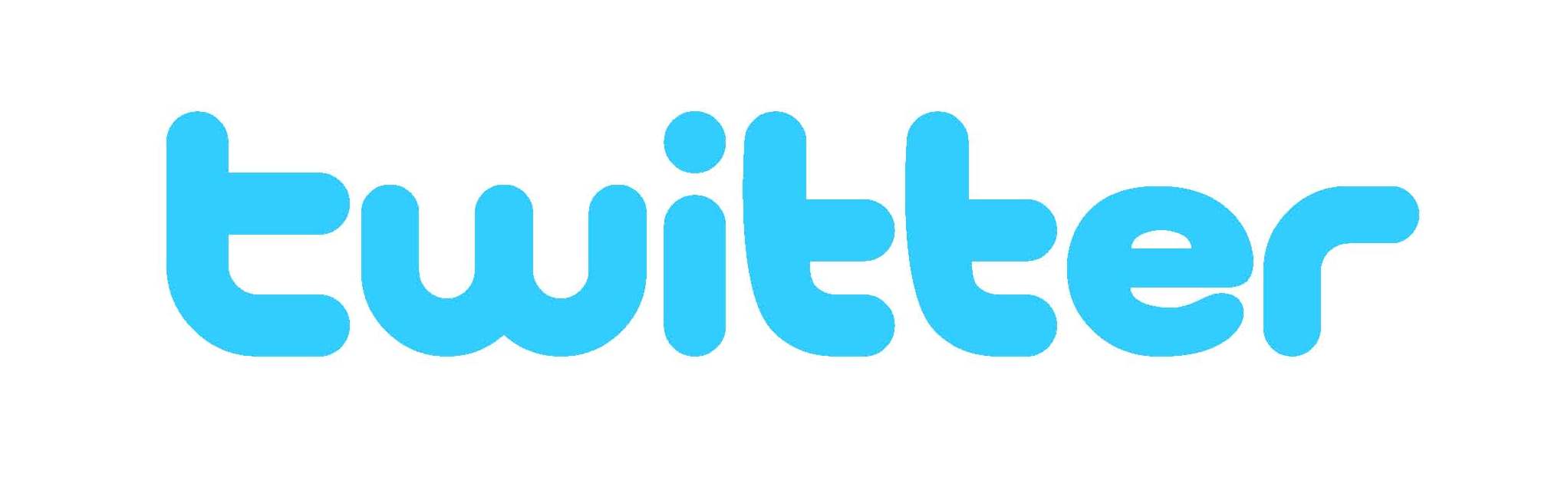
KS GAS SERVICE 1-800-794-4780

THE HOMES

BOARD MEETING

November 21, 6pm

IN THE CLUBROOM

FOLLOW US ON ...  AND 

THANK YOU

To all the residents of The Homes who give of their time and energy to make our community a better place to live. Whether it is volunteering to help stuff envelopes at the office, helping a neighbor paint their shed, reporting acts of crime or complementing maintenance and office staff, your input is greatly appreciated and welcomed.

**Thanks to Andjelka Jackson for helping with food donations during my recovery. Marge**

Fall inspections are scheduled for October and November. You will be notified in advance of your scheduled inspection date. Please make sure we have access to your unit. If you need to make arrangements, please contact the office. We will inspect the furnace and smoke detectors and turn off the outside water. The utility room must be clear of all debris. You will be charged $30 if the maintenance men have to move items to gain access to the furnance and outside water valve.

**CALLING ALL ARTS AND CRAFT PEOPLE**

**The Homes will have an Arts and Craft sale Saturday, November 5th from 12-4pm.**

Any resident that wants to sale their goods can participate. The fee is $10 for one table (3’x6’). You must pre-register. Call the office to reserve your table as soon as possible. The sale will be advertised with several media outlets throughout the Kansas City Metro area.

**RULE 1 FROM THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE HOMES INC.**

**Maintenance payments**

**1.** Maintenance payments are **due on the 1st day of each month**. Payments not received by the close of business of the 10th day of the month are considered late and a **$25.00 late fee** shall be assessed. If the 10th falls on a Saturday, Sunday or official holiday, payment will be timely if placed in the office Night Drop Box before 8:00 a.m. on the next regular business day. No partial payments will be accepted by the office for monthly maintenance or other charges due unless payment arrangements have been made. This means any outstanding balances and other charges must be included with your maintenance payment. If the entire balance is not paid in full, your check or other method of payment will not be accepted and will be returned to the stockholder.

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Let us provide you with the peace of mind that comes from knowing that the #1 security company in America is helping protect your home and family, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For over 131 years, ADT has been the most respected name in the security business. Call your local representative **Terri Combs** for a ***FREE SECURITY REVIEW***  at **913-956-1381**.



**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS**

**Tuesday, November 1st, 6:30 pm In the Clubroom**

Members of The Quindaro Homes Neighborhood Watch, Inc. look forward to meeting and visiting with you.

We try to have a variety of programs throughout the year and are always looking for suggestions for new programs or ideas for programs for the children of The Homes. We sponsor a neighborhood patrol on a regular basis. These patrollers have attended patrol school put on by Kansas City, Kansas Police Department and are overseen by the Neighborhood Crime Prevention Patrol. We won a trophy for 2 years, for Best Patrol Group and very proud of that fact.

Ways you can do your part in keeping our community safe:

1. Call the police if you notice any suspicious activity. Please also notify a neighborhood watch member so that we can be on the alert.
2. Keep your porch and outside lights on at night. We cannot keep an eye out for your unit if it is too dark.

Please come to a meeting and get acquainted. Cookies and coffee are always served.

**What Will You Do With Your Leaves?**

What will you do with all those leaves that fall on your lawn this year? Will you burn them? Will you bag them and put them into the landfill? Will you blow them onto the street and have them end up causing problems with our stormwater drains? Have you considered using your leaves in your landscaping? The tree leaves that accumulate in and around your lawn represent a valuable natural resource that can be used to provide a good source of organic matter and nutrients for use in your landscaping. You can and should take advantage of managing and using leaves in your yard's landscaping with the following options:

· ***Mowing Leaves*:** A light covering of leaves can be mowed, simply leaving the shredded leaves in place on the lawn. However, mowing the lawn is not an effective method of leaf management when a heavy leaf cover is present. Removing the leaves is then required. *["Leaf Recycling"](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=4jaobacab&et=1108128306085&s=3432&e=00151vJ6PLDmN-KX3sUh_V7ZUjQpuuSnMHzRQA2wetAyAYT2xf1-5DxYQMmV8PvjQvPWQsC0VqjaWYXEoDxr9UIxDsrX9epI7evT3YgUO0IANMWSkUjs_ivMGy_v-4PLzJAyHgiznU7mqscT_2-YhUqIQ==" \t "_blank)*

· ***Mulching with Leaves*:** A layer of leaves applied to the surface of the soil as a mulch around trees, shrubs, in flower and vegetable gardens will conserve soil moisture, control weeds and grasses, reduce soil erosion, and prevent soil crusting. Mowing your leaves or putting them thru a shredder will create a more uniform mulch material. [*"Mulches and Living Organisms"*](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=4jaobacab&et=1108128306085&s=3432&e=00151vJ6PLDmN89Lz1UrlPLejc3MMVCUQ-TTkRHkKd9Qiu5kTwPp9LF5GGHc32ZZqWYSpR3m5b01T0uCzeVIgQKF0fOL7m4uHgzxoNu0PW8uhw34HQitQpvv7v4Ze9wHTZJQy1m8djn4FXvux_Ge71M5A==)

· ***Composting Leaves*:** The process of decomposition or composting can be carried out in simple compost piles, bins or more elaborate homemade or purchased devices. Composting leaves and other landscape wastes can be used to add a natural source of nutrients to soil; to loosen tight heavy clay soils; and to help sandy soil retain moisture and nutrients. ["Making & Using Compost at Home"](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=4jaobacab&et=1108128306085&s=3432&e=00151vJ6PLDmN-ob7FPyndQh8oncvYDyDdVZNFX22YkS37ox2m33wYyjBZ4kuQLRFpser7j-kW4IFjJ6_dLK-EMQLJaiJ4rRkm93p3qcBp2V3n017smmR05HsJvB01QdWWU96xbcD4zSyfXQ5vinNhCrg==)

· ***Tilling Leaves into Soil:***Organic materials can be directly applied to garden soil using a plow or tiller which will allow the decomposition or composting process to occur directly in the soil rather than in the compost pile. The autumn season, when a variety of organic materials are available in the form of leaves, pruning, garden refuse, and lawn clippings is an ideal time to do direct application of organic materials into garden soils. A backyard garden tiller should be able to directly incorporate 4" to 5" of organic materials at one time. ["Direct Application of Organic Materials"](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=4jaobacab&et=1108128306085&s=3432&e=00151vJ6PLDmN-loxaPWfpwXke6d__NBKDOw1JWkm_8l-t-8y7KoNDizwDwspyb1VXBxOZQtd0K4OqM_NN0eB9YpVhReUWsZTE6S_hZCUIJyvwkKBVoXy80aa5BMLrwBPSW6LoVrdSlijPPGftmfM2TQw==)

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE HOMES, INC.

October 17, 2011

President Harold Watson called the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of The Homes, Inc. to order at 6:00 p.m. on October 17, 2011.

Present were: Harold Watson, Charles Sawyer, Elaine Hines and Karen Anver, Board Members; Elizabeth Bothwell, Manager; Greg Goheen, Attorney; and Karen Brokesh, Transcriber. Jena Garr was absent.

Seven stockholders attended the meeting.

President Watson welcomed the stockholders to the meeting and announced that, as provided by the By-Laws of the corporation, only stockholders of record are entitled to attend the board meeting. President Watson also asked all stockholders in attendance to hold their questions and comments until after the finish of regular business at which time anyone who wishes to speak will be allowed to make a statement.

President Watson reminded the stockholders to state their name and address so that the minutes can accurately reflect all comments made during the open session. Stockholders were asked to hold their comments until executive session or to speak with the manager one-on-one if they did not want their comments reflected in open session.

Stockholders are reminded that if they have a problem with their unit, to please report it to the office during regular business hours.

It was announced that the work order report for September, 2011 has been posted.

Minutes of the regular meeting of September 19, 2011 and the September 19, 2011 Executive Session had previously been distributed to all board members. Charles Sawyer moved to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Karen Anver. Carried unanimously.

Treasurer Anver reported that the financial statements have been reviewed and were found to be in good order. The income statement and balance sheet were posted for the duration of the meeting. Elaine Hines moved to accept the financial report as presented. Seconded by Charles Sawyer. Carried unanimously.

Stockholder change requests approved by the manager are as follows:

1 Summitcrest: Install satellite dish – Margarita Robleado. Work will be done by the Dish Network.

137 Viewcrest: Install cable television – Kailynn Barnes. Work will be done by Time Warner Cable.

840 Manorcrest: Plant two flowering crabapple trees – Estanislau Hernandez. Work will be done by self.

12 Viewcrest: Install light n back porch – Angelica Gaeta. Work will be done by a licensed electrician.

The first stockholder change requests for board consideration was that of Margarita Robleado, 1 Summitcrest, to remodel her bathroom, install shower fixture and replace vanity. The wall will need to be removed and replaced after the shower fixture is installed. Charles Sawyer moved to approve this change request. Seconded by Elaine Hines. Carried unanimously.

The second stockholder change request for board consideration was from Terry Jackson, 792 Manorcrest, to install a 12 x 18 concrete driveway. Work will be done by self. The Unified Government has approved the proposed work. Elaine Hines moved to approve the change request subject to an inspection and approval by maintenance and as long as the driveway will not alter other parking or create any water drainage issues. Seconded by Charles Sawyer. Carried unanimously.

The last stockholder change request for board consideration was that of Brandon Deal, 783 Manorcrest, to replace the plumbing with pex piping. Work will be done by self. The cost will be approximately $277.50 and this will be shared with the corporation as plumbing is generally the responsibility of The Homes. Charles Sawyer moved to approve this change request. Seconded by Elaine Hines. Carried unanimously.

Secretary Hines read the stock transfer approvals as follows:

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| **ADDRESS** | **TRANSFER FROM** | **TRANSFER TO** |
| 3000 N. Allis | Annie Lam and Alan J. Walther | Alan J. Walther |
| 3151 N. 9th | Yu Bie Jei | Judith Reynolds |
| 918 Manorcrest | Jamie Sharts and Richard A. Briner | Samantha Johnson and Dorothy Johnson |
| 873 Manorcrest | Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union | The Homes, Inc. |
| 52 Viewcrest | Maria Sevilla and Luis Merlo | Maria Sevilla, Luis Merlo and Veronica Romber-Flores |
| 862 Manorcrest | Lisa K. Ross, Patricia E. Reid and Kayla M. Ross | Lisa K. Ross, Kayla M. Ross, Fred J. Murphy and Annette T. Murphy |
| 929 Manorcrest | Kristi Owens and Cynthia Gray | Kristi Owens, Cynthia Gray & Jessica Owens |
| 5 Summitcrest | Cindy Hopewell | Jamey Lee Rodriguez and Cindy Hopewell |
| 971 Manorcrest | James Reed | The Homes, Inc. |
| 133 Viewcrest | Dawn Maderak | The Homes, Inc. |

After being informed that the stock transfers were in order, it was moved by Elaine Hines and seconded by Charles that the Corporation waive its option to purchase the first eight shares of stock and approve transfer of same. Carried unanimously. Elaine Hines moved for the Corporation to exercise its option to purchase the last two shares of stock. Seconded by Charles Sawyer. Carried unanimously. The manager was reminded that all original signed stock certificates must be stored with the credit union if the stockholder has an outstanding loan.

*Announcements:*

Neighborhood Watch hopes to receive the grant money this week to finish the improvements near the 10th Street entrance.

The September, 2011 winners of the Yard of the Month award are:

First Place: 19 Summitcrest

Second Place: 3164 N. Allis

Third Place: 3125 N. Allis

This will be the last month the lawn of the month awards will be given until spring. The board thanked the committee members for all of their hard work. It is possible, that awards will be given out in December for holiday decorations.

The speed limit throughout The Homes is 20 miles per hour. Please be alert and careful as you drive through the neighborhood and look out for children at bus stops.

The annual Halloween Party and BBQ Cook Off will be held Saturday, October 29, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the clubroom. Anyone interested in setting up and preparing for the event are encouraged to contact the office. Participants in the BBQ contest are encouraged to register with the office. This year there will be a $5.00 admission fee for the BBQ.

All stockholders are encouraged to rake their leaves. If you have branches, please place bundle and place them at the curb and they will be picked up by maintenance.

Old Business to be Discussed:

Reducing the 400-watt security/flood lights on the property to 250-watt lights would make the lights approximately one-third dimmer. Some stockholders would like to have dimmer lights. It was decided to have the manager check with stockholders and obtain their consent to change six lights in the community to the 250-watt lights.

Patterson & Associates have begun repair work to the fire damage at 727 Manorcrest. It is anticipated that the work will be finished next week.

Manager reported that the traffic calming devices are still planned to be installed this year according to the Unified Government.

New Business to be Discussed:

The porches at 27 and 29 Summitcrest are rotten and need to be torn down. Zephyr Awning has submitted a bid of $961.85 to remove each porch. The porches are enclosed so the stockholder will be responsible for the labor to tear down and dispose of the enclosures. The estimate for maintenance to tear down and dispose of the enclosures is between $180.00 and $300.00. Karen Anver moved to tear down the porches and charge the stockholders for the maintenance costs. Seconded by Elaine Hines. Carried unanimously.

Fall inspections have begun. So far, two furnaces have had to be replaced at a cost of $1,195.00 per furnace.

The financial committee has reviewed the corporations accounting records and have approved them. They have also reviewed the job descriptions.

*Comments from Directors and Attorney:*

None.

*Comments from Stockholders:*

Sherry McCool, 12 Summitcrest, asked what items were included in the fall inspections. She also commented on the quick response times by the police in the area lately.

Mary Jane Watson, 28 Viewcrest, commented on the number of vehicles with Missouri license plates still in the area and reminded everyone to be careful of the children waiting at the bus stops.

Jeannie Coffelt, 3109 N. Allis, encouraged everyone to attend the Neighborhood Watch meetings.

Jerry DeMeyer, 4 Summitcrest, reported on the dangerous condition created by sunshine in the eyes of drivers in the mornings at the school bus stops. A discussion was held about moving the bus stop to make it more safe for the children.

Bob Whittington, 127 Viewcrest, reminded everyone that Daylight Savings will be observed November 5th.

No further business to come before the board the board adjourned into executive session.

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R. ELAINE HINES

SECRETARY

APPROVED:

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HAROLD WATSON

PRESIDENT

Transcribed by Karen Brokesh

Session $30 per setting

* 1-8x10 $20 per sheet
* 2-5x7 $15 per sheet
* 8-wallets $10 per sheet
* Special pricing for The Homes residents

**It’s time for Family, Holiday and Senior Student Pictures**

Contact Dee Dee at the office, 913-321-2471 to schedule a session.

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Sample pictures Dee Dee has taken

Tide - Regular, Febreeze, and Rose Scent

Laundry Detergent, 5 gallons, $35

Downy - Blue Mix and Mountain Spring

Fabric Softner, 5 gallons, $35

Palmolive Dish Detergent, 5 gallons, $40

All detergent is concentrated and sold in 5 gallon containers.

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Call Raul 913-961-4586

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**EVENTS AT THE HOMES**

**Arts & Crafts Sale:** Saturday, November 5, 12-4pm. The fee is $10 for one table (3’x6’). You must pre-register. Call the office to reserve your table as soon as possible.

**Spiritual Study:** 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month, 1-2pm at The Clubroom. All faiths welcome. Bring your bible. \*\*Spiritual Study is cancelled the 4th Thursday of November\*\*

**Bingo:** Cancelled for November

**Thanksgiving Dinner:** Thursday, November 24, 1-6pm at the Clubroom. All residents and their family and friends are welcome to come. Side dishes are appreciated.

**EVENTS AROUND TOWN**

**Downtown Holiday Lighting Festival: 11/18/11, 4-7pm**

City Hall, 701 North 7th Street, KCK, 66101. [www.wycokck.org](http://www.visitkansascityks.com/www.wycokck.org). Come enjoy the lighting of downtown Christmas lights. Family fun activities including, Santa and Mrs. Claus, Movies and popcorn in the commission chambers and children's crafts. Free event.

**Quindaro Community Center Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. 11/19/11 11-3pm**

The Quindaro Community Center, at 2726 Brown Avenue, will host its annual Thanksgiving Dinner. This dinner is an outreach effort to the local community and our goal this year is to serve 1000 people a hot, nutritious meal. The menu is turkey, ham, dressing, a variety of vegetables, rolls, dessert and a beverage. For more information or to become a sponsor for this event please contact Beverly Robinson at (914) 321-5022 or Gene Jackson at (913) 593-1495.

**Holiday Craft Show. 11/19/11 9am-3pm**

Eisenhower Community Center, 2901 North 72nd Street, KCK, [www.wycokck.org/parks](http://www.visitkansascityks.com/www.wycokck.org/parks). One of the largest craft shows in the city with more than 80 vendors and a large food concession. Vendors offer a variety of hand crafted items not available at any stores. Eisenhower Community Center is on the back of Eishenhower Middle School. Free admission.

**City Market Farmers' Market:** Kansas City, Mo, Saturday 6am - 3pm, Sunday 8am - 3pm, accepts the state issued Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Cards from Kansas and Missouri. Swipe your card at the information tent for the desired dollar amount and in exchange receive that amount in City Market Farmers' Market SNAP/EBT tokens and use with dozens of approved Farmers' Market Vendors. For each $5 you take off your EBT card, City Market will match it up to $20 tokens per visit per person ($20 off your EBT card and $20 in City Market tokens = $40 tokens).

**New and Used Building Materials & Workshop:** Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 4701 Deramus Ave. Kansas City, MO or 303 W. 79th St. Kansas City, MO, 816-231-6889. Hours are Monday – Friday, 10am – 6pm (Donations and purchase pick-up until 5pm); Saturday, 9am – 4pm (Donations and purchase pick-up until 3pm); Closed Sundays.

**Medicare Savings Program Application Assistance** is offered by appointment, over the phone, or in your home. Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK) is a free program offering older Kansans an opportunity to talk with trained, community volunteers and get answers to questions about Medicare and other insurance issues. Please call the SHICK Hotline at 1-800-860-5260 to speak to a volunteer. If you are a resident of Wyandotte or Leavenworth County, you can reach a local volunteer at 913-573-8531.

**Quindaro Boulevard Family Health Care:** 530 Quindaro Boulevard, KCK 66101. Phone: (913) 722-3100. [www.swbfhc.org](http://www.swbfhc.org), **Se habla Español.** Your Health is important to us! Family Health Care provides primary health care for the entire family. Services include care for pregnant women, children and adults (including chronic diseases such as HIV, HepC and diabetes). Family Health Care is a non– profit safety net clinic with services provided on a sliding scale for those who do not have insurance. Our goal is to improve your family’s health by providing comprehensive health care services. **No patient is turned away for inability to pay.** Call (913) 722-3100 for an appointment. Monday - Friday Social and legal services from 12:00pm to 6:00pm Monday - Thursday The medical clinic is open 3:00pm to 6:00pm

**Workforce Partnership:** We are looking for youth 16 - 21 years old, In school junior and seniors and out of school youth. Ways We Can Help You: Prepare for the work environment (i.e. interview and resume workshops), Help with tools to obtain and hold employment, Assist with knowledge of what employers look for, Assesses personal career interest and goals, Assist with paying for post secondary education/ training, Assist in preparation for the ASVAB (for those interested in the military.) For more information call the Workforce Partnership at (913) 279-2600 or check them out at [www.kansasworks.com](http://www.kansasworks.com).

**25 WAYS TO MAKE KIDS SAFER**

**Does finding 25-minutes to talk to your kids or your busy tweens and teens about safety seem impossible? Try the following discussion starters.**

**AT HOME**

Teach your children their full names, address, & home telephone number. Make sure they know your full name.

Make sure your children know how to reach you at work or on your cell phone.

Teach your children how and when to use 911 and make sure your children have a trusted adult to call if they’re scared or have an emergency.

Instruct children to keep the door locked & not to open the door to talk to anyone when they are home alone. Set rules with your children about having visitors over when you’re not home & how to answer the telephone.

Choose babysitters with care. Obtain references from family, friends, and neighbors. Once you have chosen the caregiver, drop in unexpectedly to see how your children are doing. Ask children how the experience with the caregiver was and listen carefully to their responses.

**ON THE NET**

Learn about the Internet. The more you know about how the Web works, the better prepared you are to teach your children about potential risks. Visit [www.NetSmartz.org](http://www.NetSmartz.org) for more information about Internet safety.

Place the family computer in a common area, rather than a child’s bedroom. Also, monitor their time spent online and the websites they’ve visited and establish rules for Internet use.

Know what other access your child may have to the Internet at school, libraries, or friends’ homes.

Use privacy settings on social networking sites to limit contact with unknown users and make sure screen names don’t reveal too much about your children.

Encourage your children to tell you if anything they encounter online makes them feel sad, scared, or confused.

Caution children not to post revealing information or inappropriate photos of themselves or their friends online.

**AT SCHOOL**

Walk the route to and from school with your children, pointing out landmarks and safe places to go if they’re being followed or need help. If your children ride a bus, visit the bus stop with them to make sure they know which bus to take.

Remind kids to take a friend whenever they walk or bike to school. Remind them to stay with a group if they’re waiting at the bus stop.

Caution children never to accept a ride from anyone unless you have told them it is OK to do so in each instance.

**OUT AND ABOUT**

Take your children on a walking tour of the neighborhood & tell them whose homes they may visit without you.

Remind your children it’s OK to say NO to anything that makes them feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused and teach your children to tell you if anything or anyone makes them feel this way.

Teach your children to ask permission before leaving home.

Remind your children not to walk or play alone outside.

Teach your children to never approach a vehicle, occupied or not, unless they know the owner and are accompanied by a parent, guardian, or other trusted adult.

Practice "what if" situations and ask your children how they would respond. “What if you fell off your bike and you needed help? Who would you ask?”

Teach your children to check in with you if there is a change of plans.

During family outings, establish a central, easy-to-locate spot to meet for check-ins or should you get separated.

Teach your children how to locate help at theme parks, sports stadiums, shopping malls, and other public places. Also, identify those people who they can ask for help, such as uniformed law enforcement, security guards and store clerks with nametags.

Help your children learn to recognize and avoid potential risks, so that they can deal with them if they happen.

Teach your children that if anyone tries to grab them, they should make a scene and make every effort to get away by kicking, screaming, and resisting.

C:\Users\The Homes\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\DRN7Q8BA\MCj04420360000[1].wmf HELPFUL HINTS ABOUT LIVING IN THE HOMES

**BURN PILE AND DUMPSTER.** Contact the office before dumping items in the burn pile or the dumpster located at the office. The burn pile is for yard waste (tree limbs, brush, and grass) only. DO NOT PLACE BUILDING MATERIALS IN THE BURN PILE.

**TOD.** The office has an official TOD (Transfer on Death) form. In the event of your death, who will your home go to. If you do not have a will or a TOD, the state will control who your home goes to. Please secure your future and request/complete this form.

**LITTERING.** Think twice about throwing your trash out your car window or into someone's yard. First, it's rude and selfish. Someone will have to pick it up and most of the time it is the maintenance staff. This takes time and money away from other residents needs. Second, it is against the law. Littering is a Class C violation that is punishable by a fine up to a $500.00. If you are witnessed littering the police will be called and you will be charged, by The Homes, for the time it takes to pick it up and dispose of it.

**TOYS & BIKES:** Please do not leave toys & bikes in the parks. They create a mowing hazard and a opportunity for thieves. If you have lost a toy or bike in a park, check the office to see if it was picked up.

**CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS:** Carbon monoxide or CO is found in combustion fumes that are produced by gas stoves and heating systems. CO from these sources can build up in enclosed or semi-enclosed spaces. People and animals in these spaces can be poisoned by breathing it. The Homes offers carbon monoxide detectors for $25 installed.

**KEEP FURNANCE AND WATER HEATER AREAS CLEAN.** Having too many clothes, boxes, or general clutter in your utility area can be a fire hazard. Please keep yourself and your neighbors safe and keep your utility areas clean.

**ONLY FLUSH TOILET PAPER.** The pipes in our homes are over 60 years old. They do not have the capacity to wash away any other material. Do not flush baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, diapers, paper towels, Q tips, etc. If maintenance finds these items consistently causing a back up in your pipes you may be charged for the repair.

**PARKING:** The Homes does not have assigned parking. Please be considerate of your neighbors and their parking needs. Try not to park in a spot that is normally used by your neighbor. If you have guest, have them park in the overflow lots.

**YARDS & PORCHES:** Please take the time to clean up/organize your yard and porch. The size of our porches do not allow for you to keep many items on them before they start to look cluttered and messy. If you do not have a shed an affordable idea to store your items in are: deck and patio boxes. They range in cost from $30 to $100 and can be purchased on-line or at your local discount store. Items that should not be on your porch: appliances, boxes, buckets, mops, paint containers or any other "non outdoor" items. The office offers free paint for the porches.

**STICKS AND LIMBS:** Place sticks/limbs in 4 foot bundles to the curbside for pickup by maintenance.

**All Welcome: The Bruised, Battered and Cast Aside**

The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City has been a safe haven for animals needing help since 1912. Like other shelters across the nation we take in homeless animals and provide a safe place for them to wait until they are reunited with their owners or adopted into a new home. What makes the Humane Society of Greater Kansas City different from most shelters across the nation is the philosophy and dedication to do whatever it takes to save every pet that comes into our care – no matter the animal’s health, situation or the cost involved.

Our no-kill philosophy extends to help pets in need -- not just the healthy and easy to place ones. We believe all animals deserve a chance and even if they’re not perfect there’s someone out there who will think they are the perfect pet for them. We specifically take in pets that wouldn’t have a chance in many other places, and while in our care if we discover a health or behavior problem we don’t give up on them either

**How Can You Adopt a Shelter Pet?**

To adopt any of the sweet pets at The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City, download our one-page adoption application form from hsgkc.org, complete the form and email it to **Karen@hsgkc.org**, or fax it to 913.596.2483. If you have specific adoption questions, not answered by our website, please call 913.596.1000. Our adoption process is a matching process of matching you with the right pet and vice versa. (No same day adoptions.) Most of our dogs do require a fenced yard.

**Shelter Hours**

Mon. – Fri. Adoptions 9 am – 5 pm **General Info**………………… 913.596.1000

Saturday Adoptions 9 am – 4 pm **To See the Pets**………………… hsgkc.org

Mon. – Fri. Clinic 9:30 am – 4 pm **Volunteer Info**………913.596.1000 ext. 122

**To Make a Gift**………913.596.1000 ext. 114

**Mandatory Spay/Neuter: Something to Ponder**

Like many issues in animal welfare, mandatory spay/neuter laws

have their supporters and detractors. One of the key successes of our Ray of Hope project has been the enforcement of mandatory spay/neuter in Wyandotte County. The results are amazing. In addition to maintaining a no kill status for the county (less than 1%), we have witnessed a 56% reduction of animals going into the KCK Animal Control shelter in the last three years! Make no mistake, this is not directly a result of spay/neuter itself (that will come later), rather it’s the enforcement. Early on we talked with the municipal circuit court, in which pet owners receiving citations would be given 30 days to get into compliance with all of the local ordinances for pets. It turns out that it is cheaper to get into compliance, than to be assessed the full fee by the court and have the animal removed from the home. A win/win for both animal and pet owner!

Targeted spay/neuter grants have made this even more successful. Dividends from spay/ neuter are being felt across the metro area as intake in most shelters have been declining for the last several years even as the number of spay/neuter surgeries are going up! We know adoption numbers are generally flat in the long term. If the metro area can further reduce the number of animals needing to go into shelters to the point of matching that adoption number, we would see the whole KC metro area become a no kill community.

Shirley Elmore, a resident at The Homes, gladly volunteers to take any resident’s pet to receive shots and be spayed or neutered at the Humane Society of Kansas City, Kansas. Shirley can be reached at 913-621-4628. Shirley’s endeavors to help animals within are community are time consuming and costly. A “Save the Animals” savings account has been created at the Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union. All donations are appreciated and go towards the betterment of the animals. You can drop off donations at the office or directly mail a donation to the credit union (QHFCU, 660 Manorcrest Dr., Kansas City, KS 66101). Please note on the donation that it is for the “Save the Animals” fund.

**AUTO**

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Jose’s Auto Service | 1413 N. 18th KC Ks | 913.371.9101 |

**CHURCH**

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| Bridge of Hope Community Church | 1925 N. 11th KC Ks | 913.499.6741 |

**COMPUTER**

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| Heartland On-Site Services | Joe Dix | 913.735.7121 |

**FURNANCE / AIR CONDITIONING**

|  |  |  |
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| Clair Heating & Cooling | Jon Clair | 913.334.4020 |
| RBG Heating & Cooling |  | 913.952.5122 / English  913.562.4479 / Spanish |
| Schuler Heating & Cooling |  | 913.262.2969 |
| Smitty’s Heating & Cooling | Joe Smith | 913.299.1488 |

**HOME REPAIR**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Air Duct Cleaning/Carpet Cleaning | Rosario Ortiz | 816-215-5114 |
| Handyman Pros &  Real Deal Pressure Washing | Brandon Deal | 913.707.2669 |
| L. Donnell & Sons Construction | General Const & Elect. | 816.820.8227 |
| Reliable Flooring | Shawn Walters | 913.944.1970 |
| Wallpaper Hanger/Painter | Annamaria | 816.810.8872 |

**LAWN CARE**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Todd Bothwell |  | 816.517.6639 |
| Leaf/ Snow Removal  Ice Melt Application | Matt Eklund | 913.526.2974 |
| J D Jackson |  | 816.803.9914 |
| Rolling Reel Grass Cutting | J. Hall | 913.233.2541 |
| Yard Work | Annamaria | 816.810.8872 |

**NOTARY / TAX SERVICE**

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| Becky, Tax Representative |  | 913.232.7339/816.516.1959 |
| Open Door Mobile Notary | Mary Jane Watson | 913.281.4405 |

**PERSONAL**

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| Artistry Cosmetics | Mary Jane Watson | 913.281.4405 |
| Avon | Karen Anver | 913.342.2660 |
| Angels of Grace Child Center  (2 ½ weeks – 12 yrs old) | 1220 Troup Ave Ste B | 913.233.2944 |
| Custom Made to Order Jewelry & Watch Repair | Tammy Eklund | 913.342.2326 |
| Guitar Lessons | Shawn Reitmayer | 816.462.7177 |
| Hair Salon | Niki | 913.710.6216 |
| Housecleaning | Angelica | 816.756.7418 |
| Housecleaning/Errands | Jennifer | 913.226.1698 |
| House-sitting/Pet & Plant Care | J. Hall | 913.233.2541 |
| Housecleaning/Babysitter (24hr)/Dog Walker | Annamaria | 816.810.8872 |
| Sell It on EBay | Bob Anver | 913.342.2660 |
| Tina’s Alteration & Repair |  | 913.633.1495 |

**PET SUPPLIES**

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| Dresslers Dog Supplies | 1708 Steele Rd KC Ks | 913.722.2430 |

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

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| Freeze Frame Photography | Dee Dee Johnson | 816.716.8865 |

**RECYCLING**

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| C & E Recycling | Chris | 913.904.8501 |
|  | Eric | 913.907.6764 |

**FOR SALE**

 Heinz Chicago Piano-Free

* Kohler Pedestal Sink, $150, Call Mark, 913-281-1868
* 4 grave plots next to office at entrance of Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

Plots sell for $2,000 each, asking $700 each. Call Jimmie, 913-271-3228

* Kenmore Heavy Duty Gas Dryer, $50. Call Annamaria, 816-810-8872
* Maytag Washer & Electric Dryer, $100. Call Martha, 913-281-4298

**\*\*NOTIFY THE OFFICE IF YOUR ITEM SELLS SO IT CAN BE REMOVED FROM THE FOR SALE LISTING\*\***

 Happy Birthday to those residents that celebrate their birthday in November!

TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT SUCH AS A BIRTHDAY, WEDDING OR DEATH, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE

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| One Bedroom | Amenities | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 900 Manorcrest |  | Deal | 913.707.2669 | $ 5,500 |
| 31 Summitcrest |  | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | $ 6,200 |
| 3132 N Allis (Appt Only)  Appliances | s/h will pay 3 months of maintenance fee | Marquis/  HofMiller | 816.518.1165 | $ 8,775 |
| Two Bedroom Up |  | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 873 Manorcrest |  | The Homes | 913.653.1313 | $ 5,000 |
| 67 Viewcrest | Appliances | Lin | 913.548.6699 | $ 5,000 |
| 113 Viewcrest |  | Melendez | 913.233.1067 | $12,000 |
| 3183 N 9 (Appt Only) | C/A | Byers | 816.714.6883 | $ 9,500 Make Offer |
| Two Bedroom Down |  | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 876 Manorcrest | Stove, Refrig, C/A | McGuirt | 913.626.1657 | $ 8,000 |
| 954 Manorcrest | C/A, Basement | Ramos | 913.621.4532 | $13,000 |
| 959 Manorcrest |  | Schlaman | 785.393.0520 | $ 8,500 |
| 826 Roswell |  | Patlan | 913.963.4095 | $ 9,500 |
| 841 Roswell |  | Gregg | 913.371.5673 | $10,233 |
| 12 Viewcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, Shed | Gaeta | 913.235.7573 | $ 8,000 |
| 69 Viewcrest | Appliances, C/A | Avila | 913.645.8603 | $ 9,350 |
| 80 Viewcrest | C/A, Deck, Shed | Vandaveer | 816.721.3759 | $14,000 |
| 115 Viewcrest | Stove, No C/A | Rivas | 913.371.3001 | $ 9,000 Make Offer |
| 130 Viewcrest | C/A, Deck, Patio, Shed | Rivera | 913.522.9147 | $ 9,500 |
| 131 Viewcrest | No C/A | Acosta | 913.271.3744 | $10,000 |
| 5 Craigcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D | Prince | 913.999.1599 | $12,000 |
| 3175 N 9 | Stove, Fridge | Prince | 913.400.1133 | $12,500 |
| 3000 N Allis |  | Walther | 856.278.1040 | Contact S/H |
| 3149 N Allis |  | Hernandez | 913.563.2635 | Contact S/H |
| Three Bedroom |  | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 21 Viewcrest | C/A,Stove, Fridge, W/D, D/W | Steffen | 816.728.1508 | $ 9,000 |
| 133 Viewcrest | C/A,Stove, Fridge, W/D, D/W | The Homes | 913.321.2471 | BID |
| 135 Viewcrest | C/A, Stove, Deck | Drowns | 816.739.5626 | $11,500 OBO |
| 138 Viewcrest | Stove, D/W, No C/A | Magill | 913. 530.7300 | $ 8,000 |
| 139 Viewcrest | Appliances | Dulac | 913.205.4000 | $10,000 |
| Double Unit |  | Owner | Phone | Price |
| 6/8 Summitcrest | C/A, Stove, Fridge, W/D, Driveway | Jones | 913.602.5361 | $16,000 |
| 23/25 Summitcrest | Appliances | Forcier | 816.679.0801 | $15,000 |
| 84/86 Viewcrest (Appt Only) | C/A, Shed | Eberhardt | 913.281.5847 | $22,000 |

THE HOMES

UNITS FOR SALE

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| Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union  As of September 30, 2011 | NEEDED |
| Assets: |  |
| LOANS | 569,156.56 |
| ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES | - 12,165.53 |
| SECURITY BANK | 175,541.76 |
| CHANGE FUND | 200.00 |
| COMMUNITY AMERICA CU – SAVINGS | 62.08 |
| COMMUNITY AMERICA CU – CD | 104,548.76 |
| BANK MIDWEST | 53,468.10 |
| KCCU MEMBERSHIP SHARES | 11,428.85 |
| KCCU CASH MANAGEMENT | 1,422.30 |
| CREDIT UNION 1 SAVINGS | 26.23 |
| INDUSTRIAL STATE BANK | 84,333.94 |
| INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN | 1,546.42 |
| INTERSTATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN | 100,000.00 |
| M & I BANK | 100,000.00 |
| COMMERICAL STATE BANK OF BONNER SPRINGS | 100,000.00 |
| PREPAID INSURANCE | 3,956.81 |
| NCUSIF | 11,253.82 |
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| **TOTAL ASSETS** | **1,304,780.10** |
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| Liabilities: |  |
| ACCOUNTS PAYABLE | 0.00 |
| AUDIT FEE - PAYABLE | 0.00 |
| NCUSIF PREMIUM PAYABLE | 222.00 |
| FEDERAL & KANSAS TAXES DUE | 165.00 |
| SHARED DIVIDENDS PAYABLE | 0.00 |
| MEMBER SHARES | 1,057,610.68 |
| REGULAR RESERVES | 31,510.21 |
| RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES | 26,500.00 |
| UNDIVIDED EARNINGS | 188,772.21 |
| NET INCOME | 0.00 |
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| **TOTAL LIABILITIES** | **1,304,780.10** |

ATTENTION: The Board of Directors has voted to send only the Annual statement this year which will be mailed December 31, 2011. If you desire a statement as of June 30, 2011, please call the Credit Union Office at 913-342-3421.

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| November 2011 | | | | | | |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday  1  **NEIGHBORHOOD**  **WATCH -Clubroom**  **6:30PM** | Wednesday  2 | Thursday  3 | Friday  4 | Saturday  5  **ARTS & CRAFTS SALE, Clubroom**  **12-4 PM** |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10  **SPIRITUAL STUDY, Clubroom**  **1-2 PM** | 11  **VETERANS DAY**  **THE HOMES AND CREDIT UNION OFFICES CLOSED** | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16  **CREDIT UNION BOARD MEETING**  **4:30 PM** | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21  **THE HOMES BOARD MEETING**  **6 PM** | 22 | 23 | 24  **THANKSGIVING**  **THE HOMES AND CREDIT UNION OFFICES CLOSED**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **THANKSGIVING DINNER,**  **Clubroom 1-6pm** | 25  **THANKSGIVING**  **THE HOMES AND CREDIT UNION OFFICES CLOSED** | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  |  |  |

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION: This newsletter is intended to inform and notify in an unbiased form. It is published in cooperation with The Homes, Inc., The Quindaro Homes Neighborhood Watch, The Quindaro Homes Federal Credit Union, and the stockholders of The Homes, Inc. No discrimination against any person or group is intended or tolerated. If a stockholder would like to submit material for the Newsletter, please submit to the office in writing no later than the 20th of the month. **Newsletter Editors, Elizabeth Bothwell and Debbie Walters**

**NOVEMBER TRIVIA & FUN**

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The Woodpecker Might Have to go!  
  
  
  
May your troubles be less, may your blessings be more, and may nothing but happiness come through your door.

**Apple Printing**

Difficulty: **Average**

Create a stamp with apples and kids can begin printing their own designs on everything from wrapping paper to T-shirts.

What you'll need:

\*Apples \*Paint \*Knife to cut the apple

\*Something to print on; paper, t-shirts

\*Newspapers to protect the table

\*Paper plate, shallow tray, or wide paint brushes

How to make it:

Apple printing is always fun: there are two very different prints you can get by cutting apples in half through the middle OR from the top to bottom. You can cut them in half through the stem, dip them in red and green paint, and make a very nice-looking collage of apple shapes. Cutting them through the middle makes a circle stamp with a star in the middle.

* To paint on a t-shirt or tote, put a thick layer of paper inside the shirt/tote to prevent the paint from bleeding through to the back of the fabric.
* An easy and very effective project is to decorate a plain tote with apple stamps cut from top to bottom (making an apple shape) in a horizontal line around the tote.
* You can make a wreath by using two colors of green paint and apples cut through the middle (to make circles with 'star' centers). Then take a sponge, cut a triangle (for 1/2 of the bow) and dip it into red paint - add the bow. To make dark green paint, add a little black paint at a time to some green paint.
* You can also make a fun gift for a parent, grandparent or caregiver by brushing the paint onto the children's hands and decorating the shirt or tote with those special handprints.

Tips: If you are going to make your prints on paper, use washable poster paint for good results. If you want to decorate fabric - like a t-shirt or tote, make sure to get fabric paints - and the kids need to be dressed in old clothing!