

THE HOMES, INC. NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2019

THE HOMES BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 18, 6:00 pm IN THE CLUBROOM

Stockholders and residents are
welcome

**The Homes offers free ice
melt. Stop by the office and
pick up a bag.
REMEMBER
Don't shovel snow into the
street.
The plow will push it back
into the parking bays.
If you didn't shovel a parking
spot don't park in a spot that
has been shoveled.**

THANKSGIVING DINNER AT THE HOMES

Elaine Hines will be hosting a
Thanksgiving Dinner at the
clubroom on Thursday, November
28th at 5:00pm. Come join the
festivities and food. Please bring a
side dish or dessert.

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IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

THE HOMES INC	913-321-2471
AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE	913-948-2211
QHFCU	913-342-3421
KCK POLICE DEPARTMENT	913-596-3000
KCK ANIMAL CONTROL	913-321-1445
POTHoles	913-573-8307
CITY QUESTIONS & COMPLAIN	311
BPU(Customer Service)	913-573-9190
BPU ELECTRIC (Street lights and power line)	913-573-9522
BPU WATER	913-573-9622
KS GAS SERVICE	1-800-794-4780

NEWSLETTER TRIVIA

We want to encourage all residents to read the newsletter. You will find 10 questions within the newsletter. Write down your answers, along with your name and address. Bring the information to the office. At the monthly board meeting we will randomly choose an answer sheet and if all the answers are correct, that resident will receive \$30 off the next month's HOA fee.

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Come meet your neighbors and learn more about Neighborhood Watch

Meeting the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm.

In 2017, U.S. households spent \$178 billion on electricity — in real terms, 10% less than they spent in 2010. Average consumption in megawatt-hours decreased too, falling from 11.5 to 10.4. The reason? LEDs. According to the *Wall Street Journal*, **no other improvement in the efficiency of household electrical appliances has been as dramatic as the switch from incandescent bulbs to LEDs.**

“When you take an incandescent bulb out and screw in an LED, consumption goes down 80%. Imagine you could get a car that uses 80% less gasoline! The Homes in partnership with the Neighborhood Watch and Livable Neighborhoods now has a supply of Dusk to Dawn lightbulbs for use on your porch. They will cut down on the cost of electricity to 3 cents per month. While the supply lasts, there will be no charge for these bulbs. Please call the office if you need one.

URPOWER Solar Lights 8 LED Wireless Waterproof Motion Sensor Outdoor Light for Patio, Deck, Yard, Garden with Motion Activated Auto On/Off (4-Pack)

- **UNIQUE DESIGN:** We designed the internal circuit diagram of the lamp beads by ourselves. There are positive and negative pole directions on the bottom of our LED, which is different with those lights on the market.
- **SUPER BRIGHT&LONG WORKING TIME:** Compared with other common 4 or 12 led solar lights, we designed our solar lights with 8 led lights, which is brighter than 4 led and working longer than 12 led.
- **WEATHER RESISTANCE:** IP64 waterproof and heatproof, solar powered lights, suitable for most kinds of weathers. Great outdoor light for your garden, yard, aisle, porch, patio, or driveway etc...
- **AUTOMATED SWITCH:** Turn on at night when motion sensor detected , and automatically off after motion stops. sensing range of 10 feet with a 120 degree sensing angle.
- **SOLAR PANEL LIFE SPAN:** 5 years - LED Life Span - 50000 hours only takes 6-8 hours to fully charge.

TriGlow LED Dusk-to-Dawn A19 Bulb, 9W (60W Equivalent) **800 Lumen, Non-Dimmable, Dusk-to-Dawn LED Bulbs**

SAVE MONEY: 9 Watt bulbs replaces 60 Watt incandescent equivalent, saving you 85% in energy costs!

DUSK TO DAWN: These light bulbs feature automated built in dusk to dawn sensor that will automatically turn on and shut off based on whether or not there is daylight.

The Neighborhood Watch will come and install the light for you. Cost is \$11.00. Call the office 913-321-2471 for more information.

2. What can you do to make your dryer more efficient?

3. Name one problem associated with galvanized pipes?

WYANDOTTE COUNTY ELECTION OFFICE

To vote in the General Election, you have three options:

Vote early by mail. The application can be picked up at the public library

Vote early-in person:

Locations

Dates and Times

Election Office

850 State Ave
Kansas City, KS 66101

Saturday, October 26 – 10am – 4pm

October 28 through November 1 (M-F) – 8am – 5pm

Saturday, November 2 – 10 am – 4 pm

Monday, November 4 – 8 am – 12 Noon

Joe Amayo/Argentina Comm. Center

2810 Metropolitan Ave
Kansas City, KS 66106

Saturday, October 26 – 10 am – 4 pm

October 28 through November 1 (M-F) – 10 am – 4 pm

Saturday, November 2 – 10 am – 4 pm

Eisenhower Rec Center

2901 N 72nd St.
Kansas City, KS 66109

Saturday, October 26 – 10 am - 4 pm

October 28 through November 1 (M-F) – 10 am – 4 pm

Saturday, November 2 – 10 am – 4 pm

Vote on Election Day November 5th, 7 am to 7 pm, at your assigned polling place. Your assigned polling place is the only location where you can receive your correct ballot. Other polling places do not have your ballot. You may encounter some waiting lines.

If you need additional applications to receive an advanced ballot by mail you can:

Download the application from our website at www.wycoboters.org

Call or visit the Election Office

Eckan Weatherization Grant

The Weatherization Assistance Program is the nation's LARGEST residential energy efficiency program. Very simply, weatherization improves heating efficiency and fuel savings by ensuring your home holds in heat and air-conditioning, while keeping hot and cold air out. At NO CHARGE to the client, income eligible families receive a comprehensive home assessment which includes repair or replacement of heating systems, insulation, and air-sealing measures. Income guidelines apply. Contact, ECKAN Weatherization, P.O. Box 40, Ottawa, KS 66067, (785) 242-6413.

4. When is the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast?

EVENTS

Strawberry Hill Museum Tour

March 2, 2019 - December 29, 2019, Recurring weekly on Sunday, Saturday. Strawberry Hill Ethnic Museum & Cultural Center, 720 North 4th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101. 913-371-3264. 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Price: \$10.00. <http://www.strawberryhillmuseum.org>. Take a tour of the beautiful, historic Strawberry Hill Museum & Cultural Center! The Strawberry Hill Ethnic Cultural Society was formed in 1988 to promote, sponsor and preserve the ethnic heritage prevalent in Kansas City, Kansas. The Strawberry Hill Museum and Cultural Center celebrates the many nationalities of Kansas City residents. Built in 1887, the core building is an outstanding example of Victorian Queen Anne Style architecture and was home to the Cruise-Scroggs family for 32 years. In 1919, the mansion was opened by the Sisters of St. Francis of Christ the King, to care for children orphaned during the 1918 influenza pandemic. The orphanage, operated in connection with St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, closed in 1988 for conversion to the Strawberry Hill Ethnic Cultural Society.

11/01/2019 - Day of the Dead Celebration at KCK Public Library

South Branch Library, 3104 Strong Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66106, Phone: (913) 295-8250. Time: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Free. Web: <https://kckpl.librarymarket.com/day-dead-celebration-celebraci%C3%B3n-del-d%C3%ADa-de-muertos>. La Calavera Catrina invites you to South Branch's Day of the Dead celebration where you can experience live mariachi music, sample a traditional treat and view our altar. There will also be crafts, storytelling, games and the opportunity to take a photograph with La Calavera Catrina.

11/02/2019 – 01/04/2020 - Olde World Christmas at Strawberry Hill Museum

Weekly on Sunday, Saturday. Strawberry Hill Museum, 720 North 4th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101, Phone: (913) 371-3264. Time: 12:00 PM to 4:15 PM. Web: <https://www.strawberryhillmuseum.org/event> Beginning November 2nd, the Olde World Christmas opens at Strawberry Hill Museum. Victorian era decorations will adorn the mansion and the ethnic rooms will be filled with Christmas season "Olde World" traditions. In addition to our permanent ethnic exhibitors, there will be displays representing Ireland and African-American cultures. Additional space has also been added to display German, Italian and Belgium traditions. There are also new items in the Gift Shop, so make sure you stop by after your tour and pick up those unusual gifts for your family and friends. The Tea Room will also be open every weekend from 1 pm to 4pm. Stop in and enjoy a bowl of soup, assorted quiches, homemade desserts and a hot cup of tea either before or after your tour.

11/5/2019 - "Pregnancy Overview – Pregnancy Health."

On Nov. 5, the topic will be "Labor and Delivery – Infant Feeding." On Nov. 19, the topic will be "Infant Care – Postpartum Health." The class is facilitated by Veronica Kariuki. Those who attend all sessions may earn diapers, car seats, monitors and strollers. For more information or to register, call 913-906-8990.

11/08/2019 – 11/11/2019 - Veteran's Day Weekend at WWI Museum and Memorial

Recurring daily. National World War I Museum and Memorial, 2 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, MO 64108 Phone: (816) 888-8100. Price: Free general admission for veterans with discounts and free events for the public. Web: <https://www.theworldwar.org/veteransday>. Join the WWI Museum and Memorial in honoring veterans with special activities, free public ceremonies on the grounds and free general admission for veterans and active duty military to the Museum and Memorial, Friday, Nov. 8 through Monday, Nov. 11, 2019. In addition, general admission is half price for the public all weekend. Check website for schedule of events.

11/10/2019 – 01/07/2020 - Cloth as Community: Hmong Textiles in America

Recurring daily. West Wyandotte Library, 1737 N 82nd Street, Kansas City, KS 66112, (913) 295-8250 Price: Free. Web: <https://kckpl.librarymarket.com/cloth-community-hmong-textiles-america>. Hmong flower cloth (or paj ntaub) is one of the world's great textile traditions and an excellent example of cloth

as community. Despite its deep roots in Hmong culture, this complex art was not widely known outside Asia until after the Vietnam War, when Hmong refugees arrive in the United States. The works illustrate the profound relevance of textiles as infrastructure in the Hmong culture, an art form that shifted as it adapted to fit new realities. Now visitors to Kansas City, Kansas Public Library can experience the exhibition, Cloth as Community: Hmong Textiles in America, opening November 10, 2019 at West Wyandotte Library. The exhibition features 27 textiles—flower cloths and embroidered story clothes—by those in the Hmong community. The library will host an opening reception on November 16 at 2:00 pm featuring Geraldine Craig of Kansas State University, who currently provides curatorial updates for the exhibit. Following Craig's presentation, a documentary will be shown.

11/14/2019 - Id.Entities Filipinx Reception

KCK Community College in the Jewell Building, 7250 State Ave , Kansas City, KS 66112, (913) 288-7408.

Time: 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Price: Free. Web: <https://www.facebook.com/KCKCCArtGallery/>

This international exhibit features artists of Filipino descent. The works explore past and present experiences that contribute to the artists' expressions of their Filipinx Identities. The reception is one night, but the exhibit is open until Dec. 5.

11/23/2019 - Annual Craft Fair at St. Patrick Catholic Church

St. Patrick Catholic Church, 1086 N 94th St, Kansas City, KS 66112, (913) 299-3370, Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Price: Free. Web: <https://www.facebook.com/events/5032780768888784/>. Shop for unique gifts and enjoy concessions! Held in the St. Patrick Parish Center - all are welcome!

WYANDOTTE COUNTY Mayors' Prayer Breakfast Friday, Nov. 8, 2019 at 8 a.m.

You are cordially invited to hear Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Lamb, Sr. , at the 45th Annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast.

Seating begins at 7:45 a.m.

Reardon Convention Center : 500 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, Kan. : Interdenominational

Desmond C. Lamb was born in 1972, in Kansas City, Kansas. As an only child, Desmond grew up with a loving family, particularly his maternal grandparents. He watched his grandparents as they toiled in the gospel field. He was trained to pray, study the scriptures, and to believe and trust in God. Before his twelfth birthday, he was already practicing his craft.

Pastor Lamb is married to Sister Claudine Lamb and is the father of three beautiful children, DeAnna, Alexandria, and Desmond C. Lamb Jr. He is also the proud grandfather of Alonzo Cooper. In addition to being a husband, father, and full time pastor, he is also a full time student. Needless to say, education and God are important values in the Lamb household and are exemplified by the head of the family.

As a resident of Wyandotte County, The young Desmond Lamb attended Hawthorne Elementary, Northwest Middle, and Wyandotte High School.

Following high school, Rev. Lamb attended Donnelly College and obtained his Associates of Arts degree. He also completed his Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Park University

in 2004 and a Master of Divinity with a Counseling emphasis degree from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 2014. As of December 7, 2018 Rev. Lamb graduated with a Doctorate of Ministry with a Counseling Emphasis from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Rev. Dr. Lamb's first Pastoral assignment came in 1993 when he was only 21 years old. He became Pastor of the Second Baptist Church in Odessa, Mo. Two years later he would become Pastor of a small Kansas City, Kansas congregation- a congregation that on more than one occasion had nearly met it's end. He became Pastor of Forest Grove, there were less than on hundred members at the church. Since then, the membership has grown to over six hundred baptized believers.

Rev. Dr. Lamb is currently serving as the President of Kansas City, Kansas Baptist Ministers Union, President of the Ministers Council of the Missionary Baptist State Convention of Kansas, Adjunct Instructor for Donnelly College teaching Psychology and Moderator of Kaw Valley Missionary Baptist District Association.



All ticket reservations must be paid in advance. Reserve your seat by sending in the form

Payment may be made by check or cash.

or by emailing wycomayorsprayerbreakfast@gmail.com.

SPAY, NEUTER AND VACCINATION SERVICES

(Cost are estimates and will change for larger dogs)

SPAY AND NEUTER KANSAS CITY

1116 E. 59th St., Kansas City, MO 64110

816-353-0940

By appointment only

Spay and Neuter	Vaccinations
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Dogs - \$120	\$50
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Cats - \$55	
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Bethel Animal Hospital

7100 Leavenworth Rd, Kansas City, KS 66109

913-334-2792

Spay and Neuter	Vaccinations
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Dogs - \$170	\$52
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Cats - \$100	
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The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City

5445 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS 66104

913-596-1000

Spay and Neuter	Vaccinations
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Dogs - \$85	\$60
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Cats - \$55	
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Coronado Animal Hospital

5600 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102

Spay and Neuter	Vaccinations
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Dogs - \$85	\$35
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Cats - \$55	
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VCA Welborn Animal Hospital

7860 Washington Ave, Kansas City, KS 66112

Spay and Neuter	Vaccinations
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Dogs - \$250	\$60
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Cats - \$180	
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Other services offered are preventive care, microchipping, pharmacy, x-rays and dental care.

6. How many stock transfers where there in October?

Remodeling Your Kitchen or Bathroom.... Call The Homes

The Homes was built in 1942. The plumbing pipes are galvanized. Even under the best conditions, galvanized plumbing corrodes over time. In areas where there is hard water, your pipes can fail more quickly. What is tricky about galvanized pipes is that while they appear fine on the outside, they could be corroding on the inside. The deposits along the interior of the pipe build up over time, restricting water flow and decreasing the water pressure in your home. This buildup can also impact water pressure in other parts of the pipe and cause leaks.

Corrosion also can occur at the joints, which can result in a leak. Unfortunately, when those leaks happen behind your walls or under your floors, you may not discover them until after your home has already sustained extensive damage.

There are several problems associated with galvanized pipes: low water pressure, uneven water distribution, water discoloration and leaks.

LOW WATER PRESSURE

The corrosion and deposits which form inside the pipes over time decrease the available space inside the pipe, which eventually lowers the water pressure in your home.

UNEVEN DISTRIBUTION OF WATER

Since corrosion often accumulates unevenly, different areas of your home may have different issues with low water pressure. If you aren't the original homeowner, what may have happened is that some of the galvanized pipes may have been replaced by the previous owner while others were left in place.

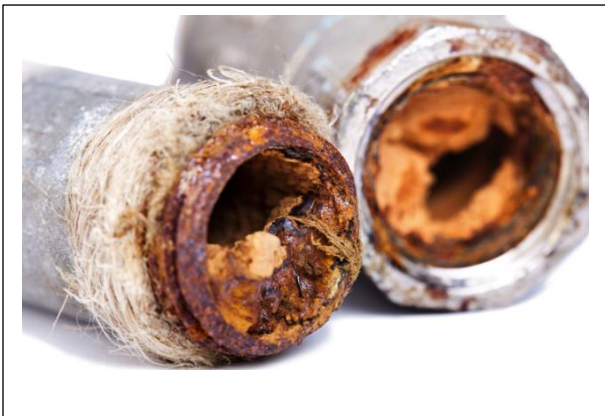
DISCOLORATION OF WATER

If you notice brown stains in your sink or bathtub, you may have iron in your water, which could be caused by galvanized pipes.

LEAKS

Over time, as galvanized plumbing eventually fails, the joints leak, which can cause extensive damage to your home. Leaks which occur behind walls or under floors, if left unnoticed, can cause severe damage. In this worst-case scenario, a homeowner might not only need to replace pipes, but also repair any resulting damage from the water leak in the foundation, drywall, flooring, ceilings, wooden support beams and sheetrock. A hidden water leak can even lead to mold damage. Adding insult to injury, leaking pipes are a magnet for termites.

IF YOU PLAN TO REMODEL YOUR KITCHEN OR BATHROOM CALL THE OFFICE. WE WILL MAKE A PLAN WITH YOU TO CHANGE OUT YOUR GALVANIZED PIPES.



UNITS FOR SALE

One Bedroom Down	Amenities	Owner	Phone	Price
20 Summitcrest	C/A, Stove, Fridge	Pier	816.337.1066	\$8,000
31 Summitcrest	Window Unit / Stove, Fridge	Neely	913.424.7089	\$6,000
Two Bedroom Up	Amenities	Owner	Phone	Price
743 Manorcrest	Fridge, Stove	QHFCU	913.321.2471	\$6,500
855 Manorcrest	C/A, Stove, Fridge, Deck	Ramos	913.235.4676	\$9,900
879 Manorcrest	Stove, Fridge, Shed, Dishwasher, Deep Freezer	Mantooth	913.485.9992	\$9,000
883 Manorcrest	C/A, Fridge, Stove, W/D	Kuntz	913.548.1600	\$7,500 obo
65 Viewcrest	Fridge, Stove	Foran	913.371.6780	\$9,000
84 Viewcrest		QHFCU	913.321.2471	\$7,500
113 Viewcrest		The Homes	913.321.2471	\$5,000
112 Viewcrest	C/A	Sanchez	913-499-5435	\$6,000
Two Bedroom Down	Amenities	Owner	Phone	Price
771 Manorcrest	C/A	Garcia	913.944.3438	\$8,000
789 Manorcrest	C/A, Shed	Peresie	913.669.0766	\$11,000
72 Viewcrest	Dishwasher, Patio, Shed	Hackney	619.929.1307	\$12,000

PAINTING SERVICES

Oscar Hernandez
Interior or Exterior Painting – 913-660-6244

SNOW SHOVELING SERVICES

John Holt – 913-944-1092
Brian Holmes – 816-825-7576

FOR SALE

Glass and wrought iron table and 4 chairs -
\$80.00 - 913-850-2268

Remington Trigger Block, lock for gun.
B. Arce
913-999-4340

REMODEL SERVICES

Ricardo Isaiah - 973-380-5646

8. Where should you not park when it snows?



HELPFUL HINTS ABOUT LIVING IN THE HOMES

BE KIND! IF IT SNOWS DON'T PARK IN A SPOT YOU NORMALLY WOULDN'T. IF A NEIGHBOR TAKES THE TIME TO SHOVEL OUT THE SPACE THEY NORMALLY PARK IN, THEN RESPECT THEIR HARD WORK AND DON'T PARK THERE.

DRYER VENTS. To help prevent a fire and to make your dryer efficient you should clean out the dryer vent on the outside of the house. Lint can build up and clog the hole not allowing the heat to escape through the vent.

PLUMBING: DO NOT FLUSH FLUSHABLE WIPES. The pipes in our homes are over 70 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. The sink and tub drains are only for water disposal. Do not force items down the drains. If maintenance finds these items consistently causing a backup 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 a guest, have them park in the overflow lots. **NEVER PARK IN YARDS OR COMMON GROUND.**

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 alternative is to store your items in a deck or patio box. 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 your porch railings.

SPEEDING. The speed limit in The Homes, Inc. is 20 mph. It only takes a few seconds for a distracted child to dart out in the road. Please be aware and safe while driving.

AUTOMOBILE REPAIR. It is against the rules to work on your vehicle in The Homes. If your vehicle needs repair, then you will have to take your vehicle out of the neighborhood or take your vehicle to a mechanic. Unless you are changing a flat tire, you should **NEVER** put your vehicle on a jack in the Homes.

KEEP FURNACE 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. **DO NOT PILE CLOTHES OR OTHER ITEMS ON TOP OF THE WATER HEATER OR FLU AREA.**

NOISE. Please be mindful of the level of noise you create. It is our responsibility to keep the sound we make to a reasonable level, so we are not disturbing our neighbors. Sometimes, simply communicating with your neighbors and working out an understanding can resolve this and many other problems.

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

9. What time is the Thanksgiving Dinner at the Homes?

NOVEMBER 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5 Neighborhood Watch	6	7	8	9
10	11 Veteran's Day Office and QHFCU Closed	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 The Homes Board Meeting 6pm	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Dinner at clubroom 5pm Office Closed	29 Office and QHFCU Closed	30

Please call or email the office if you would like the Newsletter hand delivered. The newsletter is always available in the office.

HELPFUL COUNTY RESOURCE PHONE #'S

Broken Traffic Lights - 573-9522	Water Main Breaks – 573-9622	Wild or Dead Animal – 321-1445
Drug Dealing – 573-6280	Abandoned House – 573-8600	Weeds in Yard – 573-8600
Trespasser/Solicitor – 596-3000	Broken Street Sign – 573-5776	Belligerent Person – 596-3000
Abandoned Appliance – 573-8600	Hazardous Sidewalk – 573-5400	Trash and Debris – 573-8600
Abandoned Car – 596-3000	Suspected Arson Activity – 573-5550	Illegal Fireworks – 596-3000
Potholes – 573-8307	Broken Street Light – 573-9522	Building Alarm – 596-3000
Gas Leak – 1-800-794-4780	Power Line Problems – 573-9522	Graffiti Hotline – 573-8600
Stray Dog – 321-1445	Rats – 573-6705	Prostitution – 596-3000
Clogged Storm Drain – 573-5400	Foul Odor – 573-8600	Illegal Dumping – 573-8600
Car Alarm – 596-3000	Polluting Chemicals – 321-4803	Loud Music or Noise – 596-3000

For more helpful county information contact Livable Neighborhoods Task Force – 573-8737