# THE HOMES, INC. **NEWSLETTER**

# OCTOBER 2019

# THE HOMES **BOARD MEETING** OCTOBER 21, **6:00 pm** IN THE CLUBROOM

Stockholders and residents are welcome

Halloween is Thursday, October 31st

Please be mindful of children trick or treating. Parents make sure you children have reflective color on their costumes.

WHEN YOU HAVE A BULK TRASH **PICK UP** (FURNITURE, BEDS, CHAIRS, **CARPET, ETC.) CALL 311** YOUR REQUEST WILL BE **FORWARDED TO WASTE** MANAGEMENT AND YOUR BULK TRASH WILL BE PICKED UP ALONG WITH REGULAR TRASH PICK UP. IF THE HOMES HAS TO REMOVE THE

**FURNITURE, YOU ACCOUNT WILL BE** 

CHARGED \$100

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#### **IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS** THE HOMES INC 913-321-2471 AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE 913-948-2211 **OHFCU** 913-342-3421 KCK POLICE DEPARTMENT 913-596-3000 KCK ANIMAL CONTROL 913-321-1445 **POTHOLES** 913-573-8307 CITY QUESTIONS & COMPLAIN 311 913-573-9190 BPU(Customer Service) 913-573-9522 BPU ELECTRIC (Street lights and power line) **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.

FOLLOW US ON ...





# **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS**

Come meet your neighbors and learn more about Neighborhood
Watch

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

# CHANGE YOUR FURNACE FILTER EVERY MONTH. THE HOMES PROVIDES AIR FILTERS FOR FREE. STOP BY THE OFFICE & PICK ONE UP!

#### 5 REASONS YOU SHOULD CHANGE YOUR AIR FILTER

Keeping your system running properly, Extending the life of your HVAC unit, Keeping energy costs down, Maintaining healthy air quality and Keeping your HVAC system clean

# 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.

1. What causes a fire hazard in your utility room?

2. How many one bedrooms are available?	

3. What date in October is the Household Hazardous Waste Collection?	

#### 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:

<u>Locations</u> <u>Dates and Times</u>

Saturday, October 26 – 10am – 4pm

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

850 State Ave Saturday, November 2 – 10 am – 4 pm Kansas City, KS 66101 Monday, November 4 – 8 am – 12 Noon

Joe Amayo/Argentina Community Center Saturday, October 26 – 10 am – 4 pm

2810 Metropolitan Ave October 28 through November 1 (M-F) – 10 am – 4 pm

Kansas City, KS 66106 Saturday, November 2 – 10 am – 4 pm

**Eisenhower Rec Center** Saturday, October 26 – 10 am - 4 pm

2901 N 72<sup>nd</sup> St. October 28 through November 1 (M-F) – 10 am – 4 pm

Kansas City, KS 66109 Saturday, November 2 – 10 am – 4 pm

Vote on Election Day November 5<sup>th</sup>, 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. What date is the women's writers workshop?

#### **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.

Kansas City Renaissance Festival - 8/31/2019, 9/1/2019, 9/2/2019, 9/7/2019, 9/8/2019, 9/14/2019, 9/15/2019, 9/21/2019, 9/22/2019, 9/28/2019, 9/29/2019, 10/5/2019, 10/6/2019, 10/12/2019, 10/13/2019, 10/14/2019
628 North 126th Street, Bonner Springs, KS 66012, 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Come out and enjoy concerts, entertainment, good food, dancing, crafts, shows and lots of fun at the Kansas City Renaissance Festival August 31st-October 14. This storybook re-creation of a 16th century English village features a variety of events for the whole family! Open weekends, Labor Day and Columbus Day, 10am-7pm, rain or shine.

#### 09/01/2019 thru 10/31/2019 - Cider Hill Family Orchard U-Pick Apples

Recurring weekly on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday Cider Hill Family Orchard, 3341 North 139th Street, Kansas City, KS 66109, (913) 721-2507, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Bring the whole family for a day of apple-picking and fun at Cider Hill Family Orchard! Enjoy over 38 acres covered with 1500 apple trees. Once you are finished picking apples, you are welcome to pick out your favorite pumpkin or see who can pull the biggest fish from one of the five ponds. The Orchard grounds are beautiful and vast. Feel free to pack a picnic lunch and relax under one of the big trees in the front or back yard. Don't forget your camera! There are tons of photo opportunities at Cider Hill Family Orchard.

#### 10/2/2019 - Women's self-defense program offered

A women's self-defense program will be offered from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2, at the Keeler Women's Center, 759 Vermont Ave., Suite 100B, Kansas City, Kansas. The program is facilitated by Sidney Thompson. Kansas City Shizoku Karate-Do will teach ways to defend oneself and others. For more information or to register, call 913-906-8990.

#### 10/3/2019 - Women's writers workshop offered

A women's writers workshop will be offered from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, at the Keeler Women's Center, 759 Vermont Ave., Suite 100B, Kansas City, Kansas. The workshop is facilitated by Pat Callaghan and Liz Birky. At the workshop, women may explore who they are and why life has meaning, then write this into a story. For more information or to register, call 913-906-8990.

#### 10/5/19-10/6/19 - Dozer Day

Kansas Speedway, 400 Speedway Blvd, Kansas City, KS 66111. Time: 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM Web: https://kansascity.dozerday.org/. Dozer Day is like going to a fair only our rides are real heavy construction equipment. Kids hop in the driver's seat and actually drive dozers, excavators and other heavy equipment with a professional operator at their side. Not only is it a dream-come-true for kids (and fun for the whole family), the event also benefits many children's charities. Admission is \$12 for children (ages 2 – 12) and seniors (60+), \$15 for adults and free for those under 2 years old. Tickets on the day of the event are \$15 for kids and seniors and \$18 for adults. Once admission is paid, the cost of most activities inside the event are free, including equipment rides.

5. Name on the days you can vote at the Eisenhower Rec Center?

#### 10/5/2019 - St. Basil's Ethnic Food Festival

9302 Riverview Ave., KS 66122. (913) 663-2200. Time: 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Price: Free Web: http://stbasilkc.org/festival/. Join St. Basil's Church for our annual ethnic food festival featuring, entertainment, music, cuisine, and culture from around the globe.

There's fun for all ages! Let the kids have fun on our inflatable slide and cake walk while you taste foods from the Middle East and Romania, listen to music from around the globe, and watch ethnic dancing from the Middle East, Ukraine, and Scotland. It's an experience the whole family can enjoy!

#### 10/12/2019 - All American Catfish Tournament

Lewis & Clark Park at Kaw Point. One River City Drive, Kansas City, KS 66115. (913) 486-4462. Time: 8:00 AM. Web: http://www.allamericancatfish.com/. All American Catfish Tournaments are family friendly, exciting fishing tournaments where new or professional anglers can come together and compete. Spectators are always welcome at the launch and weigh-ins, and they can also hang out during the day and enjoy the beautiful scenery at Kaw Point Park. Visit website for registration and more information.

#### 10/15/2019 - Prenatal class

A three-part prenatal class will be offered from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays at the Keeler Women's Center, 759 Vermont Ave., Kansas City, Kansas. On Oct. 15, the topic will be

#### 10/25/2019 - 10/26/2019 - Ft Leavenworth Haunted Tours

Fort Leavenworth, 310 McPherson Ave, old disciplinary barracks, Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027. (913) 651-7440. time: 7:00 pm. Fort Leavenworth: 'The Best Hometown In The Army'. The question is to whom? Our post is about 186 years old, and many Service Members and their family have come and gone through our front gates. Or have they? Post folklore says there are about 32 documented hauntings around post. After interviewing those currently stationed here, we have found that there are many, many more undocumented hauntings. The Friends of the Frontier Army Museum (FFAM) is proud to present its newly redesigned Haunted Fort Leavenworth Tour, because encounters are no longer just in the historic housing area but all across post. Guests still get a walking tour through the oldest, historic part of post, with stops in front of some of the most haunted buildings. But, we don't want to limit guests to just the best 8 or 10 haunted buildings!

#### 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.

#### 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

Dogs - \$120 \$50

Cats - \$55

#### **Bethel Animal Hospital**

7100 Leavenworth Rd, Kansas City, KS 66109

913-334-2792

Spay and Neuter Vaccinations

Dogs - \$170 \$52

Cats - \$100

#### The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City

5445 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS 66104

913-596-1000

Spay and Neuter Vaccinations

Dogs - \$85 \$60

Cats - \$55

#### **Coronado Animal Hospital**

5600 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102

Spay and Neuter Vaccinations

Dogs - \$85 \$35

Cats - \$55

#### **VCA Welborn Animal Hospital**

7860 Washington Ave, Kansas City, KS 66112

Spay and Neuter Vaccinations

Dogs - \$250 \$60

Cats - \$180

Other services offered are preventive care, microchipping, pharmacy, x-rays and dental care.

7. How many stock transfers where at the September meeting?

## 2019 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days Set

Household Hazardous Waste Collection days for Wyandotte County residents includes the following Saturdays: May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21, and October 19, 2019. The site will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on those Saturdays.

Wyandotte County residents need to take their household hazardous products to 2443 South 88th Street in Kansas City, Kansas. (South on 88th Street from K-32) or (East of I-435 using Woodend exit near Kaw River) The HHW Days are not for business or nonprofit groups.

When bringing items to the collection site please label or identify all items. Items accepted include automotive products, home improvement products, household items, as well as lawn and garden products.

Automotive products accepted include auto batteries, brake fluid, carburetor cleaner, degreasers, gasoline & fuels, and used motor oil. In addition, residents can bring 10 car and/or pickup tires if the rims are removed from the tires.

Home improvement products accepted include concrete cleaner, driveway sealer, furniture stripper, glue with solvents, latex & oil based paints, paint thinner, putty, grout, calk & spackle, roofing tar, stain varnish & lacquer, turpentine, water-based glues, and wood preservatives.

Household items include aerosol products, drain & oven cleaners, mothballs, nail polish remover, polishes with solvents, spot remover, and propane cylinders.

Lawn and garden products include fertilizer with weed killer, herbicides, insecticides, pesticides, and rodent bait.

For additional information call 913-573-8318 or 913-573-5400.

#### HELPFUL COUNTY RESOURCE PHONE #'S

Water Main Breaks – 573-9622

Broken Traffic Lights - 573-9522 Drug Dealing - 573-6280 Trespasser/Solicitor – 596-3000 Abandoned Appliance – 573-8600 Abandoned Car - 596-3000 Potholes – 573-8307 Gas Leak - 1-800-794-4780 Stray Dog - 321-1445 Clogged Storm Drain - 573-5400

Car Alarm - 596-3000

Abandoned House – 573-8600 Broken Street Sign – 573-5776 Hazardous Sidewalk - 573-5400 Suspected Arson Activity – 573-5550 Illegal Fireworks – 596-3000 Broken Street Light - 573-9522 Power Line Problems – 573-9522 Rats - 573-6705 Foul Odor – 573-8600 Polluting Chemicals – 321-4803

Wild or Dead Animal – 321-1445 Weeds in Yard - 573-8600 Belligerent Person – 596-3000 Trash and Debris – 573-8600 Building Alarm – 596-3000 Graffiti Hotline – 573-8600 Prostitution - 596-3000 Illegal Dumping – 573-8600 Loud Music or Noise – 596-3000

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

## **UNITS FOR SALE**

One Bedroom Down	Amenities	Owner Phone		Price	
20 Summitcrest	C/A, Stove, Fridge	Pier	816.337.1066	\$8,000	
31 Summitcrest	Summitcrest Window Unit / Stove, Fridge		913.424.7089	\$6,000	
Two Bedroom Up	Bedroom Up Amenities		Phone	Price	
879 Manorcrest	Stove, Fridge, Shed, Dishwasher, Deep Freezer	Dishwasher, Mantooth 91		\$9,000	
84 Viewcrest		QHFCU	913.321.2471	\$7,500	
86 Viewcrest		QHFCU	913.321.2471	\$7,500	
743 Manorcrest	Fridge, Stove	QHFCU	913.321.2471	\$6,500	
883 Manorcrest	C/A, Fridge, Stove, W/D	Kuntz	913.548.1600	\$7,500 obo	
113 Viewcrest	wcrest		913.321.2471	\$5,000	
112 Viewcrest	C/A	Sanchez	913-499-5435	\$6,000	
855 Manorcrest	C/A, Stove, Fridge, Deck	Ramos 913.235.4676		\$9,900	
65 Viewcrest	Fridge, Stove	Foran	913.371.6780	\$9,000	
Two Bedroom Down	wo Bedroom Down Amenities		Phone	Price	
88 Viewcrest	Deck		913.321.2471	\$8,500	
72 Viewcrest	Dishwasher, Patio, Shed	Hackney	619.929.1307	\$12,000	
789 Manorcrest	C/A, Shed	Peresie 913.669.0766		\$11,000	
771 Manorcrest	C/A	Garcia 913.944.3438		\$8,000	
Three Bedroom Up	om Up Amenities Owner Pho		Phone	Price	
30 Viewcrest	Fridge, Stove	Walters	913.290.4058	\$6,500	
Three Bedroom Down	Amenities	Owner Phone		Price	
6 Craigcrest	C/A, Washer, Dryer	Magenheimer	913.940.9640	\$15,000	
Double Unit	Amenities	Owner	Phone	Price	
924/930 Manorcrest	4/930 Manorcrest Stove, Fridge, Shed, W/D Dog Door		913.302.5513 \$9,900 913.302.5513		

#### **MOWING SERVICES**

John Holt - 913-375-6948 Todd Bothwell - 816-517-6639 Marco - 913-271-5377 Josh - 816-438-8868

#### **FOR SALE**

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

#### **ANA'S CLUB**

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 5pm-8pm

You don't want to miss out on this free fun event. Music, Games, Potluck dinner. Please bring a covered dish. FUN, FUN, FUN entertainment for ALL AGES? Come out and enjoy yourself.

#### **REMODEL SERVICES**

Ricardo Isaiah - 973-380-5646

9. What day is Halloween on?



#### HELPFUL HINTS ABOUT LIVING IN THE HOMES

**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 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.

**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 resident's needs. Second, it is against the law. Littering is a Class C violation that is punishable by a fine up to a \$500.00.

**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.

GRASS RULE OF THE HOMES AND WYANDOTTE COUNTY: GRASS HEIGHT CAN'T BE MORE THAN 8 INCHES TALL

10. What number do you call to report potholes?

## OCTOBER 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Neighborhood Watch	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Ana's Club	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 The Homes Board Meeting 6pm	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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

#### **Attention**

The streets of this neighborhood are very dangerous. The children are outside unsupervised. We want to ask parents to keep an eye on their children when they're playing outside to prevent accidents. Remember, we have playgrounds for the kids. Thank you for your attention people from the neighborhood.

#### **Atención**

Las calles de este vecindario son muy peligrosas. Los niños están afuera sin supervisión. Queremos pedirles a lost padres que vigilen a sus hijos cuando están jugando afuera para prevenir accidents. Recuerda que tenemos patios de recreo para los niños. Gracias por su atención gente del vecindario.

10. What time does trash collection begin in July and August?