

THE HOMES, INC. NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2020

THE HOMES BOARD MEETING October 19th, 6:00 pm IN THE CLUBROOM **THE MEETING WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS**

**IF YOU HAVE A MATTER THAT YOU
WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH THE
BOARD CONTACT THE MANAGER**

**IF YOU PLACE A WORK ORDER FOR
YOUR KITCHEN, BATHROOM AND/OR
UTILITY ROOM PLEASE REMOVE ALL
ITEMS THAT WOULD BE IN THE WAY TO
WORK. THE LESS ITEMS THAT THE
MAINTENANCE TECHS TOUCH THE
SAFER YOU ARE AND SO IS THE STAFF**

**THE OFFICE IS OPEN. ONLY 1
RESIDENT AT A TIME IS
ALLOWED IN THE OFFICE
YOU MUST WEAR A MASK
IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO COME INTO THE
OFFICE, YOU CAN CALL, AND WE CAN MEET
YOU AT YOUR CAR**

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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 & COMPLAINTS	311
BPU(Customer Service)	913-573-9190
BPU ELECTRIC (Lights/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.

1. What number do you call for stray dogs?

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

MEETING ON OCTOBER 1ST

Come meet your neighbors and learn more about Neighborhood Watch

**Meeting the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm in the clubroom.
Attendees must wear a face mask at all time and practice social distancing of at least 6 feet.**

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 FREE. Call the office 913-321-2471 for more information.

Back in the '90s and early 2000's none of the pizza chains would deliver to The Homes. We were in a "bad area." I saw where Gary Wilson had opened a pizza shop on Quindaro so I went to see him. He not only said he would deliver to us, he went door to door in The Homes and delivered a menu to each unit.

Now, with DoorDash, GrubHub, etc. we can get anything delivered with no problem.

I read in the Star the other morning where Wilson's "JUST MEAT" pizza was rated one of the top 100 in the USA!! So I went over to his store, got one and congratulated him on the award. It was a great pizza! They also do chicken, fish, calzones, etc.

Let's not forget Gary – he took care of us when no one else would. His phone number is 913-621-4066 and the shop is still at 1801 Quindaro! Their menu is available on Facebook.

2020 CENSUS

Only 65% of the population of WYCO have returned the census. The more accurate the census, the more money WYCO gets for SNAP, Health, Transportation, infrastructure and electoral representation. If any of our stockholders need help completing the census, call Bob at 913-342-2660. Also, you can go on-line at 2020census.gov/en.html to complete the census. It only takes about 2 minutes and the questions are about who is living in your household and date of births.

3. When did the election office send out voting information?

4. When returning your ballot what do you need to apply?

Voting in Wyandotte County

By Mail

Many of us have concerns about voting in person on election day because of the Coronavirus. Voting by mail is a convenient solution available to every registered voter. Your schedule is just too busy? Can't find transportation? Whatever the need, you can vote your ballot in the comfort of your own home and when it is more convenient for you.

Am I eligible to vote by mail?

Yes! All registered voters are eligible to vote by mail. Complete and submit a one-page **application** (PDF) for every election in which you want to vote by mail. That's one application for each election. Voters with a permanent illness or disability may be eligible for a special program which requires a one-time application to automatically receive a ballot by mail for every election. Please contact us to obtain the application if you think you might qualify.

How does voting by mail work?

An application is available online or you can go to the Election Office at 850 State Ave., Kansas City, KS 66101. Send us your application. When we receive your application, we'll set you up to receive your ballot by mail. You may submit your application as early as 4 months before an election, and your ballot will be in our initial mass mailing which begins 20 days before Election Day. The deadline to apply for a ballot by mail is on Tuesday, one week before Election Day. We will send you an official ballot, voting instructions, a return envelope and an "I voted" sticker. Wear the sticker and impress your friends and neighbors that you have already voted!

Your ballot

The paper ballot you receive is the same ballot you would receive if you went to your polling place on Election Day. To vote your ballot, mark your choices by completely filling in the oval to the left of your choice of candidate or answer to a question. There are instructions printed on the ballot to help you. If you make a mistake or damage your ballot, please contact us. We will send you a replacement ballot. When you have finished marking your ballot, place it in the provided return envelope.

Your return envelope

The back of the return envelope includes three "Statements." The first Statement is the most important! You, the voter, must print your name, write your current address and sign on the lines provided. If you are designating a person to return your ballot to our office, check the small box under your signature. Statement 2 is signed by the person who is assisting you, if you need assistance to vote your ballot, or who you have designated to return your ballot to our office. Use Statement 3 if you need another person to sign your ballot for you. When you are satisfied that all your information is correct, then you can seal your ballot envelope. The seal is on the inside of the privacy flap that is used to protect your voter information.

Here's a few things you must remember to do:

- **Sign your ballot envelope.** If you forget to sign your ballot, we will attempt to contact you. Your ballot cannot be counted if the envelope is not signed.
- **Seal your ballot** inside the return envelope to return it to our office. Even if you choose to deliver your ballot to our office, it must be in the sealed return envelope. If someone assists you in marking or signing your ballot, please have them read and sign the appropriate statement.
- **Apply postage** if you plan to return your ballot by mail.

How do I return my voted ballot?

You have two options for returning your voted ballot to our office:

5. What will be planted in October?

By mail

Mail your ballot in the provided return envelope. The envelope is pre-addressed. You must apply the correct postage. Your ballot must be postmarked on or before election day and received by the Friday after the election.

By personal delivery to our office

Deliver your ballot to our office at 850 State Avenue, Kansas City, KS not later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. We are open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Election Day until 7 p.m. If you have someone else deliver your ballot for you, you should write their name in the space provided in Statement 2 on your return envelope and have them sign on the line provided before you seal the envelope.

What is the deadline for returning my ballot?

Your ballot must be received in our office or postmarked by 7 p.m. on Election Day.

Voting in Person Before Election Day

Am I eligible to vote before Election Day?

Yes! All registered voters are eligible to vote early. You can vote by mail, or in person. No application is required to vote in-person.

What is the voting process like at the Election Office?

Use the entrance from the parking lot on the east side of the building. Voter check in is first. Show the election worker your photo ID. You will state your name and your current address. Documents which are accepted for voter photo ID include your driver's license, a government-issued ID, or a passport. Most voters use their driver's license. Click on the link to see a complete list of other approved *varieties of photographic identification*.

When asked, you can choose to vote a paper ballot or use an available touchscreen. The primary method of voting is a paper ballot. The touchscreen is simply a ballot marking device. This machine prints your votes on a ballot card which you can review before casting your ballot. If you make a mistake marking your ballot you can request a replacement ballot from the election worker who gave you your ballot. When you are finished marking your ballot, please review it and then go to the ballot box to cast your ballot.

If you have any questions, ask any election worker. Election workers are not allowed to tell you who to vote for.

What if I make a mistake on my ballot?

If you're voting on a paper ballot, don't try to correct your mistake. For example, if the instructions say, "Vote for One" and you voted for two or selected the wrong candidate, return to the table where you received your ballot and ask for a replacement. You are allowed no more than two replacement ballots. If you need assistance, please ask any election worker.

If you're marking your ballot using a touchscreen, simply tap the box again to uncheck it, then make your new selection. If you need help, ask one of the election workers.

In September 2020 the Election office will be sending information about voting in person before Election Day. It will have information about where to vote and the hours for early voting in person.

6. How many stockholder change requests where there?

UNITS FOR SALE

Two Bedroom Up	Amenities	Owner	Phone	Price
787 Manorcrest	Fridge , Stove	Bottcher	816-408-9416	\$11,000
86 Viewcrest Drive	C/A , Fridge Stove , Shed	Magenheimer	913.940.9640	\$12,000
Two Bedroom Down	Amenities	Owner	Phone	Price
747 Manorcrest		Harris	913-290-4723	\$7,000

FALL FURNACE INSPECTIONS
INSPECTIONS WILL BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER
AND GO THROUGH OCTOBER. PLEASE
HAVE YOUR UTILITY ROOMS CLEANED
OUT SO THE TECHNICIAN CAN WORK
EASILY.

Several distinct advantages make fall the best time to plant cool-season grass seed. In early autumn, the soil is still warm from months of summer sun. This combination of warm soil, moderate day temperatures and cool evenings encourages fast germination and establishment of newly sown cool-season grass seed. **Free grass seed available at the office!**

FOR SALE

2 Couches with pull out beds
Full size couch
Reclining chair
Bunk beds – bottom bunk full and top bunk twin
Baby stroller and seat
Call Brenda at 913-633-8305

7. What website will be able to take maintenance payments?
8. What website to you go to in order to take the 2020 census?

OCTOBER 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 BOARD MEETING (CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC)	20	21	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.

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
AA Hotline – 816-471-7229

9. What pizza made the top 100 in pizza?

10. How much of a discount do you get for winning Newsletter Trivia?