

THE HOMES, INC.

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2021

THE HOMES
BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 5:30 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

**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.

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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 is the minimum age for the mask mandate?

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS
MEETING IS TUESDAY, July 6TH AT 6:00pm
Come meet your neighbors and learn more about
Neighborhood Watch

**Social distancing will be observed and please wear a
face mask**

**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 Bob 913-342-2660 for more information.

Now that mask mandates have been lifted everyone is safe....right! NO! Only half of the population of the United States has received the vaccine.

Not all people you see in public not wearing a face mask have been vaccinated. Unvaccinated people are still vulnerable to the virus and its rising variants. If you have made the personal decision not to be vaccinated, please take the same precautions you did last year. Wear a mask in public, social distance at least 6' from others and wash your hands frequently. Over 600 businesses in the KC Metro area have closed due to Covid 19. No one wants the restraints from last year happening again. Keep yourself and others safe.

RETURNED ONLINE PAYMENTS

**The Homes will start charging \$25 for online payments
that are returned.**

3. How many positive cases in WYCO are among children and young adults under 40?

The winner of Newsletter Trivia was Sherry Davis

4. How do you gain access to the office dumpster?

EVENTS

Please practice social distancing and where a mask if attending events

05/21/21 - 09/03/21 - 70th Anniversary of the 1951 Flood

Wyandotte County Historical Society & Museum 631 N. 126th St BONNER SPRINGS, KS 66012, 913-573-5383, aloch@wycokck.org. Wyandotte County Museum, Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

09/04/21 - KAW Point Day All American Catfish Tournament

Lewis & Clark Park at Kaw Point, One River City Drive, Kansas City, KS 66115, 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The sport of catfishing has seen exponential growth in recent years and as a result, there has been a rise in catfishing events all over the country. Kansas City Kansas area is home to some of the largest Catfish in the country, and it is quickly turning into a Fishing Tourism destination. All American Catfish Tournaments has made Kansas City Kansas their home base for our series. AACT is Veteran-owned and operated and focuses on sharing the experience of catfishing with new and professional anglers. All boats must have a live well, 5 fish limit, Up to 3 angler teams, Registration \$160 per team (\$20 late fee), Register at – AllAmericanCatfish.com

The 2021 Renaissance Festival - 9/4/2021, 9/5/2021, 9/11/2021, 9/12/2021, 9/18/2021, 9/19/2021, 9/25/2021, 9/26/2021, 10/2/2021, 10/3/2021, 10/9/2021, 10/10/2021, 10/16/2021, 10/17/2021

Open Weekends Plus Labor Day + Discovery Day Monday, Oct. 11, September 4th – October 17th, 2021. 10am-7pm • Rain or Shine, FREE PARKING – 913-721-2110. All tickets and passes bought for 2020 will automatically roll over to 2021 Festival.

09/08/21 - 12/05/21 American Royal of Kansas City

1701 American Royal Court, Kansas City, MO 64102, (816) 221-9800

Employing interactive displays, memorabilia, hands-on exhibits, and a fascinating 20-minute film, this inspirational museum documents the livestock industry and its impact on the development and history of Kansas City (and the Midwest). A kid-friendly reading corner, computer games, and a gift shop further enhance visits. In addition, the museum offers livestock shows throughout the year, including the Hunter/Jumper Show, American Royal Livestock Show, and the exciting American Royal Rodeo. Quarter Horse Show - Dates vary between September 8, 2021 - September 12, 2021. Hunter/Jumper Horse Show - Dates vary between September 22, 2021 - September 26, 2021. Livestock Show - Dates vary between October 5, 2021 - October 24, 2021

UPHA/American Royal National Championship Horse Show - Dates vary between November 8, 2021 - November 13, 2021 Arabian Horse Show - Dates vary between December 4, 2021 - December 5, 2021

09/11/21 - Leavenworth Road Association Car Show

Eisenhower Parking Lot, 2901 N 72nd, Kansas City, KS, Time:1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Make plans to show off your cool car or come and see some cool cars at the Leavenworth Road Association car show! All styles, ages and conditions welcomed! Performances by Gateway High Steppers. Featuring Food tent, Train rides, kid's games. For more information please contact: Larry Waters - 913-219-9240, Lou - 913-220-8266, Deniese - 913-488-7711

9/16/2021, 9/17/2021, 9/18/2021, 9/19/2021 - American Royal World Series of Barbeque

American Royal of Kansas City, Kansas Speedway, 400 Speedway Blvd, Kansas City, KS 66111, bbq@americanroyal.com. Health and safety is our top priority. At this time, we anticipate a contest

similar to previous years, with modifications to ensure safety. We will continue to monitor the situation and provide contest updates, and safety requirements and/or suggestions via our social media accounts, website, and targeted emails throughout the planning process. Did you know the BBQ Hall of Fame, the highest honor in the BBQ community, is part of the American Royal World Series of BBQ? Tickets for the 2021 American Royal World Series of BBQ will go on sale Summer 2021. Visit our website or follow us on social media for updates.

9/18/21 - 16th Annual Lawson Roberts Butterfly Festival

F.L. Schlagle Library 4051 West Dr, Wyandotte County Lake Park Kansas City, KS 66109, flsinfo@kckpl.org, (913) 295-8250, Kansas City, Kansas Public Library, Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Join us for the 16th year of this wonderful family program! Grab a net and hunt for butterflies, help tag Monarch butterflies as we send them off on their journey to Mexico, or challenge yourself to our Monarch Migration game! We will have a butterfly storytime, face painting, a butterfly walk, and scavenger hunt, take-home craft kits, a station to make "seed bombs", a butterfly release tent, "Senorita Mariposa" story stroll outside, and lots of resources for native gardens and gardening for pollinators! We will also have local author Eric Eaton in attendance with signed copies of "Wasps: The Astonishing Diversity of a Misunderstood Insect" for sale and his extensive collection of insects displays and biofacts. During the event, we will announce the winners of our annual insect photography contest.

09/25/21 - Armourdale Parade and Fiesta

Enjoy music, food, and much more! Parade starts at 11am and Festival at Shawnee Park (7th and Osage) from 12:30 to 6:00pm

9/25/2021, 10/23/2021, 11/20/2021 - Gardening and Cleanup at the park!

Friends of Kaw Point Park, 1403 Fairfax Trafficway, Kansas City, KS 66115, Time: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Please do not go to an employee's unit. When the office/maintenance shop is closed, that is an employees personal time and it should not be interrupted. If you have a maintenance need please call the ON-CALL phone at 913-948-2211. If you have an administrative need contact the office during regular business hours.

OFFICE DUMPSTER

The office dumpster will be locked after business hours. If you would like access to the dumpster call the office. You will be given a one-time four digit number that will be good for 24 hours. DO NOT PUT TRASH AROUND THE DUMPSTER. We will review the security camera footage and you will be charged!

Unified Government Commission Meeting Update

At a meeting of the Unified Government Board of Commissioners, the Unified Government Public Health Department (UGPHD) leadership as well as Dr. Steve Stites, Chief Medical Officer with the University of Kansas Health System, presented current COVID-19 data to the UG Commission. Some statistics about the current status of COVID-19 in Wyandotte County include:

- The rolling 7-day average of cases per day is up to 77 new cases per day – the highest rate since late January 2021, and nine times higher than the average cases per day just two months ago.
- The positivity rate (a 7-day rolling average of positive test percentages) has climbed to 32 percent, as high as it was in mid-January 2021, and more than four times higher than the positivity rate in May 2021.
- Two-thirds of current positive cases in Wyandotte County are among children and young adults under 40 years of age (see chart “Cases in Past 14 Days by Age Group” in Addendum section)
- The vast majority of hospitalized cases of COVID-19 are in people who have not been vaccinated

UGPHD leaders and Dr. Stites said they are especially concerned about the presence of the Delta Variant in Wyandotte County and the metro area because it is much more transmissible than prior types of COVID. Because of low vaccination rates in Wyandotte County, the Delta Variant is causing significant spread of COVID-19 throughout the community. UGPHD leaders noted that Wyandotte County and the Kansas City area are experiencing “uncontrolled community spread” (deemed “HIGH” spread by the CDC).

“Given the rapid surge of new COVID-19 cases in Wyandotte County, we had a tremendous sense of urgency to recommend that the Commission take action,” said Dr. Allen Greiner, Chief Medical Officer for the Unified Government Public Health Department. “The vast majority of our new cases are among unvaccinated people, and we know that most of these cases are the Delta variant, which spreads more easily than other types of COVID. The best way to protect everyone in our community is for everyone to wear a mask in public places and for those who are eligible, to get vaccinated as soon as possible.”

What is Covered by the Mask Order Individuals age five and older must wear masks over the nose and mouth when:

- Inside any public space including businesses and places of worship;
- Obtaining services from the healthcare sector in settings including, but not limited to, a hospital, pharmacy, medical clinic, laboratory, physician or dental office, vaccination site, COVID-19 testing site, veterinary clinic, or blood bank (unless otherwise directed by an employee or healthcare provider);
- Waiting for or riding on public transportation or while in a taxi, private car service, or ride-sharing vehicle; and

All businesses or organizations in Wyandotte County must require all employees, customers, visitors, members, or members of the public to wear a mask or other face covering when:

- Employees are working in any space visited by customers or members of the public, regardless of whether anyone from the public is present at the time; or
- Employees are working in an indoor space; or
- Employees are working in any space where food is prepared or packaged for sale or distribution to others; or
- In any indoor space where members

“We have thousands of children under the age of 12 in Wyandotte County who can’t get vaccinated yet,” said Juliann Van Liew, Director of the Unified Government Public Health

Department. “Those children will be back in schools within a few weeks. The best way we, as a community, can protect them is to wear masks and for everyone around them who is eligible to get vaccinated. The Delta variant is resulting in more COVID cases among children than previous strains. We need to do everything possible to protect our kids and those who are most vulnerable to infection. Wearing a mask is the simplest and quickest way for us to make a difference in current COVID-19 spread.”

Unified Government Public Health Department Issues New Recommendations on COVID-19 Precautions for Social Gatherings

This guidance is issued in response to the recent increase in COVID cases and hospitalizations, as well as the spread of the Delta variant. The UGPHD plans to closely monitor COVID-19 data for Wyandotte County in the coming weeks and reevaluate the gathering guidance in late September of 2021.

Guidance for people who are fully vaccinated

- Safest: Limit gathering size, and wear masks except when both outdoors and socially distanced.
 - o Outdoor gatherings: Choose outdoor gatherings rather than indoor gatherings when possible. Limit to 25 people. If six feet of social distancing cannot be maintained, wear a mask.
 - o Indoor gatherings: Limit to 10 people. Wear a mask and maintain six feet of social distancing.
- Less safe: If you choose to have gatherings larger than the recommended number of people listed above, please continue to wear masks to reduce the risk.
- HIGH RISK: Gathering without masks and without limiting the number of people, particularly if gathering indoors, creates high risk for the spread of COVID-19, especially the Delta variant.

Guidance for people who are not fully vaccinated

- Safest: At this time, people who are not fully vaccinated are strongly advised to avoid gathering with people who do not live in their household.
- Moderate risk: If you do choose to gather, please take precautions to reduce the risk of COVID spread.
 - o Outdoor gatherings: Choose outdoor gatherings rather than indoor gatherings. Limit to 25 people. Maintain social distancing as much as possible, and please wear a mask if six feet of social distancing will be difficult to maintain the whole time.
 - o Indoor gatherings: Avoid indoor gatherings whenever possible. If you do gather indoors, limit it to no more than 10 people, wear a mask at all times, and maintain social distancing.
- HIGH RISK: Gathering without masks and/or with larger numbers of people, particularly if gathering indoors, creates high risk for the spread of COVID-19, especially the Delta variant.

Please note that the guidance above is for personal or social gatherings. It does not apply to healthcare or public health clinics or events where free COVID-19 vaccines or COVID-19 tests will be administered. At this time, the UGPHD urges caution with large events to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community. If your business, organization, or group is planning a large event and you would like guidance from the UGPHD on COVID-19 safety for your event, please email epidemiology@wycokck.org or call 913-573-6712.

UNITS FOR SALE

Three Bedroom Down	Amenities	Owner	Phone	Price
836 Roswell	C/A	Pineda	913-220-3421	\$12,000
33 Viewcrest	C/A	Krueger	507-481-8328	\$25,000

ON-LINE PAYMENTS

The Homes, Inc. is able to accept on-line payments.

Go to our website at www.thehomesinc.com

At the bottom of the homepage click

"MAKE A PAYMENT"

You can make a onetime payment or create an account to make reoccurring payments.



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COVID-19 VACCINE AND TESTING HOURS



All of our services are free.

UGPHD's Kmart Vaccination Site

Former Kmart building, 7836 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66112

Free COVID-19 Vaccines:

For people ages 12 and older. "Spin to Win" prizes available for people who live in WyCo.

Wednesday – Friday

10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

COVID-19 PCR Saliva Testing:

Please don't eat, drink, smoke, or chew gum (nothing by mouth) for at least 30 minutes prior. Also available at your doorstep WycoHelp.org

Monday – Friday

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Back-to-School Childhood Immunizations

Free - For children without health insurance or who are insured through KanCare (Medicaid)

Please bring the child's Vaccination Record or a note from their school nurse saying which vaccine the child needs.

**Wednesdays
12:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

August 4

August 11

August 18

August 25



Request a ride to
a vaccine site:



WycoVaccines.org



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SEPTEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Office and Credit Union closed in observance of Labor Day	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Board Meeting	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	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. AA Hotline – 816-471-7229

10. Where can you be vaccinated in Wyandotte County?