# THE RENAISSANCE

Official Newsletter of Renaissance Place HOA

## Renaissance Neighborhood Meet and Greet















The Board hosted a "Meet and Greet Your Neighbor" fellowship on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at the Gregg Klice Community Center from 1-4pm

This was an opportunity to meet new neighbors and reconnect with neighbors you have not seen in awhile. Our very own neighbor and Third District-At-Large Councilwoman Melissa Patterson-Hazley, discussed issues and initiatives impacting our neighborhood and the Third District. Neighbors also had an opportunity to meet our KCPD assigned Officer, Patrick Byrd and Doug Luther, from HAKC,(Homes Association of Kansas City).

### Freezing of Real Estate Taxes For Seniors

One of the topics of discussion at the June HOA Quarterly meeting was Missouri Senate Bill 190 (SB 190). this initiative aims to provide significant tax relief to seniors within the county, targeting those who are eligible for Social Security benefits. The program's design essentially freezes property taxes on primary residences of those 62 years of age and above for primary residences valued below \$550,000. For additional information, please view the insert with this newsletter.

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### 4th of July Reminder

This is an annual reminder that the use of fireworks are prohibited in the City of Kansas City, MO, as well as within the boundaries of Renaissance Place Homes Subdivision. There are still residents who have wood shingle roofing, which is highly susceptible to fire and sparks emitted from the use of fireworks.



### Several Board Positions Will Be Vacant by December 2024

In December 2024, four board positions will become available, as well as an additional position that is currently vacant. This is your opportunity to serve your neighbors and help maintain our neighborhood's livable and vibrant appeal.

Please review the insert outlining the duties and powers of elected board members. If interested, please submit your name to Renaissance HOA18@gmail.com no later than Friday, August 5

### **Neighborhood Officers**

If you have a non-emergency issue to report such as, homeless camps, illegal parking, property nuisances, ect., please take advantage of the officers assigned to assist our neighborhood with these types of non-emergency issues.

Byrd, Patrick W Patrick.Byrd@kcpd.org

Ofc: 816-482-8506, Cell: 816-269-3164

East Community Action Network (CAN) Officers: PO Lisa Sidenstick #5711

Email: Lisa.Sidenstick@kcpd.org

Work cell: (816)719-8350 PO William Edwards #5150

Email: William. Edwards@kcpd.org

Work cell: (816) 937-3877

### **Sidewalk and Curb Repairs**

The Board will again solicit requests for curb and sidewalk repairs. Residents whose requests were not approved last year will be resubmitted again.

Please submit your request along with photos of the affected curbs and/or sidewalks via e-mail to renaissancehoa18@gmail.com; or P.O. Box 270223, KCMO 64127, if you do not have access to e-mail. Deadline: July 29, 2024.

Curb and sidewalk repairs are sponsored by PIAC, the City's Public Improvement Advisory Committee.







#### Let's Get to Know Each Other

Do you love taking a stroll around the neighborhood to get your steps in? Or maybe you have a green thumb. Better yet, maybe you love a good book. If this is your vibe, maybe you would like to start a walking, gardening or club. If interested, contact RenaissanceHoa18@gmail.com.



## Thoughts and Prayers

If you know of any neighbors who are ill, please send their name and address to RenaissanceHoa18@gmail.com

## Congratulations!

If you know of any neighbors who have noteworthy accomplishments, please send their name and address to RenaissanceHoa18@gmail.com

### **HOA Board and Officers**

**President** - Linda Jones

**Treasurer** - Carolyn Spears

Secretary - Kymberly Daniels

**Board Member** - Joyce Peeples

Board Member - Carla Smith

Board Member - Dorothy Ruffin

Board Member - Michaela LaBlance

Board Member - Chiquita Cobbins

### **2024 Upcoming Events**

Board Meetings August 13 6:30P

November 12 6:30p

**HOA** Meetings

September 11 6:30p December 14 11:30a

<u>Garage Sale</u>

September 14 7A-12 noon

DUMPSTER DAY October 5 9A-1P (Revised Date)

If you would like to volunteer, please contact us 30 days prior to the event at Renaissancehoa18@gmail.com. If no volunteers are received, dumpster events will be cancelled.



#### Section 8. Duties.

The duties of the officers are as follows:

#### **President**

a) The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors; shall see that orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out shall sign all leases, mortgages, deeds and other written instruments and shall co-sign all checks and promissory notes.

#### Vice-President

b) The Vice-President shall act in the place and stead of the President in the event of his absence, inability or refusal to act, and shall exercise and discharge such other duties as may be required of him/her by the Board.

#### Secretary

c) The Secretary shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the Board and of the members; keep the corporate seal of the Association and affix it on all papers requiring said seal; serve notice of meetings of the Board and of the members; keep appropriate current records showing the members of the Association together with their addresses and shall perform such other duties as required by the Board.

#### **Treasurer**

d) The Treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association and shall disburse such funds as directed by resolution of the Board of Directors; shall sign all checks and promissory notes of the Association; keep proper books of account; cause an annual audit of the Association books to be made by a public accountant at the completion of each fiscal year; and shall prepare an annual budget and a statement of income and expenditures to be presented to the membership at its regular annual meeting, and deliver a copy of each to the members.



#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

(5/11/2024)

Renaissance Place Homes Association RenaissanceHOA18@gmail.com

#### <u>Director – Safety & Security</u>

This position is responsible for being the liaison between Renaissance HOA and the KCPD.

Receive monthly reports from the KCPD to be shared with the Renaissance HOA Community,

Investigate how those with security systems can be useful to the KCPD when crimes are committed. Keep Renaissance HOA community abreast of what goes on in our community regarding safety and security.

Share updates in the quarterly newsletter and attend meetings initiated by the KCPD that may deal with our Renaissance HOA Community.

Enlist Renaissance HOA community volunteers to pull together a safety plan for our Renaissance HOA Community.

#### Director - Covenant, By-Laws, Rules and Declarations

Responsibilities include interpretations, documenting requests and submitting to the board for review and approval.

#### <u>Director – Architecture</u>

Responsible for administering and making sure they are adhered to as noted in the Declarations and bylaws. Fences, painting, common areas, solar panels, etc.

#### **Director - City and Community Activities**

Keep the Renaissance HOA Community aware of city and community activities that may affect our HOA. This may include attending city meetings that may affect our Renaissance HOA Community.

#### <u>Director – Hospitality</u>

Responsible for welcoming new HOA members into the community. Sending out condolences when needed. Assist with HOA functions such as Meet and Greet, Fish Fry, etc.

### Senior Property Tax Credit Program

As a response to the passing of Missouri Senate Bill 190 (SB190) in 2023, this initiative aims to provide significant tax relief to seniors within the county, targeting those who are eligible for Social Security benefits. The program's design essentially freezes property taxes on primary residences of those 62 years of age and above for primary residences valued below \$550,000.

#### Eligibility

To be eligible for the Senior Property Tax Credit Program, applicants must live in Jackson County and be of Social Security retirement age. It's important to note that eligibility does not require the applicant to be currently receiving Social Security benefits, only that they are of the age to do so. Applicants must be the property owner or have a legal or equitable interest in the home. They must also be liable for the payment of real property taxes on the home.

#### **Application Process**

You must apply to take advantage of this tax credit. The initial application deadline for the year is December 31, 2024. This deadline is crucial for those looking to benefit from the program for the current tax year.

#### **How and Where to Apply**

Interested applicants may <u>click here</u> to begin the application process online. The paper application can be found by <u>clicking here</u>, or in person at a Collection Department location (Jackson County Courthouse: 415 E 12<sup>th</sup> St, Suite #100, Kansas City, MO 64106 OR Historic Truman Courthouse: 112 W. Lexington Ave, Suite #114, Independence, MO 64050).

Upon completion of the paper form, the application and supporting documents may be emailed to <a href="mailto:SeniorApplication@jacksongov.org">SeniorApplication@jacksongov.org</a>. Applicants may submit by mail, submit in person, or place in exterior drop boxes at either location above, unless the application was completed online. Applicants will be notified of approval by email or by mail.

For more detailed information on the program, including any required documentation and the complete application process, please refer to <u>Jackson County's official</u> <u>website</u> or contact their tax collection department directly. The county's dedication to aiding its senior residents is evident through this program, providing a valuable resource to help manage the financial implications of property taxes.