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Hyde Park Neighborhood Yard Sales 2021

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It's warming up again - and we know what that means... yard sales!! Participate in our great neighborhood event by hosting a garage or yard sale, walking the neighborhood to meet your neighbors, and scoring some great deals!

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association will be putting up yard signs, advertising, and creating a map of HPNA association member sales. Any neighborhood association members households who would like to be included on the map need to fill out this form here: tinyurl.com/hpyardsale2021

Questions?
Contact Danica Lyons
at spanica@gmail.com.

HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE
Saturday | June 12, 2021



HISTORIC HYDE PARK HOMES TOUR UPDATE

The Homes Tour committee is hard at work securing homes and working on details for the Friday Night Gala. This year's gala will be at the Delta Athenaeum. We are very excited to have secured this historic Hyde Park event venue and will share more details about the event soon.

The committee always welcomes neighbors interested in volunteering the day of the tour, Saturday, October 2, 2021. If you are interested in volunteering, contact co-chair Derek Moore at derek.matthew.moore@gmail.com.

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Meetings & More

All in person meetings have been cancelled, sign up for HPNA emails for updated meeting info: <https://hydeparkkc.org/subscribe/>

Monthly Meetings –

HPNA Board: Second Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Meetings:
Third Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.

Crime and Safety: Officers meet with neighbors monthly at 7pm on the last Thursday of the month from Jan-Oct. Currently meetings are being conducted virtually, visit <https://www.facebook.com/hydeparkkc> for log in information on the day of each meeting.

The HP Playgroup: Playgroup has been suspended due to COVID-19. Contact Megan Sawyer for updates megan.m.sawyer@gmail.com.

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Ready to join or renew your HPNA Membership? Memberships are for the calendar year and start at \$35/household. Ways to join and pay dues:

- Online at <https://hydeparkkc.org/join-the-hpna>
- By mail to HPNA, P.O. 32551, Kansas City, MO 64171

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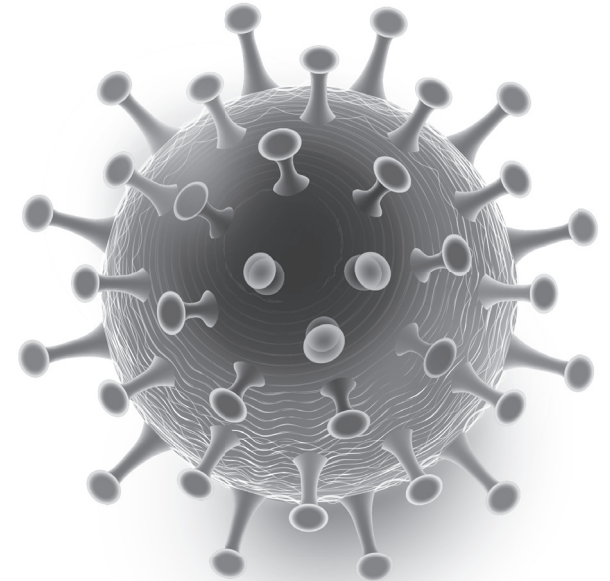
COVID-19 Vaccine Info

Missouri residents can get the latest vaccine safety and eligibility information at covidvaccine.mo.gov. Governor Parson activated Phase 3 on April 9 and all adults are now currently eligible for vaccination. For information on the benefits of being vaccinated, visit the Center for Disease Control's COVID-19 vaccine page at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/vaccine-benefits.html>. Some information the CDC is asking everyone to keep in mind:

- All COVID-19 vaccines currently available in the United States have been shown to be highly effective at preventing COVID-19
- Experts believe that getting a COVID-19 vaccine may help keep you from getting seriously ill, even if you do get COVID-19
- Getting vaccinated may help protect people around you, especially those at increased risk of severe illness

Vaccines may be available through:

- **Mass Vaccination Events:** https://covidvaccine.mo.gov/events/#region_a
 - **HCA Midwest:** <https://hcamidwest.com/covid-19/COVID-19-vaccine-information/>
 - **Truman Medical Center:** <https://www.trumed.org/forms/covid-19-vaccine-wait-list/> or call 816-404-CARE to sign up for TMC's vaccine waiting list.
- Or by appointment at local pharmacies including:
- **CVS:** <https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine>
 - **Walgreens:** <https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19/location-screening>
 - **Walmart:** <https://www.walmart.com/cp/flu-shots-immunizations/1228302>



None of the authorized and recommended COVID-19 vaccines or COVID-19 vaccines currently in development in the United States contain the live virus that causes COVID-19. This means that a COVID-19 vaccine cannot make you sick with COVID-19.

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Hyde Park Neighborhood Yard Sale JUNE 12

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Gene Morgan – In Memoriam



Longtime Hyde Park resident Gene Morgan passed away this fall. Gene volunteered in many roles for the neighborhood over the years including serving on the board of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association and numerous committees and projects such as the Pilgrim Run 5K, Dumpster Days, Neighborhood Banners, the Historic Homes Tour and Candlelight Dinner. “Gene always helped with our Pilgrim Center events, hands on, doing whatever needed to be done,” said Amelia McDaniel, Executive Director of the Pilgrim Center.

Gene was born and lived his whole life in Kansas City. He and his wife Judy always lived in the midtown area and bought their first home together in Hyde Park in 1972. Fifteen years later, their family had grown and they moved to a larger fixer upper in the neighborhood. Their daughter Courtney has many memories of her parents working together, putting their hearts and souls into the house. “They turned it into something incredibly beautiful,” she said.

Elaine and Bob Russell lived across the street from Gene and Judy for more than 30 years. They shared that Gene was “a thoughtful and kind man, and a great neighbor. He was one of the really good guys.” Anita and Dwayne Martin have been next door neighbors for just as long. They remarked how Gene loved to laugh, was always there to help whenever a neighbor was in need, and took the time to chat about big things and small. When asked if he would ever want to move, Gene was always firm in his wish to stay. He loved his house, neighbors, and the Hyde Park community.

Gene also enjoyed exercising and could often be seen jogging in the park along with his dogs. Judy remembers how his tall stature contrasted by the two miniature dachshunds was quite a sight. Their daughter Courtney shared, “I’m sure all the neighbors will never forget his friendly wave, as he jogged by with the wiener dogs, his big laughs, and his calm, caring presence.” Hyde Park neighbors and friends are collecting funds to dedicate a park bench Gene’s honor. Checks can be made out to the HPNA, with a notation in the memo line - Donation In memory of Gene Morgan - and mailed to: Hyde Park Neighborhood Assoc. Inc., P.O. Box 32551, Kansas City, MO 64171.

In addition to his work in our neighborhood, Gene spent his career dedicated to public service. He was appointed president of the Heartland Center for Behavioral Change in 1996 and served as the center’s leader until he retired. Rocio Lopez worked for Gene for many years at Heartland and has fond memories of him being a dedicated boss who was genuinely invested in the lives of his employees and the clients of the community center. Gene felt strongly about rehabilitation and that people could change.

Gene also served the community as a Jackson County Democratic Committeeman, and through his work with

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the Combat Commission, RAMP committee, People for Public Schools, and the Coalition for Kansas City Economic Development Reform. Gene’s daughter Courtney remembers him saying many times, “I just like being useful.” She shared, “It was just who he was, and we are all so fortunate to have experienced his presence in our lives.

The City Council of Kansas City issued a resolution following Gene’s passing and presented it to Judy as a “token of the genuine esteem and respect in which he was held.” Mayor Quinton Lucas and members of the City Council shared warm memories of Gene at their October 22 meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Kevin McManus said, “One thing I admire most about you and Gene is just how you were so in alignment in your

commitments to the city, to public service, to serving those who need it most in our community, and to making a difference. ... We are better off because of it.”

Gene and Judy celebrated their 50th anniversary in July. Judy often told Gene “that he was the best husband, dad, grandpa, brother, and friend anyone could have.” Gene was always Judy’s biggest supporter throughout her career as a teacher, counselor, union president, and state representative. He is survived by Judy, his daughter Courtney and her husband Robert, two grandchildren, his siblings, and many nieces and nephews.

Longtime neighbors Laura and Tom Zahner shared how Gene was “always there with sound advice and encouragement, always looking out for others, and always grounded by his faith in humanity.” His resting place will be at the Powell Garden’s Memorial Garden, where there will be a memorial plaque in his honor. A celebration of life will be held in the future. Gene was a valued and loved member of our community and is greatly missed by his family, friends, and neighbors.

NEIGHBORHOOD STREET SAFETY UPDATE

The Neighborhood Street Safety Committee was established by the HPNA Board at its meeting on February 8, 2021. Traffic and parking issues were the second most cited concerns of Hyde Park residents in a recent survey. The board appointed long-time Hyde Park resident and former HPNA board member Steve Mitchell as Chairperson. Board member Chris Koch is a member of the committee and will serve as the board liaison.

The committee is close to finalizing its membership. One must be a dues-paying/member of HPNA to be a member. The committee has adequate representatives from South and Central Hyde Park, but could benefit by having more residents from North Hyde Park on the Committee.

The committee is gathering ideas and information related to parking and traffic issues for the Hyde Park Neighborhood. The committee also is working on a Request for Proposals (RFP) to send to locally based engineering or other firms to conduct a traffic study specific to the Hyde Park Neighborhood. It is thought that such a professional traffic study will assist the committee in making recommendations to the HPNA Board and help Hyde Park in achieving goals in this area.

If you know of companies to recommend for the traffic study RFP or have other information or questions concerning parking or other traffic matters, please contact Steve Mitchell at 816-550-2687 or stephen.mitchell@lathropgpm.com.

South Hyde Park Neighbors Protest Development

A group of neighbors have organized a petition in opposition to the proposed KC Outlook project in the 4500 block of Troost Avenue. Residents Win Freddy and Erik Olsen were two of the organizers behind a petition and the website <https://www.kansascity4troost.org> which has information about the development and opposition. According to the KC Business Journal, Overland Park councilman Dr. Faris Farassati is seeking rezoning for a project that would include 108 apartments and possible office, retail, or restaurant space.

The development would include two 60-foot tall buildings and Farassati has applied for rezoning to raise the current maximum building height from 45-feet, require less parking, increase the allowable building square footage and frontage, and authorize building types that are currently prohibited without a special use permit. The developer is also requesting PIEA tax incentives, which according to the *KC Business Journal*, “could include a property tax abatement of up to 25 years and a sales tax exemption on construction materials.” Farassati attended the HPNA board meeting in May 2019, information presented at that meeting can be found at <https://hydeparkkc.org/kc-outlook-present-at-may-board-meeting>.



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Crime and Safety Update

Responses to the recent HPNA survey identified crime and safety as a continuing priority for Hyde Park residents. The following are ways that residents can be proactive in staying on top of crime and safety concerns in the neighborhood:

1. Attend monthly crime meetings

Every month (January-October), on the last Thursday at 7 pm, Hyde Park neighbors meet with the proactive officers for the neighborhood. Proactive officers respond to 911 calls, but they also use their time to address ongoing problems in the neighborhood. These officers are committed to working with community to make it safer. They often have great tips and advice about problems neighbors are experiencing. Please make an effort to attend these meetings. If you have questions or concerns, it is a great opportunity to seek advice and assistance. Even if you don't have an issue to address, it is good to attend the meetings to build a relationship with the proactive officers and other neighbors in attendance. The officers often report on general happenings in the area in the past month. Meetings are currently being held virtually. The meeting link is always posted on the Hyde Park Kansas City Facebook page the day of the meeting. If you'd like calendar invites emailed to you, contact Angie Splittgerber at asplittgerber@gmail.com.

2. Report criminal activity

Many crimes go unreported. For example, on March 11, 2021, there was discussion of reported gunshots near the playground in Gillham Park on a neighborhood Facebook group. The discussion noted that sirens were heard after the incident. At the March Crime Meeting, officers were asked about this situation. When the officers checked call logs to find applicable reports, they found that there were no 911 calls for this event. It was not reported, and the sirens heard were not responding to this incident. There has also been much recent discussion of catalytic converter theft on social media, however the number of reports made to the police is much lower than the number of thefts discussed online. It is important to report incidents to keep the community safe and ensure that the police department has accurate data for our neighborhood. Our police service is determined, in part, by reported activity. When we turn to social media and do not report, we are creating a situation where crime, and our neighborhood need, is under-reported. Do not assume that someone else has called to report criminal activity. Please do not fail to report because you think nothing can, or will, be done.

3. Sign up for crime reports

KCPD assembles crime statistics that are accessible to the public. If you go to the www.kcpd.org website, under the Crime tab, you can select Crime Mapping. You are taken to a page and asked to review and accept terms and conditions. Once you have done so, you are transferred to www.cityprotect.com. You can use that website to search for reported crimes near you and to sign up for incident updates by email.

Crimes reported March 2021 in Hyde Park:

Type of Crime	Number of Incidents
Theft (items taken from cars or yards)	12
Stolen Auto	9
Property Damage	7
Residential Burglary	1
Non-residential Burglary	1
Rape	1
Robbery	1 (business)
Domestic Violence Assault	2

Important Numbers:

- Emergency or crime in progress: Call 911
- Request a CIT Officer (Crisis Intervention Team) if you find yourself in a situation where you need to call law enforcement to intervene with a person experiencing a mental health crisis.
- Police Non-emergency: 816-234-5111
- Information: 816-234-5000
- Central Patrol at 1200 E. Linwood: 816-234-5510 (open 24 hours)
- Central Property Crimes: 816-234-5515
- To report a crime or an anonymous tip: TIPS Hotline at 816-474-TIPS or 816-474-8477 or use their online form: <https://www.p3tips.com/tipform.aspx?ID=452&C=659cd5>

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