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#### Monthly Meetings -

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

#### **Neighborhood Meetings:**

Third Tuesdays, odd-numbered months, 7:00 pm at Pilgrim Chapel, 3801 Gillham Rd.

Crime and Safety: Officers meet with neighbors monthly at 7pm on the last Thursday of the month from Jan-Oct at Central Patrol, 1200 E. Linwood Blvd.

**The HP Playgroup:** For updates, join the facebook group at: facebook.com/groups/167822493269853.

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# Hyde Park Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting

The HPNA Annual Meeting is November 15, 2022 at 7 pm at the Pilgrim Chapel (3801 Gillham). Agenda items include a short presentation on the City's Comprehensive Plan, the KC Spirit Playbook, which is currently in development, a Homes Tour Report, and Board Elections and voting on the 2023 Budget. We will also have t-shirts and posters available for purchase (cash preferred).

See the proposed 2023 budget on page 3

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FREE registration for our feel-good, family-friendly, holiday-fun 5K run/walk enjoyed by thousands for more than a decade, is NOW OPEN!

All participants who register before midnight on Wednesday, November 23rd, will receive a FREE entry which includes a custom bib and chip timing, as well as additional FREE pre-event programming like training clubs and support sessions. T-shirts with our new name and 2022 design will be available for purchase.

Register at https://www.pilgrimcenterkc.org/gillham-gobbletrot

# Big Brothers, Big Sisters

Jennifer Matney is a Hyde Park resident and longtime supporter of Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (BBBSKC). She talked to the Hyde Parker about her experience with the program and all the fun ways that anyone can get involved.

You've been a huge supporter of Big Brothers Big Sisters KC for some time now. In what ways have you been involved?

It started at a United Way "lunch and learn" back in 2003, when I learned about being a Big. Since then, I've been a Big Sister to three young ladies: Nesha, Aliyah, and Aryn. Nesha and I have now been a part of each other's lives for seventeen years!

I've been a team captain and participated in Bowl for Kids' Sake for well over a decade. I was on the board of directors for seven years, where I held the position of treasurer and chaired the Recruitment Committee. I'm now a member of the ambassador board. I've been a part of the Most Wanted Auction. Now I always make sure I have a table for that event every year. I've also been a Match Maker since the program's inception, which is a great way to be involved and make a difference, just by donating any amount of your choice each month.

#### What's your favorite event at BBBSKC?

My favorite fundraising event is always the Most Wanted Auction. But besides being a Big sister, my favorite contribution has been more recent, as a member of the selection committee for the Ambassadors of Potential Scholarship, a scholarship program to support the higher education of KC Littles. It's truly one of the most rewarding things I get to do each year. I am always blown away by all the candidates. They give me so much hope for the future.

#### Why is BBBSKC a special organization to you?

I feel like I've grown personally through my involvement. To think back, from first getting involved in my twenties to now, I've grown as a person through my Matches. I've enhanced my leadership skills through my board involvement. I've built lifelong friendships with board members, Bigs, and my Littles. I've also had the pleasure of seeing how this program changes kids' lives, and it has definitely changed mine.

#### Share a couple of your most memorable experiences.

With Nesha, my first Match, I was able to take her to a fashion show. She was in awe at all the people and the glitz and glam. It was so fun to share that experience with her.

With Aryn, I helped her get the most perfect dress for her senior prom. She showed me a picture of what she wanted, but we couldn't find anything like it. Through the power of social media, I was able to find a designer who volunteered her time and custom-made Aryn's dream dress. It was such a fun process, and seeing Aryn glow on prom night was so special to me.

#### Tell us about being a Big at BBBSKC:

#### Why did you sign up to be a Big?

Selfishly, I was young and ambitious; I thought it would be not only a great thing to do but also a résumé builder. But after only a couple of months, I quickly realized I was going to get so much more out of the relationship with Nesha than I thought I would give. I grew so much as a person and loved the friendship we built.

#### What are some milestones you've been through together?

I was there when Nesha and Aryn each graduated high school. Those were very proud moments for me, watching them graduate, especially knowing how important it was for them. I was there for each of them when they had babies—Nesha three years ago, and Aryn about one year ago. I've watched them grow into successful women who love what they do and who now are mothers.

#### Why should people get involved with and support BBBSKC?

If you like mentoring and learning about new people and want to make a difference in a young person's life, you should be a Big. I've had important moments with both Nesha and Aryn, but there were so many small moments—just doing basic errands together on a Saturday and hearing about what was going on in their life.

There's a strong need for Bigs in the KC metro/Hyde Park area. What advice would you give to someone curious about being a Big in our neighborhood? What are some adventures you'd recommend for Bigs and Littles in the neighborhood?

My advice is to attend an information session or to talk to me about being a Big. The first step is just learning more. So many people think they don't have the time, but it's not that time-consuming. I brought my Little with me to Target or the grocery store. It is not always about an extravagant experience. And the awesome thing is that BBBSKC provides many free opportunities for cool experiences, so Bigs don't have to come up with ideas.

For those in Hyde Park, there's the Hyde Park Historic Homes Tour—that's a great activity to do with a Little. A walk in the park, or just in the neighborhood, looking at all the great architecture, makes for a good activity. Or a Big could take their Little to the River Market on a Saturday and experience the farmers market and all the great vendors.

For more information email info@bbbskc.org

## New Website Soft Launch

Almost one year ago, the HPNA webite was hacked and almost all deleted. We were able to regain content sufficient to have a basic website available. But functionality was a challenge. The Board asked the Communications Committee to facilitate a new website that would reflect the vibrancy of the neighborhood, make dues payments easier, and allow for simpler maintenance by our volunteers instead of relying on professional assistance. The Committee, consisting of Crissy Dastrup, Lisa Alpert, Brynn Brichet, and Bryan Danaher, worked with a consultant to achieve such a result. The new website soft launched on October 27, 2022. While there are some tweaks to be made, we hope this website will serve us well for years to come. Please visit us at www.hydeparkkc. org and let us know what you think! We'd love to fill this site with helpful information for neighbors and could use your suggestions about what content to add. We also hope to develop some HP merchandise for purchase and are curious what you think we should offer. If you'd like to test it out for us by paying dues early, any dues payments made after November 1, 2022 will be applied as your 2023 membership. Comments can be sent to 2ndvp@hydeparkkc.org.



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# There's Still Time to Secure Your Hyde Park Membership!

You can join the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association at any time of the year, why not now? Your membership dues help support Newsletter Production and Mailing, the Hyde Park Homes Tour, Website Maintenance, Social Events, Streetlight Banners, Matching Funds for Grants, Neighborhood Cleanups and more! Most importantly, members have voting rights to elect Board members and help determine how the neighborhood budgets fund responds to developments and positions on City issues that impact our neighborhood.

**Join online at www.hydeparkkc.org** by clicking on the Association tab and using a credit/debit card. Or **renew by mail by sending a check to the HPNA**, P.O. Box 32551, Kansas City, MO 64171. Checks should be made out to the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association and please include your name, address, and email for a receipt.

#### 2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2023	2022 thru Sept	2022
INCOME			
Membership Dues	\$10,500	\$12,020	\$9,000
Event Income			
Candlelight Gala		-	8,000
Homes tour			26,000
Hyde Parker Advertising	800	670	800
Interest	25	16	25
Miscellaneous	200	541	200
Total Income	\$11,525	\$13,247	\$44,025
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Administration			
Website Expansion/Maintenance	2,000	796	6,400
Memberships	300	312	150
Postage	100		100
License & Permits	250		250
Insurance	600	543	1,750
Office Supplies	300	270	300
Other/Historian	100		100
Bank Service Charges	50	26	50
Charge Card Fees	400	298	600
Square Fees	-		25
Total Administration	4,100		9,725
"The Hyde Parker"			
Printing	6,200	3,790	6,200
Postage			500
Total Hyde Parker	6,200		6,700
Programs			
Crime and Safety	-		-
Publicity, Image & Visibility	540	483	500
Cleanup (Dumpsters)	500	240	450
Graffiti Removal	250		250
Neighborhood Planting	2,000	1,062	2,000
Garage Sale	200	50	500
Community Sponsorships	2,500		500
Social Committee	1,000		1,000
Total Programs	6,990		5,200
Events			
Candlelight Gala			8,000
Homes Tour			20,000
<b>Total Events</b>			28,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 17,290		\$ 49,625
Net Income(Loss)	\$ (5,765)		\$ (5,600)

# Thank you to our Dumpster Day Volunteers!

Thanks to these neighbors for helping make our September 24th Dumpster Day a success!

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Allan Hallquist Andrew Appel
Jennifer Cruz Claude Page
Franck Brichet Barb Loots

Liza Galindo

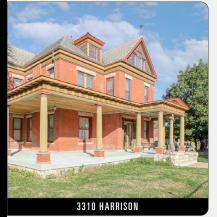
And a very grateful shout out to Troy Batson for organizing the 2022 Dumpster Days!

Special thanks to Heather Myer, a real estate agent for Keller Williams Key Partners: Inhabit KC, for sponsoring the September dumpsters!



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