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NEWS

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Smoke Detectors Save Lives

National Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 5-11) is focused on testing your smoke detectors. Many home fire deaths result from fires where a smoke detector was present but did not sound. Derby Fire & Rescue encourages residents to test their smoke detectors monthly to make sure they are working properly.

Here are a few reasons why:

- Having a working smoke detector in the home cuts the risk of death in half.
- Three out of five home fire deaths each year happen when there are either no smoke detectors or no working smoke detectors in the home.
- In one out of four home fire deaths, smoke detectors were present but did not sound.

Derby Fire & Rescue recommends:

- Installing smoke detectors in every bedroom
- Installing smoke detectors outside each sleeping area
- Installing smoke detectors on every level of the home.
- Testing smoke detectors monthly.
- Replacing smoke detectors every 10 years, or sooner, if they do not respond properly when tested.



Development in Derby

Clearwater Engineering

The Derby City Council approved a five-year property tax abatement for Clearwater



Engineering which could be extended for up to 10 years based on employment and expansion. The new business will be located in the former Q Corporation building at Market and River streets in the West End.

Derby Rock Centre

Located south of Emprise Bank at Rock Road and Patriot Ave., Derby Rock Centre is under construction. The anchor of this building will be Derby Orthodontics. There is also space for other future tenants.

Security 1st Title

Security 1st Title is relocating to 1726 Walnut Grove (pictured below). The building is being remodeled and will have space for two additional tenants.



Pumpkin Patch Block Party

Saturday, Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Rock River Rapids, 1900 E. James

The City of Derby, Weigand Realtors and Verus Bank invite you and your family to celebrate the fall season at the Rock River Rapids parking lot.



The event includes free pumpkins (while they last), hot dogs, treats, the Derby Fire & Rescue Safety House and Derby Police Department Ident-A-Kid. Derby Public Works will have its Water Conservation display there and Derby Senior Services will provide information as well.

State Farm Agent Rael Hodgson will hold a bike rodeo to teach kids about bicycle safety. The Kansas Highway Patrol and Sedgwick County EMS, Sheriff, Health Department, 911 and Emergency Management will also have displays.

Veterans Memorial Celebration

Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 2 p.m.
Garrett Park, 1100 E. Chet Smith

The City of Derby and Derby Community Foundation invite you to the annual Veterans Day Celebration at Garrett Park.

The Walk of Freedom Veterans Memorial features a new entry plaza with a permanent memorial for Col. Merlyn Hans Dethlefsen, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient and former Derby resident.

The memorial will serve as a reminder of the sacrifice Col. Dethlefsen made for his country. The entry plaza will honor Derby area veterans included in the five stations (one for each branch of the military) of the Walk of Freedom memorial.



Community Enrichment Grants

The deadline for Community Enrichment Grant applications is Nov. 22.

Grants of up to \$2,500 are available to local non-profit organizations doing meaningful or innovative work to benefit the Derby community. Visit www.derbycf.org to learn more.



Mayor Avello: Experience Derby

Dear Resident:

The Fall Parade of Homes is a great reason to invite your friends and family to Derby. As someone who lives and plays here, you are an expert on Derby, our schools and everything this community has to offer.



The Fall Parade of Homes includes ten Derby homes and is held the first three weekends in October from noon to 6 p.m. If your family or friends aren't looking for a new home, there are also many established neighborhoods in Derby to choose from.

In recent years, Derby has been recognized as one of the most affordable suburbs in America, a best place to retire in Kansas, one of the safest cities in Kansas, a Playful City USA and a 25-year Tree City USA because of Derby's commitment to providing inviting parks and green spaces for residents. In addition, Derby also has the third lowest taxes in the Wichita metro area.

For a full list of homes on the Fall Parade, visit www.derbyks.com/POH. If you are looking for other ideas to keep your guests busy, there's a Panther football game on Oct. 10 vs. Wichita South and the Derby Antique Market Outdoor Yard Sale/Flea Market on Oct. 4 and Oct. 18 at Rock Road and Madison Avenue. You can find other events on our Community Calendar at www.derbyks.com.



Sincerely,
Dion Avello, Mayor and Derby resident for 33 years

Register for Operation Holiday

Derby Operation Holiday has been providing holiday assistance in Derby Public School district for 30 years. Assistance for qualifying families includes boxed and canned foods, food vouchers for turkeys and perishable items and toys for children 14 and under.

Applicants must provide the following documents:

- Proof of identification (photo ID)
- Proof of address (e.g. bill or letter from the last 30 days)
Must live in the Derby School District.
- Legal proof of Social Security numbers for all family members registering for assistance. (i.e. tax return, legal ID card, work visas, or green cards, birth certificate)

- Birth date of all family members
- Proof of income for all members of the household for the past two months (Sept. and Oct).
- Telephone number or number where a message can be left.

Registration Locations & Dates:

Oaklawn Community Center
2937 E. Oaklawn Dr.

Nov. 10 & 13	1 to 6 p.m.
Nov. 11 & 14	11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Nov. 12	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Derby Public Library
1600 E. Walnut Grove Rd.

Nov. 12	2 to 7 p.m.
Nov. 14	1 to 6 p.m.

Items will be distributed to families on Dec. 15.



Enjoy Halloween on October 31

Visit www.derbyks.com for a listing of community trick or treating events both on and around the holiday.

Things to Do in Derby

Friends of the Library Annual Meeting
Saturday, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m.
Derby Public Library
1600 E. Walnut Grove

The Friends of the Library annual meeting will feature guest speaker Cindy Higgins, journalist and Kansas historian.



Relive the glory days of the soda fountain where tonics and curatives evolved into refreshments like the Brown Cow, the Mudslide and the Egg Cream.

Sponsored by the Kansas Humanities Council.

Candidate Forum

Monday, Oct. 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Derby City Hall, 611 Mulberry Rd.

The Candidate Forum, hosted by the Derby Chamber of Commerce, is a moderated event with questions solicited from the community prior to the forum. Email questions to liz@derbychamber.com. It will be streamed live and available on-demand on the city website, www.derbyweb.com/channel7, and rebroadcast on Cox Cable Channel 7.



Halloween Hullabaloo

Saturday, Oct. 25 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Madison Avenue Central Park
512 E. Madison

Join the Derby Recreation Commission for an evening of spooky fun including carnival games, hayrides, moonwalks and zombie tag. Join the costume parade contest by the light of the moon. For more information, visit www.derbyrec.com.



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