

❖ CITY HALL NEWSLINE ❖

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National Fire Prevention Week

Oct. 4 - 10

In 2007, U.S. fire departments responded to 399,000 home fires. These fires killed almost 2,900 people. Eighty-four percent of all fire deaths resulted from home fires.

Someone was injured in a home fire every 39 minutes and roughly eight people died in home fires every day during 2007.

A fire department responded to a home fire every 79 seconds.

Sixty-three percent of reported home fire deaths happened in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

Burn injuries result in hundreds of thousands of emergency room visits a year. Thermal burns outnumber scalds nearly two-to-one.

Smoke alarms play a vital role in reducing deaths and injuries from fire and have contributed to the almost 50% decrease in fire deaths since the late 1970s. Properly installed and maintained smoke alarms save lives and protect against injury and loss due to fire.

For safety hints and fun activities check out the website at

www.firepreventionweek.org.

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Single Stream Recycling Coming in October!



New Recycle Carts Delivery Date October 9

Customers cost will not increase!

No more sorting! All items are to be placed directly into the cart.

No more bags to purchase.

Less chance of blowing bags in Kansas winds.

Uniformly cleaner look on pickup days.

No change to pickup schedule.

See insert for details.

CHANGE YOUR CLOCK



Daylight Saving Time Ends

Sun., Nov. 1

CHANGE THE BATTERY IN YOUR SMOKE DETECTOR 1 HOUR

FALL BACK 1 HOUR

ANNUAL K.G.C. NOTICE TO HALSTEAD GAS CUSTOMERS

The City of Halstead is required by The Kansas Corporation Commission to give annual notice to customers concerning gas leak detection and reporting of leaks. As natural gas itself is odorless, the chemical mercaptan is added to the gas system. This chemical can tip you off to possible leaks because it smells like rotten eggs.

To report a gas leak during business hours call the City Clerk's Office at 835-2286.

After business hours, please call 911.

IF YOU SMELL GAS:

1. Do *not* light matches.
2. Do *not* turn lights on or off.
3. Do *not* use the telephone in the residence.
4. If possible, notify everyone in the building to leave immediately.
5. Call the gas company (City Hall) from a nearby building.
6. Do *not* re-enter the building until the gas company has told you it's safe to do so.

**To report a gas leak
 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, M - F
 Call City Clerk's Office 835-2286
 After hours call 9-1-1**

As soon as the leak report is received by City Hall, a gas utility person will be dispatched to the leak location to ascertain the problem and advise corrective action.

COMING EVENTS

Single Stream Recycle Carts Delivered
 October 9

Fine Arts & Crafts Festival
 October 17

Single Stream Recycle Pickup Begins
 October 23

Halloween Howl
 October 31

Daylight Saving Time Ends
 November 1

Holiday Open House
 Nov. 12 & 19; Dec. 3, 10 & 17

Halloween

Howl....



Saturday,

October 31, 5:30 p.m.

On Main Street

Costume Contest & Parade
 Food
 Treats for kids!
 Fun for all ages!

Lightsticks & candy at City Hall

Watch local paper for details.

HALSTEAD FINE ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL

SAT., OCT. 17, 2009

9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

HALSTEAD HIGH SCHOOL



520 W 6TH ST

! DANGER !
Certain Older Gas Connectors May Be Dangerous

Gas connectors are corrugated metal tubes used to connect gas appliances in your home to fuel gas supply pipes. Some older brass connectors have come apart, causing fires and explosions resulting in deaths and injuries.

These older brass connectors have a serious flaw in how their tubing was joined to their end pieces. Over time, the end pieces can separate from the tubing, and cause a serious gas leak, explosion, or fire. To our knowledge, these dangerous uncoated brass connectors have not been made for more than 20 years, but many of them are still in use. The older these connectors get, the greater the possibility of failure.

Although not all uncoated connectors have this flaw, it is very difficult to tell which ones do. Therefore, **any uncoated brass connector should be replaced immediately** with either a new plastic-coated brass or a new stainless steel connector. Connectors can wear out from too much moving, bending, or corrosion. Connectors should always be replaced whenever the appliance is replaced or moved from its location.

WARNING: Only a qualified professional should check your connector and replace it if needed. Do not try to do this yourself!

The Biggest Little Chili Cook-Off in Kansas

Downtown Halstead, KS
 Saturday, October 3

Just How Good Is Your Chili or Salsa?

Put it to the test and compete against the best! Join us for a fun day of chili cooking, chili and salsa tasting and shopping.

For more information, contact
 Cory Harrington
 316-772-1902



Free Smoke Detectors & Address Signs

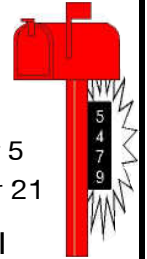
Halstead Fire Department and Troy's True Value

...will be giving away 1 smoke detector & 1 address sign each week

Drawings will be each Monday

First drawing - October 5
 Last drawing - December 21

Register at City Hall Monday - Friday, 8 am - 5 pm



FREE Green Fee with Cart Rental (Limit 2 people per cart)

Valid Monday thru Friday only
 Coupon expires 10/31/09

Must present coupon - no copies accepted

From US Highway 50 and Hertzler Road, Wedgewood is located one mile east, one mile north and 1/4 mile east.



Remember Visa and Master Card accepted for payment
WEDGEWOOD GOLF COURSE
 316-835-2991 / 888-808-8033

Blood Pressure Check At the Library
 Every Tuesday, 1 - 2 PM

October 2009



Burnsite Open - Saturday's 9 AM - 1 PM
 Closed Saturday, October 17

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
STORY TIME at the library every Tuesday at 10 am						
4	5	6	7	8 Golf Board Meeting 7:00 am, 240 Main	9 Single Stream Recycle Carts Delivered	10
11	12 City Council 7 PM	13	14	15	16 UTILITY BILLS DUE BY 10:00 AM	17 Fine Arts & Crafts Festival 9 am - 3 pm
18 Burnsite Open 9 AM - 1 PM	19 Planning & Zoning 7 PM	20	21	22	23 Single Stream Recycle Pickup Begins	24
25	26 City Council 7 PM	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween Howl 5:30 pm