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St. Andrew's Refreshes



For several years, St Andrew's Episcopal Church, 6401 Wornall Ter, has graciously hosted our monthly networking luncheons. Last year a downpour caused flooding, damaging the hall and ruining much of the flooring. Starting in February St. Andrew's is repairing and renovating the space and making other repairs to the church. The repairs are expected to last through March and we look forward to seeing them soon! Meanwhile, our March 15th luncheon will held at the SE Community Center, 4201 E 63rd St. (near Swope).

After Hours Business Exchange

Connecting with others is a great way to promote your business. Better yet, connecting over great area food and beverages is an outstanding way to promote your business. Enjoy a wide array of local food, beer and wine from local providers at this year's **After Hours Business Exchange: A Taste of Southtown**, from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, March 2 at Alphapointe, 7501 Prospect Ave. in Kansas City. See our insert, or to learn more about the event, our gracious host Alphapointe, or our presenting sponsor HCA Midwest Health / Research Medical Center, see the attached flyer and visit Southtown.org.



A Taste of
Southtown

Jewish Family Services Moves Into Its New Home

After outgrowing its Missouri offices Jewish Family Services (JFS) chose to renovate 425 E. 63rd Street chosen for the vibrant, community-minded neighborhood, and unmet community needs. After a successful fundraising campaign, the move was official on January 13, 2017.

Demographics indicate there are many area families in need, yet the neighborhood currently lacks a full-service food pantry. The new JFS home includes and approximately 2,000 square foot, full-service pantry with access by appointment, better accessibility to bus lines, easier building accessibility for families and older adults, a large community meeting space, and the strong backing of many community partners. The expansion enables JFS to meet the needs of 50% more people in Missouri. Additionally, JFS provides a breadth of programs and services, with the goal of helping people in difficult times get back on their own feet, including: Consoling and mental health services, emergency financial assistance, older adult programs, and employment services. JFS is excited to become an invested neighbor and community partner for years to come.



Join JFS for their community open house on Sunday, February 26th from 3:00-4:30 pm. RSVP's requested to RSVP@jfskc.org.

Thank You 2017 WALDO Members!

Thank you to the following organizations that renewed their membership with the Waldo Area Business Association through February 15, 2017

WABA Fair Share Members (\$200-\$400):

Armour Oaks, 25 yrs

Grade-A-Tree Care, 4yrs

Heartland Community Credit Union, 3 yrs



Members for 25+ Years:

Almar Printing*
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Angelo's Nursery
Avery's Hair Design*,
B E Tek Computers, Inc*
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Catholic Family Credit Union
Center of Life Chiropractic*
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Christ the King Church
Cobb, Jennifer
Complete Turf & Landscape
Cornerstone Foundation Repair
Crestwood Painting
District Pour House + Kitchen*
Dumit Rug Cleaners*
Economic Development Corp.
Edward Jones- Paige Fowler*
Elements Acupuncture/Chinese Med.
Explorer's Percussions & Drums*

Extreme Audio*
F3 Fitness*
Family Bicycles, LLC*
Firestone Complete Auto Care*
Fran Manning Massage*
Gregory Family Dental*
Hafkemeyer Motors
H&R Block*
Health Markets, Inc.
Heartland Yoga and Acupuncture
Hendrickson Tree Care Company*
Hiles Two*
HJM Architects, Inc.*
Holmesdale Healthcare/Rehab
Hutchinson & Assoc., LLC*
Innate Yoga Gallery*
Jerry Singer Auto. Services*
K9 Closet*
KC Coring + Cutting*
KC Insurance Pros- Kelly Benbow*
KC Needlepoint*
KC Zoo
KCATA
Law Offices of Kent Gibson*
LileStyle Productions, LLC
Lisa Schmitz Interior Design*
London Motorworks*
Mark Trokey's Auto. Services, LLC*
McLain's Bakery*
Morgan Miller Plumbing
Pampered Paws Grooming*

Parkway Wealth Advisors
PPG/Porter Paints*
Quest Wireless*
RDM Architecture, LLC
Real Estate Dynamics, Inc.
Recovery Tow Service*
Schloegel Design Remodel, Inc*
See-More Signs, LLC*
Sierra Pacific Mortgage*
Southside Carpet*
Studio Lo*
Sutherland's*
Taj Mahal*
Tanner's Bar & Grill*
Tommy's-The Happy Place*
Visiting Angels*
Villa Ventura*
Waldo Financial*
Wonderful Waldo Carwash*
Waldo Tropical Sno, LLC*
Wornall Automotive*

* Members through the Waldo CID

Waldo Area Business Association
Donations:

The Milens Company
Becky Beck

SHAMROCKIN' IT in Brookside!



Each year thousands embrace their inner Irish at the Brookside St. Patrick's Day Warm-up Parade. This annual tradition also attracts more than 100 parade entrants from around the metro, including floats, bands, dancers, classic cars and fire trucks, dogs galore, and so much more. Whether you join the parade, volunteer to help, or just enjoy the fun, don't miss out. The 37th annual parade starts Saturday, March 11th at 2:00 pm. For maps, parade applications, and other information visit BrooksideKC.org.

Explore and Save During Waldo Week 2017



Need a great excuse to discover all Waldo has to offer? How about getting 25% off select merchandise and services when you shop, dine or patronize Waldo businesses the week of February 25th – March 3rd. During this once-a-year event, twenty-one Waldo area merchants are offering special discounts ranging from 25% your favorite meal to 25% off fine jewelry, and 25% off growler fills to 25% off daily coffee specials. There's definitely something for everyone.

Waldo Mayor Stacy Neff describes the event as "a way to celebrate the Waldo community. It's a week-long festival of shopping and dining in one of Kansas City's oldest neighborhoods." While you explore be sure to get your passport marked to be eligible to win gift certificates from participating stores, restaurants, and services. For a list of participants and specials offered, visit WaldoKC.org or Everything Waldo on Facebook.

Southtown, Waldo and Brookside Monthly Events

March Monthly Luncheon

Wednesday, March 15, 2017*

11:30am-1:00pm

Southeast Community Center, 4201 E 63rd St

LaDene Morton: History of the Country Club District

Catered by Cosentino's Price Chopper

\$14 for lunch

* RSVP to Natalie@southtown.org by March 13th



Upcoming Events

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

PM Networking 5pm-6:30pm

Brookside Party Warehouse

103 W 63rd St

Waldo Week: February 25th to March 3rd

At participating stores throughout Waldo.

Visit WaldoKC.org and EverythingWaldo on Facebook for details and updates

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Southtown Annual After Hours: A Taste of Southtown

5pm-7pm at Alphapointe, 7501 Prospect

Saturday, March 11, 2017

Brookside St. Patrick's Day Warm-Up Parade

SHAMROCKIN' IT!

2pm Brookside Shopping District

\$25 Million renovation Starts on Troost Avenue

Renovation of the vacant office tower at 6724 Troost Avenue has officially started. When the \$25 million renovation is complete, the St. Anthony's — A Catholic Retirement Community will provide "a resort-type lifestyle" at a moderate price per developers Mark and Matt Ledom. The nine-story tower will be renovated with 120 independent living units, and two new three-story buildings with 48 assisted living units and 54 memory care units. Amenities range from covered parking, fitness/wellness center, cafeteria/bistro, spa, library, theater, chapel, dog park, garden and other social areas. Construction is to be completed in fall 2018, with residents moving in as early as June.

Troost Avenue CID president Matt Heinrich describes the project as "A great example of the progress being made along Troost Avenue. It's terrific to see this project continue the momentum toward revitalization." We look forward to watching the progress!



To learn more about this and other area projects join us for our monthly Planning and Development Committee meetings. For dates and times visit Southtown.org/calendar.

Proposed Bonds / Tax Increase

The City of Kansas City is requesting citizen approval of general obligations bonds and property tax increases with 3 questions on the April 4th ballot. The proposal includes \$800 million for upgrades and repairs to aging roads, bridges, and sidewalks, flood control projects, improvements to public buildings and a new animal shelter, all over the next 20 years.

The Waldo Tower Homes Association, Southtown, Waldo and Brookside hosted a town hall meeting at the Research Brookside Campus on February 6th. During the meeting, Mayor Sly James and City Finance Director Randy Landes discussed the proposal and answered questions.

Area projects include 63rd St. reconstruction from Prospect to Troost, Broadway/West Pennway bridge over KCTRR, Brookside Plaza St. improvements, Meyer Blvd. from Wornall to Baltimore, Paseo Gateway (Paseo Blvd. and Independence Ave.), Prospect MAX, and Wornall Rd. reconstruction from 63rd St. to 79th St. and from 85th St. to 89th St. To learn more visit KCMO.gov/infrastructure.

Thank You!

A special thank you to **Morgan Miller Plumbing** and **Southtown Council** for hosting our first PM Networking of 2017! We appreciate you braving the cold weather & supporting all of our organizations.



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