



*Creating a better quality of life
for Turner area communities.*

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER 2020

Christmas Party at Crosslines Retirement Center

Wednesday, December 11th was the date of the annual Christmas Party for the Residents of the Crosslines Retirement Center in the Argentine area of Kansas City, Kansas.

The South Patrol division of Community Policing, Turner Community Connection, Santa (Mark Magrel), South Turner Neighborhood Association, Morris Community Group and Neighbors on Watch come together each year to host the party. Many local businesses help by donating gifts and gift certificates. At

noon a delicious lunch was served. After lunch, Community Police Officers Nick Shafer and Steven Kopp drew numbers and each resident received a wrapped gift when their number was called. There was a second drawing for about 15 prizes. The grand prize was a 32" television. A basket of dog and cat toys was passed around and any residents with a pet got to select a toy. Each resident also received a grabber stick and a poinsettia.



The Retired Workers Association from the AFL/CIO Construction and General Laborers' Local 1290 Union donated 20 tins of Velvet Crème Popcorn for the event.

The Turner Community Connection Scholarship

Application forms are available in Counselor Suzanne Wilson's office. This is a \$ 500 renewable scholarship. Additional information is listed on the forms.



BPU Summer Work Program

The applications for the BPU Summer work program that is offered through Turner Community Connection will be available in February. Please see Suzanne Wilson in the Counselor's office at Turner High School.

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HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS



On Tuesday, December 17th and Wednesday, December 18th Turner Community Connection partnered with Hand in Hand to help bring joy to about 80 Turner School District families. Hand in Hand provided the families with gifts for their children and Turner Community Connection distributed Holiday food baskets for the families. The baskets included a 12 pound turkey, dressing, vegetables, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes and corn muffin mix. Hats were offered to the families for their children. Over 100 of the hats were handmade and donated by Ursula Lewis. Ursula is the mother of Barb Kill's son-in-law, Randy Shirk.

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28th ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY & SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET

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Saturday, February 1, 2020

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Social Hour & Vendor Stations: 5pm-6pm • Program 6pm

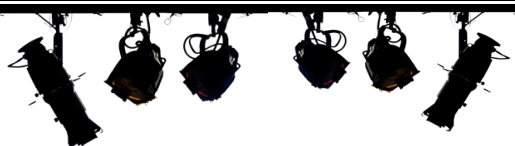
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NEIGHBORHOOD SPOTLIGHT

**Your Neighborhood
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Deadline for monthly submissions
will be the 2nd Friday of each month.

Contact 913-573-8737 or
via email at

livableneighborhoods@wycokck.org



Grant Opportunities for Neighborhoods

The Neighborhoods Rising Fund (NRF) is a funding collaborative that provides grants up to \$3,000 for high-impact community projects and neighborhood revitalization initiatives that help build stronger and more effective neighborhood organizations in low to moderate income areas throughout Kansas City, MO and Kansas City, KS.

Applications are now open!

Completed project proposals are **due March 2, 2020**. For more information, go to

www.alt-cap.org/nrf

Recycling At Your Special Event

Is your group or organization hosting a special event such as a block party, parade, festival, dance, conference, golf event, fishing derby, or a ball game? One way you can make it a green event is by recycling and not trashing the plastic bottles and aluminum cans that are used at your event. Livable Neighborhoods has some portable recycling

bins that your organization can borrow.

The portable bins consist of a foldable 3/8" steel frame with specialized plastic bags in which you put the plastic bottles and aluminum cans. Each organization is then responsible to recycle all the bottles

and cans. They can be recycled at the Wyandotte County Recycling & Yard Center at 3241 Park Dr., Kansas City, Kansas. The recycling center is open on Thursday through Sunday, April through November, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Weather permitting, winter hours are December through March from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is closed on holidays.

There are only a limited number of bins to be loaned out. Bins will be available on a first-come first-serve basis. Priority will be given to events in Kansas City, Kansas and Wyandotte County. The bins are available at the Livable Neighborhoods office at the Neighborhood Resource Center. The portable recycling bins must be returned by each organization to the Livable Neighborhoods office so they will be available for other events.





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Need a book? Visit a Little Turner Library!

Last semester, THS students in the Building Trades program designed and built four Little Turner Libraries to be placed around the community. The Little Turner Library offers a way to share good books to read. It's simple: you can share a book to the library that you think others might enjoy, and you can take a book that you are interested in reading. If you take a book, be sure to bring it back when you are finished so that others can enjoy it as well! The libraries are located at Turner Walking Park, KC Farm School at Gibbs Road, Turner Community Garden, and New Story Church. All of the libraries were placed in public areas that provide plenty of space and scenery to encourage residents to bring a blanket on a sunny day and enjoy the experience of reading outside.

Please note these libraries are not associated with the Turner Public Library and books borrowed from there cannot be returned to these libraries.



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Membership period is through December 31, 2020