# Prairie Ridge

# Don't miss this year's Ice Cream Social

Sunday, August 11 at Bennett Park

With the dog days of summer upon us, it's hard to imagine a new school year is less than six weeks away!

As always, Prairie Ridge residents can beat the heat before school starts with Sheridan's Frozen Custard at the annual Ice Cream Social sponsored by the Prairie Ridge Homes Association.

Join us at Bennett Park from 4:30 to 6 on Sunday, August 11, 2013, for free custard, door prizes, games, a bounce house, and the company of neighbors.

#### Calendar

July 1, 2013, 7:30pm Council Meeting, PV City Hall

July 4, 2013, 7:30am 17th Ann. VillageFest, City Hall

August 5, 2013, 7:30pm Council Meeting, PV City Hall

August 11, 2013, 4:30pm

Ice Cream Social, Bennett Park

September 3, 2013, 7:30pm Council Meeting, PV City Hall

September 7, 2013

Prairie Village Jazz Festival, Harmon Park

### STORM DRENCHES FUNFEST

#### BUT NEIGHBORHOOD SPIRIT REMAINS UNDAMPENED

The Prairie Ridge FunFest was held on June 15. Games were set up, the bouncy house was in place, the music was playing...

And then, the deluge started! As storms rumbled from the southwest, we tried to will them straight east as to miss our area.

But alas, they decided to descend upon Prairie Village at 3:45p.m. Winds and rain whipped through 78th Street, taking down a massive branch that completely blocked the road from the east. Finally the rain let up a bit. With our tent and one borrowed from BRGR, the show went on. BRGR brought burgers, hot dogs, tater tots, pimento cheese dip, and chicken strips for storm-soaked but jovial attendees to enjoy.

Despite the terrible weather, many Prairie Ridgers braved the rain to enjoy the company of neighbors and awesome food. Thank you for making the event the best success possible given the circumstances!

# Summertime housekeeping tips for the outdoors

It's that wonderful time of year when we can relax on our patios and entertain on the deck.

- \* Have you ever had a time when this peaceful event is disrupted by prolonged barking of neighboring dogs? It's not pleasant for us or our guests. Please be mindful of your pets when they are trying to protect you from those pesky rabbits or whatever has set them off on a barking opera. It's not music to every ones ears.
- \* If you were given permission to place a yard shed on your property, you may recall it needed to be constructed of material that can be painted. Your utility shed can be considered an extension of your home and should be kept in nice condition just like your home. Check it out and see if it needs a little TLC and paint.. Your neighbors that have to look at it will really appreciate your effort.

## President's Message

The first couple of months after our Annual Meeting are busy times for our board. Among other things, we are deciding which positions board members will be responsible for, completing our budget from May 1st to April 30th, and planning for our annual Garage Sale and Ice Cream Social.

As you know, in addition to these events, this year we decided to have a Family FunFest. John Joplin and Walker Phillips put a lot of time and effort into the details of this event. Walker's wife, Emily, created wonderful graphics for our flyers.

When working on the budget it occurred to us that you might be interested to know we included several donations: The Prairie Village Foundation, Santa America, the Walkathon at Briarwood Elementary, VillageFest, and the Prairie Village Jazz Festival. We also allocated for hams to our Police and Fire Departments during the holidays.

You may have recently been notified by the city about a new communications system. Those

who live, work and play in Prairie Village and Johnson County can sign up for important information about locations they care about through NotifyJoCo. You may register at <a href="www.NotifyJoCo.org">www.NotifyJoCo.org</a> online. If you do not have computer access, you can call (913)826-5555 and register your information.

Prairie Village currently uses Code Red for emergency notifications and will discontinue use of this system in the fall of 2013. You are encouraged to sign up for NotifyJoCo to continue to receive emergency notifications. You may also sign up for nonemergency notifications at the time you register.

We are fortunate to have such a wonderful pool, tennis complex and beautiful parks for our summer leisure time. Enjoy the slow pace of this season.

Margie Lundy, President
Prairie Ridge Homes Association

#### Prairie Ridge Homes Association Board

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