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# **Kansas City Police Department North Patrol Division News**

## Burglary Alert (issued April 21, 2004)

The west side of North Patrol (west of US-169), during daytime hours, has had approximately 20 burglaries in the last six weeks that are possibly related. The method of entry is forcing a rear door or window. Small items are being taken.

### What should you do?

- Set your home alarms
- If you are leaving town, get a house sitter
- □ Get to know your neighbors
- □ Lock your doors and windows
- Shut your garage doors
- Report suspicious activity

# When in doubt, call the police

When reporting incidents or suspicious activity to the police, make sure to give a good description. **Call 911 to report a crime in progress.** If you have any information about any past crimes or drug houses, you can call the TIPS Hotline at (816) 474-TIPS.

You may also call North Patrol Division at (816) 437-6200. With questions and comments, call Sgt. Jon Brady at North Patrol Division, or send him e-mail at JBRADY@KCPD.ORG



## "House To Watch" Program

Summer vacation? Leaving town on business? What to do? North Patrol Division's new "House to Watch Program" is the way to go.

If you are going to be away from your home for a few days, call us at North Patrol Division, 234-5540, and we'll keep an eye on your home while you are gone.

Please consider the following safety procedures:

- If you set an alarm, make sure you have a valid city permit with current contact information in case the alarm goes off
- Stop newspapers so they do not pile up in your yard or driveway
- Stop your mail
- Put interior lights on timers
- □ Have friends/neighbors check on your house
- Board your animals or have them fed by friends/family
- If you are going to be gone for awhile, make arrangements to have your yard mowed

When you call North Patrol Division to request that your home be checked by the police, make sure you have the following information:

- Names of people who have permission to be at your home
- Car descriptions of the people who have permission to be at your home (including license plates)
- Descriptions of vehicles left on your property (including license plates)
- Contact information and phone numbers (yours and a local person who can be responsible for your property)
- □ Dates you will be gone
- List of animals on the premise and what type

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### **APPLICATION FOR EXTERIOR CHANGES**

<b>DATE:</b>	PHONE:			
HOMEOWNE	R'S NAME:			
TYPE OF EXT	FERIOR CHANGE: Please cl	heck all that apply:		
	RAL CHANGE OR ADDITI deck, patio, porch, driveway,	ON: gazebo, hot tub etc. Not permitted: S	torage sheds	
		<b>ΓERIAL: Permitted:</b> ing, wood paneling, plate glass, Masor	nite, vinyl siding, or a combination	
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	OF EXTERIOR COLOR: Peterey, brown, tan, beige, rust, gro	ermitted: een, blue, cream, white. Please submit	color choice prior to purchasing	
	•	ETAINING WALL: bining with neighbors' fencing. Maxim	num fence height of 6 ft. <b>Not</b>	
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□ ERECTION	N OF PLAY EQUIPMENT, I	BASKETBALL GOAL, TRAMPOL	INE, ETC.	
	N OF PROPOSED CHANGI material samples, etc.	E: Please submit details including blue	eprints, drawings, pictures, photos,	
SUBMIT TO:	Jim Callier 4608 NW Normandy Ln Kansas City, MO 64116 453-6623	Richard Reed 4600 NW Normandy Ln Kansas City, MO 64116 455-8461	Visit us online at www.claymontnorth,org	
DATE RECEI	VED BY ARCHITECTURA	L CONTROL COMMITTEE:		
		AL CONTROL COMMITTEE:		

# **PET PATROL**

By ordinance and bylaw, dogs and cats should be licensed and restrained

All dogs and cats over four months of age in the city limits of Kansas City, Missouri, must be licensed annually. All dogs and cats must display a current license tag at all times. Licensing fees are administered as such:

Spayed or neutered animal: \$7

Intact animal (not spayed or neutered): \$30

Replacement tag: \$5

Late fee: \$25

Service animals and government dogs: No fee

The cost for licensing unaltered or fertile pets is higher than for licensing spayed or neutered pets in order to promote sterilization and to reduce pet overpopulation and starvation.



Also, keep in mind that all dogs and cats must be either kept indoors, behind a fence or in a kennel, or kept on a leash or similar restraint at all times. The city ordinance reads as such:

It shall be unlawful for any person owning, keeping or harboring any dog or cat to permit, suffer or allow the dog or cat to run at large within the city. For the purpose of this section, any dog or cat shall be deemed to have been permitted, suffered or allowed by its owner, keeper or harborer to run at large when found outside of the residence structure of the owner, keeper or harborer and not effectively physically restrained on a chain or leash or behind a suitable fence or other proper method of physical restraint from which it cannot escape.

Finally, don't forget to be a good neighbor and clean up after your dog when it makes a "pit-stop" in a neighbor's yard or on any of our community's sidewalks.

# Summer exterior projects call for CNHA Architectural Control Form

The Architectural Control Committee of the Claymont North Homes Association would like to remind you of the following section in the **Declaration of Restrictions for Claymont North**. This section provides that all changes made to the exterior of your house or lot must be submitted to the Architectural Control Com-mittee for approval. This procedure safeguards the interests of you and your fellow CNHA homeowners, and helps maintain the integrity and property values of our neighborhood.

#### **SECTION VII. RIGHT TO APPROVE PLANS**

No building shall be erected, placed or altered on any building plot in this subdivision until the building plans, specifications and plot plan showing the location of such building have been approved in writing as to conformity and harmony of external design with existing structures in the subdivision, and as to location of the building with respect to topography and finished ground elevation by the Developer or it's successor. The rights to approve plans as aforesaid shall be vested in an "Architectural Control Committee" which is hereby declared to be the Developer or its successors and assigns...

The documentation listed...is intended only as a minimum requirement and the Architectural Control Committee shall be free to request any and all other documentation that said Committee in its sole discretion deems necessary. All such documentation shall be submitted in duplicate and shall be signed by the party requesting its approval..."

To simplify this procedure, the Architectural Control Committee has created an application for you to use when submitting any proposed exterior changes. This application is printed on the next page of this news-letter for your convenience. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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# Winter Snow Removal Retrospective

The board of directors made a conscious decision last fall to improve the quality of our snow removal process before the winter season began. We did not feel that past service levels had provided sufficient quality for the funds expended.

The changes made included the following:

- Contracting with a new provider who would be more responsive than past contractors to storm activity
- Revising the perspective from "minimal cost" to "good service"
- Revising the perspective to ensure plowing for all snowfalls, not just those with more than three inches of accumulation

After last winter's unusually large snowfalls, we received numerous comments from residents who said they were pleased by the noticeable improvement in service.

The board had anticipated an increase in cost to provide the enhanced service. However, last winter brought several snowstorms with more than four inches of accumulation—in addition to two ice storms.

The combination of enhanced service and our surprisingly severe winter caused expenses to go up more than had been projected. The board is actively pursuing options to curtail spending for the balance of the year in order to minimize the impact for the year.

We feel the enhanced service levels should be maintained, and we will be seeking options to continue our more reliable snow removal next winter. Among the options we are considering is an increase in the annual dues. We will be assessing this idea as the year

progresses, and will provide an update in the next newsletter.



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# NORTHERN LIGHTS



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# The buzz about mosquitoes

The Claymont North Homes Association board has discussed plans for summer mosquito control. The majority of the neighborhood has expressed a strong desire for this service to continue. Therefore, we will continue to have treatments throughout the summer.

No matter what type of treatment is done or not done, there are some basic things that each of us as homeowners should do to minimize the level of mosquitoes around the neighborhood:

- Drill holes in the bottom of your recycling containers that are left outdoors
- Frequently drain and clean the bottoms of outdoor flower pots
- Keep roof gutters clean so they drain properly
- Turn over plastic wading pools when not in use; when in use, empty them twice a week
- Aerate ornamental pools and water gardens or stock then with fish
- Maintain swimming pools and drain pools that are not being used
- Eliminate standing water areas on your property
- Change birdbath water at least twice a week
- Cover boats or wheelbarrows or, when possible, store them upside down
- Don't dump clippings or garden debris into creeks
- Frequently turn compost or grass clipping piles
- · Remove old tires from any backyard area

Given the wetter-than-normal winter and the warmer beginning to spring, we could very well experience greater levels of mosquitoes this year. Following the list above and, in general, working to avoid any areas of standing water on your property will help.

If you still feel the need for additional treatment on your property, you may contact Hasty Mosquito Control at (816) 454-8115 for quotes about their localized services. This activity will be at the individual home owner's expense.

# Claymont North Calendar of Events

#### **JULY**

Independence Day Parade July 3 • 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM Begins at 47th and Normandy; join us for ice cream at the end



#### **SEPTEMBER**

**CNHA Annual Meeting** September 12 • Time TBA

#### **OCTOBER**

Fall Dumpsters (Brush only)
October 23 • 8 AM to Noon

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