

Crimson Ridge Neighborhood Updates



Thank you, Michaela Reynolds, for your tireless efforts which led to an incredible 2024 pool season!



The annual Crimson Ridge winter sleigh ride information will be posted soon. Thank you, Yvette Clifton, for your event planning efforts.



2024 DATE CHANGE REMINDER

Constable Sanitation large item pickup dates are the 4th Thursday of each month. Pickup dates and delays are posted on eNeighbors.

https://www.eneighbors.com/lh_11762226/event/calendar



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Crimson Ridge Homeowners Association Involvement

Homeowner participation in the Homeowners Association (HOA) is a not only welcome but vitally important to the beauty, safety and maintenance of our Crimson Ridge neighborhoods.



Due to cost and other factors, the Crimson Ridge HOA transitioned to self-management beginning January 2022. Self-management means the HOA board members volunteer to not only serve on the HOA board but also be responsible for all of the services many HOAs pay a management company to perform. The HOA board is responsible for vendor and finance management, event planning and scheduling, researching costs, codes, ordinances and laws, evaluating improvement or repair needs, reviewing ACC requests, communications, speaking with neighbors, working to resolve disputes, maintenance, administrative task, new initiatives and more.

Now in the third year of self-management, the Crimson Ridge Homeowners Association board remains focused and committed to the people, homes and common areas.

In addition to adhering to the Crimson Ridge declarations, there are many ways to get involved in our neighborhoods.

1. As a homeowner, you are invited to attend the bi-monthly HOA meeting. Meeting dates, times and locations are posted on eNeighbors calendar.
2. You may submit a General Request form via payHOA.com
3. You may volunteer to serve on the HOA board. HOA board nominations are accepted and voted on at the annual meeting in January. If you would like to be considered or would like to nominate someone, email the HOA Secretary.

Johnson County recently launched an *In Our Neighborhood* sign campaign, encouraging neighborhood connection. While the campaign is focused on the protective factor against violence, the community connection message is far reaching.

https://dashboards.mysidewalk.com/health_happenshere/neighborhood-sign-campaign



You have an important role to play. Please help make a difference in Crimson Ridge.

Crimson Ridge Solar Shingles Consideration

Energy costs and climate change is a hot button topic for homeowners nationwide. The increased focus on renewable energy has led to incredible advancements in solar technology including greatly improved solar product aesthetics like solar shingles. When our declarations were written in in the late 90's, no such technology was envisioned and solar was thought to be big, unsightly, clunky panels in the yard.



In an effort to answer our members request for renewable energy options, the HOA Board, in conjunction with legal counsel, is now considering modern solar product options as potential 'building materials'. This gives us the opportunity to selectively add solar without the need to change the declarations which means that Solar products would be approvable by the Architectural Control Committee.



More information will follow soon via eNeighbors and payHOA.



Fall is a great time to prepare your lawn and home for the cooler temperature months.

Lawn experts suggest September and October are great months to focus on prepping your lawn and garden beds.

1. Weed your gardens and keep roots insulated with fresh mulch.
2. Keep your lawn free of leaves.
3. Apply weed-killer to remove both annual and perennial weeds.
4. Keep grass cut between 3 and 4 inches.
5. Fertilize before the first frost.
6. Consider lawn aeration to break up the soil and let air, water, and nutrients reach your grass's roots.
7. Continue watering as long as possible.
8. Winterize lawn equipment by draining fuel, changing oil and filters, check spark plugs, clean and store in a clean, dry location.
9. Trim trees and shrubs as suggested by experts.
10. Add supports to delicate trees, shrubs or plants for assistance during winter storms.



Prepare Your Home for Fall and Winter Weather

As the weather turns cooler, don't forget to

1. Disconnect and drain outdoor water hoses.
2. Winterize lawn irrigation systems.
3. Clean gutters, removing leaves and debris.
4. Cover or store outdoor furniture
5. Clean and store delicate planter boxes or pots.



6. Examine snow clearing tools or equipment.
7. Restock ice melt.

Winterizing home interior is equally important to health, safety and well-being.

1. Check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Replace batteries and validate the equipment is in working order.



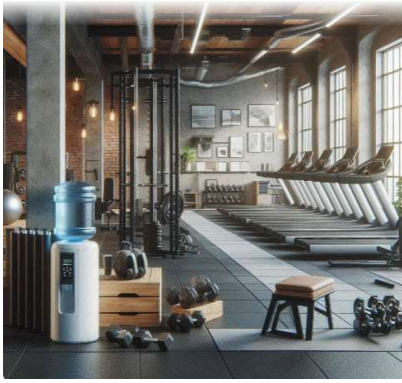
2. Have your furnace and water heater inspected. Replace furnace filter and adjust humidifiers.

3. Consider a chimney inspection and cleaning.



4. Winterize exterior doors by inspecting and replacing the weather stripping.
5. Reverse ceiling fans. Reversing your ceiling fans during winter creates a gentle updraft and recirculates heat down.
6. Inspect insulation. Assessing the state of the insulation throughout your home can prevent future issues. Add insulation to reduce heat loss through windows, leading to potential savings on heating costs.
7. Consider winterizing pipes (interior and exterior) that may be affected by colder temperatures.
8. Restore supply of batteries, water, emergency radio, flashlights/candles, blankets, food and winter jackets in case of power loss during a storm. Having an alternate source of heat may be beneficial as well (firewood, generator, propane fireplace insert etc.)

Stay safe and warm this winter season!



The Benefits of Keeping Your Body and Mind Active

For many, maintaining an active lifestyle can be one of the best ways to keep our bodies and minds healthy. Staying active can also improve your overall well-being and quality of life.

A few benefits of staying active include:

- Strengthen bones and muscle and increase balance
- Weight management
- Strengthen mental health
- Build stronger immune system
- Lower risk of serious health problems
- Lower your blood pressure
- Boost your levels of good cholesterol
- Improve blood flow

The winter months can sometimes limit outdoor activities however there is a wide array of indoor activities to keep your mind and body active.

Consider setting up a home gym or joining a gym that offers cardio, strength training, and/or Pilates.



Join a yoga class at a studio or online.



Additional options include kick boxing, martial arts, cross-fit, swimming, indoor tennis or pickleball.



Sleeping 7-8 hours a night is important for staying healthy and active, as well as helping your body and mind refresh and prepare for the next day.

Before starting a new exercise routine, or making any lifestyle change, you should consult with your doctor.

JINGLE!

JINGLE! is an immersive, enchanting experience, perfect for a fun seasonal celebration. Adventure through holiday themed areas: JINGLE! Village, Polar Park, Après-Ski and The North Pole. The event offers, pop-up storefronts featuring artisan vendors, specialty crafters, boutiques, and themed activity areas: Ice Skating Trail; Frosty Fury Zipline; Glacier Slide. There is also entertainment, food, drink, and so much more!

The event will be located at Legends Fields between November 22, 2024 and December 30, 2024.

Multiple ticket options are available for JINGLE! Experience the magic!

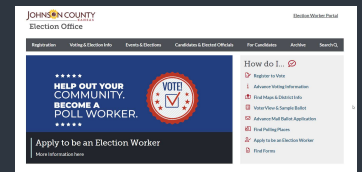
<https://www.jingleholiday.com/kansascity>



ELECTION TIME

Are you registered to vote or do you need to confirm your registration? The Johnson County Kansas Election Office has a comprehensive website to help.

<https://www.jocoelection.org/>



Election time can be overwhelming with campaign commercials and mailers, people ringing your doorbell or handing out flyers.

It's important to do your research. Get to know the candidates. Helpful resources include the JOCO Election website, candidates websites (mailers are a great website identifier), talk with friends, family neighbors, attend a rally, debate or meet & greet.

If you're mailing your ballot, triple check your information and mail no later than the deadline provided.

Advance voting?

<https://www.jocoelection.org/voting-election-info/advance-voting>

If you're voting in person, check your voting location here.

<https://myvoteinfo.voteks.org/VoterView>

Your vote matters!

