



Derby News Update

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Toy-a-Thon 2008

The 2nd Annual Toy-a-Thon will be held in the Derby Wal-Mart parking lot Friday, December 5 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The event is part of the KZSN 102.1 FM Toy-a-Thon Tour that will visit six cities in six days.

Residents are encouraged to drop off gifts or monetary donations anytime during the day. All proceeds will go toward Operation Holiday Derby and Communities in Schools (benefitting Derby students in grades K-12). The goal is to collect more than 2,000 toys.

KZSN radio dj's Dancin' Don Hall and Rockin' Rick Regan will be on site to promote the event. There will also be food, entertainment and a visit by Santa Claus.



The event is being organized by Operation Holiday Derby, Communities in Schools and the City of Derby.

Volunteers are needed for this event. Contact Leslie Arnce at 409-4494 or timarnce@sbcglobal.net to get involved.

Recycle Trees at High Park

Recycle your undecorated Christmas trees at the High Park chip site instead of leaving them by the curb this year. Here's what you need to know:

Dates: December 22, 2008 through January 9, 2009

Location: High Park Chip Site, 2700 E. Madison

Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day

Only Christmas trees will be allowed during this time period.

The chip site is open year round and accepts tree limbs and branches that are 10 inches in diameter or less.

Chip Site Winter Hours (November - March)

Monday, Wednesday and Friday - 7:15 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Saturdays - 8:00 a.m. to Noon

If you have questions, please call the Public Works Department at 788-0301.

Mark Your Calendars: Community Holiday Events

City of Derby Tree Lighting Ceremony

Thursday, December 4 at 6:00 p.m.

High Park Enclosed Shelter, 2700 E. Madison

Free and open to the public.

Refreshments, performance by the Derby High School Madrigals, visit by Santa Claus, lighting of a 25-foot tree and more!

Chamber of Commerce Shopping Event

December 4-13

This local shopping event, sponsored by the Derby Chamber of Commerce, kicks off at the Tree

Lighting event. The Chamber will hand out shopping

bags to the first 300 attendees. Local retailers will be open late on December 4 for Christmas shopping. Register at participating merchants for a chance to win a door prize!



Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 13 from 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Derby Recreation Center, 801 E. Market

2 - 9 years old

\$6/person for early registration and \$7/person at the door

At this family event you can eat breakfast, make a craft, and get a picture taken with Santa Claus. This event is being co-sponsored by the Derby Kiwanis Club.

Swimming with Santa

Saturday, December 20 from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Derby Recreation Center, 801 E. Market

4 - 12 years old

\$4/person

Santa Claus will be at the pool to welcome holiday swimmers as they enjoy a little water play time while mom and dad do some last minute shopping. Santa's helpers will accompany children under eight in the water. Milk, cookies and a talk with Santa will finish off an afternoon of festive fun.

City Recognized for Various Efforts

The City of Derby has been recognized in several different areas recently.

Working Well

In August, the City of Derby Employee Wellness Program was recognized as a "Top 10" Wellness Program by the Health & Wellness Coalition of Wichita at the annual Working Well Conference. Members of the City of Derby Wellness Committee attended this one-day conference in Wichita to learn ways to expand this award-winning program.

Raising the Bar

The City of Derby has held a United Way fundraising campaign among its employees for more than six years. This year, City employees raised \$12,060 for the 2009 United Way Campaign, more than a \$3,200 increase from 2008. City Manager Kathy Sexton accepted recognition on behalf of the City at the United Way Midway Campaign Luncheon in October.

Being Savvy

On October 23, the City of Derby received an "Award of Excellence" Savvy award from 3CMA (City County Communications and Marketing Association) for its Community and Visitor's Guide.

The Savvy Awards competition recognizes outstanding local government achievements in communications, public-sector marketing

and citizen-government relationships. The Savvies salute skilled and effective city, county, or agency professionals who have creatively planned and carried out successful innovations in communications and marketing.



approaches and programs.

The guide is part of the City's community marketing efforts coordinated by the City, Chamber of Commerce, Community Foundation, Derby Recreation Commission and USD 260. One other project coordinated by the Community Marketing Team is the community portal website located at www.derbyks.com

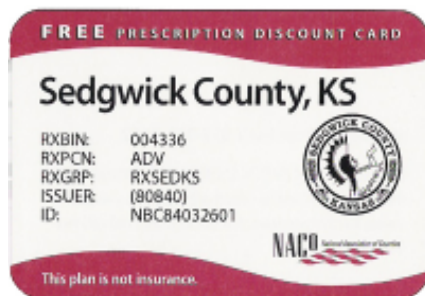
The Savvy Awards program also serves as an increasingly important forum for exchanging cutting-edge information and ideas among government professionals. Because local governments are in the spotlight now, more than ever, officials must react with creative

Spend Less on Your Prescriptions

If you are in need of prescription assistance and your insurance doesn't cover all medications, the Sedgwick County Prescription Discount Card is for you! This free card is designed

for all Sedgwick County citizens to get discounts (an average of 20%) on prescriptions that are not covered by insurance or Medicare.

This program is offered in partnership with the National Association of Cities, and should not be confused with an insurance plan. You don't need to fill out an enrollment



form, there are no membership fees and you can use the card immediately. Discounts are available at nine out of 10 pharmacies nationwide.

You can get your free Prescription Discount Card at the Derby Senior Center,

611 Mulberry Rd.

If you need to find the cost of medications or to find a participating pharmacy near you, visit www.caremark.com/naco or call 1-877-321-2652.

If you have additional questions, call Sedgwick County at 660-7673 or visit www.sedgwickcounty.org.

Have You Heard?

...The City Council appointed two new Council members recently. In September Chuck Warren, former Ward II Council member, was appointed to the Ward III seat vacated by Charlie Schwarz in August. In October, Heath Horyna was appointed to the Ward III Council seat. Read more about the Council members online at www.derbyweb.com.

...City offices will be closed three business days in November: November 11 for Veterans Day and November 27 and 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

...The Art Gallery at City Hall currently features a variety of works by the late Dr. William Durnil, Derby resident, chiropractor and artist. The art gallery, located at 611 Mulberry Road, is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



...City offices will also be closed on December 25 and 26 for the Christmas holiday. Offices will also be closed on New Year's Day, which falls on a Thursday.

...Watch live construction of the new Derby Public Library located at Walnut Grove and Sumac, just east of Tanglewood Elementary School. Visit www.derbyweb.com/camera.cfm to view the live streaming video of the construction site.

...There's a new business going in at the Derby Business Park. It's a classic car restoration business.

...Do you have a community event that you'd like to advertise online? You can advertise your community events on the community calendar found at www.derbyks.com.