



Derby News Update

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Fire Prevention Week: October 5-11

October 5 through 11 is National Fire Prevention Week. Derby firefighters will visit kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade classes at Derby schools (including St. Mary's and Faith Lutheran) to talk about fire safety and prevention.

Fire & Rescue personnel will teach students how to get out of a house during a fire, when to call 911, and to remind their parents to change the batteries in their smoke detectors twice a year.

Students will have the chance to tour fire trucks, try on fire gear, and see what firefighters look like in full



Lt. Charlie Little shows fire gear to students at Tanglewood Elementary.

protective gear.

Students can also take a trip through the Smoke House to simulate what it's like to be in a smoky room, feel for heat on a door, and look for a way out.

"Your home should be a safe haven," said Derby Fire Chief Brad Smith. "Please check your home for fire hazards, have an emergency plan in place for your family, and practice fire prevention techniques year round."

Visit www.derbyweb.com to learn about safety tips for

Have You Heard?

...Beginning September 1, 2008, the Clean Indoor Air Ordinance will be in effect in Derby, except for certain bars granted an extension to construct patios.

...The Derby Historical Museum is open on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

...The Derby Community Foundation will hold its annual fundraiser, "Wanted: A New Brand of Action," at Mattox Arena on September 13. Tickets available by calling 788-9815.

...Target and various other retailers in Derby Marketplace, will hold a grand opening on October 12, 2008.

...Anyone can advertise your community event on the community calendar, found at www.derbyks.com.

Health & Wellness Fair



2007 Health & Wellness Fair

City of Derby Senior Services is hosting its 4th Annual Community Health and Wellness Fair on Friday, October 10, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Derby Recreation Center, 801 E. Market. The event is free and open to the public.

The theme is "Go Green Inside and Out." Come learn ways you can improve your health and environment.

Services offered throughout the day include flu shots (Medicare Card or small fee), dental screenings, spine scans, glucose checks, lung capacity tests, chair massages, hearing and blood pressure checks, eye glass cleaning and adjustments, and much more. There will also be door prize giveaways and food and drinks available.

Take ownership of your health and well-being and join us for this fun-filled day. If you have questions, call Senior Services at 788-0223 or visit www.derbyweb.com/healthfair.cfm.

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Don't Flush Excess Medications



You've always been told to flush excess medications down the toilet when it's time to get rid of them. But, now we know better. The sewage treatment plants are not designed to remove the medications, and we don't want those substances in our rivers.

Instead,

take them to the **Household Hazardous Waste Facility** at 801 Stillwell in Wichita if you are a Sedgwick County resident. This way, there's no expense to you, and no expense to the environment.

The facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. (Narcotics or high-powered pain killers like morphine or Lortab are not accepted.)

If you are not able to use this facility, dissolve the pills in a liquid and add the liquid to kitty litter or coffee grounds; then, put it all in a closed, unmarked container and throw it out with the trash.



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Matt Engels Band Set to Perform Sept. 28

The final concert of the Derby Recreation Commission's Summer Sounds Concert Series is rescheduled for September 28 from 5-7 p.m. and features The Matt Engels Band.

Come enjoy the classic country sounds of the fiddle and the steel guitar as Engels and his talented band play country classics.

The concert is free of charge and will be held at the outdoor amphitheater at High Park, 2700 E. Madison. Entrances to the park are available from Madison Ave. and the newly opened north entrance located off



Meadowlark, east of Rock Road.

Concert goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets for sitting on the hill. Concessions will be available and coolers are allowed; however, no alcohol may be brought or consumed at High Park.

The Summer Sounds Concert Series is partially sponsored by the City of

Derby's A.C.E. (Artistic, Cultural, Entertainment) Grant program.

Sample music and additional information about the concert are available at www.derbyrec.com/summersounds.htm.

Auto-Pay Plan

Do you want to save time, gas or the cost of postage? Sign up for the El Paso Water Company's Auto-Pay Plan today. Simply mail or deliver a voided check with your next water bill payment. You will receive a monthly statement in the mail outlining your usage and date your account will be paid. Your bill will be automatically deducted from your checking account each month.

Questions? Contact the water company at 788-1424 or visit www.derbyweb.com/departments/el-paso-water-company.cfm.

Watch the Library Construction Progress Online!



Construction of the new Derby Public Library has begun, and you can watch the progress by visiting www.derbyweb.com. Here you will find a webcam that provides live streaming video of the library construction, which allows for 24/7 viewing of the library construction. Derby staff plan to create a time lapse video of the construction project by taking a snapshot of construction each day and creating a video upon completion of the project. The video will be available on the city website.

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