

HAPPY NEW YEAR
2023!

RED OAK HILLS Newsletter

Congratulations Holiday Light Contest Winners!

First place-6640 Lind Road

Second place- 6731 Red Oak Drive

Third Place-6628 Lind Road



Pretty Yende, Soprano (presented by the Harriman-Jewell Series)

Saturday, January 07, 2023, 7:00pm

Location

[Folly Theater](#)

300 W. 12th St
Kansas City, MO

Price

\$12.50 to \$75.00

Description

Born in the small town of Piet Retief, South Africa, soprano Pretty Yende has risen to the top of the opera world with unparalleled speed. With her magnetic charm, acclaimed operatic and solo performances worldwide, and a critically lauded discography, she has quickly become one of the brightest stars of the classical music world. Since making her professional operatic debut, she has been seen on nearly all of the major stages of the world, including the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, Opéra National de Paris, Metropolitan Opera, Teatro alla Scala in Milan, and Staatspoer Berlin, to name a few. This season, Pretty Yende will be on her US tour and will be in Kansas City for the first time as she makes her debut performance with the Series.



JANUARY TECH TALK

Sorry the December session did not happen due to illness. No worries, the January session will be January 14th at 11am. Bring all technology questions, no question is dumb. All questions will be answered.



Greenleaf Performing Arts Academy

Currently enrolling for Spring 2023 classes, Greenleaf was founded by Evi Wheeler as a holistic, Christian, and non-competitive performing arts academy.



“When Greenleaf was founded in 1999, we desired to offer a unique arts experience to children and families based on a worldview of nurture, delight, and growth for individuals and communities. Our goal is to follow the teachings of Jesus and honor the Holy Spirit’s work in and through the performing arts. While we understand that not all of our students or teachers will share our core beliefs, they are essential to our company identity and are Greenleaf’s most distinguishing characteristic. We are kingdom people living to see God’s glory revealed in His children! We don’t do this perfectly, so we also ask for grace and patience from you as we learn and grow alongside you.” – Evi Wheeler

Visit <https://www.greenleafstudio.org> for more information.

Snowkiting

Snowkiting is exactly what it sounds like: You’re pulled across the snow by a kite. However, the kite looks more like a small parachute and functions like a sail. Put on your helmet and strap into a harness that's connected to a kite. The wind will propel you across snow and ice.

New England lakes, which often freeze over during winter, are some of the best places to try the sport. Current hot spots include Lake Winnepesaukee and Chocorua Lake in [New Hampshire](#), Moosehead Lake in Maine and Lake Champlain in [Vermont](#).

Other locations of snowkiting include Eagle’s Nest Lake in New Mexico, Skyline in Utah, Park City in Utah, and Jackson Hole in Wyoming.

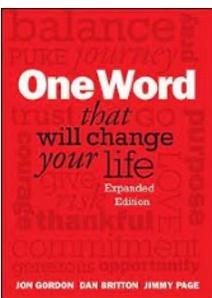
Nearest to us is Dillon, Colorado that supports snowkiting.



Visit <https://www.denverpost.com/2022/01/03/skijoring-snowkiting-speed-riding-colorado/> to learn more

No New Years Resolutions-Just One Word

One Word explains how to simplify your life and business by focusing on just ONE WORD for the entire year. The simplicity of choosing one word makes it a catalyst for life-change. Clutter and complexity lead to procrastination and paralysis, while simplicity and focus lead to success and clarity. By celebrated authors Dan Britton, Jimmy Page, and Jon Gordon, *One Word That Will Change Your Life* shows you how to cut through to the core of your intention for the next year. It offers an action plan and simple process to discover your word for the year. It also explains how your one word will impact the six dimensions of your life – mental, physical, emotional, relational, spiritual, and financial.



ICE SKATING AT THE CROWN CENTER ICE TERRACE (THROUGH MARCH 2023) In the midwest, wintertime means ice skating. Locals and tourists alike enjoy the atmosphere of the beautiful [Crown Center ice terrace](#). Admission is free for kids under 4 with one paid admission, and regular tickets are only \$8. Rent skates for \$4 or have your own skates sharpened onsite for \$9. January hours are Sun-Thurs 10am-9pm and 10am-11pm Fri and Sat. **Location:** Crown Center, 2405 Grand Blvd. Ste 200, Kansas City, MO 64108



KC RESTAURANT WEEK 2023

There may be no better time to visit a foodie city than during its annual [Restaurant Week](#), and KC's runs through the middle of January. Enjoy specials from 125 participating restaurants all around the city. Not only can you sample all the culinary wonders that KC has to offer, but you'll also be supporting a good cause as a portion of all proceeds benefits Guadalupe Centers, the largest Hispanic organization in KC. Dine your way with exclusive carry out, delivery, and dine-in specials featuring multi-course meals. This is definitely one of the most foodie fun things to do in Kansas City in January! **Locations:** Various. See [full list of restaurants](#).

Charcuterie Dinner Board

Ingredients:

Cutting board

French bread sliced

Meat(s) of choice think of sliced meats or prepared and deboned chicken or steak

Lettuce

Tomatoes

Pickles

slivered onions

sliced cucumbers

roasted red/yellow peppers



Instructions:

Arrange meats and vegetables on the cutting board, use small bowls for condiments and to separate ingredients into sections. Use the french bread to make custom open face sandwiches designed by and for each picky eater.



Running with Neighborly Love

Lynn Wren and Suzie Turner both ran the Santa Dash 5K at the JCCC on December 18 and both won their age group division of 80-99 years. She turned 80 in November and Lynn turned 82 on December 11.

CONGRATULATIONS LYNN and SUZIE !!! All of your neighbors are so proud of you.

History of Shawnee Timeline

From the first settlers who made their way over the horizon, to the individuals who have found their lives, fun and fortunes here, people have long recognized Shawnee, Kansas as a place of new beginnings.

Although her history runs deep, everything about this thriving community continues to point forward.

Opportunity is at every turn . . . for a better life, a better job, and a better education. And because Shawnee embraces and nurtures new ideas, she attracts modern pioneers looking to start big things. Wherever you are in life. Whatever your dreams. Whether you're starting a family or raising a business, hitting your first home run or running off to your next adventure, everything you need is right here - in a place where life takes off and great things begin.

Continue to read the history of Shawnee by clicking [Timeline of Historical Highlights from the Shawnee, Kansas Community](#) by clicking this link https://www.cityofshawnee.org/residents/community_history

1724

Captain M. Etienne Venyard DeBourqemont, a French explorer, discovers a Kansas Indian Village near present day Shawnee.

1762

France loses the territory of Kansas to Spain.

1802

The first white hunter known to enter Indian Territory (Jacob "Joe" Pursely).

1803

The Shawnee area and hundreds of thousands of acres to the east, north, south and west are acquired by the United States in the Louisiana Purchase.

1804 - 1806

Meriwether Lewis and William Clark explore the Louisiana Purchase by order of President Thomas Jefferson.

1815

Francis Chouteau establishes a trading post near the current site of Kansas City, Kansas.

1820's

The Chouteau brothers establish trading posts along the Kaw River.

1823-24

The house which later served as the Wells Fargo station on the government trail from Ft. Leavenworth to Ft. Scott and Ft. Gibson, Arkansas is built by Chris Fangro. Part of the building remains today as the front of the Calkins Electric building, 5707 Nieman Rd., in Shawnee.

If you have a significant life event you would like to share with the neighborhood such as a birth, wedding, adoption, graduation, anniversary or loss, please send to annissalh@me.com.

About Us

Jana Bonham, Jessica Horine, Chasity Robinson Mwangi and Annissa Freeman contribute to putting together this monthly newsletter for our Red Oak Hills community members.

Why? We love our community and want us all to stay connected not just for fun and

sharing but also for help. The newsletter is to share news, events and fun things with one another. This newsletter will only be in electronic format however feel free to print and share with friends and family.