

The NEWSLETTER for
SENIOR COMPANIONS

September 2016

The Kansas City Inservice
Is Moving To A New Location...
And A New Time

- Starting in October -

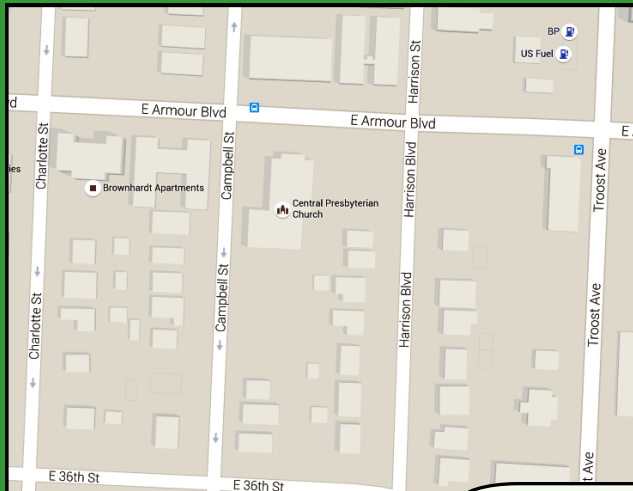
Beginning in October and from that point forward, all Kansas City Inservices will be held at the **Central Presbyterian Church** located at **3501 Campbell** (corner of Armour and Campbell). (This is the building where our office is located)

Inservices will be held in the Dining Hall located on the 1st Floor.

The October Kansas City Inservice will be held on
Tuesday, October 11th.

The time will permanently change to 1-5 PM.

There will be no changes for the Lee's Summit Inservice



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Vera Taylor	September 4th
Chonita Hollins	September 6th
Harriette Reynolds	September 18th

Senior Companions Save Taxpayers Millions

Getting some fresh air is one way Senior Companions and their clients enjoy time together. One Senior Companion said when she first started the program, "I was told my clients would depend on me. I didn't know how much I would depend on them too. They get me out of the house. They make me laugh."

The program is critical to many seniors who may be experiencing fear and isolation. The Senior Companion Program helps keep people in their own homes and out of institutions.

A study in July of this year in Missoula, Montana estimates the Senior Companions in Missoula County alone save taxpayers more than \$7.5 million a year. The next time someone ask you what you do let them know you are supporting Jackson and Clay Counties one family at a time!

- Thank you Sr. Companions -

Katie Howlett is a **Ball of Fire**. Everyone in Katie's neighborhood, including the busdrivers know who she is. She walks everywhere. She averages more than 20 blocks a day.

Katie is from Sikeston Missouri. She has been in Kansas City since 1972. She worked 25 years with the Kansas City, MO School District. Katie raised 9 children, and has many grandchildren, great grandchildren and even great-great grandchildren.

After retirement she couldn't stand still. She has volunteered many places in Kansas City including DeLasalle Highschool, KCPT Channel 19, the Kansas City Boys and Girls Club, Swope Parkway Health Center and is very active in her church, Gregg Tabernacle AME Church.

Katie has been a Senior Companion for more than 10 years. She now cares for a family that considers her one of their own. Her client and client's daughter don't know how they ever made it without her. Her station manager Susan Doolittle considers Katie an inspiration to her and everyone she serves as do all of us at the Shepherd's Center of KC Central.

Katy Dooley, 25 year veteran from the Corporation for National Community Service got to meet Katie on her recent visit to Kansas City as part of our 6 year compliance visit. She said Katie Howlett exemplifies what Senior Corp and the Senior Companion Program is all about.



*Katie Howlett and her client
Glorious Andrews*

Thank You Katie Howlett for all you bring, not only to the Senior Companion Program but also to Kansas City and everyone who is privileged to know you.



*Brenda Smith, Katie Howlett,
Susan Doolittle, Glorious Andrews,
Katy Dooley, Bob Bond*

Got Paychecks?

For those attending the October Kansas City Inservice— your September timesheet must be received in our office NLT Thursday, October 6th in order to be available at your Inservice.

- For those attending the Lee's Summit Inservice, the cut off date is Friday, October 7th.
- Any checks not processed in time for an Inservice will be mailed as soon as we can process them.
- Inservices for Clay County have been suspended until further notice. Paychecks will be mailed as soon as they are processed.

- The 85th Annual Plaza Art Fair -

Held Friday, September 23, 2016 through Sunday, September 25, 2016, The Plaza Art Fair encompasses nine city blocks and welcomes a crowd of over 250,000. Featuring 240 artists, the Plaza Art Fair is atop-ranked, national art event with three live music stages and over 25 featured restaurant booths. It continues to be a weekend of people simply celebrating art and each other, as well as Kansas City's unofficial welcome to the fall season.

Please use this site in the upcoming months to plan for seeing your favorite artists, bands and restaurants!

Friday, 9/23/16: 5pm -10pm
Saturday, 9/24/16: 10am -10pm
Sunday, 9/25/16: 11am - 5pm