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September 2006 NEWS IN REVIEW

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September 2006 proved to be the another great month of action packed activities and events that the Kansas City Kite Club participated in. Thanks to all of you that showed up to help the KCKC continue to promote kite flying events in the community. So many members enjoyed the month by attending more fun flying activities and events. With only a few more events left in the season ***The Columbia Missouri Joint Fly and the Pumpkin Patch** it is key that we continue the momentum that the KCKC has by attending what is left for this record setting year. We hope you all can attend the few remaining fly's to help educate our community about kites.

• 2006 KC Kite Club Fall Picnic



Every fall the KCKC meets at Heritage Park in Johnson County for the yearly fall club picnic. Nothing ever formal, just many members coming out to fly kites at what has become one of the clubs most adored fields. On Saturday September 23 the club was on hand for another wonderful event that seems to grow each year with new members and spectators. This years event was planned by Susie Gilson and we all want to thank her for her wonderful support and efforts in setting up this event. After all it is hard work to volunteer time to do things for the club and we really appreciate her hard work. The event was complete with great food, drinks and most importantly wind. The event seemed to be perfect in every way.





Many new kites flew at the event this year. Sean's new giant spinsock took one of it's first flights and the kids loved it.



Great Outdoors Festival *Pleasant Valley Baptist Church

On Saturday September 30th the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church held the 2006 Great Outdoors Festival featuring many vendors, exhibitors, and events that promoted outdoor themed activities in the area. Many area corporate sponsors attended the event along with some 2000 spectators. Thanks to all the flyers that attended this great event. A photographer was in town from Atlanta to shoot the KCKC at this event for the KC Chamber of Commerce and was able to get some great shots. Special thanks to all for the key support in setting this event up. Many showed the night before the event to get the KCKC banners up and the table as well as tons of other items.

Was this event a success? Well below is the nice letter that was sent from Todd Anderson to the KCKC for it's wonderful support:

Hello, 2006 Festival Exhibitor Kansas City Kite Club!

I hope this note finds you doing well in every way! I trust you returned home safely last Saturday after getting to visit with lots of Festival attendees.

I just wanted to take a moment to tell you how MUCH we appreciated your presence at our 2006 Great Outdoors Discovery Festival! What an absolutely gorgeous day we were given to enjoy the many exhibits and displays that were on hand. Your being there made the day perfect in every way!

Through the Festival registration forms that folks filled out, we estimated that we had well over 2,000 in attendance. Who knows how many didn't register! Again, I had hoped for an even larger turnout. However, Terry Acton of WDAF reminded me that we were up against a LOT of other events that day—Renaissance Festival, NASCAR Race, Independence Heritage Days Festival, Gladstone Festival, the American Royal parade—all of which cut into our numbers. Still, for a *first effort* at PVBC, that's respectable. We may look at holding the Festival a couple of weeks earlier in 2007, and for TWO days vs. one. We'll see if that will work with the church's calendar.

I hated not being able to get around to shake each of your hands. I won't make that mistake again. They had me doing my "trained bear act" (announcing), probably cause most folks are terrified of speaking. However, we'll develop much better announcers than myself. That way I can get to nice folks like you [face-to-face] and tell you how blessed we were by your participation. I have only seen about two or three exhibitors that indicated they'd have to check their calendars about next years Festival. The rest all said they're comin' BACK! *That's tremendous!*

IF you were unable to fill out a review form, we covet your input. It's sort of like eating out. If you get cold french fries, that's not much fun. However the only way the chef can make sure it doesn't happen again...is for you to let him know. That's what we want. Sure, we enjoy pats on the back (who doesn't?), but we also need to hear your thoughts on how we could have made things better. We already received some great feedback,...such as putting the booths closer together and not spreading everything out so much.

I've attached some aerial photos that LifeFlight Eagle was kind enough to take of the event. As you'll see, it was a busy place that day! What a blessing to have the Kite Club on had. Many said it was the hands down highlight of our festival.

Circle Friday, Jan. 26 on your calendar. That's the night of our big Wild Game Dinner! If dishes like smoked venison, smoked antelope, wild boar, quail and pheasant sound good, then you'll be in great company. And even if you like the outdoors, but aren't so crazy about wild game, we even provide "tame" food—lasagna, fried chicken, brisket and much more! It's a tremendous evening of food, fellowship, plus another bonus. Ralph Duren—the Dr. Doolittle of Missouri—has agreed to return...not only providing us with his usual array of world champion

game calls, but also to challenge us with a message that will leave you strengthened and encouraged. Last year we had 400+ in attendance. This year it could double! **Seating is limited, so I encourage you to call Cathie Simpson at 781-5959 at make a reservation. Don't miss it!**

Again, we hope you felt welcomed. To us, you're no longer a stranger, you're extended family! Since that's the case, keep us posted on what's going on. If there is anything our church can do to minister to a need, I'd sure hope you'd feel at ease about letting us know. If you have questions about our church, just drop me a note or give me a call. I'm also including a personal invitation for you to come join us for worship some Sunday. By getting plugged in and enjoying our fellowship, you'd also be able to get a glimpse of Pleasant Valley and the many ministries that are offered to individuals and families alike. For myself, I've made super friendships and continue to discover what God's plan is for my life. Those two benefits have made all the difference in a world that sometimes seems turned on its head.

I'll keep you posted on what our exact plans are for 2007. So, keep October free! In the mean time, I pray that God will shower you with his presence and bless you big time all year long.

At your service,

Bro. Todd (Anderson), 2006 G.O.D. Festival Chairman for PVBC's Outdoor Enthusiasts Group
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Kansas City Chiefs Mascot "KC Wolf" was at the Great Outdoors Festival and KCKC President Sean Beaver was on hand to help him try out a few kites.



KC Wolf really wanted to buggy at the festival. I wonder if he will ever buggy at the Chiefs game during halftime?



The entire grounds were decorated with tons of KCKC banners!



Many folks visited the KCKC tent and flying field located on the east side of the grounds to see the wonderful displays and kites.

- **The KCKC Monthly FLY's**

The KCKC Monthly fly's were held at New Mark and Heritage parks this month as planned. Many of the KCKC members came out to both events to relax and fly.

Upcoming Events

<p>October 14, 2006 Saturday</p> <p>JOINT FLY,</p> <p>Bethel Park</p> <p>4500 Bethel Street Columbia, MO</p> <p>Time 11-4 PM</p> <p>COVERED DISH FUN FLY</p> 	<p>Saturday, October 14, 2006 JOINT FLY, 11-4 PM</p> <p>Bethel Park 4500 Bethel Street Columbia, MO http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/ParksandRec/Parks/Cosmo-Bethel/index.php</p> <p>Join the Kansas City Kite Club, the Gateway Kite Club of St. Louis, the River Breezes Kite Club of Jefferson City, and kites and citizens of Columbia, MO to fill the sky with kites.</p> <p>Directions to Fly/Map Take I-70 East to Columbia (@112 miles), take MO-E / STADIUM BLVD / MO-740 exit- EXIT 124- toward COLUMBIA, then keep RIGHT at the fork to go on MO-740 / N STADIUM BLVD for 2.5 miles, turn RIGHT onto FORUM BLVD for 2.4 miles, Left onto W NIFONG BLVD for .05 miles and turn RIGHT onto BETHEL ST.</p> <p>John Grimshaw of Columbia, Andy Heimericks of Jefferson City, and the St. Louis Gateway Kite Club invites us to join them on Saturday, October 14, 2006. While this is not One Sky/One World, it is close.</p> <p>Those that are going to Convention will be traveling, and not able to do another event so quickly. The 14th would give everyone a breather, and let us attend both. Contact info Kansas City, Linda L. airhead@kc.rr.com</p>
<p>Saturday, October 21st 2006 (*rainout date is the 22nd)</p> <p>Pumpkin Patch Festival.</p> <p>Blue Valley Parks and Recreation 137th & Antioch</p> 	<p>For more information go to : http://bluevalleyrec.org/</p> <p>Join the Kansas City Kite Club from 1pm to 4pm at the 2006 Blue Valley Parks and Recreation Departments yearly Pumpkin Patch Festival. This year's event is the second year the KCKC has been invited to fly at this wonderful event that will have an extensive array of kid's games, events, and activities. Come out and join this wonderful event. Please confirm with Sean Beaver for more details as there is some event passes to get and background information prior to the fly.- email him at seanbeaver@hotmail.com The festival is located at 137th and Antioch</p> <p><u>All who want to participate in this event MUST have a background check on file. CLICK HERE to submit application.</u></p> <p>***The deadline is 10-13 for the forms in order to attend this event. Currently we have the following already on file: Sean, Linda, Randy, Ryan, Don L, Steve B, Stephany, Suzie, Allen*and family, and Scot Thompson. If you plan to attend this great event please send them to Sean by the 10-13-2006!</p>

<p>Sewing Workshop November 4, 2006 North Community Room 110th and North Oak Kansas City, MO 1-4 pm</p> 	<p>Saturday, November 4, 2006 Workshop, Time 1-4 pm Address 110th and North Oak, Kansas City, MO Workshop—3 Pack Expectations—Currently, I am planning to present a sled kite. Participants will be making 3, hence the name. Great Holiday Gifts! Cost unknown at this time. Contact info: Linda Larkey airhead@kc.rr.com or 816-415-9363</p> 
<p>February 3, 2007 SATURDAY</p> <p>WORKSHOP</p> <p>North Community Room 110th and North Oak Kansas City, MO</p> <p>1-4 pm</p>	<p>Saturday, February 3, 2007 Workshop, Time 1-4 pm Address 110th and North Oak, Kansas City, MO Workshop—Possible Indoor/Outdoor Bird Kite designed by Don Larkie Expectations—Stay Tuned Contact info: Linda Larkey airhead@kc.rr.com or 816-415-9363 Cell 816-509-3979</p>

AKA CONVENTION

The yearly AKA Convention was held as planned. Feel free to submit your stories and photos for a full report in the next KCKC newsletter. Send your feedback, photos and stories to the contact information below.

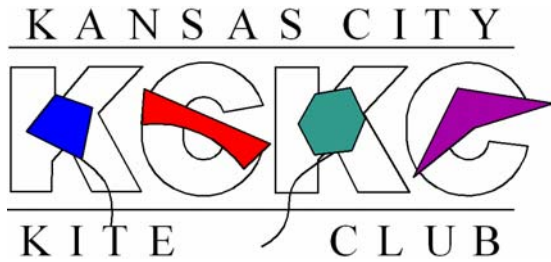
Thanks to everyone that helped with this month's submissions, photos and articles. As a reminder any member can submit an article or idea for this monthly communication tool the KCKC uses. We would love to have your contribution.

Sean Beaver

President
 Kansas City Kite Club

Sean is available by email at seanbeaver@hotmail.com or you may call him at 913-238-9333 for comments or questions. We would love your suggestions about ways to improve the KCKC.

Imagination is the highest kite one can fly.



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Kansas City Kite Club!**

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Membership Dues (Jan-Dec)

\$15 Individual: \$20 Family