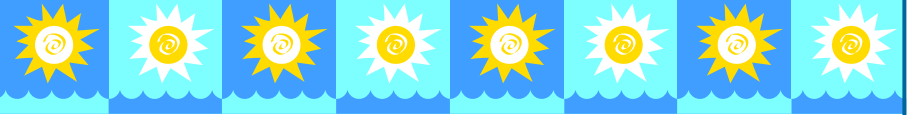




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June 2007

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At last month's luncheon, Matt Miller, chief meteorologist from Channel 49, had some great information and stories for us.

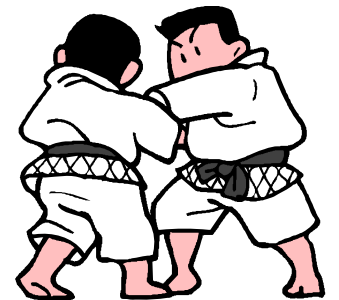
Don't miss this month's speaker on self-defense. With



showing apartments, going from place to place or just being out on your own personal time, we need to be very aware of our surroundings. What necessary action do you take? How can we be pro-active? On June 21st, we will be joined by a member of the Topeka Police Department to help us answer some of these questions. We hope you will join us in taking advantage of this

great opportunity!

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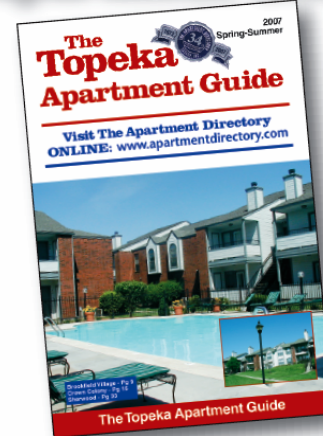
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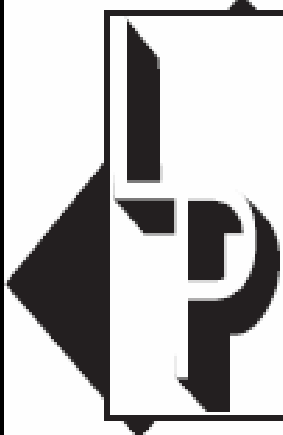
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- June 14th: Board Meeting
- June 21st: Monthly Luncheon (Personal Safety)
- June 28th-30th: NAA Education Conference
- July 12th: Board Meeting
- July 19th: Monthly Luncheon (NAA Update)
- August 9th: Board Meeting
- August 16th: Monthly Luncheon (City Codes)
- September 13th: Board Meeting
- September 20th: Vendor Appreciation Luncheon
- October 11th: Board Meeting
- October 18th: Monthly Luncheon (Legal Issues)
- November 8th: Board Meeting
- November 15th: Monthly Luncheon (Safe Streets)

**Dates & Times Subject to Change.*

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Division 7.
TEMPORARY SIGNS

Sec. 118-276. Defined.

The term “temporary sign” for the purpose of this division, means any sign, sign device, banner, pennant, valance or advertising display constructed of cloth, canvas, light fabric, cardboard or other material, with or without frames, intended to be displayed for a short period of time. A temporary sign includes cold air or helium filled balloons which are tethered to a structure or the ground and which are used for business advertisement, personal or corporate gain or publicity.

Sec. 118-277. Placing and time limitation.

(a) Temporary signs may be placed flat upon the front wall of a building and kept in place for a period of not to exceed 30 days upon securing a permit as required by section 118-56. All such signs shall not extend above or beyond the wall of the building on which they are placed or extend more than 12 inches from the face of the wall.

(b) Temporary cold air or helium filled balloons signs are subject to the following:

- (1) Temporary cold air or helium filled balloon signs (balloon) may not be placed on a property unless a permit is first obtained, as provided by section 118-56 and this section.
- (2) A balloon may be placed on the properties specified in the permit four times a calendar year for one week at a time at an altitude not to exceed 55 feet. No temporary balloon sign may be placed on properties unless the owner has provided notices to all agencies requiring notification at least one week ahead of erection of the balloon sign. Said notice shall be given by certified mail at the expense of the person for whom the balloon sign will be erected. Agencies who desire notification of balloon sign erection shall contact the development coordination office of the city who will maintain a list of such agencies.
- (3) As a condition for the issuance of a permit, the owner and/or user of the balloon must agree to hold the city harmless from all claims resulting from the placement of the balloon.
- (4) The permit fee for a temporary balloon sign shall be \$25.00 per placement on a property. The permit shall expire one week from its effective date.
- (5) Balloons are only allowed in C-4, C-5, I-1 and I-2 zoning districts.
- (6) The balloons must meet all applicable FAA regulations.
- (7) The gas used in the balloons must be noncombustible and the balloon may not be internally illuminated.

- (8) No permit shall be issued for placement of a balloon on property within 500 feet from the property line of a hospital with a helicopter landing pad.

Sec. 118-278. Temporary banners, pennants or flags over streets.

No banner, bunting, pennant, ornament or flag, except the flags of the United States and the state, shall be suspended or projected over the streets, avenues, alleys or other public property of the city when used for business advertisements or for personal or corporate gain or publicity; provided, that a permit may be issued by the code enforcement director for the temporary suspension or projection of any such banner, bunting, pennant, ornament or flag over the streets, avenues, alleys or other public property for a period not to exceed 30 days when the same are to be used for conventions, receptions and occasions in which the public in general is concerned.

Sec. 118-279. Unlawful signs.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to cover entirely the front or rear doors and windows of any business building with paint, cloth or paper signs placed either on the inside or outside thereof. It shall be the duty of the proprietor, manager or person in charge or control of such business building to leave a transparent opening in the doors and windows of not more than 5 1/2 feet above the sidewalk level so that persons on the outside may detect a fire within such building. The transparent portion of the window or opening shall be unobstructed by curtains, draperies, papers or other materials and shall be not less than two feet square in area.

(b) It shall be unlawful to erect or maintain a projecting sign made of combustible or incombustible framework covered with cloth, cardboard or paper upon which a sign or advertisement is painted or printed and no such cloth or paper shall be spread over or suspended from any existing projecting sign or canopy.

Sec. 118-280. Allowed without permit.

The following temporary signs are allowed in any zoning district and do not require a permit:

- (a) Official flags of government jurisdictions and flags which are emblems of on-site business firms and enterprises, religious, charitable, public and nonprofit organizations.
- (b) Decorative streamers with no printed advertising.

Source: The Code of The City of Topeka, Kansas