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Ruskin Tornado Memorial rebuilt and rededicated

By John Sharp

Survivors, other members of the Hickman Mills community and public officials came together on May 18 to dedicate the new memorial to honor the memory of the 25 people in the Ruskin Heights/Hickman Mills area and 14 people in other communities who are named on the memorial who were killed on May 20, 1957, by a powerful tornado.

The tornado's 71-mile path of destruction started in the Williamsburg, KS, area and went through parts of Franklin, Miami

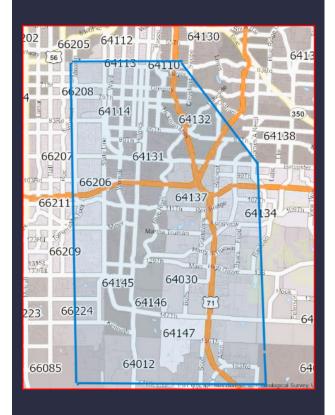






YOUR BUSINESS CAN REACH SOUTH KANSAS CITY!

37,500+ readers biweekly



Vestimonials

"I cannot overstate the positive impact that your newspaper has on this community. Thank you for all you and your staff do!"

—Rick Chambers, South KC Chamber of Commerce

"I have and still do do business with several of your advertisers. I have done very well in finding tenants from advertising with you. To continued growth!"

—Mike Miller, Louisburg KS

"I get more responses advertising in the Telegraph than I did with magazines charging \$1500."

—Fiddly Fig

"Your ad works!"

—Sally Smith, Whistle Stop Antiques after a reader's \$400 shopping spree

6,500+





LOCAL DISTRIBUTION

Readership by the Numbers

15,000+

Issues printed

The Telegraph distributes FREE copies to local South Kansas City businesses, HOAs, and organizations. 37,500+

Reads per issue

We distribute as far north as Brookside and as far south as Belton, from Leawood to Grandview. 15,300+

Online visitors per issue

We post several of our published features online through our website and Facebook.

22,600+

Online views per issue

Our online readers click on more than one feature per visit so your web ad gets more exposure!



Print ADVERTISING Valerie Rinehart 816-210-3790

CREATIVE SERVICES

Let us do the work! Our designers provide professional, creative ad design, and preparation of electronic files at no additional cost!

DEADLINES:

- The Telegraph publishes every other Thursday
- Space reservation is due the Monday before at 5pm.
- Camera ready ads due by NOON the Tuesday prior.

PRINT ADVERTISING RATES BY THE ISSUE

Messages Are More Effective When Repeated. Get the most out of your advertising budget. Lock in a lower rate with multiple issue!

Pay in advance for 5% Discount!

AD SIZE	Dimensions	1X	6X	12X	26X
FULL PAGE	10″w X 19″h	\$1200	\$1100	\$1000	\$900
HALF PAGE	10"w X 10"h 5"w X 19" h	\$620	\$560	\$500	\$440
QUARTER PAGE	10"w X 4.9"h 5"w X 10" h	\$300	\$270	\$240	\$210
SIXTH PAGE	5″w X 7.45″h	\$260	\$235	\$210	\$185
EIGHTH PAGE	5"w X 4.9"h 2.5"w X 10" h	\$150	\$135	\$120	\$110
SIXTEENTH PAGE	5"w X 2.375"h 2.5"w X 4.9"h	\$75	\$70	\$65	\$60
WEBSITE SIDEBAR	5″w X 3″h	\$100	NA	NA	NA

INSERTS

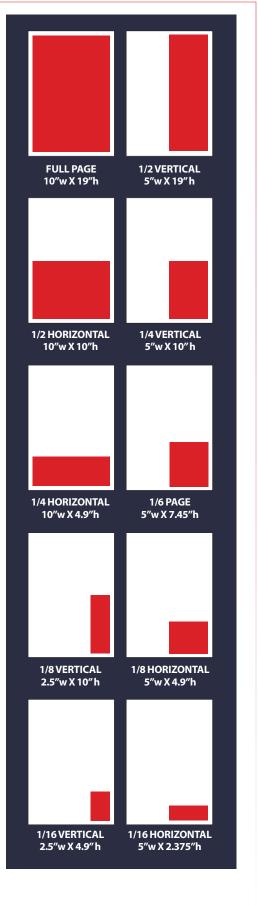
Have a flyer or postcard you'd like us to help distribute?

Size: Min. 4"x5" Max. 9"x 10"

Rates: \$50/1000

Minimum 5,000 copies





Custom Advertising

Do you have a community announcement, getting married or want to honor someone with an obituary? Let our readers know! Your listing will also be available online under our Classifieds page!



CLASSIFIED ADS

Are you offering services, selling a home or products, or looking for employees?

40 words: \$25 | Add a box or highlight: \$30 Add a photo: \$35 | 2"x2" with logo: \$40

Customized Ads

Can you only afford \$25? \$35? Tell us what's in you budget and we can create an ad to size!

Open ad rate: \$18.25 per column inch

NON-PROFIT RATES 20% discount

Digital ADVERTISING

The Martin City Telegraph is brought to life online with the responsive, mobile-friendly website, martincitytelegraph.com, and a variety of strong social media channels.

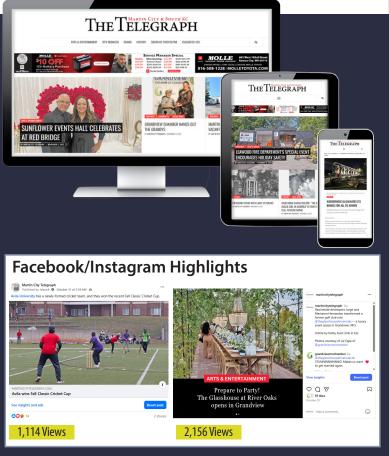
WEBSITE ADS

Be featured on our home page! In addition to our online editions, we feature web ads directly next to stories exclusive to our web page! *Includes link to client website.*

Rate is per issue.

TOP BANNER AD - \$150 biweekly 1170px Width by 90px Height (12"w X 1"h)

WEB SIDE BAR AD - \$100 biweekly 1500px Width by 750px Height (5"w X 3"h) Averages16,600+ Views per issue



2026 Editorial Calendar * Editorial themes may be subject to change.

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Issue Date (Thursday)	Editorial*	Space Reservation (Monday)	Artwork Due (Tuesday)	
December 30	Resolutions	December22	December 23	
January 15	Health & Wellness	January 12	January 13	
January 29	Black History Month	January 26	January 27	
February 12	Martin Luther King Jr. Day/Valentine's Day	February 9	February 10	
February 26	Women's History Month	February 23	February 24	
March 12	St. Patrick's Day	March 9	March 10	
March 26	Election April 7 (Municipal) /Easter	March 23	March 24	
April 9	Summer Camps/ Earth Day	April 6	April 7	
April 23	Home & Garden / Cinco de Mayo	April 20	April 21	
May 7	Wedding & Event Planning / Mother's Day	May 4	May 5	
May 21	Guide to Summer Fun / Memorial Day	May 18	May 19	
June 4	Travel, Day Trip	June 1	June 2	
June 18	Music Day, World Cup Father's Day / Juneteenth	June 15	June 16	
July 2	Best of SKC /Independence Day	June 29	June 30	
July 16	Dog Days of Summer (Pet Issue)	July 13	July 14	
July 30	Election August 4 (Primary)	July 27	July 28	
August 13	Back to School	August 10	August 11	
August 27	Fall Entertainment/ Labor Day	August 24	August 25	
September 10	Fall Sports	September 7	September 8	
September 24	Senior Living	September 21	September 22	
October 8	Halloween Guide	October 5	October 6	
October 22	Special Election Nov. 3 (General) Halloween	October 19	October 20	
November 5	Veterans Day	November 2	November 3	
November 19	Shop Small / Thanksgiving	November 16	November 17	
December 3	Holiday Gift Guide	November 30	December 1	
December 17	Last Minute Shopping/Christmas	December 14	December 15	
December 31	Resolutions/New Years	December 28	December 29	





Ad Submissions Requirements

PRINT ADS

- · Print ads should be submitted as PDF or JPG files.
- Files must be prepared in a layout program such as InDesign or Photoshop.
- Color ads should be CMYK. Ads will be converted to appropriate color format.
- Ads with an ink density higher than 240% will be converted to the appropriate ink level.
- Ads must be delivered at size. Ads that are submitted with incorrect dimensions will be modified to fit the space that was reserved.
- Partial page ads must have borders or artwork that clearly defines the outer edge of the ad.
 If no such edge is present, a hairline stroke will be added.

ONLINE ADS

- Web ads should be submitted as JPG or PNG format.
- Color ads should be RGB color mode. Ads will be converted to appropriate color format.
- Minimum resolution is 72 dpi.
- Full URL should be included with ad submission.

IMAGE RESOLUTION

- Minimum photo resolution is 170 dpi.
- Images must be property of the client. We do not accept copyrighted images or images obtained from the Internet.
- Ads must be submitted via an online file transfer site (Dropbox, We Transfer, Hightail) or via e-mail to: info@martincitytelegraph.com.

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