

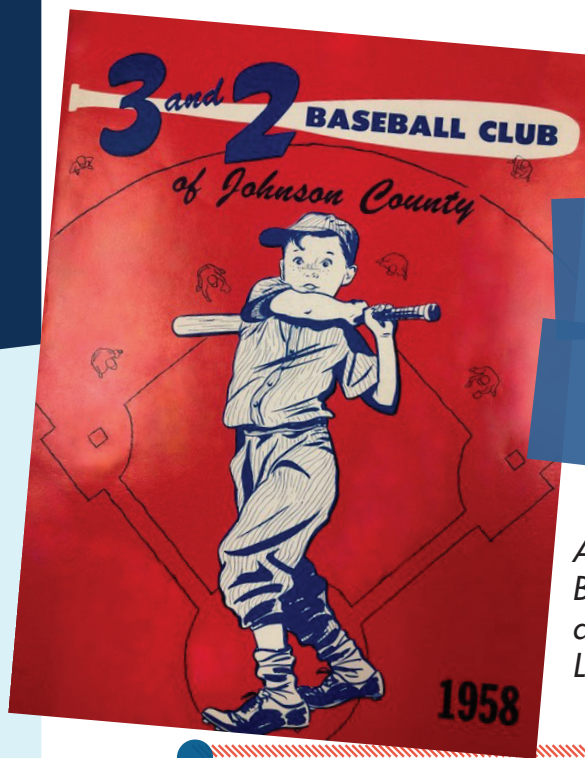


According to the Federal Trade Commission, gift cards are now the top method of payment favored by fraudsters. Experts recommend only purchasing a gift card if you plan to give it as a gift to someone you know, such as a relative, friend, or co-worker. Here are more tips to keep from falling victim to financial scams:

- Never provide gift card information to someone over the telephone. Never send photos of gift cards to anyone.
- No legitimate agency such as the IRS, Social Security Administration or police departments will ever request payment via gift card. They will also never request personal or financial information over the phone, such as your full Social Security number, or bank account numbers.
- Never be pressured into making a financial decision immediately. Scammers often pressure victims into a hasty decision by preying on victims' emotions.
- If ever in doubt about a situation, run it by a trusted relative or friend. Often, victims are too emotionally charged to think clearly about the situation.
- If you have to PAY something in order to receive a PRIZE, it's probably a scam. Taxes, fees, and other charges are often collected by scammers before the victim will receive the "prize" or "sweepstakes" (which, of course, never come).

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PLAY BALL!

A look back at 3&2 Baseball on its 70th anniversary by the Lenexa Historical Society.

1951

3&2 was officially incorporated.

1951-1965

Games were played at Segner Field at 87th and Grant in Overland Park. Today, instead of home runs, the land serves up home repairs from Ace Westlake Hardware.

Various schools, including Lenexa's Don Bonjour Elementary School (now a church) also hosted games.

DOES YOUR FLOOD REA

Spring showers bring welcome warm weather and bright blossoms — and not-so-welcome flooding. Whether you're worried about a water-logged basement or flash floods impacting your daily route, know that a small amount of water can still cause big problems.

Protecting yourself and others

When flooding is in the forecast, protecting yourself, your family and your pets should be your top priority.

- Never swim, walk or drive through floodwater.
- Monitor local news and weather reports.
- Know what evacuation routes you would use during flooding.

GREAT FLOOD RESOURCES

Floodsmart.gov
Ready.gov/Floods

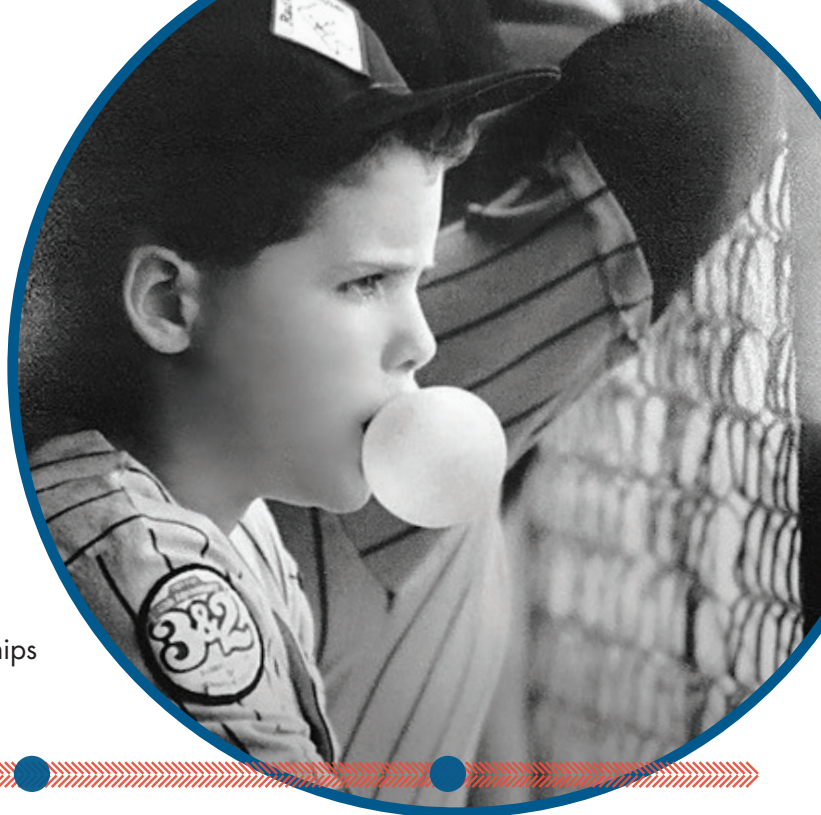


AMERICA'S PASTIME HAS A LONG HISTORY IN AND AROUND LENEXA

For decades, Lenexa parents have used private, non-profit sports organizations to help build sportsmanship, teamwork, skills and enjoyment of physical activity for young men and women in safe, quality surroundings.

One of those organizations, "The 3&2 Baseball Club of Johnson County," has been serving parents and children for 70 years! For more than 50 of those 70 years, beginning in 1965, 3&2 (3 balls and 2 strikes) has made the nine fields just west of the Lenexa Kansas National Guard Armory its home.

But that's not the only place tens of thousands of teams, leagues, tournaments and state and national championships hosted by 3&2 played.



1976-1985

Games were played on four additional fields acquired at 63rd and Pflumm (now a Hy-Vee grocery store.)

1997

73 acres were purchased for field expansion just north of 83rd Street at Kansas Highway 7.

2000

Play began on 16 newly created fields.

2004

3&2 partnered with the Shawnee Mission School District to build, maintain and program high school fields. Two years later, it did the same with the De Soto School District, including softball fields.

ADINESS MEASURE UP?

Protecting your home and property

If you'd like information on flooding issues or flood-proofing your property, we are happy to visit you on-site to offer advice. Call 913.477.7500 to schedule a visit or talk with City staff about your flooding concerns.

- Get flood insurance. Most homeowners insurance doesn't cover flood damage.
- Make sure you have the correct building permits, especially if you live in the floodplain. Visit Lenexa.com/YourHome to learn more about what projects require permits and how to apply.
- Keep important documents and other valuables elevated to prevent water damage. Keep copies of documents like birth certificates, passports, medical records and insurance papers in a safe, dry place, with originals in a water-tight safety deposit box.
- Retrofitting techniques like elevating structures, electrical panels or HVAC systems can help protect property in flood-prone areas like basements.

ONE FOOT

of moving water can sweep away a vehicle.



SIX INCHES of moving water can knock over a person.



ONE INCH of water can cause **\$23,635** in house damage and **\$3,192** in damage to personal property in a 2,500-square-foot home.

