

Northland Neighborhoods News

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Mission Statement

To improve the quality of life in the Northland by collaborating with residents, businesses and institutions to empower neighborhoods to build and maintain their own healthy communities. We join with them in absolute dedication to finding solutions and, in that collective spirit, we will leave no neighborhood behind.

New Paseo Bridge on horizon for 2011



he Christopher S. Bond Bridge, a new cable-stay bridge with eight-lane capacity will replace the halfcentury old Paseo Bridge by June 2011. The project entails reconstruction of I-29/35 from the northeast corner of downtown to just north of Armour Road. It also includes building new on-ramps and off-ramps, reconfiguration of interchanges including Armour Road/Route 210, Levee Road/Bedford Avenue, and I-29/35 Front Street. Paseo Corridor Constructors, the design-build team that will manage the project for MoDot, says that such a massive project will have impacts for motorists.

While the existing Paseo Bridge will remain open during construction of the new bridge, there will be lane restrictions and on-ramp and off-ramp closures that will cause some inconvenience to commuters. For more details, check the project website at www.kcicon.org.

NNI launches homebuyer education program

s home ownership something you *dream* about, but the process sounds like a *nightmare*? Do the words "equity," escrow," and "variable rates" sound confusing? Then you need to sign up for the three-part homeownership class offered

by Northland Neighborhoods, Inc. and the University of Missouri Extension. No matter where you live or where you want to live, this class will prepare you to own a home. Dates for the first series of classes are January 16, 23 and 30 at NNI's new of-

fices, 3015 NE Vivion Road (next to Tires Plus). All sessions are from 6 to 9 p.m. There is a \$25 fee per family or individual. A light dinner will be provided each of the three evenings at 5:30 p.m. For more information, contact Jennifer Presberry at 816-454-2000.

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Volunteers of the Month - January 2008

Ernie and Winnie Price

rnie and Winnie Price are two dedicated volunteers who donate their time to Northland Neighborhoods, Inc. and many other organizations.

Ernie was born in Lebanon, MO. He moved to Kansas City as a young man and finished High School at Central High. He started his career in 1951 at the downtown airport working for TWA and retired after 45 years.

Winnie lived in Iowa and moved to Kansas City in 1968. She drove a school bus for the North Kansas City School District, worked at Dolgins, and then went to Blue Cross-Blue Shield where she retired in 1989.

Ernie and Winnie met in 1972 while square dancing, married in 1982 and have been inseparable ever since. Together they have six children, six grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Every year they are in charge of arts and crafts at the Annual Jesse James Festival in Kearney, MO. They enjoy crafts and gardening in the spring and summer. They both volunteer regularly at their church and at Northland Neighborhoods. They love volunteering because they enjoy being around friendly people.

NNI thanks Ernie and Winnie for everything they do for the community. Their grace and humor bring light into people's lives and help change things for the better. Volunteers like them improve the spirit of the community.



Neighborhood Clips

Apply now for Platte stormwater grants

Applications for the Platte County 2008 Stormwater Grant program are now available to assist homeowner's associations in making stormwater-related improvements. Applications can be obtained online at http://www.co.platte.mo.us/county_dept_plan.html or by calling 858-3338. Ask for Nate Baldwin, Platte County Engineer. Applications are due by January 25, 2008.

Financial education can yield dividends

Are you interested in making your money go further? Do you want to make better informed financial decisions? Beginning in February, Northland Neighborhoods, in partnership with the University of Missouri Extension, will host a financial education class to help you understand your financial situation and teach practical ways to get your finances on track. This two-part series will be on February 21 and 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. and costs only \$10. For general information on the program, call Jennifer Presberry at 816-454-2000. Program location will be announced in the February issue of Northland Neighborhoods News.



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January senior workshop

offers food for body and

Don't miss the January 9 sen-

ior workshop at NNI, from 9

to 11:30 a.m. For openers,

University of Missouri Ex-

tension will prepare food and

give ideas on healthy eating

for one. Glenda will be fol-

lowed by David M. Wilson,

Assistant Director for Public

Programs and Conferences

at the Osher Institute of the

University of Kansas. Mr.

Wilson will speak on Clay

County Senior Services' new

partnership with The Osher

Life Long Learning Institute

and the winter class sched-

Glenda Kinder from the

Roundtable assembles in January

Northland Neighborhoods' Roundtable is Tuesday, January 29, 6-8 p.m. at NNI's new offices at 3015 NE Vivion Road and will feature Pat Klein, KCMO's Captial Improvements Program Manager. Learn more about the impact of the recent renewal of the 1-cent sales tax for capital improvements, how the Public Improvements **Advisory Committee** (PIAC) works, how to submit applications, and more. Please RSVP to Jennifer Presberry at Jennifer presberry@nni.org or by calling 816-454-2000.

New, expanded code officer line-up at NNI

Tamara Mills and David Twitty have joined Sherice Anderson and Christina Carroll as Northland Code Enforcement Officers. You may want to clip this list of phone numbers.

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Northland Code Enforcement Officers

Sherice Anderson	513-9086	cell 335-5697
Christina Carroll	513-9046	cell 335-5685
Tamara Mills	513-9045	cell 719-0644
David Twitty	513-9074	cell 335-5701

NNI Staff

Full-Time

Jim Rice Executive Director

James Cianciaruso Director of Planning and Development

Christy Harris Director of Housing Services

Joy Loesch Director of Administration

Jennifer Presberry Manager, Community Development

Janet Shaffer Community Development Coordinator

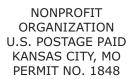
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Public Meetings at NNI January 2008

Wednesday	1/9	Senior Workshop	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday	1/15	Greenhaven Neighborhood	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	1/16	Cop Talk at Shoal Creek Station	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	1/16	Homebuyer Education	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	1/23	Homebuyer Education	6:00 p.m.
Monday	1/28	Meet Your Councilpersons	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	1/29	Neighborhood Roundtable	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	1/30	Homebuyer Education	6:00 p.m.

Note: January NNI Board Meeting cancelled due to Martin Luther King holiday.