

Northland Neighborhoods News



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NNI ANNUAL MEETING BOASTS A FULL AGENDA

Certified member organizations of Northland Neighborhoods, Inc. will assemble at NNI June 28 at 6 p.m. to elect Board members, approve bylaw amendments, and get an update on NNI's activities during the past year. Each

certified NNI Member association has one vote at the meeting. Neighborhood groups should call Janet Shaffer at 454-2000 to be sure they are eligible to vote.

Following the May 17 candidate

forum, the NNI Board reached consensus on a slate of 2010 Board candidates it will present to NNI Members at the Annual Meeting. Please see the candidate slate on page two.

ENCORE HOME REPAIR PROGRAM UNDERWAY

Targeted home repair returns to North Oak corridor neighborhoods this month, thanks to the North Oak TIF plan. The program ultimately will be financed by the sale of \$1 million in TIF bonds, but the economic recession temporarily ruled out a bond sale. However, the developers of North Oak Village at Vivion and North Oak advanced \$200,000 to jump start the home repair program. So, the first phase of home repairs will get underway now.

Homeowners in the North Oak Benefit District who meet income guidelines may be eligible for a home repair grant of up to \$4,500 for improvements such as roofs,

windows, siding, heating and air conditioning, driveways and other non-cosmetic repairs. Homeowners above income limits can also obtain a grant, but must match it dollar for dollar. Boundaries of the benefit district are 47th Street/I-29 on the north, 32nd Street on the south, I-29/I-35/Woodland on the east, and North Main on the west. The program is called ENCORE (Enhancing Neighborhoods by Concentrating Organization, Resources & Energy). With ENCORE, NNI hopes to build on the past success of the CHAMP and SMART targeted home repair programs. Homeowners in the targeted area may pick up an application at the NNI office, 3015 NE Vivion Road.

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.

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SLATE OF CANDIDATES

Open Seats

Elaine Olvera

Elaine lives in the Crestview Neighborhood and has been Secretary/Treasurer of the Homes Association since 1980. Elaine has worked as a Teacher Associate for the North Kansas City School District for 16 years and has been involved with the Boy Scouts for 32 years.

Anita McWilliams

Anita lives in the Winnwood-Sunnybrook Neighborhood. A 2008 graduate of NNI's EXCEL Neighborhood Leadership program, she has held the Secretary, Treasurer and President positions with the Winnwood-Sunnybrook Neighborhood Association.

Beth Sullivan

Beth lives in the Crestview Neighborhood. She is Director of Finance for Synergy Services and was instrumental in the development of the new Synergy Youth Campus on Parvin Road.

Second Term

Keith Nelson

Keith is running for a second full term, having served on the Board since 2007. He currently serves on NNI's Executive, Neighborhood Relations, and Planning and Development Committees. He chairs the Neighborhood Relations Committee.

First Full Term

Angela Betts

Angie has served on the NNI Board since 2007. She lives in Riss Lake. Angela is a Senior Vice President with UMB Bank and is involved in a number of civic organizations. She serves on the Resource Development Committee.

NNI MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE JUNE 28

1. Auburn Hills Homes Association
2. Autumn Ridge Homeowners Assoc.
3. Barrington Ridge Homes Association
4. Barry Harbor Hunters Ridge Homes Association
5. Barry Heights Homes Association
6. Bolling Heights Community Link
7. Brentwood Homes Association
8. Bridge Pointe Homeowners Assoc.
9. Brittany Oaks Homeowners Assoc.
10. Brookhill Homes Association
11. Brooktree Homes Association
12. Carriage Commons Townhomes Association
13. Carriage Hills/Ellington Estates Neighborhood Association
14. Carriage Hills Estates Homeowners Association
15. Carriage Hills Plats 7,8,9
16. Cedar Ridge Homes Association
17. Charleston Harbor Homes Assoc.
18. Chaumiere Neighborhood Assoc.
19. Chouteau Estates Neighborhood Association
20. Claybrook Homes Association
21. Claymont North Homeowners Association
22. Copperleaf Homes Association
23. Country Club Neighborhood Assoc.
24. Country Downs Home's Association
25. Coventry Homes Association
26. Coves North Homeowners Assoc.
27. Crestview Homes Assn #1
28. Evanston Place Neighborhood Group
29. Fox Woods Neighborhood Assoc.
30. Gracemor-Randolph Neighborhood Association
31. Green Meadows Neighborhood Association
32. Greenhaven Neighborhood Assoc.
33. Grey Oaks Homes Association
34. Hampton Meadows Neighborhood Association
35. Hidden Lakes Homes Association
36. Highland Acres Lakeside Heights Homes Association
37. Highland Gardens Neighborhood Association
38. Hills of Montclair Homeowners Association
39. Hills of Rock Creek Neighborhood Association
40. Hills of Walden Homes Association
41. Holiday Hills Neighborhood Assoc.
42. Linden Neighborhood Connection
43. Little Village Neighborhood Assoc.
44. Meadow Lane Homes Association
45. Misty Woods Neighborhood Assoc.
46. New Mark First Pool Homes Assoc.
47. North Bennington Neighborhood Association
48. Northaven Gardens Neighborhood Association
49. North Creek Village Homeowners Association
50. Northridge Neighbors Group
51. Oak Lane Townhomes Association
52. Oak Park Manor Neighborhood Association
53. Old Maple Park Neighborhood Association
54. Patterson Highlands Neighborhood Association
55. Pinecrest Homes Association
56. Pine Grove Homes Association
57. Prather Hills Neighborhood Assoc.
58. Ravenwood-Summerset Neighborhood Association
59. Ridgefield Neighbors Group
60. River Forest Neighborhood Assoc.
61. Sherwood Estates Homes Assoc.
62. Shoal Brook II Neighborhood Association
63. South Oakwood Homes Association
64. Staley Farms New Homes
65. Stone Ridge Townhomes
66. Stormy Acres Neighborhood Assoc.
67. Sunset Dixon Neighborhood Assoc.
68. Sunset Hill Neighborhood Assoc.
69. The Fairways
70. Timber Park Homeowners Assoc.
71. Tremont Manor Homeowners Association
72. Valley Brook Neighborhood Association
73. Vrooman Acres Neighborhood Association
74. Walnut Ridge Estates Homes Association
75. Winnwood Sunnybrook Neighborhood Association
76. Woodbrooke Villas II

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Trish Martin

A native of St. Joseph, Missouri, Trish Martin is one of the Northland's star volunteers.

Trish graduated from Platt College in 1983 with an Associate degree in electric drafting. She earned a second associate degree from DeVry Institute in 1988. Her career history includes positions with Mobay Chemical, HNTB, Black and Veatch. She retired in 2008 from URS Corp.

After living in Grandview, Belton, mid-town and Raytown, Trish chose the Northland for her first home purchase in 1993. She shares the home in the Shoal Brook II neighborhood with daughter Tia and grandson John. Having learned the neighborhood once had a homeowners association, she sent a letter to all neighbors asking if they had an interest in resurrecting the HOA. The response was unanimously negative and Trish tabled the effort

for another day. A couple of years later she read an article in the paper about NNI and started attending meetings there. Her volunteer efforts grew out of the association with NNI where she has helped with mailing lists, Night Out against Crime Kick-Off, Safe Trick or Treat, answering phones, and updating databases. She played a pivotal role in developing NNI's recent HOA Workshop and training manual.

With NNI's support, the neighborhood association of Shoal Brook II was formed in 2008 and Trish, as the instigator, was elected president. She graduated from NNI's 2009 EXCEL Neighborhood Leadership program and the Community Leadership Program sponsored by the Kansas City Neighborhood and Community Services Department. She learned about the Kansas City Neighborhood



Advisory Council and was elected to this organization in 2008. She was later appointed to the Regulated Industries Alcoholic Beverage Advisory Group.

"I enjoy the rewards I receive for my efforts to help others," Trish says. "I learn so much in the process that I wind up getting back much more than I give. It's really the volunteers that are the engine of Kansas City, my adopted home, and I'm so pleased to be a small part of that driving force."

BIDS AND BREWS SERVES UP AN ENJOYABLE EVENING



Attendees at Northland Neighborhoods' spring fundraiser, "Bids and Brews," enjoyed an evening of good food, samplings of out-of-the-ordinary beers, and an auction of useful, artistic and whimsical items. Approximately 300 people attended the May 8 event at the Embassy Suites-KCI.



KCMO TO CONDUCT PET LICENSING

PET LICENSING IS A SERVICE OFFERED AT NNI'S OFFICE, CALL 454-2000 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

The City of Kansas City Animal Health and Public Safety Division will conduct weekly pet licensing enforcement throughout the City from May 5, 2010 through September 1, 2010. This initiative is part of an effort to educate residents on animal health and safety, while improving neighborhood livability.

During the enforcement period, officers will inspect targeted areas for compliance. Citations may be issued to pet owners without a current pet license. City ordinances require residents to license dogs, cats and ferrets. Failure to comply will result in a citation being issued and a minimum \$75 fine. The license fee for a pet is \$10 for a spayed or neutered animal and \$33 for an animal that has not been altered.

Licensing a pet and keeping the license on the pet's collar helps ensure the pet's owner is notified should the pet be impounded by the Animal Health and Public Safety Division. Residents of the City are provided three methods for licensing a pet:

- Visit Halfway Home Pet Adoptions (the City's animal shelter), at 4400 Raytown Road
- Contact a veterinarian
- Visit Pet Data online by visiting www.petdata.com/cs/kcm/

When licensing a pet, the owner must provide a copy of the pet's current rabies vaccination certificate and proof of the pet's sterilization (if applicable). To obtain vaccination, contact a local vet or low-cost clinic such as Spay and Neuter Kansas City at 816-353-0940, or Halfway Home Pet Adoptions at 816-921-0201. For more information about pet license enforcement or animal health and public safety, contact Patrick Egberuare, manager of the Animal Health and Public Safety Division of the Neighborhood and Community Services Department, 816-513-9009.



Directory of services available at NNI

- Neighborhood organization, by-law and board development, neighborhood cleanups, including a tool library
- EXCEL neighborhood leadership program
- Space for neighborhood meetings
- Monthly senior citizen health, education and recreation workshops
- Crime prevention training programs and Night Out Against Crime Kick-Off
- Comprehensive code enforcement (4 KCMO code officers are based at NNI)
- Neighborhood Computer Center
- Comprehensive home repair programs
- FOCUS Center: voter registration, pet licensing, code enforcement, animal control satellite, notary public, KCPD Office of Community Complaints, police-community interaction
- Monthly "Meet Your Councilperson" meetings
- Monthly "Roundtable" and communications workshops
- Clearing house on economic development projects that impact neighborhoods
- Neighborhood newsletter printing

NEIGHBORHOOD CLIPS

Synergy to showcase Youth Campus at June event



Synergy House • SafeHaven • STOP Violence

Synergy Services' new Youth Campus at 2001 NE Parvin Road will offer fun for the whole family on June 4, from 5-8 p.m. Activities will include a tile glazing demonstration by local artist Teresa Saluzzi, live abstract painting by artist Robin Case and, from 6-6:45 p.m. a jazzy musical performance by Lisa Henry. Hot dogs, beverages, burgers and snacks will round out the evening (and your waist line).

June senior workshop offers guide to in-home care



Jim Van Hooser from BrightStar will be on hand June 9 at 9 a.m. to guide you through the complex maze of in-home care. BrightStar's LifeCare services range from companion care and hygiene assistance to 24/7 homecare, including elder care, skilled nursing services, housekeeping, transportation services, errands and more. You will learn what to look for when hiring a home care service.

NNI Board endorses Gladstone sales tax

At its May 17 meeting, the Northland Neighborhoods Board of Directors endorsed the June 8 Special Election for a ¼ cent sales tax for public safety improvements in Gladstone. If approved, the sales tax would fund additional law enforcement officers for patrol, criminal investigations, and neighborhood policing, as well as replace the outdated emergency radio communications system.

ABOPT is just around the corner

NNI's annual drop-off and pick up of household hazardous waste is scheduled for Saturday, June 5, 8 a.m. to noon at the Antioch Shopping Center. ABOPT stands for Antifreeze, Batteries, Oil, Paint and Tires. Paper shredding will also be available and new this year: safe disposal of outdated prescription drugs.

Upcoming Neighborhood Roundtables

July 27: Beth Seberger of Literacy Kansas City will discuss the widespread problem of functional illiteracy in the KC metropolitan area, opportunities for Northland volunteers to offer literacy education, and how Literacy Kansas City trains and assists individuals in improving the reading and writing skills of adults and older teens.

September 28: Kansas City's Neighborhood Advisory Council

November 23: KCMO Housing Prosecutor Todd Wilcher

NNI seeks qualified low-income home repair contractors

Northland Neighborhoods, Inc. needs qualified low-income contractors to do home repair work including: Heating and Cooling (HVAC) Systems; Roofing; Windows and Doors; Gutters; Plumbing and Water Heaters; Code Violation Remediation; Siding; Removing Barriers to Access; Weatherization Activities; Lead Testing and Abatement; Flatwork/Concrete; and General Contracting. Please contact Larry Washington at 816-454-2000 for more information.

PERSPECTIVES

Putting the Northland spirit to work on Lorie's House

by Jim Rice

Construction is underway on Lorie's House, a new universal design home at 4413 N. Kensington in the Winnwood-Sunnybrook neighborhood. Universal design means that the house is designed and constructed to be accessible throughout the stages of a homeowner's life. It includes features such as extra-wide doors, cabinets and light switches at wheelchair height, walk-in showers, grab bars in bathrooms, and wheelchair-accessible walkways and entrances.

The new homeowner will be Lorie Perdieu, a local advocate for the disabled who has herself been disabled since birth. Though confined to a wheelchair, Lorie is able (with occasional assistance with daily living activities) to live by herself, drive a specially equipped van, and earn a modest income. Despite the many

obstacles she has faced since infancy, Lorie has become an articulate and tireless worker for the disabled. Lorie's House is an opportunity to recognize Lorie and let the world know how productive and independent disabled persons can be... with a little help.

The project is a collaboration of Northland Neighborhoods, Inc. (NNI), the Christian Carpenters, and the Fuller Center for Housing. The Fuller Centers, growing out of the Habitat for Humanity experience, is a nationwide organization. The Kansas City Fuller Center is among the first in the region. Financing is supported by a \$60,000 HUD grant to NNI, cash and in-kind contributions from the Christian Carpenters, and contributions from the community. Lorie will also contribute through a mortgage that she can manage on her small income.

Following a May 5 article in the Neighborhoods section of the *Kansas City Star*, the Northland spirit started to percolate, with ordinary—really quite extraordinary—residents sending along checks to help get Lorie's House finished. We need to keep this grassroots momentum going and we can do so only with your help. The basic, no frills house will cost approximately \$96,000. We'd like to do some modest landscaping and perhaps provide some new furnishings and appliances to make Lorie's first homeownership experience truly special. Checks in any amount should be made payable to Northland Neighborhoods, Inc., 3015 NE Vivion Road, KCMO 64119. All contributions are fully tax deductible. Let's show Lorie just how generous and loving the Northland can be. Thanks in advance for your Northland generosity.



UPCOMING GARAGE SALES

June 4 & 5

Brittany Oaks Neighborhood Association
Barry Road at Conant /Mace Road & Nodayway
8:00a.m.
Friday & Saturday

Claybrook Homes Association

77th & N Antioch
9:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.
Friday & Saturday

Northaven Gardens Neighborhood

70th & N Prospect
8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.
Friday & Saturday

June 5

Gracemor Randolph Neighborhood

48th & Sycamore
8:00a.m - 4:00p.m.
Saturday Only

June 10, 11 & 12

Barry Harbor/Hunter's Ridge Homes Association

Barry Road at Marston Ave
8:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.
Thursday, Friday & Saturday

June 12

Chaumiere Neighborhood Association

I-35, Parvin Rd, Antioch & Chouteau
8:00a.m.
Saturday Only

Claymont North Homes Association

NW Normandy Lane & N Oak
8:00a.m. - 3:00p.m.
Saturday Only

June 18 & 19

Grey Oaks Neighborhood
79th & N Cherry - Gladstone
8:00a.m.
Friday & Saturday

June 25 & 26

Patterson Highlands Neighborhood

NW 82nd St & N Summit
8:00a.m.
Friday & Saturday

August 12, 13 & 14

Crestview Homes Association

44th & N Oak
8:00a.m.
Thursday, Friday & Saturday

September 10 & 11

Carriage Hill Ellington Estates Neighborhood

60th & Antioch
8:00a.m. - 3:00p.m.
Friday & Saturday

September 18 & 19

Ravenwood-Summerset Neighborhood Assoc.

56th Place & N Brighton
8:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.
Saturday & Sunday

October 1 & 2

Claybrook Homes Association

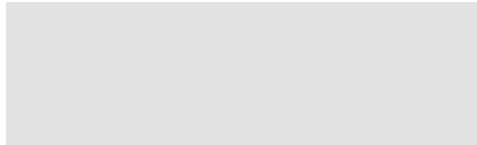
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Friday & Saturday

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NNI Upcoming Public Meetings and Events

Saturday, 6/5	ABOPT – Antioch Mall	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday, 6/9	Senior Workshop	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday, 6/9	Forward Kansas City	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, 6/15	1st District Problem-Solving	8:30 a.m.
Tuesday, 6/15	Greenhaven Neighborhood	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 6/16	Cop Talk	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, 6/22	Editors Resource Exchange	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 6/23	All About PIAC	6:00 p.m.
Monday, 6/28	NNI Annual Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Monday, 6/28	NNI Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
MEET YOUR COUNCILPERSONS CANCELLED DUE TO ANNUAL MEETING		
OFFICE CLOSED JULY 5 FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY		
Wednesday, 7/14	Senior Workshop	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, 7/20	1st District Problem-Solving	8:30 a.m.
Tuesday, 7/20	Greenhaven Neighborhood	7:00 p.m.