

Annual Town Hall Meeting set for April 22

Northland Neighborhoods, Inc. will host its sixth annual Town Hall Meeting April 22, 2009 at 6 p.m. at NNI, 3015 NE Vivion Road. Highlights of the evening include remarks by Northland Council members and presentation of the annual Neighborhood Champion Awards. The 2009 Neighborhood Champion Awardees:

Deletta Dean, KCMO Neighborhood and Community Services Department
 Karen Dolt, Northland Health Care Access
 Lillian Gage, Highland Gardens Neighborhood
 Dan Henry, Chaumiere Neighborhood
 Kevin Kooi, Crestview Elementary School
 Sheila Lillis, Gladstone Parks and Recreation Department
 Trish Martin, Shoalbrook II Neighborhood
 Brook Robinson, Target
 Dennis Tedford, Cooley Highlands Neighborhood
 Cindy Weber, Synergy Real Estate Group

NNI Goes For It! May 16 event has it all: Auction, Dinner, Music!

Break away from the recession doldrums as NNI Goes For It on May 16 at the Embassy Suites-KCI. Slip into some cocktail attire for an evening of fun beginning at 6:00 p.m. with a bargains-galore silent auction, followed by a delectable dinner and the spellbinding music of Andrea Pope and Angelo Cilia. Here's a partial preview of the song titles: *The Impossible Dream* from Man of LaMancha, *Don't Rain on My Parade* from Funny Girl, *I'm Not That Girl* from Wicked, *You're the Top* from Anything Goes.

And that's not all. Here's a sneak preview of some of the auction items: limited edition, framed Thomas Hart Benton print, an evening at Starlight Theatre, gift certificates from dozens of your favorite restaurants, woman cyclist leather jacket and chaps, power tools...and much more.

NNI knows that times are difficult for everyone, so individual ticket prices have been reduced from \$60 to \$50, tables of 10 reduced from \$600 to \$500. Expect to find some great bargains on hundreds of auction items and count on great entertainment from Andrea and Angelo.



Sponsorships:

Presenting - \$5,000 (Includes table of 10 plus 4 bonus tickets; major recognition in all promotional materials, including Show program; large banner with company logo at the event; mention during the event)

Star - \$2,500 (Includes a table of 10 plus 2 bonus tickets for the event, recognition in Show program, mention during the event)

Producer - \$1,500 (Includes a table of 10, recognition in Show program, mention during the event)

Director - \$750 (Includes a table of 10, recognition in Show program)

Mark your calendars and get your tickets now for a great evening of music, friends and shopping on May 16.

April 2009

Volunteer of the Month Russ Gresham

Russ Gresham's circle of life began in Parkville, then to the Navy, then to Norfolk, Virginia, then to Olathe, Kansas and, finally, back to the Northland's Chaumiere Neighborhood. Russ and his wife Alice have 6 children and 6 grandchildren, and they stay very involved in their lives.

Russ does not suffer from boredom. He has volunteered for the Navy, and

goes to the VA hospital to visit with patients. These days, he manages the tool library for the Chaumiere Neighborhood Association, plies his woodworking skills on handmade wood ball point pens, and dabbles in photography. Other interests include geoneology, cooking and gardening. The tool library volunteer job includes maintaining the tools, handling tool rentals within the neighborhood, generally making sure that tools are

safe, clean and running correctly. Hey, Russ, what do you do in your spare time?

Russ says volunteering keeps him active, connected to the community and involved in his neighborhood. For him, involvement means attending all the Chaumiere neighborhood meetings and volunteering for clean-ups and other neighborhood activities. Volunteers like Russ keep our neighborhoods strong and vibrant.



Neighborhood Clips



A.B.O.P.T. encores Saturday, May 2 at Antioch Shopping Center

NNI, the City of Kansas City and Antioch Center will again sponsor safe disposal of household waste from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday May 2 in the east parking lot (Chouteau Trafficway side) of Antioch Shopping Center. ABOPT (antifreeze, batteries, oil, paint and tires) is a first come-first served opportunity to dispose of environmentally sensitive materials in a safe, responsible way. Leaf and brush dumpsters will be available for Kansas City Residents ONLY. Leaves must be in paper—not plastic—bags. There will also be a metal recycling bin available for steel and iron items, aluminum items, old metal bikes and toys, structural beams, electric motors, radiators, stainless steel and rebar. Check the NNI website (nni.org) for details on which Missouri communities are eligible for ABOPT.

April senior workshop: CPR

Jeff Johnson, Division Chief of Community Education, Johnson County Med-Act, will be on board Wednesday, April 8 at 9 a.m. (he had to cancel in February) with a condensed CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation) class for seniors. After graduating from the KUMC Radiology Technician program, Jeff went to Alaska for a 2-week vacation and stayed 11 years. A commercial fisherman by trade, he was also a volunteer firefighter and EMT. He is Chairman of the AHA Emergency Cardiac Task Force. Blood pressure checks will also be available from 10:30 to 11:30 immediately after the workshop.



**FREE
health
checks for
your child and
your home now
available**

The Kansas City Safe & Healthy Home Partnership will review your child's health, and the health of your home. The Home environmental assessment includes checking indoor air quality and ventilation, dust and allergen levels, moisture and mold, a household chemical survey, a home maintenance survey, and a home safety check up. You can enroll today by calling 816-235-6331 or contact Yvonne Herrick at NNI, 454-2000 to see if you qualify.

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 or Yvonne Herrick at 816-454-2000 for more information.

NNI Public Meetings and Events April – June 2009

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| Wednesday | 4/8 | Senior Workshop | 9:00 a.m. |
| Wednesday | 4/15 | Cop Talk at NNI | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday | 4/20 | NNI Board Meeting | 6:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday | 4/21 | 1st District Roads Update | 8:30 a.m. |
| Tuesday | 4/21 | Greenhaven Neighborhood Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 4/22 | NNI Town Hall Meeting | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday | 4/27 | Meet Your Councilpersons | 6:00 p.m. |
| Saturday | 5/2 | ABOPT at Antioch Mall | 8:00 a.m. |
| Wednesday | 5/13 | Senior Workshop | 9:00 a.m. |
| Saturday | 5/16 | NNI Goes For It! at Embassy Suites | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday | 5/18 | NNI Board Meeting | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday | 5/18 | NNI Board Candidate Forum | 7:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday | 5/19 | 1st District Roads Update | 8:30 a.m. |
| Tuesday | 5/19 | Greenhaven Neighborhood Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 5/20 | Cop Talk at NNI | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday | 5/25 | Memorial Day - NNI offices closed | |
| Tuesday | 5/26 | Neighborhood Roundtable | 6:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 6/10 | Senior Workshop | 9:00 a.m. |
| Tuesday | 6/16 | 1st District Roads Update | 8:30 a.m. |
| Tuesday | 6/16 | Greenhaven Neighborhood Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 6/17 | Cop Talk at NNI | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday | 6/22 | NNI Annual Meeting at NNI | 6:00 p.m. |

Mark your calendars: the Northland Neighborhood's, Inc. Annual Meeting is June 22, 2009, 6 p.m. at NNI, 3015 NE Vivion Road. On the agenda: election of Board of Directors. A candidate forum will be held on May 18 immediately following the NNI Board Meeting.

Note: Due to the Memorial Day holiday and NNI's Annual Meeting there will be no Meet Your Councilpersons meetings in May or June.