

# This Week at NNI



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## **Deb's Desk (a weekly update from NNI CEO Deb Hermann)**

### **Sprucing up your lawn? KC and Gladstone can help!**

Today, two good friends of NNI have announcements that can help with your spring lawn makeover. Tonya Davis, KCMO Sustainability Manager, is an active member of our Neighborhood Relations Committee, and Richard King, Gladstone's Public Information Coordinator, ably chairs the committee.

**For Kansas City Residents:** The leaf and brush drop-off site at 1815 N. Chouteau Trafficway, is open for the season, with expanded hours and new products! Open Wednesday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Colored mulch, chipwood, topsoil, and garden mixes available in bulk or by the bag. Fees are charged, but Saturday disposal for KC residents is free, with reduced rates for alternative days. The site is open to all Northland residents and businesses. The Chouteau site provides helpful services to Northland residents and, at the same time, helps the environment. The dropped off waste is transformed into usable products. Just think, the leaves you dropped off last year may very well be the compost you add to your garden this year. --**Tonya Davis**

**For Gladstone Residents:** Gladstone residents can drop off brush, leaf and other yard waste from May 4 through May 6, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The drop-off site is the Gladstone public works facility, 4000 NE 76<sup>th</sup> Street. Proof of residency may be required. --**Richard King**

Thanks to Tonya and Richard for this timely and helpful information. Happy gardening to all!

### **News Bites**

#### **Chouteau Trafficway to close briefly**

Overnight construction will close Chouteau Trafficway at Parvin Road from 7 p.m. Friday, May 5 to 12 a.m. Saturday, May 6. Detour routes will be posted prior to construction.

#### **Last chance for renewal!**

NNI member neighborhood associations will vote to elect NNI board members and approve bylaw changes at the June 25 Annual Meeting, 6 p.m. To vote, your organization must submit its new or renewal application by May 18. Go to: <http://www.nni.org/associations/association-application.html> to renew on-line. Or call Jim Rice at 454-2000.

#### **Board Candidate forum is May 21**

Interested in running for the NNI Board of Directors? You must submit a Board application by May 14, 2012 in order to speak at the forum May 21, 7 p.m. Call Jim Rice, 454-2000 to obtain an application.

### **Calendar for April 25 – May 21**

5/8/12	8:30 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> District Problem-Solving Meeting
5/9/12	9:00 a.m.	Senior Workshop
5/21/12	6:00 p.m.	NNI Board Meeting
5/21/12	7:00 p.m.	Candidate Forum for NNI Board Candidates
5/28/12	<b>MEMORIAL DAY: Meet Your Councilpersons CANCELLED</b>	
6/12/12	6:00 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> District Problem-Solving Meeting