

Eastern New Orleans

Newsletter

April 13, 2009

A message from Mayor C. Ray Nagin:

(from a message distributed via e-mail)

In May 2008, we received state funding to move forward with neighborhood streetscape enhancement projects. On Tuesday, April 28, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at St. Maria Goretti (7300 Crowder Boulevard), we need you and your neighbors to participate in our **New Orleans East Streetscape Project Open House** as the next step of this process for your neighborhood. There will be a brief presentation at 6:30 pm.

The New Orleans East Streetscape Project, which is on Read Boulevard from I-10 to Dwyer Road; Lake Forest Boulevard from Bundy Road to Wright Boulevard; and Crowder Boulevard from I-10 to Dwyer Road, has a construction budget of approximately \$2.5 million and is funded by the Community Development Block Grant Program. Based on input received at the January 2009 community meeting, Phoenix Global Engineering & Construction, Inc. developed the schematic design for the City of New Orleans. We invite you and your neighbors to view the schematic design prepared for this project at this open house event. You will also be able to see how the community prioritized specific amenities available as part of the streetscape enhancement project.

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Summer Programs at Xavier University

Xavier University of Louisiana hosts excellent opportunities for academic enrichment and college credit during the summer. Below is a list of programs that will be running during the summer of 2009.

Program: Mardi Gras Indian Arts Summer School

Objective: The curriculum objectives for this 8-week summer program are that students will develop an awareness and appreciation of Mardi Gras Indian traditions and the art of masking; gain awareness of Native American culture by comparing and contrasting factual Native American dress styles with romanticized Mardi Gras Indian interpretations; learn about African-Caribbean influences on Indian costume design and culture; gain knowledge of the dramatic use and manipulation of design elements including color, line, mass, and texture in Indian suit design; strengthen their research skills and their application to costume design; and stretch their analytical skills as they make design choices.

Number of Participants: 20 Grades: Middle School Ages 11-14 For more information, contact Shawn Vantree, Dept. of Fine Arts, 504-520-7552

<http://www.xula.edu/art/community+arts/about>

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Did you know....

*Eastern New Orleans
accounts for 60% of the
city of New Orleans' land
mass?*

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A streetscape enhancement is a public improvement initiative that will enhance the public area and trigger subsequent recovery and investment in key recovery areas and surrounding neighborhoods. It is designed to benefit residents, business owners and visitors and provide amenities that contribute to economic vitality.

I have been committed to the full recovery of our city since Hurricane Katrina and with your participation in the many planning meetings; we are making progress every day. I want to thank you for your input and patience throughout this historic recovery planning process. Feel free to call Barry Cromartie at (504) 658-4379 or Kensley Evans at (504) 581-6900 with any questions.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the rebirth of our great city of New Orleans.

Sincerely,

C. Ray Nagin
Mayor

A message from the Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission:

Dear Community Members of New Orleans East,

We need everyone to start writing letters, sending emails and calling your city and state officials and demand for our hospital to return to our community. The ENONAC Commission is asking everyone to send letters, emails or calls to every official showing unity from our community. Everyone's voice counts and we need all of you to share this information with family and friends and ask them to do the same.

*Debbie Gordon
ENONAC Secretary*

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, April 14, 2009 6:00 pm. Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission monthly meeting. 8020 Crowder Blvd (Bayou Title Office). ENONAC meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Tuesday, April 14, 2009 1:30 pm City Planning Commission Public Hearing Notice. City Council Chamber

(City Hall -1E07). The City Planning Commission in accordance with provisions of article 16 of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance #4264 M.C.S., as amended, will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to the comprehensive zoning law of the City of New Orleans. **The last day to submit written comments for the April 14 hearing is Wednesday, April 8, 5 pm.**

Wednesday, April 15, 2009 6:30 pm. NOPD 7th District New Orleans Neighborhood and Police Anti-Crime Council (NONPACC) meeting. 10555 Lake Forest Blvd. NONPACC meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

New! Thursday, April 16 2009, 7:00 p.m. Department of Public Works / MWH Americas Open House on various road repair and street work. MQVN Community Development Corporation Office, 4626 Alcee Fortier Blvd. People are welcome to attend and send questions to the Department.

Thursday, April 16, 2009 6:00 pm. Build Now TALKS: How to Improve Your Credit & Qualify for a Loan. 5713 Elysian Fields Ave. @ Prentiss Ave. (Build Now Model Home) In today's lending climate, getting a construction loan or a permanent mortgage may be harder than ever. Do you know what you qualifications you need to obtain a loan? Come speak with a mortgage originator from Hope Community Credit Union to learn what a mortgage originator is looking for in a credit file, along with tips on how to improve your credit and become a more attractive candidate for a loan.

Due to space considerations attendees must pre-register for the events they wish to attend. To pre-register, call 504-324-3964 or e-mailmail@buildnownola.com.

Saturday, April 18, 2009. Operation S.O.W. Summer Camp Open House previously scheduled on Saturday, March 21, 2009 at 9869 East Wheaton Circle in New Orleans East has moved to April 18, 2009. The application fee is \$50, with no additional charge for two or more siblings. Summer Camp will take place from June 8 – July 18, 2009, and will be \$60 per week. After care will be 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm, and \$15 per day. The camp was founded and is directed by Mrs. "Bess" Bynum-Vaughn. Summer Camp activities will include culinary arts, multicultural activities, field trips, basketball swimming, bingo, singing, dancing, and much more. For more information, call (504) 245-4100 or (504) 259-4398.

Monday, April 20, 2009 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Round 2 of Districts 9, 10, & 11 Planning Meetings. St. Mary's Academy, 6905 Chef Menteur Hwy. For more information,

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Job Openings

Appeals Officer, Internal Revenue Service, New Orleans, LA. \$83,445 - \$108,483. Closes Tuesday, April 28, 2009. Conduct legal research into applicable rules, regulations & court decisions; Analyze case files, supporting documents & other information involving tax liability issues. Responsible for arriving at final resolution taking into consideration both the Government's & the Taxpayer's perspective & submit the final settlement recommendations on tax cases to Manager. More information: http://jobsearch.usajobs.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=80176931&aid=76675419%2D3139&WT.mc_n=MKT000125&TabNum=1&rc=3

Auditor (Contract Audit), Department Of Defense, Defense Contract Audit Agency, New Orleans, LA, \$38,117 - \$49,553. Closes Friday, August 28, 2009. Progressively challenging assignments that involve the systematic examination and appraisal of financial records, reports, management controls, policies, & practices affecting or reflecting the financial condition & operation of DOD & other Federal agency contractors. Will be in front of top level decision makers—from CEO's of Fortune 500 companies to high-level military & civilian government personnel. Gain broad-based professional experience. Work often performed on-site at major defense & other contractor installations in inclusive environment which fosters teamwork, open communication, trust, & mutual respect. More information: <http://jobsearch.usajobs.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=75202192&AVSDM=2009%2D02%2D13+07%3A26%3A53&Logo=0&sort=rv&vw=d&brd=3876&ss=0&customapplicant=15513,15514,15515,15669,15523,15512,15516,45575&q=contract+auditor>

ENONAC Administrator. Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission (ENONAC) seeks Administrator. Resident of Eastern New Orleans (ENO). Maintain thorough knowledge of city zoning and permitting laws for ENO areas. Chief Liaison between the Executive Board of ENONAC and all city and state municipalities. Represent ENONAC at City Council meetings. Maintain working knowledge of city planning agenda. Advocate interests of ENONAC and ENO residents in such plans. Maintain database of ENONAC members. Assist ENONAC Executive Board. Must be organized, possess excellent communication skills, be computer literate, possess basic clerical skills. Excellent salary. For more information, email info@enonac.org.

US Census positions available. Good pay, flexible hours, paid training. Field employee selection aid test every Tuesday and Thursday. 9 AM and 1 PM. St Bernard Parish Government Building Room 213, every Friday 10 AM Nunez Community College, Classroom J-4. No appointment necessary. Bring I.D. and social security card or birth certificate.

Program: Summer Science Academy

Objective: Create a pipeline for strengthening the problem solving abilities and critical thinking skills of students who have expressed an interest in a science and/or health-related careers.

MathStar 50 participants, grades 8-9

BioStar 60 participants, grades 9-10

ChemStar 70 participants, grades 10-11

SOAR1 40 participants, rising seniors

For more information, contact 504-520-5418

Application:

<http://www.xula.edu/education/documents/ssaAPP.pdf>

Program: SuperScholar/EXCEL

Objective: SuperScholar/EXCEL is an intensive four-week residential summer enrichment program that is geared toward students who are interested in pursuing college degrees in the arts, humanities, social sciences and education. All participants will learn test-taking strategies that will enhance their performance on standardized tests. Participants will take non-credit courses in Quantitative Reasoning (Math), Critical Thinking/Writing, Speech/Debate, Philosophy and African-American History. All participants must live on campus.

Number of Participants: 80 Grades: Rising or Graduating Seniors (currently in 11th or 12th grades)

For more information, contact 504-520-7633

Michelle Carter, Director mwashing@xula.edu

Monica Majors, Project Coordinator mmajors1@xula.edu

Application: <http://www.xula.edu/gradstar/SS-EXCEL.php>

Program: Upward Bound

(Note: This is a year long - through senior year program that only serves students from targeted schools.)

Goal: Provide opportunities to selected high school students who want to pursue careers requiring postsecondary education.

Objective 1: Academic Improvement on Standardized Test

Objective 2: Project Retention

Objective 3: Postsecondary Enrollment:

Objective 4: Postsecondary Persistence

Participants: 75 High School Students from targeted schools.

For more information view our department website or contact Dr.

Marie DeLarge at 504-520-7664

This program is funded by the US Department of Education at \$387,475.00

Program: STEM Scholars Summer Bridge

Objective: This five-week program is for incoming freshmen who are majoring in math, computer sciences, physics and engineering. They must be eligible to take Precalculus or Calculus. Students will receive college credit.

Participants: 15 Grades: Incoming Freshmen

For more information, contact Adrienne Hunter at 504-520-7384

http://www.xula.edu/programs/HS_INFO.php

Program: EPsAR

Objective: This is a six-week summer program designed for students targeted as having deficiencies in Mathematics. The program allows these students to remediate these deficiencies before they enroll as full-time students at Xavier in the fall. The program's outcome is to give incoming, new

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log on to www.nolamasterplan.org.

Wednesday, April 22, 2009 Greater New Orleans Immunization Network Free Immunizations for children up to 18 years of age N.O. East Walgreens at Lake Forest and Bullard 2 pm - 6 pm. Bring Child's Immunization Record. For more information go to <http://www.gnoshots4kids.com/index2.html> or call (504) 733-3268.

Friday, April 24 – Sunday, April 26, 2009. Fourth Weekend. Support our New Orleans East businesses by shopping exclusively in the East!

Friday April 24, 2009 8 pm - 10 pm 5555 Bullard Ave. Victor Goins and David Purpas at Jazz City Java. Jazz City Java's 1 year anniversary. 1st weekend of Jazz Fest. For more information, call 504-245-8282.

Saturday, April 25, 2009 Free Grant Writing Workshop for Community Organizations. Kearny Hall, Dillard University, Room 105. 8 am – 9 am. Registration/Networking 9 am – 5 pm. Workshop. Noon Break for Lunch **Topics of Discussion:** Overview of the Non-Profit sector in New Orleans, Partnerships: HBCUs and Non-Profit Sector, Neighborhood Associations and Faith-Based Organizations, Jobs created by the non-profit sector (national/local), President Obama's stimulus program and the non-profit sector, Organizational needs/survey, The Next Step. Workshop facilitator Ivory L. Williams has more than 25 years experience in the public and non-profit sectors. Williams currently serves as the director of urban development in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and has held similar positions with Southern University of New Orleans and Dillard University. **Topics/Hand-Outs:** 501 (c) 3 status, Indirect costs/overhead, How to write a successful grant, Grant funds. Seating is limited so sign up today via email: dillardcdc@yahoo.com. Contact Nick Harris, Phone: 504-816-4704 or 504-816-4205.

Monday, April 27, 2009. Registration begins for Resurrection of Our Lord School Learn and Play Summer Camp from June 8 – July 17, 2009. For more information, call 504-243-2257.

New! Tuesday, April 28, 2009 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. New Orleans East Streetscape Project Open House. St. Maria Goretti, 7300 Crowder Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70127.

Tuesday, April 28, 2009 6:00 p.m. ENONAC Commissioners Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting for neighborhood association presidents. St. Maria Goretti, Rooms 3 and 4. Each neighborhood should be represented. CAB meetings occur on the last Tuesday of each month.

Wednesday, May 6, 2009 Greater New Orleans Immunization Network Free Immunizations for children up to 18 years of age N.O. East Walgreens at Lake Forest and Bullard 2 pm - 6 pm. Bring Child's Immunization Record. For more information go to <http://www.gnoshots4kids.com/index2.html> or call (504) 733-3268.

Friday, May 8, 2009 7:00 pm — 9:00 pm. Step Up to the Mic!!! Jazz City Java Coffeehouse presents Open Mic Nite at 5555 Bullard Ave. Been waiting for an opportunity to showcase your talent? Bring your spoken words, your song, your instrument, your talent to Jazz City Java's monthly Open Mic Night. Come in and sign on the dotted line. It's your night to shine! Rather be on the other side of the mic? Then just come on in and support your home grown talent while sipping on your favorite coffee brew! Drink & Dessert Specials. Families are welcome! Open Mic Nights are held every second Friday of the month. For more information, call 504-245-8282.

May 11, 2009 New Postal Rates go into effect. The price for a 1-ounce First-Class Mail stamp will increase from 42¢ to 44¢. **You can still purchase Forever Stamps which are purchased at current first class rates and can always be used even if the rate increases again.**

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McCafe' Now Offered and Drive-Thru Hours Expanded at McDonald's on Bullard

“Beginning Friday, March 13, our McDonald’s restaurant located at 6005 Bullard Avenue in New Orleans East **expanded its drive-thru operations to 24 hours on Friday and Saturday nights** to better serve our customers”, says Henry L. Coaxum, Jr., owner/operator. The restaurant, which reopened after Katrina in July 2007, will continue to operate dine-in lobby hours from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. The drive-thru will be open until 12 midnight Sunday through Thursday.

This renovated restaurant now offers **McCafe'** - McDonald’s specialty coffees and hot chocolate. These hot or cold drinks give customers quality coffeehouse flavor with a selection of **espresso** (a serving of rich tasting coffee); **cappuccino** (espresso and steamed milk topped with frothy milk with vanilla or caramel syrup), **latte** (espresso and steamed milk with vanilla or caramel syrup); **iced latte** (espresso with cold milk and vanilla syrup served over ice); **mocha** (espresso, steamed milk and chocolate syrup topped with whipped cream and a chocolate drizzle); **iced mocha** (espresso with cold milk and chocolate syrup served over ice and topped with whipped cream and a chocolate drizzle); **hot chocolate** (hot steamed milk and chocolate syrup topped with whipped cream and a chocolate drizzle); and **hot or iced premium roast coffee**. Visit: www.mccafecoffee.com



At the Bullard Avenue restaurant, dine-in customers can enjoy complimentary “**TouchTunes**” musical selections of their choice; as well as “**playporTT**” table-top electronic devices with age-appropriate games.

This restaurant is one of several locally owned and operated by Coaxum Enterprises. The other locations include:

- 3025 Elysian Fields Avenue (at I-610) – 24-hour drive-thru offering **McCafe'**
- 2609 St. Claude Avenue (at Franklin) 24-hour drive-thru Friday and Saturday offering **McCafe'**
- 3321 St. Charles Avenue (at Louisiana) – 24-hour drive-thru, offering **McCafe'**
- 2856 S. Claiborne Avenue (at Toledano) – 24-hour drive-thru featuring “**TouchTunes**” and “**playporTT**”, offering **McCafe'**
- **10001 I-10 Service Road (at Read) – 24-hour drive-thru, soon to offer McCafe'**
- 1901 Tchoupitoulas Street (Inside Wal-Mart), offering iced coffee..

For information on employment opportunities at one of these restaurants, visit www.mcstate.com or call 504-569-0120.

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students with deficiencies in math the opportunity to reach the standards necessary to be able to enroll in degree-credit Mathematics courses. The goals are for these students to successfully complete the University placement test in mathematics and drastically reduce the number of students needing to take developmental Mathematics courses in the academic year.

Participants: 38 Grades: Incoming Freshmen

For more information, contact Adrienne Hunter at 504-520-7384

<http://www.xula.edu/programs/epsar.php>

Program: Howard Hughes

(Please note that you may not apply to this program. Participants are selected.)

Objective: To increase the number of underrepresented minorities who obtain careers in biomedical sciences by allowing high ability students to get a head start in college. The program would be especially beneficial to students who hope to enter medical school after their Junior year at Xavier via one of the Accelerated Premed Programs. Completing this course during the summer also makes it easier for students to take additional advanced courses or to reduce their course load during tough semesters (such as the time for MCAT preparation),.

Participants: 80 Grades: Incoming Freshmen

For more information, contact Quovadis Webster at 504-520-7437

Program: Business Achievers

Objective: The Business Achievers Summer Program is for incoming freshmen who are prospective business majors. Participants enroll in the Introduction to Business course and earn 3 hours of college credit.

Participants: 13 Grades: Incoming Freshmen

For more information, contact Dr. Clifford Wright at 504-520-5040

Program: New Orleans Urban Initiative (NOUI)

Objective: The New Orleans Initiative is a partnership between Bard College and Xavier University. It offers a unique and highly-selective 8-week program in New Orleans. The program's 20 students will investigate notions of urbanism, ecology, and social policy, both in seminar style-classes and in demanding internships. Students will be expected to take two courses and intern up to 40 hours per week.

Participants: 20 Bard students, 5 Xavier students Grade: Undergraduates

For more information, contact Ms. Ronicka Harrison at 504-520-5751 <http://www.bard.edu/neworleans/study/>