

# *Eastern New Orleans* Newsletter

April 20, 2009

## **Cesar Burgos in; Gowri Kailas out as developer of Lake Forest Plaza**

**by Kate Moran, The Times-Picayune  
Friday April 17, 2009, 9:25 PM**

Attorney and Regional Transit Authority Chairman Cesar Burgos told a neighborhood group this month that he has stepped in as developer of Lake Forest Plaza, a former shopping center whose longtime owners were delinquent on a debt they owe the city.

Full story at:

[http://www.nola.com/news/index.ssf/2009/04/cesar\\_burgos\\_in\\_gowri\\_kailas\\_o.html](http://www.nola.com/news/index.ssf/2009/04/cesar_burgos_in_gowri_kailas_o.html)

## **Developer frustrated by city delays**

**Lake Carmel residents oppose his homes**

Saturday, April 18, 2009

**By Bruce Egler**

**Staff writer**

Harold Foley..., a former New Orleanian now living in Georgia, wants to build 38 single-family homes on a narrow strip of land along Morrison Road between the Jahncke Canal and Gannon Road in eastern New Orleans.

The relatively modest homes, designed to provide affordable "work force" housing, would be directly behind much larger, more expensive homes along North Lake Carmel Drive in the gated Lake Carmel subdivision. Many Lake Carmel residents fear the development would threaten their property

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## **Office of Code Enforcement Steps Up Efforts**

The office of Recovery and Development Administration has placed notices the Times Picayune describing upcoming inspections and telling residents what is needed to maintain their properties and avoid fines. The addresses that will be inspected are posted on the Code Enforcement section of the City's web site ([www.cityofno.com](http://www.cityofno.com)).

The new Code Enforcement web site has been expanded to include information on hearing schedules, hearing results, maps and status of projects, housing standards, contractors, city codes and publications, department mission statement, FAQs, and department phone number.

The Housing Code Enforcement Handbook can be found at: <http://www.cityofno.com/Portals/ImminentHealthThreatDemolitionProperties/Resources/CodeEnforcementHandbook.pdf>

## **Traffic Update**

Two westbound lanes of the Interstate 10 high rise bridge will be closed nightly, Monday-Wednesday, 7 pm – 5 am, for joint and drain repairs. Work will begin in the right and center lanes, then shift to the left and center lanes. The Downman Road and Louisa Street offramps also will be closed during the work. (From Times-Picayune)

## **Census to Begin**

According to Parade Magazine, only 67% of Americans completed and returned their census survey in 2000. It was estimated that 1.84% of the country's African-Americans were left out of the 2000 count. It is extremely important that this information is provided, as funding for schools, public transportation, hospitals, roads, and other services, and Congressional seats are determined by population. Please turn in your surveys when you receive them.

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values and quality of life. Full story at:

<http://www.nola.com/news/t-p/neworleans/index.ssf?/base/news-10/1240032883264560.xml&coll=1>

## Calendar of Events

**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, log on to [www.nolamasterplan.org](http://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](mailto: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.

**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.**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2009 6:00 pm.** Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission monthly meeting. St. Maria Goretti Church. ENONAC meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.

**Wednesday, May 20, 2009 6:30 pm.** NOPD 7<sup>th</sup> District New Orleans Neighborhood and Police Anti-Crime Council (NONPACC) meeting. 10555 Lake Forest Blvd. NONPACC meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

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## Job Opportunities

**New! Agency Vendor Liaison Assistant.** \$30,772 - 40,005. Open Friday, April 10, 2009 to Friday, May 08, 2009. The National Finance Center (NFC) is currently recruiting for two (2) Agency Vendor Liaison Assistant, GS-0503-05, positions via an OPM (DS251873-BM). Full Time Temporary not to exceed 1 year. Current vacancies are located within the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), Controller Operations Division, Administrative Payments Branch (APB).

[http://jobsearch.usajobs.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=80358457&AVSDM=2009%2D04%2D10+08%3A44%3A59&Logo=0&jbf574=AG90&lid=17707&FedEmp=N&sort=rv&vw=d&ss=0&brd=3876&FedPub=Y&caller=/agency\\_search.asp&SUBMIT1.x=77&SUBMIT1.y=21](http://jobsearch.usajobs.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=80358457&AVSDM=2009%2D04%2D10+08%3A44%3A59&Logo=0&jbf574=AG90&lid=17707&FedEmp=N&sort=rv&vw=d&ss=0&brd=3876&FedPub=Y&caller=/agency_search.asp&SUBMIT1.x=77&SUBMIT1.y=21)

**New! Sassafras Restaurant East N.O. Now hiring all positions.** Apply Tues-Fri, 9 am – 11 am or 3 pm – 55 pm. 10100 I-10 Service Rd. Inside Best Western Hotel.

**New! Donut cutter** – experienced only. Southshore Grill, 7929 Downman Rd, (504) 244-9876

Various Employment opportunities at **McDonald's restaurants.** Visit [www.mcstate.com](http://www.mcstate.com) or call 504-569-0120

**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](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>

## MRGO to close to navigation

**April 16, 2009**  
by CityBusiness staff reports

NEW ORLEANS - The Mississippi River Gulf Outlet, a waterway blamed for severe flooding during Hurricane Katrina, will soon close to traffic.

On Wednesday, MRGO will be closed at Bayou La Loutre, near Hopedale in St. Bernard Parish, the Army Corps of Engineers said. Inbound and outbound traffic will no longer be able to safely travel the waterway, as submerged rocks, which are being used to close MRGO, make the channel dangerous to vessels, the corps said.

A closure structure made of rocks is being built across the channel approximately 1,500 feet southeast of Bayou La Loutre. The work involves the placement of approximately 433,500 tons of stone.

Construction of the closure is on schedule, the corps said, adding that work is expected to be complete in July.

Atlantic hurricane season begins June 1.

**ENONAC Administrator.** Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission (ENONAC) seeks Part Time Administrator. Application period ends April 30, 2009. Must be 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](mailto: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.

## **MOREHOUSE SUMMER PROGRAM FOR MALES IN 10th & 11th GRADE**

Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA will be offering a Summer Institute Project Identity for African-American males entering the 10th and 11th grades. The program will be three weeks at Morehouse – from June 7 – 28. It will cover Creative Writing, SAT Prep, Debate, Pre-Calculus, Leadership development, Enrichment activities. The \$400 fee includes meals, housing and activities.

PROJECT IDENTITY is a federally funded program designed to stimulate interest in college attendance and the awareness of college entrance requirements for African-American and other minority males attending middle school. The Project aims to help to develop and sustain the capacity of middle schools to prepare these young boys for high school and post-secondary education. By providing a network of support, particularly for the adults who influence middle school students, specifically, their counselors and families, Project Identity strives to channel and direct more minority males to higher education. Project Identity will give special attention to boys from backgrounds and communities that historically have not encouraged large numbers to pursue, enroll and succeed in post-secondary education.

The vision of Project Identity is to expose middle school male students to the best academic resources and cultural activities so that learning becomes a source of inspiration to not only pursue the college option but to do so with enthusiasm and vigor. By assisting both parents and school counselors, Project Identity will create a learning environment for participants that extends beyond the classroom.

## **Renaissance Marketplace Coming Soon**

The Renaissance Marketplace is a community-based, community development initiative designed to bring shopping, entertainment and additional community and business development to Eastern New Orleans. It is our attempt to encourage investment in retail, food and beverage, and the arts to come to New Orleans East.

The first step in achieving our goals is the creation of a monthly arts/crafts/food market set for the **fourth Sunday of every month, starting June 28, 2009**. The Marketplace would offer fresh produce, fine arts and crafts, cuisine from area restaurants, and live music.

For more information, contact Barbara Woolfolk at (504)287-9058 or [renaissancemarketplace@yahoo.com](mailto:renaissancemarketplace@yahoo.com).

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