

Eastern New Orleans Newsletter

July 13, 2009

\$100 million in bonds sought for Six Flags

Firm hoping to reopen park

Times-Picayune, Friday, July 10, 2009

By Jaquetta White

Business writer

The Baton Rouge firm hoping to rebuild and operate the abandoned Six Flags amusement park in eastern New Orleans on Thursday applied for \$100 million in bonds for the project.

In an application to the Industrial Development Board for Gulf Opportunity Zone bonds, Southern Star Amusement Inc. said it wants the bonds to restore existing buildings and major pieces of equipment in the former Six Flags park, which has not reopened since being damaged in Hurricane Katrina. The request also says the money might be used to pay for "new building structures" and additional rides, said Sharon Martin, administrative consultant for the board.

Full story: <http://www.nola.com/business/tp/index.ssf?/base/money-1/1247204024308180.xml&coll=1>

Eastern New Orleans Recovery Watch

Project	Location	Due Date	Status
Public Library	Read / Lake Forest		
Methodist Hospital	Read Blvd		
NOPD Station			
NOFD Station	Dwyer / Read		
NOFD Station	Lake Catherine		
Joe Brown Park	Read Blvd		
La Nature Center	Read Blvd		
Plaza Mall	Read / Lake Forest		
MRGO		July 2009	
Levees		June 2011	
FCW Elementary School	Dwyer / Bullard		
Osborne Elementary School			
Abramson HS	Read		
La Provence Apt Demolition			
Major Retail Centers			
Michoud Blvd Bridge			Complete
Lawrence Creek Apt Demolition			
Bern-Mas Apt Demolition			
Lincoln Beach		2011	
Fencing/Beautification along I-10			
Six Flags			

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Calendar of Events

New! Every Thursday. Chess at Jazz City Java Coffeehouse. Chess Club every Thursday evening beginning on, June 18th. Game Time is at 5:00 pm (or as soon as you arrive). We'll keep the doors open until 8:00 pm so you'll have time to Get Your Game On!! So, bring your boards and your game!!! Come be a part of the chess community in New Orleans East. All ages and skill levels are invited. 5555 Bullard Ave, NOLA, 70128 504-245-8282.

New! Every Thursday except holidays, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. GriefShare at Cornerstone United Methodist Church, 5276 Bullard Ave. 70128. (504) 248.7998. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are grieving the death of someone close to them.

Monday, June 8, 2009 – Friday, July 17, 2009. 7:30 am – 3:30 pm daily. Operation S.O.W. Summer Camp. 9869 East Wheaton Circle in New Orleans East. \$60 per week. After care 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm, \$15 per day. Operated by Mrs. “Bess” Bynum-Vaughn. Activities 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, June 8, 2009 – Friday, July 17, 2009. Resurrection of Our Lord School Learn and Play Summer Camp. Call (504) 243-2257 for more information.

Monday, July 13 – July 17, 2009. 6 pm - 8:30 pm. Cornerstone United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School. 5276 Bullard Ave. 5 years & up.

New! Monday, July 13th 6:00 pm Master Planning Community Conversation. Daily Walking With Christ Jesus Ministries. 3621 St. Claude Ave. (corner of Independence St.) New Orleans, LA 70117 Hosted by Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation

Tuesday, July 14, 2009 6:00 pm. Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission monthly meeting. St. Maria Goretti Church. ENONAC meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Tuesday, July 14, 2009 1:30 p.m. City Planning Commission. Agenda will include **Sun Energy**, the company proposing a waste management facility in eastern New Orleans.

Wednesday, July 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! Wednesday, July 15th 6:00 pm Master Planning Community Conversation. Reaping the Harvest Full Gospel Baptist Church. 5123 Dauphine St. (Corner of Lizardi St.) New Orleans, LA 70117 Hosted by Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation

New! Thursday, July 16, 2009 6:00 p.m. NOEBA Membership Meeting, 10001 Lake Forest Blvd Suite 3E in the Deer Park Office Condominiums. Networking at 5:30 p.m. Contact Alicia Plummer, NOEBA Vice President at: aplummer@eastovercc.com or (504) 458-5809. See ad on page 4 for more information.

New! Thursday, July 16th 1:30 - 4:00 PM. Sustainability Forum. GNOF Main Conference Room. 1055 St. Charles Ave., Suite 100 New Orleans, LA 70130. Hosted by Greater New Orleans Foundation. For parking directions visit the “contact us” section on www.gnof.org

New! Friday, July 17th 8:00 - 10:30 AM. Economic Opportunity Forum. GNOF Main Conference Room 1055 St. Charles Ave., Suite 100 New Orleans, LA 70130. Hosted by the Greater New Orleans Foundation. For parking directions visit the “contact us” section on www.gnof.org

New! Saturday, July 18th 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Master Planning Community Conversation. Central City Renaissance Alliance. 1809 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70113. Hosted by Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation

New! Wednesday, July 22, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Lake Bullard Lake Bullard Night at Jazz City Java Coffeehouse on Bullard Avenue. If you can't make it Wednesday night, visit during the day.

Friday, July 24 – Sunday, March July 26, 2009. Fourth Weekend. Support our New Orleans East businesses by shopping exclusively in the East! **KEEP THE MONEY IN THE FAMILY!**

Saturday, July 25, 2009. Renaissance Market Place monthly arts/crafts/food market offering fresh produce, fine arts and crafts, cuisine from area restaurants, and live music. Occurs on the fourth Saturday of every month. For more information or to volunteer, e-mail renaissancemarketplace@yahoo.com, call (504) 261-5067 or visit www.renaissancemarketplace.net.

Job Opportunities

New! IT Specialist (System Administration) National Finance Center, Eastern New Orleans. \$56,411 - \$73,329. Closes Friday, July 24, 2009. Direct and operate the NFC computer systems; scheduled maintenance computer runs; inputs data; controls and directs computer generated output; and provides assistance and facilitating services, through the Operations and Security Center (OSC), to users of the NFC computer system. More information: <http://jobview.usajobs.gov/getjob.aspx?JobID=81699271&sort=rv%2c-dtex&jbf574=AG90&vw=d&re=134&FedEmp=Y&FedPub=Y&caller=agency.aspx&AVSDM=2009-07-10+10%3a42%3a00&rc=3&TabNum=1>

New! Supervisory Program Analyst (Two positions). Department Of State. New Orleans, LA. \$95,010 - \$139,162. Closes Friday, July 24, 2009. conceiving and deploying monitoring and quality controls to external acceptance facilities, gather information and evaluate their performance, and conduct quality assurance inspections of the passport acceptance process. More information: http://jobview.usajobs.gov/getjob.aspx?JobID=81910671&aid=7675419-679&WT.mc_n=125&rc=5&TabNum=1 and http://jobview.usajobs.gov/GetJob.aspx?JobID=81910459&aid=76675419-679&WT.mc_n=125

Various Employment opportunities at **McDonald's restaurants**. Visit www.mcstate.com or call 504-569-0120

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>

“The great pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do.”

Walter Bagehot



Farewell to Ann Mitchell

The Lake Barrington Association President,
Ann Mitchell,
passed away on Saturday, July 4.
Please keep her family and neighbors in your
prayers. Ann was very active in the
community, and she will be greatly missed.



Attached is a petition for Lake Carmel's hearing with the City Council scheduled for Thursday, July 23, 2009 scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m. or thereafter requesting repeal of the decision by the City Planning Commission approving the Subdivision of property owned by Old Morrison Partners, LP & VOB Developments, LLC Old Morrison Homes. (Subdivision Docket #29/09).

All who can attend the hearing in support of Lake Carmel, please save the date. Lake Carmel will be issuing a flyer shortly also.

Councilwoman Willard-Lewis had also suggested that as many people as possible send emails to city Councilmembers.

Officer Eddie Dema sent a reminder about the monthly NONPACC meeting which will be held Wednesday, July 15th, 2009, at 6:30 pm. at 10555 Lake Forest Blvd.

Additionally, "Night Out Against Crime" will be held on August 4th, 2009. If you have plans to have a neighborhood gathering, please get on the list with crime prevention @658-5590 and/or provide the following:

Type of gathering: BLOCK PARTY,
MEDIAN/NEUTRAL GROUND PARTY, LAWN
PARTY, OUTDOOR BAR-B-QUE or NEW GROUP.

NAME, HOME ADDRESS, GROUP NAME, PHONE,
NUMBER OF BARRICADES, LOCATION FOR
BARRICADE DROP OFF, and TIME.

New Orleans East Business Association (NOEBA)

Membership Meeting for the month of July
Thursday, July 16, 2009
10001 Lake Forest Blvd, Suite 3E
Deer Park Office Condominiums
Networking at 5:30 p.m.
Meeting begins at 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

Member / Business introductions
Guest speaker - U.S. Census Bureau
Please refer any questions to
Alicia Plummer, NOEBA Vice President at:
aplummer@eastovercc.com or
(504) 458-5809



Be bold.

Don't let God-given opportunities pass you by because you may be fearful or unwilling to take risks!

Contributed by Trey Tapp

PUBLIC WORKS EVENT CANCELED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to Commemorate the Reconstruction of the Michoud Boulevard Bridge Over the Maxent Canal in New Orleans East to be Rescheduled

New Orleans, La (July 7, 2009) - The City of New Orleans Department of Public Works canceled its ribbon cutting ceremony to commemorate the completion of bridge construction on the Michoud Boulevard Bridge over the Maxent Canal due to inclement weather. The event will be rescheduled at a later date.

Lincoln Beach work to start no sooner than 2011

**New Orleans City Business
June 15, 2009**

The redevelopment of Lincoln Beach is moving forward, but construction is not expected to begin for at least 18 months, said Sean Cummings, head of the New Orleans Building Corp.

The city and Nolatown Inc., the project's primary developer, are expected to reach an agreement on the lease this month. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will then begin work on levee enhancements and a new floodgate.

The corps' work is expected to take 18 months to complete.

Construction can then begin on the \$477 million project that will include green space, an entertainment complex, gathering areas with cultural themes, recreation, commercial and hospitality areas, residential facilities and support areas, and a commuter train stop. Housing would include 400 condos and a 500-vehicle parking garage.

Ricky Spearman, president of Nolatown, said three developers — Atlanta-based Nolatown; Covina, Calif.-based International Performance Packaging Co.; and Monrovia, Calif.-based Nardi Associates — have \$500 million in pre-approved financing.

Lincoln Beach originally was built as an amusement park for blacks during segregation.

"Government procurement is intrinsically challenging, more time-consuming and more expensive than what happens in the private sector," Cummings said.

"But in the scheme of things, the project is moving at a deliberate speed and in a clear direction. It's important to bring back to life this culturally important piece of real estate and this waterfront."

Corps uses 'innovative' contracting in N.O. East

by CityBusiness staff reports
July 7, 2009

The New Orleans District of the Army Corps of Engineers says it used an "innovative" process when it awarded a \$3.1 million contract for a project in eastern New Orleans.

In a news release, the corps said it awarded Archer Western/Alberici the Early Contractor Involvement contract, a preconstruction services contract, based on the joint venture's "prior experience and technical approach to design, planning and construction."

According to the corps' news release, the contract "includes three options for construction of 'Levee Sections,' 'Concrete T-wall at Pump Station 15' and 'T-wall from end of Earthen Levee to Inner Harbor Navigation Canal tie-in.'

Construction costs are estimated at \$295 million. The project will "reduce impacts from a storm surge event that has a 1 percent chance of occurring in any given year," the corps said.

"This project presents a multitude of challenges, so we felt that a preconstruction services contract would provide an opportunity to make more informed design decisions," said Col. Robert Sinkler, commander of the corps' Hurricane Protection Office. "This collaboration will be a fundamental part of finalizing designs and improving the efficiency of future construction activities to support the needs in New Orleans East."

<http://www.neworleanscitybusiness.com/UpToTheMinute.cfm?recID=25613>

The Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission (ENONAC) Executive Board has a position available for a **Commissioner-At-Large**.

If you are interested, or would like to nominate someone, contact ENONAC at info@enonac.org

Councilwoman says City Hall's gain may be park's loss

11:12 PM CDT on Monday, July 6, 2009

Bigad Shaban / Eyewitness News
bshaban@wwltv.com

NEW ORLEANS – It's a nearly \$800,000 question involving the potential purchase of a new City Hall and whether a New Orleans East Park battered by Hurricane Katrina will go unrestored to help pay for it.

New Orleans Councilwoman Stacy Head first raised the concern during last Thursday's council meeting after a researcher in Councilwoman Shelley Midura's office found some questionable budgeting, Head said.

"There were some funds that, as I understand it, come from a millage that's supposed to be dedicated to Joe Brown Park that were going to be moved from that function or that purpose to the acquisition of the Chevron building."

Head said more than \$760,000 worth of improvements were slated to the New Orleans East Park, which, even four years out from the storm, has clearly seen better days.

Full story:

<http://www.wwltv.com/topstories/stories/wwl070609cbccityhall.16330880.html>

**CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2009

**PUBLIC HEARING: 1:30 P.M. 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 TUESDAY JULY 14, 2009
IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
(CITY HALL -1E07) ON THE
FOLLOWING PROPOSED
AMENDMENTS TO THE
COMPREHENSIVE ZONING LAW OF
THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.**

This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for additional accommodations or any assistance to participate may be directed to the Office of Public Advocacy at 504-658-4015 (voice), 504-658-4002 (facsimile), or the City's TTY 504-586-4475. This communiqué is available in alternative formats upon request.

ZONING DOCKET 60-09 - Request by THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE

PORT OF NEW ORLEANS for a Conditional Use to permit a plasma gasification waste-to-energy facility in an HI Heavy Industrial District, on the proposed Lot 1-A of Section 39, T12S-R12E, in the Third Municipal District, bounded by Jourdan Road, Almonaster Avenue and the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal. The municipal address is 3900 JOURDAN ROAD. (ZBM F-12)

THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 16 OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE 4264 MCS AS AMENDED, WILL HEAR ALL PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS TO THE ABOVE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING LAW OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND AND ALL RELEVANT COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED CHANGES ARE ENCOURAGED.

Yolanda Rodriguez, Executive Director

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Group on FaceBook!**

Lake Bullard
Neighborhood Improvement District
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e-mail: lakebullard@aol.com
Phone: (504) 352-0227
Lisa Stafford, Editor

The Eastern New Orleans Newsletter is published weekly. Past issues can be found at www.enonac.org. Deadline for inclusion in the Monday newsletter is Friday at 5 pm. Information submitted for inclusion in the newsletter may be emailed to lakebullard@aol.com.

Message from Councilmember Hedge- Morrell

July 9, 2009

Cynthia Hedge-Morrell, District "D"
1300 Perdido Street Suite 2W20
New Orleans, LA. 70112
Office 504.658.1040
Fax 504.658.1048

Dear District D residents,

I am aware of the proposed Sun Energy Project at 3900 Jourdan Road (Zoning Docket 60/09) and share many of your concerns regarding this facility. There are many unanswered questions about this project and after our recent experience with the proposed Transload Facility it has become increasingly important that we remain vigilant regarding any and all industrial developments that may affect the quality of life in our neighborhoods.

To address these concerns and protect our interests, my staff will begin attending all relevant meetings of District D groups where this project is on the agenda. I also plan to convene a meeting of the affected neighborhood organization presidents in the coming weeks to coordinate our position on the project and fully express the will of the neighborhood regarding this development.

I need, specifically, to know what the concerns are of District D residents regarding Sun Energy. Testimonials are an essential part of letting the voices of community be heard through out this process. Scott Darrah, my legislative aide, will be the primary point of contact on this project. He can be reached at (504) 658-1040 or by email at smdarrah@cityofno.com. Please include

your name and address with any e-mail correspondence.

Additionally, I have requested and obtained the assistance of State Representative Jared Brossett and State Senator JP Morrell to serve as liaisons between all relevant state agencies (Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, and Louisiana Department of Economic Development) to keep us in the loop regarding all developments on the state level.

Please know that we are monitoring this project closely to protect the residents of District D.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Hedge-Morrell

Louisiana in line for \$430M in stimulus funds for highways

CityBusiness
by Emilie Bahr Staff Writer

WASHINGTON - Vice President Joe Biden says more than half of the economic stimulus money set aside for highway projects has been allocated. Louisiana has been allocated \$430 million for highway projects under the stimulus plan, with Orleans and Jefferson parishes slated to see five such projects worth more than \$98 million.

According to the DOTD Web site, Louisiana transportation projects funded through the stimulus allocation include \$1.8 million for fencing and beautification along the Interstate 10 corridor in eastern New Orleans. The project should be "shovel-ready" by fall.

Full story:

<http://www.neworleanscitybusiness.com/uptotheminate.cfm?recid=25465&userID=0&referer=dailyUpdate>

July 9, 2009

Contacts:

Jeanne Nathan
504.218.4807

**JULY IS KEY MONTH FOR PUBLIC INPUT TO THE
CITY'S OFFICIAL MASTER PLAN**

Public Meetings to be held throughout City

WHAT:

As we reach the final phase of development for the City's Plan for the 21st Century, the master plan, which has already received input from thousands of New Orleans citizens, will be up for discussion at meetings being held throughout New Orleans by the City Planning Commission, assisted by the Master Planning Team in collaboration with the Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation, the Greater New Orleans Foundation, the Neighborhoods Partnership Network, neighborhood and non profit organizations, and public officials.

The current draft includes a compendium of goals, strategies, and actions for New Orleans' future that emerged from a year of large, small, and one on one meetings and discussions, as well as numerous recommendations made by individual citizens through the internet and phone calls. Recommendations of the Bring New Orleans Back, (BNOB) planning framework, the Neighborhood Rebuilding (Lambert) Plan overseen by the City Council, and the Unified New Orleans Plan, (UNOP) were also incorporated into this long-range plan.

This cycle of meetings will conclude with a citywide meeting on August 8th. The final plan will be submitted by the Master Planning Team to the City Planning Commission at the end of August. The commission will then take the plan under consideration, hold public hearings, finally sending a plan approved by the commission to the City Council.

The City Council will then also take the plan under final consideration this fall, holding its own public hearings. After the City Council approves the plan, it becomes a policy guide for decisions by the council, and all administrative departments of city government. Zoning and the capital improvement plan will be required to reflect the goals and policies of the plan.

Continued public participation after the plan is approved

The plan calls for a process of continuing future citizen participation that will provide public input at earlier stages of project planning. The Master Plan can be amended once a year if necessary, and must be updated, with public participation, by law, every five years.

Citizens are encouraged to take advantage of these rare opportunities to learn about and contribute to the near-final development of the Plan that will guide the re-development and long term future of the city.

This cycle of meetings will be structured to help citizens talk one on one with planners and other experts in order to better understand various details of the plan, with fewer presentation segments than during the past meetings. This is meant to make sure all citizens get their questions answered, and have maximum opportunity to make suggestions. At all planning meetings government agencies and others will be present to provide important information on infrastructure and other community improvement schedules. Refreshments will also be served.

See Master Plan, continued on page 12

**City of New Orleans
Board of Zoning Adjustments
Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, July 13, 2009**

**10:00 a.m. City Council Chambers,
1300 Perdido Street, New Orleans, Louisiana**

- A. Call to Order & Roll Call, Adoption of Minutes, Communications, and Reading of Hearing Rules**
- B. Report of the Nominating Committee – Nominations of Officers 2009-2010**
- C. Election of Officers – 2009- 2010**
- D. BZA Dockets – Old Business**

39 items on docket. One affects eastern New Orleans.

ITEM 16 – Docket Number:	127-09	DS
Applicant or Agent:	Linda Roche	
Property Location:	4404 Majestic Oaks Drive	Zip: 70126
Bounding Streets:	Majestic Oaks Dr., Warfield, & Ransom St.	
Square Number:	4	Lots: 3 & 4
Zoning District:	RD-2 Two-Family Residential	ZBM: F-12
Historic District Classification:	N/A	
Existing Use:	Single-Family Residence	
Proposed Use:	Single-Family Residence and Accessory Structure	

Request Citation: This request is for a variance from the provisions of Article 15, Section 15.5.12(4) of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

Request:

This request is to permit the construction of an accessory structure with excessive height.

Requested Waivers:

Section 15.5.12(4) – Accessory Building and Structures Rear Yard (Height)

Permitted: 14'

Proposed: 18' 6"

Waiver: 4' 6"

ENONAC Executive Board are in the process of attempting to resolve the conflict and controversy of the library and Joe Brown Park. A request has been made with representatives from the City and City Council to obtain accurate and up to date information. Once we have confirmation of this meeting, we will notify everyone of the date, time and place for all to attend.

Debbie Gordon
ENONAC Secretary

Walker's Southern Style BBQ

10828 Hayne Blvd.

New Orleans, LA 70127

Tue – Fri: Lunch 10:30 am – Till Sold Out

Sat: 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

(504) 241-8227

Famed Pork Po Boys Are Back at Jazz Fest: <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=5369798>

The Best Sandwiches in America: <http://www.esquire.com/features/food-drink/sandwiches>

PO BOYS

COCHON DE LAIT (<i>YOU'VE GOT TO TRY THIS!</i>).....	7.29
SAUSAGE.....	5.96
BRISKET.....	8.26

BUNS

PORK.....	3.99	SAUSAGE.....	3.99
CHOPPED BEEF.....	4.99	CHICKEN SALAD.....	4.99

DINNERS (TWO SIDE ITEMS INCLUDED)

THREE RIB.....	9.49
HALF CHICKEN.....	8.49
PORK PLATE.....	9.49
BRISKET PLATE.....	10.27
HALF SLAB.....	13.25
TWO MEAT COMBO(PORK & BRISKET).....	10.27
SAMPLER(PORK, BRISKET, & RIB).....	15.46

MEAT ONLY (NO SIDES)

RIBS

HALF SLAB.....	11.47	FULL SLAB.....	21.38
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CHICKEN

HALF CHICKEN.....	5.45	WHOLE CHICKEN.....	8.99
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FAMILY FEAST

INCLUDES: HALF SLAB OF RIBS, HALF CHICKEN, HALF POUND OF BRISKET, PORK, AND SAUSAGE, TWO PINT SIZE SIDE ORDERS, AND BREAD AND SAUCE..37.00

SMOKED MEAT BY THE POUND

BEEF BRISKET.....	10.73
PULLED PORK.....	9.49
SMOKED CHICKEN SALAD.....	9.49

SIDES

GREENS, BAKED BEANS, COLE SLAW, POTATO SALAD, AND OCCASIONAL GREEN BEANS

SMALL SIDE.....	2.25
LARGE SIDE.....	3.99

RED BEANS & RICE ON MONDAYS!!!

DRINKS: COKE,DIET COKE, BARKS,SPRITE DR. PEPPER, AND BOTTLED WATER

DESSERTS

BREAD PUDDING W/ WHISKEY SAUCE.....	3.99
STRAWBERRY SHORT CAKE.....	3.99

LARGE PARTY ORDERS TAKEN ONE DAY IN ADVANCE.

**Cummings-Wilson A.M.E. Church -- 11001 Chef Menteur Hwy.
Rev. Kenneth Harrell, Pastor**

Back to School Fun Day

August 8, 2009 ---- 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Extra! Extra! Read all about it

Sponsor a child and we're gonna shout it

Please support our Back to School Fun Day by sponsoring a child, or two or more with backpacks filled with school supplies or, if you prefer, you may give a monetary donation. We also need uniforms, new or used. We need **YOU** to make a sacrifice. Thank you and God bless you.

Games

Food

Arts & Crafts

Water Slide

Space Walk

Dear Community, Partners, Businesses and Schools:

The New Orleans East Community Development Corporation (NOECDC) is hosting its 4th Annual “**Back to School Fun Day**”. This event will be held at Cummings-Wilson AME Church, 11001 Chef Menteur Hwy, New Orleans, LA 70127, August 8, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Our goal is to provide backpacks, school supplies, support, motivation and fun to 350+ Pre-K to college-aged students. This event will include the following: a water slide and space walk (*children bring your bathing suits and towels*); games, sporting events (basketball), learning stations, a display of talent production hosted by the youth along with a variety of great food.

The NOECDC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our primary goal is to educate, train, provide encouragement and the tools needed for our inner-city youth to achieve success.

Our operating budget for this event is \$15,000, and we are seeking financial support, food donations, school supplies and uniforms. The school supplies needed are backpacks, writing paper, pens, notebooks, sharpeners, calculators and other essential items needed by students to prepare them for this upcoming school year. If you, your business or someone you know are able to invest in the educational needs of our children, please contact Psytia Jordan at (504) 914-1701 or Ethel Davis at (504) 312-9178 by July 24, 2009.

Please make checks payable to the New Orleans East Community Development Corporation (NOECDC) and mail to 11001 Chef Menteur Hwy., New Orleans, LA 70127.

The public is invited to attend this *free* event and we hope you can assist us in our efforts to have a successful “Back to School Fun Day” for 2009. Thank you in advance for helping us to rebuild while assisting our youth in the Eastern New Orleans area.

Sincerely,

NOECDC Board of Directors

Master Plan, continued from page 8

WHO:

City Planning Commission (CPC)
Master Planning Team
Neighborhoods Partnership Network
Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation
Greater New Orleans Foundation
New Orleans Citizens

WHEN and WHERE:

See Calendar of Events on page XX for information on meetings on **Monday, July 13th; Wednesday, July 15th; Thursday, July 16th; Friday, July 17th; and Saturday, July 18th.**

WHY:

New Orleans has an unprecedented opportunity to become a model 21st century city. American cities are coming back-growing in population and prosperity, attracting investment, and intensifying their cultural and historic uniqueness. New Orleans, despite its many challenges, has many of the amenities that people want in a vibrant city today.

A master plan is an important tool in achieving a city's potential. It provides a vision and goals for the future; sets forth policies to guide decision-making, identifies strategies to achieve the goals, and includes an implementation plan with needed actions and responsible parties.

The City's Plan for the 21st Century has been built on new strategies for economic development, housing, sustainability, and citizen participation while preserving the city's rich architectural and cultural legacies.

The plan represents a commitment to all parts of the city and all members of the community, building on the extensive grass roots initiatives launched by numerous neighborhood organizations since the storm. It is also a continuing commitment to community-based planning. Citizens will be able to review the revised draft of the plan on the web site (www.nolamasterplan.org) by the end of this month. Implementation strategies are built into the plan, with recommended action steps, and funding sources.

The master planning consultant team of national and New Orleans-based firms assisting the Planning Commission in preparing the plan has been led by Goody Clancy, also including zoning experts Camiros, Ltd., and the New Orleans firms, GCR, Manning Architects, Bright Moments, and Creative Industry. The consultant team includes national and local experts on housing, economic development, infrastructure, transportation, historic preservation, and environmental sustainability, communications and outreach.

**Councilmember Willard-Lewis
Provides Information for District "E" Constituents
Re: Agriculture Street Landfill Litigation**

New Orleans, LA - July 7, 2009 - District "E" Councilmember Cynthia Willard-Lewis is distributing the information below on the Agriculture Street Landfill Litigation to her constituents in District "E."

The Agriculture Street Landfill (ASL) is a former landfill, closed in 1966, that has been developed in part for residential use. In the early 1980's, Gordon Plaza Subdivision, Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) housing, Gordon Plaza Apartments, the Moton School, the Press Park residential area and community center were constructed over the landfill.

Site contaminants have been detected in soil, dust, air, and garden produce - the highest levels of contaminants have been detected in the undeveloped area of the site, which has been classified as a public health hazard.

Councilmember Willard-Lewis said, "District E residents have many concerns in relation to this landfill, including - cleanup activities, run-off of contaminants, maintenance of undeveloped property, and poor response from utility companies, as well as health concerns. I want to ensure that they have this important information on the ongoing litigation regarding the Agriculture Street Landfill."

Important Notice - Proof of Claim Process

Read carefully - this may affect your rights.

- Agriculture Street Landfill Litigation -

Pursuant to order of the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, notice is hereby given to: all persons of business entities who meet the following criteria for membership in the class:

1. Current and former residents who lived within the "Class Area Boundaries" [the area bounded on the north by Higgins Boulevard, on the east by Louisa Street, on the south by Florida Avenue and on the west by Almonaster Boulevard and the Peoples Avenue Canal, including the adjacent property located between Montegut and Feliciana Streets and the west side of Louisa Street] for at least one full year before February 1, 1994;
2. Current and former business owners, operators and their employees who operated a business within the Class Area Boundaries for at least one full year before February 1, 1994;
3. Current and former owners of a home or commercial property within the Class Area Boundaries for at least one full year prior to February 1, 1994, including residents who are buying their homes but have not yet completed their payments; and/or
4. Former students and employees of Robert Moton Elementary School who attended or worked at the school within the Class Area Boundaries for at least one complete school year between and including the 1986-1987 school year through the 1993-1994 school year.

Purpose of this notice: If you fit the definition of the class as stated above and 1) you suffered loss of value to your home or business property located within the class area boundaries and/or 2) you suffered emotional distress as a result of living or working in the class area boundaries, your legal rights may be affected by a proof of claim process that has been ordered by the court.

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To find out more information or to obtain a more detailed notice and official claim form, contact Class Counsel at 1-877-233- 4470 or www.bagnerislawfirm.com, or write to the Claims Administrator at:

Claims Administrator
Post Office Box 60600
New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0600

Important:

Please note that if you are a member of the class, have a claim, and wish to pursue that claim, you must timely submit an official claim form. If you do not submit the official claim form with all attachments postmarked no later than November 13, 2009, you will not be able to recover any money related to the legal claims in this litigation, even if you determine later that you are a part of the class. The period to exclude yourself from the class has already passed. The only way to possibly recover any damages from the defendants is to timely submit an official claim form. Do not contact the court, the clerk of court, or Counsel for the defendants.

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