

# ***NOELA News***

## **The Eastern New Orleans Newsletter**

**October 19, 2009**

### **Building starts soon on complex at Gaslight site**

**October 12, 2009**

**CityBusiness**

Construction will begin next Monday on Village de Jardin, a 224-unit mixed-use senior housing center in eastern New Orleans between Lake Forest Boulevard and Interstate 10.

The \$39.7 million project, funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Louisiana Recovery Authority, is expected to be complete in 18 months.

Full story:

<http://www.neworleanscitybusiness.com/viewStory.cfm?recID=34238>

### **Franklin Avenue Baptist Church to move to eastern New Orleans**

Fred Luter, Jr., Pastor of the Franklin Avenue Baptist Church, located at 2515 Franklin Avenue, has announced that the church will move to eastern New Orleans.

The church recently purchased land located off Crowder Blvd. between Lake Forest Blvd and the I-10 Service Rd.

### **Eastern New Orleans Residents Attend Town Hall Meeting with President Obama**

If you watched the Town Hall meeting with President Barack Obama at UNO last week, you probably saw several familiar faces in the crowd.

Two of those faces were ENONAC Board members Cathy Charbonnet and Tangee Wall, who were seated on the stage immediately behind the President.

According to Charbonnet, "Words cannot explain the once in a life time experience of seeing the president, but being selected to sit on the stage was truly an honor and blessing. This is a movement that I will never forget."

See pictures from the Times-Picayune on page 5.

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## Calendar of Events

OCTOBER	
<b>Wed 21</b>	<p>Last day to submit written comments on the Master Plan</p> <p><b>New! 6:30 pm.</b> 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</p>
<b>Fri 23</b>	<p><b>New!</b> Fourth Weekend. Support our New Orleans East businesses by shopping exclusively in the East!</p>
<b>Sat 24</b>	<p><b>New! 9am - 11am</b> Idlewood, Parkwood, Forest Park East Homeowners Association Meeting. Cornerstone United Methodist Church. 5276 Bullard Avenue.</p> <p><b>1 pm – 6 pm</b> Renaissance Marketplace, 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. Lowe's Parking Lot, Read Blvd. For more information or to volunteer, e-mail <a href="mailto:renaissancemarketplace@yahoo.com">renaissancemarketplace@yahoo.com</a>, call (504) 261-5067 or visit <a href="http://www.renaissancemarketplace.net">www.renaissancemarketplace.net</a>.</p> <p><b>New!</b> Fourth Weekend. Support our New Orleans East businesses by shopping exclusively in the East!</p>
<b>Sun 25</b>	<p><b>New!</b> Fourth Weekend. Support our New Orleans East businesses by shopping exclusively in the East!</p> <p><b>New!</b> The National Minority Supplier Development Council annual conference and business opportunity fair at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. The event will bring together Asian, Black, Hispanic and American Indian business owners, purchasing executives and corporate decision makers. The event is co-hosted by the Louisiana Minority Supplier Development Council, one of NMSDC's 38 regional councils, and was held in the Crescent City in 2000. <a href="#">Click here</a> to register. Contact: Kim Brown at (212) 944-2430 or <a href="mailto:kim.brown@nmsdc.org">kim.brown@nmsdc.org</a> for more information. <a href="http://www.nmsdc.org">www.nmsdc.org</a></p> <p><b>New! 10 am – 5 pm</b> Vecinos – A Celebration Between Neighbors. Village de L'est Playground 13500 N. Nemours St</p>
<b>Mon 26</b>	<p><b>New!</b> The National Minority Supplier Development Council annual conference and business opportunity fair at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.</p>

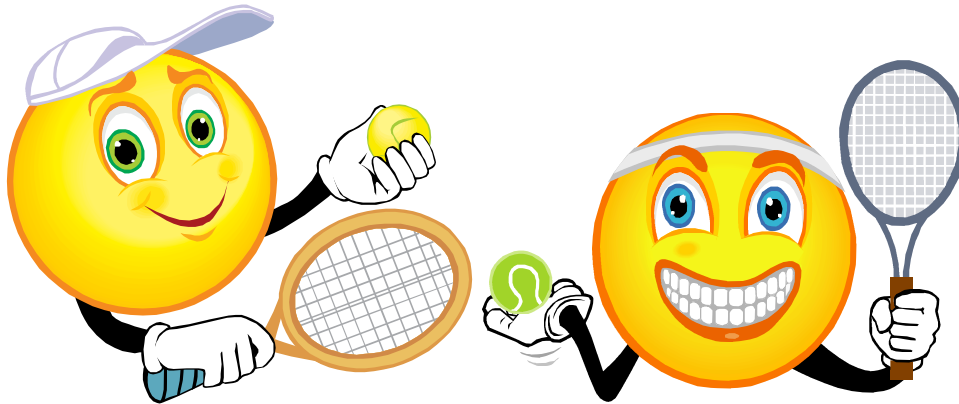
<b>Tue 27</b>	<p><b>1:30 pm</b> City Planning Commission, City Hall Chambers-Room 1E07) <i>Third Municipal District Items in Eastern New Orleans on Docket: None.</i> Recommendations on Master Plan to be presented</p> <p><b>New!</b> The National Minority Supplier Development Council annual conference and business opportunity fair at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.</p> <p><b>6 pm</b> ENONAC CAB Planning Session. St. Maria Goretti Church</p>
<b>Wed 28</b>	<p><b>New!</b> The National Minority Supplier Development Council annual conference and business opportunity fair at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.</p>
NOVEMBER	
<b>Mon 9</b>	Code Enforcement hearings at St. Maria Goretti Church
<b>Tue 10</b>	Code Enforcement hearings at St. Maria Goretti Church
	<p><b>1:30 pm</b> City Planning Commission to consider Master Plan and render a recommendation</p>
<b>Wed 11</b>	Code Enforcement hearings at St. Maria Goretti Church
<b>Thu 12</b>	Code Enforcement hearings at St. Maria Goretti Church
<b>Fri 13</b>	Code Enforcement hearings at St. Maria Goretti Church



## Calling All Tennis Players...

Are you a good tennis player and a resident of the East?

If so, then e-mail [NEWNOLAPROMO@GMAIL.COM](mailto:NEWNOLAPROMO@GMAIL.COM)



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### Laugh of the Week

#### Sheer Nightgown

A husband walks into Victoria's Secret to purchase a sheer negligee for his wife. He is shown several possibilities that range from \$250 to \$500 in price, the more sheer, the higher the price. Naturally, he opts for the most sheer item, pays the \$500, and takes it home.

He presents it to his wife and asks her to go upstairs, put it on, and model it for him.

Upstairs the wife thinks (she's no dummy), 'I have an idea. It's so sheer that it might as well be nothing. I won't put it on, I'll do the modeling naked, return it tomorrow, and keep the \$500 refund for myself.'

She appears naked on the balcony and strikes a pose.

The husband says, 'Good Grief! You'd think for \$500, they'd at least iron it!' He never heard the shot.

Funeral on Thursday at Noon. The coffin will be closed.

*Contributed by Mary Perez*

A celebration between neighbors

Vecinos

Music, Health

**Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**10 am – 5 pm**

**Village de L'est Playground**

**13500 N. Nemours St**

**New Orleans East**

**Health**

FREE health screenings and tests

**Music**

ReBirth Brass Band  
Salsa \* R&B  
Spoken Word \* Bounce  
and more!

**Soccer**

Tournament  
And clinics for kids!

Information (504) 305-4545 or [www.cubanola.org](http://www.cubanola.org)

Jambalaya News (The Community's Bilingual Newspaper), Puentes New Orleans, FACES (Family Advocacy Care & Education Services), Hispanic Apostolate, cuba NOLA Arts Collective

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Michael DeMocker / The Times-Picayune. President Barack Obama addresses the crowd during a town hall meeting the University of New Orleans on Thursday, October 15, 2009. (ENONAC Board Member Tangee Wall sits to the right side of the President)



Michael DeMocker / The Times-Picayune. President Barack Obama addresses the crowd during a town hall meeting the University of New Orleans on Thursday, October 15, 2009. (ENONAC Board Member Cathy Charbonnet sits to the left side of the President)

## **Playground Funding Available in Metairie and New Orleans! Apply with KaBOOM! today!**

KaBOOM! is a national nonprofit that envisions a great place to play within walking distance of every child in North America. KaBOOM! brings together parents, community leaders and corporate partners to facilitate the planning and design of new community playspaces. Our goal is to not only build a new playspace but use the project to strengthen existing support networks and build new community relationships.

We currently have a Funding Partner that will cover the majority of the funding as well as provide volunteers to help build a playground in the Metairie and New Orleans area in early 2010. We are working to identify non profit child serving community organizations that would benefit from and embrace the process of community built playspace partnership.

An organization must meet the following criteria to qualify:

- **Serve a low-income/high-need community**
- **Have no playground or need to replace an existing playground**
- **Fundraise \$7500 USD** towards the cost of equipment. We offer online webinars ([www.kaboom.org/webinars](http://www.kaboom.org/webinars)) to assist with fundraising ideas.
- **Provide at least 2500 sq. feet in available land** and complete any needed site preparation, i.e. removing old equipment, asphalt, grading the land.
- **Provide additional in kind responsibilities** such as breakfast and lunch for Build Day, tools, restroom facilities, and a dumpster.
- **Recruit 75-90 volunteers for Build Day** and recruit parents who are excited about serving on planning committees for an 8-10 week period leading up to Build Day.
- **Accept ownership and maintenance responsibilities** for the playspace upon completion.

In return, your organization will:

- **Receive a new, custom designed playground!**
- **Establish an ongoing relationship with a Funding Partner** throughout the planning process and for years after who is interested in having an impact on your community.
- **Bring community members together** as they work toward this common goal.
- **Participate in a planning process** that will teach you about fundraising, community building, media relations, etc. that can be used during future community projects.

The approximate 8-10 week planning process kicks off with a Design Day where children literally design their dream playgrounds, and culminates on Build Day where volunteers build the new playground. **To be considered, please complete and submit an application with pictures via email by Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM EST.** To receive the questionnaire, or if you need additional time, please contact Tiffany Jacob at 202-464-6170 or email [tjacob@kaboom.org](mailto:tjacob@kaboom.org) and we may be able to work out an extension.

Please forward this information to any others who may benefit. Visit [www.kaboom.org](http://www.kaboom.org) to learn more and contact me at 202-464-6170 with any questions.

Tiffany Jacob | Associate Coordinator, Client Services  
KaBOOM! | (202) 464-6170 (o) | (202) 659-0210 (f) |

*Contributed by Mtumishi St. Julien*



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**Gerald M. Williams**  
*President & CEO*

**Penny M. Williams**  
*Executive Director*

Dear Neighbor,

The Excite All-Stars youth program is launching its monthly “Super Saturday” event on October 31<sup>st</sup>, and will continue through April of 2010. The “Super Saturday” events will contain many of the successful programs offered during the summer camp. Excite works with young people ages 6-14 to reduce violence, shape character, improve confidence, serve others, and perform better in school.

Activities include a golf clinic by a PGA professional, Horseback Riding, Altruistic Projects, Sports and Recreation, Worship Services, and Guest Speakers. In addition, snacks and lunch will be provided.

If you would like more information on how to register your child or learn how you can support this vital program to our community, please contact us @ 504-717-0085 or email us @ [admin@exciteallstars.org](mailto:admin@exciteallstars.org). We can also be found on the web @ [www.exciteallstars.org](http://www.exciteallstars.org).

Thank you in advance for your support.

In His Service,

Gerald M. Williams  
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***Dear Reader:***

If you are an eastern New Orleans business owner, please complete and return the following questionnaire to Lake Bullard, P.O. Box 870092, New Orleans, LA 70187, or e-mail it to [lakebullard@aol.com](mailto:lakebullard@aol.com). You may also forward the questionnaire to other business owners that you know.

This information will be compiled for a special year-end issue of NOELA News, which will have information on neighborhoods, businesses, schools and churches in eastern New Orleans.

Thank you in advance for taking time to provide this valuable information.

**Business Questionnaire**

1. Business name:
2. Business address:
3. Business phone number:
4. Business web site:
5. Officers / Board of Directors:
6. Products / Services provided:
7. Date Business was established / Number of years in operation:
8. Are you a resident of eastern New Orleans?
9. What makes your product / service unique?
10. What challenges has your business faced, when and how often?
11. What successes has your business achieved?
12. What awards or special recognition has your business received?
13. What affiliations does your business hold?
14. Number of employees:
15. Your position:
16. Your phone number:
17. Your e-mail address:
18. Additional comments:

## DSAGNO Buddy Walk

The Down Syndrome Association of Greater New Orleans (DSAGNO) is having its annual **“Buddy Walk” on Saturday, October 24, 2009 from 12:30 – 5:30 pm.** Registration is from 12:30 – 2:00 pm.

Families are asked to form teams. One team is Karina’s Butterflies, in honor of 21-month-old Karina Angelique Brown, a resident of Lake Willow Subdivision, who has Down Syndrome. Registration and donations can be made through Karina’s website at [www.firstgiving.com/karinabrown](http://www.firstgiving.com/karinabrown). The team that raises the most funds for the association is recognized at the event.

More information can be found at [www.dsagno.org](http://www.dsagno.org).

**BUDDY WALK  
OCTOBER 24, 2009  
ZEPHYRS PARKING LOT  
6100 AIRLINE HIGHWAY  
METAIRIE, LA  
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

Hamburgers, hot dogs, cake, jambalaya, funnel cakes, smoothies, snoballs, soft drinks, water.

Entertainment by Topcats, Johnette Downing, JP Firemen and Smoke Firehouse, JP Crimestoppers, Boudreaux, Sparky the Firedog, games, booths

**The cutoff date to contribute is October 20th for teams.**

*Tina Raines*

## Textron wants to replace Navy's hovercraft fleet

by CityBusiness staff reports  
October 13, 2009

A New Orleans-based military contractor is targeting a multi-billion Navy deal to replace its hovercraft fleet.

To improve its chances, Textron Marine & Land Systems has teamed with L-3 Communications to develop a design that the Navy calls its ship-to-shore connector.

The SSC program, estimated by the Navy to have a value of \$4 billion, provides for the construction of up to 80 hovercraft to replace the aging Landing Craft Air Cushion fleet. These craft have the capability to move from water across beaches carrying heavy payloads.

Full story:

[http://www.neworleanscitybusiness.com/uptot\\_heminute.cfm?recid=27308&userID=0&referrer=dailyUpdate](http://www.neworleanscitybusiness.com/uptot_heminute.cfm?recid=27308&userID=0&referrer=dailyUpdate)

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## Waterfront Properties for Sale

**Venetian Isles.** 4 BR, 4BA, Cherry Brazilian Floors. Approximately \$323,000. MUST SELL. Will take best offer. 504-258-9414. FINANCING AVAILABLE IF CREDIT SCORE IS 600/UP.

**Lake Catherine.** 32 Lake Breeze Dr. \$139,000. 1 Bed, 2 Baths. 1330 Sq. Ft. Unbelievable waterfront living 15 mins from Downtown New Orleans! Large boat slip at your backdoor on Bayou Savage. Blocks to Lake Catherine, Lake Pontchartrain! Beautifully renovated 1 bedroom condo has it all. New wood, brick & carpet. New cabinets in kitchen. Wood plantation shutters throughout! Incredible pools and spa overlooking water. A paradise for everyday living or a weekend getaway. <http://www.realtor.com/property-detail/32-Lake-Breeze-Dr-New-Orleans-LA-70129-70db6c07>

## Job Opportunities

**New! IT Specialist (APPSW) GS-2210-13** Department Of Agriculture, Office of the Chief Financial Officer. Job Announcement Number: DS215654-BM \$77,670 - 100,976/year. Closes Friday, October 23, 2009  
[http://jobview.usajobs.gov/GetJob.aspx?JobID=76850025&aid=27432408-18109&WT.mc\\_n=125](http://jobview.usajobs.gov/GetJob.aspx?JobID=76850025&aid=27432408-18109&WT.mc_n=125)

**New! Staff Accountant, GS 7/9/11** GS-0510-07/11 Department Of The Air Force, Air National Guard Units. Job Announcement Number: LA 292564. \$38,117 - \$73,329/year. Closes November 03, 2009 usajobs.gov

**New! Human Resources Specialist GS-0201-07** Department Of Agriculture, Office of the Chief Financial Officer. Job Announcement Number: DS-288875-CY \$38,117 - 49,553/year. Closes Wednesday, October 21, 2009 usajobs.gov

### HRI Lodging, Inc.:

**General Manager, Chief Engineer, Food Server, Line Cook** Hilton Garden Inn, New Orleans Convention Center. 1001 South Peters Street New Orleans, LA 70130.

**Director of Revenue, Sales Managers, Housekeeping Supervisor** Chateau Bourbon A Wyndham Historic Hotel 800 Iberville Street New Orleans, LA 70112

**Chief Engineer, Bartender, Food & Beverage Supervisor, Food Server, Line Cook** Hilton Garden Inn New Orleans French Quarter/Central Business District 821 Gravier Street New Orleans, LA 70112

Fax your resume: (504) 565-4508 Job Line: (504) 565-4506  
Email address: [hoteljobs@hriproperties.com](mailto:hoteljobs@hriproperties.com) (Specify hotel and position in the SUBJECT line) Excellent benefit package includes Health Coverage, Personal Time off, free lunch break meals and more. *Pre-employment Drug Screening & Background checks will be conducted. EOE/Drug Free Workplace.*

**AUDITOR (CONTRACT AUDIT) GS-07.** Department Of Defense, Defense Contract Audit Agency. Job Announcement Number: PH-RS-170287. \$38,117 - \$49,553/year. Closes Saturday, August 28, 2010. Examination and appraisal of financial records, reports, management controls, policies, and practices affecting or reflecting the financial condition and operation of Department of Defense and other Federal agency contractors.  
[http://jobview.usajobs.gov/getjob.aspx?JobID=83069949&aid=88334853-3089&WT.mc\\_n=125&rc=3&TabNum=1](http://jobview.usajobs.gov/getjob.aspx?JobID=83069949&aid=88334853-3089&WT.mc_n=125&rc=3&TabNum=1)

**AUDITOR (CONTRACT AUDIT) GS-09.** Department Of Defense, Defense Contract Audit Agency. Job Announcement Number: PH-RCS-207966. \$46,625 -

\$60,612/year. Closes Saturday, August 28, 2010. Examination and appraisal of financial records, reports, management controls, policies, and practices affecting or reflecting the financial condition and operation of Department of Defense and other Federal agency contractors.

[http://jobview.usajobs.gov/getjob.aspx?JobID=83069978&aid=88334853-3089&WT.mc\\_n=125&rc=6&TabNum=1](http://jobview.usajobs.gov/getjob.aspx?JobID=83069978&aid=88334853-3089&WT.mc_n=125&rc=6&TabNum=1)

Federal Jobs: [www.USAJOBS.gov](http://www.USAJOBS.gov)  
New Orleans Jobs: [www.workNOLA.com](http://www.workNOLA.com)  
New Orleans Jobs: [www.nola.com/jobs/](http://www.nola.com/jobs/)  
Jacobs Technology Jobs (Michoud):  
[www.cytiva.com/jacobs/jolts/tpl.asp](http://www.cytiva.com/jacobs/jolts/tpl.asp)

Hilton Hotel website for jobs: [www.hiltonfamily.jobs](http://www.hiltonfamily.jobs).

## Lake Forest Elementary Charter is a 4 Star School

Lake Forest is ranked #9 in the Top 10 public schools in the New Orleans area based on the state's latest rankings of academic quality.

The school is located at 12000 Hayne Boulevard in eastern New Orleans.

Full story:  
<http://nola.net/news/t-p/frontpage/index.ssf?/base/news-13/125549823179310.xml&coll=1>

**Congratulations,  
Lake Forest  
Elementary Charter!**

## Eastern New Orleans Recovery Watch

Project	Location	Due	Status
<b>Village de Jardin \$39.7 M</b>	<b>I-10 Svc Rd</b>	<b>03/2011</b>	<b>Begin Oct 19 2009</b>
Public Library \$5.5M, 30K sq ft	Read / Lk Forest	06/2010	Begin Aug 2009*
Methodist Hospital	Read Blvd	12/2011	Not Started
NOPD Station \$7.3M	Dwyer Rd	12/2010	Demo started 8/29/09
NOFD Stations	Read, Lk Catherine		
Joe Brown Park <b>\$12 M</b>	Read Blvd	12/2010	<b>Start by year end</b>
La Nature Center	Read Blvd		Not Started
MRGO Closure		07/2009	Complete
MRGO Wetlands Restoration (Study compl 2011. 3 yrs to impl)		2014	Not started
Levee Strengthening		06/2011	In process
FCW Elem Rebuild	Dwyer	08/2011	Not Started
Lk Forest Elem Reblld	TBD	TBD	Not Started
Osborne Elem Rebuild	Curran	2011-12	Not Started
Little Woods Elem	Curran	2012-13	Not Started
Abramson HS Rebuild	Read		Not Started
Livingston HSs	Dwyer	2012-13	Not Started
La Provence Apt Demolition			In process
Major Retail Centers			
Michoud Blvd Bridge	Michoud		Complete
Lawrence Creek Apt Demolition	I-10 Svc Rd		Complete
Bern-Mas Apt Demolition	I-10 Svc Rd		Complete
Lincoln Beach			After levee completion
Fencing/Beautification along I-10			Start by Fall 2009
Nickelodeon Universe NO (Six Flags)		2010	Start by Fall 2009
Morrison Rd Str Lts			
Eastshore Playground			
Kingswood Park			
Kenilworth Park			
Village de Lest Playground			
Goretti Playground			
Downman Rd Repaving		2010	
Streetscapes			
Oak Island Apt Demolition	Michoud		Complete
Elaine Pump Station	Intercoastal waterway	11/2010	Contract Awarded
St. Mary's Academy			\$27.8 M awarded from FEMA/LRA
Office of Motor Vehicles	Lake Forest		Not Started
NO East Marketplace/Phase I	Read	June 2011	Start Jan 2010
NO East Marketplace/Phase II	Read	July 2013	July 2011
NO East Marketplace/Phase III	Read	Dec 2014	July 2013

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