

NOELA News

The Eastern New Orleans Newsletter

December 21, 2009

East N.O. hospital purchase delayed

But public facility still a possibility

Sunday, December 20, 2009

By Bill Barrow

The Times-Picayune

Staff writer

The Orleans Parish Hospital Service District will not meet a Monday deadline to buy the old Methodist Hospital and other properties as part of its effort to reopen a community hospital to serve eastern New Orleans, though the chief organizer of the project says the deal is still alive.

Click [here](#) to read the full story.

Local pump stations getting primed

Work will focus on stormproofing

Sunday, December 20, 2009

By Sheila Grissett

East Jefferson bureau

The Times-Picayune

A \$340 million plan to keep pump stations running and operators on the job during major hurricanes is finally getting traction in both New Orleans and Jefferson Parish, but it's unlikely there's enough money to deliver every project on local stormproofing wish lists.

Stormproofing is basically "weatherproofing gone wild" and includes a variety of different measures at various locations -- from beefing up structures to adding or elevating vital equipment -- to enable the stations, their personnel and the all-important power sources to withstand hurricanes.

Some \$136 million was earmarked for work in Jefferson and \$204 million in New Orleans. The contracts are being awarded sequentially, based on the priorities of local officials, so that if the money runs out before the lists are finished, the most critical projects will get built.

Click [here](#) to read the full story.

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Happy Holidays!

Upcoming Events

December

Tue 22nd

New! 5 pm-7 pm. Meet & Greet with Mayoral Candidate Nadine Ramsey. Earl Mackie's Big Momma's Chicken & Waffles, 5417 Crowder Blvd. Food and drink will be provided to all attendees.

Sat 26th

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.

Tue 29th

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

December Birthdays

5th Lake Willow HOA President, *Octave Rainey III*

8th Kingswood HOA President, *Melanie Thompson*

11th Lake Bullard Resident, *Glendalyn Lewis*

14th State Representative District 101, *Austin Badon*

14th Business Owner, *Noah Lewis*

19th Business Owner, *Trey Tapp*

26th Lake Bullard Resident, *Enez Baldwin*

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New Business Start Ups December 15, 2009

New Domestic Charters

None

New Non-Profits

None

New Limited Liability Companies

E. W. OSBORNE & ASSOCIATES, LLC 12/7/2009 8731
HAMMOND STREET / NEW ORLEANS, LA 70127

ALICIA PLUMMER CAMPAIGN, LLC 12/7/2009 11409 NORTH
ST. ANDREWS CIRCLE / NEW ORLEANS, LA 70128

LOGIXAUDIO LLC 12/10/2009 6001 FRANCE RD #31 /
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70126

ANTOINE WILLIAMS TRANSPORTATION LLC 12/10/2009
168 MARY JANE LN / NEW ORLEANS, LA 70128

141 WEST HARRISON, LLC 12/10/2009 4460 SAN GIORGIO
STREET / NEW ORLEANS, LA 70129

Name Changes

None

Source: Louisiana Secretary of State
(www.sos.louisiana.gov)

The Third Annual *Christmas in the East* Celebration

We sincerely thank the following contributors who were inadvertently left off of last week's list:

Mr. CJ Jones & Lowe's

Salads, Galore & More

Mr. Glen Haisley & LaQuinta Inn & Suites of New Orleans East

Jazz City Java Coffeehouse

Now has SOUP on FRIDAYS!

Louisiana Auto Insurance Law is Changing!!!! The state's minimum limits and rates are INCREASING.

Current State Requirements:

Bodily Injury (per person) \$10,000
\$15,000
Bodily Injury (per accident) \$20,000
Property Damage \$10,000

New Requirements as of January 1, 2010

Bodily Injury (per person)
Bodily Injury (per accident) \$30,000
Property Damage \$25,000

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Underwriters Insurance Agency, Insuring your world.
10709 Chef Menteur Hwy., Suite #1

New Orleans, LA 70127
504-302-0620 (office)
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Landrieu Secures \$1M for Hospital in New Orleans East

Funds included in omnibus appropriations bill passed by the Senate.

WASHINGTON – Mary L. Landrieu, D-La., a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, today announced that \$1 million for a hospital in New Orleans East was included in the omnibus appropriations bill that passed the Senate. The funds were part of the money allocated for Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies.

In total, the omnibus appropriations bill includes \$45.9 million for Louisiana projects secured by Sen. Landrieu. Millions more were leveraged through key legislative provisions and competitive grant programs included in the bill. The bill now heads to President Obama to be signed into law.

“Today, almost four years after the hurricane there are 113,000 residents in New Orleans East with no operating hospitals in that area,” said Landrieu. “Not only will a new hospital serve the current residents of New Orleans East and a portion of the adjacent St. Bernard Parish, but it will also help draw more citizens back to the area and spur local economic activity in the surrounding area.”

Prior to Hurricane Katrina, Methodist Hospital operated in New Orleans East, and was a viable, successful acute healthcare service provider. Lakeland Hospital, an adjunct facility operated by Universal Hospital Services, offered physical rehabilitation care and a small outpatient surgery center. Today, Methodist Hospital stands abandoned, creating blight and a constant reminder of the lack of a hospital to serve the community.

The results of a recent feasibility study determined that an 80-bed acute care hospital can successfully operate in New Orleans East to service the needs of a population of approximately 113,000 current residents.

*Senator Mary Landrieu
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500 Poydras Street
Room 1005
New Orleans, LA 70130
Voice: (504) 589-2427
Fax: (504) 589-4023*

Audubon Institute organizes major Tree Planting Initiative

Recently I noticed quite a bit of activity at Joe Brown Park and I contacted the Audubon Nature Institute to find out what was going on. Amy Legaux, Disaster Recovery Coordinator at the Institute, filled me in.

As part of a forested wetland restoration project at Audubon Louisiana Nature Center, several types of trees were planted in the 2.5 acre area by the Lake Forest Gate, including Red Maple, Overcup Oak, Pecan, Southern Red Oak, Bald Cypress, Water Oak, American Beautyberry, American Sycamore, Swamp Chestnut Oak, Cherrybark Oak, Nuttall Oak, and Red Bud.

According to Amy, about 60 brave souls planted in the light to moderate rain on Saturday including six AmeriCorps Teams and 10 members of the general public. Thirteen diehard volunteers including several from Harrah's Heros planted in the mud and rain on Monday and "three crazy people" came out to plant in moderate rain on Tuesday.

Amy continued with "We planted approximately half of the trees RPM donated for a total of about 530 trees. This brings the total area reforested to 10 acres.

"Audubon's tentative plan for the Nature Center FEMA and USACE permitting is to rebuild on a smaller scale with the classrooms and Science Resource Center moving closer to the main entrance on higher ground. As soon as we have current cost estimates completed on the buildings we will request this "Improvement" from FEMA. The survey work was recently completed and we are now applying to the USACE for wetland delineation and wetland permits.

"We have another volunteer planting day tentatively scheduled for January 16th. Information will be on www.crcl.org *Bringing Back Nature II*".

Some of you may remember that during winter last year, again during treacherous weather, there was a major effort to remove the invasive Chinese Tallow trees that had infested the nature center after Hurricane Katrina. Please come out and volunteer on the 16th. Organizers would love to see local residents participate.

Bill Walsh provided the following information: This is for a good cause. In the "Click For Cans" playoffs, we will probably face the Packers, Panthers, and Bears. The Packers average 18,000 to 20,000 votes a week. The Panthers average 7,000. We (Saints) average 7,000 a week. Also, if we make it to the "Click For Cans" bowl, the Colts and Jaguars average 15,000 to 18,000 votes a week. I have set "Click For Cans" as my home page to remind me every day. Please pass this on to everyone that is on your contact list.

Campbell - Chunky soups is having a contest and whichever **team has the most votes will get the team's weight in canned soup given to the food bank of that city - which is Second Harvester in this area.** It is for a great cause and lots of fun. You can vote every day. The actual rules are posted on the website.

Go to www.chunky.com daily and vote for the SAINTS. Please pass on to everyone you know.

Thanks and Geaux SAINTS!!!!

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I-10 Exit 245
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Home for the Holidays Promotion

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596-0200
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Monday	10 am – 7 pm
Tuesday	10 am – 6 pm
Wednesday	10 am – 7 pm
Thursday	10 am – 6 pm
Friday	Closed
Saturday	10 am – 5 pm
Sunday	Closed

Catholic Mass Schedules

Resurrection of Our Lord

9701 Hammond St., 242-8669

Vigil: 4 pm

Sunday: 7:45 (Vietnamese), 9, 10:30 am

Holyday Vigil: Varies

Feast: Varies – Weekdays: (Mon – Saturday) 9 am

Confessions: (Saturday) 3:30 – 4:00 pm; by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration: (Monday – Saturday) 8:30-8:55 am

St. Maria Goretti

7300 Crowder Blvd., 242-7554

Vigil: 6 pm

Sunday: 8:30, 10:30 am; noon

Holyday Vigil: 6 pm

Feast: 8:30 am; 6 pm

Weekdays: 8:30 am

Confessions: (Saturday) 3-4 pm; by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration: (Monday – Friday) 9 am – noon; (Saturday) noon-4 pm

Mary, Queen of Vietnam

14001 Dwyer Rd., 254-5660

Vigil: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11 (English) am; 5:30 pm (Spanish)

Holyday Vigil: 6 pm

Feast: 6:30 am; 5:30, 7 pm

Weekdays: 6:30 am; 6 pm

Confessions: 30 minutes before Masses

Eucharistic Adoration: (Thursday) 5:15 pm

Clarion Herald, December 12, 2009

Jazz Fest Tickets are now on sale at Ticketmaster.com. Advance tickets are \$45; gate tickets will be \$60. Tickets for children age 2 to 10 are \$5, but must be purchased at the gate. Dates are April 23 – 25; and April 29 – May 2, 2010.

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT NEW ORLEANS
SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE

The Small Business Development & Management Institute which is located located in the College of Business at Southern University-New Orleans (SUNO) is a full service assistance center providing professional management consultant service to existing businesses and individuals who want to enter the world of business.

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Dear Educators,

First Book-Greater New Orleans is excited to announce that we are now accepting applications for our January 2010 Book Grant Distribution. We invite you to apply if you meet the eligibility requirements.

First Book-Greater New Orleans is a volunteer-led Advisory Board dedicated to ending the literacy crisis by providing brand-new books to children in need in Orleans and surrounding parishes. We are a local chapter of the award-winning national nonprofit First Book. Please visit our website at www.firstbook.org/nola to find out more about the literacy crisis, the research and statistics behind our approach, our impact, photos, our past grantees, and our activities.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Any literacy teacher's classroom, after-school program, childcare center, or literacy program serving at least 80% low-income youth Pre-K to 12th grade in the Greater New Orleans area.
- Teacher must incorporate books as part of literacy curriculum. We will evaluate grants based on need and quality of literacy curriculum and activities.
- Students must take their new books home to build up their personal home libraries and share with their families.
- Please do not apply on behalf of an entire school. We will not be accepting applications for an entire school. If applying for a classroom, the person who applies should be the person who works directly with the student or child, i.e. the teacher.

Submission Requirements:

- Grant Application DUE on or before Friday, Jan. 22, 2010 at 5 p.m.
- **WE WILL NOT ACCEPT LATE APPLICATIONS. DO NOT APPLY ON BEHALF OF AN ENTIRE SCHOOL.**
- Complete grant application
- Mail, email, or fax the completed application to us. If you have questions about the grant, you may email Mrs. Rhodes at ellyrhodes@aol.com or neworleans_la@firstbook.org.

We welcome the opportunity to consider your program for a book grant from First Book-Greater New Orleans.

Mrs. Lynetta Rhodes

Co-Chair

First Book-Greater New Orleans

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Contributed by Debbie Gordon

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While in training, the participants will receive:

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After receiving certification, participants will be assisted with job placement.

Training Center: Dillard University- Deep South Center for Environmental Justice
3334 Annette Street New Orleans, LA 70122

Participants must be 18 years of age or older and drug free.

For more information, call 504-816-4036

Please return completed form to:

Dillard University / Deep South Center for Environmental Justice
2601 Gentilly Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70122

Fax Form To: 504-816-4032 or Email to: mmarlewis@aol.com

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Address _____ Apt# _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Age _____

Phone # _____ Alternate Phone# _____

Job Opportunities

New! Secretary (OA) GS-318 - 5 Department Of The Interior, Minerals Management Service. Job Announcement Number: MMSO-ZG-10-306180. \$30,772 - \$40,005/year. **Closes** Wednesday, December 23, 2009. Click [here](#) for announcement.

Survey Technician GS-0817-04/04. Department Of The Army, Army Corps of Engineers. Job Announcement Number: SWGY09923548D. \$27,504 - \$35,753/year. Closes Thursday, December 24, 2009. Click [here](#) for announcement.

Construction Control Representative. GS-0809-08/09. Department Of The Army, Army Corps of Engineers. Job Announcement Number: SWGY09908831D. \$54,879 - \$60,612/year. Closes Thursday, December 24, 2009. Click [here](#) for announcement.

New! Financial Management Assistant GS-0503-06. Department Of Agriculture, Office of the Chief Financial Officer. Job Announcement Number: DS-302127-JE. \$34,300 - \$44,589/year. Closes Monday, December 28, 2009. Click [here](#) for announcement.

New! IT Specialist, Supv (Associate Director) GS-2210-15. Department Of Agriculture, Office of the Chief Financial Officer. Job Announcement Number: DS300240-BM. \$111,760 - \$145,290/year. Closes Wednesday, December 30, 2009. Click [here](#) for announcement.

IT Specialist (PlyPln/ SysAdmin GS-2210-13) Department Of Agriculture, Office of the Chief Financial Officer. Job Announcement Number: DS295463-CS. \$80,402 - \$104,525/year. Closes Thursday, December 31, 2009. Click [here](#) for announcement.

New! Federal Security Director -SV-0340-K. Department Of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, DHS-Transportation Security Administration. Job Announcement Number: HQ-OSO-09-202250. \$95,699 - \$148,340/year. closes Thursday, December 31, 2009.

Petroleum Engineer GS-881 - 13. Department Of The Interior, Minerals Management Service. Job Announcement Number: MMSO-ZG-10-290541. \$80,402 - \$104,525/year. Closes Monday, January 04, 2010. Click [here](#) for announcement.

New! Systems Accountant GS-0510-13. Department Of Agriculture, Office of the Chief Financial Officer. Job Announcement Number: DS305065-BM. \$80,402 - \$104,525/year. Closes Monday, January 04, 2010. Click [here](#) for announcement.

New! SUPERVISORY SECTOR ENFORCEMENT SPECIALIST GS-1801-11. Department Of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection. Job Announcement Number: MHCBPDE-306387-JTO. \$56,411 - \$73,329/year. Closes Monday, January 04, 2010.

HRI Lodging, Inc.:

Banquet Captain, Food Server, Line Cook. Hilton Garden Inn, New Orleans Convention Center. 1001 South Peters Street New Orleans, LA 70130.

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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. Click [here](#) for announcement.

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. Click [here](#) for announcement.

Telecommunications Specialist GS-0391-11/12. Department Of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection. Job Announcement Number: IHC-299202-CDH-DE. \$49,544 - \$77,194/year. Closes Monday, November 29, 2010. Click [here](#) for announcement.

Federal Jobs: www.USAJOBS.gov
New Orleans Jobs: www.workNOLA.com
New Orleans Jobs: www.nola.com/jobs/
Jacobs Technology Jobs (Michoud):
www.cytiva.com/jacobs/jolts/tpl.asp
McDonald's: www.MCSTATE.COM

Eastern New Orleans Recovery Watch

Project	Location	Due	Status
Village de Jardin \$39.7 M	I-10 Svc Rd	03/2011	Begin Oct 19 2009
Public Library \$5.5M, 30K sq ft	5641 Read @ Lake Forest	06/2010 Fall 2010	Scheduled to begin Aug 2009. Groundbreaking Dec 2009.
Methodist & Lakeland Hospitals (\$170M)	Read Blvd, Bullard Ave	12/2011 (Two years after land purchase)	Closing moved from 10/09 to 12/09 due to new appraisals. Awaiting environmental assessments. Deadline to purchase by Orleans Parish Hospital District: Mon 12/21/09.
NOPD Station (\$7.3M)	Dwyer Rd	12/2010	Demo started 8/29/09
NOFD Stations	Read, Venetian Isles		
Joe Brown Park (\$12 M)	Read Blvd	12/2010	Start by year end
Louisiana Nature Center	Read Blvd		Not Started
Neighborhood Parks			
MRGO Closure		07/2009 10/2009	Complete (rock barrier) Complete (concrete pilings)
MRGO Wetlands Restoration (Study compl 2011. 3 yrs to impl)		2014	Not started
Levee Strengthening		06/2011	In process
Stormproofing Pump Stations (\$204 M)	PS 10, 14, 16, 20		
FCW Elem Rebuild	Dwyer	08/2011	In Design Phase
Lake Forest Elementary Rebuild	TBD	TBD	Not Started
Osborne Elementary Rebuild	Curran	2011-12	Not Started
Little Woods Elementary	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			
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
Nuisance Abatement Program (\$3M for Neighborhood Blight Remediation)			
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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