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QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

WORNALL HOMESTEAD

Business Profile: Inspired Occasions

By Barb Larson

Just east of the Brookside Shops, at the southwest corner of 63rd & Morningside, is where you'll find no fewer than five chefs working seven days a week. Can't picture it? It's the catering kitchen and event space for award-winning Lon Lane's Inspired Occasions.

After a career at Hallmark and other business pursuits, Crestwood residents Lon & his wife, Marcia, started Inspired Occasions almost thirty years ago. They raised their sons in the business and one son, Stewart, caught the bug. After graduation from Kansas State with a degree in Hotel & Restaurant Management, Stewart joined the business.

Beginning in January 2011, Inspired Occasions took over the operation of all food service at Powell Gardens. Stewart makes that his primary home and is looking forward to using the herbs and vegetables grown at Powell Gardens in daily specials. Stewart's experiences include cooking for the 2008 US Summer Olympic team in Beijing, the 2010 US Olympic team in Vancouver and the 2010 FIFA World Cup in South Africa.

Lon bought the house on Morningside over ten years ago and remodeled the bungalow into a large commercial kitchen with enough space for eight chefs to work simultaneously and prepare five-star food for the President of the United States, Senators, Congressmen, authors, actors, rock stars and even other internationally known chefs. The space has a gas fireplace, a two-story vaulted ceiling and two large bathrooms.

Words don't begin to do justice to the wonderful food presentation. Check out the website www.InspiredOccasionsKC.com to see the great presentations and check out the blog for some recipes too. The space in Brookside is ideally suited for wedding showers, board meetings, retirement recognitions and even tango dance parties. It's suitable for 25 up to an open-kitchen party for 125.

Contact Lon or Marcia at 816-444-8372 or www.InspiredOccasionsKC.com.

Unique Ideas, Unforgettable Events

Up Coming Events :

May - WHHA Landscape projects Triangle Park & Islands

May 17th 5:30 tour of Bryant School

July 4th - Kids Parade, Triangle Park 10:00 am

October 15th -Fall Clean Sweep

November 3rd - Annual Meeting

Get Involved

Be a Block Captain!

It's not a hard job, it may take 1 hour a month. Get a front row seat to what is happening in the neighborhood. The WHHA board is building a block captain network to maintain phone and E-mail lists and to provide feedback about maintenance issues on your block. All you need is a computer, e-mail address and some minimal Excel skills.

Meet your Block Captains

Mark Forsythe -Block Captain Leader

Curtis Van Meter
Tom Usher
Ramona Sheely
Myrna Copeny
Tom Edmondson
Tom VanSaghi
Tim Scholl
Kirk Duncan
Paul Toigo
Tim Lavin

You may see one of these fine folks at your door soon. We are attempting to collect a complete list of our Wornall Homestead Neighbors addresses, phone#'s and E-mail address. We still have a couple blocks that need a Captain. Feel free to contact any Board Member if you would like to get involved, or contact Mark Forsythe at mark@forsythe4kc.com.

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St. Teresa's Construction Update

On Wednesday, March 23, 2011, St. Teresa's hosted a ground breaking prayer service for the new Chapel of St. Joseph and Windmoor Center. Soon after the groundbreaking, the initial phase of construction will begin on our campus. This work will consist of the necessary site preparations for the new building and the installation of geothermal wells. These wells will support a geothermal heating and cooling system which will provide energy-efficient, environmentally clean, and cost-effective heating and cooling of the new building.

A temporary access road will be created on the east side of the campus off of Main St. just south of the Donnelly building. Fencing will be erected around the access road and quad area for safety. Our grotto will be carefully dismantled and placed in storage so it can be rebuilt on the north side of the chapel. The trees on both sides of the grotto will be removed and will be replaced with similar sized trees consistent with the campus landscaping plan. The shrubbery around the grotto will be removed and replanted in the old parking lot.

The digging of the geothermal wells will be a temporary disruption to the south side of the quad. The quad will be closed off for several weeks, and you may notice a large truck and a well digging rig. Our beautiful quad will be sodded and landscaped once the wells are in place. We will keep our neighbors updated throughout the construction process, and building construction is expected to be complete in January 2012.

By Nan Bone
President, St. Teresa's Academy

Is your house 100 years old?

Wornall Homestead Homes Association wants to help you celebrate your house's big birthday. The association has purchased two, 2' x 8' "100 Year Old House" banners which homeowners can borrow in celebration of the big day. Not sure when that date is? As part of our on-going research into the neighborhood's history, your board of directors, in collaboration with the Kansas City Landmarks Commission, has gathered the date, architect, and other information from building permits and other information if available on file with the city.

If you are curious when your house was built and/or are interested in displaying a banner for your houses 100th, please email your address to Eric at eyoungberg@nw.org. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of your original building permit and/or any photos that the Landmark Commission may have on file for you, please email Brad at Bradley.wolf@kcmo.org.

Have a party! Invite your neighbors! 100th birthdays only happen once.
By Eric Youngberg

NEWSWORTHY

Website

www.WornallHomestead.org

Check out the Wornall Homestead website!

Get connected and explore all the cool links. Want to write to your Homeowners Association Board, your City Council Representative, stop your newspaper for vacation, or find a restaurant menu in the Brookside Shops? You can do all of that and more at

WornallHomestead.org.

You can also sign up to receive your newsletter via E-mail !

Welcome New Neighbors

James & Heidi Hedges
5700 Wyandotte Street

John & Robin Cutcliff
17 E 57th Street

Mark Kelpe & Daniel Salazar
5729 Wornall Road

Chad Esslinger & Kelly Bruer
6129 Brookside Blvd

Don't miss the July 4th
Parade at Triangle Park.
10:00 am start. Treats
and prizes for everyone.
See you there!

100 Year Old House
Wornall Homestead Homes Association

Bryant Elementary School

By Tom Usher

Bryant Elementary at 57th & Wornall has been in the news lately. Closed in the district's re-organization, it is now on the district's repurposing list. The Kansas City, Missouri School District Repurposing Initiative is a year-long community engagement and planning process to develop community-driven reuse plans for the district's closed school buildings. This effort is being led by the Repurposing Initiative office that was established by the district in January 2011. The district is committed to working with neighborhoods and local stakeholders to identify opportunities to reposition these school sites as valuable assets for the community. On April 4 and 6, the district presented their guidelines and schedule; and let us know how we can get involved and how school sites will be acquired.

Site Tours of each school are currently underway and should be completed by April. From May through September, *Public Meetings* will be held to present reuse assessment findings, identify reuse strategies and develop action plans. The *Reuse Strategies* phase follows from June to December. It involves neighborhood representatives working with the district's technical advisory team in evaluating potential uses; identifying reuse strategies; and gaining school board approval and adoption.

In the *Site Disposition and Reuse* phase, set to begin in August, the adopted reuse strategies will guide the disposition. Interim use, lease, and sale proposals will be evaluated. Technical and financial aspects of proposals will be assessed. Agreements will most likely include clauses to ensure performance and mitigate the risk to both the district and the neighborhoods.

If you are interested in more information email tom.usher@populous.com or find us on Facebook by searching "Bryant Repurposing."

Community Policing

By Janelle Sjue

Sector As Teams Meeting - April 5, 2011

Several of the Wornall Homestead board members attended the Sector As Teams meeting at the Metro Patrol headquarters at 7601 Prospect Ave. The purpose of the meeting is for the beat officers and supervisors to meet with the citizens of their patrol area. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. Officers introduce themselves and ask for public input. We asked about the spray paint graffiti at Bryant School. Officer Mike Glass asked that we call the police if any type of vandalism is seen, so pictures may be taken and documented. The prosecution of graffiti can be on a state level because of the associated costs, so call before you clean. Always call 911 if you see any suspicious activity - your watchful neighbors are your best security system! The officers have a rule of not conducting business from the seat of the patrol car, so the officer must get out of the patrol car to talk to you. It is for his/her protection and do not be alarmed. The Kansas City Police Department is currently training more bicycle officers for patrol, so you may see more in your neighborhood. Also, there may be a return of foot patrol officers in the city. As always if you have any questions or concerns you may call the station phone at 581-0700 or email Sgt Mike Glass at michael.s.glass@kcpd.org. The next meeting will be on May 5th at 6:00 pm at 7601 Prospect.



One of the reasons we love Wornall Homestead so much is the trees! The Board has purchased 3 new big trees to replace the dying Austrian Pines in Triangle Park. The pines will be gone by the time this newsletter goes to print. Look for the 25-30' tall Red Sunset Maples to arrive in May. These beautiful Maples will be a grand addition to the park and will be a sight to behold in the fall. This is just one of the projects paid for by your extra contributions to the dues this year. Thank You to all the residents who contributed!

By Virgil Larson

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Each spends \$50 in the Brookside stores and
restaurants per month

= \$20,000 per month to keep our area thriving

= \$240,000 per year that keeps our neighbors
employed

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