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Irish Proverbs

**A diplomat must
always think twice
before he says nothing**

**You've got to do your
own growing no
matter how tall your
grandfather was!**

**May you be in heaven
a full half hour before
the devil knows
you're dead!**

Contact Information

**Ideas or Comments
for the Newsletter?**

Contact:

Chris Reeves

436-0250

Bolling Heights Neighborhood Meeting

April 16, 2009 7:00 P.M

Linden Baptist Church, 611 NE 69th

1) ELECTION

The Bolling Heights Community Link Nominating Committee has recruited the following to serve on the Bolling Heights Board of Directors:

Winnie Estep-President; Joan Tierney-Vice President; Sheryl Wagaman-Treasurer; Julie Sherbo-Secretary; Board Members: Marie Perry, Karen Farris, Jeanine Sifers, Ginger Stone, Chris Reeves, Mark Sherbo, and Ron Murphy.

An election will be held at this meeting. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted at the meeting for any position. If you are interested in serving on the Board for the Bolling Heights Community Link, please contact Jeanine Sifers at 436-4965.

2) ATKINS JOHNSON FARM

The property was purchased from the Johnson family by the City of Gladstone in Feb 05. The City recently nominated the home to the National Registry of Historic Places. The home has garnered the interest of

many different historic entities and has been recognized by the Clay County Historical Society as the oldest continually lived in structure in Clay County. **Please join us to hear Cathy King's presentation on the historic Atkins Johnson farm, its restoration and future plans and events.**



REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED!



Snake Saturday to Celebrate 25 Years

The 25th Snake Saturday Parade & Family Fun Festival is March 14, 2009. The parade will start promptly at 11:00 a.m., regardless of the weather conditions. Staging will begin at 8:30 A.M. The parade route will start at 14th & Swift, where it will travel north on Swift to Armour Road, then turn east down Armour Road to Howell Street, turn south and end after crossing 18th Street.

Kansas City St. Patrick's Day Parade—March 17, 2009

The parade will start at 33rd and Linwood and head south on Broadway to end at 43rd Street in Westport. Parade is from 11am-1pm. Monday, March 17th, 2008 (St. Patrick's Day). The Parade starts at the corner of Pershing Rd. and Main Street. It then proceeds East on Pershing to Grand Blvd., and continues North on Grand Blvd. to Truman Road.

Gladstone Community Center & NKC Schools Natatorium 1st Birthday Celebration

Saturday, March 21, 2009 10 am to 4 pm
Class Demonstrations & Open House 11 am

Central Park—6901 North Holmes
NO RSVP Required



Bolling Heights is a Star!

Hope everyone got their issue of the Spring 2009 Coming Home to Gladstone magazine. 4 pages (14-17) were dedicated to Bolling Heights and include our history and old pictures. Those pages are also posted on our website. Thanks to Joan Tierney, History Committee, Richard King & Melinda Mehaffey for recording our history and to Vicki Wallace for the great photos!

CITY CLEAN UP DATES



April 24th-26th—Beautification
(Bulky Items) No yard waste
Happy Rock Annex (West side)

April 25th 8:00 a.m. to Noon
Bonded company will provide shredding

May 1st-3rd Free Yard Waste/Brush
Drop-Off (Public Works Facility)

June 6th 8:00 am to Noon—Residents may dispose of antifreeze, batteries, oil and paint.

The City is currently allowing residents to bring scrap metal to our Public Works facility and dispose of it free. They cannot accept anything that contains, or contained, refrigerants.



Thanks to NNI for printing our newsletter and all their assistance!

BOLLING HEIGHTS ENTRANCE SIGNS APPROVED BY MEMBERSHIP

We had a great turnout for our Special Sign meeting on Feb 19, 2009. It's great to see our community involved in forming our neighborhood identity. Greg Kruse of Fast Signs has been extremely diligent in providing us all we need to complete our goal. The signs are a simple design, but will fit in well with our neighborhood in welcoming all to our community. We are checking on white reflective paint for the lettering on the signs, as suggested at our meeting. We hope to have the sign at the Harrison-Campbell "island" installed by Spring. We plan to have a "Landscaping Committee" to add the final elements to our entrances. If you would like to assist with landscaping or donate plants, please contact us.

Thanks to Winnie, Joan and Ginger for providing refreshments and to our Meeting Coordinator, Karen Farris. **Special thanks to our membership for their generous donations!**



Upcoming Bolling Heights Community Garage Sale Saturday, May 16, 2009 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 6507 N. Campbell, Gladstone, MO

Please begin collecting your slightly used items and clothing donations for our community garage sale. (**No large, bulky items will be accepted**). The proceeds from the sale of all items will be donated to the Bolling Heights Community Link. If items are not sold, they may be picked up by the donating party at the end of the sale; otherwise, all items not sold will be given to a thrift shop or other charitable organization. You may begin delivering items to **6507 N. Campbell** (the Tierney Home) Monday, May 11th. If you need assistance in delivering your items to the sale, please contact Winnie Estep 436-3271 or Joan Tierney 436-0158.

Bolling Heights Community Link Website
www.neighborhoodlink.com/gladstone/bollingheights

Stay informed by checking out our website for current information, newsletters, upcoming meetings and events. If you want your newsletters by e-mail, please submit request to Chris Reeves 436-0250;

CLReeves_kc@hotmail.com



Following are articles **submitted by the two candidates** running for the position of Special Road District No. 3 Commissioner. Although the Bolling Heights Community Link does not endorse any one candidate, we do believe it is important for our residents to be informed. Make your voice heard by voting on April 7th!

John Garner—For Roads Done Right

John Garner cares about Gladstone streets. That's why he's running for commissioner of the Gladstone Special Road District #3.

John wants streets to be well-maintained and safe for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. This means curbs, street lights for better visibility, sidewalks on at least one side and no dangerous roadside ditches.

To reduce wear and tear on vehicles, John also wants to bring all manhole covers level with the surface of the street.

John has the experience to get the job done right.

As President of Stormy Acres Neighborhood Association, John was instrumental in road repairs on NW 61st and 64th Streets and other beautification and infrastructure improvements in the neighborhood.

When he lived in Platte County, John was responsible for getting an ordinance passed requiring builders to clean up debris from roads promptly.

"If elected, I want the first impression of Road District streets to be one of a job done right," he said.

Special Road District #3 includes most of the streets within the City of Gladstone.

Commissioners are elected for three-year terms.

Michael Sosa

Dear Bolling Heights Residents,

My name is **Michael Sosa** and I am writing you today to ask for your consideration for Commissioner of Gladstone Special Road District #3 and to give you a little more detail about myself and what I hope to do if re-elected this April. I am a life long Clay County resident and have resided in the Evanston Place neighborhood for over 30 years. I have served as one of the three elected Special Road District commissioners since 2003. It has been an honor representing the honest hard working citizens of Gladstone. In 2003 after our road district funding was cut, almost by 50% by the County Commission, myself and fellow commissioners Ken Winkler and the late Lee Bussinger filed a friendly lawsuit to recover the full funding of your road tax dollars. The courts ruled in our favor and now those funds will soon be available to begin road projects all over our great city. As Special Road District Commissioner I have and will continue to...

Work in partnership with the City of Gladstone to continue the progress of the past years.

Emphasize the overlay and reconstruction of the city's residential streets to enhance their integrity.

Represent all areas of the city equally in a fair and unbiased way!

Promote fiscal responsibility and work within the limits of the special road district's budget.

Thank You for Your Support! *Michael Sosa*