



Ivanhoe Neighborhood News

February 2014 * First Edition

2014 End of the Year Donations

The Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council made a special request for end of year donations (in addition to amounts paid for dues) to Ivanhoe residents and friends for general operating support (day-to-day operating costs, utilities, and staff salaries). **We were blessed to receive 5,446.00 in donations, exceeding our \$5,000 goal! Special thanks to all of our of donors!**

\$500 or More	Audrey A. Dibble
Lance Houston, Houston Excavating	L. Leon Dixon
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\$50 or More	Nancy Ehrlich, Benita Jordan, Annie Lovett,
Betty Crooker	Rala Mahdi, H. Dumont Reed, and
Charlotte S. Davidson	Erma Saunders

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Monthly Neighborhood Meeting

4th Saturday at 2:00 p.m.
1/25; 2/22; 3/22; 4/26

Committee Meetings Beautification

1/13, 2/10 & 3/17 at 2 p.m.
4/21 at 6 p.m.

Crime & Safety

1/13, 2/10 & 3/17 at 2 p.m.
4/21 at 6 p.m.

Housing, Economic, Development and Jobs

1st Monday at 6 p.m.
1/6; 2/3; 3/3; & 4/7

Youth, Family Life & Education

Thursdays before the monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m.

1/23; 2/20; 3/20; & 4/24

Ivanhoe Board of Directors

4th Monday at 4:30 p.m.
1/27; 2/24; 3/24; & 4/28

Grown in Ivanhoe

2nd Tuesdays of the month, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



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the people perish . . .”
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We want to know how you are doing. Please call the office to let us know if: You or a family member are ill or in the hospital; If you have experienced the loss of a loved one; If you have good news to report (graduations, weddings, baby showers, etc.) Call 816-921-6611 to share your news.

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IvanhoePolice@kcpd.org

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News You Can Use

From UMB Bank:

The Plan in Planned Giving—by Jan Leonard

Planned giving can be an important tool when planning for the future of your estate. Some may have a desire to give to non-profit organizations, including their alma mater, a medical research project or a favorite youth organization. Whatever your desire, make sure you work with an experienced financial partner that can help guide you through the process to ensure your goals can be met.

First, what constitutes a meaningful gift?

Quite simply, any gift is a meaningful gift. Many people are under the impression that only the very wealthy can be philanthropic. However, this is not the case. Gifts of any size are greatly appreciated by non-profit organizations, especially now as economic challenges have affected many individuals' ability to donate while the needs continue to grow.

Motivations for Gifting

The reasons for gifting vary greatly depending on the individual. Compassion for those in need, an extension of a religious or spiritual commitment desire to share good fortune with others and memorializing the lives of others are some of the most prevalent reasons for planned gifts. You should personally evaluate your motivation and goals, and keep them in mind when determining how and when you want to support a cause.

Selecting the "right" Organization

There are many worthy organizations, and choosing the non-profit that best fits your giving intentions is extremely important. Once your inspiration for giving has been clearly identified, make a short-list of potential groups. Organizations should be carefully researched and vetted to ensure you are comfortable with the final decision. It's important to learn about a specific topic or organization, so your philanthropy can be used in a meaningful way. Once one or more organizations have been selected, a financial partner can help you define your vision, determine how the gift will be distributed and then evaluate, when possible, how the gift has been used.

Gift Options

Another item to consider is the type of gift you may want to give. Many organizations have gift acceptance policies, which may exclude certain types of donations. Things like stocks, real estate, art, or other items may be quite valuable, but you should have a conversation with the organization first to ensure they are able to accept these types of gifts.

Planned giving is an extremely meaningful and personal investment. Taking the time to evaluate these types of questions can really help individuals and organizations make the most of charitable gifts.

Jan Leonard is senior vice president and managing director for charitable trusts, private foundations and fine art services. She joined UMB in 2003 and has more than 25 years of experience in the management of private and public organizations. Leonard earned a bachelor's degree from Arkansas Tech University and a master's degree in business administration from Ottawa University in Ottawa, Ks. She is also a graduate of Cannon School of Foundation Management.



Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council's UMB Cashless Bank Branch

Banking Hours:

Wednesdays and
Thursdays 1:00—5:00 p.m.

Fridays, 10:00 a.m.-4:00
p.m.

Location: First Floor
Ivanhoe Neighborhood
Center, 3700 Woodland,
Kansas City, Mo. 64109
816.315.7484

Personal Banker:

Sharon Pleasant-Bass

*Notary Services Available

Upcoming FREE Saturday Financial Education

Workshops:

12:30—1:30 p.m.

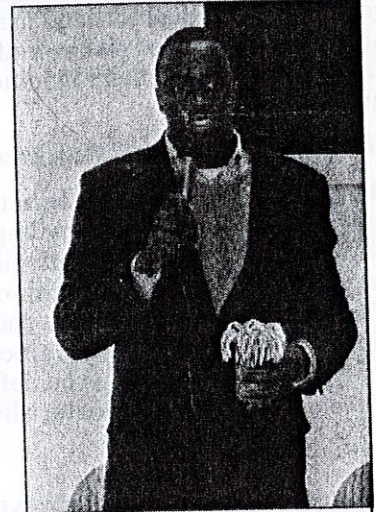
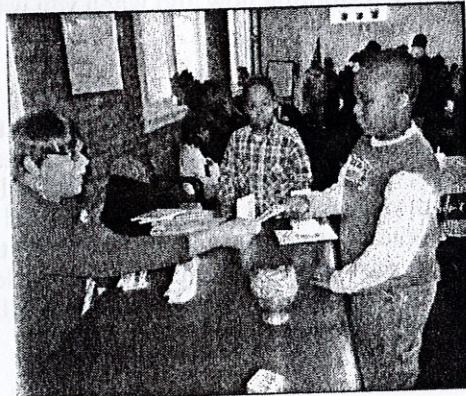
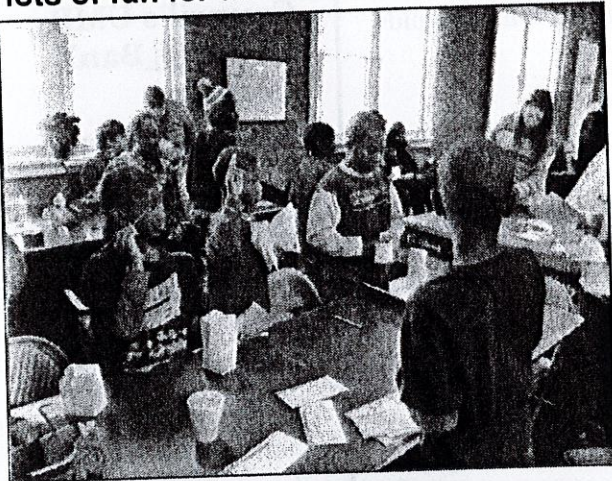
(childcare available upon
request)

Date	Class
1/25	Budgeting
2/22	Tools for Taxes
3/22	Credit & Debt Mangement for the Family
4/26	Saving & Investing

Enter to win \$50 UMB Visa Gift
Card during classes!

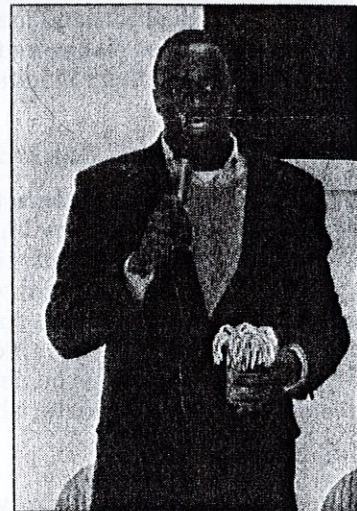
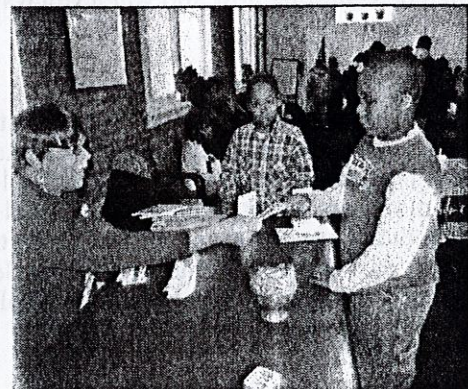
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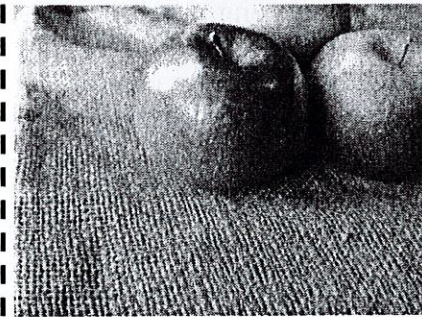
Special Community-wide Clean-Up!



Saturday, April 26th beginning at 9:00 a.m.—12:00 (noon)

Let's get out and get our blocks clean!

More details to be shared soon!



Homemade Applesauce

Ingredients:

- 4 apples, peeled, cored and quartered
- 1/3 cup water
- 3 tablespoons sugar (optional)
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon (optional)

What to do.....

1. In a saucepan, cook apples in water on high heat until the water boils, then turn to low heat, cover with lid and simmer until apples are tender when checked with a fork, about 10 minutes.
2. With a potato masher or fork, mash apples until almost smooth.
3. If you choose, stir in sugar and cinnamon. Serve warm or cover and cool in refrigerator.

Recipe from "Grow Eat Grow: A seasonal and simple guide for gardening and cooking with kids" - University of Missouri Extension

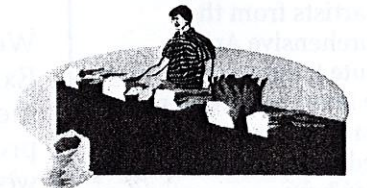
Ivanhoe Minor Home Repair Program Update

Minor Home Repair Specialist, Lester Bass, reports that for the 2013/14 contract, there have been 19 job completions with two under contract and four under review.



You may pick up an application at the front desk at the Ivanhoe Center. All submissions will be reviewed for the 2014/15 contract period. If you have questions, call Lester Bass: 816.921.6611

Wanted



Farmers Market Vendors for the Ivanhoe Small Growers Farmers Market

Market season begins June 27, 2014
Call Dina at 816-921-6611 if interested

Join Big Brothers Big Sisters Today!

Big Brothers Big Sisters has team up with the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council. If you think BBBS sound like a good fit for you or your child, contact Laura Hambrecht to sign up or to ask questions. 816-237-9319





Calendar Events for Ivanhoe Youth AND Parents

Readers are needed for Dr. King's "I Have a Dream Speech". The reading will take place at our annual Black History Month program, Saturday, February 22nd.

Free instrumental music classes will begin February 10th for young people in 5th-10th grade or ages 11-16. This program is an extension of what artists from the Comprehensive Arts Institute taught the youth in the Ivanhoe summer program. Spaces are limited. If interested, register now.

Celebrate the opening of the Ivanhoe's first **Little Free Library!** It's a "take a book, return a book" gathering place where neighbors share their favorite literature and stories. In its most basic form, the Little Free Library, is a box full of books where anyone may stop by and pick up a book (or two) and bring back another book to share. Thanks to the scouts for their dedication to this project. A date for the celebration is tentatively scheduled for the month of April. Stay tuned for more information.

For more information about registration, enrollment or volunteering for these programs, contact Yolanda Young, at 816-921-6611

Ivanhoe **Positive Alternatives**

(A drug, Crime and Violence Prevention Program)

Through our *Ivanhoe Reads!* program, we placed over 550 books into the hands of children and adults in 2013. To further promote and encourage reading, the City of Kansas City approved our proposal to build a Little Free Library (a miniature outdoor structure that will be constructed by our scouts to house free books). The motto is "take a book, return a book".

In 2013, the Summer Program Youth experienced academic enrichment through S.T.E.M. (science, technology, engineering, and math) projects, music education, agriculture, and art. They built pin ball machines, paper bridges, simple circuits and battery powered creatures, alarm systems, robots, anemometers, rubber band powered cars, gliders, designed constellations and baked cakes. They planted herbs and greens in the garden beds as well as designed and painted the framing around the beds.

We partnered with JE Dunn Construction Company to establish an Explorer's Post. There are currently 25 youth ages 14-20 years old who meet twice monthly to learn about careers and talk one-on-one with professionals in their workplace. Some of the places they have toured were the Negro Leagues & Jazz Museum, JE Dunn Headquarters, Charles B. Wheeler Airport and 360 Architecture in the Crossroads District.

Our Teen/Youth Council planned, organized, and implemented a fall barbecue in an effort to reach out to their peers and invite them to become involved in neighborhood improvement efforts. They made connections with their peers and plan to work together with them on future projects.

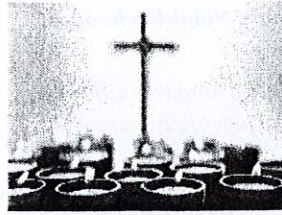
The American Legion Post 61 held a flag retirement ceremony at the Nutter Ivanhoe Neighborhood Center. The Ivanhoe Scouts, Troop 1014 and Pack 4014 led the ceremony. The scouts did it with great pride, dignity and honor.

We served over 300 children/youth in 2013 through our Positive Alternatives program. Thanks to COMBAT, Health Care Foundation, LISC, and Missouri Arts Council, for their funding support. Thanks to all of our supporters and volunteers who contributed their time and resources for the healthy development of our youth.

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The Grown in Ivanhoe Project, supported by the Healthcare Foundation of Greater Kansas City and Greater Kansas City LISC, is an on-going community-driven health and wellness initiative to address food inequalities by empowering residents with the tools to grow, eat and sell their own produce. Without the many partner organizations who have devoted their time, resources and energy, this project would not be the success that it is. From time to time, we will spotlight a partner organization and this quarter we would like to tell you how **Kansas City Community Gardens** is working in and with Ivanhoe.

Ivanhoe/Richardson Community Garden—Community Garden Rental Plots

Three years ago, Kansas City Community Gardens started the work of transforming the playing fields at Richardson Elementary into a community garden. The school building, located at 35th & Park, had been repurposed into a teacher training center and the playing fields were empty. Through collaboration with the Kansas City Public School District and the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council, KCCG tilled up 42 ground plots and built 20 raised beds.

Although many of the garden spaces are already rented, there are still some available for rent. Annual rental plot fees start at only \$10.00 for 20'x25' ground plot and \$8.00 for a raised bed. Gardeners can also purchase seeds and plants and other gardening resources at a low cost with their KCCG membership. Please contact Earlene at 816-931-3877 or Earlene@kccg.org if you are interested in renting a garden space or would like more information.

This year, KCCG will be adding some additional garden amenities. A shelter will be built in early summer. It will provide shade, a seating area and a gathering spot for gardeners. KCCG will also be working with their fruit program, The Giving Grove, to plant fruit trees for the community on-site.

Wanted: The Ivanhoe-Richardson Community Garden will serve as the perfect location for an orchard. Two individuals are needed to commit to caring for the orchard. The Giving Grove will sponsor the purchase of the trees, help coordinate the planting of the trees with individuals from the neighborhood and will offer classes and ongoing support. If you are interested in committing to the stewardship of this orchard, please call Matt Bunch at 816-931-3877 or email him matt@kccg.org.

Grown in Ivanhoe Meeting...

To learn more about urban farming/gardening opportunities and food access, please mark your calendars to attend the Grown in Ivanhoe monthly meetings—**every second Tuesday of the month from 5:00-6:30 p.m.** (networking at 5 p.m.) at 3700 Woodland, KCMO, 64109. We encourage everyone to attend—not just Ivanhoe residents! Check out our facebook page (growninivanhoe) to learn more.

New Year! New You!



Introducing:

The "INC Well"

High blood pressure and stroke are two conditions affecting African-Americans at a greater rate than they affect other races of people. The prevalence of high blood pressure in our community is among the highest in the world and it is increasing. It is because of these alarming statistics that we are introducing the "INC Well", a small walk-in wellness center located at the Nutter Ivanhoe Neighborhood Center, 3700 Woodland. During business hours you can:

- Stop in to check your blood pressure and or weight
- Obtain chronic disease related materials
- Sign up for webinars and health workshops
- Drop in two times a month, record your blood pressure numbers and be entered into monthly drawings from January to June 2014
- Visit with a healthcare professional or HEAL (Healthy Eating Active Living) advocate once a month
- **Stop by and sign up today!**

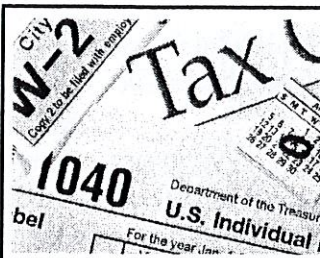
The "INC Well" is supported by the Black Community Fund and the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association



Join the Silver Foxes
for Card Games,
Exercise and Lots of
Fun!

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p.m.

At the Nutter
Ivanhoe
Neighborhood
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Woodland



AARP Tax Aid!

Free Tax Help to low-and-
moderate-income
taxpayers, especially those
60 and older.

Monday and Friday Only
February 3—April 14, 2014
10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

3700 Woodland, Kansas City, MO. 64109

For a list of documents to bring, please call:

1-888-227-7669
(1-888-AARP-NOW)

We are in the process of updating our contact information so that you will be sure to receive the most recent information we have to offer. Please be patient with our phone calls to you as we make this very necessary step towards streamlining our outreach. Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

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Fax: 816. 921.3791

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Blvd., Prospect to Paseo Blvd.



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