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Ivanhoe Neighborhood News

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Neighborhood Monthly Meeting
4th Saturdays at 2:00 p.m.
1/24, 2/28, 3/28, 4/25

Committee Meetings
Beautification

3rd Mondays at 2 p.m.; 2nd
Monday in Jan. & Feb.; April
meeting at 6 p.m.
1/12, 2/9, 3/16, 4/20

Crime & Safety

3rd Monday at 1 p.m.; 2nd
Monday in Jan. & Feb.; April
meeting at 5 p.m.
1/12, 2/9, 3/16, 4/20

**Housing, Economic, Development
and Jobs**

1st Monday at 6 p.m.
1/6, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6

Youth, Family Life & Education

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

Ivanhoe Board of Directors

4th Monday at 4:30 p.m. in Jan.
Starting Feb., 2nd Mon. of the 1st
and 3rd quarters of each month at
4:30 or on the 2nd Sat. of the 2nd
month of each quarter at 10 a.m.

Grown in Ivanhoe

2nd Tuesday of the month
5:30-7:00

CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH!

Join us for Hope, Heritage & History Through the Arts

Information Day & Red Dress Event

In observance of Black History Month, the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council will hold its Annual "Ivanhoe Information Day" with informative workshops, and our "Hope, Heritage, History Through the Arts" program. In addition, health and wellness information, including blood pressure checks, will be provided by Hope Family Care Center. To support the American Heart Association's "Go Red" initiative, we are asking everyone to wear red (including gentlemen) to this event. A special drawing will be held limited to those wearing red.

The event will begin at 11:00 a.m., on Saturday, February 28th, and end at 4:00 p.m. Schedule of events: There will be a special drawing for those in attendance from the beginning to the end of the day.

- 11:00 Workshop 1: Energy Savings
- 11:35 Workshop 2: End of Life Hospice Care
- 12:20 UMB Financial Education Class
- 1:30 Lunch (provided by Geaux Catering)
- 2:00 Short Ivanhoe Monthly Neighborhood Meeting
- 2:15 Hope, Heritage & History Through the Arts Program

EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA! Do You Want to Buy Your Own Home?

Coming real soon: Phase 1 of the Ivanhoe Gateway @
39th Street Duplexes for Sale!

Buy a duplex—Live in one-half and rent the other half!

If you are interested, come to the Nutter Ivanhoe Center,
3700 Woodland, Kansas City, Mo. 64109, February 21st, at
10:30 a.m. Call Bryant Real Estate 1, LLC, (816) 523-1990
to reserve your seat!



"Where there is no vision,
the people perish..."
Proverbs 29:18"

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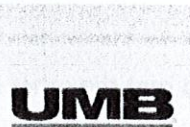
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Claridge Court Residents



How to pay for your children's college free of stress and debt

By Sheila Stokes

College tuition is rising steadily. The price of a four-year public university has risen 2.3 percent (1.6 percent for private college), and that is on top of inflation, according to the College Board. Those increases reflect the average of the last 20 years and include tuition, fees, room and board.

Sound intimidating? Good news, these numbers don't have to be daunting for parents. Having a **plan** to properly fund these goals is half the battle, and definitely decreases anxiety. Here are some **tips as you begin savings for your child's higher education:**

Know the numbers – If only we had a crystal ball to predict exactly what tuition will cost when your child gets to college. We do, however, have tools that can *forecast* costs and assist in planning. Talk with your financial advisor—he or she will be able to help you estimate and plan for these expenses.

Determine how much to fund – Once you have an expected figure, talk about how much you want to fund. There are differing viewpoints on what percentage parents and children should each contribute to education through scholarships, loans and tuition payments, so discuss this with your family and then set goals based on what everyone feels is appropriate.

Establish investing timetable – The next step is to put your financial goal in writing and begin weighing options on how to achieve the desired savings. Designating **monthly or annual contributions** to your preferred education savings vehicles is a great way to start. However, you should feel comfortable adjusting these over time on an as-needed basis. **Don't become discouraged if projected savings do not align exactly with the end goal.** The most important thing is to consistently save something to ensure the funds continue to grow.

Evaluate options – There are a variety of college savings vehicles available, including 529 Plans and Coverdell Education Savings Accounts. Your financial advisor can make recommendations that are in line with your strategic plan.

Communicate the strategy – When the time is right, start the conversation with your children about their educational paths. Talk about the financial support you plan to provide, and where you expect them to share responsibility. This will help your children begin establishing their own goals and promote accountability for educational expenses as well.

Saving for your children's college expenses can seem like an overwhelming task, but it is much easier to manage with the right planning and support. Consider these tips and talk with your advisor—those college enrollment packages will arrive before you know it!

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UMB Cashless Bank Branch

Located on the first floor of the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Center, 3700 Woodland, KCMO 64109.

Your personal banker at this location is: Sharon Pleasant-Bass and you can reach her at **816-315-7484** during these banking hours:

1-5 p.m. - Wednesday and Thursday
10 a.m. 4 p.m. - Fridays

FREE UMB Financial Education Workshops!

Date	Class
2/28 12:30 p.m.	Credit & Debit Management
3/28 12:30 p.m.	Introduction to Small Business
4/25 12:30 p.m.	College Financing

Enter to win \$50 UMB Visa Gift Card. Childcare available upon request.



Free Connecting For Good computer classes every 1st Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon here at Center, 3700 Woodland

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Big Brothers Big Sisters

Join Big Brothers Big Sisters Today!

Big Brothers Big Sisters continues the partnership with the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council to create one-to-one mentoring relationships between great kids and volunteers. If you think BBBS sounds like a good fit for your child, all Laura Hambrecht at 816-237-9319

AARP Free Income Tax Preparation

Beginning Monday, February 2 through Monday April 13, 2015, AARP volunteers will offer free income tax preparation services for low-to-moderate income tax payers, especially those 60 and older.

This service will be available on **Mondays and Fridays ONLY from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at the Ivanhoe office, 3700 Woodland. You must bring the following items with you:

- Your tax return for the prior year,
- Proof of insurance,
- Picture ID and Social Security card and Social Security number for each of your dependents,
- All 1099 forms
- SSA-1099 if you were paid Social Security benefits

Ivanhoe considers it a blessing to be able to provide this service to you at no charge due to our partnership with AARP.

The volunteers that prepare the tax returns are retired people who donate their time out of the goodness of their heart. The volunteers are fully trained by AARP to do this work and they are fully certified and competent.

We ask that you treat the volunteers with dignity and respect. We encourage you to take the time to tell them you appreciate this free service.

Chair-ity

Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council is excited to announce our 2nd annual online fundraiser, **Chair-ity**. This online auction will feature one-of-a-kind, art and theme chairs created by local artists and local businesses. **BID, SPONSOR, OR DONATE** to help us continue our support for children, youth, and families as they work to achieve and sustain community self-sufficiency. Starting March 20th – April 3rd, you can go to ivanhoechairity.dojiggy.com and place your bid.

But that's not all...there is another way to participate. For only \$5, you can purchase a ticket for a chance to win the Ivanhoe Community Chair through a drawing. This drawing will give additional opportunities to participate in the fundraiser. A preview of this unique chair will be displayed at the Nutter Ivanhoe Neighborhood Center at 37th and Woodland prior to the online auction.



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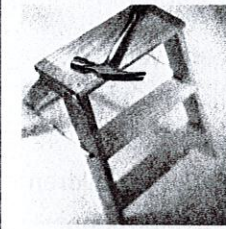
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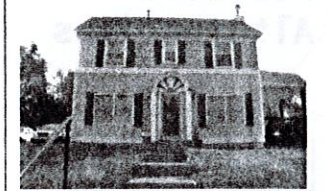


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Ivanhoe Minor Home Prepare Program Update



Minor Home Repair Specialist, Lester Bass, reports that as of January 15, 2015, 20 jobs have been completed and six (6) are waiting for approval from City Hall to proceed. If you have any questions about these programs, please contact Lester at, 816-921-6611.



Housing, Economic Development & Jobs Committee is held the first Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m., except in September.

Senior Citizens Can Pay Real Estate Taxes in 4 Payments - Important Please Read

The Senior Citizen Quad Payment Program gives Jackson County seniors, age 62 or older, the option to spread payment of their County real estate tax bills over four (4) equal installments --- without interest or penalties applying. The installments are due December 31st of the tax year and, then, February 28th, May 31st, and August 31st of the following year.

This program **does not** apply to the payment of non-real estate taxes.

Applications must be submitted to:

Collections Department, 415 E 12th Street, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64106 OR E-mailed to: SeniorApplication@Jacksongov.org OR Fax: (816) 881-3142

You can come to the Ivanhoe office to get an application OR visit Jackson County's website: www.jacksongov.org OR call (816) 881-3232

"If I'd known I was going to live this long, I'd have taken better care of myself." Eubie Blake

Free Blood Pressure Checks and health and wellness information at: The INC Well, located on the 1st floor, 3700 Woodland.

"The INC Well is funded by the American Heart Association"

3 Ingredient Recipe (from "O, The Oprah Magazine, January 2014)

Banana Bread Cookies

Bananas, oats, walnuts

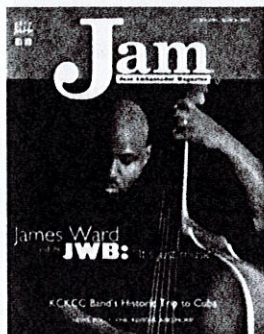


Mash 2 large overripe bananas in a bowl. Add 1 cup rolled oats and ¼ cup chopped walnuts. Drop rounded tablespoons of batter onto a baking sheet and bake for 12 to 15 minutes at 350°. *Makes 12 cookies.*

YOUR AD HERE

You can buy an ad in the *Ivanhoe Neighborhood News* quarterly newsletter! Advertise you business, place of worship, service or special announcement.

Ivanhoe Positive Alternatives



Congratulations to Mr. Ward!

James Ward was recently featured in the February/March 2015 issue of Jazz Ambassador Magazine. The article referenced James as a "gentle giant and versatile jazz bandleader." For the last three years, Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council (INC) has had the pleasure of partnering with this amazingly talented artist and his wife/music partner, Angela, with an arts education grant funded by Missouri Arts Council. Children and youth have opportunities to learn basic instrumental music theory, composition, and performance through jazz education that they may not have received otherwise. *Free weekly music lessons for Ivanhoe neighborhood children and families started February 9th! If you are interested, please contact Yolanda Young for more information and registration.*

Cub Scouts to Race in Pinewood Derby

Our Cub Scouts in Pack 4014 will be participating in the upcoming Pinewood Derby Races on Saturday, March 29th. The races will be at the Fairfax General Motors Plant. There is still time to become a member and join the pack. If your child is interested in any of these programs, please contact Yolanda Young for registration information.



Calendar Dates

Free Music Lessons

Each Monday and Friday 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Starting February 9th

Yolanda Young is the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council's Positive Alternatives Program Youth/Family Outreach Specialist. If you have any questions about any of these programs contact her at: yyoung@incthrives.org 816-921-6611

FREE BOOKS for Zero-Five Year Olds



According to the National Center for Education Statistics, children who are read to at home have an advantage over children who are not, but many families don't have the money to buy books on a regular basis for their children. Through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program, children who are 0 to 5 years old, who live in one of the Urban Neighborhood Initiative service areas (from 22nd Street to 52nd Street, from Troost to 71 Highway) can

"Books were my pass to personal freedom. I learned to read at age three, and soon discovered there was a whole world to conquer that went beyond our farm in Mississippi."
Oprah Winfrey

sign up for a monthly mailing of new and exciting reading books.

2015 Girl Scout World Thinking Day

World Thinking Day will be held on Saturday, February 21st from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Brush Creek community Center, 3801 Emanuel Cleaver II Blvd. Girl Scouts participate in activities and a service project to honor their sister Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

in other countries. The theme for 2015 is "Peace through Partnerships". Each troop is expected to host a country and create an educational display. Ivanhoe Troop 3600 will host the country of Haiti. *Membership to join the Ivanhoe Girl Scout Troop is*

open for girls in kindergarten through twelfth grade.



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Do You Want to Grow Your Own Food?

With support from Kansas City Community Gardens, Master Gardeners of Greater Kansas City-University of Missouri Extension, Lincoln University Cooperative Extension, Cultivate KC, Get Growing KC, Giving Grove, Root Deep Urban Farm, Prairie Garden Farms, Greater KC LISC, and the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City, "Grown in Ivanhoe" growers and supporters and many

others, will once again, be able to provide you with some of the best trainings, workshops, teachings, and instructions this city has to offer. Below is only a portion of the scheduled opportunities available at the Nutter Ivanhoe Neighborhood Center. And, many other partner organizations are offering similar trainings, if are unable to attend ours.

If you are interested in the "Neighborhood Grown"

grower certification, we offer the Grown in Ivanhoe Certified Grower classification.

If you would like to adopt a garden or urban farm plot in the Ivanhoe neighborhood, we can help you with this, as well.

This year, we are especially interested in connecting with our veterans to help us expand our "Veggies for Vets—Victory Garden" Project.



Neighborhood Grown lettuce. We have garden plots available to adopt out. Call the office if interested.

"Neighborhood Grown—Grown in Ivanhoe" Education Outreach Schedule

These Free classes are open to the public! Everyone is invited to come learn.

5:30-7:00 p.m., 3700 Woodland, KCMO. 64109

Day/Date	Description	Instructor/Organization
Tues. 2/10	P(l)otting & Planning Working through the process of getting your garden/farm ready for the 2015 growing season	KCCG
Tues. 3/10	Early Spring Crops	KCCG
Tues. 4/14	Tomatoes, Pepper & Sweet Potatoes	KCCG
Tues. 5/12	Victory Garden & Growing for Community	Loretta Craig, Prairie Garden Farms
Tues. 6/9	Identifying Pests and Beneficial bugs in the garden	Katie Nixon
Tues. 7/14	Grown in Ivanhoe veteran grower presentation	Various neighborhood growers
Tues. 8/11	Growing & Cooking with Fresh Herbs	KCCG
Tues. 9/8	Record Keeping: How are you doing?	Katie Nixon
Tues. 10/13	Growing under Lights (Pt.2)	KCCG
Tues. 11/10	Soup & Stories	N/A

The Grown in Ivanhoe Project is funded by the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City

WANTED: Vendors for the upcoming 2015 Ivanhoe Farmers' Market. Also, we will be hiring a Farmers Market Manager and Farmers Market Team Members. Market season begins in June.

For more information, call Dina at 816-921-6611

Dina Newman is the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council's Health Initiatives Manager. If you have any questions about urban growing, the farmers market, Lots of Love, or the INC Well, please contact her at:

*dnewman@incthrives.org
816-921-6611*

"Explore Your Future" Workshop

Co-Sponsored by Shepherd's Center and Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council

This four-session workshop series gives each participant a unique opportunity to consider "what's next" in my life?

"**Explore Your Future**" is a hands-on learning experience focused on the individual and her/his desire to create a vision for the future that is personally satisfying and rewarding. Participants explore possibilities and discover new ways to fuse their gifts, talents, and experiences with their interests and passions. Researched and developed at Temple University's Intergenerational Center, "**Explore Your Future**" empowers people age 50+ to chart a pathway to a fulfilling, engaged future that will be personally fulfilling and meaningful.

Attend All Four Sessions in a 2-day workshop

Wednesday, March 18th and Wednesday, March 25, 2015

Nutter Ivanhoe Neighborhood Center, 3700 Woodland

Register 8:30 AM

Workshop 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Cost to attend is only \$20 per person which includes all workshop materials

RSVP Volunteers attend Free

Registrations are required --- Class size is limited, so you need to enroll today

To Register: Call Sue Ann Greet (816) 604-3177 or E-Mail SGreet@sccentral.org

Save The Date for "Ask the Doctor"

We are pleased to announce our very first "Ask the Doctor" event on March 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **Doctor Cymanthia Connell**, Hope Family Care Center Family Physician and Obstetrics, will provide this **free** service at the "INC Well" 3700 Woodland. Doctor Connell will be available to answer your health-related medical questions.



Dr. Cymanthia Connell

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