



Northaven 2 Anchor

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Letter from the President

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Upcoming NH2 Events:

*NH2 Neighborhood meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Vocalist Del Sutton will be performing.

*NH2 board meetings—

October 20 and November 17, 6:00 p.m.

It is that time of year again where school has begun and Labor Day is right around the corner. Does anyone remember what Labor Day stands for? Why do we have a three day weekend coming up? Labor Day is always the first Monday in September and began in the late 19th century, as the trade union and labor movements grew. Trade unionists proposed that a day be set aside to celebrate labor. In 1887, Oregon was the first state of the United States to make it an official public holiday.

September is spring for half the planet, but in the U.S. it's



autumn even before the air gets brisk. It is time to think about harvesting the rest of the garden, and getting ready for fall planting and landscaping projects. As the weather gets cooler, it is a great time to paint your house and get the carpets cleaned. Of course, all work and no play is no fun. So enjoy the many fall festivals that will be coming

up and football games, soccer games, and many other fun outdoor activities.

June 20th was our Northaven 2 summer picnic. Those who attended enjoyed some great food and conversation. You really miss out if you don't attend some of our neighborhood events. It is a great way to get to know your neighbors and have some fun! September will bring another great opportunity to you. Please check for more information on page 2 of this newsletter. You won't want to miss it!

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Thank you to Fairview Christian Church, 1800 NE 65th St., where all of our meetings are held.



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Vocal Performance

Performing at our next NH2 meeting will be one of our own neighbors, Del Sutton.

Join us on September 15th, at 7:00 p.m., at Fairview Christian Church. Refreshments will be served.

Del Sutton is not a stranger to the Northland. Del graduated from Oak Park High School and opened New Mark Middle School as their Vocal Music teacher in 1973 and taught in the same building for 29 years. During his retirement Del worked for the Arts in Prison program and along with his former Music teacher Joyce Stuermer, now deceased, they started a choral program in the maximum wing of Lansing Prison in Lansing, Kansas. Del has always loved singing and is currently working on a 2nd career, so to speak, singing for senior living communities, churches, and a variety of community events. Del has written over 350 songs spanning many subjects over the past 40 years and was signed by Tate Music Group out of Oklahoma City who produced his latest contemporary, worship and praise album "Only From My Heart".

The Heights Linden Square

By Mary Siard

The Heights Linden Square, a property of Flaherty & Collins of Indiana, and located on NE 70 Street in downtown Gladstone MO, was completed in August 2015. The property has 224 units which consist of studio apartments, 1 and 2 bedroom apartments and 2 bedroom townhouses. Although the complex was completed in August 2015, some residents moved in as early as February 2015. Occupancy is currently at 97%.



Depending on the floor plan chosen, the apartment and townhomes offer from 489 to 1317 square feet of space and rental prices range from \$725-\$1395 per month. Residents are responsible for all utilities, including electric, water, sewer and valet trash. The apartments feature granite countertops, patio or balcony, full size washer and dryers, 9 foot ceilings, stainless steel energy efficient appliances, ceramic tile floors, wood-style floors, 42 inch kitchen cabinets, Nest thermostats, and Roman soaking tubs as well as having private garages and resident storage available.

There is a fully equipped fitness center and heated salt water pool on the premises. Outdoor living areas, outdoor fireplace and TVs and kitchen with cooking grill are also on the premises. A furnished guest suite is available, in addition to a club room with billiards and gaming area. Pets are allowed (with a breed and weight restriction and a pet registration fee), and a keycard is necessary for access to the hallways. Leases of 6-18 months are required.

Although The Heights Linden Square is the first facility of Flaherty & Collins in the Kansas City, MO area, the company will be building a larger complex in downtown Kansas City at Berkley Park. The company is already represented with apartment complexes in other large metropolitan areas.

Homeowner Service References—Recommended by your neighbors

Brett Amberson—Painter, cell 816-560-0051, home 453-0737 (He has done a lot of painting for us over the years. - Larry)

Ruben Batrez – Lawn care and odd jobs: rbatrezjr@aol.com, 816-797-0636 (Ruben does an immaculate job for less than the larger service companies, Diane)

CC Magic Home Remodeling—Chris Clark, owner/operator, Christofords@yahoo.com, 816-204-6870, free estimates (Vicki)

JC Ellis — Yard Work and Tree Work, 816-315-5329 (Dave)

Full Nelson Plumbing, 8109 N. Oak Trafficway, 816-420-9697, fullnelsoninc.com (We have used them several times, as have several others we know. All have been well-satisfied with their services. - Jim)

Luke Whitley Tree Service — www.woodandtree.com, 816-820-4499, 468-8733 (home). (Bonded and insured and most reasonable compared with other companies. Has trimmed trees in our area since 1997. - Ron)

Tony Garcia—Appliance heating & cooling, 453-5302 (Very good & honest. - Larry)

Joe Kyle—Gladstone carpenter, 816-0981, 372-0121

Roxie Pilla – house cleaner: wild.bunch.5@hotmail.com, 816-674-3582 (Roxie has been cleaning my house for the past 2 years and is very thorough and reliable for a reasonable price. – Diane)

Mr. Remodeler, 816-453-3049 (We had a major remodeling job of the entire house. Very happy with their work. - Art)

Have you had any work done on your home with good results? Do you have any recommendations for a good plumber, roofer, electrician, tree trimmer, etc.? We'd like to publish a list of recommended homeowner service companies. Send any recommendations to the editor at Northaven2@hotmail.com.



Fall Plant Exchange

Gladstone Parks & Recreation hosts two plant exchanges per year, spring and fall. Please call (816) 423-4089 or (816) 423-4200 for complete details. Date: Saturday, September 10th from 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Location: Happy Rock Park Large Shelter

Fall Brush Drop Off

Fall Brush Drop Off for Gladstone residents will be half price on November 4th-6th, from 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Location: Public Works Facility

NH2 Neighbor Spot Lite

Jo Thornley Cox and Jody Cox



We moved here 15 years ago when Jody took a job as online editor at The Kansas City Star. He retired in April after a 40-year career working at newspapers in Texas, Minnesota and Missouri. We have lived here for the longest in our 37-year marriage.

Jo teaches children's faith formation at St. Therese Catholic Church and trains adults in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. A graduate of St. Mary-of-the-Woods College in Terre Haute, Ind., she has been a Montessori preschool teacher and has worked at newspapers, a TV station and an ad agency. She also was director of children's faith formation at St. Charles Borromeo Church for two and a half years and manager of On A Wing And A Prayer in Gladstone for nine.

A Columbia, Mo., native, Jody often visited a great-aunt who lived in Kansas City when he was a boy. He taught English and coached basketball at Central Senior High School in Kansas City for a couple of years in the 1970s after graduation from Texas Tech. Then he went to graduate school at the MU's School of Journalism. We met in the Columbia Daily Tribune newsroom, where Jo was chief copy editor and Jody was a part-time sports writer.

We have three children, all whom were born in Texas and reared in Duluth, Minn. Our daughter, Anna, is director of Gladstone's La Petite Academy, an educational child-care facility on 76th Street. She, her husband and our 4-year-old granddaughter live in Kansas City a few blocks west of Liberty. Our younger son, Jackson, moved to Connecticut earlier this year to be with his girlfriend.

Our older son, Sam, was killed in a Navy helicopter crash in Sicily in 2003. After fulfilling his lifelong dream of joining the Navy, Sam flew combat support during the Iraq invasion and was to come home to attend Mizzou on a Seaman to Admiral Navy scholarship. We all miss him every day.

We like living in Gladstone. We're members of the Gladstone Community Center, a truly wonderful community asset. We enjoy reading, bicycling, hiking, going to Royals games, listening to live music, hanging out with our granddaughter and travel. Jody is looking forward to being newsletter editor for NH2.

Cheeseburger Soup

1/2 lb. ground beef
 3/4 cup shredded carrots
 1 teaspoon dried parsley
 3 cups chicken broth
 1/4 cup all purpose flour
 1/2 cup milk



3/4 cup chopped onion
 1 teaspoon dried basil
 4 tablespoons butter
 4 cups cubed potatoes
 2 cups cubed cheddar cheese
 1/4 cup sour cream

In a large pot, melt 1 tablespoon butter over medium heat; cook and stir veggies and beef until beef is brown.

Stir in basil and parsley. Add broth and potatoes. Bring to a boil, then simmer until potatoes are tender, about 10-12 minutes.

Melt the remainder of butter and stir in flour. Add the milk, whisking until smooth. Gradually add milk mixture to the soup, stirring constantly. Bring to a boil and reduce heat to simmer. Stir in cheese. When cheese is melted, add sour cream.