

THE POINTE

Major Repairs: US 169 to Close for Five Months

In mid-July, all four lanes of the Broadway Extension to and from Downtown will close for five months.

Walls, rails, supports, drainage, and barriers need huge repairs.

Get details at:

www.modot.org/kansascity/major_projects/Route%20169/Route_169_Wall_Replacement.htm.



From the ashes . . .

A new home is rising from the site of the Aug. 31, 2010 fire which destroyed the **Drambour** property at 1905 NE 82nd Ter. Building on the prior foundation, and helped by unseasonably

warm weather, JTS Homes LLC, hopes to finish and sell the reverse story-and-a-half house by April 30 for at least \$275,000. **Don and Judy Meier's** home (left) is on the east side.

Dining in style . . .

JRay's Hosts Feb. 21 Dinner

BridgePointe Night at JRay's Restaurant & Bar is set for 6:30pm, Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 1302 Platte Falls Rd., Platte City

JRay's is owned by **Jeremy Ray**, son of neighbors **Vicki and Danny Ray**.

On Jan. 24, at least 23

neighbors dined at Abuelo's, a Taste of Mexico, at Zona Rosa, managed by neighbor **Shane Willmann**.

Arrangements are being made for a dinner at Margarita's in Gladstone. About 30 neighbors dined at the third annual BridgePointe Night there last year.

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*"To have good neighbors,
be a good neighbor . . ."*



Forget the dishes . . .

At least 23 BridgePointers let Abuelo's at Zona Rosa do the cooking on Jan. 24. Neighbor **Shane Willmann**, the new general manager, treated them to delicious appetizers before dinner. **Jake and Stacy Long, John Azodi, Rose Brady, Irv**

and **Sharon Becker, Susan and Bob Hiatt, Curtis Stock, and Jeff and Tammy Baack** were in the group. Also there were **Danny and Vicki Ray**, whose son, **Jeremy Ray**, is hosting the next dinner at JRay's Restaurant & Bar in Platte City.

Say "Howdy!"

Three Families Bring More Kids

Neighbors can extend a hearty welcome to three new families in BridgePointe.

Jerrod and Kelly Diven, and their young sons, **Evan**, 6, and **Kaden**, 3, now live at 8249 N. Flora, where **Judy Addis** had lived. **Kelly** works in accounting. **Jerrod** is manager at Brad's Auto. Contact them at 682-2474 and kellshell80@hotmail.com.

Jason and Cindy White, and children **Jordan**, 13, **Olivia**, 11, and **Nathan**, 8, now live at 1926 NE 83rd St., where the **Majors** family had lived. **Jason** is a sales training

manager at Pioneer Hi-Bred, International. **Cindy** is a histologist at NKCHS. They can be reached at 420-9887, JNCWhite@kc.rr.com and Jason.white@pioneer.com.

Dwayne and Jeannine Ross, and children **Whitney**, 16, **Shania**, 14 and **Dylan**, 9, now live at 8357 N. Highland where **Eric Linz** had lived. **Jeannine** is a financial relationship specialist at Community America Credit Union. **Dwayne** is a carpenter at Midwest Construction. Contact them at 786-7455, Jeannine.ross@yahoo.com.

Goodwill Takes E-Waste Free

Until now, disposing of old computers and related electronics safely has had a price — fees charged to dump e-waste.

But now Goodwill Industries accepts it for free. Learn more at <http://mokangoodwill.org/donate/material-donations/dell-e-waste-program/>.

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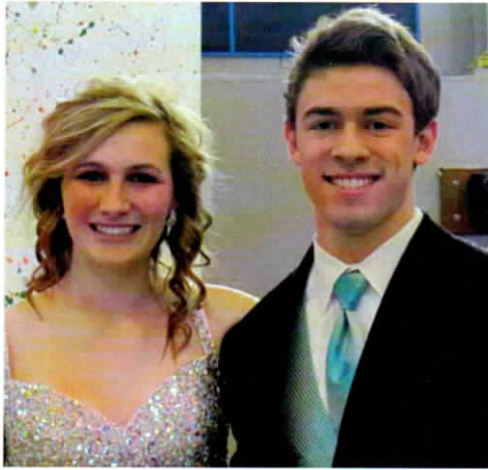


Photo by **Tammy Baack** **Tammy Baack.**

Neighbors **Amy Nelson** and **Thomas Baack**, Oak Park High seniors, were candidates for Courtwarming Queen and Sadie Hawkins Dance King. Proud parents are **Sandy and Ken Nelson**, and **Jeff and Tammy Baack.**

Annual Meeting . . . Neighbors Win, Share, Elect

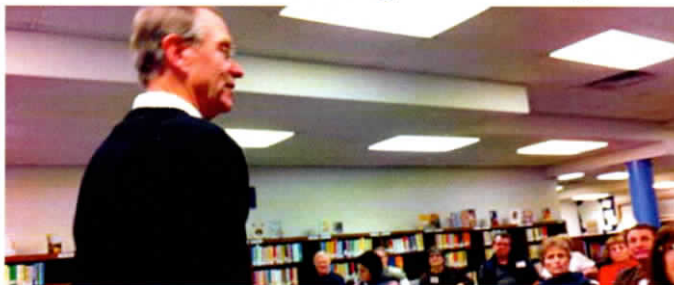
At the BridgePointe all-neighbors annual meeting on Jan. 9, **Irene Siedler, Rob Werner, Mark Calvert, Tammy Baack** and **Mary Jacobi** won door prizes – gift certificates for Abuelo's Restaurant, managed by neighbor **Shane Willmann**, and JRay's Restaurant and Bar, owned by **Jeremy Ray**, who is the son of neighbors **Vicki and Danny Ray**.

Neighbors donated 90 food items for Harvesters Community Food Network.

Neighbors reviewed the Association's finances, and learned about plans to replace the pool deck which was removed in November.

Neighbors re-elected three directors: **Lewis Adam**, architecture/compliance; **Kathy Johnson**, secretary, and **Bob Hiatt**, landscape chair.

Bob Hiatt also received the annual Larry Hanson Good-Neighbor Award, recognizing Bob's service and honoring a beloved neighbor.



Bob Hiatt makes a landscaping presentation at the Jan. 9 annual meeting, before receiving the **Hanson Award**.

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New neighbors **Kevin and Jennifer Keeton**, and **Todd Warner**, and **Jake and Stacy Long**, join hostess **Sandy Nelson**, and nearly 50 other guests, in the year's first TGIF Social Hour on Jan. 13.

Have horn, will travel . . .

Pete Carroll Plays for President Obama

Pete Carroll and his trumpet get around.

Within months of blowing his horn at BridgePointe's TGIF Social Hour on Sept. 9, he was playing with legendary soul musician **Al Green** at a Jan. 19 campaign kick-off fundraiser for **President Barack Obama** at the Apollo Theater in Harlem, New York.

A few days later, on Jan. 22, he was telling Kansas City television Channel 41's NBC Action News about playing for the President.

Pete also performed for **President George W. Bush**

on the 2004 campaign trail in Orlando, Florida.

Since 2008, **Pete** has toured Europe, Australia and North America with **Green**, and has appeared with him twice on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.

He's also played lots of venues closer to home, including JRay's Restaurant and Bar in Platte City, the Longbranch Steakhouse in Overland Park, The Big Easy in the 18th and Vine jazz district. He has hosted the "After-Hours Jam" at The Jazz Foundation, and appears regularly at the

"Sunday Night Jam" at the Hideout in Gladstone.

He performs with "The Pete Carroll Group," "Feo," and "The Mary Bridget Davies Group."

Proud parents are neighbors **Janet and Rich Carroll**.



Pete Carroll plays trumpet with **Al Green** band member **Ken DeWalt**.

Singing for their supper . . .

Oak Streeters Celebrate, But Need Cash

Three BridgePointe neighbors are among the 30 Oak Street Singers who are savoring their stunning victory in the 13-choir competition in Columbia on Jan. 14.

The Singers now look forward to national competition in Myrtle Beach, SC on April 21, but need financial help to travel.

Thomas Baack, son of **Jeff and Tammy Baack**, **Michael Halford**, son of **Ken and Joyce Halford**, and **Alex Stompoly**, son of **Robert and Teresa Stompoly**, are Oak Park High School seniors who worked through auditions and lots of rehearsals for their vocals and choreography.

The Singers knocked off perennial winner Pleasant Hill at Columbia Rock Bridge High School. Their

story and photograph appeared in *The Kansas City Star* on Feb. 1.

To pay for travel they have sponsored car washes, a trivia night, cookie-dough sales and individual fund-raising, but recently the kids still were \$3,000 short.

Neighbors can visit the website www.ophsvocalmusic.info and click

on the "Donations" link on the left, or contact **Tammy Baack** (468-6580, TBAACK@cerner.com).

Competitive choir, around for generations, suddenly enjoys explosive growth, thanks partly to a television show, "Glee." Choirs perform across the nation on Saturdays in January, February and March.



Thomas Baack, Michael Halford and Alex Stompoly