

FALL GENERAL MEETING

7:30 P.M., Thursday, November 7, 2013

Black Jack Fire Protection District – 5675 North Highway 67

PROGRAM

MR. GLENN POWERS, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING, ST. LOUIS COUNTY
PRESENTING ST. LOUIS COUNTY'S 2013 STRATEGIC PLAN

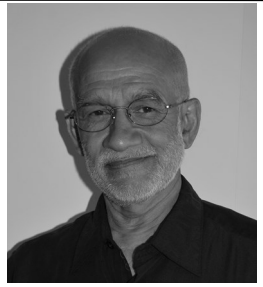
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LATEST INFORMATION ON AREA DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED-BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS!



Dues are ten dollars per single membership and fifteen dollars per family.

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CHAN MAHANTA



I would like to invite you all to the Fall General Meeting of Old Jamestown Association on November 7, at the Black Jack Fire Protection District's Administration Building.

The evening's Keynote Speaker will be Mr. Glenn Powers, Director of Planning, St. Louis County. He will present St. Louis County's 2013 Strategic Plan and will answer questions. Please visit www.stlouisco.com/strategicplan2013 to acquaint yourself with the issues involved.

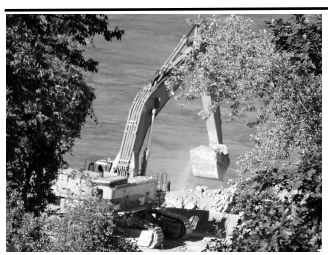
The summer has been quiet for Old Jamestown Association and our area. The proposed Emergency Communications Tower at Briscoe Park was approved by the County Council and the building permit process is underway. They had to redo the foundation design, which required both Commission approval for additional funding, and supplemental approval from Laclede Gas. Their estimate for site completion is March 2014.

Building plans for the proposed Walmart

store on Hwy 67 in Florissant are being reviewed by the by the Florissant Building Commissioner. Walmart also is in the process of working out issues associated with the project, raised by the Mo. DNR.

We are in the process of embarking on a fund-raising effort for our now tax exempt Association, to help underwrite the OJA History project to generate a written document and to disseminate it among area residents, schools and other interested entities. We seek your assistance and input on the effort.

Enjoy the beautiful Old Jamestown fall, which promises to be lovely once again and my very best wishes for the holiday season.



Wing Dams North St. Louis County US Corp of Engineers busily building on the Missouri River.

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Northwest Parkway St. Louis

<http://northwestparkwaystl.com/site/>

Above is the site to the Northwest Parkway web site. Here you can learn about the project, get the latest updates, and provide your input.

Northwest Parkway is a transportation project that will look at creating an improved, more reliable connection between the residential areas of North St. Louis County and employment centers in the Earth City and Riverport areas. The existing link, consisting largely of two-lane roads in the Missouri River floodplain, is subject to unpredictable flood-related road closures. The closures cause unreliable travel conditions and traffic disruptions.

The current project will identify a transportation alternative that will:

- Eliminate flood-related detours between Charbonier Road and Earth City Expressway;
- Address capacity needs in northwestern St. Louis County;
- Enhance safety along St. Louis County roadways in the study area; and
- Provide access to the economic opportunities within St. Louis County.

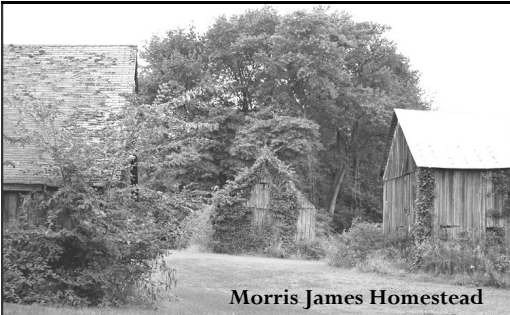


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WE'RE ON THE WEB!



Morris James Homestead

RALPH WEHMER'S STORIES

"I have so many stories to tell you. Where do I begin? Well, I was born in a log cabin [January 1916], one mile down from this house [Old Jamestown and Carrico]. Back then, our street was called Accommodation Road, and it was a dirt road. Now, the street is called Old Jamestown Road.

"Growing up, my brothers and I would ride a corn grinder and it would go round and round like a merry-go-round. One afternoon, my brother and I were riding on it and Ed came out of the house and yelled at us: 'Do not put your hands in there!' Next thing I knew, I put my hand in the grinder and I lost part of my finger. Boy, did I cry -- for hours. Because the nearest doctor was in Florissant, we drove our Model-T car. Because the road was dirt, we hitched it to a team of mules and we headed down the street to Salem Baptist Church with the reins through the windshield opening. We left the mules at the

church and drove on into Florissant to the doctor's office. Every time we went to the doctor's, this is how we traveled..."

Ralph's stories were told to Olga Smith, BJC Hospice Lumina Project Volunteer, June 2007, and are shared with permission of Ralph's daughter, Susan. The full transcript with many more stories is linked at http://oldjamestownassn.org/history_of_oj_area/links_to_historical_information

LOOKING FOR HISTORY

Members of the OJA History Committee have resumed our research of Old Jamestown history. We are looking for memories, photos, and documents specific to the Old Jamestown area (all of zip code 63034) and covering any period from ancient times until yesterday. All of the memories will be saved; many will be included in a book Peggy Kruse plans to write in 2014. If you have anything you would like to share, please contact Peggy at prautes@aol.com or 314-550-0184 (cell).



Morris James Home, New Jamestown

Morris James secured a grant on the Cold Water Creek and the Missouri River in 1797, and began farming in 1803. (Log cabin beneath red siding.)

From the Diary of Stephen Hempstead (1754-1831)

Monday, June 8, 1818 – I with my wife cross the river at James old Ferry, dine at Morris James .

