

# The Eastside Neighbor

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## Your Child's Future Your Child's Health

On **Thursday, Sept. 18** from 5:30 to 8:30 PM, Allen Neighborhood Center will host a non-partisan community event on voting and health care. Chris Swope, Lansing City Clerk, will be registering voters as well as teaching how to use voting machines. Staff from ANC and the Ingham Co. Health Dept. will give out information and register people who qualify for free or low-cost health care programs. Members of the Great Start Collaborative will present info on safe sleep, lead-free homes, infant mortality, and other health issues. Come join your neighbors for free food, free information, and free gifts!

This event is supported by Cooley Law School, the Lansing Area Community Trust Fund, League of Women Voters, Great Start Collaborative, and ICHD.

## Home Heating Credit Deadline

The deadline to apply for Michigan's Home Heating Credit in 2008 is **Sept. 30**. It helps pay winter energy bills. Call\* 1-800-827-4000, request form 1040CR-7.

\* Or go online to: [michigan.gov/heatingassistance](http://michigan.gov/heatingassistance)

## Five Job Openings at ANC

ANC has several full and part-time positions opening up this month. The deadline for applying is **September 12, 2008**. See below for details:

1. Youth Service Corps Coordinator
2. Community Health Worker
3. Administrative Assistant
4. VISTA: Outreach
5. VISTA: Food Security

**YSC Coordinator:** Do you have a passion for digging in the dirt? Appreciate the energy and enthusiasm of young teens? Allen Neighborhood Center is seeking to hire an 18 hour/week Coordinator for our Youth Service Corps. This person will oversee all aspects of this job/life skills training program, with a green focus (e.g. Garden in a Box and GardenHouse.)

Solid communication skills, program development know-how, and experience with youngsters are essential. A one-year commitment is required.

Call K'Anna Burton at 999-3910 for more information; or email her at [kanab@allenneighborhoodcenter.org](mailto:kanab@allenneighborhoodcenter.org)

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## East Kalamazoo St. Development Planning for our Neighborhood (Next up: Housing on 10/2)

Eastside Neighborhood Organization and Allen Neighborhood Center are hosting a series of conversations about key issues to be addressed in the recently launched City of Lansing Master Planning Process.

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# Allen Neighborhood Center News

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**Community Health Worker:** Interested in women's health issues? Like to learn more and inform others about breast cancer prevention? We're seeking to hire a 10 hour per week community health worker who will be in charge of breast health education activities. We'd like to find someone with excellent communication, people, and computer skills.

Call Sarah Steele at 999-3917 for further information, or email your resume to her at sarahs@allen-neighborhoodcenter.org.

**Administrative Assistant:** We are seeking to hire an administrative assistant for 15 hours/week. Please consider applying if you have good communication and computer skills, are organized and efficient, and enjoy a fast-paced environment. Hours are flexible.

Call Joan Nelson at 999-3912 for further information, or email your resume to her at joann@allen-neighborhoodcenter.org

**VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America):** We have two openings for VISTA workers. These positions will begin in mid- November, though selection will take place by mid-September.

Projects in which our new VISTAs will be working include: community organizing/outreach/engagement, volunteer recruitment/ management, and working with the Allen Street Farmers Market and/or GardenHouse on food security.

The positions are full-time, and pay about \$750/month, plus benefits (Note: VISTA is known as the domestic Peace Corps - providing rich experiences, not riches). VISTA workers also receive a

## Wednesday Morning Senior Coffee

**Every Wednesday, 10:00-Noon  
Everyone is welcome!**

Upcoming presenters:

Sept. 3 - Leaven Center  
Sept. 10 - Michigan Environmental Council  
Sept. 17 - Joan Nelson of ANC  
Sept. 24 - Leslie Retzlaff, formerly of ANC  
Oct. 1 - Micki Marx, Cross-cultural  
Oct. 15 - Kathy Esselman, League of Women Voters 10/8 and  
Oct. 29 - Leslie Retzlaff 10/22: TBA

choice of a \$1200 cash stipend or a \$4700 educational award at the end of their year of service.

Candidates interested in healthy community-building, community organizing, or neighborhood-based education will find much to excite them here. Folks with solid people skills, energy and enthusiasm, good written and verbal communication skills, and computer skills are especially welcome. Familiarity with the Eastside is helpful. Extensive training and mentorship are guaranteed. A one-year commitment is requested.

Call Joan Nelson at (517) 999-3912 for further information; or email her at joann@allenneighborhood-

## Welcome, Lance and LaFarra

ANC will have two new MSW (Masters in Social Work) interns working with us this year. LaFarra Hemphill, a longtime advocate of social awareness and community outreach, will be working with our Breadbasket Program and the Wednesday Morning Senior Coffee. Lance Wimberly brings lots of experience working with youngsters and will be spending time with our Youth Service Corps and the Outreach Team.

## Thank You!

For **Saturday in the Park:**

- Mayor Virg Bernero & the City of Lansing Parks & Rec Department: especially Murdock Jemerson, Brett Kaschinske, Carol Munroe, and all P&R staff who helped out.
- Eastside Neighborhood Organization, Lansing City Council, Eric Hewitt, the Melcher Family
- Dick's Sporting Goods, Playmakers of Okemos, Larry Cushion Trophies & Engraving
- Mercy Ambulance, Ingham County Health Department, Meijer, League of MI Bicyclists, Tri-County Bicycle Association
- Sparrow Trauma Services
- The Great Lakes Pride Band, Biddle City Band, Charley Hourse Band, Miller-Nelson Jazz Quintet
- Benjamin Hall & Björn Schmelter, Michael Cords, Sherry Dimmer, Wendy Kopitsch
- The Habibi Dancers, Master Pil W. Chung, Becky Newcombe
- Michigan Greenway Trail Alliance
- All ANC staff and volunteers who made this event possible.

### Other thanks:

- **Dave and Val Stewart** for use of the parking lot for a 5th year, delicious corn and 12 backpacks!
- Our **business neighbors** who graciously cooperate with us on Wednesdays with the parking lot.
- State Rep. **Joan Bauer** for generously hosting our July fundraiser.
- **MI Dept. of Community Health/ Moving Our Community Toward Health Coalition** for the great benches in Hunter Park.
- **Sparrow Health System**, our first ever Day Sponsor at our Allen St. Farmers Market
- **Vince Delgado, Rick Kibbey, Franny Howes, Nancy Parsons,** and **Julann** for our Kalamazoo planning forum
- **Velma Kyser** of National City for dividers and lateral files!

# Eastside Updates

## Neighborhood News

**Resurrection:** Church of the Resurrection's Ox Roast Festival will be September 5-7 featuring delicious Ox Roast sandwiches, homemade soup and baked goods, games, pub, raffles, white elephant sale, silent auction, live entertainment, and more. For more info, call 517-482-4749.

**ABC:** ABC's Neighborhood Night Out event is set for Friday, Sept. 19th, 6-8:30pm in Pilgrim Church's parking lot. Each neighbor should bring a dish to share. ABC will provide the meat, beverages and table service. We will have raffles, games for the kids and candy bingo for all ages, and a surprise or two. Please join us for this fun filled evening. This event is for ABC neighbors ONLY! If you live in the square formed by Penn, Kalamazoo, Holmes and Michigan, you are a part of ABC.

ABC will meet on Monday, September 8th at 6:00 pm in Pilgrim Church. Please remember we have a lawn mower that may be borrowed by folks in the ABC neighborhood. If you have any questions/concerns please contact Denise Kelley at 517-484-9109 or abcneighborhood@sbcglobal.net.

**Capital Gains:** Capital Gains is an on-line business publication that covers growth, development and innovation in the Mid-Michigan area. Capital Gains focuses on the revitalization of area downtowns, workforce talent and technological innovations. The publication is forward thinking and focuses on what's next for the area in terms of economic development and sustainability.

Capital Gains publishes every Wednesday morning. You can subscribe via email at their web

site ([www.capitalgainsmedia.com](http://www.capitalgainsmedia.com)). They're always interested in new developments and growing companies. Please contact Managing Editor Ivy Hughes at [ivy.hughes@gmail.com](mailto:ivy.hughes@gmail.com) with your scoops.

**The Eastside Community Action Center (ECAC)**, located in the Potter Walsh neighborhood, continues to serve the neighborhood with free clothing and food on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Also, join us every Second Sunday at Faith Fellowship Baptist Church, at 1001 Dakin St, where ECAC hosts a Second Sunday Family Forum each month, including a free dinner and a brief informational program. Our children's program is on Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 PM for ages 5 to 12. On Tuesdays, ECAC will introduce a new free tutoring program for ages 13 to 18 from 4 PM to 6 PM. For more information please call 853-0414.

**Avenue of MI Business Community (AMBC)** is moving forward and has plans for a newsletter & a large variety of local business people as speakers for their regular monthly meetings. AMBC meets the first Wednesday of every month, except August. They move from business to business. For updates please call Dolores Burley, President at 517-485-8760.

One of AMBC's members, **GNS-TV**, is celebrating their 30 year anniversary. They have been a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization since October 20, 1978. They have been doing business at 1441 East Michigan Ave. since November 3, 1983. During that time they broadcast from the Michigan Ave. location, as well as producing television programs for local churches and community organization. GNS TV is incorporated as a religious organization as well as a community organization.

## Recycling Events

A **special recycling collection for computers and electronics** will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2008, 8 AM to 12 noon at the City of Lansing Recycling Transfer Station, 530 E. South St. (from S. Washington Ave: turn east on South St., just north of the RR tracks. The Transfer Station is at the corner of South and Beech Streets). Some items require fees:

Telephones, Cell phones, Laptops and small items such as coffee makers, vacuum cleaners and toaster:	No Charge
Stereo w/speakers:	\$4.00
Stereo w/o speakers:	\$2.00
VCR's, printers, scanners:	\$2.00
PC computer w/ keyboard & mouse:	\$5.00
Monitors <19":	\$5.00
Non-console TV's:	\$8.00
Console TV's:	\$15.00
Large screen Projection TV's:	\$20.00
Microwave Ovens:	\$8.00
Large copy machines:	\$40.00
Personal copy machines:	\$5.00

A **regional collection of unwanted medications** will be held Saturday, October 4, 2008, 9 AM to 1 PM, at Ingham County Health Department's Household Hazardous Waste Site, 5303 S. Cedar, Lansing. It is **free and open to the public**. Do you have unwanted medications around your home? Help protect your family, pets, community and the environment by properly disposing of them. Bring in expired or unused prescriptions or over-the-counter medications. Keep medications in original containers if possible. No business waste accepted.

## Planning for our Neighborhood

### East Kalamazoo St. (continued from p. 1)

The second conversation, focusing on E. Kalamazoo, was held on July 31. Neighbors gathered at Foster Community Center to make lists of “what bothers us” and “what makes us happy”, and talk about their future vision for Kalamazoo Street — its character as mixed commercial and residential, its role as a bicycle route between downtown and the MSU campus, its friendly neighborhoods and nighttime problems, and potential future as a companion boulevard to Michigan Ave.

The master planning process takes a 10-25 year perspective on possible changes. Participants shared several ideas: improving transportation through increased visibility for turning cars, better lighting for sidewalks, a bike connection to the River Trail, higher residential density where appropriate, concession stands at Hunter Park, and ideas for neighborhood businesses: a coffee shop, a bicycle shop, a small nursery or gardening supply store.

Many of the participants agreed that it was important for future commercial development to be sensitive to residential and pedestrian needs. They imagined two ways that the planning process could support this: developing a zoning category for “neighborhood services”, and promoting more gathering areas where people can meet safely and get to know their neighbors.

***The next meeting will take place on Thursday, Oct. 2nd, at 6:30 in room 213 of Foster Center, and will focus on Eastside Housing. All are welcome!***

### Forming a Plan for Michigan Avenue

The Michigan Avenue Corridor Improvement Authority is making significant progress. Michigan's 2005 Corridor Improvement Authority Act lets cities create these authorities to foster economic growth in business districts, to prevent and correct deterioration. The board of the authority can analyze area economics, propose construction and renovations, develop long-range plans, and implement them. Together, the cities of Lansing and East Lansing and the charter township of Lansing are working to unify and beautify Michigan Avenue all the way from Pere Marquette in Lansing to Grand River Ave. in East Lansing.

An Exploratory Committee, representing the three municipalities, held a series of public meetings in August, to get a general feel for how people regard the corridor, what works and what doesn't, and what they'd like to see change. They will soon be distributing a short survey to gather additional input.

Now that these meetings have been held, the group is working intensively on the First Stage Development Plan for the Corridor, which will be unveiled to the public in late September. They hope to create the official Authority and pass the Development Plan by the governing bodies of all three municipalities.

Once the three municipalities have passed the plan, work will begin on the Second Stage Development Plan, which will deal with the more highly focused activity and financing plans for improving the corridor.

For further information, contact Brian Anderson of Lansing Economic Development Corporation by phone at 517.483.4594 or email him at [banderso@ci.lansing.mi.us](mailto:banderso@ci.lansing.mi.us).

### Saginaw/Oakland Corridor Public Workshop #3

On Thursday, September 4, from 6-8 p.m., the Lansing Planning and Neighborhood Development Department will hold the third in a series of community outreach workshops about a corridor analysis study for the Saginaw/Oakland corridor. This workshop will be held in the new Pattengill Middle School Cafetorium at 626 Marshall Street (corner of Saginaw and Marshall).

This workshop will focus on recommending a preferred alternative for the road configurations, land use, and aesthetics, based on road capacity data and the comments received at the May 22 and June 26 workshops.

### Thanks for your funding support!

Comerica Bank, Moriarty's Pub, MSUFCU, National City Bank, Rep. Joan Bauer, Kristin Olson, Judge Louise Alderson, Valerie Hart, Nan Jackson, Judge Amy Krause, Jim Noble, James Pyle, George Rowan, PhD, Brian McGrain, Ron & Suzanne Miel-Uken, Dave & Carrie Muelle, Neogen Corp., Ira and Deborah Ginsburg, MSHDA, Ted & Sue Irwin, Susan Smalley, Beth Spyke, David Votta, Ellen Weaver, Scott Gillespie, Jane Powers, Ray & Mary Waldmiller, Kellie Dean, Dr. Joan Jackson-Johnson, Lynne Martinez, Judge Janelle Lawless, Chris Kolbe, Tina Weatherwax-Grant, Mary Clark, Debbie Nolan, Tim Kaltenbach, Melany Mack, David Hollister, Sen. Gretchen Whitmer, Patricia Farrell, Margaret Garry, Jennie Grau.

## Learning Opportunities

### Class Series: Become a Love and Logic Parent



This class series, presented by Rachel Prosen in partnership with the Lansing Family Growth Center,

will help you determine what type of parenting style you use, what will and will not work with your kids, and great comebacks every parent should know. With Love and Logic, you will learn how to:

- help your children's self esteem
- have fun parenting
- be a "cool" parent
- put an end to backtalk and hassles over chores
- lower your frustration and increase your parenting enjoyment!

**When:** Thursdays, Sept. 18th to Oct. 30th from 9:00 - 11:00 AM

**Where:** Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 549 E. Mount Hope in Lansing (one block east of Cedar)

Advance registration is required; limited childcare available. Call 484-8444 ext. 4 for details. Cost is \$40.00/person or \$60.00/couple.

### Michigan Historical Museum Fall Events

#### Michigan Harvest Celebration

Enjoy traditional fall fun! **Oct. 4**, at the Michigan Historical Museum, 702 W. Kalamazoo St. Admission is free. 10 AM - 3 PM.

#### Michigan Archaeology Day

Meet and talk with archaeologists, attend a lecture or try your hand at using an ancient spear-thrower. Presented in cooperation with the Office of the State Archaeologist, **October 11**, at the Michigan Historical Museum. 11 AM - 3 PM.

### Urban Gardener Certification Program

Allen Neighborhood Center and the Hunter Park Community GardenHouse are very pleased to announce the first offering of the Urban Gardener Certification Program. It is a 10 week/20 hour course featuring instruction in basic yard and greenhouse gardening appropriate for high density, small lot neighborhoods such as the Eastside and neighborhood plots in the GardenHouse.

**Dates:** Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM, from September 16th through November 18th.

**Location:** Hunter Park Community GardenHouse (in Lansing's Hunter Park just off the Clifford Street parking lot about a block south of Kalamazoo.)

**Instructors:** Primary instructor is Gary Heilig, MSU Extension Master Gardener Coordinator. Other instructors will include GardenHouse staff K'Anna Burton, Kelsey Hakeem, and Linda Anderson, as well as guest instructors.

Applicants to the Urban Gardener Certification Program agree to:

- Commit to attending at least 8 of the 10 classes (certification is contingent on attending at least 8 classes)
- Commit to 40 hours of volunteer staffing of the Hunter Park Community GardenHouse within 9 months of beginning this course.
- Commit to assisting, as time and energy allow, other gardeners on one's facing block.
- Pay materials costs of \$10, due at first class meeting.

Enrollment space is limited with preference given to Eastside residents. We hope to repeat the course again beginning in February, 2009. To apply for a slot in the fall class, please contact K'Anna Burton at 999-3910 or stop by ANC for an application, and send it in by August 31, 2008.

See below for the curriculum, and check out these resources online:

<http://www.yougrowgirl.com/>  
<http://www.garden.org/home>  
<http://davesgarden.com/>  
<http://www.almanac.com/garden/>

1	9/16	Orientation: Plant Science & Propagation; Gardening Outdoors and in Greenhouses
2	9/23	Soil Science/Fertilization for Urban Gardens
3	9/30	Growing Vegetables, Planning your Home Vegetable Garden
4	10/7	Starting Seeds; Introduction to GardenHouse Service Hours; General Gardening Lab
5	10/14	Growing Fruits
6	10/21	Water Quality and Watering Techniques for City Gardens and Greenhouse Gardens
7	10/28	Organic Pest Management
8	11/4	Building Raised Beds for Home Gardens and Greenhouses
9	11/11	Composting in City Yards
10	11/18	Flowers & Landscaping with Native Plants; Rain Gardens

## Market, Here We Come!



### Allen Street Farmers Market

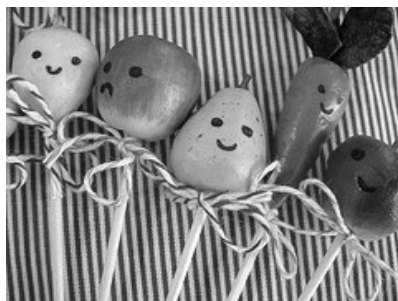
A huge **THANKS** to all of you who are making this Eastside market a regular part of your weekly routine. We are seeing close to 200 more visitors each week as compared to last year! It's hard to believe that both the Strawberry and Tomato Festivals have topped over 1,000 visitors, and we have two more festivals to look forward to this season.

11 growers and 7-8 additional vendors are supporting our market this season. Fruits, vegetables, flowers, herbs, potted plants, crafts, snacks and full meals, fresh breads, herbal products and so much more are available every week.

*Historical Note: Back in 2004 we were jumping up and down when 200 people stopped by to visit our 6 vendors, and all just about tipped over when we exceeded 400 patrons for our first Harvest Festival. Remember that great day?*

Another heart-felt shout goes out to our loyal **14-18 volunteers** who collectively contribute over 40 hours of their time each Wednesday to make this market happen. And never overlook the power of our unique **Yard Sign Corps!** If

you are interested in volunteering for the market in any capacity, please contact Jennifer @ 999.3921 or Hollie @ 999.3911. *See You at the Market!*



### Apple Smiles

This is an apple recipe **your kids are sure to love.** Cut a red apple into slices. (these are the lips) Have child spread peanut butter or cream cheese on apple slice. Place mini marshmallows (these are the teeth) on top of peanut butter near the apple peel and top with other apple slice.

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### What's that sound? It's the Market Walk!

There's a new movement catching on fast within our Eastside neighborhoods. You can join in the fun — simply record your mileage as you walk, then redeem for Allen Street Farmers Market tokens to be used through October 2008. Recording cards and more information can be picked up at ANC and at the Market. Other communities are trying to create "walkable" neighborhoods. We're already there! Walk On!

### Apple Whipped Sweet Potatoes

3 cups sliced peeled apples, such as Empire, Gala, Jonagold or Rome

3 cups cubed, peeled sweet potatoes, about 1 and 1/4 pounds  
1 and 1/2 cups apple juice or cider

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

1/4 teaspoon ginger

1 Tablespoon margarine / butter

1/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar

1/3 cup chopped pecans, optional

Place apples, sweet potatoes and apple juice in a 3-quart saucepan. Cover and cook over medium heat for about 20 minutes, or until tender. Drain.

Preheat the oven to 350-degrees. Lightly grease a shallow 1-1/2-quart casserole.

Add salt, spices, margarine and sugar to apple mixture. Mash with mixer or by hand until potatoes are smooth. Spread the hot mixture evenly in the prepared baking dish. Sprinkle with pecans.

Bake about 15 minutes, or until thoroughly heated. Serve hot.

### Upcoming Market Events

- September 17th: Diabetes Health Fair
- October 1st: Apple Festival
- October 29th: Harvest Festival and last day of season



# Get Gardening, Get Active

**Urban Gardener Certification Program:** See page 5 for details of this 10 week course, starting September 16th. It will be taught by Gary Heilig of MSU Extension. The cost is only \$10 and we have limited enrollment space. Call us!

## ANC Bread Basket

Tuesdays from 1-6 pm at ANC. Come every Tuesday for free bread.

## Free Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening

For women 40+ with low/moderate incomes or enrolled in IHP. Call 887-4364. Call ANC if you need transportation.

## Breast Cancer Support Group

IRMC Breslin Center, 4th Thursday of the month, 334-2163.

## Breast Self-Exam Clinic

Free Sparrow program. Call 364-2689 or 364-2688.

ANC has limited funds to cover the costs of routine screenings and exams. Please contact us for more information.

*Healthy News is published by the Allen Neighborhood Center and is made possible by support from the Ingham County Health Department and the Komen Foundation*



## Hunter Park GardenHouse News and Updates

### New Fall Open Hours:

September 2-November 1

- Monday: 9AM-1PM, 4-7PM
- Tuesday: 4-7PM (6:30PM after Sept. 16)
- Wednesday: 9AM-1PM, 4-7PM
- Thursday: 4-7PM
- Friday: 9AM-1PM, 3-5PM
- Saturday: 10AM – 2PM
- Sunday: 4-7PM

### What's growing in the GardenHouse?

It may feel like late summer, but we are already thinking about fall and winter crops. If you are a Neighborhood Group with a bed in the GH, it's time to think about Fall-Winter plantings. There will be newsletters at the GH with available and recommended crops and their timing. First, plan with your group what you want to plant, clear out the "old" and prep the bed for the "new." GH staff are ready and eager to help you with the seasonal transition. There are currently 9 Neighbor group beds: ABC, FAIR, HERO, HPW, PLACE, Prospect Protectors, Regent Oaks, SSUN, YOUR Neighbor!

### New Intern from MSU Student Organic Farm!

Many of you already know Kelsey Hakeem, who staffs the GardenHouse on Saturdays. We are so lucky that starting Aug. 25, she will be the new MSU Student Organic Farm Program intern, working about 20 hours a week to help us all keep our veggies healthy and happy.

Kelsey would be happy to talk with you about your GH beds and questions. Call K'Anna's number (999-3910) if you'd like to schedule a consultation with our new intern.

## FIRST GardenHouse Harvest Season Appreciation Dinner

We'd like to celebrate the end of the summer season and honor our Volunteer Staff—those wonderful folks who commit on a regular basis to staff the GardenHouse during Open Hours.

WHEN AND WHERE: October 1, 6:30, at the GardenHouse

WHO SHOULD COME: Any regular GH gardeners (both Neighborhood and Community beds), YSC members and their families, and, of course, those wonderful GH Staff Volunteers!

WHAT TO BRING: A dish to share (maybe made with GH veggies!) and your own tableware (plate, cup, silverware). ANC will provide beverages.

### Recipe of the Month:

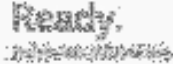

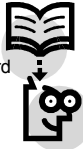


#### Sweet Green Tomato Pie

As summer wanes, use those last tomatoes that won't have time to ripen before the first frost:



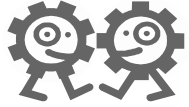
- 5 medium green tomatoes  
(3 ½ cups sliced in half-moons)
- ½ cup raisins, prunes, or dates
- 1 cup sugar
- ½ tsp. cinnamon
- ½ tsp. nutmeg
- ¼ tsp. ginger
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 T. apple vinegar
- 2 T. lemon juice
- 4 heaping T. pastry flour
- 2 T. soft butter

Combine sugar, spices, flour, butter. Mix cut tomatoes, vinegar & lemon juice, then add sugar mix to tomatoes. Fold in raisins, then pour into pie shell. Top with pie crust if desired. Bake 425 degrees for 15 minutes, then 325 degrees for 50 minutes or until crust is golden brown. Enjoy!

# Eastside Events for September 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
September is ... National Preparedness Month 	1 <b>Happy Labor Day!</b> <b>GardenHouse:</b> closed <b>Burchfield Park:</b> Free Canoe Rental Day, 8 AM to sunset	2 <b>Breadbasket:</b> 1-5:30 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7	3 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7 <b>Farmers Market:</b> 2:30 - 6:30 <b>AMBC:</b> 3:00	4 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7 <b>FAIR:</b> 6:30, ANC	5 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 3 - 5	6 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 10 - 2
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14 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4:00 - 7:00	15 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7	16 <b>Breadbasket:</b> 1-5:30 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7 <b>Regent Oaks:</b> 6:30, ANC	17 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7 <b>Farmers Market:</b> 2:30 - 6:30	18 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7 <b>Your Child's Future:</b> 5:30 - 8:30 PM, ANC	19 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 3 - 5	20 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 10 - 2
21 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4:00 - 7:00	22 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7  ANC Board Mtng. 4:30 pm	23 <b>Breadbasket:</b> 1-5:30 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4-6:30 <b>HERO:</b> 6:30, ANC	24 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7 <b>Farmers Market:</b> 2:30 - 6:30	25 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7	26 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 3 - 5	27 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 10 - 2
28 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4:00 - 7:00	29 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7	30 <b>Breadbasket:</b> 1-5:30 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4-6:30	September is... International Self-Awareness Month 	September is... Library Card Sign-up Month 	September is... National Organic Harvest Month 	September is... Shameless Promotion Month 

# Eastside Events for October 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
October is... National Popcorn Poppin' Month 	October is... Photographer Appreciation Month 	October ... Emotional Intelligence Month 	1 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9-1, 4-7 <b>Farmers Market:</b> 2:30 - 6:30 <b>AMBC:</b> 3:00	2 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7 <b>FAIR:</b> 6:30, ANC <b>HOUSING FORUM:</b> 6:30, Foster	3 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 3 - 5	4 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 10 - 2 <b>Potter Park Zoo:</b> Free Admission Day, 9 AM - 6 PM
5 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4:00 - 7:00	6 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7	7 <b>Breadbasket:</b> 1-5:30 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4-6:30	8 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7 <b>Farmers Market:</b> 2:30 - 6:30	9 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7 <b>Holmes St. School Comm:</b> 6:30, ANC	10 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 3 - 5	11 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 10 - 2 <b>Kinship Care:</b> 1:30 - 3:30, ANC
12 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4:00 - 7:00	13 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7	14 <b>Breadbasket:</b> 1-5:30 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4-6:30 <b>PLACE:</b> 6:30, ANC	15 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7 <b>Farmers Market:</b> 2:30 - 6:30	16 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7 <b>Prospect Protectors:</b> 6:30, ANC	17 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 3 - 5	18 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 10 - 2
19 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4:00 - 7:00	20 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7 <b>We Care:</b> 6:00, 423 Beech	21 <b>Breadbasket:</b> 1-5:30 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4-6:30 <b>Regent Oaks:</b> 6:30	22 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 4 - 7 <b>Farmers Market:</b> 2:30 - 6:30	23 <b>YSC:</b> 3:30 - 5:30 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 4 - 7	24 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 9 - 1, 3 - 5	25 <b>GardenHouse:</b> 10 - 2
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