

“Facilitating business retention, expansion, and new business growth on Kalamazoo’s Northside”



La Crone Park Spring Clean-up diehard volunteers in improvised rain gear.

A Report on the Progress of NBA Spring Projects

Northside Business Association, in collaboration with Douglas Community Association’s Midnight Basketball Program, has been assisting **Ministry with Community** in sprucing up their building. During the week of June 8th, prep work began on the building so that on June 12th and 13th, volunteers from both organizations could start painting the exterior of the building. Some work remains to be done due to rain delays, but the difference in the building’s appearance is very striking.

New colors have been chosen and some of the detail on the building will be accentuated with contrast color.

Plans for this project have been in progress for over a year. Kendra Stetser Rowe, Director of Ministry with Community commented “this is such

a wonderful thing for the NBA to do. We are grateful and are excited about the enhancement to the building’s appearance.”

With the help of Lowe’s and Valspar Paint Company, paint and some additional materials are being donated to help defray the cost of the efforts. NBA provided snacks and meals on site for volunteers.

In addition to this project, NBA members completed the annual LaCrone Park Clean-up on May 16th. LaCrone is in desperate need of a make-over and some members of the NBA board have been working with residents, the Kalamazoo Deacons Conference, and Kalamazoo Parks and Recreation to secure funding to help with this project. Money

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NBA Annual Meeting

Guest Speaker:

**Bobby Hopewell,
Major of Kalamazoo**

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

12:00 noon

Fire Station

Park and North

Lunch provided by:
Comensoli’s Pasta Pasta

Lunch Cost \$7

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NBA Spring Projects



The Ministry with Community building required some extensive repair in preparation for the painting volunteers.

has already been garnered from the Kalamazoo Community Foundation and the Gilmore in addition to money already set aside by the City of Kalamazoo. More funding is needed and we will update the membership on the progress as this project moves forward.

At the NBA Annual Meeting, held at noon on June 24th, guest speaker Mayor Bobby Hopewell will be addressing the members of NBA and Board Officers will be elected. At this time, we are pleased to show our appreciation to the officers, board members and volunteers that have contributed time and talent to the Northside Business Association this year.



NBA Pride Award Family Health Center



*The **Northside Pride Award** is given periodically to a business that has made improvements to their building or grounds to enhance the overall look of the north side. This month, we are honoring **Family Health Center** who began their \$3.2 million renovation project two years ago that involved remodeling the entryway of the building – making it more user-friendly – and also to overall better accommodate the Center's patients.*

**THERE'S STILL
AN
OPPORTUNITY
TO HELP!**



Your assistance would be greatly appreciated as the Ministry with Community building improvement project nears completion.

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