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Dear Kathy,

Goodness, there's a lot going on, as well as a great deal to celebrate! But such is the nature of October.

Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City wants you to come by to see The "New Saint Luke's" before it starts moving patients into the expansion next month. WaterFire Kansas City will light up Brush Creek for the fifth year on October 22. Progress is occurring in our neighborhoods where infrastructure improvements are being made and childhood obesity is being fought with a vengeance. We still have time to read and discuss *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* with a few hundred of our closest friends. Meanwhile, the Discovery Center wants more of us to find nature in the neighborhood.

All of this contributes to a stronger, healthier, more vibrant heart of Kansas City. Enjoy and appreciate the good things happening in the Brush Creek Corridor.

And have a Happy Fall!

Carol Grimaldi
Executive Director

THE "NEW SAINT LUKE'S" OPENS IN OCTOBER

The "New Saint Luke's" - a vibrant health campus for Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City featuring a state-of-the-art heart center - opens next month, and the public is invited to an open house and tours on Sunday, October 9 from 1-5 p.m.



Within the new space at 44th and Wornall, patients and guests will experience the latest in medical technology and architectural design fused with the comfort of modern amenities. The \$330 million expansion is enhanced by 43,500 square feet of green space featuring a rooftop garden, healing garden, and courtyard garden.

The hospital will begin transitioning patients to the new facility October 13. For more information about The New Saint Luke's and public grand opening events, visit www.thenewsaintlukes.org.

2011 WATERFIRE KANSAS CITY

Presenting Opera to Jazz to Fire Dancing
October 22 Along Brush Creek



WaterFire Kansas City returns to the banks of Brush Creek for the fifth year as the sun sets on Saturday, October 22. Continuous performances of jazz, swing and tango dancing, opera and show tunes, folk vocals and guitar and fire dancing, joined by the talents of a multi-faceted creative ensemble that fuses together any and every art form, are presented just south of the Plaza for the next four hours.

WaterFire, the creation of award-winning artist Barnaby Evans, was invented in Providence, Rhode Island. He has worked closely with the organizers of the Kansas City event since before its introduction to the area in 2007, stating the Brush Creek is the most promising venue for the event's replication he has seen.

Brush Creek Community Partners is the producer of 2011 WaterFire Kansas City. The free event is made possible by many contributors, including Presenting Sponsors: the Kansas City Neighborhood Tourist Development Fund, the Missouri Arts Council, Highwoods Properties, Burns and McDonnell, the City of Kansas City and the Parks and Recreation Department, Husch Blackwell, and UMB Financial Corporation. Individuals may make on-line contributions to WaterFire Kansas City by clicking [here](#).

The rain date for WaterFire is Saturday, October 29. More information about the event can be found at www.waterfirekc.com.

TIGER GRANTS GO TO WORK IN CORRIDOR/GREEN IMPACT ZONE

The Green Impact Zone's \$26.2 million portion of a \$50 million regional U.S. Department of Transportation TIGER grant is resulting in transportation and infrastructure improvements throughout the zone's 150 square blocks in neighborhoods along Brush Creek east of Troost Avenue. In addition to traffic signal amenities and improvements at bus transit stations, several arterial and neighborhood sidewalks and curbs are being replaced and arterial streets are being resurfaced. It will also support construction of a pedestrian walkway under the new Troost Avenue Bridge, providing connectivity of the Brush Creek walking trail without having to get up to street grade to cross Troost.



TIGER - Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery - is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The Green Impact Zone has been identified as a national model for targeting resources to reverse decades of economic decline and abandonment in creating jobs, improving energy and building neighborhood capacity.

GROWN IN IVANHOE



The Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council is addressing the food desert - the lack of affordable food in the neighborhood - through "Grown In Ivanhoe." Supported by a \$75,000 grant from the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City, Grown In Ivanhoe is engaging residents, particularly its children, in healthy eating through sustainable environmental change. It involves community gardening and urban farming to make fresh, healthy food available for their families and neighbors, and through Ivanhoe's Farmers' Market.

Market.

The Grown in Ivanhoe brand is becoming recognized, including in Washington, D.C. The program is part of the neighborhood's Healthy Kids Initiative to confront childhood obesity. For more information, visit its Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/growninivanhoe.

LIBRARY'S TOM SAWYER "BIG READ" KICKS OFF WITH FENCE-PAINTING EVENT

The Kansas City Public Library launched its month and half-long "Big Read" - encouraging the community to read and discuss Mark Twain's *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* - with a community fence painting in early September. More than 50 children and their parents painted a picket fence at the 51st and Main Streets Community Garden in tribute to the book's famous whitewashing scene. Big



Read events continue through mid-October, including *The Kansas City Star's* FYI Book Group discussion of *Tom Sawyer* on Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Plaza Branch Library, 4801 Main St. More information and events can be found at <http://www.kclibrary.org/bigread/all-events-2011>.

DISCOVER NATURE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD



Anita B. Gorman Conservation Discovery Center at 4750 Troost Avenue is beefing up its outreach efforts. This fall and winter, the Discovery Center will be holding focus group discussions with neighborhoods to guide its 2012 programming decisions. Emblematic of its outreach are the eight new banners around the Discovery Center's parking lot, encouraging the community to Discover Nature in the neighborhood city through its free programming. As part of the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Discovery Center is funded through the sale of hunting and fishing permits and a 1/8 cent sales tax. Click on the image for information about upcoming events.

COMING UP IN THE CORRIDOR

Kemper Museum Exhibition Highlights New Acquisitions

What: *The Big Reveal*

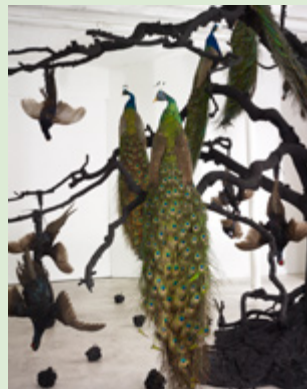
When: Through April 15, 2012

Where: Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, 4420 Warwick Blvd.

Hours: Tuesday - Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Friday & Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Sunday: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Admission: Free

Highlighting new acquisitions to the permanent collection of the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, the focal point is the major piece by Petah Coyne. The massive work features an apple tree and taxidermied pheasants, as well as a variety of taxidermied peacocks, among the artist's other nontraditional materials.



Petah Coyne, Untitled #1336 (Scalapino Nu Shu), 2009-10; Image © Petah Coyne, courtesy of Galerie Lelong, New York, photo: Elizabeth Bernstein

For more information, visit the [Kemper Museum website](#).

Linda Hall Library Celebrates
The History Of Modern Innovation

What: *This Time It's Personal: Innovation In The Home*
When: Through March 16, 2012
Where: Linda Hall Library Main Reading Room, 5109 Cherry
Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Admission: Free



Discover technology's influence in every aspect of your life from the mundane (carpet fibers) to the sophisticated (laser lights in television remote controls). Galleries will represent rooms in a contemporary family home, including a kitchen, living room, bedroom, bathroom and garage. The exhibit highlights more than 65 household inventions used daily, and illustrates how these items are the result of decades or more of technological innovations.

For more information visit the [Linda Hall Library website](#).

Rodin Sculptures On Display At Nelson-Atkins Museum

When: October 1 through June 3, 2012
Where: Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Bloch Lobby, 4525 Oak Street
Hours: Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.;
Thursday & Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.;
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: Noon to 5:00 p.m.
Admission: Free

This exhibit includes more than 40 works by one of the most celebrated sculptors of the 19th century - Auguste Rodin (1840-1917). Rodin's sculptures are highly expressive of the human body and they capture the human spirit in a way unrivaled by other artists.

For more information, visit the [Nelson-Atkins website](#).



Auguste Rodin (French, 1840-1917) The Thinker, modeled 1880, cast number unknown, ca. 1931. Bronze, 14 3/4 x 7 7/8 x 11 3/8 in. Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Collection

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Marilyn Maye

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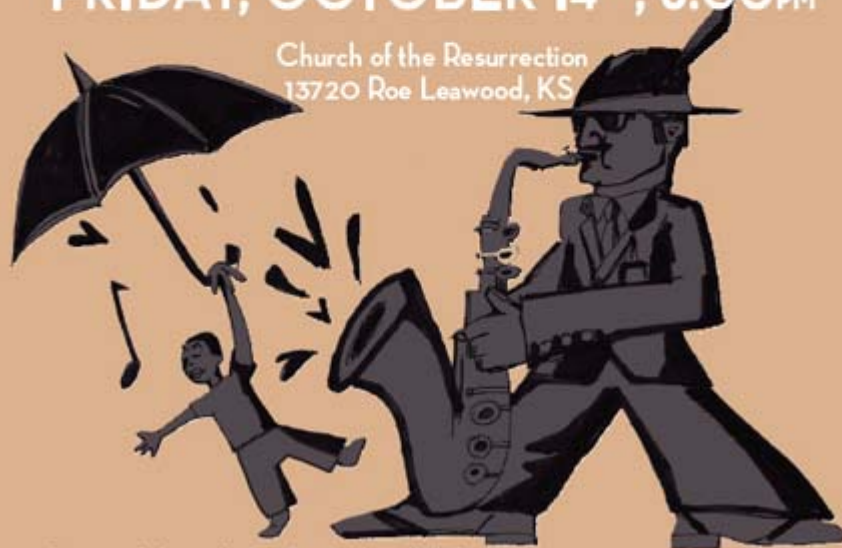
Pamela Baskin-Watson

New York singer/songwriter

Palatine Gospel Singers
The Elder Statesmen of Kansas City Jazz
Children & Staff from the Upper Room's Music Program

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 8:00PM

Church of the Resurrection
13720 Roe Leawood, KS



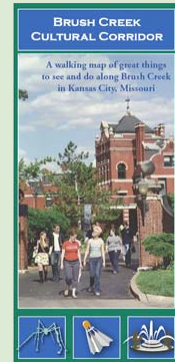
For more information or to purchase tickets go to www.upperroomprogram.org
or call 913-339-8332

For a complete listing of events and
activities in the Corridor, visit

www.kcartswalk.com

BRUSH CREEK CULTURAL CORRIDOR WALKING MAPS AVAILABLE

Brush Creek Cultural Corridor maps identify and connect our community's cultural assets along Kansas City's Brush Creek Corridor. Copies of this map are available by contacting Brush Creek Community Partners at 816-523-2991 or email kathy@bccp.org.



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