

Four work to enrich lives of Hispanic children

Four MSD employees have been selected to help local Hispanic children and their parents connect with educational, cultural and business resources as part of the Adelante Hispanic Achievers program.

Adelante Hispanic Achievers, Inc. is a non-profit organization chartered to provide mentoring and enrichment programming for Hispanic middle school students and their families. MSD's Denise Burrell, Tony Glore, Juan Linares and Eldra McWhorter will assist the program as mentors, volunteers and presenters.



From left, MSD's Tony Glore, Eldra McWhorter, Denise Burrell and Juan Linares help local middle-school children and their families through the Adelante Hispanic Achievers program.

The program was modeled after the Chestnut Street YMCA's Black Achievers program for school-age African-American children, according to Jefferson County School Board Member and program founder Steve Imhoff.

"We identified a need to acclimate the increasing population of Hispanics in our community to the resources around them," Imhoff said. "MSD's volunteers will join others in the program to help these children reach their maximum potential," Imhoff said.

Fleet Services Specialist Denise Burrell already serves on MSD's organizing team of the Jefferson County Public Schools School Wishes program. With the Achiever program, she will coordinate registration for mentoring meetings and chaperone group trips.

Also dedicating his time is Tony Glore, who hopes his experience as MSD's Training Administrator can point students toward promising futures. "Through career workshops for middle-school students, I hope to guide their aspirations and help them connect school experiences to career possibilities."

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2005 report recognizes employees' dedication

Organizational and financial highlights of 2005 are detailed in MSD's 2005 annual report, released in early February.

"2005 was one of the busiest and most productive years in our 59-year history," said Executive Director Bud Schardein. "We achieved many milestones, thanks to the hard work and commitment of our employees, so this year's report is dedicated to each and every one of them."

For the third consecutive year, the report was planned and written by a team of MSD employees chaired by Customer Relations Manager Pat Kirk. The team included Becky Bennett, Linda Bronner, Julie Buckler, Angi Johnston, Kevin Kaufman, Loren Levitz, Loyiso Melisizwe, Dana Price and Diane Secor. Customer Specialist Paul Meyer captured the report's photographs.

To request a copy of the report, e-mail publications@msdlouky.org or phone 540-6552. The report is available online at www.msdlouky.org



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Upcoming Events

March 2
Shefford Lane Drainage Improvements meeting, 6 p.m., 7208 Shefford Ln.

March 4-22
Living Land & Waters Ohio River Cleanup
Call 309-236-6661 or visit www.livinglandsandwaters.org for details.

March 7
Northumberland Drive/Alamance Drive Drainage Improvements meeting, 6 p.m., Northumberland Dr.

March 13
MSD Board Meeting, 10 a.m., 700 W. Liberty, first floor

March 27
MSD Board Meeting, 10 a.m., 700 W. Liberty, first floor

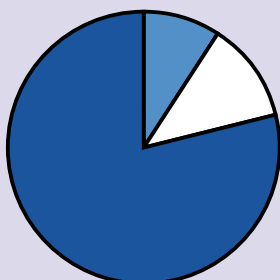
April 6
MSD Retirees Club, 11 a.m., Masterson's Atrium B, 1830 S. 3rd St.

Project DRI Progress

Project DRI, a partnership between Louisville Metro and MSD that began in 2003, has improved drainage with 381 projects completed throughout the Metro area during Phase 1. Since Phase 2 began in 2005, 21 percent of 336 planned projects are underway or completed.

Phase 2

- Awaiting Start/Future - 79%
- Under Construction - 12%
- Complete - 9%



Area Team News

Development: The developer of a subdivision near the Jefferson-Bullitt county line will build larger sewer facilities than required and recapture its investment from other developments that use the facilities. Sewer infrastructure will be sized to serve nearly 1,100 homes, although the Oakland Hills Development's planned subdivision will have fewer than 800 homes.

MFWTP: A \$149,865 rehabilitation project is planned to keep the 34-year-old **Chenoweth Hills Wastewater Treatment Plant** in service for another 10 years. New sludge holding and chlorine contact tanks will be constructed, and aeration basin support walls will be repaired. The plant is located south of Jeffersontown.

Operations: Improvements to the **Chenoweth Run Wastewater Treatment Plant** will reduce plant odors. New covers will be installed on existing treatment tanks, the solids holding tank and influent channels, and an in-ground biofilter will be constructed. The improvements will cost \$185,000.



Drainage Response Initiative Projects

The Project DRI partnership between Louisville Metro and MSD is solving drainage problems throughout the community. These projects are ready for construction:

A \$72,571 project will involve the installation of paved roadside swales and replacement of driveway culverts and aprons along sections of **Alamo Court and Santa Fe Trail** as well as construction of a paved ditch along the rear yards of Hackel Drive to address four drainage service requests and benefit an additional 38 properties.

The Treasure Island Subdivision will soon have roadside drainage improvements including new driveway aprons and culverts and paved swales along **Carbine and Normie Lanes**. The \$154,540 project is in response to 12 customer service requests and will impact 62 additional properties.

A paved ditch will be constructed along the rear yards of properties on **Crockett Drive** from Hackel Drive to Maravian Drive to resolve problems with a poorly defined and overgrown drainage system. This \$58,500 project is in response to five customer service requests and it will benefit 44 other properties.

Fifteen customer service requests will be addressed and 56 properties will benefit from a \$63,700 project to install paved swales and remove fencing along the rear yards of **Field Ridge Court, Field View Court and Glendale Road**.

Drainage pipe and yard drains will be installed along **Greendale Drive** to eliminate standing water in driveways and along roadsides. The \$117,460 project will address 16 customer service requests and benefit an additional 33 properties.

A \$117,000 project along **Regent Way** from Poplar Level Road to Robinwood Road will address 13 customer service requests and benefit 53 additional properties. The project will resolve drainage problems due to a poorly defined drainage system by installing paved roadside swales and replacing driveway culverts and aprons.

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Louisville Green marks first year of business

Louisville Green closed the books on 2005 with nearly half of the organic fertilizer product beneficially reused. As 2006 unfolds, Louisville Green's outlook is promising as 87 percent of the product – more than 3,100 tons – has been distributed.

“This is a tremendous achievement for Louisville Green's first year,” said Executive Director Bud Schardein. “Our staff at the Morris Forman Wastewater Treatment Plant is to be congratulated for this outstanding achievement.”

“Louisville Green's first year included a learning curve both in developing the product and meeting customer needs,” noted Biosolids Administrator Robert Bates. To produce a marketable product, pellet characteristics are tracked every hour, with pellet density, capture rate and other criteria closely monitored. “As a result, our staff continues to refine the process,” Schardein said.

Louisville Green's market presence also has grown during its first year, especially among agricultural users. At a Meade County Extension Service meeting recently, representatives from the University of Kentucky Agriculture Department called Louisville Green the best buy for nitrogen fertilizer.

Schardein said one of Louisville Green's greatest benefits is what it doesn't do – go to a landfill. “During the first seven weeks of 2006, Louisville Green avoided nearly \$65,000 in disposal fees,” he noted. “That benefits our customers and our business.”



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Applications Support Administrator Juan Linares has community service and career experiences that will help him guide students. The father of three once taught college mathematics in Peru and Louisville, and volunteers as an on-call English/Spanish translator for the American Red Cross. Linares is also a leader for Boy and Girl Scouts of America.

For 15 years, Eldra McWhorter has been a customer relations specialist at MSD and a busy volunteer off the job. McWhorter teaches Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, and was recently elected vice president of her homeowners association. As part of her commitment to the Hispanic Achievers program, McWhorter assisted with a program on etiquette in late February.

“Mentors and volunteers are often the first contact for recent immigrants to learn about the school and business opportunities available in Louisville,” said Program Director Mara Maldonado. Burrell, Glore, Linares and McWhorter serve as an example and a resource to the children, but also help program administrators by organizing logistics and registration. “Their dedication truly makes a difference,” she said.

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Construction of driveway aprons, installing paved roadside swales and yard drains and regrading existing swales will take place along **Running Fox Circle** to eliminate standing water in driveways and ditches. Nine customer service requests and 62 additional properties will benefit from the \$130,500 project.

Construction of paved roadside swales and the replacement of driveway culverts and aprons in sections of **Shady Villa Drive** from Jeanine Drive to Norine Lane will address eight customer service requests. The improvements resolve problems with a poorly defined drainage system for 50 area properties at a cost of \$93,075.

MSD Milestones

We're proud to announce: MSD received the 2006 Silver Sponsor Award from the Chestnut Street YMCA Black Achievers program.

Wet Weather/IWD Team Leader Angela Akridge was named Young Engineer of the Year by the Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers and also by the Louisville Chapter.

Welcome to MSD:
Rhonda Boyle,

Storeroom/Inventory Supervisor
Helen Givens, Customer Relations Representative
LaTasha McAlmont,
Operator-in-Training
Cheng-Hua Pu, Maintenance Electrician
Anthony Wetzel, Field Instrument & Control Tech

Changing the Pace:
John Shelden, Master Maintenance Mechanic from East Region to Central Region

Certifiable Success

DiverseWorks for these recently certified businesses:

Ragland Cleaning Service Now (M/WBE)
Commercial office cleaning, janitorial services, water damage cleanup
Contact: Martha Ragland, 812/256-5907

Robbco Group, LLC (WBE)
Small construction equipment rental, equipment service and sales
Contact: Elizabeth Robb, 502/245-4138

Rite Now Dumpster (MBE)
Dumpster leasing, debris removal
Contact: Keith Hawkins, 502/418-0542

Customer First at Work

“I want to thank Cathy Cornish for bringing my drainage problem project to fruition. Goodbye, lake! Thanks, MSD!”
--William Nichols, Beechwood Village

“The retention basin was a problem for three years, until I met Rick Watkins at a Community Conversation meeting. Thank you, Rick!”
--Joan Cash, Middletown



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Fairdale resident joins MSD Board



Metro Mayor Jerry Abramson has appointed Doyle M. Stacy to the MSD Board. Stacy recently retired as the United Auto Workers' Employee Resource Coordinator for the Ford Motor Co. in Louisville, a nationally appointed position.

Stacy is a past president of the Fairdale Booster Club and has served as a para-professional strength conditioning coach for the football and wrestling teams at Fairdale High School.

During his career at Ford, Stacy served as a trustee on the UAW's Region 3 Community Action Program (CAP), which develops and advances policies that enrich the quality of life

for all people. He also was a delegate to the Labor/Management Conference and labor liaison for the UAW/Ford Family Service & Learning Center.

Stacy's term expires August 31, 2008.

Paying fees more convenient with credit card

MSD now accepts MasterCard and Visa for connection charges and permit, facility use and assessment fees.

"The new payment feature began in February in response to customer requests," said Finance Director Marion Gee. "This service allows us to accept payment promptly and in a manner that is convenient for our customers."

Customers may pay by credit card by calling the 24-hour Customer Relations Center at 587-0603 or by visiting MSD's main office downtown. Permit fees can also be paid by credit card at Louisville Metro's Department of Inspections, Permits & Licenses at 444 S. 5th Street.

Gee noted that the Louisville Water Company continues to collect customer payments for MSD's wastewater and stormwater drainage charges. Those charges may be paid by credit card through the Louisville Water Company.