

# NeighborNotes

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## **NEIGHBOR NOTES MOVES TO BI-MONTHLY SCHEDULE**

For several years, Doe Run has published *Neighbor Notes* as a way to keep Herculaneum residents informed of the company's achievements, challenges and progress on various programs such as interior cleanings, lawn replacements and the Voluntary Property Purchase Plan. As these programs wind down, *Neighbor Notes* will transition from a monthly to a bi-monthly newsletter. Doe Run will continue to communicate on similar topics in the company's annual report, newspaper ads, news releases and Web site postings.

"We've made such great progress on so many of our initiatives that the need for updates has become minimal," said Clif Gray, vice president of primary smelting and general manager at the Herculaneum smelter. "In order to better serve our neighbors with relevant news stories, we will publish *Neighbor Notes* every other month, allowing enough time to elapse so that we can deliver new updates and fresh, interesting articles that residents will appreciate."

Should there be a need to report news more frequently, Doe Run will easily be able to return to a monthly schedule. Those with a story they would like to share can contact Angie Nations, community relations

manager, at (573) 518-1508. Look for the next edition of *Neighbor Notes* in early November.

## **10-YEAR PLANNING FOR HERCULANEUM UNDERWAY**

On Tuesday, Aug. 23, the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) of Jefferson County and the East-Central Region of the University of Missouri Extension Service hosted an open town hall meeting. Herculaneum residents were encouraged to come and share ideas for a Master Plan that will be drafted by the two organizations and used to improve the town's future. Unfortunately, the meeting failed to attract the interest of Herculaneum residents, city officials, business leaders and other important groups.

"The low turnout just didn't provide enough viewpoints to set the initial planning stages into motion," said B.J. Eavy, community development specialist for the Extension Service. "It's not about numbers; it's about getting every group represented. We've been trying for several months to gather input from everyone; however, we still don't have the variety of people interested to share the challenges, issues and viewpoints that need to be represented in the Master Plan."

Due to the low turnout, the Extension Service and EDC will

hold a second community meeting on Thursday, Sept. 29, at the Herculaneum High School cafeteria at 7 p.m. All residents, business owners, civic groups and other interested parties are encouraged to attend.

Once the EDC and Extension Service have obtained enough input from community members, a steering committee, made up of Herculaneum residents, will research the issues and draft a report, used to develop the Master Plan in December. After the Herculaneum Board of Alderpersons approve the plan, it will be set in motion by summer of 2006.

Interested parties do not need to R.S.V.P., but are invited to call Eavy at (636) 797-5391 or the EDC at (636) 797-5336 with any questions.



Corporal  
David Reich

## **DOE RUN EMPLOYEE CALLED AWAY FOR TOUR OF DUTY**

David Reich, Doe Run laborer, worked for the company for six months before he had to call his boss and tell him that he wouldn't be coming back to work any time soon. In July, Reich was called to active duty

by the United States Army Reserve Center in Joplin, Mo.

Though Reich had only traveled to Joplin for a simple semi-yearly training session, Reich's incredible passion for the Army stood out among his peers. He was one of two from his training group called to combat.

Reich's mother isn't surprised. "David has always wanted to be a soldier," said Kim Reich. "Since he was just a small child, he's practiced for this role – playing cowboys, soldiers and cops and robbers with all the little boys in the neighborhood."

Soon to be promoted to Sergeant, Corporal Reich is still in Joplin, where he is preparing for his 18-month tour of duty in the Middle East. On Sept. 5, he'll fly to New Jersey's Fort Dix and remain there for eight weeks. Once he's fully trained, Reich expects to serve as a military policeman in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Meanwhile, Reich's position at Doe Run will be ready and waiting when he returns. "David is an extremely hard working and conscientious employee," said Tom Sims, general foreman at Doe Run's Herculaneum Smelter, where Reich works at the refinery docks handling lead. "We have nothing but the utmost faith that he'll do very well in his new position abroad. We support his service to our country and wish him well during his tour of duty."

## HERCULANEUM HOSTS INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

As students are still buzzing about what they did during summer vacation, a Doe Run Peru engineer may be sharing

tales of his summer trip abroad to visit Doe Run's Herculaneum Smelter and Buick Resource Recycling Division (BRRD). Doe Run recently welcomed Doe Run Peru Metallurgical Engineer Godofredo Oporto and his family to Missouri during a visit to the smelter on Aug. 2 and to BRRD on Aug. 3.

Doe Run Environmental Manager Aaron Miller hosted a facility tour and an informational presentation for the family during their visit to Herculaneum, demonstrating the recent upgrades to the facility and featuring the various steps in refining and producing lead.

"Doe Run is committed to sharing best practices and information across our business units, and we're pleased to communicate that information abroad by sharing with our Peruvian counterparts at the Doe Run Peru subsidiary," explained Miller. "While Peru's custom smelting is somewhat different than what we do here, we share many of the same basic processes. It was a fantastic learning experience for all of us."

## SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS

As students begin another school year, motorists, parents and students should make safety a top priority. The following tips, provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) will help make this year a safer one for the entire community.

- Practice safety rules for walking, bicycling or riding in a passenger car, school bus or transit bus with children.



- Supervise children walking or biking to school or as they wait at the school bus stop.
- Since curvy roads and dwindling daylight hours make visibility a challenge, slow down and obey all traffic laws and speed limits to keep children safe.
- Be on the lookout for school buses. Red flashing lights and an extended stop sign arm signify that a bus is in the process of loading or unloading children.
- Children may be walking on streets or sidewalks or playing near school bus stops, so be alert and ready to stop if necessary.
- When backing out of a driveway or leaving a garage, watch for children walking or biking to school.
- When driving in neighborhoods or school zones, watch for young people at all times.
- Be a good role model, especially when with children – always buckle up in vehicles, wear a helmet when biking and carefully follow pedestrian safety rules.

## LAWN REPLACEMENT AND INTERIOR CLEANINGS UPDATE

Year	Yards Replaced	Interior Cleanings Completed
2001	19	8
2002	144	67
2003	61	10
2004	120	15
2005	60	5