

# The Neighborhood Bridge

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Tyler Park Neighborhood Association

Spring 2012 Newsletter

## The Easter Bunny Arrives in Tyler Park

Saturday, April 7th at Noon



All residents are welcome to attend the annual Tyler Park Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt. The hunt will be held Saturday, April 7th at noon. One area of the park east of the bridge will be designated for each of the following age groups:



Toddlers (under 3 years)
Three to five year olds
Six to eight year olds
Nine to twelve year olds

Each child should bring a basket or bag for collecting the eggs and line up with the appropriate age group until the start of the hunt is announced.

Special prizes to the lucky finders of the "golden eggs" will be awarded. Be sure to stop at the TPNA table to register for the grand prize drawing.



Please join your neighbors and greet the Easter Bunny at this fun-filled Tyler Park event.

--Rebecca Watson

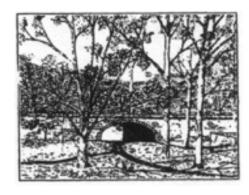


Photos by Rebecca Watson from the 2010 Tyler Park Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt. The 2011 Hunt was rained out. Let's hope for beautiful weather this year!

# Tyler Park Neighborhood Association's Garden Tour SATURDAY, JUNE 16th from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM



The Seventh Annual Tyler Park Neighborhood Association Garden Tour is still seeking sponsors and volunteers for this year's tour. This year's TPNA Garden Tour proceeds are dedicated to replacement of Neighborhood Banners that signify neighborhood boundaries and neighborhood identity. Business owners are encouraged to sponsor banners along the business corridor. If you would like to help in this endeavor, please contact Jeanette Westbrook 451-8207 to learn how you can help. •• Jeanette Westbrook



### View from the Bridge

Your neighborhood association has been busy at work planning for 2012. There are a host of exciting activities planned for the year: the annual Easter Egg Hunt, Garden Tour and Tyler Park Jazz Festival just to name a few. The Jazz Festival has been expanded to four weekends this year in September. We are anticipating some great talent again this year. More to come on that. The Tyler Park will have some major changes you will notice this spring. Thanks to grants from the Metro council office of Tom Owen, all new park benches and trash receptacles will be placed in the park. There may also be some other changes you will notice that will be announced later. We are still very active in the planning toward anticipated funding of the Master Plan for Tyler Park. The neighborhood association in conjunction with The Olmsted Conservancy and Metro Parks are meeting regularly in planning for future fund raising. We will be meeting with Mayor Fischer at the end of March to discuss the park and its issues as well as the Master Plan.

Another major goal of the association is to fully develop a new association website. We plan to fully transition to this new site by the end of this year with increased content available. We hope that this revitalized site will become a useful tool for communication within the neighborhood, not only used by the association to communicate to you but for you to communicate your issues and needs to us.

We also hope to better coordinate the use of the Block Watch program throughout the neighborhood; to coordinate communication and increase the general number of programs in the area. We feel that this will be an important step in general awareness of issues within the neighborhood and a vehicle for neighbors to keep in touch with each other. You will be hearing more about this in future months.

We always appreciate your comments or suggestions. Please don't hesitate to contact anyone on the board. You can contact me directly by email: <a href="mailto:brian.caudill@att.net">brian.caudill@att.net</a>. We have our monthly meetings of the association at the library at the Mid City Mall, the fourth Thursday of each month, 7:00pm. You are always welcome to attend. Mayor Fischer is scheduled to attend our May meeting on the 24th. We plan to have this meeting in Tyler Park itself that day. Please try to attend. We will be sending out details about his meeting in April or May.

Brian Caudill TPNA President



Hope you were able to join TPNA in the St. Patrick's Day Parade this year!

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TPNA meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month (except November and December) from 7 to 9 pm at the Highlands/Shelby Park branch of the Louisville Free Public Library inside the Mid City Mall. All neighborhood residents and business neighbors are welcome to attend.

In addition to the officers, Tyler Park Neighborhood Association Board Members are Judy Behanan, Roy Brundige, Joan Dubay, Drew Duncan, Brian Elstner, John French, Julie French, Mike Gramig, Lisa Hite, Denis Hommrich, Kristen Millwood, Corey Nett, Kathey Schickli, Doug Thrasher, Andy Westbrook, Jeanette Westbrook and Rob Williamson.



### Another Successful Wine Tasting

On Sunday, January 29, 2012 the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association hosted our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine Tasting profiting \$3,013 for the implementation of the

Tyler Park Master Plan. Over 200 participants enjoyed good wine, good food, good music, and neighborly conversation. We not only built community, but also boosted our Tyler Park Master Plan fund to over \$8000.00 which will be used for upcoming matching grants starting this Spring!

To make the our wine tasting such a great success, it took many hands. Thank you to Sandy Metts for allowing us to use the Mid City Mall. Thank you to Gordo and Claudia Jackson of The Wine Market and Old Town Liquors for their generous donation of expertise and all the wine. The cool climate, northwestern selections were astounding. Thank you to James and Greg Neumann, and John Bizzell at ValuMarket who provided, free of charge, every morsel of food and the beautiful flowers. The many varieties of cheese got rave reviews this year. Thanks to the competent ValuMarket staff: Melissa Carpenter, deli manager and Tracy Payton, floral manager. Thanks to Florence Saltzman for designing our wine cards. Thanks to Terry Redden at Semonin for printing. Thanks to Appalatin for playing at the Tasting for a reduced cost. Buy their new CD! Thanks to Highland Shelby Library for providing storage and City Café for miscellaneous need(s) the evening of the event. Thank you to local businesses for buying ads for the wine card: Highland Morning, Farleigh Animal Hospital, Highland Family Dentistry, Jazzercise, Arts& Crafts Dental, Hopkins Interior, InTENsity, Clay and Cotton, Kaleidoscope, and Café Beignet.



Please support our local businesses. Thank them personally for their contributions to the Tyler Park Neighborhood. Call them by name. Shake their hand. Thanks to our 30+ neighborhood volunteers, including the coat check guys (not even Tyler Park residents) Tim Buckles (Colors) and Jack Mathis (Work the Metal). This was truly a team effort!

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers and participants and businesses. We look forward to the 7<sup>th</sup> Tyler Park Wine Tasting next January!





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committee member

Appalatin; Keith and Robin Colvin; Don

Robinson, Valerie

French and Judy

Market owner Gordo Jackson;

Ken Baker:

Cecil, board member Julie







Photos by Rebecca Watson





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#### A Neighbor's Column

Hello, again. This is a lightly-reworked column from years ago, when TPNA ran a monthly newsletter. Our neighborhood faced some major issues then, most notably those surrounding new cinemas at the Mid City Mall, so public involvement was quite high and we had little trouble finding content.

Your columnist did have trouble producing his portion of the content, since it took some time every week and he was, and still is, a procrastinator. The other people who worked on the newsletter seemed to have lives thoroughly under control. Personally, I practiced management by disaster (and still do).

In short, I'm a man of average desperation who muddles through life. Every time you see this column it means I've made it through another set of challenges.

You may ask, "Ray, if life in general has so many pitfalls, why do you volunteer for TPNA?" My answer is that I work for the neighborhood to avoid pitfalls.

Disasters like a water main breaking just after my inlaws arrived for Thanksgiving, the furnace heat exchanger cracking just before winter and my dog eating chocolate will still happen. Since I like old houses and dogs, I have to accept some of the disasters that come my way.

Working for the neighborhood is my way of fighting off disasters I may not have to accept. For example, I hope to contribute to efforts like those which brought lights to Tyler Park. The lighting helps avoid the threat of muggers, vandals and other violent types. If I can spend a little time with my neighbors and bring results like park lights, I feel my time is well spent.

As you may have guessed, my next step is to encourage you to work for the neighborhood. You may not share my attitude that helping the neighborhood is a form of self-help. So I am going to list some of the selfish reasons you could have for working with TPNA.

- The Neighborhood Association does not charge anyone for attending meetings. (You can support the Association by paying ridiculously cheap annual dues but you need not be a member to attend the meetings).
- If you work with the Association, you get to meet with wonderful people.
- As more of us get involved, the neighborhood will become an even nicer place to live, work and play. The old adage that many hands make small work is true.
- More involvement brings political attention to the area. Our elected officials listen to active groups. If tax dollars are available for a limited number of projects, the group that asks first, most, and best, is most likely to get funds.
- Best of all, this is *volunteer* work. You can walk away from any project at any time. We all have lives away from TPNA. No one gets angry when personal matters have to take precedence.
- I, for one, promise that I'll never, ever scold you if you volunteer to help on the newsletter and cancel out of a meeting because your dog ate chocolate.

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## New TPNA Committee Tackles Maintenance of Sidewalks, Alleys and Homes

You may be wondering why I keep writing about the same topic? Well, in spite of all my rhetoric and your board's constant concern about the sad state of several of our alleys, sidewalks and even a few of our homes and buildings, not a single individual has come forth and asked for help on behalf of a neighbor. Once more, please help us help our community by calling one of our officers to report a neighbor in need of assistance with alley, sidewalk, yard or home repair issues. We are not promising that we will unilaterally solve the problem, but we will do what we can to help. Also, if you are aware of untidy alleys, yards, sidewalks or any home or rental building in need of maintenance, but do not know the owner, please report it to us. We will attempt to help with those situations as well.

At our last annual board retreat we formed a new committee which will be responsible for spearheading an aggressive neighborhood awareness of clean and safe sidewalks, alleys, yards and well maintained homes and buildings. The first act of this committee is to canvas the neighborhood for situations in need of further study. We seek your assistance with this task. Please call anyone on the board or attend our next board meeting to voice your opinion or offer your help. We meet the fourth Thursday of every month (except November) at 7:00 PM in the Highlands/Shelby Park Library located in the Mid City Mall. --Manny Carralero

#### ATTENTION LIBRARY USERS AND BOOK LOVERS!!!

On Saturday, March 24th from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. the Highlands-Shelby Park Library in Mid-City Mall is hosting "Won't You Be My Neighbor" Day. It benefits the library and promotes the Friends of the Library volunteer group.

Highlights of the day are:

- A giant BOOK SALE (\$2 hard backs!) Look for a coupon in the Highlander
- An amazing MAGIC SHOW by Mr. Mustache at 1:15 p.m. kids LOVE him!
- ANIME GAMES and ORIGAMI in the Teen Outpost
- Demonstrations about the library's eBooks and eReaders at 2:30 p.m.
- SNACKS and drawings for FREE PRIZES (Coffee from Heine Bros.)
- Fun for the whole family.
- Be a friend, bring a neighbor!



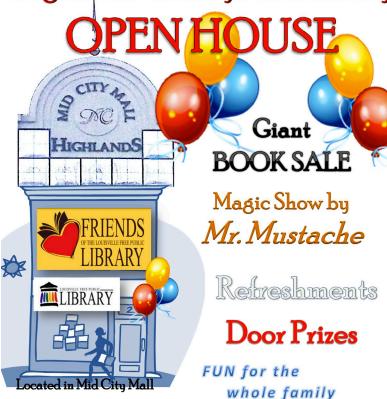


Highlands-Shelby Park Library in the Mid City Mall 574-1672

Mon.-Thurs. 10-9; Fri.-Sat. 10-5

Be a Friend ~ Bring a Neighbor

## Highlands-Shelby Park Library



March 24th Saturday, 1-4 p.m.

#### Mark your calendar and plan to attend:

Highland-Shelby Park Library Open House Saturday, March 24th, 1-4 pm

> Easter Egg Hunt in Tyler Park Saturday, April 27th, noon

7th Annual TPNA Garden Tour Saturday, June 16th, 9:30-3:30

TPNA Meeting, 4th Thursdays, 7-9 pm at the library in the Mid City Mall April 26th, June 28th May 24th in Tyler Park with Mayor Fischer

Keep up-to-date with your neighborhood!

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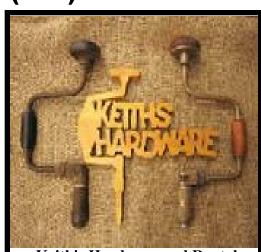
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#### **TPNA Membership Income**

For this quarter, we had an income of approximately \$951 which will pay for the cost to produce and mail the spring newsletter. There were 14 new members and 62 renewing members. There was one new business member: Dr. Varga and two renewing business members: The Back Door and Barret Liquor. These join St. James Catholic Church, Highland Morning, Arts & Craft Dental, Urban Ventures LLC, Edenside Gallery, Boombozz Pizza & Taphouse, Fairleigh Pet Center and the Louisville Federation of Musicians as our business members. All told, we now have 252 dues-payings members.

Fortunately, two residents have answered our plea for help to write or call residents who have not renewed. We gratefully accepted the first person who called, Kaye Fulton. Some of you will be receiving letters from her about renewing your membership. We are in the process of preparing materials for Julia Robbins who has also volunteered to help with the membership effort.

WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP!!! Talk to a new resident or a local business about the need to join TPNA. Additionally, we are starting a new effort to publicize our activities by distributing the TPNA newsletter to businesses up and down Bardstown Road. For walkers, this is an easy job. Call or email me and I will let you know when we will meet to distribute the newsletter and organize a list of who goes where. Janet Dakan 727-6856 janetdakan@insightbb.com.

#### The New Members were:

Susan Blair; Gary and Kathy Clements; Patty Davidson; Marie Dever; Amber Dale Gann; Ken and Mary Ann Hyland; Rose Koerber; Sammie Lambert; Michael Neal; Cory Nett; Elizabeth Paterson; Dawn Sandquist; Dr. Gabor Varga; Gavin and Rachel Weinrich.

The Renewing members were:

The Back Door; Barrett Liquors; Kathy and Hal Baumann; Judy Behanan; Ruth Miller Bennett; Susan and Kim Bentley-Jonason; John and Judy Bidwell;

Carol and James Brees; Ray Brundige; Brian and Kate Chandler; Susan Coomes; Kat, Ramm and Cindi Crawford; Sarah Lynn Cunningham; Janet Dakan; David and Julie Doll; Dowell/Inman Family; Joan Dubay; Stan and Rose Ann Esterle; Ralph Fort; Michael and Kaye Fulton; Ron and Theresa Glore; Mike Gramig; Randi and Jim Grissom; Kathleen Hayle; Herman and Gail Harrington; Lisa, Levine, and Jeremy Hite; Bonnie and Denis Hommerich; Michael Ralston and David Howell; Kathy Hull; Bill and Barbara Juckett; Patricia and Robert King; Mary Jane Klausing; Ed Kruger & Jeff Rodgers; Mr and Mrs. Charles Lang; Emily and Nick Iliffe; Ophelia Lockhart; Lisa Markowitz; Andrea McElderry; McGeeney Family; Jack and Shelley Meredith; Cecilia and Ralph Mills; Rudy and Jo Ann Mosier; LuAnn and Eddie Muench; James Nold and Cynthia Read; Pam and John Phelps; Karen Walters Phillips; Ann and John Pittenger; Gary Pope; Terry and Bill Redden; Julia Robbins; Sara Rose; Chuck and Stephanie Sarasohn; Sara Jane Schaaf; Katherine and Paul Schneider; Ronald and Michele Smith; Courtney and Martin Snyder; William and Mary Stark; Steptoe-Spotts Family; Paul and Denise Stine; Nancy Theriot; Nancy Boone Wimsett; and Herbert Zimmerman.

#### Tyler Park Neighborhood Association Retreat/ Planning Meeting – Goals for 2012

The TPNA board held a planning retreat on Sunday, February 19, 2012 at the Discovery Center of the Highland Green Building. The following directors were present: Brian Caudill, Rebecca Watson, Manny Carralero, Janet Dakan, Mike Gramig, Jeanette Westbrook, Kristen Millwood, Brian Elstner, Kathey Schickli, Denis Hommrich, Judy Behanan,

Rob Williamson, Ray Brundige and Stan Esterle. The board proposed and discussed goals for 2012 using the same format as 2011. The following is a summary of the proposed goals for 2012 with the board member(s) assigned to the goals.

#### 1) MEMBERSHIP (Janet Dakan, liaison)

- Increase membership by 10%. *Janet Dakan*
- Explore the possibility of having a booth at the upcoming 2012 Cherokee Art Fair to increase TPNA exposure. *Rob Williamson*
- Continue to highlight area businesses in the remaining 2012 newsletters. Kathey Schickli and Jeanette Westbrook
- Coordinate the purchase and installation of new street banners for the Tyler Park Neighborhood. Explore the possibility of TPNA house flags and t-shirts. Jeanette Westbrook
- Fully convert to the new TPNA website by 12/13/12. Continue to update the content on the site. Maintain and update an email address list. Implement the use of Pay Pal, etc. for the collection of dues and/or donations to The Tyler Park Fund. Brian Elstner, Brian Caudill, Kristen Millwood, Janet Dakan, Denis Hommrich, John French
- Continue the Welcome Basket program. Rebecca Watson & Judy Behanan

#### 2) SPECIAL EVENTS (Rebecca Watson, liaison)

- Wine Tasting Event. Joan Dubay
- Garden Tour. Jeanette Westbrook
- Yard Sale. Kristen Millwood & Kathey Schickli
- Easter Egg Hunt. Rebecca Watson
- St. Patrick's Day Parade. Rebecca Watson
- Tyler Park Jazz Festival. Brian Caudill, Jeanette Westbrook, Doug Thrasher, Kristen Millwood, Judy Behanan
- Grassroots Gala Janet Dakan must have co-chair because I am the Center for Neighborhoods Neighborhood Booth Committee Chair

#### 3) INFRASTRUCTURE (Brian Caudill, liaison)

- Implement the Tyler Park Master Plan incrementally. Work with the Olmsted Parks Conservancy, Metro Parks and the Tyler Park Fund to develop a fundraising program. Complete the IRS application for The Tyler Park Fund for anticipated approval by fall 2012. *Mike Gramig, John French, Brian Caudill, Janet Dakan*
- Conduct cleanups of Tyler Park in coordination with Metro Parks, Operation Brightside and Olmsted Parks Conservancy. John French
- Continue TPNA Green Initiative: Green Fair, school programs, working with area businesses regarding recycling. Kathey Schickli
- Explore the feasibility of a Tree Census. *Doug Thrasher*

#### 4) NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES (Manny Carralero, liaison)

- Identify active Block Watch areas and increase the number by at least three. Coordinate email notifications, etc. *Denis Hommrich, Brian Caudill*
- Inaugurate monthly 30-minute cleanup campaigns throughout the neighborhood. *Kathey Schickli & Jeanette Westbrook*
- Identify properties that need additional care and/or that are neglected properties. Establish a protocol for dealing with these issues. Create a database of all non-owner occupied rental property in the neighborhood. *Manny Carralero, Brian Elstner, Brian Caudill, Kathey Schickli--Janet Dakan*

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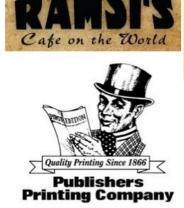
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