

TYLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

June 1987



**TYLER PARK
HOMECOMING PICNIC
AND CONCERT
SATURDAY, JUNE 21
2:00 TO 8:00 PM**
(note earlier starting time)

THE PICNIC IS COMING!

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The annual picnic in Tyler Park is always the neighborhood's major event of the year. This year's picnic will be a special homecoming event, coordinated with *Jefferson Discovery '87* (a year-long homecoming celebration in Jefferson County). Picnic planners encourage you to invite past residents of the neighborhood -- particularly families who used to live in your home.

For the first time, the picnic will be held in conjunction with an arts and crafts fair sponsored by Friends Preschool, which will run from 1 PM to 7 PM. The fair will have at least 20 tables of arts and crafts, and 10% of the table rental fees will go to TPNA (see related article below).

What to look for this year:

Extended hours. Instead of starting at 4:00 PM, the picnic will start at 2:00 PM, allowing more neighbors to fit the picnic into their busy Sundays. As usual, the picnic will end at 8:00 PM.

Catered food. The TPNA board decided to experiment this year with letting Kentuckiana Caterers cater the food for the picnic. This will allow a lot more people to enjoy the picnic instead of sweating over hot coals or waiting for a replacement server in the food line. TPNA will get 18% of the caterer's revenue from food sales.

Bigger and Better Raffle. Although last year's raffle offered many valuable prizes, this year's list of prizes is even more impressive. An even wider array of area businesses and residents are donating more than 50 valuable prizes. A ticket is reproduced on the next page so you can see for yourself. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 -- contact any board member (see directory) to buy a handful -- or buy them at the picnic. Don't miss it.

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Concert at 7:00 PM. A special treat this year will be an evening concert by a large concert band made up of members of the local musicians union (name unknown at press time). Before that, folk singer John Gage will perform, as he has for the last two years. Food will be served until 8:00, so you can enjoy the music while you eat. (Sounds like a good cheap date, if nothing else.)

Other Special Activities. As usual, there will be the Kosair bagpipers, pony rides, the Cumberland's tethered balloon ride for kids, fire trucks, a homemade dessert table, free blood pressure checks, block watch information (from 1st District police), and TPNA paraphernalia for sale. New this year are the Talking Police Car, videotapes of the TPNA history project, ice cream from Ehrler's Dairy, and the Kosair Clowns.

Does this sound like an event you can afford to miss? Of course not! Come on down!

FRIENDS PRESCHOOL ART FAIR IN TYLER PARK JUNE 21

As noted above, Friends Preschool will have its annual Art Fair in Tyler Park this year, the same day as the Annual Picnic.

Friends Preschool is a parent-run non-profit cooperative day care center currently located at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church on Woodbourne Avenue. About 50 families (including some neighbors) participate in programs for children up to kindergarten age; a special aspect of the program is that it mainstreams handicapped pre-school children into the regular program.

This will be Friends' fourth Art Fair. The quality of the crafts and artwork is well above average -- comparable to that you might have seen at the Cherokee Park Art Fair last month. TPNA is pleased to be sharing time, space, and publicity for its Annual Picnic with this event.

Tyler Park Neighborhood OLD TIME PICNIC RAFFLE Over 50 Fabulous Prizes

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Dinner for Two	Just Jazz

**MORE SUMMERSCENE PROGRAMS;
LOTS OF OTHER SUMMER FUN PLANNED
IN THE PARK**

Last year's Summerscene program of entertainers in Tyler Park was so successful that we got first dibs on booking acts for this summer -- and we got nine! If you missed them last summer, don't miss them this summer, because they were a real hit with both kids and adults. After getting neighbors' suggestions on interests and optimal schedules, TPNA Park Enrichment Committee Chair Joan Dubay put together 26 activities for the summer months. Tear out the schedule (cleverly reproduced elsewhere in this newsletter) and plaster it onto your refrigerator so you don't miss anything.

Currently, playground supervisors are scheduled to be in Tyler Park from 11 AM until 6:30 PM (at the request of working parents) on weekdays starting June 22.

JOGGING TRAILS REPAINTED

Joan Dubay and Girl Scout Troop 488 recently repainted the 1 mile and 1.5 mile jogging/walking courses which begin outside the Shelter House in the lower park. It had been some time since they were repainted, and we thank the ladies for helping us set a proper course again.

TPNA MEMBERSHIP FORM
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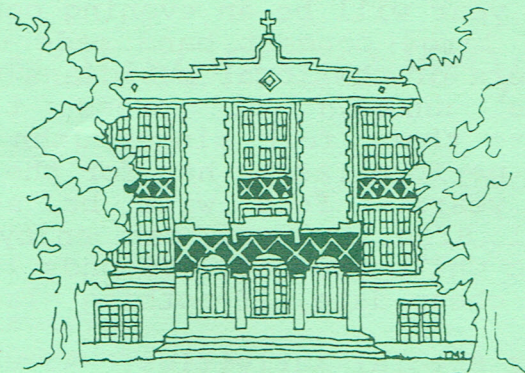
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SUMMER PROGRAMS IN TYLER PARK

JUNE:	1	11 AM	Bike Parade: Decorate your bike, wagon, or scooter and meet in the lower park for a parade and picnic for a Tyler Park Summer Kick-Off!
	9	Noon	Summerscene: Everybody Sing!
	14	6 PM	Summerscene: The Appalachian Dulcimer
	16	Noon	Summerscene: Sunshine Company Puppets
	17	6 PM	Mouserercise with Marye
	21	2-8 PM	Tyler Park Annual Picnic and Homecoming
	23	11 AM & 5:30 PM	Operation Paperchase: Take pride in Tyler Park and pick up litter. Bring your broom and sweep under the bridge and around the track. Mementos to be distributed by Operation Brightside.
	25	10 AM-Noon	Arts & Crafts (\$.25 fee)
	30	Noon	Summerscene: Mayor's Players
JULY:	1	11 AM	Parkcourse Event: Test your skills at each station throughout the park.
	2	10 AM-Noon	Group games
	7	Noon	Summerscene: Monkey Lady
	9	10 AM-Noon	Arts & Crafts (\$.25 fee)
	11	7:30 PM	Concert by Louisville Jazz Society
	14	Noon	Summerscene: Juggling
	16	10 AM-Noon	Group games
	19	6 PM	Summerscene: Tight Squeeze Irish Band
	21	11 AM 5:30 PM	Operation Paperchase (see above) Operation Paperchase
	23	10 AM-Noon	Arts & Crafts (\$.25 fee)
AUGUST:	28	Noon	Summerscene: Razz the Clown
	30	10 AM-Noon	Group games
	1	11 AM	Sidewalk Chalk: bring your chalk and make your mark on Tyler Park. The track will be divided in sections for each artist's entry.
	6	10 AM-Noon	Arts & Crafts (\$.25 fee)
		6 PM	Summerscene: Mr. Moustache Magic Show
	12	6 PM	Pet Parade: Bring your wild roly-poly or your ferocious ant for this exciting contest. All pets on leashes please!
	13	10 AM-Noon	Group games

Check the bulletin board at the Shelter House in the lower park for additional information.

Learn about the ongoing program, "I Walked a Day in Tyler Park." Register with the playground supervisors.

LETTER FROM A NEIGHBOR:

Beverly Jones, a Tyler Park neighbor who lives on Hawthorne Hill, sent the following letter to President Herb Zimmerman:

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

I would like to thank you for the Easter Egg Hunt in Tyler Park on Saturday, April 18. My son is 3 and totally enjoyed himself. We often visit the park and my son has told everyone that it is "his" park.

During the egg hunt on Saturday, my son did not find an egg although he had fun looking for them. I would like to ask you to thank the lady who offered one of her eggs to me so that my son could find an egg to put in his basket. I do not know her name but in your next newsletter, would it be possible to mention it and again thank her for making my son's day a happier one?

I thank you for your consideration in this matter. Good deeds need to be recognized in today's society anyway when people are so quick to criticize.

Sincerely yours, Beverly Jones

(Editors' note: Ms. Jones' experience is not unusual. We know lots of neighbors who would have done the same thing. That's one of many reasons we enjoy living in Tyler Park so much.)

CITY FAIR ON BELVEDERE JULY 25-26

This year's version of the "Celebration of Neighborhoods" program downtown will take the form of a "City Fair" on the newly renovated Belvedere on July 25 and 26. Food booths and free concerts are planned.

Tyler Park Neighborhood Association will be participating by sponsoring a booth, manned by board members and other volunteers, to present our neighborhood's history on videotape and in our scrapbook. It should be a lot of fun, so put it on your calendar now.

SURVEY OF NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS ENCLOSED IN THIS ISSUE

With the addition of the new playground equipment and the resurfacing of the tennis courts, Tyler Park is starting to look much more presentable and inviting. Before the Board of Directors launches any other major capital improvements in the park or the neighborhood, we thought it would be most helpful to have a survey of the neighborhood's residents to see what TPNA should be doing next. Therefore, with some help from Metro Parks, a subcommittee of the Board has prepared the enclosed Tyler Park 1987 Survey.

As you can see, the survey is only two pages long, but it covers a lot of areas of concern to neighborhood residents and the Board. Please, please take a few moments to complete the survey, put it in the enclosed **postage-paid** envelope, and mail it back. It will be of great value to the Board as it plans what to do with proceeds from the picnic, and will provide convincing evidence of residents' concerns when we go before the city for funding projects.

Your Board members put in an incredible number of hours of effort in serving you and the neighborhood. Please return the favor and send in the survey. While you are at it, you might as well get some mileage out of our stamp and send in your TPNA membership renewal with a check (\$5 for households, \$10 for businesses, any amount accepted).

NEWSLETTER EDITORS LOOKING FOR STORIES

Garrison and Susan Cox, the TPNA Board members who edit this newsletter, want to hear from you with any news you might have that would be of general interest to your neighbors. We know there must be some closet journalists out there. Call us at 451-7184 (or Garrison at work, 582-1601).

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During Derby weekend, when everyone was too busy losing money on Demons Begone to play tennis, Metro Parks resurfaced all six tennis courts in Tyler Park. The asphalt needed to cure before the courts could be repainted, so the smaller courts got finished first. But by the time you get this newsletter, all nets should have been rehung and all courts repainted.

Thanks again goes to Mike Carrell, Third Ward Alderman, for his help in getting city funds (\$30,000) for the resurfacing. Tyler Park's tennis courts are some of the oldest in the city, and now they are ready for many more years of heavy use.

As announced in the last newsletter, Metro Parks is offering group tennis lessons in Tyler Park at beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels. Cost is \$25 per session, and two three-week sessions will run from June 13 - July 3 and from July 6 - July 24. To sign up, contact Gil Clark, Metro Parks, 459-0440.

New courts and lessons right in the neighborhood. Now what excuse do you have for sitting there like a couch potato? Go buy some fresh tennis balls and hit the courts!

OPERATION BRIGHTSIDE PROJECT BLITZ MAY 16

Operation Brightside's Project Blitz hit Tyler Park again on May 16. Once again, Tyler Park was one of the best represented neighborhoods, with helpers from all parts of the neighborhood.

This year alleys got special attention -- which was really needed, as anyone who travels our alleys will agree. Many thanks to Brightside Committee Chair Chris Greenwell for spearheading the effort to keep Tyler Park neighborhood one of the most attractive in the city.

HELP US KEEP SPRAY POOL OPEN THIS SUMMER

The wading pool in Tyler Park was converted into a spray pool two years ago, at great effort and expense, and it is scheduled to start up again on June 15. Now the Metro Parks Department and the local Department of Public Health are warning that, if kids continue to block off drains in spray pools to make them back into wading pools (as frequently happened last year), they may be forced to **shut them down for the summer**. The problem is that standing water quickly develops and sustains an unhealthy level of bacteria, and the Division of Environmental Health doesn't have many choices other than shutting down the pool to protect public health.

You know how hot it can get here in the summer. **Please** do your part to keep kids from plugging up the spray pool. We don't need a bunch of hot, grumpy kids moping around the park this summer.

TYLER PARK EASTER EGG HUNT A BIG SUCCESS

Back to a normal level of hysteria again. The annual Tyler Park Easter Egg Hunt was held as scheduled in the park at noon on Saturday, April 18. Dozens (as opposed to the many hundreds we had last year) of excited but controllable kids covered every square meter of the upper side of the park in search of eggs and special prizes. It was a big help to limit participation to kids who either live in (or have family in) the Tyler Park neighborhood.

The larger of your two newsletter editors agreed to act as the Easter Bunny -- but the rented suit was too tight for comfort, so the smaller of your newsletter editors filled in, with a great sense of bunny style.

Thanks again to Pat Nett for her willingness to make this such a special event. There are more details to take care of than you would ever imagine.

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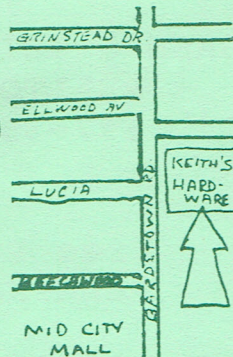
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Only one enterprising young man took us up on the offer: Nick Costello, who will do mowing and other light yard work for \$7.00 per hour. Nick is 14 years old, and you can call him at 458-2048.

The editors confess they are mystified that more workers didn't follow up. Just what do junior high school kids do all summer, anyway? Maybe it's better we don't know.

NEW SIGNS ON PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Of course, we know that no one who gets this newsletter would ever consider abusing the new playground equipment we have been working so hard to obtain and install. Unfortunately, Tyler Park gets used by hundreds of people who don't get the newsletter -- some of whom have only a dim idea of property rights.

Therefore, the TPNA Board authorized two new signs for display on the equipment. The first is for the Tot Lot (upper park), alerting park users to the fact that the equipment is intended for small, young children. The other will go on the Exerglide (a swing in the lower park), encouraging users to let handicapped persons have first priority in using that swing.

Please don't be bashful about defending our park and its playground equipment from wanton, harmful use by anyone. Some people are just not aware that the baby swings in the Tot Lot are not meant to hold hyperactive 120-pound twelve-year-olds. Don't hesitate to straighten them out -- this equipment needs to last!



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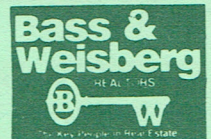
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