



Neighborhood Bridge

Spring 1997

COMING SOON - EASTER EGG HUNT!

1,500 eggs will be waiting for your children to find them at the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Sponsored by your TPNA, the event is held on the east side of the park (tennis courts side) on **Saturday, March 29, 1997 at 10:00 AM sharp**. Children through age 12 may participate. Egg hunters will be divided into three different age groups: ages 1 - 3; 4 - 8; and 9 through 12, with each age group having separate areas.

Children must have their own baskets or bags.

Three eggs - one per age group - will contain identification for **SPECIAL PRIZES**.

The egg hunt will start at 10 a.m. promptly, so don't be late or it might be over. The event will take place regardless of the temperature and even if there is a light rain or snow.

PLEASE refrain from walking your dogs in the park from 8:00 AM. until 11:00 AM on Saturday, March 29. In fact, it would be appreciated if anyone walks his or her dog in the park that the owner assume the responsibility to clean up after their pet. Please. We want the children to find eggs, not dog poop!

Volunteers are needed the day of the Easter Egg Hunt who can be at the park at 8:00 AM to help clean up the parks and of course to hide the many eggs. Call Mary Tomes (459-6220) or Jack Pittenger (451-3731) if you can help.

LG&E PLANS WORK IN TYLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

Louisville Gas & Electric is planning significant work in the coming months in the Highlands, including the Tyler Park neighborhood.

LG&E is upgrading 100 year old gas lines on Baxter and Bardstown Road from Broadway to Douglass Boulevard beginning in March and lasting through the summer of 1997. The new gas lines will carry medium pressure instead of low pressure for greater reliability.

Gas services to homes and businesses will be upgraded, too, in an area that mostly affects the Belknap and Deer Park neighborhoods, but will also involve Royal Avenue and Castlevale Drive in the Tyler Park neighborhood.

Much of the work on Baxter and Bardstown Road will be done during off-peak hours, including nights, so that impact to businesses will be minimized. Work in residential areas will be done only during daylight hours.

All residential and business customers in the affected areas will be contacted to determine the most convenient time to change the service over and remove the meter to the outside where appropriate. There will be no cost to customers for this project, unless additional service is requested.

For questions about the Highlands Gas Line Improvement Project, call Phyllis Fitzgerald at LG&E at 627-4818.

TYLER PARK FALL FESTIVAL

What would you like it to be?

Plans for the **Annual TPNA Fall Festival** will soon be underway. The late-summer date is Sunday, September 7, 1997, throughout the afternoon in Tyler Park.

Attendance this past year was the smallest in recent years and for the first time expenses exceeded income. The TPNA Board is interested in expanding activities and services rather than considering cutting back.

We determined that a resident survey would be really helpful in planning any changes to this popular annual event. Are there more teenagers than tots? Is the musical entertainment appropriate to the audiences? Would you participate in organized basketball, volleyball, softball, or tennis? How about children's games or craft stations? Do we want to grow a small craft area to the size of Cherokee Triangle's Derbytime event? Any favorite neighborhood restaurants you'd like us to approach for food vending? Does post-Labor Day fit within your family's schedule?

In order to increase participation in the years to come, the Board requests that you complete the information below and mail to: **TPNA, P.O. Box 4452, Louisville, 40204.**

Family: Single _____ Couple _____
Children _____ Ages _____
Attended '96 Fall Festival _____ Did not attend _____
If not, reasons: _____

What time of year is best for you and your family?

Type of activities you would like to have. Add your own!

Food available _____

Check below if you would be interested in availability

of: House tours _____ Live music groups _____

Magician _____ Exhibits - crafts _____

Games, contests for children _____

Games, contests for adults _____

Raffle prizes _____ Zoo animals _____

Trolley tour _____

Others: _____

Music suggestions: _____

Entertainment suggestions: _____

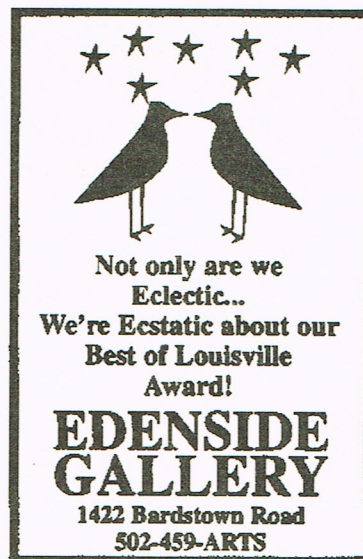
Food vendor suggestions: _____

Would you like to be part of a House Tour? _____

PLEASE take a minute to fill this out and place in a stamped envelope. Thank you.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION

In a neighborhood, like Tyler Park, where residential streets are surrounded by commercial thoroughfares, like Bardstown Road, and partially commercial byways, like Baxter Avenue, it is important for residents to protect their interests. Witness the Cherokee Triangle, which in the 1970s was spiraling downward, but luckily was salvaged and then transformed back into the beautiful residential neighborhood it had been earlier in this century. This was done, as has been done in Tyler Park, by the hard work of homeowners who lovingly brought their often-remodeled homes back to single-family dwellings with historical features carefully restored and maintained. An integral part of the success of the Cherokee Triangle's revitalization was its designation as a Local Preservation District. Over the past twenty years, this status has enabled the neighborhood to prevent further commercial encroachment, stayed the demolition of older homes and provided free architectural design services to homeowners to modernize their homes without destroying the ambiance of a 100 year old neighborhood. Granted, there have been some controversies, but saving an historic Louisville neighborhood far overreached the few aesthetic arguments that occurred. Happily, most were worked out to the satisfaction of the property owner - a fact rarely reported in the news, though the initial conflict always is covered. There are no "preservation police." The only time the Historic Landmarks Commission inquires into some activity in a Preservation District is when they are requested to do so, usually by concerned neighbors.

In order to achieve Preservation District status, a neighborhood must vote with 75% approval. The area is reviewed to determine if it qualifies. Tyler Park overwhelmingly qualifies for this designation. It is already under the Highlands Historic District umbrella which is recognized as historically and architecturally significant. However, there is no intrinsic benefit to or protection by the designation. This is why we need to act now.

What do we have to gain? No more commercial encroachments, no more housing demolitions, increased property value and a sense of greater pride. (Think of Old Louisville.)

What do we have to lose? The biggest complaint seems to be that you cannot paint previously unpainted brick or masonry homes without approval from the Commission. The reason for this is maintenance. There is no restriction on the color you may paint your wooden house. By not acting now to preserve our neighborhood, we could lose corner lots to commercial use, followed possibly by the conversion of whole streets. (Think of Chenoweth Lane.) There is also the risk of property owners drastically and permanently altering the character of the neighborhood with unsightly additions and alterations. This has already been done in some cases. My own house is a strong statement against unsympathetic remodeling. There is no protection whatsoever for our homes, other than our own good taste. That is not enough. Unofficially, we are already a part of this public trust. Making it an official public trust ensures its place in the history of our city. I urge you to join me in this endeavor.

This is a unique opportunity. Please let me know if you are interested in this project. We would like to invite a Landmarks Commissioner to come out and talk to the neighborhood so that we can determine if this direction is where we want to go. Please drop this form in the mail to me (**Sarah Almy - 1611 Rosewood**) to let us know.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Interested? Yes___ No___

Best days/times of the week for you to attend:

Comments _____

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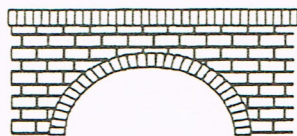
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