

# The Neighborhood Bridge

April 2004

Tyler Park Neighborhood Association

## **Spring 2004 Newsletter**

### Tyler Park Bridge - 100 Years Old

Hard as it might seem, the Baxter Avenue overpass bridge was built by the city's Works Department in 1904. The bridge was built to span a deep valley just north of Eastern Parkway and Castlewood Avenue that later became Tyler Park.

"The design of the rusticated Indiana limestone structure takes advantage of the site's natural hill and vale topography, incorporating a broad, segmental arch seventeen feet high and forty feet wide and thereby, hastening the development of the park. The opening creates a visual and physical connection that allows pedestrians to move freely from one part of the thirteen acre park to the other without having to cross the busy street above, a classic Olmsted solution."

The bridge predates the park, the later being created in 1910 for the residents of the fashionable nearby Highlands area neighborhoods, including one subdivision developed by entrepreneur and park commissioner John B. Castleman. We acknowledge The Encyclopedia of Louisville, edited by John E. Kleber and especially Douglas L. Stern's beautiful description of our bridge.

The Tyler Park Neighborhood Association is planning a celebration to commemorate the 100th birthday to be held in the park this fall. The celebration will include live music and several food vendors. If you would like to be involved, please contact a TPNA Board member.

## Send in your TPNA Membership Today!

The TPNA membership form is on the back page of the newsletter. Please take a moment to join or renew your membership, make a donation, or notify us of your concerns or desire to help. The Board is active in the neighborhood and community and your contribution is greatly appreciated. We host events in Tyler Park as well as work on beautification projects and advocacy issues. Without you, TPNA cannot possibly provide the amenities we now enjoy. Invest in your neighborhood, a great financial, environmental, and emotionally rewarding place we all share.

## **Annual Easter Egg Hunt April 10th**

It's almost that time of year again -- the time when the Easter Bunny visits Tyler Park. This year the egg hunt will be held on Saturday, April 10 (that's the day before Easter, as usual), from noon to 2:00 PM. There will be separate areas, with special prizes for the age groups three and under, 4-5-6, 7-8-9, 10-11-12. Older kids who want to participate can show up at 11:00 AM and be 'Bunny Helpers'. We will also have drawings for big prizes and a special visit from a large, furry friend. Please join us for this yearly Tyler Park tradition.



Photos from a previous Tyler Park Easter Egg Hunt.



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#### **Back Home Again**

Dr. Bridget Young, Director, TPNA

I discovered when I joined the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association, my teenage desires to stray from my family's path, to strike out and forge new territory had truly failed. At my first meeting, I met none other than our very own councilman Tom Owen. When he heard my name, he got that familiar look we see in people when the proverbial light bulb goes on or when they've heard the ring of the bell of recognition. Guess what I learned? My grandfather, Richard D. Young, DMD, had been a board member of this very same neighborhood association. Which, of course, makes me a third generation member.

How nice you say? I suppose... But for me this was the last straw in realizing my struggle to become something other than my grandfather had wanted me to be, had been thwarted by my very own hand. I had transformed pretty much exactly the way he had pictured.

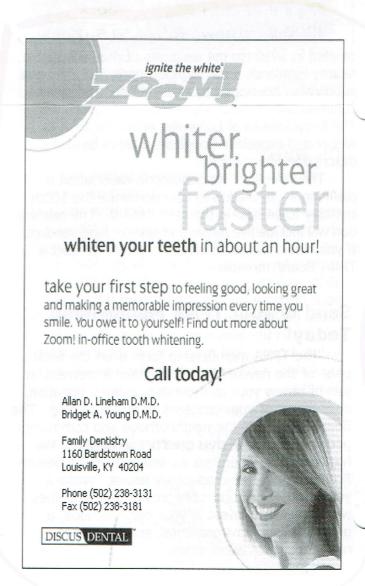
The transformation started when I traded being a Chicago Actress for a Louisville Dentist, my grandfather's very own profession. He had great plans for me in Dentistry and planted the seed when I was eleven years old by giving me a job in his office. After working Saturdays and summers through high school, I wanted to see the world, and that's when I began breaking his heart. I became a theater major in college, moved to Chicago, and backpacked in Europe. After all this he was convinced his plans for me had failed.

Not long after I returned home from Europe, my grandfather passed away, and that's when the ideas he planted began to take root. I went to dental school, spent four years as an Air Force Dentist, and once again returned to Louisville. I purchased the Duplex at 1160 Bardstown Road, the very building my grandfather's dental office had been in since 1964, and reopened his practice!

It wasn't until that fateful Thursday evening, last fall, when I met Tom Owen, that I realized the transformation was complete. I love my life in the Tyler Park Neighborhood. I reside with my partner, Allan D. Linehan, DMD, MS, our cat Tabitha and our dog Lacie, in the same building where our dental practice is thriving and growing. Dr. Linehan and I are excited about our future in Tyler Park, and being board members in the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association. I suppose my grandfather had the right idea after all; those seeds did bear fruit.

#### **Noise Ordinance Violations**

TPNA residents on Windsor Place and Bellwood have been registering noise complaints involving the Bearno's at 1318 Bardstown Road for several years. These complaints have gone to various bar managers, our former alderman, our current Metro Council rep., the police, Alcohol Beverage Control officers, and the TPNA. Bearno's was cited on 9/13/03 and again on 9/21/03 for violations. They appeared before a judge last year and promised to take corrective steps (turn down the volume, build their beer garden wall higher). Their case will be heard again on Tuesday, May 18 at 1:00 at the Urban Gov't Center, 810 Barret Ave., 1st floor conference room #2, at which time a possible suspension or revoking of their licenses will be reviewed. If you cannot attend this hearing, please supply details of your past experiences with Bearno's noise violations to any TPNA board member verbally or in writing.





#### coffee and tea for your soul

1295 Bardstown Rd. 456-5108
2714 Frankfort Ave. 899-5551
2200 Bardstown Rd. 515-0380
119 Chenoweth Ln. 893-5103

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ESPRESSO BAR

Oh Rats! More Rats

There have been reported sightings of these not wanted rodents. It could be the possum that cruise the area. But how about we all do a check of our own property. Especially the alley! How about taking an hour and go out to the alley and do a bit of cleanup. Make sure all the refuse is picked up, scrape up and dispose of those matted leaves, trim the bushes or vines. cut/kill those weeds, sweep up the gravel and dirt in the alley way, get rid of any wood laying around, and make sure there is no standing water. A rat would rather we kept our alleys a mess.

## Junk pickup dates for 2004 are weeks of:

- > June 7
- > September 6
- > December 6

## **Vagrants and Panhandlers**

The local police want you to give them a call when you are confronted by a vagrant or panhandler. These people are breaking the law and will be removed from the area. But you have to call! This is the only way the police know this element of the population is working the area. Do not give them money. It will only promote their aggressiveness and desire to be in our neighborhood. The 1st District Police phone number is 574-7636. Program this in your cell phone so you will always have it when your out and about.



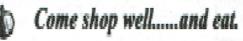
featuring fresh, local, and organic produce, festival days, cut flowers, bedding plants, baked goods, local cheeses, perennial and native plants, local chefs with

seasonal preparations, and more!

1722 BARDSTOWN RD
BETWEEN DEERWOOD AND DEER PARK
IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LOT

ADDITIONAL PARKING NOW AVAILABLE BAPTIST CHURCH LOT ACROSS THE STREET

OPEN ON SATURDAYS 8:00 am-1:00pm





## JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY

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#### **Membership Type (Select One)**

•	Individual & Family	\$7
0	Business	\$15
0	Sponsor	\$100

Make checks payable to TPNA, Inc. Mail to: TPNA, PO Box 4452, Louisville, KY 40204

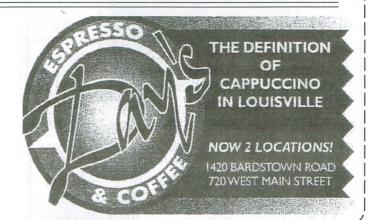
## Help us with your thoughts Major Neighborhood Concerns

Traffic

Zoning

Other

- Beautification
- Crime
- Drainage
- Future Develpment
- Litter
- I would like to serve on a committee concerning
- I would like to work on the membership committee
- I would like to be on the Board of Directors



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