



The Neighborhood Bridge

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Summer 2004 Newsletter

Louisville Orchestra Headlines Tyler Park Fall Festival

Sunday, September 12th

Special appearances include Tony Myers and Tim Krekel

The Louisville Orchestra will perform in Tyler Park on Sunday, September 12th to celebrate of the **100 Year Anniversary the Tyler Park Bridge built in 1904** and is the highlight of the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association annual Fall Festival. This year's festival will focus on **MUSIC! MUSIC! MUSIC!** to showcase the Fredrick Law Olmsted designed park and the natural acoustics that make Tyler Park a favorite musical venue for the entire community. To complete the celebration, Mayor Jerry Abramson's **MUSIC IN THE METRO** is providing two additional acts: **Tony Myers and the Old Louisville Express**, and Louisville favorite **Tim Krekel**.

Special parking arrangements are available for what is expected to be a large turnout. **Free parking for the event is available at the Urban Government Center at 810 Barret Avenue in the back parking lot across Vine Street. Free Trolley Service** will provide transportation to Tyler Park for the Orchestra Concert and The Music In The Metro Concert. Our thanks to Councilman Tom Owen for providing this service for the celebration. Citizens can also park in city parking lots along Bardstown Road and walk to the park. Please help out your neighbors with houses around Tyler Park and avoid parking on the adjoining streets.

The TPNA will be serving concessions from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. that will include pizza by the slice from Pizza Magia!, soft drinks, bottled water, hot dogs, brats, popcorn and homemade baked goods. The annual TPNA fund raiser raffle will be going on all day. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The grand prize this year is \$300 and will be drawn at 6:30 p.m. during the festival. Additional prizes will be drawn throughout the day and include gift certificates from area restaurants and business. There will be as many as 50 prizes drawn. Tickets are available in advance of the festival from TPNA board members or in the park during the festival.

Remember to bring your blankets and chairs! Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the park.

TPNA Fall Festival Agenda

Sunday, September 12th

12:30 PM	Opening Remarks
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Tony Myers & The Old Louisville Express
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Announcements
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	The Louisville Orchestra
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Tim Krekel
8:00 PM	Festival Ends

Volunteers Needed For Fall Festival!!

Folks, if you have been looking for an opportunity to be involved with your Neighborhood Association, look no further than helping with the Fall Festival in Tyler Park. Volunteers are needed to help with a variety of activities the day of the festival. We can use some High School age volunteers too. Please contact TPNA Board Members: Debby Donnellan 459-8297, Manny Carralero 451-5198 or Jeanette Westbrook 451-8207.

Join the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association TODAY!

TPNA needs your help now! Please join the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association today! Take the time to fill out the membership form on the back page of the newsletter and mail a contribution to join YOUR Neighborhood Association TODAY!

The Treasures of Tyler Park

I have lived in the Tyler Park Neighborhood since 1985 or almost half of my entire life. Until just a few weeks ago I was under the notion that over that long span of time I had managed to discover or stumble upon every treasure in our neighborhood. But how could I have missed such a majestic tree and right under my very nose? I am embarrassed to admit this, but for the past five years I have lived next door to the most beautiful old American Elm tree in North America. This tree is without equal. The owners have no idea how old the tree is but they estimate it has been there for over 100 years. Once I became aware of this beauty and learned to recognize the shape of its leaves, the sway of its branches, the contour of its trunk I searched for others of its kind. I have been able to identify three thus far. All three appear to be about the same age and were planted along the same alley. I am sure there were many more at one time, but these three are all that remain.

The Elm species originated in Central Asia about 40 million years ago. It spread across the entire Eurasian landmass and finally to North America. Elms can live as long as 300 years and grow up to 115 feet tall and have trunks over 10 feet in diameter. Our Three Elms appear to be close to the maximum dimensions, so I know they have to be very old and rare. Dutch elm disease has decimated the Elm population over the past 100 years. The disease got its name because seven Dutch women scientists discovered it in 1917. Our three Elms show no sign of ill health.

It is estimated that at its peak there were 77 million elms in North America. Today they number less than 30 million. My research on the web indicates that lots of effort by government and good Samaritans across the United States and Canada has been dedicated to the preservation of this magnificent species.

There are many varieties of elms. The American variety is the most common in eastern North America. If anyone in our community would like to know where our three beauties are located please contact one of your board members or attend the next board meeting. Likewise, if you know of any other elms in Tyler Park please contact your board.

Written by Manny Carralero, TPNA Treasurer

Update on Bloom Elementary School Renovation

The renovation continues to progress on Bloom Elementary School located on Lucia Avenue and a date for the reopening has not yet been announced by JCPS. In a recent conversation with JCPS officials, construction on some parts of the renovation have been acknowledged, but officials hope to catch up on the renovation with the recent good weather. If you have not driven by recently for a look, you will be greatly surprised by the amazing detail that is going into this important historical renovation of this community jewel. JCPS is to be commended for its dedication to historical renovation!



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Around the Highlands...

Highlands Community Ministries Elderly Services

Good News about some HMC services for the elderly.

HCM Outreach Program for Older Persons has some openings for shut ins in the Highlands who need a hot meal delivered to their home each weekday: call 584-3834. Highlands Court has only a short waiting list for low income elderly or physically handicapped persons who need a one bedroom apartment (paying based on income): call 454-7395.

HCM Adult Day Health Center has openings at its center (discounts for low income persons): call 459-4887.

HCM has a senior center/nutrition site Monday through Friday at Douglas Blvd. Christian Church: call 584-3834.

Please make contributions to HCM to support these valuable programs.

First Annual Taste of Deer Park

On Saturday October 16, 2004, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., the Deer Park Neighborhood Association will sponsor A Taste of Deer Park, in honor of the Association's 30th anniversary. For just \$10 you can sample the wide variety of foods, products and services that are offered by the businesses and restaurants of the Deer Park Neighborhood. Some businesses participating include Club Grotto, Cafe Metro, Uptown Cafe, La Bo Dega, De Le Torres, Cumberland Brews, Penn Station, The Other Place Eatery, Olmecas Gourmet Mexican, Mark's Feed Store, Sweet and Savory, Smoothie King, Shenanigan's Irish Pub and Grille, Norris Place Ice Cream Shop, Jicama Grille, to name a few.

Once you pick up your "passport" at the registration table at the corner of Bardstown Road and Eastern Parkway, you're welcome to visit any of the participating businesses along the west side of Bardstown Road and end at the corner of Deer Park Ave. and Bardstown Road (Farmer's Market corner). Here we will have entertainment and several more businesses to 'Taste'.

Proceeds from the event will be split between the Deer Park Neighborhood Association's neighborhood beautification fund and two charities, Highland Community Ministries and Dreams with Wings. Old National Bank, Maker's Mark, and Borrower's Choice Mortgage have sponsored this event. For more information, please call Tim Corrigan at 515-0330.

Goddard Avenue has its own email list

The list is for residents and property owners to discuss life on Goddard Avenue, including neighborly chit-chat, traffic issues, crime, and whatnot. To subscribe, visit the website goddard.osaurus.us or email svref@yahoo.com.



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2004 National Preservation Conference in Louisville

Register Now! Louisville, Kentucky will host the 2004 National Preservation Conference September 28 - October 3, sponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The 26th annual conference will offer innovative ideas and inspiration for people saving America's historic places and revitalizing communities, with more than 50 educational and 30 field sessions throughout Louisville, Central Kentucky and southern Indiana focusing on the conference theme "Restore America: Communities at a Crossroads." Topics will include neighborhood revitalization and housing, commercial revitalization, organizational development, smart growth and regional planning, cultural landscapes, transportation issues, historic sites and heritage tourism. Statewide partners are the Kentucky Heritage Council/State Historic Preservation Office, Preservation Kentucky, Inc., Louisville Metro Government and Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana. For registration information, visit the National Trust website, www.nthp.org.

Volunteers still needed! Volunteer opportunities include assisting with registration, staffing the local hospitality booth and monitoring educational sessions. Volunteers receive equal time to attend non-ticketed conference activities in exchange for hours they volunteer. Applications are available on-line at the National Trust website.

The public is invited to participate in the conference via a free "Ask the Experts" open house on the following dates: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday, September 30 and October 1; 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, October 2. The "Ask the Experts" open house will be located on the first floor of the American Life Building, corner of 5th and Main streets near the Galt House Hotels, where many conference activities will be taking place.

Neighborhood leaders, home owners and interested individuals are invited to learn more about their homes and neighborhoods, caring for historic properties, hands-on restoration techniques and ideas for taking part in the preservation efforts of their community.



Products available at the Bardstown Rd. Farmers Market
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Support the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association TODAY!

TPNA needs your help now! Please join the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association today! TPNA currently has openings on Tyler Park Board of Directors and we welcome your participation and input. If you cannot donate time... send us your financial support. Your Neighborhood Association provides a means for you and your family to participate in the future of our beautiful historical neighborhood. TPNA provides advocacy for residents, businesses, as well as policies and direction to elected officials and others, on issues such as zoning, safety, development, beautification, recreational activities and events for the entire community. Please take the time now to fill out the membership form on the back page of the newsletter to join and empower YOUR Neighborhood Association.

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Alley Rats!

There have been reported sightings of these undesirable rodents. We also have several possum that cruise the area. How about Tyler Park residents making a check of their own property. **Especially the alley!** Do you have piles of old wood and branches piled up on your property? This is an invitation for rodents. How about taking an hour and go out to the alley for 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 have a messy alley than a clean one.

Junk pickup dates remaining for 2004 are weeks of:

- > September 6
- > December 6

Long Time TPNA Board Member Mary Tomes Passes Away

Last month, long time TPNA Board Member, Mary Tomes, passed away suddenly. Mary was a great friend to Tyler Park and for many years. Mary organized the TPNA Annual Easter Egg Hunt and participated in the many activities of TPNA. Condolences and a contribution in her memory has been sent by TPNA to her grieving family. We will all miss Mary greatly.

Update on ABC Hearing with Bearno's

On June 15, two TPNA representatives spoke at a hearing organized by Alcohol Beverage Control concerning noise ordinance violations cited by ABC officers in September of 2003 at the Bearno's on Bardstown Road. The cited violations were the results of repeated phone calls by the TPNA representatives to police dispatch (574-7111) during 2003. At the ABC hearing a fine of \$750 was levied against Bearno's, along with an order to cease all amplified outdoor music until corrective measures, as determined by an acoustics engineer, can be made. According to the metro noise ordinance, noise that is plainly audible from a distance of 50 feet or more from its source is a violation and can be subject to a fine of \$50 to \$500 for each occurrence.

Our District Resource Officer has recommended that residents call the police dispatch number directly (574-7111) in situations requiring police attention or presence, and that callers request a police report especially in situations involving violence or property damage. It requires constant, patient vigilance to ensure that we maintain peace and safety in our neighborhood. We're grateful for the support and interest shown by our police force and the ABC.



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Carmichael's Bookstore	Gift Certificate
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Za's Pizza Pub	Gift Certificate
Actor's Theater of Louisville	Tickets
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West Nile Virus Remains a Concern

The Health Department and Metropolitan Sewer District have received more than 1,100 calls from citizens with mosquito concerns. So far this year only two birds have tested positive for the West Nile virus.

Agencies such as MSD and Public Works Department are continuing this year to use larvacide briquettes to treat hundreds of locations throughout the community where standing water can become mosquito breeding grounds.

Eliminate mosquito-breeding places around your house to guard against West Nile. Remember - some mosquitoes need less than 1/4 inch of water to breed. Water can collect in places you might not think of. So make sure your yard doesn't become a mosquito breeding ground - eliminate all standing water.

Tips to avoid West Nile:

Get rid of old tires. Water collects in the inside and breeds mosquitoes.

Empty birdbaths and pet water bowls every couple days.

Clean your gutters so they don't hold water.

Empty your children's wading pools every couple of days and store them upside down so they don't collect water.

And don't forget to get the water out of low spots on tarps and swimming pool covers.

In places where you can't eliminate the standing water, such as in ornamental ponds, use products now available at stores and at home and garden centers to inhibit mosquito breeding.



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