

Shakespeare at Tyler Park*

*Bloom Elementary



Macbeth had it right: "So foul and fair a day I have not seen."

April 20 was a foul day to be outside in Tyler Park — the temperature only reached 47, with over an inch of rain. But it always *seems* like fair weather when Kentucky Shakespeare brings a production to our neighborhood, especially when Bloom Elementary steps in to serve as our rain location.

This year it was a moving, thrilling and spooky production of *Macbeth*, up to Kentucky Shakespeare's usual high standards. TPNA would like to thank the performance's sponsors, ValuMarket, Old Town Wine and Spirits, and District 8 Metro Council Member Brandon Coan. And we'd also like to thank Bloom Elementary, which served as — to change from Avon's bard to Hibbing's — our shelter from the storm.

Chip Nold



Save the Date!

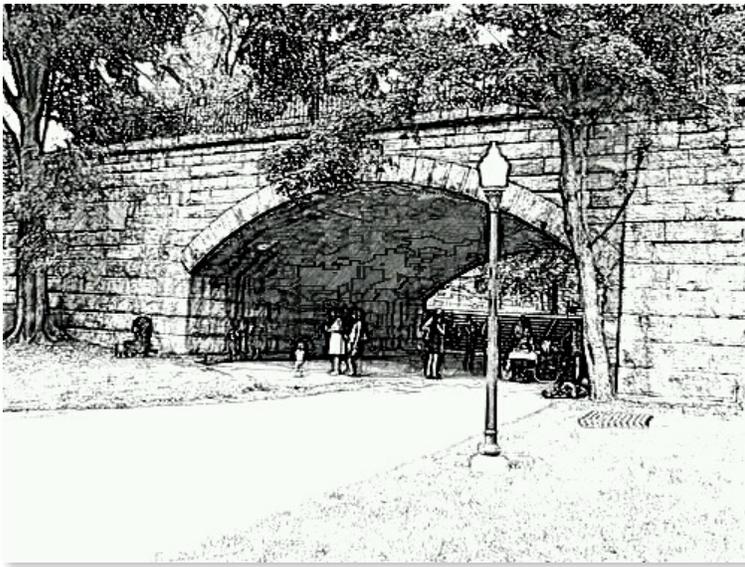
**Please join us for the 10th annual
Tyler Park Jazz Festival in
September in Tyler Park!**

Due to the renovation in the park, the festival will held on one day, **Sunday September 22 from 2pm till 6:30pm.**

We will have two jazz bands: Hora Certa and the U of L Jazz Ensemble I. Plans are to have food and beer vendors.

More updates to come!

Brian Caudill



View from the Bridge

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

— Margaret Mead

Ground has officially been broken at Tyler Park on the Restoration Project! It was officially kicked-off by Mayor Fisher, the Olmsted Parks Conservancy, Louisville Parks and Recreation, the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association, and a slew of neighbors (including a few four-legged ones) on Tuesday, May 7th. It was a gorgeous morning in Tyler Park and a bevy of journalists were there to provide coverage of the event. We will all need to bear with the inconveniences of the construction in the park for the next months, but it will be worth it! With that said, now is a good time to seize the opportunity to be part of the restoration effort yourself. The Olmsted Parks Conservancy is starting Friends groups with several Olmsted Parks in Louisville, including Tyler Park. The mission of the Friends groups are to improve and activate parks by communicating and collaborating with the community. In other words, The Olmsted Parks Conservancy will provide an advisory role to a Friends of Tyler Park group while helping to improve conditions and programs in the park and strengthen the community. They have already helped to schedule a "Bike-In Movie Night" (save the date for October 19th) and will procure a stage for for the Jazz Fest in September since our usual spot will be under construction. They are encouraging people in Tyler Park to work with them to provide input on what we want our park to be, and will help us achieve it. To learn more or join Friends of Tyler Park, please contact Sarah Wolff at 502-456-1623 or sarah.wolff@olmstedparks.org.

With Gratitude

Kristen Millwood

ATTENTION

Starting with the July 2019 meeting, the TPNA Board Meeting will no longer be held at the Highlands-Shelby Park Library as a result of the decrease in library hours. Once the new location is determined, the TPNA membership will be notified by email.



TPNA is on FaceBook and the Internet!

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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 Ken Baker, Ray Brundige, Stephanie Callen, Brian Caudill, Clark Cox, Stan Esterle, Ann Finney, John Fischer, Paula Head, Denis Hommrich, Lena Kearney, Chip Nold, David Phelps, Jo Shipley, Eleanor Short, Doug Thrasher, Rebecca Watson, and Jeanette Westbrook.



Construction Begins on \$1.1 million Tyler Park Restoration Project

On Tuesday May 7, 2019 – Olmsted Parks Conservancy, Louisville Parks and Recreation, Mayor Greg Fischer, Councilman Brandon Coan, and Tyler Park Neighborhood Association kicked off construction for the \$1.1 million restoration project in Tyler Park. The groundbreaking ceremony was held on the east side of the bridge, in front of the historic tennis courts.

“We are all pleased to see the start of this project as it will greatly improve the park for the neighborhood and its visitors,” stated Layla George, President and CEO of Olmsted Parks Conservancy. “This project is made possible because of the generous support from donors through our Campaign for Extraordinary Parks, Mayor Greg Fischer, and Councilman Brandon Coan.”

The Tyler Park Neighborhood Association has helped fund park improvements over the last few years, including a new walkway on the northeast side, installation of more than 10 park benches and planting of many trees and shrubs. Feedback from the Association was essential to the development of the restoration plan.

“The Tyler Park Neighborhood Association is thrilled that renovations are beginning on our beloved, historic park,” said Kristen Millwood, President of the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association, when asked about the project. “These renovations will help keep our park a vibrant space for generations to come with some much-needed updates that respect the unique character of Tyler Park.”

Construction will start on the east side of the bridge, where the two historic tennis courts are being repaired, resurfaced and re-fenced. This section of the project is set to be completed this June.

Scheduled to be completed this fall, construction on the west side of the bridge will include:

- Moving the existing playground and sprayground areas and equipping with modern features;
- Constructing a new restroom building;
- Adding a natural area playground;
- Installing new picnic tables and benches;
- And adding parking spaces to improve accessibility.

In the last phase of the project, improvements will be made on the east side of the bridge to:

- Repurpose the four-tennis court set to feature two tennis courts, one half-court basketball court and two pickleball courts;
- Install a rain garden and infiltration basin to address drainage issues;
- Add new picnic tables and benches;
- And improve existing walking paths.

Future improvements to Tyler Park, outside of the restoration project, include the installation of a wheelchair ramp connecting the east and west side of the park, making it easier and safer to get from one side of the park to the other. The ramp is currently included in the Mayor’s recommended budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year and could be added later this year if approved. The Tyler Park Master Plan also includes a 25-person pavilion which is not funded at this time.

To help support this restoration Olmsted Parks Conservancy has created a limited edition Tyler Park t-shirt. To purchase visit: <https://secure.donationpay.org/olmstedparks/tyler-park.php> To volunteer with the Parks committee please contact Shawn Reilly at VP1@TylerPark.org or (502) 386-6096

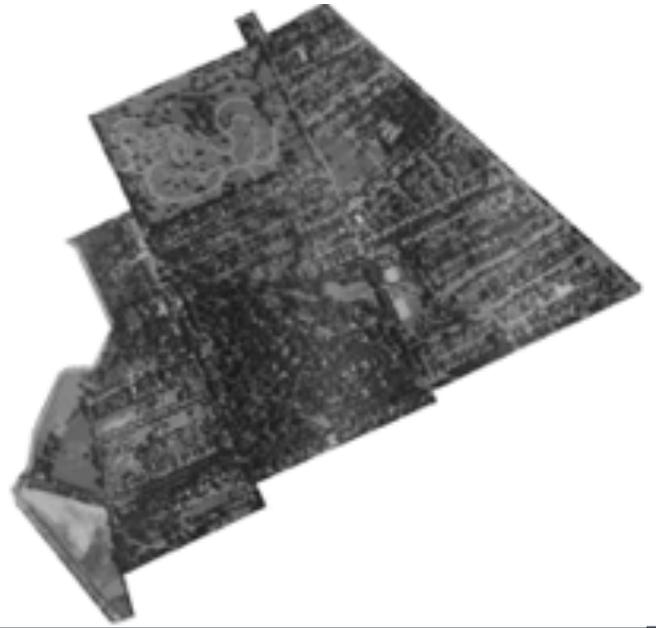
Shawn Reilly

Still Looking for Trees

Our 2016 fall newsletter included the picture on the right, from a 1937 aerial survey. The point of the article was the tree canopy lost since the original photo, largely caused by development, storms, and insects. The article closed by noting that, in the picture “Most of our homes, on every street, have at least one tree” and posing the challenge “go outside and look for your tree. Do you have one?”

We answered the challenge by using an MSD reforestation grant to plant 23 trees in 2016 on private property, 53 more in 2017 and 2018, and 44 trees in the Tyler Park, for a total of 117 new trees.

The challenge has continued. The Emerald Ash Borer devastated the trees in the park and on many residential streets. We lost trees as well to old age, disease, and other causes. Without the MSD grants, our canopy would be in decline. So we intend to continue our reforestation with a 2019 campaign.



Our campaigns operate within rules and budget set by MSD and regulations set by the Metro Division of Community Forestry. For example, MSD limits the number of small trees we can plant because the aim of the grant program is to plant large trees whose root systems will reduce runoff. Forestry regulations are commonsense, like keeping trees that would drop large or messy fruit or heavy nuts away from the right of ways; and prohibiting invasive trees like the Chinese Elm.

We ask property owners to contribute a nominal amount per tree and to commit in writing to keep the tree healthy and allow inspections during the period specified by our grant with MSD. Trees that have died or that have been removed within the inspection period must be replaced. The property owner is responsible for replacement caused by neglect or removal.

Details will likely change. Metro budget issues may bring drastic change. Both MSD and Forestry have been continuously improving what they do each year since the grants began, and we have been learning our own lessons along the way.

At this point we are simply asking you to participate. We will need volunteers in the next month to go door to door encouraging property owners to plant new trees. We will need volunteers in the fall to help get the trees in the ground. TPNA will need help administering the program. Mostly, the Tyler Park neighborhood needs people to invest in its future by planting trees now.

Commit to making your own investment by completing the [Get Involved form on TPNA's website](#), emailing tylerparktrees@gmail.com, or responding to social media contacts from TPNA.

Ray Brundige

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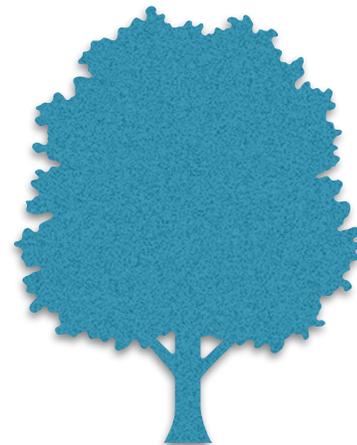


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Membership

New Membership Pricing & Options for 2020

We're very excited to announce new membership options and pricing starting in January 2020. Growing membership and member engagement is vital to the success of the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association. Volunteers are the life blood of TPNA and it's with this in mind that the Board of Directors approved a set of changes to membership pricing during the March 2019 meeting.

These changes include:

- Adding Lifetime Membership - \$250
- Individuals & Family Membership - \$25 per year
- Business Membership - \$50 per year

These changes to our membership pricing structure will allow the neighborhood association to continue to sponsor Shakespeare in the Park, keep producing the Jazz Festival and host other activities that bring people together and strengthen our neighborhood. Membership dues also support delivering this wonderful newsletter to each and every door in the Tyler Park Neighborhood.

New options and pricing are also important because of cuts to our programs from the Metro Council and we felt the responsibility to make our organization more sustainable and less reliant on outside assistance.

Once these changes are in place at the first of the year, our membership committee will launch an effort to recruit new members. The goal will be to have 50 new Individual & Family Members join along with 10 Lifetime Members. They will also be recruiting 10 new Business Members. The committee hopes this effort will make TPNA a stronger organization.

If you would like to join the Membership Committee to help with recruiting new members or help with engagement of current members please contact **Shawn Reilly Membership Chair** at VP1@TylerPark.org or by phone (502) 386-6096

Shawn Reilly



Do You Have a ValuMarket Card?

Do you shop at ValuMarket? If you do, you can support both our civic-minded neighborhood grocer and Tyler Park by using a TPNA ValuMarket Gift Card. At no cost to you, ValuMarket donates four percent of your purchases to the Tyler Park Master Plan when you use your gift card. If you aren't using the card now and you ever shop at ValuMarket, call or email Lary at 456-1474, worker@bellsouth.net and a \$5 starter card will be delivered to your door. Simply refill the card as needed. All your ValuMarket purchases will add cash to the Tyler Park Master Plan. Tyler Park will look even more beautiful with the help of ValuMarket and you.-- *Lary Saltzman*

Call for Young Leaders

Sometimes you open your mouth...

...and find you have volunteered.

And that's the theme for this story.

When our Board received word that the Center for Neighborhoods will hold its 2019 Neighborhood Summit in November, I opened my mouth and said, "We ought to recruit our younger neighbors to go; we need their involvement to steer us toward the future they want for Tyler Park and the Highlands".

My fellow Board members liked the sound of that so much they volunteered me to write this.

The Neighborhood Summit is a full day (8 AM to 2:30 PM last year) of activities that give "neighborhood associations, civic organizations, and local government leaders an opportunity to network, learn best practices, interact with neighborhood businesses and organizations, and celebrate local success stories from across Louisville and beyond." It is organized by the Center for Neighborhoods, which is a non-profit civic organization whose mission is "Engaging with neighbors to build great neighborhoods". In short, young Skywalkers, if making a difference you want to try, attending the Summit you should do.

We will be sending out more information as the planning progresses. In the meantime, contact our editor at editortpnl@gmail.com to let us know of your interest, and we will help you get involved.

The quotations in the paragraph describing the Summit and the Center for Neighborhoods are © Center for Neighborhoods:

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2019 METROPOLITAN HOUSING COALITION (MHC) ANNUAL MEETING DINNER!

2019 is the 30th Anniversary of MHC's founding in 1989 and TPNA is again sponsoring a table at the event (thanks to financial support of Janet Dakan) which will occur on **Thursday, May 30th, from 5:15pm – 7:15pm at The Olmsted** located at 3701 Frankfort Avenue. The attendees at the TPNA table include: Ken Baker, Ray Brundige, Clark Cox, Janet Dakan, Denis Hommrich, Layla George (CEO & President Olmsted Parks Conservancy), Beth Long, and Kristen Millwood.

The keynote speaker is Andrea Levere, president of Prosperity Now and chair of the Community Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve System. She will be talking about building wealth for residents in predominantly black communities and MHC's 22,000 Equities Campaign focused on creating housing opportunities for black households, as 36% of black households are homeowners compared to 70% of white households.

Janet Daken

HIGHLANDS-SHELBY PARK LIBRARY JUNE 2019 PROGRAMS

ADULTS

Fiction Book Group

Wednesday, June 5, 6:30 PM

Nonfiction Book Club

Tuesday, June 4, 10:30 AM

Friends of the Library Meetings

Monday, June 10, 6:30 PM

Knitting Bee Saturday, June 15, 10:30 AM

How to Make Your Own Lotion

Saturday, June 15, 11 AM

Adult Coloring & Crafts

Saturday, June 29, 11:30 AM

CHILDREN

Stamp Design Workshop with The Little

Loomhouse Thursday, June 6, 4 PM

Monster Moves with Maria Whitley

Wednesday, June 12, 2:30 PM Ages 6-12

Evan & Vanessa Bilingual Concert

Wednesday, June 19, 2 PM

Kentucky Animals with Second Chances

Wildlife Wednesday, June 26, 2:30 PM

TEENS

Homeschool Social Club

Thursdays at 3 PM Ages 12-17

Knitting Bee Fridays at 3 PM

Minecraft Horse Racing Saturday, June 29, 11

AM Limit 10; register: 574-1672 Ages 11+

Membership Report

The Membership Report covers April 2019 thru May 2019. For April, \$980 was deposited to the Operating Account and in May, it was \$578 for a total: \$1,558. According to the Spring 2019 Newsletter, the deposits for the Winter and Spring Quarters totaled: \$2,320 with the costs of the Fall (\$696.38) and Annual Meeting (\$753.37) Newsletters totaled: \$1,449.75 leaving \$870.25 to be added for a new grand total: \$2,378.25. The Atlas Business Forms charged us \$751.03 for the Spring Newsletter leaving us with \$1,627.22 in the Operating Account for the Membership Dues and Contributions. \$33.54 was spent for postage for postcards by the Secretary leaving \$1,593.68 in the Operating Account.

3 new members joined: Rachel L. Owsley, Michael Puckett, and Martha Bickford with three members leaving resulting with TPNA have 365 members, 24 of which are business members.

60 renewing individual / family members were: Ed & Nancy Seitz Jr., Jack & Shelley Meredith, Sandy & David Bennett, Brian Caudill, Elizabeth & Kevin Fennell, William & Mary Stark, Therese & Keller Riede, Sara H. Rose, Jon David & Katie Krebs, Darcy Cleaver & Lauren Powell, Mary Pat & Scott Nimon, Nancy Trabue, Jennifer Nelson White, David & Mary Beth Zickel, John & Janet Allison, Natalie & Jason Snyder, Theresa & David Hinton, Jeanette & Andy Westbrook, Margie & Larry Mudd, Mary Jane Aboud & Jimmy Brown, Anita P. Chambers, Bob & Cindy Foshee, Martha & Charles Corrigan, Judd & Patricia Gibbs, Cindy & Alan Plappert, Rodger & Christine Payne, Nancy Boone Wimsett, Venus B. Tanamachi, Gene & Jane Hewitt, Ralph & Cecilia Mills, Michael Hanks & Larry Miller, Robert & Karen Zriny, Sarah Jane Schaaf, Serena & Michael Hirn, Marcelle Gianelloni & C.J. Pressma, Eleanor Short & Robert McAllister, Brandon Coan & Summer Auerbach, Nancy M. Theriot, Megan & Brian Hulsman, Kathy & Joseph Kremer, Will Nefzger, Kristin & Andrew Simon, Sarah Helvey-Martin & Todd Martin, Gary & Trudy Fischer, Jerry Kauper, Rose Mary & Lawrence Toebbe, Eric & Debbie Wright, Herbert M. Zimmerman, Jason Cooper & Jennifer Gebhart, Beth Long & David Deamer, Ruth M. Bennett, Laura Serke, Stephanie & John Callen, Norbert & Barbara Olges Jr., Brad & Portia Rodu, Katie & Drew Case, Ron & Bonnie Lane, Karen W. Phillips, Paul & Denise Stine, Marcia & Bernis Woodward.

In every issue, TPNA will highlight our 24 business members in hopes our members will continue to support them: **Barret Liquors – Manoj Uppal, owner, Highlands Tap Room Grill (renewed), Dragon Kings Daughter (renewed), Highland Coffee Company – Natalie Hofer, Arts & Craft Dental – Allan Linehan & Bridget Young, Keith's Hardware (Pamela Young – renewed), VCA Fairleigh Animal Hospital – Todd Kuvin, The Back Door**

(John Dant), Gabor S. Vargo DMD, PSC Highland Family Dentistry, The Jewel Box (Lester Miller), Kizito, Inc. – Elizabeth & Todd Bartlett, Highland Morning (Bruce & Susan Coe – renewed), Edenside Gallery (Nancy Peterson), Louisville Federation of Musicians, Eyedia Design it Again, Sandy Metts / Mid-City Mall, Rick Hill – Hill Brooke DesignScapes, St. James Catholic Church, Patient Advocacy of Louisville, Michael Breitenstein, realtor with Eline Reality, The Benefits Firm, BC Plumbing (renewed), Heine Brothers' Coffee, Inc. – Chuck Slaughter, and Charles Williams Designs.

TPNA wants to thank Highland Coffee Company – Natalie Hofer for putting up the dog waste bag dispensers in Tyler Park. Dog owners please make use of them to keep our park clean.

\$385 was contributed above the cost of the renewal dues notably by Brian Caudill (\$100), Meaghan Thomas (\$50), Nancy M. Theriot (\$50), Rose Mary Toebbe (\$50). Therese & Keller Riede, Mary Beth & David Zickel, Natalie & Jason Snyder, Theresa & David Hinton, Cindy & Alan Plappert, Ralph & Cecilia Mills, and Stephanie & John Callen making smaller contributions. New member Michael Puckett gave \$15 to The Tyler Park Fund with Valu Market contributing \$113.80.

--Janet Dakan, TPNA Board Member & Secretary

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We hope all the new people signing up for the TPNA's contact list will become a member of TPNA by paying membership dues.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend:

**Tyler Park Jazz Festival
September 22., 2:30 to 6 p,m**

**Olmsted Parks
Bike-In Movie
October 19**

**TPNA Meetings
4th Thursdays 7-9pm
No meetings in November or December
Highlands/Shelby Park Library**



Join Your Neighborhood Association

Memberships

Individual and Family dues — \$15 per year or \$30 for 2 years

Business dues — \$25 per year or \$50 for 2 years

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If the information on your label is wrong, please print the correct information on this form & mail it back to the address listed above so that I can correct your information for the next newsletter. Thanks for your support and help.

--Janet Dakan, Membership Committee Chair (502) 727-6856

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