

TYLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Summer 1986



THE ANNUAL TYLER PARK OLD TIME SUMMER PICNIC IS COMING! JUNE 22!

Plans are almost complete for the annual Tyler Park Old Time Summer Picnic at 4:00 PM on Sunday, June 22 (rain date June 29). Thanks to the cooperation and generosity of many local merchants and organizations, we will have lots of great food (the barbecued chicken dinner is still about the best deal in town), pony rides, tethered

balloon rides, fire trucks, live music (bagpipers, John Gage, and Herbie Hale and the Derby City Dixie Dudes), entertainment for kids (Chuck E. Cheese, Mickey Mouse, and Garfield), free balloons, snow cones, a fish pond, and other excitement, making this one of the best events staged by any neighborhood in the city.

New Food Items. New this year are: (1) an express food line for hot dogs/brats and chips; and (2) ice cream cones from The Latest Scoop. Look for them on the lower side of the park.

Volunteer Picnic Workers. Although dozens of volunteers are already involved, we can always use more help -- especially with clean-up. Please call Ellen or Kelly McKnight at 451-0871 to volunteer. It's not too late. **Important:** volunteers should report to the information booth when they come to the park. There, they will get name tags, confirm serving assignments, and sign up for the volunteer appreciation party to be held in July.

Improved Raffle. The raffle has been really beefed up this year. Forty valuable prizes (twice as many as in last year's raffle), donated by area merchants and residents, will be raffled hourly at the picnic. See the list of prizes elsewhere in this newsletter. A limited number will be sold for only \$1 (six for \$5), so your odds of winning are way better than in your average raffle. Chances will be sold at the picnic, but they are also available in advance from any TPNA board member or officer (see your 1986 Directory). You need not be present to win.

Other Booths at Picnic. In addition to food and fun booths, there will be (1) an information booth where you can see the plans for the renovation of the Tot Lot and the lower park playground (see related story below); (2) a booth staffed by the Louisville/Jefferson County Board of Health department, where you can get a free blood pressure test and information on free or low cost medical services; and (3) a TPNA booth where you can become a TPNA member, pay your 1986 dues if you are already a member, or pick up one of our spiffy TPNA T-shirts, mugs, plaques, or bumper stickers.

If you are in town on the day of the picnic, there is no excuse not to go.



OPERATION BRIGHTSIDE REPLACES CITY JUNK AND TRASH PICKUP WEEK

The last newsletter announced that April 14-18 would be City Junk and Trash Pickup Week. Much to our chagrin, Mayor Abramson announced Operation Brightside, which will replace City Junk and Trash Pickup Week, a few days after the newsletter was delivered. Because the Mayor is such a good sport, however (any maybe because he used to be a Tyler Park resident), he mailed brochures on Operation Brightside to everyone on our mailing list, explaining the change. We apologize to anyone who relied on our information and put their junk out in April.

The first phase of Operation Brightside, Project Blitz, took place on Saturday, May 31, with the help of about 150 Tyler Park residents. Its goal was to eliminate major eyesores and accumulated junk from streets, alleys, and vacant lots. Thanks to everyone who turned up to help.

Regular monthly pickups of large items which used to be picked up during City Junk and Trash Pickup Week will begin in August -- as part of Project Pickup -- and you can leave up to three items of junk in the alley rather than putting it in front of your residence. If you have questions about Operation Brightside, call a "Neighborhood Coordinator" in the City's Neighborhood Programs Office at 587-3380.

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PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENTS

Thanks to diligent efforts and countless phone calls by Joan Dubay, the Tot Lot (on the upper side of the park) is scheduled to be renovated by mid-July -- even earlier than we had hoped.

Four major improvements are planned: (1) a new swing set with two tot swings and two animal swings; (2) a metal tunnel to connect the two wooden structures that used to have a bridge between them, an 8' hooded slide to replace the fireman's pole, modifications in the steps to make them safer for toddlers, and wooden walls surrounding open platforms; (3) a bench inside the Tot Lot (moved from outside it); and (4) an 8" play base of sand and mulch (as in Willow Park -- no more mud and dust).

Plans for the lower park include replacement swings, and the addition of modular equipment including a ring bridge, a roller, slide, and a spiral slide. Although TPNA will be getting significant financial help from the city to make all these plans come about, there are two things you can do: (1) support the picnic and raffle, our major fund raiser for the year; and (2) help preserve the new equipment by keeping youths and adults off of it -- an eight-year-old can damage a tot swing, and the Tot Lot in particular has suffered serious damage from teenagers playing on it.

Once again, many thanks to Joan for getting this project off the ground. Joan will be at the information booth at the picnic to show you details of the planned improvements.

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**IT'S 11 PM. DO YOU KNOW WHERE
YOUR DOG IS? DOGNAPPERS ARE
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The Louisville Police Department reports that there has been a rash of dog thefts in the Highlands, including Tyler Park. Apparently, dognappers are taking dogs from yards and using them for breeding. Many of the dogs taken have been terriers, especially cairn terriers. So watch your dogs carefully, and don't hesitate to report suspicious activity to the police. Both the 1st District and 5th District police would be happy to help you better secure your home or yard against pooch snatchers.

**POLICE ENCOURAGE BLOCK WATCH
GROUPS TO FORM**

On a related front, the First and Fifth District police encourage blocks in the Tyler Park Neighborhood to form "Block Watch" groups. One was formed on Tyler Parkway in 1984, and it has helped the neighbors in that area get to know each other better and to feel more secure in their homes. For details on how to start your own Block Watch, contact the First District (if you live east of Baxter Ave.) at 581-3536 or Fifth District (west of Baxter Ave.) at 581-2510.



**SUMMERSCENE TO PERFORM IN PARK
FOUR TIMES THIS SUMMER**

A variety of acts from the Mayor's Summerscene "Shows-to-Go" will be performing in Tyler Park this summer. These acts will especially appeal to children (and to parents of children with "nothing to do" this summer):



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June 19, 1:00 Razz the Clown
July 2, 3:00 Theater Show-to-Go
July 31, 1:00 Hamilton the Magician

Mark your calendars now so you don't forget. Thanks to Joan Dubay, co-chair of the Park Committee, for her alert action that got these acts booked.

EGG HUNT A HOPPING SUCCESS

Thanks to the able coordinating efforts of Pat Nett and the thorough publicity job by Bob and Tracie Saelinger, the annual Easter Egg Hunt was exceptionally well attended. Hundreds of excited kids and not-quite-as-excited grownups were on hand for a hunt that barely stayed under control. Next year, participation may be limited to kids with an obvious connection to the neighborhood, as many local kids were unable to find eggs while some got lots of them. Special thanks to Kevin Lynch, the Mystery Easter Bunny, for passing out chocolate eggs to the kids who came up empty handed in the hunt.

HANDICAPPED PARKING PLACE IN LOWER PARK

A parking place making Tyler Park accessible to the handicapped has been added in the lower park. This should make the lower park much more accessible to persons confined to wheelchairs. Please note that there is a **very heavy fine for parking in this spot without a special license plate.**

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR NEW AND EXISTING MEMBERS OF TPNA

Board members Nicholas Ungaro and Connie Story have been busy lining up block captains to help with TPNA's 1986 membership drive. You can save them all a lot of work by joining TPNA or renewing your membership before a block captain comes to your door. Although the picnic continues to be TPNA's major fund-raiser, dues from neighborhood residents are a critical source of funds to accomplish our goals. To become a member or to renew your existing membership, simply fill

out the form below and mail it with a check (\$5 per household, \$10 for a business) to TPNA, Box 4452, Louisville, KY 40204. (There will also be a membership booth at the picnic.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Comment: _____

New Member _____ Renewal _____

TYLER PARK TO PARTICIPATE IN "RIVERFRONT REUNION"

On July 18-20, the Louisville Riverfront Reunion will take place downtown on and near the Belvidere, consolidating the Musicfest and Celebration of Neighborhood events which took place separately last year in an effort to get better exposure for neighborhood booths and activities. Members of the TPNA board of directors will staff an informational booth for one day of Musicfest, and will offer TPNA mugs, T-shirts, and plaques for sale. This will give TPNA a chance to get some good PR and to have board members see what other neighborhoods are up to.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISERS

As you can see, a number of new advertisers have placed ads in this edition of the newsletter. We are pleased to provide this means of letting merchants in or near Tyler Park Neighborhood contact its residents. We encourage you to patronize neighborhood businesses.

Potential advertisers: putting an ad in this newsletter is cheap -- only \$10 per issue for a business card size ad. And you reach about 1400 families within walking distance of your business. To place an ad, call Garrison or Susan Cox at 451-7184 (or Garrison at work, 582-1601).

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CHANCES ARE \$1 EACH OR SIX FOR \$5.
THEY WILL BE ON SALE AT THE PICNIC, OR YOU CAN
BUY THEM IN ADVANCE FROM ANY TPNA DIRECTOR.

TEN PRIZES PER HOUR WILL BE RAFFLED OFF
AT THE PICNIC ON JUNE 22.
YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.

PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD IMPROVEMENTS
IN THE TOT LOT AND PLAYGROUND.

WATER THOSE TREES!

Some of the new trees planted in the last year by the City and TPNA are not blooming because of the serious drought conditions we had this Spring. If you have one of these new trees in your yard or close to your home, please water it weekly. They may yet live, but only if they get enough water.

As the next step in the master plan to landscape Tyler Park, the Board is considering adding dogwoods to the park next Fall. Because funds for that project have been depleted, a Board committee has proposed an "adopt a tree" program, which will allow Tyler Park residents to have a dogwood planted in the park in their name for the wholesale cost of the tree (\$10 - \$25). Watch the Fall newsletter for details.

UPTOWN THEATRE REFURBISHED AND REOPENED

Phillip Schultheis, the new owner of the Uptown Theatre at 1504 Bardstown Road, has big plans for restoring the Uptown to its former glory after years of benign neglect had left the theater too run down to attract and keep audiences. The theater was shut down for a short time in late May for painting and major remodeling. Further renovation is planned, including a new sound system, a new roof, and new seats. In the mean time, patronage of the renewed Uptown by Tyler Park residents can help keep it a neighborhood movie theater. So, one of these hot summer nights, try the Uptown again.

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