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The COMMUNICATOR

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District 8 Councilperson Primary Candidate Debate to be Held this Spring

Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association is pleased to be partnering with the other 12 neighborhood associations and cities in Louisville Metro District 8 to organize and host a candidate debate for the upcoming primary election.

The 13 Highlands neighborhoods participating in the primary candidate debate include Belknap Neighborhood Association, Bonnycastle Homestead Association, Cherokee Triangle Neighborhood Association, Deer Park Neighborhood Association, Highlands-Douglass Neighborhood Association, Original Highlands Neighborhood Association, Tyler Park Neighborhood Association, Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association, City of Kingsley, City of Seneca Gardens, City of Strathmoor Manor, City of Strathmoor Village and the Highlands Commerce Guild.

As this new council member will be the first one elected for this area in 26 years, he or she will have an impact on all of us. Tom Owen was elected as one of the original members of the Louisville Metro Council in 2002, and previously, served on the Louisville Board of Aldermen from 1990-1998.

Details for the debate are still being finalized. January 26 (last Tuesday in January), at 4 p.m. is the candidate filing deadline to file nomination papers for the May primary. The last day to register to vote in the primary is on April 18, and the May primary is Tuesday, May 17.

Voter Information

For more information, visit:

The Kentucky Secretary of State's website:

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The Jefferson County Clerks' office site:
http://elections.jeffersoncountyclerk.org/pdfs/Finaling_Deadlines.pdf

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To find out where you are to vote, visit:
http://ags2.lojic.org/WhereDoIVote/ ⚜

Louisville Leopards Coming this fall to our neighborhood!

UHNA is excited to sponsor a concert this fall featuring the Louisville Leopard Percussionists (LLP) in our neighborhood. Are you familiar with the Leopards? The Louisville Leopards' video has been viewed millions of time, since last year, when guitarist Jimmy Page, of the world-renown rock band Led Zeppelin, posted the Leopards' YouTube video of Kasmir, The Ocean and Immigrant Song, to his Facebook page stating, "Too good not to share."

Since 1993, the Louisville Leopard Percussionists have accepted over 480 kids, ages 7-14 into their program. Louisville Magazine lists the LLP as number 8 of 50 things everyone in Louisville should experience to be a true Louisvillian! To find out more about this truly amazing group of average kids doing extraordinary things in music, visit **LouisvilleLeopardPercussionists.com**.

This concert will be the center of an evening with other planned neighborhood information, with the date and other details to be announced this summer in the The Communicator. Questions? Contact Mike Kolb at **mikekolbcmk@gmail.com** for more information. ⚜

2016 UHNA Neighborhood Meetings

Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association meetings are held every third Wednesday of alternating months from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. *(note time change)* at the Sullivan University, College of Pharmacy, 2100 Gardiner Lane (between Bardstown Road and Eleanor Avenue). 2016's schedule:

January 20	**July 20**
March 16	**September 21**
May 18	**November 16**

Upper Highlands neighborhood residents are encouraged to attend and participate. Present at all of our meetings are District Eight Metro Councilman Tom Owen and Louisville Metro Police Officer Kevin Mumphrey.⚜

Welcome to Our Newest Members

Jessica Moore and Evan Spalding at Winston Avenue

President's Message

Building on 2015's Successes

UHNA welcomes 2016 with a new neighborhood newsletter. In our previous edition, you read that Paul Schumann has retired from producing and editing the quarterly UHNA newsletter, *The Communicator*. Paul, and his wife Ellen, were so very gracious and generous in voluntarily putting our newsletter together and ensuring its timely delivery for 16 years. (That's 64 continually fresh and informative newsletters!) Paul even continued on with the newsletter after Ellen's passing in 2010. I want to extend a huge thank you from the neighborhood to Paul and Ellen for their commitment all these years to help make the Upper Highlands neighborhood a great place to live. I also want to give a big thank you to all of the current volunteers who hand deliver the newsletters each quarter to your door. They are invaluable to our organization and greatly appreciated!

Starting with this issue, you will see a few changes to *The Communicator*. The board is working with a new editor to build on Paul's work to continue getting the neighborhood news out to all of you. Please send ideas, information or articles to **uhna05@hotmail.com**.

This past June, I hope you were one of the hundreds who enjoyed our annual community event, The Festival in the Upper Highlands. The festival has been held on the Atherton High School grounds for the past 11 years. Last year's addition of several food trucks was a big hit. We were also grateful to receive some funding from Metro Councilman Tom Owen. Each year a very small number of dedicated board members make it happen, and, although they make it seem effortless, it is not! The planning for next year's event begins the day after the festival is over. We appreciate all of our volunteers' hard work and also welcome your input and future participation.

UHNA's other big event in 2015 was our biennial neighborhood-wide yard sale held in July. Over 75 households participated – more than any other neighborhood in the Highlands, and we are always complimented on the very handy yard sale site map that Paul Schumann provides.

In 2016, our reforestation program to plant more trees where needed in our neighborhood will begin. Some talented volunteers are already helping with this project, but we are looking for even more! It is vital that all of our neighbors take an interest and understand the importance of this project in order for it to be a success.

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One of the current goals of your neighborhood association is to add much-needed trees to the existing tree canopy. We are losing more of our large trees every year to age and weather; and, currently there is no plan in place, as a community, to reforest the area. This is an urgent problem that needs our continued attention. We commend and appreciate those neighbors who have replaced trees on their own property, as they have been lost.

The UHNA plan includes building on the outstanding efforts of Chris Catt and Mike Hayman, who, independently, have managed the planting of approximately 160 trees in our neighborhood since 2012. Their efforts resulted in trees being planted on Tartan Way, Fordyce Lane, Fraser Drive, Lamont Road, Dundee Road, Winston Avenue and Emerson Avenue. With the help of Atherton High School's principal, they also spearheaded a significant number of trees being planted on the school property.

A large number of trees were planted by volunteers, including Boy Scouts from St. Raphael, Atherton students and teachers, Bellarmine professors and students, generous neighbors, as well as arborist and former tree commission member, Mike Hayman of Whitehall. Councilman Tom Owen also generously helped with the cost of 11 trees. Chris Catt and Mike Hayman have been a major catalyst in our neighborhood to make this important project a success,

contributing not only their own time but also many of their own dollars. We commend them and thank them for all their hard work!

To continue these efforts, your UHNA board is forming a Tree Committee to continue to plant trees where needed, in order to restore, enhance, and beautify our neighborhood. If you would be interested in being a part of this committee, or would like to volunteer to help in some way, please attend the next UHNA board meeting on March 16, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Sullivan University, College of Pharmacy, 2100 Gardiner Lane. Or, contact Lois Minter at **loisminter@outlook.com**, or at **458-7680** to be added to the UHNA Tree Committee interest list. We hope to have trees planted in the early spring and the fall of 2016. We need people that are passionate about rebuilding our tree canopy! ⚜

– Ed Fallon

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New UHNA Neighborhood Liaison Created

UHNA has created a new position, Neighborhood Liaison, to help facilitate neighborhood issues and concerns. While most should be solved by calling Metro Call (**311** or **574-5000**), the UHNA Neighborhood Liaison can intercede when answers and results are not being resolved in a timely manner. Please email: **UHNA05@hotmail.com** and provide details regarding your issue or concern, including what city agency has already been contacted, along with any responses. ⚜

UHNA Safety and Security Report

Recent area crimes and suspicious activity have generated a number of concerns and questions. While UHNA works closely with District 8 Metro Councilman Tom Owen and Louisville Metro Police Officer Kevin Mumphrey, both offices are asking residents to always call the Louisville Metro Police Fifth Division at **574-7636** to report any unusual going-ons.

There have been concerns that minors"selling" items door to door may be being exploited by criminals. Councilman Owen's office has asked that you ask these young people for identification, which they are supposed to have on them with a phone number. Call police at **574-7111** with their information, along with a description and direction of travel. This can also sometimes be a scheme to see if anyone is home and if not, a home invasion (burglary) can follow. ⚜

Junk Pick-Up for District 8

Feb. 5, 2016 to Feb. 7, 2016

May 20, 2016 to May 22, 2016

Ready to clean out your unwanted junk but not sure what to do with it? The city has two free junk pick-ups this February and May. All you need to do is set out your items near your normal trash collection point. Below are some guidelines from the city regarding junk pick-up.

- Set out items before 6 a.m. on Monday of your collection week but no earlier than 4 p.m. on the Friday before.
- Small items must be bundled or put in plastic bags. Do not use garbage cans or cardboard boxes.
- Tree branches and brush no greater than four inches in diameter must be cut in four foot lengths and separated.
- Doors must be removed from large appliances such as refrigerators and freezers.
- **Items not allowed** include computer equipment, dirt, gravel, concrete, construction debris; auto parts or hazardous materials such as motor oil, batteries, paint, gasoline and antifreeze; pool chemicals or lawn chemicals.
- Electronics and batteries can be recycled at Louisville Waste Reduction Center, 636 Meriwether Avenue from Tuesday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Questions? Call **Metro Call** at **574-5000** or **311**, and **Public Works** at **574-5810**. For more information, please visit **LouisvilleKy.gov/government/public-works/services/junk-and-bulk-trash-disposal**. ⚜

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President's Message

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Please become a member or renew your membership in UHNA. Dues are just $7 per year and allow us to continue this work. Here's to an even better 2016!

– Ed Fallon, President

UPPER HIGHLANDS 12th Annual NEIGHBORHOOD FESTIVAL SATURDAY JUNE 11 *

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Plans Underway for12th Annual Festival in the Upper Highlands

Sponsored by the Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association

Tentative date Saturday, June 11 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., rain or shine at Atherton High School, 3000 Dundee Road

UHNA is pleased to sponsor the 12th Annual Upper Highlands Festival, featuring local area vendors and community service organizations, live music, children's activities and food trucks. Neighborhood residents can get food vouchers for free food available at the festival's various food vendors.

Also being planned for 2016 are a petting zoo, free document shredding, prescription drug disposal, the Red Cross Bloodmobile, prizes and giveaways and area speakers. Look for more details in the April newsletter. Interested in being a vendor or volunteering? Contact Ed Fallon at **fallonky@yahoo.com**, **502-386-0287** or **UHFestival@outlook.com.**

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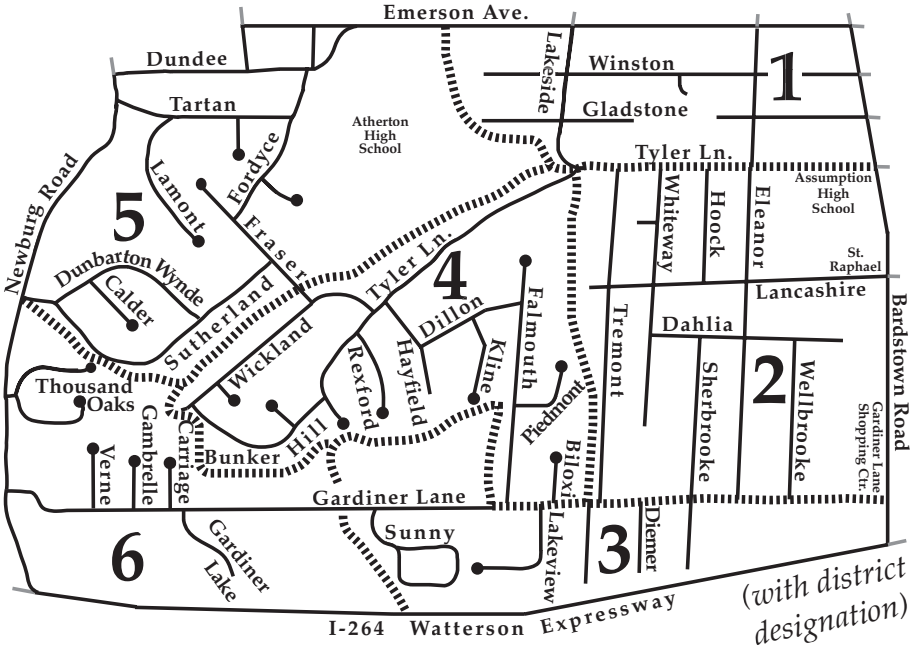

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Transit Authority of River City (TARC)
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February 2016

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