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Beechmont Neighborhood Association

P.O. Box 14332 Louisville, KY 40214

President's Message ... Thanks to You

As our November elections quickly approach, I can't help but think about our own Beechmont Neighborhood Association elections. They will be held on November 20th, at 6:30 pm at the Ashland Avenue firehouse. I invite members of the association who want to run for a board position to please call me at 368-3179 or email me at R_STARCK@MSN.COM. We will be electing our next year's board of directors who will continue the work of the association for the neighborhood.

This is our general meeting and all members are invited to vote for the board members. The firemen will be serving chili and hotdogs and we will have desserts as well.

I'd also like to thank the current board for all their hard work this year.

There have been many hours of volunteer service spent by your present board and association members to care for the neighborhood. I'd like to thank all those who helped this year with the events and activities of the association: the Mini-Marathon Breakfast, Flower Festival, Finish Line Festival, Farmer's Market, Farmer's Market Harvest Festival, Neighborhood Cleanup, Keep Beechmont Beautiful Campaign, gazebo repair, gazebo landscape maintenance, graffiti removal, etc. I would like to thank all those who called Metrocall at 311 this year in service of the neighborhood. Each of us taking a little bit of our time to give back to the neighborhood is what keeps us strong and continues to make Beechmont a great place to live.

As a neighborhood we have a lot

to be thankful for, just recently, we received a new Engine # 10 fire truck and we are scheduled to have a new firehouse built. This is great, since a little over a year ago we had the "Save Our Truck" petition campaign to keep the city from reducing our firehouse to a single fire truck (Quint).

As your president this year, I hope that I have served you well. It definitely has been a steep learning curve for me. It has also been a joy to speak with many of you and listen to your love and care for the neighborhood.

As the weather turns cool, I am reminded of our final neighborhood event of the year: "Christmas on the Corner" at the gazebo, December 1st at 6:30 pm. Mark your calendar because it will be here before you know it.

~ Bob Starck BNA President



BNA Board Elections and General Meeting - November 20th

Please plan to attend our general meeting on November 20th at 6:30 PM, at the firehouse at 5th and Ashland. Our firefighters are cooking up a batch of chili and hotdogs and we will have soft drinks and desserts. All members of the neighborhood association may vote and can run for positions on the board. If you would like to vote for a board member or if you would like to serve as a board member, this is your chance. We expect to have a few board openings and we really need your help to keep our neighborhood association strong and energetic. This is a free event and it's also a good chance to see our new fire truck and the latest improvements at the station.

~ Gary Guss

Beechmont's New Fire Engine



Beechmont gets a new fire engine and more new fire equipment and a new firehouse are on the way. Engine Company 10 got a brand new state of the art fire engine and the firehouse celebrated by having an open house on October 1st. The mayor and the firefighters pushed the new engine into the firehouse in the time honored tradition of firefighters across the nation. Another new truck is expected next year to replace the present ladder truck. The old trucks will be stored and used at backups for the department as needed. There are also plans to build a new station which will be in the neighborhood, but the location is still being planned, as is the timing of the new station.

~ Gary Guss

Christmas on the Corner



Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus, right down Southern Parkway! He's riding on a big red fire truck, instead of his usual sleigh. Coming to greet all of Beechmonts children waiting at the Gazebo. Ho! Ho! Ho!

Please join us on Friday, December 1, at 7:00 as we await Santa's annual arrival at the Gazebo. He'll lead us in song as we walk to the library singing carols. Once there, we'll find plenty of cookies and hot chocolate to enjoy while the children share their Christmas wishes with Santa.

We will also be having our annual cookie contest. If you'd like to participate, please make sure you have your name and/or address and phone number on your entry. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Please have your cookies to the library by 6:30 if you would like to participate in the cookie contest. Of course, you can also donate cookies even if you don't want to participate in the contest!

Thanks for your support and we hope to see you at the Gazebo!

~ Lara Hurt



Holiday House Tour



The Beechmont Woman's Club is pleased to present its annual Christmas House Tour, on Saturday December 2nd from 10AM - 4PM. The Club will serve a delicious luncheon and have a Christmas Bazaar and Bake sale in addition to the tour

Get ready for the Christmas Spirit, and enjoy these five houses decorated for the Holidays. There is something for all, whether you prefer royal splendor or a more whimsical touch.

Tickets are available at Coldwell Banker Realty at 5115 S. 3rd street, the Clubhouse at 4516 S. 6th Street, or by contacting Dottie Buck at 363-4884. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Mattingly Center Inc. which provides for continuing education for people with severe disabilities.

Don't "Leaf" Them Alone !

Please, remember to pickup your leaves, Metro ordinance says each homeowner is responsible for leaf pickup and that the leaves are to be bagged and collected with the regular yard refuse collection. Don't sweep or blow them into the street because they will clog the catch basins and cause flooding. If you can, this would be a good time to help out some of your older neighbors with their leaves.

Keep Beechmont Beautiful ...



Want to feel a sense of pride and accomplishment, instill community pride and get exercise all at the same time? How? By joining the Keep Beechmont Beautiful, Adopt a Block program and picking up litter on your block at least once a week.

Several people have already signed up for their block at the Farmer's Market or by email. Brightside has given us bags, gloves, and T-shirts (we have size Large at this time with more to come later).

To sign up for your block and to request trash bags and gloves and get a Brightside T-shirt, email us at cleaupbeechmont@gmail.com or call Linda Guss at 368-0261.

Let's all help to keep our Beechmont clean and beautiful.

~ Linda Guss





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Adult Programs

Dance Diversity

Ireland- Wednesday, November 1, 6:30 p.m.

Appalachia - Wednesday, November 15, 6:30 p.m.

Learn about the role dance plays in world cultures, with demonstrations and audience participation.

The Louisville Scottish Country Dance Society

Thursday, November 2, 6:30 p.m.

Come see some of the social and Ceilidh dances of Scotland and try a few steps with Joyce Deddens.

The "Monday Night Band"

Saturday, November 4, 1 p.m.

Join Marvin and the gang as they play old timely and traditional Celtic music to accompany Contra dancing.

Relic

Tuesday, November 7, 7 p.m.

Berk Bryant joins the bluegrass band Relic for an evening of foot-stompin' entertainment."

Small Business Savvy -

Cultural Awareness

Wednesday, November 8, 5:30 p.m.

Claudia Peralta-Mudd of the Metro Louisville Office for International Affairs discusses cultural awareness and diversity found among business owners, vendors, employees, and customers.

Crescent Moon Dancers

Thursday, November 9, 7 p.m.

A performance of Central Asian dance.

Celebrate Rwanda

Saturday, November 11, 1-3 p.m.

Folkloric dancing, music, crafts and food.

Cultural Showcase:

Native Americans

Saturday, November 18, 1 p.m.

Native American dance presented by Ed "Buffalohawk" Garner and Marty "Soaring Eagle" Martin.

African American Genealogy

Wednesday, November 29, 6:30 p.m.

Debbie Campisano, of the Louisville Genealogical Society, will present a program on African-American ancestry.

Strumming Softly

Tuesday, December 5, 6:30 p.m.

Shirl Henson, teacher at First Quality Music Academy, will be here to give you a free lesson introducing how to play the guitar.

World Force Reggae

Saturday, December 2nd 1p.m

Hear the history with Ibuka and Basil and sample a diverse range of recorded reggae music.

Ice Candles

Wednesday, December 6, 6:30 p.m.

Create this unusual candle from hot wax and ice; no two are the same!

Call the branch to register.

Cultural Showcase: Nicaragua.

Saturday, December 16th, 1p.m

Celebrate the culture and listen to the music of Marlon Obando Solano.

English Conversation Club

Every Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Each session will have a theme with supplemental tutoring material provided.

No long-term commitment required.

Young Adult Program

Anime in the Afternoon

Thursday, November 9, 4 p.m.

Thursday, December 14, 4 p.m.

Film and munchies provided.

Ages 13-18.

Children's Programs

Dance party with Terpsichore!

Thursday November 16, 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy the dance troupe Terpsichore demonstrating dances from all over the world!

Hawaiian craft and dancing

Friday, November 17, 4 p.m.

Make a hula skirt and a lei, then do some hula dancing.

Ages 6-12; sign up required.

Gingerbread Houses

Thursday, December 21, 2:00 p.m.

Come make this crafty treat - fun to make and better to eat! Ages 6 and up, sign-up required.

Holiday cards

Monday, December 4th, 3:30pm

Make holiday cards to give to family and friends! All ages.

Family fun program

Saturday, December 16th, 10:30 am

Come celebrate the season with stories and a craft.

Game days!

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday December 18th, 19th and 20th at 2:00

Come to the library and play with games and puzzles! Get your books to read during your holiday break!

Computer Classes

Computer Basics

Thursday, November 2, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, December 4, 10:30 a.m.

Windows Basics

Monday, November 6, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, December 12, 10:30 a.m.

Internet Basics

Wednesday, November 8, 2 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Thursday, November 9, 2 p.m.

Thursday, December 14, 10:30 a.m.

Special Classes

Email-Yahoo

Tuesday November 21, 10:30 a.m.

Foreign Language

Computer Classes

Computación Básica

El sábado, el 4 de noviembre, 11 de la mañana

El sábado, el 2 de diciembre, 11 de la mañana

Esta clase está diseñada para estudiantes que tienen muy poco o ningún conocimiento de computación.

Computación de nivel medio

El sábado, el 18 de noviembre, 11 de la mañana

El sábado, el 16 de diciembre, 11 de la mañana

Esta clase provee a los estudiantes con conocimientos de nivel medio de Microsoft Excel y Microsoft Word.

Computers in Vietnamese

Saturday, November 25, 11:00 AM

Saturday, December 23, 11:00 AM

Book Discussion

The White by Deborah Larsen

Tuesday, November 14, 2 p.m.

Exhibit

Catholic Charities

November 1-30

Art in a variety of mediums.

Friends Meeting

Tuesday, November 21, 6 p.m.



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Feel free to contact us with questions or comments, as well as to find out how you can get involved.

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Beechmont Neighborhood Association Membership Application (please print clearly)

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Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

_____ Family Membership (\$7.50)

_____ Business Membership (\$25)

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☐ I would like to serve on a committee concerning:

☐ I would like to volunteer for events. Please contact me

☐ I would like to serve on the Board of Directors

I am interested in helping with:

☐ Beautification ☐ Publicity ☐ Events

☐ Public Affairs