President's Message - Join Us for a Better Beechmont

appy New Year to All! As we look to a new year, I'd like to welcome three new board members: Rich Galvin, Jeff Miller and Melissa Starck-Bean who have graciously stepped up to the plate in the service of the neighborhood. I'd also like to welcome back two recent additions to the board; Laura Speedie and Lynn Ball. We are happy to have them join with us in keeping Beechmont a great place to live. We look forward to the new and creative energy and ideas they will bring.

I would like to ask each member of the association to consider ways you can give back or serve the neighborhood. We have several fund-raisers, social, and community building events where we could use your help. We have landscaping and repair needs at the gazebo, if you are handy or like outside work. We routinely cover graffiti on the expressway sound barriers and around the neighborhood.

Think about joining a block watch or starting one. Maybe you could consider signing up for our "Keep Beechmont Beautiful" program which involves picking up litter in your block of the neighborhood. Call Linda Guss at 368-0261 to help.

We all have family and busy schedules. We're not asking for lots of time. If you could volunteer an hour or so a few times a year we'd greatly appreciate it! It makes the work of the keeping a great neighborhood easier and we all benefit. Let's make a new year resolution to keep Beechmont strong by being involved.

Please call me at 368-3179 or e-mail me at R_STARCK@MSN.COM if you can help.

~ President Bob Starck

Graffiti ... Not a Pretty Sight: Help Us Stop it.

s you can see, we have had an increase in the amount of Graffiti in our neighborhood and in the city, this is not a welcome sight and we all need to help put a stop to this. If you see any of this being done, please call the Police dispatch line at 574-7111 and report it.

We try to cover this up as soon as possible. If you would like to help us, let Bob Starck know at 368-3179 and he can give you a call the next time we go out to cover this up. Wear old clothes and help us roll over Graffiti.

If you see this in the neighborhood you can also report it to Metrocall at 311 and ask that they get it cleaned up. The more people that call, the quicker we can get action from the city. Let's all act to take our neighborhood back.

~Gary Guss





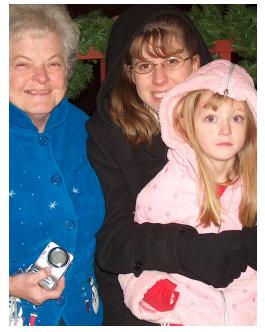




Christmas on the Corner ... Santa Comes to Town









BNA - Make Us Your New Year's Resolution

If you're reading this newsletter, chances are that you're already a member of the Beechmont Neighborhood Association. Good for you!

- You already know that being a member of BNA entitles you to receive six copies of The Bugler each year.
- You know that our board meets monthly—the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Beechmont Community Center—and that you are welcome to attend to voice a concern, ask a question, or just to get a better feel of what's going on in the neighborhood.
- You know that BNA is an active advocate for Beechmont, organizing litter collection campaigns, maintaining dialogue with the Louisville Metro Police Department, covering graffiti, and a broad range of other activities

- You know that BNA organizes events each year: the Mini Marathon Breakfast, the Festival of Flowers, the Finish Line Festival, and Christmas on the Corner.
- And you know that BNA brought you the Beechmont Open Air Market all summer.

We hope you know all of these things and that you are actively involved in many of them. We can use you as a volunteer at events or to help with beautification of the neighborhood. If you are already on our email distribution list, you know that we send updates on items of interest for Beechmont throughout the year. If you are not on our e-mail list and would like to be, e-mail Gary Guss at gussg@bellsouth.net, and we'll add your address to the database.

As we begin 2007 and think of what we'd like to accomplish in the new year, consider making a resolution to get more involved in the Beechmont Neighborhood Association. Whether it's spending a few hours at an event, attending a board meeting, or simply passing this newsletter on to another neighbor and inviting them to join, your involvement will make a difference. Happy New Year! Let's make 2007 BNA's strongest year yet!

~ Julie Brackett

Pass on The Bugler to a neighbor and ask them to join BNA!

It's an easy way to support your neighborhood!

Festival of Flowers - Need Planning Help!

The festival of flowers committee is seeking volunteers to be involved to plan this years festival. This is a large undertaking for BNA every year and every year we try to make it better and better. If you have an interest in gardening, please help by contacting Laura Hosbach, the committee chair. This group will meet monthly for the next few months and probably more as we get closer in time to the event. We need to line up sponsors, pick out plants and speakers and if possible plan a tour of Beechmont's gardens. If you have an interest please call Laura at 361-4952.

Beechmont Community Center - Fun for All

Beechmont Community Center 205 West Wellington Avenue Louisville, KY 40214 502/361-5484 Terry Wooden, Manager terry.wooden@louisvilleky.gov

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Tue, Thurs: 6-7p.m. \$20/month

Body Pump (aerobics) includes weight room

Tue, Thurs: 6-7 p.m. \$20/month

Women's Weight Training

Mon, Wed, Fri: 5:45-6:45p.m. \$10/month

Yoga includes weight room Tue, Thurs: 7-8p.m. \$20/month

Teen Weight Training

Mon, Wed, Fri: 3:30-5p.m. \$5/month

Speed Training

Mon, Wed: 7:30-8:30p.m. \$10/month

Scrabble Club

Mon, Wed: 7:30-8:30p.m. \$10/month

Senior Fitness Class

Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:15-10:30a.m. \$5/month

Hours

Mon - Thurs 9a.m. - 9p.m. Friday 9a.m. - 7p.m. Saturday 9a.m. - 2p.m.

Come visit the Beechmont Community Center, in the heart of a diverse neighborhood in South Louisville. Look for other new and exciting programs such as Book Club, Walking, and more. Bring your family and friends to share in the fun!





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Sit n' Stitch

Monday, January 8, 10:30 a.m. Novice and experienced welcome. Bring your knitting, quilting and needlework.

The Art of Aromatherapy

Wednesday, January 10, 6:30 p.m. Learn about the history and use of essential oils.

Martin Luther King Jr. and the Louisville Civil Rights Movement

Wednesday, January 17, 6:30 p.m.

The Civil War in Kentucky – An African-American View

Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m. Dr. Blaine Hudson, University of Louisville, explores the Civil War as seen by African- Americans in Kentucky.

Cultural Showcase: Korea

Saturday, January 20, 1 p.m. Celebrate the tastes and sounds of Korea with Hyunjoo Cline.

Cultural Showcase: India

Saturday, February 17, 1 p.m. Celebrate the dance and music of India.

Using Feng Shui to Enhance Your Life

Wednesday, February 21, 6:30 p.m.
Barbara Hancock, a Feng Shui practitioner, will show you how to maximize the positive and minimize the negative aspects of your life using this ancient Chinese/Asian science.

Africa Film Festival

Saturday, February 3, 10, 24, 1 p.m. View and discuss these powerful films dealing with problems faced by those in Africa. February 3 -State of Denial February 10 – On Our Watch February 24 -Lost Boys of Sudan

Small Business Savvy - LFPL Resources at Your Fingertips

Wednesday, January 31, 6 p.m.

Small Business Savvy- Metro Revenue Commission Occupational Taxes

Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m.
The Metro Revenue Commission (formerly the Sinking Fund) will explain their connection to small businesses, resident and non-resident tax rates, and who must complete the registration form and why.

Space is limited; sign up is required.

Young Adult Programs

Make a Journal for the New Year

Monday, January 8, 3:30 p.m.

Anime in the Afternoon

Thursday, January 11, 4 p.m. Thursday, February 8, 4 p.m. Film and munchies provided. Ages 13-18.

From Blues to Hip Hop - The Big Read Event

Monday, February 12, 4 p.m. Take a look and listen to the roots of Hip Hop in our celebration of Black History Month. Ages 12-19.

Children's Programs

Seasonal Stories and Crafts

Saturday, January 13, 10:30 a.m.

String-Climbing Critters Craft

Tuesday, January 23, 4 p.m. Ages 6-12.

Hidden in Plain View - The Big Read Event

Thursday, February 15, 6:30 p.m. Learn how slaves sent messages with guilts.

Sweet Temptations

Tuesday, February 13, 4pm. A Valentine's Day craft with sweets. Ages 5 and up.

Computer Classes

Computer Basics

Wednesday, January 3, 10:30 a.m. Monday, February 5, 10:30 a.m.

Windows Basics

Friday, January 5, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, February 8, 10:30 a.m.

Internet Basics

Wednesday, January 10, 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 14, 2 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Thursday, January 18, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 20, 10:30 a.m.

Special Classes

Publish Yourself with Microsoft Publisher

Tuesday, January 9 - Fliers Tuesday, January 16 – Business Cards Tuesday, January 23 – Greeting Cards Tuesday, January 30 - Banners

Introduction to Microsoft Power

Friday, January 26, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, February 22, 10:30 a.m.

Foreign Language Classes

Computación Básica

El sábado, el 6 de enero, 11 de la mañana

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

Practicar Computación

El sábado, el 17 de febrero, 11 de la mañana

Computación de nivel medio

El sábado, el 13 de enero, 11 de la mañana El sábado, el 10 de febrero, 11 de la mañana Esta clase provee a los estudiantes con conocimientos de nivel medio de Microsoft Excel y Microsoft Word.

Vietnamese Computer Class

Saturday, January 27, 11 a.m. Saturday, February 24, 11 a.m.

Book Discussion

A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering the Appalachian Trail

by Bill Bryson.

Tuesday, January 9, 2 p.m.

Their Eyes Were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston.

Tuesday, February 13, 2 p.m.

Friends Meeting

Tuesday, January 16, 6 p.m. Tuesday, February 20, 6 p.m.

Library Story times

Preschool Story time

Every Wednesday, 10:15 a.m.

Toddler Story time

Every Wednesday, 11:15 a.m.

Mother Goose Time

For walkers up to age 2. Tuesday, February 6, 10:15 a.m. Saturday, February 24, 10:30 a.m.

Family Story time

Every Thursday, 6:30 p.m.





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Youth is when you're allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve. Middle age is when you're forced to. ~Bill Vaughn

Be always at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let each new year find you a better man. ~Benjamin Franklin

New Year's Day is every man's birthday. ~Charles Lamb

Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right. ~Oprah Winfrey

For last year's words belong to last year's language And next year's words await another voice. And to make an end is to make a beginning. ~T.S. Eliot, "Little Gidding"

Good resolutions are simply checks that men draw on a bank where they have no account. ~Oscar Wilde

One resolution I have made, and try always to keep, is this: To rise above the little things. ~John Burroughs

A happy New Year! Grant that I May bring no tear to any eye When this New Year in time shall end Let it be said I've played the friend, Have lived and loved and labored here, And made of it a happy year. ~Edgar Guest

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