

President's Message ... They're Off and Running

They're off!, that's the call we will be hearing in the upcoming days as Derby Day quickly approaches. As many of us prepare to celebrate, we in Beechmont will be gearing up for a busy and exciting Spring and Summer in the neighborhood. I am happy to announce that we will be receiving a \$900 dollar grant from Brightside's Naturescape program to continue to beautify our neighborhood at the corner of South Third Street and Florence Avenue. This project was made possible by the leadership of Oakdale, Wilder Park, Iroquois, Beechmont Neighborhood Associations and Churchill Downs. Councilman Dan Johnson has also agreed to help fund this project. Churchill Downs graciously provided landscape design and is committed to providing fall and spring color. We hope this will be one more reason for all neighbors to be proud to announce

why they live in South Louisville.

I would like to thank two of our neighbors, Tom Shaughnessy (366-0938) and Tom Knight(368-9109) for taking an active role in keeping our neighborhood safe by reestablishing a Neighborhood Watch in the 600/700 block of West Woodlawn Avenue and 4600 block of Southcrest Avenue. They held an informational meeting at the Iroquois Library on April 24th at 7:00 P.M. I ask all neighbors on the blocks listed above to join with them in establishing this group. Each of us doing a little bit makes our neighborhood a stronger and safer place to live.

If you interested in starting a Neighborhood Watch please contact Officer Andrea Brown at 574-7010 or ANDREA.BROWN@louisvilleky.gov

I once again ask you to call 311 or email Metrocall about issues you may be dealing in the neighborhood. I can't

stress how important it is to have issues logged. Together, we can become the squeaky wheel that gets greased. Some of the issues I would like to see us address are: yard parking, sideway parking, tractor trailer truck parking on our residential streets and residential properties, all which are violations of our city ordinances.

Lastly, we have many fund raising and social events coming up, and we need your help and support: Mini-Marathon Breakfast (April 28th), Festival of Flowers (May 12th), and Open Air Farmer's Market (starting June 2nd). Please mark your calendar and spread the word to family and friends. If you would like to help, please email me at R_STARCK@MSN.COM or call at 368-3179. Please join us for some fun and friendship.

~ President Bob Starck



Volunteer Opportunities - Please Help

Festival of Flowers - May 12th - Help with booths, flower sales, set up and take down etc.
Please call Laura Hosbach at 361-4952

Gazebo Clean-up - We need volunteers to weed, mulch, plant and generally upkeep the grounds around the Gazebo at Southern Parkway at Woodlawn. If you can give 1-2 hours / month in the summer it would really help - Please call Linda Guss at 368-0261

Farmer's Market - We need volunteers to man the BNA booth and tend the Market on Saturday mornings through the summer. This is not a difficult or physically challenging task.
Please call Donna Pickerill to sign up for a few hours at 367-2652.

BNA's Landscape project at 3rd and Florence - We will need some help in planting, weeding and starting this off. We will have equipment for the heavy stuff.
Please call Bob Starck for Information at 368-3179





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Louisville Metro Police 4th Division Beechmont Newsletter



Reported Offenses for March 2007

Overall criminal offenses in Beechmont are at or below historic levels. The following reported totals occurred in March for your neighborhood:

- 8 Burglaries (which includes residential, business and garages/sheds)
- 10 Criminal Mischief/Vandalism
- 2 Auto Thefts
- 4 Thefts from Auto

There were no obvious patterns or trends to any specific offense. Overall, reported offenses have been lower than the neighborhood typically experiences this time of the year. Offense totals usually increase in warmer weather, and decrease during periods of sustained cold temperatures.

Tips and General Information

- Keep your car doors locked and windows up when your vehicle is unattended.
- Never leave valuables in plain-view inside your vehicle.
- Never leave your car running while unattended.
- Never leave garage doors open.....this is an open invitation to thieves.
- Never allow strangers inside your home or vehicle.
- Keep prescription medications out of sight of visitors to your home.

The Telephone Reporting Unit

Remember to contact the TRU at 574-4661 to report less serious offenses by phone. They are available from 6AM to 10PM, Monday through Friday.

Bike Patrol

The 4th Division will be establishing a bike unit in the next several weeks. Bike Officers have shown to be an effective deterrent to criminal activity, and are well suited to addressing quality of life issues that present themselves in a neighborhood setting. Bike officers will be targeting thefts from auto's, vandalism, graffiti tagging, street crimes and auto thefts. If you see them in your neighborhood, feel free to discuss any specific concerns you have for your street.

Neighborhood Canvassing

Councilman Johnson has provided additional funding for increased crime prevention activities in district 21. Officers will be going door to door, handing out educational materials and discussing neighborhood concerns with the residents they encounter. We expect this initiative to begin in late Spring and we will conduct these canvasses periodically throughout the summer months.

In closing, I want to thank the residents of Beechmont for partnering with us to improve the quality of life in your neighborhood. You can reach me or Officer Andrea Brown at the following:

Lt. Greg Mitchell
Louisville Metro Police
4th Division
574-7010

greg.mitchell@louisvilleky.gov

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Mojados: Into the Night

Tuesday, May 8, 6 p.m.
Documentary film about four migrants from a small village in Mexico that leave their families and embark on a 120-mile trek across the deserts of Texas.

The Great Flood of 1937

Thursday, May 10, 6:30 p.m.
Join Rick Bell as he discusses his book on the flood that shut down Louisville in the last century.

Maria Reyes, Author

Monday, May 14, 6 p.m.
Cuban author Maria Reyes discusses her work.

Lives for Sale

Tuesday, May 15, 6 p.m.
Documentary film on immigration & human trafficking.

Antonio Machado, Spanish Poetry and Style.

Wednesday, May 16, 6 p.m.
Presented by Cuban Professor Sara Botello Ramirez.

José Martí, Literature and Aesthetics

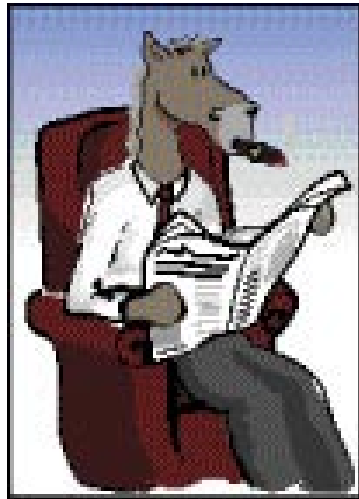
Saturday, May 19, 11 a.m.
Presented by Cuban Professor Roberto Castillo Díaz.

Farmingville

Tuesday, May 22, 6 p.m.
Balanced documentary that draws attention to serious problems faced by day laborers and the communities in which they live.

Cultural Showcase: Cuba

Saturday, May 19, 1 p.m.
Celebrate the music and dance of Cuba.



Young Adult Programs

Anime in the Afternoon

Thursday, May 10, 4 p.m.
Film and munchies provided.
Ages 13-18.

Children's Programs

Simply Fun Origami

Tuesday, May 29, 2 p.m.
Learn how to create basic origami. Ages 6 and up; call 574-1720 to sign up.

Computer Classes

Computer Basics

Wednesday, May 2, 10:30 a.m.

Windows Basics

Monday, May 7, 10:30 a.m.

Internet Basics

Wednesday, May 9, 2 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Monday, May 14, 10:30 a.m.

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint

Thursday, May 24, 10:30 a.m.

Foreign Language Classes

Computación Básica

El sábado, el 12 de mayo, 11 de la mañana
Esta clase está diseñada para estudiantes que tienen muy poco o ningún conocimiento de computación.

Computers in Vietnamese

Saturday, May 26, 11 a.m.

Book Discussion

On the Right Side of the Dream by Sheila Williams

Tuesday, May 8, 2 p.m.



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