

Bugler

March / April 2007

Beechmont Neighborhood Association P.O. Box 14332 Louisville, KY 40214



Presidents Message ... Spring Forward Beechmont

With the recent cold weather of February, I'm really looking forward to Spring in Beechmont as I am sure many of you are. As we anticipate the beginnings of new growth, the budding of flowers and green lawns, I believe there are new seeds being planted. Seeds of renewed interest and caring about the Beechmont neighborhood. With the events of the past few months, I see a rekindling of neighborhood civic pride. Neighbors have called and emailed myself and other board members asking to join the association and for ways in which they can be more involved. Simple acts like passing on your Bugler to a neighbor who hasn't joined the association, picking up litter, or calling Metrocall about a neighborhood problem are making a difference.

Thanks to all who attended the Iroquois Library meeting and voiced their views, concerns, and interest keeping Beechmont a strong, safe, and friendly neighborhood. This increase in the civic-mindedness of our community gives me hope that Beechmont will continue to be a great neighborhood far into the future. One of our past BNA president's, Vicki Carter recently shared a vision with me that I think we should consider. She said; wouldn't it be neat if each member of the association volunteered just two hours of service to the neighborhood, that would equate to over some 800 plus service hours. Just think of the great things with that could be accomplished with this type of energy! So if we call or email you this year, please consider being a part of this positive path forward.

In March, I will be meeting along with other neighborhood leadership through Advocacy Group of South Louisville, the principals of our neighborhood schools and school resource officials to discuss the recent issues with some of its students and work on crafting a plan to lift our schools to a higher standard that we all can agree upon. I also plan to continue meeting with the leadership of the Louisville Free Public Library and work with them to ensure our branch is a place that all can feel safe and enjoy all the resources it has to offer.

~Bob Starck BNA President



Brightside's Community-Wide Cleanup

As part of the ongoing community-wide anti-litter initiative we are asking you to help **Keep It Clean!** Join us for Brightside's next Community-wide Cleanup on Saturday, March 31. Take an active role in keeping our hometown clean because... "Litter Makes Us All Look Bad!"

This spring cleanup is held in conjunction with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's Cleanup Week March 25-31. Students in K-12 are asked to help create a new logo for the event. Visit www.waste.ky.gov for details.

Fight Litter

Help us fight litter and beautify Louisville. A cleaner, greener city makes for safer neighborhoods. For volunteer opportunities contact Brightside at 574-2613 or email Brightside@louisvilleky.gov or visit www.brightsideinc.org.

You can help us in the fight against litter. Report a litterer by calling 311 or 574-5000 when you see someone throw trash on the roadside.



Brightside Compost Sale

Brightside/Waste Management of Kentucky spring compost fundraiser will take place March 17, 24 & 31 from 8:00 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Outer Loop Landfill located at 2673 Outer Loop. Log on to www.brightsideinc.org for pricing information and discover how to receive free bags and/or \$5 off a scoop. Prices will be \$2.50 per bag and \$30 per scoop.

Proceeds from the sale benefit Brightside programs. For more information, call MetroCall 311 or 574-5000.

Bun & Run



Derby Mini-Marathon Breakfast

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Louisville Metro Police 4th Division Beechmont Newsletter February 2007



This newsletter is the first installment of what I hope to be a regular process, one which will provide you with more information and greater access to your police department. Our partnership with the BNA Bugler came about as a result of the community meeting held on January 11th, 2007, at the Iroquois Branch of the Louisville Free Public Library. For our first installment, I would like to provide you with an update of the issues presented at that meeting, a few generic informational tips, and a general overview of reported offenses for Beechmont for the month of January.

The Iroquois Library Branch

We have continued to work with the LFPL to address issues related to juveniles congregating both inside and outside the library, and the problem behaviors they may engage in on their way to and from the library. The LFPL is working on creating system wide protocols that will enhance their ability to track, monitor, and hold these individuals accountable. The LMPD continues to provide extra patrol to the location, and we have been working closely with the local branch to address disorder concerns.

Reported Offenses for January

Overall criminal offenses in Beechmont are at or below historic levels.

The following reported totals occurred in January for your neighborhood:

- 14 Burglaries (which includes residential, business and garages/ sheds)
- 7 Criminal Mischief/Vandalism
- 4 Auto Thefts
- 6 Thefts from Auto

There were multiple arrests made for several of the reported burglaries, which cleared two different clusters of offenses in the neighborhood. Overall, reported offenses have been consistent with what the neighborhood typically experiences this time of the year. Offense totals usually increase in warmer weather, and decrease during periods of sustained cold temperatures.

The Tip Line

If you think someone has been involved in criminal activity, or there is an ongoing situation in your neighborhood such as a possible drug house, call 574-LMPD. Every tip called in is assigned to the appropriate investigative unit for follow-up, and you DO NOT have to leave your name or contact information.

Calling Dispatch

If you require a police response, but it is not an actual emergency involving immediate threat to human life, call the general dispatch number at 574-2111. This "urgency without emergency" number will start the process for a beat car to respond to your concern without tying up 911, which is reserved for situations where someone's life or well being is at stake.

The Telephone Reporting Unit

I know many of you have things stolen or damaged and don't bother to call the police because you believe it's not important enough. We track offense patterns through offense reports, so if you don't call, we can't look for patterns and assign resources where they will do the most good. If you have a car break in, have something stolen from your yard, or are the victim of vandalism, the Telephone Reporting Unit (TRU) can take a report from you over the phone. This allows us to enter the data in the system without tying up beat officers who could be better utilized in other ways. TRU can be reached directly at 574-4661, and they are available from 6AM to 10PM, Monday through Friday.

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

Officer Andrea Brown
Division Resource Officer
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Tattoo Me This

Tuesday, March 6, 6:30 p.m.

Buddy Wheeler of Tattoo Charlie's will discuss tattoos including their origin and history.

Small Business Savvy - Start Your Business

Wednesday, March 14, 5:30 p.m.

A two-hour seminar by Greater Louisville Small Business Development Center that shows you how to get your business started.

Be Aware – Be Safe

Wednesday, February 21, 6:30 p.m.

The University of Louisville Taekwondo Club will give self-defense tips on staying safe during outdoor excursions.

College 101

Tuesday, April 3, 6:00 p.m.

An introduction to the ins and outs of college, including the application process, financial aid, and what to expect once you are there.

KHEAA

Wednesday, April 11, 6:30 p.m.

Kim, Dolan, of the KHEAA will be here to answer questions and give information on finding financial aid for college.

Louisville Metro Council Is In

Wednesday, April 18, 6:30 p.m.

Councilman Dan Johnson and Councilwoman Maryann Butler will introduce themselves to the community and discuss what they can do for you.

Cultural Showcase:

Uzbekistan

Saturday, March 17th, 1p.m.

Celebrate the dance and music of Uzbekistan with local Uzbeks and a special performance by the Crescent Moon Dancers.

Mojados: Into the night

Saturday, April 7, 1:00 p.m., April 21, 1:00 p.m.

Documentary 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

Lives for Sale

Saturday, April 14, 1:00 p.m.

Documentary film on immigration & human trafficking.

Bilingual Cafe

Saturdays at 3

An opportunity for native Spanish speakers and students of Spanish to practice both languages together. This is not for beginner Spanish speakers but for those who are already conversant.

English Conversation Club

Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.

Each session will have a theme with supplemental tutoring material provided. No long-term commitment required.

Young Adult Programs

Anime in the Afternoon

Thursday, March 8, 4 p.m. Thursday,

April 12, 4:00 p.m.

Film and munchies provided.

Ages 13-18.

Make your own Fabulous Shirt

Friday, April 13, 2:00 p.m.

Design your own iron-on t-shirt!

Ages 11-18, sign-up required.

Fashion Fun

Wednesday, April 11, 2:00 p.m.

Learn to play the Harmonica!

Monday, April 9, 6:30 p.m.

Join Marvin Fleischman who will teach you the basics of playing the harmonica. Sign-up required.

Children's Programs

Pop-ups!

Monday, March 19, 4pm

Make cards and other pop-up projects. Ages 6 and up.

Stories with Marsha Roth

Wednesday, April 11, 2:00 p.m.

Chinese Egg Painting

Tuesday, April 10, 2:00 p.m.

Ages 6 and up, sign up required.

Games

Thursday, April 12, 2:00 p.m.

Celebrate El Día de Los Niños

Saturday, April 28, 1:00 p.m..

Join us for bilingual stories, crafts and fun for the entire family.

Computer Classes

Computer Basics

Monday, March 5, 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.

Windows Basics

Tuesday, March 6, 10:30 a.m., Thursday, April 5, 10:30 a.m.

Internet Basics

Wednesday, March 7, 2 p.m., Wednesday, April 18, 2 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Monday, March 12, 10:30 a.m., Monday, April 23, 10:30 a.m.

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint

Thursday, March 22, 10:30 a.m., Monday, April 30, 10:30 a.m.

Foreign Language Classes

Practicar Computación

El sábado, el 3 de marzo, 11 de la mañana, El sábado, el 7 y el 14 de abril, 11 de la mañana

Computación de nivel medio

El sábado, el 10 de marzo, 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, March 24, 11:00 a.m., Saturday, April 28, 11:00 a.m.

Other Events

Book Discussion

Tuesday, March 13, 2:00 p.m.,

Clay's Quilt by Silas House

Tuesday, April 17, 2:00 p.m.

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime by Mark Haddon

Friends

Tuesday, March 20, 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 17, 6:00 p.m.

Story Times

Preschool

Every Wednesday at 10:15 a.m.

Toddler

Every Wednesday at 11:15 a.m.

Mother Goose Time

For pre-walkers and walkers up to age 2.

Tuesdays March 6, 20, & 27 10:15 a.m.

Saturday March 24, 10:15a.m.

Tuesday April 4, 10:15 a.m.

Saturday April 7, 10:30a.m.



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Fashion Show & Lunch March 24th 10:30 AM

Fashions by Dress Barn

Bake Sale

Door Prizes

Tickets \$8.00

For reservations call 423-8051 or 412-4311
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Spaghetti Dinner & Live Auction

April 14th 6:30 PM

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Beechmont Neighborhood Association Membership Application (please print clearly)

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

_____ Family Membership (\$7.50)

_____ Business Membership (\$25)

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

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