

President's Message ... Howdy Neighbors

Let's be neighbors. When was the last time you spoke to your neighbor? Did talk about the things you like about living in Beechmont? Did you share a concern or issue? A key ingredient to a healthy community is establishing relationships with those around us. When we build ties with one another we strengthen the bonds that hold our neighborhood together. We find out the values we have in common and gifts each of us has to offer. By being neighborly, we focus on our community's needs and not just our own. If we care about one another and what's happening around us we don't become a neighborhood of strangers, but community of family and friends

which strives to promote the good and positive of things around us.

I just recently met two young couples who moved onto our street. I make it a point when meeting new neighbors to welcome them and speak about the great things I like about living in Beechmont. I'll tell them about the neat people who live in the neighborhood. I also share the goals and activities the neighborhood association promotes. My hope is they will be the next generation of Beechmonters to carry on tradition of caring for the neighborhood.

Of these two couples I met, I wanted to share a story about one of them and how they have been very neighborly. I

believe the kindness they have shown toward their neighbors is an example to us all. Noah and Missy Lockhart relandscaped their property. Missy's husband, Noah is a landscaper and has done an excellent job of reseeding their lawn and beautifying their property. The grass looks like something you would see on a manicured golf course. The neat thing about Noah and his wife is that they didn't just stop with their home, they also shared this gift of landscaping with three of neighbors. Noah helped kill, till, and reseed each of their lawns. I believe by sharing their gift, a new landscaping revolution has been begun on Meridale Avenue. They have me thinking about doing my own and I hate yard work. Thanks Noah and Missy for being great neighbors.

I also want to thank Tom and Tracy O'Shea for being neighborly. Once again, they have joined with us for our Finish Line Festival and graciously offered to cater the food and beverages. The event is always a great time to enjoy the fellowship with family, friends and neighbors.

In closing, set some time aside and get to know your neighbors. It's the people that live here in Beechmont that make it a great place to be. So, Howdy neighbor! Ya'll come back now.

~ Bob Starck BNA President



Noah & Misty Lockhart's Home



FINISH LINE FESTIVAL

SATURDAY JULY 12

SOUTHERN PARKWAY AT WOODLAWN

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Beechmont Community Center... Did You Know?

There's a lot going on at our Beechmont Community Center. For our over 55's there is a senior fitness class that meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:15 - 10:30 AM. The program includes stretching, upper body strengthening, floor exercises and a short aerobics portion. The class recently obtained new floor mats, courtesy of Councilman Dan Johnson.

There are many other exercise classes available; such as woman's weight training and yoga as well as aerobics. The Community center also has a full weight room and a cardio room with treadmills and elliptical machines. There is also a Pottery Studio that is open daily. There is a studio

fee of \$10.00 per month and a fee for clay at \$15 .00 for a 25 pound bag. Be sure to stop by the Beechmont Open Air Market and visit the Beechmont Community Center artisan's booth. They have a wide array of vases, mugs, pitchers, and jewelry for sale. Part of the proceeds from their sales benefit the Clay Club at Beechmont Community Center.

The Beechmont Community Center is located in the old Beechmont Grade School at 205 W. Wellington. You can pickup a current schedule of all of their events at the center or call 361-5484 with questions.

~ Linda Guss



Beechmont Community Center



Beechmont's Gazebo Gets a New Roof Thanks to F.O.G.



Elizabeth Meisberg - Gazebo Protector

Our gazebo has needed a new roof for the last few years, after about 20 years of wear and tear and Christmas on the Corner and the other events we recently got the roof refurbished and here is a picture of the finished product. Also pictured is our own Elizabeth Meisberg, who has watched over, landscaped and protected the gazebo for these many years

The friends of the gazebo provided some of the funds for this to happen and they have previously supplied the funds for staining and refurbishing the wooden parts last year.

If you would like to become a Friend of the Gazebo, please contact Debbie Thompson at 366-4614 or send a donation to the Friends of the Gazebo, PO Box 14332 Louisville, Ky. 40214



LMPD Crime Report



Property crime offenses in Beechmont are currently above historic levels. The LMPD crime mapping system is currently offline pending an upgrade, which should be completed before the end of June. I am unable to provide exact numbers of offenses due to the change. Beechmont has experienced a higher level of garage burglaries over the last two months, with most involving stolen lawn equipment such as mowers, weed eaters and blowers. Some of these thefts involved forced entry, but many do not. To prevent victimization, please secure the doors and windows to detached garages, particularly any possible entry points directly adjacent to an alleyway.

We are also experiencing a high rate of thefts regarding air conditioning compressors, and plumbing copper supply lines and electrical wires from vacant houses. The Beechmont community center's A/C units have been targeted on more than one occasion, so be vigilant regarding suspicious individuals around A/C units at commercial properties as well as vacant residential. Please call dispatch at 574-7111 if you notice unusual activity.

Beechmont recently experienced a string of purse thefts at convenient store locations. The perpetrator would observe a female re-fueling her vehicle, and would take the purse when the victim went into the store, or would reach in and grab the purse while the victim's attention was focused on the gas pump. 4th Division detectives and beat officers did an outstanding job in using citizen information and tips to apprehend the suspect in May. He had committed offenses in other neighborhoods, but his efforts had been concentrated mainly in Beechmont. Please let this serve as a reminder to always lock your vehicle, and never leave valuables in plain sight.

To combat the recent increase in property crime, the 4th and 3rd Divisions have been staging coordinated blitzes in Beechmont and surrounding areas over the last several weeks. We typically have 30-40 officers and support units saturating the area serving warrants, providing strict enforcement for criminal offenses and collecting information from local residents and business owners. These initiatives have been well received, and will continue throughout the summer months

We have already conducted multiple crime prevention details in the Beechmont area this spring. Additional funding from Councilman Dan Johnson's Office will enable us to continue this initiative into the summer months, so be aware that uniformed officers may be knocking on your door to distribute information and ask you about specific concerns in your immediate area. By talking with you, we can use our resources more effectively to combat local issues. You can feel free to contact us at the 4th Division at 574-7010 should you have specific concerns or questions.

Lt.. Greg Mitchell
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Sit & Stitch

Bring your knitting, quilting, needlework and more! Beginners welcome! Monday, July 7, 11:30 a.m. August 4, 11:30 a.m.

Cultural Showcase:

Meskhetian Turk Saturday, July 19, 1 p.m.
Olmsted Parks
Why are parks different in design? Join Sarah Wolfe as she discusses the parks of Metro Louisville. Tuesday, August 5, 6:30 p.m.

Scotland
Scottish Society of Louisville brings us bagpipes, history, and men in kilts. Saturday, August 16, 1 p.m.

Back-2-School Bash

Come in and meet the people from local area schools. Join us for fun, facts and more. Thursday, July 24, 6 p.m.

Saturday Lecture Series

Islamic Civilizations' Contributions to the World of Modern Science Presented by Qualid Missaoui Saturday, July 12, 1 p.m.
Conservation & the Everglades Andrew Thuita, Louisville based Kenyan born film maker, writer and classical musician discusses his recent work in the Florida Everglades. Saturday, July 26, 1 p.m.

Literary Salon

Taller Literario Saturday, July 5, 1 p.m. Sábado, 5 de Julio, 1 p.m.

Book Discussions

Icy Sparks by Gwen Hyman Rubio Tuesday, July 8, 2:00 p.m.
The Ride of our Lives by Mike Leonard Tuesday, August 12, 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, 2 p.m.

Friends Meetings

Tuesday, July 15, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, August 19, 6 p.m.

Young Adult Programs

Iroquois Teen Anime Club

Join us for films, snacks and fun. Ages: 11- 19 Thursday, July 10, 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 14, 4 p.m.
Old School Music Formats What's an 8-track? Wednesday, July 2, 3:30 p.m.

Teen Talk with Ms.. Stephanie

Learn conflict resolution skills Wednesday, July 9, 3:30 p.m.

Song writing Workshop

Wednesday, July 16, 3:30 p.m.

Library Scavenger Hunt

Wednesday, July 23, 3:30 p.m.

Last Blast of Summer

Wednesday, July 30, 3:30 p.m.

Children's Programs

Rock Painting

Create a masterpiece on a rock! Ages: 6-14 Thursday, July 17, 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Mustache's Magic Hour

Thursday, July 3, 2 p.m.

Harold Mitchell Robot Challenge

Thursday July 10, 2 p.m.

Tie Dye Blast

Bring something to tie-dye. Call 574-1720 for details. Thursday, July 24, 2 p.m.

Back-2-School Bash

Come in and meet the people from local area schools. Join us for fun, facts and more. Thursday, July 24, 6 p.m.

Harry Potter Birthday Party

Thursday July 31, 2 p.m.

Reading Rocks Encore Saturday,

August 2, 2:00 p.m.

Life-Size Self Portraits Thursday,

August 7, 4 p.m. Ages: 6 - 12

Mother Goose Story Time

Walkers Iroquois Every Monday, 10:30 a.m.
Pre walkers Iroquois Every Monday, 10:30 a.m.
Toddler Iroquois Every Wednesday, 11:15 a.m.
Preschool Iroquois Every Wednesday, 10:15 a.m.
Family Iroquois Monday, July 21, 6:30pm
Monday, August 18, 6:30pm

Computer Classes

Computer Basics

Wednesday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.
Monday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.

Windows Basics

Monday, July 14, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, August 13, 10:30 a.m.

Internet Basics

Wednesday, July 23, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, August 19, 10:30 a.m.
Monday, September 15, 10:30 a.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Thursday, August 28, 10:30 AM



Beechmont's Open Air Market is now up and running each Saturday from 8am till 12 noon at Southern Parkway at Wellington.

New this year, the Market will accept Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program checks. These Senior FMNP checks are to be used to help needy Seniors purchase locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables and are only available in \$4.00 increments. Seniors of 60 years of age and older can apply for these at Louisville CSFP. 1616 Rowan Street. Louisville, KY., 40203.

We also have a few new Vendors this year and we have cooking and other demonstrations by the Kentucky Dept. of Agriculture Extension office.

Come on out and sample what's available, we have produce, cut flowers, bedding plants, day lilies, pottery, crafts, garden items and we now have food items such as Beechmont Beignets, O's Home made Ice Cream and great sandwiches from the Lunch Pail as well.

We have live music at each market by our musically inclined neighbors.

Come on out and enjoy the market, it's a great way to start the weekend. We are located in the Beechmont Baptist Church parking lot at Southern Parkway at Wellington. The market has plenty of free parking and is bike and dog friendly as well. (Say hello to the famous Strudel dog when you come by). For more information please contact Donna Pickerill at 367-2652



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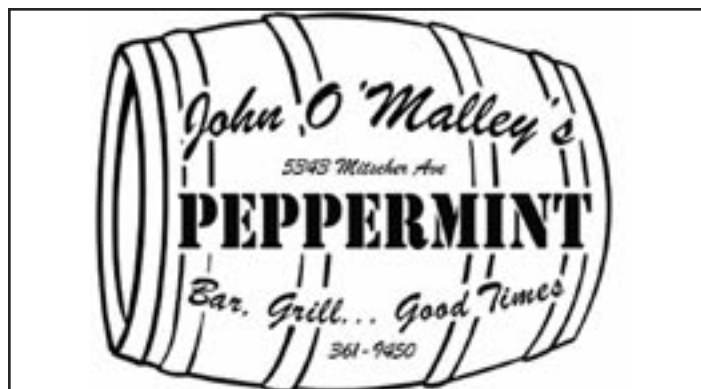


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