

President's Message - Imagine the possibilities ...

e have much to be proud of in Beechmont - our neighborhood's beauty, history, landmarks, and diversity set it uniquely apart. Southern Parkway, our historic Olmsted parkway, is viewed by many residents as the centerpiece of the neighborhood. Many community festi-



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vals are held in its park-like green space and pedestrians enjoy the bridle paths on a daily basis. Our Iroquois library branch is a convenient source of information and highly-utilized resource for area residents. There is also the Beechmont Farmer's Market, which provides a wonderful setting for purchasing fresh produce and meeting neighbors on lazy Saturday mornings.

It is due to the tireless efforts of many individuals over the years that enable us to enjoy what we have today. The BNA (and former Beechmont Civic Club) helped champion the Southern Parkway restoration and continued cleanups, assisted with the financing of the Iroquois library, and established the Farmer's Market we currently enjoy. These are just a few examples of the many area accomplishments that came to fruition by people working together; however, we can't stop and rest on our laurels! We must continue moving forward, confront the difficult issues, and imagine the possibilities for our neighborhood. The Louisville Branding Alliance recently coined Louisville as the "possibility city", highlighting the can-do spirit of our people. So I ask you, what are the "possibilities" you envision in Beechmont?

I envision the old gas station at Southern Pkwy. & Woodlawn as an Ehrler's or Graeter's ice cream shop. A neighborhood gathering spot -- with inside seating and outdoor patio -where you can grab a waffle cone as you stroll down Southern Pkwy.; or a location for the Beechmont Youth Sports teams to celebrate a victory.

I envision the intersection at Southside Dr. & 2nd Street with a neighborhood garden or island with an overabundance of greenery and flowering plants -- a wonderful addition to Southeastern Beechmont. I envision 3rd St. having a road drainage system that doesn't bust your oil pan or send you airborne when driving in the right-hand lane.

I envision a network of free neighborhood hotspots to provide internet access for our youth and those without



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the ability to afford high-speed access to the World Wide Web (with beechmont.org as the homepage of course).

I envision the possibility of having greater youth involvement in area

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cleanups and community activism. It's a cliché, but they are our future neighborhood leaders; we must work with them to create a sense of ownership in the community.

Now you know a few of the possibilities I envision. Help us make your possibilities a reality by attending one of the BNA meetings and letting your voice be heard. But don't stop there, lead the charge in creating that community garden, coordinate with the Louisville Metro Economic Development department to organize a letter campaign encouraging businesses to locate here, or organize a neighborhood cleanup to help showcase the beauty of our neighborhood. We must continue moving forward, and together we can realize our full potential.

Yes Beechmont, we have much to be proud of...but just imagine the possibilities!

~ Corey Koellner BNA President

Beechmont Woman's Club

Spaghetti Dinner & Auction April 4th 2009 Dinner at 6pm with Auction to Follow Reservations 253-4699 Location 4516 S. 6th Street



Beechmont Community Center

205 West Wellington Avenue 502-361-5484

Regular Activities Monday

Senior Fitness 10:15- 10:30am Women's Weight Training 6:00pm- 7:00pm Jazzercise 6:00pm- 7:00pm Speed Training 3:30pm- 5:30pm

Tuesday

Pinochle 9:00 am- 11:00am Teen Weight Training 4:00pm- 5:00pm Table Tennis 4:00pm- 8:30pm Pottery Class 5:00pm- 8:00pm Arts & Crafts 6:00pm- 7:00pm Yoga 7:15pm- 8:15pm

Wednesday

Senior Fitness 9:15- 10:30am Table Tennis 10:30am- 1:30pm Teen Weight Training 4:00pm- 5:00pm Jazzercise 6:30pm- 7:30pm Square Dancing 6:00pm- 8:30pm Women's Weight Training 6:00pm- 7:00pm Speed Training 7:30pm- 8:30pm

Thursday

Arts & Crafts 6:00pm- 7:00pm Yoga 7:15pm- 8:15pm

Friday

Senior Fitness 9:15- 10:30am Teen Weight Training 4:00pm- 5:00pm Women's Weight Training 6:00pm- 7:00pm **Saturday** Table Tennis 9:30am- 1:30pm

Senior Nutrition

Monday 10:00am-1:00pm Tuesday-Friday 9:30 am- 12:00 pm Lee Lanham Coordinator (502)367-2373

Just for Kids Daily

Youth 5:30-7:00 pm Game Room Monday-Friday 4:00pm-8:30pm Sat. 9:30-2:30 pm

Center Hours

Monday 2:00-7:00pm Tuesday-Thursday9:00am-9:00pm Friday 9:00am-7:00pm Saturday 9:00 am-3:00pm Our weight and cardio room opens 30 minutes after the center opens and closes 30 minutes before we close. Mondays-Adult ONLY and Fitness ONLY

Instructors

Jeanne Vuturo-Senior Fitness Sarah Reeves-Senior Fitness Marissa Moss-Yoga Mike Robinson-Weight Training and Boxing Wanda Adams-Jazzercise

Our Staff

Karmen Bush-Recreation Leader Laneisha Beasley-Recreation Assistant Mike Robinson-Recreation Part time Carolyn Davis-Recreation Part time Chaz Bullard-Recreation Seasonal Temp Sandra Shepard-Recreation Supvervisor

New Class

Starting in April Pottery Classes \$100.00 April-June with Artist Dan Seidl





Beechmont Garden Club

The Beechmont Garden Club was first organized in 1933 and meets at the Iroquois Branch Library on the second Thursday of each month at 10AM. We welcome visitors and new members.

Programs For 2009

Feb. 12- Bees by Letha Marshall March 12- Iris by Mary Zirnheld Apr. 9- Workshop- Painting an urn by Dot Wade May 14- Plant sale and luncheon (members home) June 11- Library garden clean-up July 9- Visit Sunflower farm? TBA Aug. 13- Let's make a trough Sept. 10- Let's go visit with Hummingbirds Oct. 8- Workshop – Fresh flower arrangement Nov. 12- Workshop- Make a Christmas wreath Dec. 10- Christmas Luncheon TBA

Beechmont enjoys some of the best soil in the city of Louisville. If you like to garden, come out and meet your fellow gardeners for conversation, plant swaps, and to share what you are doing in your garden with others.



Derby Mini- Marathon Breakfast Saturday April 25th 2009 6:30 AM - 10:30 AM Biscuits & Gravy, Coffee, Orange Juice and Donuts

Music to Run & Walk by Come out and cheer for the runners Southern Parkway at Woodlawn Contact: Gary Guss 523-8796 or bmont@beechmont.org



LMPD Crime Report January/February 2009



Crime Statistics January 2009

Offense Type / Number of Reported Offenses

Felony Assault	1
Burglary (All types)	9
Criminal Mischief/Vandalism	15
Robbery (All types)	2
Auto Theft	4
Theft From Auto	0

Overall criminal activity is down substantially in Beechmont, especially Auto related offenses. Residents are doing a much better job of not leaving valuables in plain view inside their vehicles, and this resulted in not a single theft from a vehicle for the month of January. Other offenses are at low levels as well, with the exception of Criminal Mischief. Most of the vandalism reports were from a specific suspect or group of individuals who were using a pellet gun to shoot out vehicle windows. While Beechmont had several incidents, the Oakdale area just north of the Watterson Expressway was especially hard hit, and had more than double the number of reported offenses. 4th Division LMPD personnel had identified and interviewed one possible suspect, and the offenses ended after that intervention.

Beechmont had experienced a small, localized grouping of burglary offenses in the area of 6th Street from Southern Heights to Woodlawn, but that pattern has disappeared with no additional offenses reported recently. LMPD will continue to monitor the area for increased activity.

Some of you may have seen our additional patrols in the alleyways in Beechmont, as there have been positive comments made at recent community meetings. We will continue to utilize our federal grant money until late March when the funding ends. Councilman Johnson's office works closely with the 4th Division to supplement our resources with his Neighborhood Development Funds (NDF's), which allows us to conduct crime prevention canvassing and enforcement patrols targeting problem locations and trends in the Beechmont area.



Lieutenant Greg Mitchell - 4th Division 574-7010 Division Resource Officers Officer Shane Justis Officer Dean Sturgeon







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At the Iroquois Library ...

Adult Programs

English Conversation Club

Every Saturday in March, 3 p.m. Each session will have a theme with supplemental tutoring material provided. No long-term commitment required.

Sit & Stitch

Monday, March 2, 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 6, 11:30 a.m. Come craft with us. Bring your knitting or current project.

Spanish Language Literary Salon Saturday, March 7, 2 - 3 p.m.

The French Circle Saturday, March 7, 12:30 p.m. Discussion of Congo, in French.

Cultural Showcase: India Saturday, April 18, 2 p.m.

Game time @ Iroquois Wednesday, March 11, 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2 p.m. Come join us for a round of Chess, Checkers, Backgammon, Dominos, Scrabble and many more.

Young Adult Programs

Teen Tuesdays @ 3:30 Middle and high school students welcome.

Apples to Apples March 3, 3:30 p.m.

Teen Talk with Ms. Stephanie: Youth Rights March 10, 3:30 p.m.

Art Studio: Kites! March 17, 3:30 p.m.

Plot your April Fools Day March 24, 3:30 p.m.

Pictionary & Pass the Pigs April 7, 3:30 p.m.

Teen Talk with/ Ms. Stephanie: Education April 14, 3:30 p.m. Summer Wardrobe Upgrade Ideas April 21, 3:30 p.m.

Derby City Trivia April 28, 3:30 p.m.

ACT Strategies & Tips Sessions

Saturday, March 28, 10 a.m. Do your best on the ACT! This session concentrates on making the best choices on all sections of the exam. Learn stress-reducing techniques to reduce test anxiety.

Iroquois Anime Club

Thursday, March 12, 4 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 4 p.m. Join us for films and snacks.

Teen Tech Week March 9 - 13 Play Tech Bingo and vote for Top Ten Tech all week, anytime.

Children's Programs Celebrate Spring

Thursday, March 19, 6:30 p.m.

El Dia de los Ninos Celebration Saturday, April 25, 12:30 p.m.

Preschool Storytime Every Wednesday, 10:15 a.m.

Toddler Storytime Every Wednesday, 11:15 a.m.

Family Storytime Thursday, March 19, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25, 12:30 p.m.

Mother Goose Time

For walkers up to age 2. Every Monday, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 21, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.

Mother Goose Time

For pre-walkers up to age 2 Every Monday, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 21, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.

Book Discussions

Jayber Crow by Wendell Berry Tuesday, March 10, 2 p.m.

A Taste for Death by P. D. James Tuesday, April 14, 2 p.m.

Friends Meetings Tuesday, March 17, 6 p.m. Tuesday, April, 6 p.m.

AARP Tax-Aide: 11:00-3:00 on Fridays, March through April 10th. Free tax filing assistance by qualified AARP volunteers.



Brightside Clean Up

March 28th, 2009, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. We need volunteers, youth groups, and neighbors to help in clean up. We will focus on the expressway ramp areas. Call Rick Pickerill at 367-2652 to volunteer





NA Board Meeting 3rd Monday of Each Month Iroquois Library Auditorium 7:00 PM





Beechmont Bugler Ad Rate Sheet

The Beechmont Bugler is printed 6 times a year and has an average circulation of 450 copies. Currently, about 375 of these are in-home copies with the balance distributed to the Iroquois Library and Beechmont Community Center. The Bugler is also viewable on our web pages which average 250 hits/ month. This is a great venue to sell directly to your local neighbors in Beechmont.

Business Card Sized Ads (2"x 3 1/2") are \$70/ year and include a business membership in the Beechmont Neighborhood Association.

As space is available, we will offer larger ads as desired, cost for these will be in accordance to their size as a multiple of the business card size. (eg. 4"x3 1/2" would be \$140 per year.)

All ads are digitally printed in full color, we can take most formats and can scan in your copy or business card as required. We will be happy to design your ad if necessary, free of charge.

Contact Gary Guss at 502-523-8796 or bmont@beechmont.org with questions or to place your ad.



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BNA Board Members ... At your service

We are here to help you and we would also like your help. Feel free to contact us with questions or comments, as well as to find out how you can get involved.

Corey Koellner - President 548-4057 Debbie Thompson - Treasurer - 366-4614 Gary Guss - Bugler Editor - 523-8796 Linda Taylor - 361-4136 Elizabeth Meisburg - 363-6981 Deveney French - 649-4692 Dottie Krause - 361-4047 Jeff Miller - 368-7043 - Vice President Rick Pickerill -Secretary - 367-2652 Bob Starck - 368-3179 Laura Speedie - Business 368-4256 Bruce Cantrell - 724-4235 Violet Thompson

Beechmont Neighborhood Association Membership Application (please print clearly)	
Name : Address	
Phone	
E-mail Family Membership (\$7,50)	

Business Membership (\$25) Mail to: BNA PO Box 14332 Louisville, KY 40214 □ 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