



Wilder Park Newsletter

Wilder Park:
Central to
Everything!

May/June 2010

Published every other month by
The Wilder Park Neighborhood Association
120 W Fairmont Avenue Louisville KY 40214

Gary Jany, President & Newsletter Editor
366-1451

David Reece, Vice President 938-6932

Sean McNamara, Treasurer 361-1764

George Parker, Community Center Rentals
366-5590

WilderPark@insightbb.com

www.neighborhoodlink.com/Wilder_Park/home
Visit Wilder Park on Facebook



WHAT'S BEEN BUGGING YOU? Let's talk about it on Tuesday, June 22 at 7pm

What's been on your mind? Is it that junk pile in your alley? Abandoned car on the block? Annoying newsletters left on your door? (we hope not!) What would make living here better? What do you like? What do you hate? What would YOU do different?

Mine is "why don't more neighbors come to our nice meetings?"

What's yours?

Come to the Wilder Park ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION on June 22 at 7pm. We'll invite council members of districts 15 and 21, and the Metro police, to join us in a discussion of what is bugging you, and you never know, we just might fix your problem.

There will also be door prizes to help ease your pain...

See you at 7pm at the Wilder Park Community Center, 120 West Fairmont Avenue.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY SEMINAR WHAT WE LEARNED AND WHAT YOU SHOULD DO TO KEEP YOURSELF AND YOUR STUFF SAFE

Last April we had a safety seminar at the Community Center (where were you?) and it was one of the most important, informational meetings we have ever hosted. There was too much information to pass along here, but here are some key points that we learned

- Mark your property and valuables with your drivers license number. The police cannot return recovered items to you unless you have this information on them. You can use an engraving gun, and there are also inferred pens that show up under blue light. **DO NOT USE YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER!**
- Inventory your marked property on a form with descriptions including item, location in home, serial number, model number, where marked, photo of item and value. Keep list in safe, trusted place.
- Most burglaries are through unlocked window or door, forced entry by impacts, prying or jimmying entrances. To help secure your home, install locks with deadbolts that seat deep into your doorframe, and only use high quality locks. Strike plates should have screws no shorter than 3 inches long.
- Please lock your car doors and set alarms EVERY NIGHT! Don't leave ANYTHING in your car that looks valuable, not even an empty box.

These are just starters to get you thinking and acting. If you'd like more information, we have tons of it, and will be happy to send it to you. Contact Gary at 366-1451.

**THE NEXT JUNK PICKUP DATES
should be announced in July.
(The dates posted on
www.louisvilleky.gov are not official)**

Newsletter Update: Thanks to some generous volunteers, we are able to distribute this issue to most houses in Wilder Park. We still need more volunteers. Contact us if you can help.

**2010
Free
Monday
Movies**



Iroquois Amphitheater
1080 Amphitheater Road
in Iroquois Park
502/368-5865
www.iroquoisamphitheater.com



Consuming
LOUISVILLE
www.consuminglouisville.com

Concessions will be available!



June 7 - Casablanca
June 14 - Star Trek (2009)
June 21 - Back to the Future
June 28 - Stripes
July 12 - The Wizard of Oz
July 19 - Airplane!
July 26 - E.T.
Aug 2 - Anchor Man
Aug 9 - Sherlock Holmes
Aug 16 - North by Northwest
Aug 23 - Close Encounters
Aug 30 - Mystery Science Theater The Movie
Sept 13 - Superman The Movie (1978)
Sept 20 - The Jerk
Sept 27 - Death on the Nile

Show times
are 8:30 p.m.
June-July
and 8 p.m.
Aug-Sept

Rent the Community Center

A 4 hour rental is only \$100 total (\$10 an hour after that). Non profits and volunteer groups, please contact us to use the center for your meetings.

Contact George Parker at
366-5590 or e-mail us at
WilderPark@insightbb.com



The Wilder Park Community Center will be undergoing a makeover, hopefully before the end of the year. Desired improvements include painting all interiors and replacement of the carpeting; outside will include painting the roof and porch, and cleaning the vinyl siding. The WPNA is still getting quotes and acquiring funds. Money's tight, but we are looking at resources. Got ideas? Contact us via the contact information on the top of the front page.

And now, a message from the Kentucky chapter of the Sports Car Club of America: The SCCA is family friendly, it's free to watch and we offer free rides to anyone over the age of 12. These are the ONLY future dates that the SCCA cars will be running in the Papa Johns parking lot this year:

Saturday, July 31st

Sunday, August 15th

For more information, contact Julia Aebersold at (812) 989-7261 or Adam Blake (502) 744-4121 or visit the website at www.kyscca.com.



KID'S CORNER...Bagel Bird Feeder

Enjoy the Outdoors!

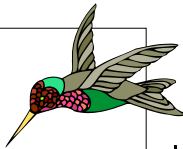
Make a bird feeder and see how many birds visit.

Materials Needed:

String, 1/2 of a Stale Bagel, 1 Teaspoon Peanut Butter, 1 Teaspoon Shortening, Bird Seed, Scissors

Instructions:

Cut a piece of string about 24" long. You can adjust this length depending on where you want to hang it. Put one end of the string through the hole in the bagel and tie both ends together to make a large loop to hang up your bird feeder with. Mix together the peanut butter and the shortening. Spread this mixture onto the flat side of the bagel. Pour the bird seed onto a plate. Press the peanut butter/shortening side of the bagel into the bird seed. Hang this bagel bird feeder in a tree or anywhere outside and watch the birds make it disappear!



Neighborhood Notes...

- Special thanks to our young volunteer who cleared out the north median at the corner of 2nd and Fairmont. We have a request in with the metro to remove the Brightside sign, since this is no longer a sponsored Brightside location.
- The rezoning of the properties starting at 3145 3rd Street (just south of the Kroger gas station) has been denied, meaning that as of now, those homes will not be demolished and replaced with commercial property. Now what? The next step is to work with the owners to revitalize the homes and restore them to attract some good neighbors.
- The owner of the building at 3946 3rd Street will be requesting a zone change from R-6 to R-7 (allowing 4 apartment homes in an existing structure). On April 20 the WPNA attended a meeting in this building, and it was explained that the owner is planning to do extensive repairs and remodeling. We were also informed that 7 families were living in this structure, but it is now vacated. The WPNA will continue to attend meetings & monitor to make sure repairs and changes are made before the rezoning is supported.
- The grey bar that was for sale across the street from this property at 3945 3rd was recently sold. No word on the new owners, nor their intentions...
- The Kentucky chapter of the SCCA still runs cars in the Papa Johns Parking Lot (see related article, this page, with racing dates). However, there is other racing going on without the permission of UofL. If you suspect there is racing or other activity without permission, contact us immediately, or contact the SCCA, and we'll inquire with UofL.
- Contact 311 MetroCall for code violations or other Metro assistance.
- Use Metrocall online at www.louisvilleky.gov
- Report crime anonymously 574-LMPD
- Report police non emergencies at 574-7111

Have you renewed your Wilder Park membership?

Annual: \$5 Family/Business \$10 Lifetime \$50

Name:

Address:

Zip:

Phone:

E-mail (clearly):

How would you like the newsletter delivered? (Circle One)

SNAIL MAIL

E-MAIL

BOTH

Make check out & mail to: Wilder Park N.A. 120 W Fairmont