GREETINGS FROM YOUR NEW PRESIDENT
by Jerry Lyndrup

I’m Jerry Lyndrup, your new Cherokee Triangle Association president. Many of you know me as the Art Fair co-chair for the past several years. During that time I have also served as vice-president of the trustees.

THANKS DAVID
On behalf of the Association and the entire neighborhood, I want to thank David Rateau for the many contributions he has made as president the past three years. Fortunately, he will continue to serve as a trustee. Please welcome our five new trustees, elected to the board in May—brief bios appeared in the summer newsletter—Jeff Been, Tom Conder, Nancy Reed, Gerry Toner, and Robert Whayne. These very talented people are ready, willing and able to work on projects important to the neighborhood.

MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION PARTY
We look forward to seeing all of you soon at the fall membership party. The Cherokee Triangle is the best neighborhood in Louisville because so many of you have contributed your time (and membership dues) to support our neighborhood projects such as the Art Fair, neighborhood beautification projects, the summer concert series, and parks improvements. The fall party is our way of saying thanks!

COLLEGIATE/GLENMARRY AVENUE ISSUES
Much needed progress is being achieved in reducing the traffic and parking problems that have distressed our Glenmary residents for several years. Collegiate School administrators are implementing a plan developed this summer which should alleviate most of the congestion associated with drop-off and pick-up of students. Please read Mary Kay Flege’s comments in Neighborhood News for details.

CHEROKEE TRIANGLE ASSOCIATION OFFICE
This summer we opened an office in the Thompson Investment Building and hired Grace Van Dyke as our part-time office assistant. See her article in Neighborhood News for details. Major benefits of this office will include central storage and management of CTA records plus improved communication with Triangle residents. Please feel free to pay us a visit.

You are cordially invited to attend
The annual Cherokee Triangle Association Membership Appreciation Party
October 2, 1998
6:00 to 8:00 PM
at the home of Robert Whayne and Suzanne Wallace
2324 Longest Avenue
The CTA invites you to be its guest and to bring friends and neighbors who may not know the many benefits of living in the Triangle.
EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Neighbors:

This issue is my first effort as editor of the Cherokee Triangle Association Newsletter. I want to thank members of the CTA for their help and support. Thanks especially to former editor Diane Scudder and Polly Anderson. Thanks, too, to the people who have volunteered their services. If you're a volunteer whose help I couldn't use for this fall issue, I look forward to your support for the winter issue.

The Cherokee Triangle Association Newsletter exists to provide information about the neighborhood, its events and activities. Anyone who wants to contact me with neighborhood news or to volunteer to work with advertising, or with any other part of the newsletter, please call me at 495-3451 or 452-1213.

Linda Grasch

AN ELEVATING DISCUSSION FOR TREE OWNERS
by Dick Rivers

For the most part, a stroll along a Cherokee Triangle sidewalk is a pleasure — especially when the walkway is shaded by a tree canopy, as many are. But sometimes we find ourselves ducking to miss a low tree branch, or forced to detour around a tree or bush that blocks a substantial part of the sidewalk.

A letter from F. Larry Hammers, a Triangle resident, points out that sidewalk obstruction is a problem in several places and he wonders how to activate a program to prune these trees properly. In June, contractors for the city carried out some pruning of low branches in the Triangle, thereby avoiding, as Hammer puts it, "pruning by moving vans and delivery trucks." But who, he asks, is responsible for the continued care of these trees?

City Arborist Alan Bishop provides us with the answer and useful suggestions on how to care for trees that line sidewalks. The maintenance of trees on private property is obviously the responsibility of the property owner. But a city ordinance also puts the responsibility for trees on the city-owned strip between sidewalk and street in the hands of the owner of the abutting property. If the owner fails to prune obstructing or dead branches, the city has the right to do this — and sometimes does.

Bishop points out that it is greatly to the advantage of the property owner to arrange for pruning, since it can be done in gentler steps every year, helping the tree to grow in a graceful shape, and minimizing threats to its health. The aim of this type of pruning — "lifting" the tree crown — is to produce a mature tree whose lowest branches are at least eight feet above a sidewalk, and at least twelve feet above street pavement. This is adequate clearance for both pedestrians and trucks. If the sidewalk is approximately level with the street, one would probably prune limbs on the sidewalk side higher than eight feet, to keep the tree balanced.

Small ornamental trees, like dogwood and redbud, might not be pruned any higher than the above suggestion. A shade tree (pin oak, for example) may have a mature height of 100 feet or more, and should over the course of its maturing have its lowest limbs pruned to considerably higher levels than twelve feet. Each tree species has its own natural mature shape and proportions, which should be preserved as much as possible. But "lifting" is actually a natural thing for trees; in a dense forest, where each tree competes with its neighbors for sunlight, lower limbs die and break off, leaving tall, straight trunks devoid of limbs.

The sketches show how this sort of pruning should be done. Note the two-step cutting, which allows an accurate second cut. This procedure avoids scarring the bark around the cut limb, and provides a minimal-area wound which will heal over quickly. Don't paint the wound; paint will not protect against fungi and other tree diseases. Late summer is as good a time as any for this type of pruning, so get to it.

Incidentally, some trees tend to grow rings of "suckers" — straight, fast-growing shoots budding for the stars — around their bases. These should always be pruned, not only for appearance and sidewalk clearance, but because they rob the tree of nourishment. That green strip between sidewalk and curb is a place for sturdy trunks, not spreading bushes. Don't imitate these sucker-rings by planting any multi-stemmed bush there either.

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ARE YOU UP TO DATE WITH YOUR CTA DUES?
by Sandy Grissom Phillips, Membership Chairperson

Each year we look for new ways to develop membership among renters, homeowners, and businesses in the Cherokee Triangle Association, one of the largest and most active neighborhood associations in Louisville. One of the best ways is neighbor-to-neighbor. Sharing your newsletter with a new neighbor is one way, taking a friend to a summer concert is another, and inviting a friend to the annual membership party is another. Or bring a friend to a monthly trustee meeting. They are held at the Highland Shelby Branch Library, Mid-City Mall, on third Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

Membership dues help pay for the newsletter, which is our quarterly line of communication with members. There are 2,500 residences in the Triangle, 400 of which are members. We invite renters at $7 a year, because your membership will give us an identity CTA can speak to.

We invite homeowners at $12 a year, because being informed about preservation, building regulations, and areas of responsibility in city government, as well as the quality of life in the Triangle, is an important element of protecting your investment.

We invite businesses at $25 a year so that we can pull together on some of the important issues that we face.

Check the label on this copy of your newsletter. The date above your name is the last date for which our records show dues have been paid. Let us know by calling the office if this is not correct. If, above your name you see the word "TEMP," it means that this is a courtesy copy because we show you as a new homeowner, and it is a way of saying WELCOME! We hope you will want to become a member.

Please help us welcome these new members since the last issue:
Stephanie and Matthew Montgomery
Elise Fazio
Nicole and Ashby Corum
Judith Hollis and Ron Jones
Robert and Joan Powers
Debbie Farmer
David and Elizabeth Kaplan
Lani Davis & Amanda Davis

We also welcome these new business members:
Rockhold Electric Co. and Parr's Rest

And please welcome these new homeowners in the Triangle:
Daniel T. and Susan L. Berigan, 1439 Willow Avenue
Denise A. Hagan, 2454 Glenmary Avenue, #1
Stephanie M. and Matthew K. Montgomery, 1237 Cherokee Road
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CTA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IN GERMANY

Whenever a noteworthy distinction comes to a Triangle family, we want to note it. Peter Lisherness, competing at a national level, was awarded a prestigious grant last spring under the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program for a year's study in Germany. When he left in August to meet his host family and start the new school year, he was already using the German language well enough to get along, thanks to his summer's study. He is living with a family in a rural area near Cologne. In the predictable order, he had a meal, slept 17 hours after the long flight, then called his parents to report his safe arrival. He said he would be traveling four hours a day to and from Dusseldorf for further language study.

COLLEGIATE SCHOOL ADDRESSING TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN CONSULTATION WITH GLENMARY RESIDENTS AND CTA

CTA Board member Mary K. Flege reports that Collegiate's Long-Range Planning Committee plans traffic and parking improvements to begin with this school year. There are signs in place on Glenmary restricting parking during school drop-off and pick-up hours, and parking will be restricted on Grinstead during afternoon hours from 2:30. Off-street parking is planned for faculty and staff, as well as off-street parking for students. The city's Traffic and Engineering Department has secured approval from the state for a flashing yellow school signal on Grinstead. In addition, at least for the first month, the city will be asked to provide off-duty police to regulate and monitor traffic flow. With these changes the immediate neighborhood and the CTA look forward to a decrease in the congestion and parking problems that have been increasing on Glenmary Avenue for the last several years.

HIGHLAND-SHELBY PARK BRANCH LIBRARY

by Polly Anderson

The Friends of the Louisville Free Public Library have a board of directors which includes representatives of Friends chapters in ten of the 16 branches throughout the city and county. Sadly, our branch has need of volunteers! Now would be a wonderful time to re-organize the chapter decimated this spring by unrelated losses of several members. Lei Mona Leitner, branch manager, know if you would like to be a part of a new chapter: Each chapter receives a start-up financial gift and the branches receive a no-strings-attached gift yearly from the Friends for items not covered in the library budget. The Friends' funds come from its semi-annual book sales, from memberships, gifts, and other fund-raisers. The chapters provide a galaxy of unusual, stimulating, and entertaining programs for children and adults. They serve as important adjuncts to their branches and supplement branch programs.

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11/5 7:30 p.m. Veterans Day program,
Lew Miller, Dormagen Memories of World War II Adults
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1988 SUMMER CONCERTS
by Tony Lindauer

The Summer Concert Series in Willow Park soared to new heights this season with record crowds for what appears to be a favorite way to spend Sunday evenings with friends and neighbors. By far the most popular concert was the St. Stephen Baptist Church Choir with their infectious style of gospel music. I can’t ever remember a crowd getting so personally involved in the singing and clapping as they did that night. It was amazing how much interaction went on at intermission and afterward. You can bet the farm they’ll be back next year!

Thanks to all who brought canned foods to the concerts to stock the Dare to Care Kitchen operated by Highland Community Ministries. It’s been a great success and a wonderful way to help our neighbors in need. We will continue doing this next year.

As most of you know, the purpose of these concerts is to show appreciation to the neighborhood for its support of the Art Fair. If you have comments, or favorite musical groups, drop us a line at CTA, P. O. Box 4306, 40204. We'd love to hear from you.

THE NEW CHEROKEE TRIANGLE ASSOCIATION OFFICE
by Grace Van Dyke

1000 CHEROKEE ROAD! This grand-sounding address is the location of the first professional office of the Cherokee Triangle Association, Inc. It is located on the ground floor of the former Highlands Branch of the Louisville Free Public Library purchased in fall 1996 by former CTA Board President Mark Thompson. We are indebted to Mark’s conceptual vision in renovating the building for professional use, as free office space to CTA was included in his purchase proposal. Mark and former Board President David Rateau, owner of Rateau Construction Co., created the basic design plan, and later added the services of Steve Eggers, of K. Norman Berry & Associates, Architects. It is appropriate that CTA be housed within this distinguished building, built in 1906 by the Louisville architectural firm of Hutchings & Hawes. It is one of the 1,689 libraries financed throughout the United States by Andrew Carnegie. Certainly, Carnegie would have shared with enthusiasm the CTA goals of preservation of the Triangle area.

One of the major ongoing tasks is to organize and store the archival materials that have been held by various committee members over the years. If we have not yet relieved you of these records, please let us know. The new CTA office telephone number is 459-0256. In the near future we will have a schedule of hours when the office is open; meanwhile, I will respond to CTA voice mail regularly. I am delighted to have been chosen for the part-time job of administrative assistant for the CTA office and I look forward to working on behalf of this unique community.

MISSING WILD BASIL
The neighborhood is sorely missing Ellen King and wonderful Wild Basil with their departure early this fall. We are indebted to Ellen for her many contributions to Triangle meetings and parties. We wish her well and hope to see her in the Triangle again.

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BRIGHTSIDE ISLAND
by Tony Lindauer

Two and a half years ago Alderman Tom Owen asked me to help coordinate a project to enhance both the appearance and efficiency of the entrance to the Cherokee Triangle. The planning and effort have finally reached fruition with the Brightside Island at the junction of Cherokee Road, Baxter Avenue, and Broadway. It has just been planted in day lilies, taxus, ornamental grasses and some special selections developed and donated by Cave Hill. By removing some of the tarmack at the entrance to Cave Hill, we have a grassy mall to soften the approach. The traffic entrance has been restructured to include defined entrance and exit lanes, making it safer for cars and pedestrians on the cemetery side. It’s a beautiful addition defining the gateway to our neighborhood and I’m very happy to have been able to shepherd this through completion with the help of many others.

Episcopal Church of the Advent has agreed to keep up the island portion; Cave Hill will maintain the grassy mall at their entrance. The Cherokee Triangle Association will also be a partner in this venture as will the Highland Commerce Guild. The only disappointment was our inability to get electricity to the island to hook up weed trimmers and allow lighting for Bardstown Road Aglow.

Special thanks are due to those who persevered throughout this long ordeal: Alderman Owen; his Administrative Aide, Carolyn Cromer; for her talents and endurance which went well beyond the call of duty; Elizabeth Kinney, who took over for Brightside after Mary Mattingly’s departure; Church of the Advent and Cave Hill for their commitment; Mark Thompson of the CTA for his help; Susan Radmacher, director of Olmsted Parks Conservancy, for her invaluable insight into the Olmsted vision (Olmsted designed the entrance to Cave Hill); Martha Cull, for her interest and support; and Kelli Mulligan of the Highland Commerce Guild.

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BIRD BRAIN IN THE TRIANGLE

These days, Dave Caudill doesn’t mind if you call him bird brained. The Willow Avenue resident and artist just completed an original sculpture for the front yard of his neighbors, Steve and Barbara Webb. The unique design features a funtioning bird bath on which is sitting an abstract dove. A variety of other “birds” are flying wingtip to wingtip up to the gutter, where a crane is perched. Approximately 6’ x 8’ x 12’, the work is made of welded stainless steel.

“For months, I’ve been dreaming about these critters. They were inspired by real species, but took a life of their own when I began giving them form. The Webbs were ideal clients, open to allowing a creative idea to unfold. So I didn’t know what it would look like ’till it was actually finished. That was both the good news and the bad!” he noted.

Caudill’s artwork can be found in public, corporate, and private collections across America and in the Bahamas. He has also installed an environmental undersea sculpture near Nassau in the Bahamas. He may be best known locally for his Monument to the Joy of Living at the Crescent Hill Library, and his new stainless steel garden sculptures. These garden artworks are designed to show harmony of manmade and natural beauty by allowing flowering vines to climb throughout the sculptures. You may see his designs exhibited at the 1998 Cherokee Triangle Arts Fair.

NEW LANDMARKS DESIGN GUIDELINES APPROVED

by Diane Scudder

The new guidelines for preservation which are a part of the new landmark ordinance approved last year are now available.

The organization is a little different than previously. There is an introduction booklet entitled “Historic Louisville Preservation Districts and Local Landmarks” that briefly describes Louisville’s history and explains where the various districts are located. It also describes the Landmarks Commission and its staff, Architectural Review Committees, and the Certificate of Appropriateness application process. Each Historic District has a booklet of its own that generally describes its history and architecture. For those homeowners who are embarking on exterior work on their buildings, additional specific booklets are available which cover the following topics: Additions; Doors; Garages; Masonry; Metals; New Construction; Paint; Porches; Roofing; Siding and Trim; Signs; Site; Storefronts; Streetscapes; and Windows.

On Tuesday, June 30, copies of the new preservation guidelines general booklets were mailed to all homeowners in the Cherokee Triangle (according to Property Valuation records). If you did not receive a copy of the new general guidelines, please call the Landmark Commission at 574-3501 or Diane Scudder at 451-8537 for a copy. The specific topic booklets will also be available from the Landmarks Commission or the Cherokee Triangle Association office at 1100 Cherokee Road (phone 459-0256).

Next issue: Applying for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

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