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CLEAR SKIES, GOOD CROWDS BLESS 39TH ART FAIR

BY LYNNE LYNDRUP

April 25 and 26 were the dates of this year's Art Fair and the weather was great. The Fair kicked off again this year with the Squallis Puppeteers leading the Children's Parade down from the Castleman Statue and back up the Parkway. If you've never been to the Fair early enough to witness this Parade, you are certainly missing something. Drums bang, horns toot and children laugh and toss small candies to make for a delightful way to start the morning.

The Plant Booth not only had its usual array of herbs, flowers and native plants but also had a rain garden exhibit. Rain garden booklets printed by MSD were available at the Plant Booth for the taking. The sweatshirts at the Association Booth did not sell well because the warm weather, but the tee-shirts and other short sleeve shirts were popular. An embroidered design brought back from a brief time in the 1990's, "Get Triangular", was used on the new tee-shirts and they were "hot".

The Food Court was alive with the smells of brats at one end and Kingsley's barbeque at the other. Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches were a hit with the younger set and the veggie wraps were also quite popular. The Sandwich Booth chairs purchased the sandwiches and other food items from Burger's Market, Simply Thai and ValuMarket. Keith's Hardware not only loaned the Fair the use

of their popcorn machine, but also gave us the oil and popcorn again this year. Another good neighbor, Heine Brothers, donated coffee for both Saturday and Sunday mornings to help our vendors and volunteers get their early morning caffeine fix before the Fair started.

The Fair Chairs and other volunteers spoke with a number of the artists

weather is a major factor in the profitability of the Fair. The CTA donates money to the Highland - Shelby Park branch of the Library, Highland Community Ministries, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Kentucky Preservation and The Coalition for the Homeless, to name a few. The CTA maintains an office, rents storage units for the Fair paraphernalia

and the history books, pays for upkeep on the Castleman Statue, and pays for repairs and some maintenance of Willow Park, even though the Park is under the umbrella of Metro Parks and the Olmsted Conservancy. The CTA has pledged \$50,000 to the Olmsted Conservancy to help with the renovation of the Park and plans to hold several fund raisers specifically for Willow Park. The first one was held on Sunday, May 24, with all proceeds going to the Willow Park playground. [See article on page 10]. And, of course, the Fair funds the Summer Concert Series!

As many of you know, the Cherokee Triangle Art Fair is the Association's

main and sometimes only fund raiser. It would not be possible without the dedication and hard work of the Fair chairs, booth chairs and the 300 or so volunteers. Home owners, renters, men, women and children all get into the act of helping to put on Louisville's first art fair of the season. Without the volunteers, this fair would not be possible. Many thanks go out to each and every one of you. We hope to see you again at the 2010 Fair!



2009 Art Fair Parade with the Squallis Puppeteers
Organized by Tonya Williams—Photo by Jerry Lyndrup

during the two-day event. Many of them reported that they were doing better than they expected, given the state of the economy. Several stated that they had included lower priced items this year to help their sales. They all love the beautiful parkway and its surroundings and feel this is one of their favorite shows.

If the CTA makes a profit (this year the Fair's expenses are close to \$60,000), where do the funds go? A large portion must be held back to be sure there are funds for the following year since

MESSAGE FROM CTA PRESIDENT

JOHN DOWNARD

2009 has turned out to be a banner year for Willow Park and those who are interested in its preservation and enhancement. Several years ago the Olmsted Parks Conservancy funded the development of a "Master Plan for the Restoration and Renewal of Willow Park". Through the efforts of State Senator Denise Harper Angel, a Triangle resident, funds were appropriated by the General Assembly to reconfigure the intersection of Willow Ave and Cherokee Parkway. Thanks to the generosity of Councilman Tom Owen, funds he earmarked for use on this project were recently combined with those of Senator Angel's to improve the intersection of Willow Park and Cherokee Parkway. Adding the limestone curbing along Willow Avenue, improving the pad around the restroom and expanding a sidewalk into the Park were all made possible through the combining of these funds. In addition, Department of Parks project supervisors were able to locate and clean drainage basins submerged under several feet of dirt. This will allow the landscaping and reseeding efforts on that side of the Park to be successful.

Several years ago the Cherokee Triangle Association voted to match the \$50,000 Councilman Owen pledged for this project. The CTA will join those funds with monies raised at fundraisers planned in the Triangle to complete the next phase of the Master Plan. That next phase includes altering the circulation in the Park by building new sidewalks, improving drainage, completing landscaping and planting additional trees. The final phases of the plan call for a completely new and updated children's playground (the Tot Lot), new lights, park benches and waste receptacles. Naturally, anything that the CTA or the Olmsted Parks Conservancy does in the Willow Park is under the supervision of the Department of Parks which have ultimate responsibility for this and all parks in Louisville.

MESSAGE FROM LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCILMAN FOR DISTRICT 8

TOM OWEN

Friends, here is a list that will help us all improve our "neighborhood citizenship" ranking:

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- Report potholes to MetroCall (311 or 574 5000 or louisvilleky.gov to "MetroCall"),
- Report streetlights out to LG&E

I would be remiss if I did not mention the consistent, persistent, though always subtle hand of Tony Lindauer. Most everything that occurs in Willow Park is done under his watchful eye.

CTA Trustee Wayne Jenkins recently held a fundraiser at his home on Cherokee Road overlooking the Park which coincided with the first Park Concert. It was a very pleasant and financially successful evening. If you would like to hold a fundraiser to help us complete the improvements by holding a fundraiser do not hesitate to contact me. Contributions can be tax deductible.

By all means, come to Willow Park to check out what is going on and be sure to attend the summer concerts. Go to our Website to get information about these and other events in our neighborhood. If you are not already a member, please join the CTA. Dues are extremely modest at only \$15.00 per year per household.



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NEW CTA TRUSTEES FOR THE 2009—2010 TERM

BY LYNNE LYNDRUP

As is always the case, six members of the Cherokee Triangle Association's Board of Trustees have come to an end of their three-year term. This year there were eight applicants for the six available seats. Ballots were mailed to all those residents who had paid their 2009 dues by the deadline of April 26. Of the over 280 ballots that were mailed, 113 were received by the deadline of May 18. According to the Nominating Committee chair Steve Seim, that number just might be a record return of ballots.

Sharon Cundiff was elected to serve her second term as Trustee. As Trustee she worked on the Historic Preservation Committee and Art Fair. She plans "to continue to work to preserve and maintain the historical significance of our wonderful neighborhood."

New to the Board are Jim Gibson, Amanda Hardaway and Pete Kirven. Gibson has lived in the Triangle since 2004. He is a lifetime member of the CTA as well as a member of the Olmsted Conservancy. He will work to help the "Triangle remain a safe and inviting neighborhood. I want to preserve its integrity, diversity and rich architectural history."

Hardaway is an architect who has lived in the Triangle for three years. Her "goals for the neighborhood include safety, architectural integrity, restoration of the urban forest and landscape and continuing the tradition of excellent quality of life."

Kirven has lived in the same house on Willow Avenue for 22 years. He has

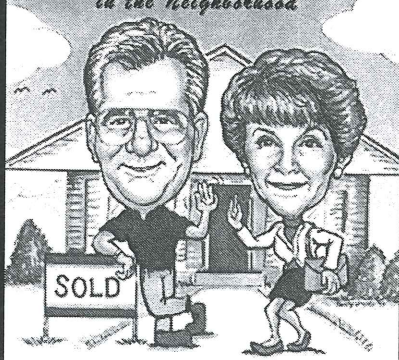
volunteered over the years at the Art Fair and is a member of the Olmsted Conservancy. His goals for serving on the Board include preservation interests, trees and power lines, planning and development for the Bardstown Road corridor and neighborhood safety.

Former board members Lyndrup and Morris were re-elected to the Board. Lyndrup served two terms and Morris, three. Lyndrup is the Art Fair's Association Booth chair, editor of this Newsletter and works part time in the CTA office. While on the Board she served as President for two years and Secretary for one. As a Trustee, she plans to continue to work on the Historic Preservation, Membership, Art Fair and Newsletter committees.

Morris has lived in the Triangle for over 30 years. In addition to serving on the CTA Board, Morris has served on the Cherokee Triangle Architectural Review Committee, Castleman Statue Restoration Committee, and was co-chair of the Arts and Crafts division of the Art Fair for 13 years. As she states in her application, she hopes "to develop a progressive strategy for the neighborhood yet sensitive to the historic, architectural and cultural attributes that are the mainstay of the preservation mission of the Triangle."

The Board will elect their new officers at the June meeting to be held on June 15. A complete list of Trustees with officers identified on the back page will be in the Fall Newsletter. This promises to be a committed Board. The CTA Board does not meet in July. Newly elected members will begin their terms at the August meeting.

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Cherokee Triangle Association Newsletter Statement of Purpose:

The mission of the Cherokee Triangle Newsletter is:

- To keep members informed of current issues directly affecting the Cherokee Triangle neighborhood, including residents' responsibilities and benefits by reason of living in a historic preservation neighborhood,
- To inform members of the activities and identities of the Board of Trustees and to answer residents' questions about those activities and respond to suggestions of residents,
- To provide a medium for news and views of the Triangle residents,
- And to provide information about opportunities to serve the neighborhood as volunteers and information about opportunities for residents to meet their neighbors.



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CARMICHAEL'S BOOK STORE BECOMES A TRUE "THIRD PLACE" FOR HIGHLANDERS

BY PEGGIE ELGIN

An impressive array of Thomas Merton books fills a shelf in a bookstore that has become a fixture in the Highlands, Carmichael's Book Store.

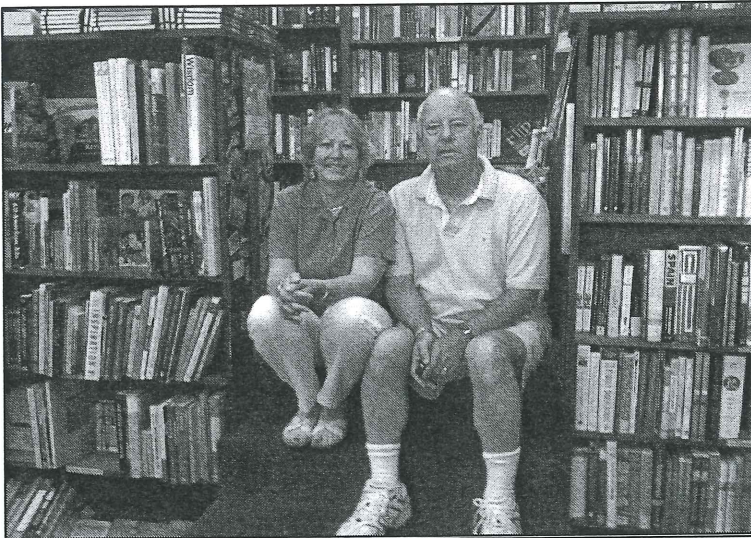
Carmichael's, the blending of the first names of owners Carol Besse and Michael Boggs, is composed of a small retail store space, where a place to sit is at a premium, and includes stairways to book filled alcoves. Books fill shelves where the tops are beyond the reach of all but U of L basketball

players. Even storage space under window benches serve the store.

The reason a whole shelf is devoted to a large collection of Thomas Merton books and writings is that Besse and Boggs know what people in their community want after more than 30 years in business. It is the key to the success of the store, which opened at Bonnycastle and Bardstown in 1978 and moved in 1982 or 83 to its pre-

sent Cherokee Triangle location at Longest and Bardstown Roads with its small retail space but plenty of time for each and every customer.

Now with a second branch of the store, located in the Crescent Hill



Carol Besse and Michael Boggs in their book store
Photo by Peggie Elgin

neighborhood on Frankfort Avenue, some additional space is available for book signings and other literary events in an upstairs room.

An independent book store has always been the dream of Besse and Boggs, who came to Louisville after having worked in book stores on the North Side of Chicago. "We loved the business and the work," says Besse. "We decided we could

do this and we liked doing this," says Boggs. "Both of us had Kentucky connections. We looked around and ended up here." "This place (the Cherokee Triangle) jumped out at us as the right place to do what we wanted to do," says Besse. "We saw potential in an urban corridor surrounded by lovely neighborhoods."

The first store opened April 15, 1978, Tax Day, says Boggs. "We wanted to be rooted in the neighborhood. We have the concept of the third place and wanted to be that third place where people go that is not work and not home. It is a concept where people can go and feel comfy."

Although the store is currently adjacent and connected to Heine Brothers Coffee, it was not always so. The important underlying principle is that Besse and

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“HAM” IS STILL HERE

BY LESLIE MILLAR

We all know that the Cherokee Triangle is abundantly supplied with history. But few have as intimate an acquaintance with the past 100 years as Rudy and Kellie Vogt. Max Barker built their Richardson Romanesque house in 1890;

hood in 1998. During their first holiday season, the couple awoke in the middle of the night. The stereo had turned itself on to “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas.” That spring, ceiling fans started spontaneously going on and off. Another night, Rudy was disturbed by the clatter of someone falling down the stairs. They recognized the antics of Cousin Ham, known for his extravagant entertaining.



The Vogt House
Photo by Leslie Millar

it was known for a time as “Queen’s Point.” She reigns near the corner of Cherokee Parkway and Grinstead Drive and overlooks Cherokee Park. The rooms are richly adorned with heirloom furniture and family portraits. Over the years much has accumulated, though little has changed, including signs of former occupants.

The Vogts moved into the neighbor-

In 1990, Hamilton Comstock, “Ham,” died while eating his dinner and watching TV at the Vogt’s current kitchen table. At a friend’s suggestion, the current occupants informed the mischievous presence: “That bothers me. Stop it.” Electronic equipment quieted. Ham rested in peace.

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CTA STANDS AGAINST PLAN TO WIDEN I-64 THROUGH THE COCHRAN TUNNEL

The CTA took a stand against a proposal to widen I-64 to six lanes at the Cochran Tunnel in a vote at their May Board meeting.

The unanimous decision included advising the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet of their opposition to such a project and asking that the proposed project be withdrawn from the Cabinet’s Long Range Plan.

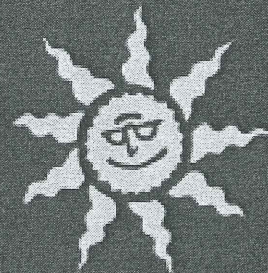
The Board learned recently that the project is currently part of Louisville’s Long Range Transportation Plan, which is in the process of being updated this fall for the first time since 2005.

An update from the 8664 organization reports that last November the Transportation Cabinet released a traffic study of an alternative like 8664, but the Cabinet incorrectly included the widening of I-64 and I-71. Despite this error, the study determined that an East End Bridge only solution would provide virtually the same level of “system wide performance.” With funding for the downtown Bridges Project in doubt, the CTA and citizens of the Cherokee Triangle may wish to put their support behind a less expensive alternative that will benefit Louisville for generations.

The original plan for I-64, which was first talked about in the 1950s by the federal and state highway departments, called for I-64 to go right through the middle of Cherokee Park. The plan generated citizen opposition from an area

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I-64 WIDENING

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beyond the Cherokee Triangle. They fought to have the plan altered. The result was the Cochran Tunnel. It did ultimately involve taking a piece from Cherokee Park at the location of the tunnel.

If the tunnel is widened, it is broadly thought that the structural effect would be a V cut and the tunnel top would be removed.

In years of addressing I-64 proposals the CTA's position includes the following points:

- Additional traffic would adversely impact nearby neighborhoods with increased noise levels and pollution.
- The proposal would divert scarce highway fund dollars from a mass transit (light rail) to a more outdated technology (cars on the road).
- The proposed project would have a deleterious effect on property values in the Cherokee Triangle.

Citizens may join the CTA in its opposition to the project by offering input during the public comment period in June and July. At the time of publishing this article the regional planning organizations had not released details on how to make official comments. However, the 8664 organization has details and sample text for submitting a comment on their website www.8664.org/kipda.

2009 CHEROKEE TRIANGLE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

- June 21ST – TKO (Tim Krekel) - (Kreki Rock)
 June 28TH – Blair Carmen & The Belleview Boys (Rockabilly)
 July 5TH – Another Mule (Originals & Eclectic R&B)
 July 12TH – Cosa Seria (Salsa)
 July 19TH – Zydeco Bon (Zydeco Music)
 Aug. 2ND – Will Cary (Nightcrawler Rock)
 Aug. 9TH – Lamont Gillespie & 100 Proof (Blues/R&B)
 Aug. 16TH – Rain Date
 Aug. 23RD – Rain Date
 Aug. 30TH – Rain Date
 Sept. 7TH – (Mon.) The Ovation Orchestra (Big Band Swing)

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CARMICHAEL'S

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Boggs were interested in readers. "We always had time to talk to our customers, talk about books and talk about ideas," says Boggs. "So the book store wasn't so much about amenities as it was the concept. You have time to talk and you have to have time to help people."

Although the popular gathering center continues to serve loyal customers, it is subject to pressures of the troubled economy as is every business in the community. "People want a community that has interesting little shops," says Besse, who thinks people should vote with their dollars to help choose the kind of businesses they want in their community. "If you buy things online, for instance, you are not voting with your dollars in your community." Choosing to shop locally gives customers an experience that falls into the category Boggs has described as the "third place."

A resident of the Cherokee Triangle, Besse says she and Boggs have known some of their customers for 30 years. "We live in the neighborhood so they are our neighbors. We hire readers for our

staff, which is very diverse." Boggs points out that as an independent store, it is not only locally based, its independent status means it buys all its services in the community and supports local community activities. Unquestionably popular with the local clientele, Carmichael's Book Store also won some national recognition recently with the "Bookseller of the Year" award in New York City given by Publishers Weekly.

LAWN CARE REBATES

The Lawn Care Rebate Program offered by Kentuckiana Air Education program (KAIRE) will continue its Lawn Care Rebate program for the fifth consecutive year. The rebate program offers up to \$100 for trading in a gasoline powered mower toward the cost of an electric, battery or reel mower.

Rebates are available for other lawn maintenance equipment such as leaf blowers. Instant rebates are available at participating retail outlets. KAIRE is a project of the Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District (APCD). For more information call 574-5322 or visit www.louisvilleky.gov/apcd.

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SMALL BUSINESSES JOIN TOGETHER— TEAMWORK CAN HELP CUSTOMERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS

BY JOAN BALDWIN

Two local businesses have recently teamed up to offer a convenience to their customers. Now, any movies rented from Wild and Woolly Video can be dropped, after viewing, at any of the seven locations of Heine Brothers Coffee. Customers seem to appreciate this environmentally-friendly concept as it saves an average of 73 trips each day, driving to Wild and Woolly's Bardstown Road location.

Nearing the end of a "test period,"

this joint promotion has proved successful in driving business for both of these small businesses. The concept was conceived by Todd Brashear, the owner of Wild and Woolly Video for twelve years. "Our main goal was to offer an added convenience to our customers, which is always a win-win situation. At the same time, we wanted to bring a benefit to another non-competitive, independent business, in hopes of growing their business and ours," said Brashear. "This is a time when we should all work together

and be a little more creative in our efforts."

Brashear is a member of LIBA, the Louisville Independent Business Alliance, through which he encourages other small, local businesses to team up in helping each other thrive. He welcomes phone calls from other business owners who want to discuss ideas on how to better serve their customers through joint promotions. "There are so many possibilities out there" he says.

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BENEFITS OF SHOPPING LOCALLY AFFECT MORE THAN THE POCKETBOOK

BY PEGGIE ELGIN

The Highlands Commerce Guild is the voice for businesses in the Highlands and one of its aims is to encourage residents to buy locally, says Larry Rother, President of the organization, President of the Highlands Publishing Company and publisher of Coffee News.

Times have been difficult lately throughout the country. Rother notes Louisville and the Highlands have not escaped the effects of the economy. "There have been a few more instances where businesses have closed," he says. He adds, however, that he does not believe it is up to the community to support local businesses just for the sake of supporting local businesses. "It definitely needs to be a win/win situation," he says. But if local residents go to the trouble to check out local stores, the result might be surprising. Check out a local store. They might find the prices better than a store at the mall or an item that can be found on line.

Sometimes customers do turn to the Internet, says Nick Morris, board member

of the Highland Commerce Guild and owner of The Safety and Security Store on Baxter Avenue. "The Internet is so omnipresent now," Morris notes. "I had a first-time customer about a week ago, who came in came with a print out of an alarm system he'd seen on the Internet. The price was \$99."

That customer also noticed Morris advertised the same unit on his website at a higher price. "The customer told me he preferred to buy locally and asked 'Can we work something out?' Obviously it was to my benefit to do business with him. So we agreed on a price. He was happy and I was happy."

But there are some other benefits to buying locally. Morris points out the products he sells can be sometimes a little bit technical. "Some people are a bit afraid of ordering something over the Internet without knowing exactly what they may need," he says. "When they do get it they may have difficulty with it. When I have somebody in the store here, I can walk them through the operation of the unit. We can hold their hand a little bit more and give them some confidence. I am a big proponent of personal service.

That is the way I want to be treated when I buy something."

Shopping patterns affect far more than personal budgets and the range of selection available, according to Rother.

"If people are concerned about the neighborhoods and the types of businesses moving in, they should make a bit of effort to go the local store first," Rother points out. "If they do that, the stores are healthier. The rents stay higher. And undesirable businesses are less likely to move in. If the stores that we love are healthy, buying locally makes them more likely to remain. The locally owned stores are more apt to join in and do something in the community."

**DON'T BE A SQUARE PEG
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“HAM”

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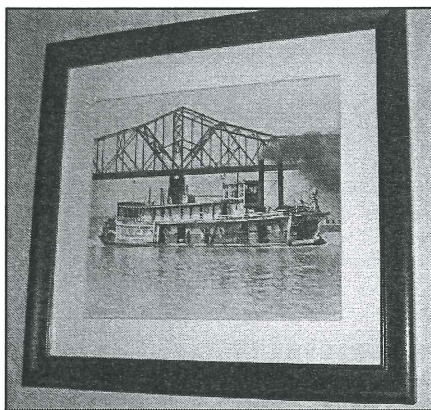
Besides Ham, other characters are remembered in their keepsakes. Among the attic contents: five steamer trunks, one containing a piece of Aunt Jane Duffy Comstock's wedding cake and calling cards from 1943. Kellie and Rudy also discovered a live grenade that Jane's



Thomas and Hamilton Duffy (Cousin Ham's Grandfather)
Photo by Kellie Vogt

brother-in-law Ray Comstock brought home from World War II. That little surprise drew the bomb squad.

In the dining room, elaborate wallpaper shows scenes of the streets of New Orleans, including a view of Jackson



Old Photo of a Duffy Steamboat
New Photo by Leslie Millar

Square. Emma Howard Duffy fondly recalled her school years at Tulane.

A stairwell is lined with photographs of Pierce Arrow delivery trucks and steamboats (some named after family members), remnants of the family businesses, the Duffy Steamboat Works and Ohio River Sand Company. The original photos now safely reside at the Howard Steamboat Museum, while copies have taken their place.

Family members across the decades have left indelible marks upon the house at 2647 Cherokee Parkway. Every table still bears a burn from Aunt Jane's filterless Chesterfields.

THANK YOU, ART FAIR CHAIRS

BY JOHN DOWNARD
CTA PRESIDENT

The Cherokee Art Fair experienced one of its most successful years, thanks in part to the outstanding weather. Though regardless of the weather the weekend of the Fair, hundreds of volunteers will have prepared and planned throughout the year. Their professionalism, creativity and teamwork make it appear to attendees that somehow the Fair just "magically" happens. Well, it doesn't. The hundreds of volunteers are led by a group of individuals who devote more than just time; they devote their hearts and souls to this event. It is with great pleasure that I recognize the following individuals for their contributions not only to this year's fair, but no doubt last year's and probably next year's.

The Chairs are Gary Barch, Stevie Finn, John Lisherness and Jerry Lyndrup. Co-chairs are Ted Bartenstein, Sandy Coulter, Kathy Dobbins, Linda and Jerry Grasch, Michael Gross, Cass Harris, Carol Hensley, Fred Holden, Bob Kaufman, Antonia Lindauer, Tony Lindauer, Lynne Lyndrup, Barbara Martin, Bryan Mathews, Amy McTyeire, Nick Morris, Mary Ann Naiser-Hall, Terra Scovil, Heather Sena, Connie Sorrell, Rob Townsend, Tonya Williams and Bob Woehrle.

These individuals are but a small part of what makes the Cherokee Triangle such a special place to live. On behalf of the Cherokee Triangle Association and all of us who live in this truly unique neighborhood, we extend to you a sincere and profound, thank you.

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Sunday, Oct. 4, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat",

Sunday, Dec. 20, "A Wonderful Life"

Register at 451-3695. The TARC bus leaves at 11:15 from Highland Court (1720 Richmond Drive). \$32 with

RAIN GARDENS

Rain gardens provide a solution that local residents can craft, minimizing problems that accompany summertime's heavy rains. The increase in urban growth and development has pushed our infrastructure to the limits of its ability to handle storm water runoff. Rain runs off roads, parking lots, rooftops, patios and other surfaces that it can't penetrate.

As storm water flows from these hard surfaces into storm pipes, drainage channels and streams, it collects harmful oil-based products, lawn chemicals, pesticides, pet waste and toxic substances. In a heavy downpour, when the drainage systems fills to capacity, water mixed with pollutants and sewage overflows into streams – harming fish and wildlife, killing native vegetation and making recreational areas unsafe.

Homeowners can minimize the negative consequences that occur during heavy rain events and improve our environment at the same time by disconnecting downspouts from the collection system and redirecting runoff on their property. Rain gardens help capture runoff before it reaches the drainage system. Designed with shallow, level bottoms, rain gardens soak up storm water runoff and filter out pollutants. By diverting storm water into rain gardens from roofs and driveways, homeowners can improve the health of local waterways and, at the same time, create beautiful gardens which sustain biodiversity.

MSD's reference guide contains information collected from many sources and provides the steps needed to create a residential rain garden. The guide lists appropriate native plants and sources, and provides some general design tips. To order a guide, call MSD at 587-0603.

"B" AT SPEED! - BARDSTOWN AT SPEED COMMUNITY NIGHT

The shops along Bardstown Road at Speed Avenue are hosting a Community Night for Highlands' local residents. This Community Night takes place the third Saturday every month. Every month features a different theme and treasure hunt. By participating in the treasure hunt, attendees are eligible for a FREE gift drawing and Community Night specials from participating businesses. These specials change each month, so check the web page at: BardstownAtSpeed.com to find out what each month's specials will be. To receive the night discounts you have to pick up your map at Lexies' and if you turn it back in by 8:30 your map will go into a drawing for free gifts. June's gift is a big one....a FREE pair of Birkenstocks valued at \$120 from Lexie's Trading Post. This is a perfect opportunity to reconnect with your neighbors and to find out what your local businesses have to offer.

The "B" at Speed Community Night treasure hunt will have clues located in participating shops. "B" at Speed Community Night will be located between "The Churches" (Deer Park Baptist Church and St. Francis Catholic) along Bardstown Road at Speed Avenue. This month's event is scheduled on June 20 from 6:00—9:00 pm with the FREE gift drawing taking place at 8:30 pm at Lexie's Trading Post. Pick up your treasure hunt map at Lexie's Trading Post located at 1745 Bardstown Road or check the web site at: BardstownAtSpeed.com or simply call (502) 409-8448 for more information.

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RESTORATION OF WILLOW PARK CONTINUES

The newly restored portion of Willow Park around Willow Avenue was dedicated at the first Summer Concert. Present for the ribbon-cutting ceremony were Councilman Tom Owen, CTA President John Downard, Assistant Parks Director Marty Storch and Jefferson County PVA Tony Lindauer. Absent

was Senator Denise Harper Angel to whom we owe a great deal of gratitude. It was through her ability to secure needed funds from Frankfort for the highway portion that his restoration was even possible. Funds from Councilman Owen and the CTA were used for the interior drainage part of the project.

The gazebo also had a face-lift with paint donated by our good friends at Dages Paint and volunteers who scraped, sanded, wire-brushed and painted it back to its former beauty. Many thanks to John Stone, Mike Newton, John Elgin, John Downard, Tim Holman, Tony Lindauer and Dages Paint.



Ribbon cutting from left, Marty Storch, John Downard, Tom Owen and Tony Lindauer
Photo by George VanArsdale



The painters—front, Mike Newton, Tony Lindauer, Tim Holman, and John Downard. Back, John Stone and John Elgin
Photo by Belinda Stone

FUNDRAISER FOR WILLOW PARK

The first of many privately hosted dinners to benefit the restoration of Willow Park was held at the home of Wayne Jenkins and Steven VanHooser on Sunday May 24. Over 50 guests attended and raised \$4,650.00 for the restoration effort. Wayne and Steve underwrote all expenses, so the entire proceeds are going toward improving and preserving Willow Park. Trustees and neighbors are encouraged to follow this concept and continue

raising much-needed funds for the park. Look in the near future for John Downard and Mary Alexander and Earl and Gayle Dorsey to host similar events at their homes.

Many thanks to those Cherokee residents who are dedicated to restoring this historic Frederick Law Olmsted treasure of a park. We greatly appreciate their stepping up to be good stewards to preserve the legacy left by our ancestors.

BRIGHTSIDE FUNDRAISER

Join in a Monday FUNd Day on July 6 from 11 a.m. – midnight at one of the O'Shea's Family of Pubs. Stop by for a bite to eat or enjoy a pint with friends. Help pack the house and raise much needed funds for the **Brightside** programs that ate loved so much. All of proceeds from the entire day's food and beverage sales will benefit Brightside.

Meet at Flanagan's Ale House, 934 Baxter Avenue; O'Shea's Irish Pub, 956 Baxter Avenue or Brendan's Restaurant & Pub, 3921 Shelbyville Road..

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Ages 3 — 8 yrs

Toddler Story Time — 10:15 am

Every Wednesday Ages 2 to 3 yrs.

Mother Goose Time — 10:15 am

Every Thursday. For "walkers" up to 2 yrs.

NEW: Weekly program every Wednesday at 2 pm in June and July. Program age may vary each week. Call 574-1672 for more information.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

Summer Reading Program started Saturday, May 23 though August 1.

Youth Chess Club

Saturdays, June 10, July 11 & August 8. Noon — 2 pm

Walk-ins welcome

Ages 8 — 12

Louisville Water Company

Wednesday, June 17, 2 pm

Celebrate LWC's 100 anniversary with a fun hands-on activity.

Ages 3 — 8

Get Your Hands on Some Art!

Tuesday, June 23, 1:30 pm

Join the Speed Art Museum Youth Apprentices for a hands-on art experience. Call 574-1672 to sign up.

Ages 6—10

Who's Hiding in the Barn?

Tuesday, June 23, 7 pm

Ages 3—8

All Around the Farmyard

Wednesday, June 24, 10:15 am

For toddlers

Wimpy Kid Meet up

Wednesday, June 24, 2 pm

For fans of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*

Ages 8 — 13

Nancy's Puppet Shows

Thursday, June 25, 2 pm

Who's afraid of the Big Bad Wolf? Come and find out! Watch three puppet shows based on tales for children.

Ages 4 and up

Junk Genius: Robot Challenge

Wednesday, July 1, 2 pm

Ages 5 and up

Hip-Hop Poetry Writing Workshop

Thursday, July 2, 2—3:30 pm

Listen to poetry performed by poets and hip-hop artists. Then work in

small groups to write and perform your own.

If You Give a Pig a Pancake Pajama Party!

Tuesday, July 7, 7 pm

Wear your PJ's and get a surprise treat!

Ages 3—8

What Could Happen If You Give a Mouse a Cookie?

Wednesday, July 8, 2 pm

Ages 3—8

Storytelling with Marsha Roth

Wednesday, July 15, 2 pm

Space Race

Tuesday, July 21, 7 pm

Who will get to Outer Space first?

Ages 3—8

Art Star: Marc Chagall

Wednesday, July 29, 2 pm

Learn about the artist and create in his "Stained Glass" style

Ages 8 — 13

Celebrate American Indian Culture with David Michael Tolbert

Thursday, July 23, 2 pm

Workshop includes drums, signing, dancing, bead and quilt work.

When Pigasso met Mootsie

Wednesday, July 29, 2 pm

Hear the story of two artists based on the book by Nina Laden and create some amazing art

Ages 7 and up

Summer Reading Finale with Heidi Howe

Saturday, August 1, 2 pm

Join the end of summer party with your favorite folk songs in a sing-along concert complete with instruments and dancing.

All ages

TEEN OUTPOST

Anime Club — 4:30 — 6:30 pm

Third Wednesday of each month
Ages 12 — 19.

ADULTS' PROGRAMS

MEET LOCAL AUTHORS!

Pioneer Spirit: Catherine Spalding, Sister of Charity of Nazareth

Pioneer Spirit is the outstanding biography of Mother Catherine Spalding (1793—1858), the cofounder and first leader of one of the most significant American religious orders for women. The author, Mary Ellen Doyle, SCN, will discuss her life and work, which

maintained strong connections among ministry, spirituality and community.

Thursday, July 9, 7 pm

Louisville and the Civil War: A History & Guide

This book is the first published work on the subject since McDowell's *City of Conflict* appeared in 1962. Local author Bryan S. Bush will recount the tumultuous events that took place in and around Louisville, then the twelfth largest city in the nation.

Saturday, August 29, 2 pm

Book Discussions:

Third Monday of the month at 2 pm

Personal History by Katharine Graham

June 15

Living History by Hillary Rodham Clinton

July 20

Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson
August 17

New Computer Class: Beginning Your Job Search Online

Created for adults with limited computer experience, the class offers a brief introduction to searching and applying for jobs online.

For more information or to sign up, call 574-1672. Classes are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 9:15 am.

For additional information about library programs, call the library at 574-1672. You can also pick up a newsletter at the library in the Mid City Mall. Visit the web site at www.lfpl.org.

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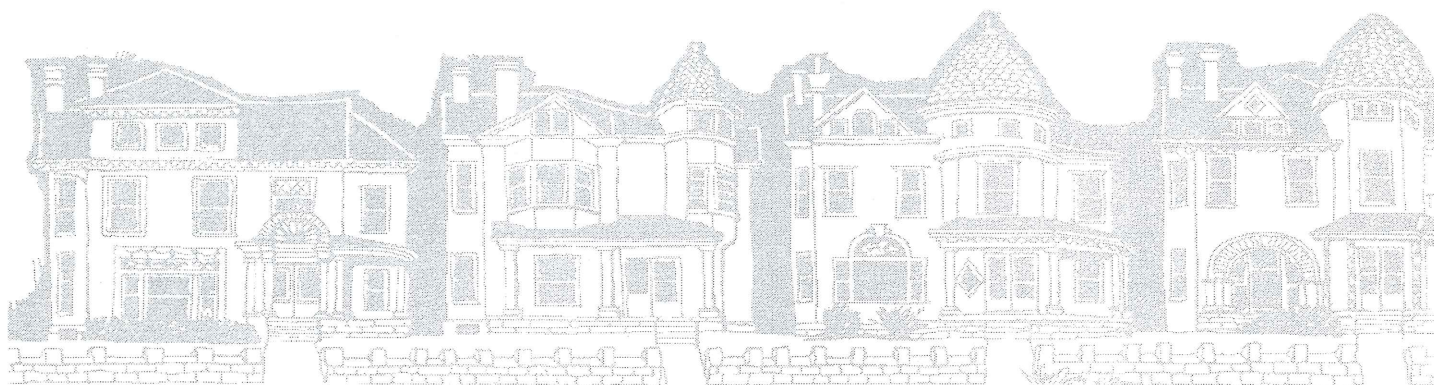


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The CTA holds meetings the 3rd Monday of the month except July & December, at 7:00 p.m. at the Highlands-Shelby Park Library branch in the Mid-City Mall. All are welcome to attend.

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