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A GATHERING IN THE PARK: REFLECTING ON 9-11

A ceremony of remembrance and reflection will be held in Central Park on Wednesday, September 11 beginning at 6PM.

Sponsored by the Louisville Olmsted Parks Conservancy and Metro Parks, the 30-minute event will feature music and readings as well as remarks by Mayor Dave Armstrong. It will be an opportunity for the community to remember, reflect, and resolve in one of Olmsted's classic democratic spaces, Central Park.

A color guard will proceed from St James and Magnolia to the C.

Douglas Ramey Amphitheatre where the ceremony will take place. Those wishing to join the processional following the color guard are asked to gather at the corner of St. James and Magnolia shortly before 6PM.

Following the program, everyone will be invited to spend quiet time in the park, visit, and respond to last year's events in their own way. Art and writing supplies will be available for all ages and varieties of expressions. The park setting will be used as a "memorial wall" where personal expressions will be displayed.

JAZZ SEXTET INAUGURATES

OLD LOUISVILLE CONCERT SERIES

Robert Nickerson will lead a jazz sextet in the first concert of the Old Louisville Concert Series at **2PM, Sunday, September 8, in the C. Douglas Ramey Amphitheater in Central Park.** The 2-hour concert will feature jazz provided by an ensemble including saxophone, trumpet, trombone, bass, drums, and guitar.

Audience members are encouraged to bring folding chairs. In the event of rain, the concert will be moved to Caldwell Hall in the Conrad/Caldwell House Museum.

A versatile musician, Robert Nickerson is a saxophonist, composer, and arranger. He has shared the stage with noted musicians such as Terrell Stafford, Terry Lynn Carrington, John Fedchock, and Jerry Coker among others.

Mr.. Nickerson currently works as a freelance musician in the Louisville area. He has a variety of

diverse groups that perform at many different venues including television and radio.

He recently earned the Master of Music Degree in Performance with a Concentration in Jazz Studies from the University of Louisville and holds the Bachelor Of Arts Degree with Honors from Alabama State University. In 1997 he was awarded the Alabama Jazz and Blues Federation Jazz Scholarship and was the recipient of the Louis Armstrong Award in 1999.

This is the first in what is hoped will be a continuing series offering a variety of performances. The concert is sponsored by the Old Louisville Information Center and was organized by Malcolm B. Bird and John Sistarenik.

OLD LOUISVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

General Meeting

**7 PM, Thursday,
September 5, 2002
Conrad/Caldwell
House Museum,
Caldwell Hall
1402 St. James Court**

Topic: The Rezoning of
Old Louisville and Limerick
as a
Traditional Neighborhood
Zoning District

Plan to attend this important meeting to learn about the rezoning of Old Louisville and Limerick. Members of the Old Louisville Task Force and staff from the Louisville Development Authority will be present to explain the plan and answer questions.

Copies of the Old Louisville-Limerick TNZD Plan Report and map are available for review at the Old Louisville Information Center, Mondays-Fridays, 1PM-5PM.. Call 635-5244 for further information.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

The Ninth Annual "Hidden Treasures Garden Tour" in July was a resounding success. The attendance was one of the best ever, and proceeds were the highest ever. This incredible undertaking would not have been possible without the help of many neighbors.

Thanks, first and foremost, to the homeowners who opened their lovely gardens: Nancy and Gayle Ballard; Tim King and Gary Huey, Kevin Kouba, Rick Tabb, and W.S. Walston, Jr.; Karen Mullen; Betty Mumford-Clingaman; Dennis Rollins and Christopher White; Dean Stiles; Jim and Jan Terry; and Mary and Joe White at Central Park Bed & Breakfast.

Thanks to these sponsors for their support: E.J. Printing; Mary Martin, Realtor; The Garden Wall; Lois Tash Realty; The Granville Inn; Third Avenue Cafe; and John Miller Landscaping. A special thanks to the Old Louisville Information Center, the Conrad/Caldwell House Museum, the

Fifth District Police, Alderman Greg Handy, Scheler's Food Mart, Cindy Sullivan, Bob Hill and Jenine Wiche, Denise Smith, and all the Second Street Association folks.

Thanks also to all the volunteers who lent their assistance in various capacities to make this event a positive showcase of Old Louisville. This was my first year at the helm of the garden tour. I can't thank enough my mentors, Ginny Ehrlich and Peggy Mims, for their guidance and assistance; I couldn't have done it without them.

The goal of the garden tour is to showcase fine urban landscaping by featuring gardens of high caliber and originality. If we didn't get to your garden or neighborhood this year, we will try to do so on a future tour.

Thanks again, and go get those hands in the dirt.
Sincerely,
C. Timothy Bottorff, Chair
Old Louisville Hidden Treasures
Garden Tour

To Whom It May Concern:

In July, some members of our staff visited Louisville and toured the hidden gardens of Old Louisville. One of those gardens is featured this month on our website at

www.pagodabooks.com.

We have received numerous positive comments from around the U.S. and wanted to share just a few with you.

From TN:

That's the best trip to Louisville I've ever had! The garden was really a labor of love and the results couldn't be more beautiful. It's a place I would never have had the chance to see without your invitation-so THANKS!!!! I needed a walk in a garden today (I don't have one -maybe next summer?) so it was really a treat.

From FL:

Beautiful, beautiful!! I wish I could have been there myself.

From NY:

Thank you for the tour. Just wish I had been one of the 4!

From KY:

Thanks for the journey through such an outstanding garden. I enjoyed it so much.

I hope you enjoy reading these comments as much as we did receiving them. And thank you for providing us the opportunity to see how lovely Old Louisville is and how you are maintaining the history of that area.
Cordially,
Sherry

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RESTAURANT TIDBITS

With chilly and chili weather fast approaching, the **Old Walnut Chili Parlor** at 4th and Oak stands ready to fortify folks against the cold with its chili and tamale specialties. White, Cajun, and Texas blackbean chili are available as well as barbecue sandwiches, strombolis, chili dogs, burritos, tacos, nachos, salads, desserts, soft drinks and beer.

From its first location at 9th and Walnut to its second at 18th and Broadway and to its current Old Louisville location, the Old Walnut Chili Parlor has been a Louisville landmark since 1921.

Owner Donald Frantz invites everyone to stop by Mondays-Fridays, 9AM-7PM, and Saturdays and Sundays, 9AM-6PM.. You can't miss it; bright red chili peppers are stenciled on all the windows!

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Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to the above address.

The 15th of each month is deadline for submission of all ads and articles.

COMMUNITY YOGA CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 9

Yoga classes will resume for the fall on Monday, September 9 from 6PM-7:30PM in the Old Louisville Information Center.

The classes are taught by Karla Markendorf, an Old Louisville resident, and will continue on consecutive Mondays through October 28.

Cost for the eight-week session is \$40 or \$6 per class. Register at the Old Louisville Information Center.

CHURCH NEWS:

"Jazz Concert for Peace - A Commemoration of September 11" will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2002 at 3PM at **Central Presbyterian Church**, 318 West Kentucky Street, featuring Harry Pickens (piano), Dick Sisto (vibraphone) and the Central Presbyterian Church Choir. The freewill offering will benefit the Peace Education Program of Louisville.

Walnut Street Baptist Church will hold a flea market on **Saturday, September 14th**, from 8AM to 4PM in the church parking lot on Second Street between Oak and St. Catherine Streets. Over 100 tables will be featured. Contact Christian Activities Ministry, 589-5229, for further information.

The Reverend Wayne G. McAllister has been named the new pastor at **St Peter's Evangelical United Church of Christ**, 1225 West Jefferson Street. Reverend McAllister comes to St Peter's after having served congregations in Culver and Terre Haute, Indiana. Pastor Wayne, his wife, Sharon, and their daughters are originally from Louisville. Prior to entering the ministry, he worked as a respiratory therapist at Caritas Hospital (formerly Saints Mary & Elizabeth) for nearly 20 years. He attended Butler High School and graduated from Jefferson Community College, the University of Louisville, and Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.



JUNK PICK UP SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 2

Old Louisville's third quarterly junk pick up is scheduled for the first week of September. **Junk must be placed at your regular collection point by Monday, September 2.**

The City will pick up furniture, mattresses, appliances, tires, and other bulky items. Tree limbs must be less than four feet long and four inches in diameter and stacked separately. Any bagged items must weigh less than 60 pounds.

The City will **not** pick up construction materials (gutters, dry wall, etc.), hazardous waste, or auto parts.



**Department of
Solid Waste Management**

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GROWING SHORT.....

CENTRAL PARK PATRONS UPDATE

Thanks to the following groups and individuals who have contributed funds to the \$15,000 matching grant for Central Park improvements. The City will match our \$15,000 to make \$30,000 available for the purchase and installation of new park benches and trash containers.

So far **\$4,610** has been raised. Time is growing short; the matching funds must be raised prior to January and the installation of the new metro-government. Please help by making your checks payable to the Old Louisville Information Center. Donations are tax-deductible.

CENTRAL PARK PATRONS

(as of August 18, 2002)

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Beverly Miller

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St. James Court Association

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Ouerbacker Arts and Crafts Neighborhood Association

Second Street Neighborhood Association

Herb and Gayle Warren/ Dupont Mansion Bed and Breakfast



OLB&PA

Old Louisville Business & Professional Association

Newsletter

Fall Season

Summer is almost gone (a hot one at that) and we look forward to a busy Fall here in Old Louisville. Families are back from vacation, children back to school and the St James Court Art Show not to far away. Soon after that the Holiday House Tour in December. All good opportunities for businesses in Old Louisville. Organizers of the House Tour will be trying something new this year. **OLB&PA** is assisting with the Tour by organizing "The Taste Of Old Louisville." This is an opportunity for Old Louisville Restaurants to showcase their culinary abilities to a group of people who might normally not frequent our area. Look for more details in our October Newsletter or contact Gary Kleier at 634-1006 during normal business hours or e-mail at : GJKleier@netscape.net

Oak St Development

As stated in our last Newsletter, the Mayor put in more than \$250,000 for improvements along Oak Street and it was rejected by the aldermen. We are currently seeking Federal funds in conjunction with city money to get this project back on track.

Volunteers have been watering plants along Oak Street and we are told that they look much better than the plants on Main Street. Thanks to Herb Fink, Bob Bajandas & others .Also, Dismas from 2nd & Oak said they will clean up Oak Street on weekends as a service to the community, thanks to Faith Good.

Tourism-Market Place Study Update

We are at the point of examining our market research. This includes

demographic data, focus group results, and marketing materials from other communities. After this process of evaluation is complete, we will describe what we have discovered and also make recommendations.

Our goal is to present our findings at an open meeting in October where OLB&PA members and business non-members, residents of Old Louisville, and others who may want to offer their perspectives may do so in an open forum which will follow the presentation.

Again we are encouraged by many positive things that are happening in Old Louisville. We truly believe the answers to any existing problems, whether real or perceived, can be found right here in our community.

As always, s.r./p.r. welcomes any input you may have. Contact me, Susan Rostov by e-mail at susanlee@bellsouth.net, by phone at 637-7180 or fax at 638-9749.

September Meeting

OLB&PA has been holding it's regular meetings quarterly this year:

Our September date has been changed to Wednesday the 18 th at noon.

Our December date is still Wednesday the 11 th, 5:30 - 7:00 PM. (Holiday Party)

Our next regular meeting will be **Wednesday September 18 at Noon** at the **University Club** on the **Belknap Campus**. The entrance to the parking lot is at the North Gate on Cardinal Blvd between 1st and 2nd Streets. We have the honor of having lunch with Mayor David Armstrong, who has done so much for Old Louisville and

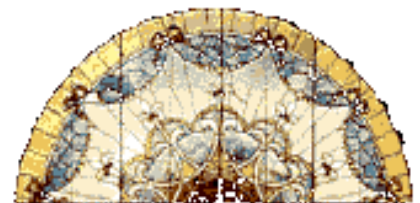
the City. This will be a very informative meeting so make sure you mark you calendars. I encourage every member to bring a potential member to this meeting. Good manners and our budget make it imperative that you **RSVP** me by September 12, for this very important meeting. Call or e-mail Arnold or JoAnn, 585-3060 or ajc1003@juno.com.

Board Members————— Needed

Organizations such as OLB&PA are only as good as their membership! We need the support of every business in our neighborhood—both with time and monetary support. We are seeking board members and committee members for the coming year who can give a few hours a month in support of our organization. Please call Arnold at the above numbers.

We hope to select new board members in October and have nominations in November.

Election of officers will take place in December.



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574-3333

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www.louky.org

LONGING FOR A DIFFERENT KIND OF SUMMER/FALL IN YOUR YARD?

Are you interested in trying a different approach to lawn care that would mean less work and/or less pollution while providing more beauty and wildlife habitat in your yard? Join the Air Pollution Control District's **Lawn Care for Cleaner Air** program and see how you can make changes that benefit air quality and the quality of your life.

One hour of mowing with a home-sized gasoline lawn mower produces as much air pollution as driving 200 miles in a late-model compact car.

"Lawn Care for Cleaner Air" includes various types of landscaping that can visually enhance your yard with minimal use of gasoline-powered equipment such as lawn mowers, string trimmers, and leaf blowers. Instead, try wildflowers; ground covers; bushes and trees; perennials and other flowers; decorative grasses, rock gardens; Japanese-style gardens, decks and patios. Other alternatives to gasoline-pow-

ered lawn maintenance equipment include cordless electric mowers & trimmers, and reel mowers.

More and more property owners are choosing to re-landscape, eliminating most mowing and raking of leaves. In its place, choose plants that need little water and maintenance to give your green space special appeal, whether it is a cool, restful shady sitting area, or a riot of color from your favorite wildflowers and perennials.

Too much trouble, you say? Start small, with a small strip, an island or a border around your yard, using low-maintenance plants. Contact your Agricultural Extension Office, 425-4482, for information, or ask neighboring gardeners for advice.

Too expensive? Consider what your lawn costs you. An investment in low-maintenance landscaping will pay itself off in a relatively short time in savings on seeding, fertilizing mowing, raking, and chemical lawn treatments.

Too time consuming? Add

up the hours you spend sowing seed, spreading fertilizer, mowing, trimming, and then raking the leaves in the fall. "Pay" yourself for your time, just as you get paid for your job, then calculate what this job of tending turf is costing you. It may make new landscaping seem inexpensive, by comparison.

Call the Air Pollution Control District (APCD), **574-5322**, to get ideas about alternative landscaping. Find out about the **Lawn Care for Cleaner Air Award** for minimizing the use of gasoline-powered equipment. Help educate your neighbors so we will all breathe cleaner air and have a more beautiful city. And check out award winning properties on the APCD web page on lawn care:

www.apcd.org/lawncare
Phyllis Fitzgerald Air Pollution Control District
phyllis.fitzgerald@co.jefferson.ky.us

FARMERS' MARKET ON WEDNESDAYS

Check out the Old Louisville Farmworks Market at Walnut Street Baptist Church parking lot at Third and St. Catherine Streets on Wednesdays from 3 - 6 pm.

The market is sponsored by The Farmworks Association which is a group of citizens and independent farmers who have joined together to champion the health and taste benefits of locally grown produce and to support the efforts of local farmers.

The market will run through October 16.



OLD LOUISVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

Association	Chairperson	Number
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Treyton Oaks	Jane LaPin	587-1028
West St. Catherine Street	Rhonda Williams	584-9231

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(CONTINUED)

Do It Right The First Time

First: A very big Thank You to Greg Handy for the sidewalk replacement throughout Old Louisville. Also, thanks to Herb Fink for his supervision of the work.

Second: Why can't they do it right the first time? About two years ago the works department had a hand-capped curb ramp cut into the sidewalk at the corner of 6th and Ormsby. The sidewalk is brick. The new ramp is concrete. Shortly after this occurred, the works department was advised this was a violation of a city ordinance. They said it was a mistake and that it would be corrected immediately. That was two years ago, and we are still waiting. Sure it is a small thing, but thousands of dollars of our tax money is being spent to fix these "small things" that weren't done right the first time. Don't think I am just picking on the Works Department. LG&E, the Louisville Water Company, Bell South and dozens of other contractors working in the Historic Districts are just as guilty. Every one of these departments, utilities and contractors know, or should know, what the law requires in a historic district.

Why is it all these companies continue to destroy historic properties in violation of city ordinances to the contrary? Why is it that our Alderman has to spend thousands of dollars of our tax money to fix what these companies continue to destroy? Why is it that so many city departments, utilities and contractors never learn that it is always cheaper to do it right the first time?

Third: What is going to happen with merger? If we can't get the city works department to understand the necessity of obeying the historic ordinances and requiring the same of the utilities, how will we ever get the merged government to do it? If we can't get the City Works Department and utilities to clean up their violations, how will we ever get the service the historic districts need from an expanded department? If Inspections, Permits and License inspectors allow violation of the law by contractors working in the historic districts, how will an expanded department service the needs of our small historic areas?

Perhaps it is time for all of the historic districts, and those who are working in that direction, to come together and deliver our messages with one, large, united voice.

Gary Kleier, AIA, 624 Floral Terrace

**MISS MATTIE
PASSES AWAY**

Mattie Alice Krieger, a longtime resident of the 1200 block of South Sixth Street, died on Sunday, August 18, 2002, at the Rockford Manor Nursing Home. She was 103.

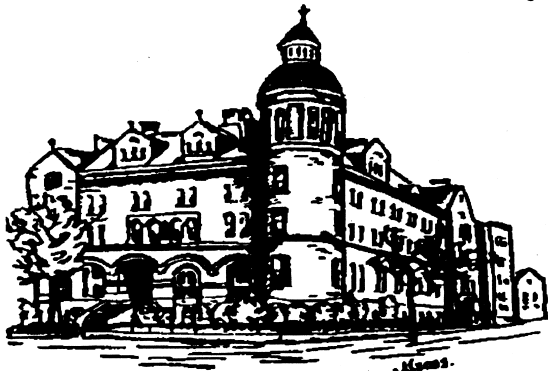
Miss Mattie moved into the neighborhood in the mid-1940s, took in boarders, and worked for many years at the old Fulton Fish Market on East Jefferson Street where she began her shift at 4am and rolled oysters all day.

Miss Mattie lived in the neighborhood until her early 90s and could be seen tending her flowers, and sweeping and cleaning her sidewalk and gutter. She always had a cheerful hello for passersby as she sat in her front porch swing.

Jean Crowe, a neighbor and friend, says that Miss Mattie was one of the kindest people she knew.

We will miss her.

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8 Jazz Concert in Central Park at 2pm	9 Yoga, 7pm at OLIC	10 St. James at Haskins Hall	11 In Rememb 9/11/01
15	16 Newsletter Deadline Yoga, 7pm at OLIC	17	18 OLB&PA, n University C (U of L)
22	23 Yoga, 7pm at OLIC	24 OLIC Board Meeting, 6pm OLNC Board Meeting, 7:30pm	25 Central Park at CCH
29	30 Yoga, 7pm at OLIC		