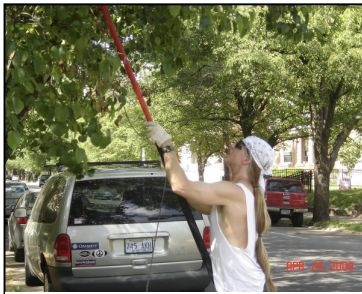


for the night shift personnel. The picnic lets police and fire fighters know how much we appreciate their efforts and provides an opportunity for them to meet and know area residents.

One of the highlights of the Association year was the 17th Annual Old Louisville Hidden Treasures Garden Tour. The 2010 garden tour showed off twelve beautiful gardens, including the Art in the Park, hosted by the DuPont Mansion and the Fountain Court public garden. Hundreds of visitors enjoyed the tour, which highlighted gardens on 4th Street, 3rd Street, St. James, and Fountain Court. The OL Garden Tour has become one of the premier garden tours in the region and attracts visitors from all over the country. It has been noted over the years that several visitors have taken up residence in Old Louisville.



Visitors congregating in Dot Wade's Garden



Trimming the trees

In preparation for St. James Court Art Show, the SSNA sponsors an annual fall cleanup. Trees are trimmed of low hanging and dead branches and a litter pick up is performed. Magnolia Park is weeded and spruced up to give visitors a favorable impression of the neighborhood. During the art show, the Association provides parking and shuttle service for visitors from the Jefferson Community and Technical College parking lot at 2nd and Broadway. Many visitors, especially those from out of town who do not know the area, find this a convenient service. The location also provides easy access to all the major interstates. Volunteers had to dress extra warm this year when the weather turned cold and blustery on

Saturday afternoon. The Association makes a donation to the Jefferson Community College after St. James.

In late October the Association sponsors its annual Halloween Party. Guests bring their favorite Halloween potluck dish. Guests are also encouraged to dress up in costumes or silly outfits for the occasion. Halloween games and treats are provided for all the little goblins. Good food and fun is had by all.

The November meeting is the last meeting of the year for the Association members. New officers and board members are elected for the coming year and the Association cracks open its piggy bank to make holiday donations to various neighborhood and preservation groups.

The Association year ends with our much anticipated holiday party. This year's party was hosted by Christopher White and Dennis Rollins. SSNA members brought holiday dishes and desserts. The Association furnished ham, turkey and drinks, including the best traditional eggnog in Old Louisville. Santa's visit is the highlight of the party and all of the good boys and girls receive a present. Guests entertain Santa with holiday carols. Everyone has a great time and enjoy the wonderful variety of holiday dishes and good company.

Ongoing projects of the SSNA include tree planting. The Association has already planted several trees this year and plans to plant several more if the weather will cooperate. If not, it may have to wait until spring. Trees are being planted in Magnolia Park and in sidewalk planting strips that have lost trees over the years. The Association ended 2010 with 161 paid memberships and hopes to encourage even more neighbors to join next year.

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St. James Volunteers at the JCTC parking lot had fun in spite of the cold.