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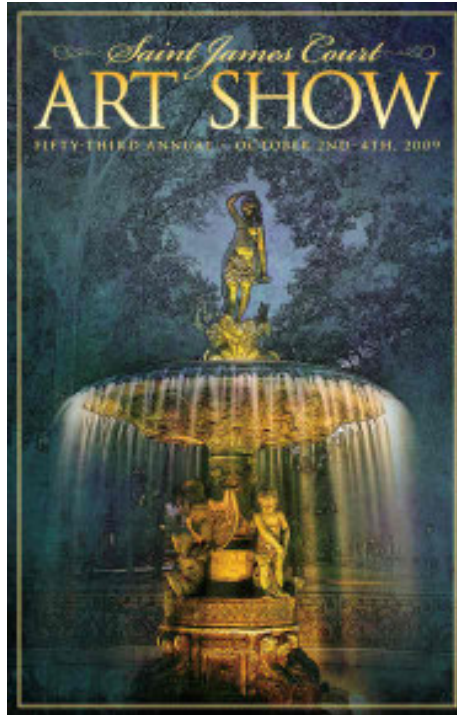
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2009 SAINT JAMES COURT ART SHOW October 2, 3 & 4, 2009

The 53rd annual show will take place in Old Louisville on October 2, 3 & 4. More than 720 fine artists and craftspeople from throughout the United States and Canada will exhibit and sell work in mediums such as clay, images, glass, sculpture, jewelry and more. The outdoor street show, held rain or shine in the heart of Old Louisville's Victorian-era district, is free to the public. Pets are not allowed in the exhibit area.

The Art Show has been honored with 3 prestigious recognitions this year. The recognition came from artists, patrons and tourism industry respectively. *Sunshine Artist* magazine polled artists in their "200 Best Fine Arts & Crafts Shows" and St. James received the #2 spot. *American Style* magazine polled their readers for the "Top Ten Fairs & Festivals in America" and St James received the #3 spot. Finally, The Southeast Tourism Society awarded the Art Show with "The Top 20 Event in the South East for October 2009".

This year's St. James Court Art Show poster was designed by Scott Gilbertson. Scott created this poster from his archive of original photography of Old Louisville and then judicious use of Photoshop. Marguerite Esrock, Director says "It's a beautiful depiction of the St.



James Fountain at night". When not taking photos of Old Louisville, Scott is the principal of StudioFolio, a graphic design studio.

Scott is originally from upper Minnesota, but he and his wife, Rosemary, have been loving life in Louisville since 1997. Residents of Old Louisville would probably most easily recognize them as the owners of the two little white schnauzers seen frequently in Central Park.

Come meet Scott Gilbertson at the St. James Court Art Show in booth SJ-227, directly west of the fountain. He will sign and number limited edition prints of the poster for \$50. Open editions will also be available for \$25. For more information about the work of Scott Gilbertson visit his web site at www.studiofolio.net.

Chair Notes

By Joan Stewart
OLIC/OLNC
Chair



St. James Art Show TIME . . . WHEEEEEEE! I love the first weekend in October. It is ever so wonderful to see all the art and all the activity in the Neighborhood. It is even more wonderful to see all the people enjoying our Neighborhood. This is a time for our Neighborhood to shine and welcome the visitors who help us make our Neighborhood what it is. So, please help with the show by coming, working, being friendly, cleaning up or whatever else you can think of to make our neighborhood shine for this first weekend in October.

There are many events happening in our Neighborhood . . . for those who choose to participate . . . hope it was fun! Our 4th Old Louisville Diner's Club outing is happening (Thursday, September 24th at 6:30 p.m., Carly Rae's). This has been such fun. If you have not attended, please try the next one. A really big Thank you goes to Dick Irby for organizing this event for the Community Events Committee of the Old Louisville Neighborhood Council. The St. James Gala holds their 2nd event on September 26th. The St. James Court Art Show will be October 2, 3 4, followed by the Garvin Gate Blues Festival, Oct. 9

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& 10, with the W. St. Catherine Victorian Ghost Tour, Oct. 23, 24 & 25th. And, of course, we're getting close to the Holiday House Tour, Dec. 5 & 6.

I must apologize for a most erroneous statement in last month's Chair Notes . . . I really do realize that Alaska was the 49th State of the Union. I have no excuse other than "What was I thinking?" . . . please forgive my momentary lapse of brain power. Thanks Rick for so eloquently pointing out my error!

The House Tour is COMING! Please participate by attending or working this Event. A huge THANK YOU goes to Diane Glaser-Kleier for her third year of Chairing the Event. If you are interested in helping to plan the 2010 House Tour please call 635.5244 and leave your name and phone number.

October Coffee Klatch will be at Burger Boy . . . Brook and Burnett. Come by between 10 and 11am . . . join me for a cup of coffee and let's chat about happenings in the Neighborhood.

By the way, if you are not a part of some form of Community Involvement . . . WHY NOT?!? You live in the most beautiful, friendly, historic area of the region . . . get involved . . . make your voice heard. Whether it is picking up litter, working on a Committee of the Council or being a member of YOUR Neighborhood Association or any of a host of other things . . . GET INVOLVED. If we all work together, we can do anything we choose to do.

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Sounds of Shakespeare Under the Stars

By Herb Fink

Anthony Patton, Producing Artistic Director of the Kentucky Shakespeare Festival has promised that the performing arts groups in or of Louisville would be appearing in the C. Douglas Ramey Amphitheater in Central Park in Old Louisville.

Mr. Patton is a man of his word. The Louisville Orchestra Brass Quintet and Kentucky Shakespeare Festival Company members provided an evening of *Sounds of Shakespeare Under the Stars* on September 3, 2009.

The Brass Quintet (2 trumpets, french horn, trombone and tuba) presented a variety of selections including *Earl of Oxford's March*, *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

The Kentucky Shakespeare Festival company presented selections from *The Tempest*, *King Lear*, and *Twelfth Night*, among others.

The rain held off and the Sounds of Shakespeare twittered through the trees - as did several listeners to their friends..

An enjoyable evening, Anthony! And we will anticipate additional *Sounds of Shakespeare Under the Stars*.

The Shakespearian plays to be performed next summer (2010-Kentucky Shakespeare Festival's 50th Anniversary Celebration) are to be selected from the short presentations during *Sounds of Shakespeare Under the Stars*.

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Garvin Gate Blues Festival

The Garvin Gate Blues Festival is the largest free neighborhood street music festival in Louisville, Kentucky and the public is invited. This two-day event takes place this year on Friday, October 9, from 6:45-11 pm, and Saturday, October 10, from 3-11 pm, at The Gate on Garvin Place at Oak Street in Old Louisville.

Proceeds from sponsorships and vendor sales benefit The Garvin Gate Neighborhood Association. A celebration of the blues, The Garvin Gate Blues Festival attracts a multi-racial, intergenerational audience to the cozy Old Louisville neighborhood of Garvin Place, between 4th & 6th Streets, 2 miles south of the Ohio River and 1 mile south of Broadway and downtown Louisville.

This year's festival will include fantastic blues, fine foods and drinks, and artisan booths. Our headlining groups are guaranteed to bring the house down both nights. Lil' Dave Thompson headlines Friday night and Sugar Blue on Saturday night.

The Garvin Gate Blues Festival started out as a 1988 Rudyard Kipling "parking lot blues jam in Old Louisville that outgrew the parking lot". At that time the Garvin Place Association was expanding its boundaries to become the Garvin Place Neighborhood Association and offered to host the growing event.



photo by john paul

Click on our history page to read our timeline.

Some of the legendary blues musicians that have performed at the Garvin Gate Blues Festival throughout the years include Lurrie Bell, Jimmy Burns, H-Bomb Ferguson, Eddy Clearwater, Fenton Robinson, James 'Thunderbird' Davis, Roosevelt 'Booba' Barnes, Phil Guy, Lefty Dizz, Paul Black & the Flip Kings, Jelly Roll Kings, Professor's Blues Review (Eddie Lusk), Maurice John Vaughn, Rocky Amaretto, Winston Hardy, James "Yank" Rachel, Lamont Gillispie and the Home Wreckers featuring Sam Myers, Kent Duchaine, Junior Kimbrough, Willie Kent & The Gents with Bonnie Lee, Magic Slim & The Teardrops, Mississippi Heat with Dietra Farr, Deborah Coleman, Chubby Carrier & The Bayou Swamp Band, and Jimmy Dawkins, to name a few.

Bring your lawnchairs, cigars and porkpie hats, but leave your coolers, cans, bottles, dogs, and troubles at home.

With the support of the Garvin Gate Neighborhood Association, the

Garvin Gate Blues Festival benefits the Old Louisville community and Metro Louisville and the quality of life in our city. Proceeds from the festival help to preserve and improve our Old Louisville neighborhood. The festival is run entirely by volunteers and you are invited to contact us and help out (h.rosenberg@insightbb.com).

We are extremely grateful to Louisville Metro District 6 Councilman George Unseld for financial contributions that have made this festival possible over the years, along with the Kentuckiana Blues Society for their support, including their president Gary Sampson. Much thanks go out to Mike Suttles for the musical lineup; David True for his photography used on this site; and Keith Clements for his historical timeline of this event. The Garvin Gate Blues Festival would never have made it this many years without the organization of our committee chair Howard Rosenberg. Finally, many thanks go out to all of the musicians who have performed over the years and the fans of the blues who have come out to make this event a success. Without you it could not continue.

For more information, see our website:

www.garvingatebluesfestival.com

Public Meeting
Two-Way Streets - Brook and 1st
September 29, 2009
5:30-7:30 pm.
Memorial Auditorium, 2nd Floor

Art
Antiques
Accessories

Quality Consignments
Welcome!

"The Gallery" at 133
in Old Louisville

The Arden Building
133 W. Oak Street
Louisville, KY 40203

Garry Heflich
502-561-5498
502-693-6029

UofL Students Help to Maintain the C. Douglas Ramey Amphitheatre

By Herb Fink

The Central Park work session on Saturday, August 22, 2009 was a combined effort of the Old Louisville neighborhood, the Olmsted Parks Conservancy, Kentucky Shakespeare, and 30 student volunteers through the UofL's office of Civic Engagement, Service and Leadership.

The August 4th flood had floated away many of the wood chips within the Shakespeare Theatre area.

The work sessions project was to restore and refresh the theatre's sitting area.

The Olmsted Parks Conservancy provided the wood chips, tools, and supervisory guidance and direction.

Thirty UofL freshmen (gals and guys) loaded wheelbarrows, moved and spread wood chips, and raked and fine-tuned the Shakespeare tiered sitting area.

Neighborhood and Shakespeare volunteers removed weed growth and debris and worked with the students and the Olmsted staff.

All work was completed and the theatre area was back in good shape and ready for Sounds of Shakespeare Under the Stars, featuring the Louisville Orchestra Brass Quintet and Kentucky Shakespeare Festival company members (see page 2).

Just as the work was being completed, the rains set in and the students headed for the Information Center where they learned more about the history of Old Louisville and Central Park.

The UofL students who partici-



pated in the work session were:

Hildrie Rigdon	Glasgow
Mackenzie Wilson	Benton
Margot Whitney	Cincinnati
Alexandra Jones	Naperville, Ill.
Robert Winn	Old Louisville
Mathew Dickmen	Kenton Co.
Alexandria Evans	Louisville
Alyssa Loch	Batavia, Ohio
Clem Thomas	Louisville
Ian Van Lierp	Kenton Co.
Jarid Stephens	Floyds Knobs, Ind.
Sara Calverley	Okemos, Miss.
ReAnna Hart	Madisonville
Sacquia Manning	Hopkinsville
Andrew Hamilton	New Albany, Ind.
Maria Gurren	Campbell Co.
Lindsey Samotis	Kenton Co.
Ross Smith	Paducah
Phillip Brown	Louisville
Rachel Ball	Louisville
Annie Kinny	Louisville
Nick Blumenthal	Greenville, Ind.
Darryl Young, Jr.	Louisville
Cassidy Hamons	Louisville
Andrew Seig	Georgetown, Ind.
Stephanie McLean	Louisville
Nick Smith	Knot Co.

Our sincere thank you to all the UofL students mentioned above.

Also our "thanks" to the Olmsted

Parks Conservancy staff: Mimi Zinniel, Joe Manning, Matt Fox, and Major Waltman.

The Shakespeare staff: Anthony Patton, Abi Van Andel, and Nick Smith.

Old Louisville neighbors: Fred Nett, Joan Stewart, Bob Bajandas and Herb Fink.

To Masterson's Restaurant who provided 4 baskets of ice.

To Louisville Metro Brightside who provided tools, gloves, and trash bags.

And to OLNC/OLIC who provided drinks.

More work sessions are being planned to keep Central Park a happy park.

**Beginning Yoga
Classes**
will be held at the
**Old Louisville Information
Center on
Thursdays at 5:30-6:30 p.m.**
Class fee: \$5
All levels welcome. Please
bring a mat or
towel for your comfort.
Classes will be led by Nancy
Clinton



Good-bye to an Icon

by Tim (Woody) Woodruff

For many years, I have lived in Old Louisville walking the streets, enjoying the historic homes and flowers in front yard gardens in the fall, watching the leaves on the trees

change from green to red and yellow. Each time I would come to the corner of S. Second St. and Magnolia, I would find an elderly gentleman standing outside, waving at people driving by, or talking to someone that happened to be walking down the street.

The elderly gentleman's name was Jim Dillon. He recently died tragically after a house fire at his home on S. Second St. For those who did not know him, he was a friend to many in Old Louisville. Jim Dillon was an icon to all of us. He will be sadly missed, but his spirit will live on forever in all of us who knew him. He was an inspiration to many. Good-bye, Jimmy. 'Til we meet again.

Old Louisville Diners Club

The Old Louisville Diners Club will meet again on Thursday, September 24th at 6:30 p.m. In honor of the last days of summer, we have decided to gather on Carly Raes' great outdoor patio.

The idea is for Old Louisville residents to come together for some food and conversation and to, hopefully, meet some new friends. All you have to do is show up!

A lot of people are joining in the fun. In August we set a new record, with 21-diners packing into the Burger Boy on Brook Street.

For information, contact Dick Irby at 290-9092.

Preservation Points September 2009

By Marianne P. Zickuhr
Executive Director, Preservation
Louisville

Preservation Louisville's mission is "To Protect and Promote our community's Cultural, Environmental and Architectural Heritage".

Did you know that Kentucky has the fourth highest number of listings (following New York, Massachusetts and Ohio) - with more than 3,200 districts, sites and structures encompassing more than 42,000 historic features?

Did you know that Old Louisville is the third largest preservation district in the United States and the largest Victorian district in America?

Preservation Louisville has several upcoming programs including: "Self Preservation" a program to help people learn how to preserve their family's history; "An Evening with Local Authors," a program that will feature 6 local history authors for discussion and book signings; "Historic Preservation Tax Credit Workshops" and our "Victorian Holiday Tours". Please go to

www.preservationlouisville.org for more information.

Preservation Louisville, Inc. is a citywide, non-profit preservation organization that works in partnership with local, state and national organizations to promote

preservation of Louisville's historic resources through education and advocacy. Preservation Louisville is located at The Brennan House Historic Home in downtown Louisville and is a membership based charitable non-profit organization that acts as a resource for the preservation community and advocates for preservation in our community. For information about becoming a member or volunteering please go to

www.preservationlouisville.org for more information or please call 502-540-5146.

Legal Aid Expands Self-Help Project Offers Greater Access to the Courts for Low-Income Kentuckians



The Legal Aid Society announces the expansion of the Kentucky Online Self-Help Assistant (KOSHA), an interactive computer program designed to expand access to the courts for low-income Kentuckians.

KOSHA uses a question-and-answer format designed to make the use of court forms by self-represented persons easier than ever and to minimize their incorrect or improper use.

KOSHA now offers clients access to “do-it-yourself” forms for

- Uncontested divorces (now available in Spanish and English)
- Small claims actions
- Criminal record expungements

Due to limited resources, Legal Aid cannot help every caller who requests our services. In fact, the national trend of an increasing number of self-represented litigants is reflected locally by the Jefferson County Family Courts, where either one or both parties are self-represented in at least 80 percent of the cases. Some of these applicants have legal issues that could be easily and appropriately resolved if they were able to properly frame their issues and file the appropriate court documents themselves.

“The great potential of this project is its ability to take an otherwise daunting legal system and make it easier for low-income citizens to access our courts,” said Marc Theriault, who manages the project for Legal Aid. “More and more low-income citizens are forced to represent themselves because they cannot afford to hire an attorney. KOSHA allows this growing population to produce error-proof forms for court filing and allows the attorneys at Legal Aid to focus their talents on more complicated issues KOSHA does not address.”

“Because of limited resources, legal aid programs are forced to turn away thousands of eligible clients every year,” said Jeffrey A. Been, Executive Director of the Legal Aid Society. “Providing legal services through the internet is an innovative and important step in making legal services accessible to a larger number of Kentuckians.”

The first of its kind in Kentucky, KOSHA was developed in coordination with the Louisville Pro Bono Consortium and is made possible by funding from the Louisville Bar Foundation and Legal Services Corporation.

All KOSHA programs can be found on the Legal Aid Society website at www.laslou.org/diy.php or at www.kyjustice.org.

The Legal Aid Society provides free civil legal services to low-income families and individuals facing serious threats to their physical and economic well-being. Those assisted include the elderly, children, victims of domestic violence, and other vulnerable groups. For more information visit Legal Aid’s website: www.laslou.org.



One Brave Squirrel

Sitting quietly and still
On the park bench
The squirrels busy in the field
Took their break to refresh
One by one they came toward us
Till we were surrounded
One squirrel bravely came
Stood on his hind legs
And gently stroked your hand
Then he hopped on the bench
And just as quickly hopped away
As his duty did command
I urged you to be quiet and still
As the squirrels continued to fill
Their curiosity
Wishing we had nuts to feed them
And show our generosity
One squirrel bravely came
To get as close as he dared
You held out your hand
He refused to be scared
As he scurried under the park
bench
And back to get glimpses
Of the two of us
He stood on his hind legs
And gently stroked your hand
Then he hopped upon the bench
And just as quickly hopped away
As his nature did command
We sat quietly and still
On the park bench
The squirrels gathering around us
Seeking out the human flesh

Rick Schatz 11-23-06

Louisville Residents Urged to Toss Their Expired and Unused Medications

Catholic Charities Senior Services, Franciscan Health Care Center, Kentucky SMP, KIPDA (Areas Agency on Aging), Louisville Metro Police, Louisville Metro Solid Waste, Senior Pharmacy Solutions and TRIAD are teaming up to provide opportunities for Louisville residents to safely dispose of their unused medication products. They are sponsoring three **DRUG TOSS** events with expanded hours in Louisville Metro from **October 8th-11th**.

Medication products should *never* be flushed down the toilet or drain, burned in the open or thrown in the trash because:

- **They can contaminate the environment if they get into the drinking and ground water.**
- **They may kill bacteria or produce drug resistance bacteria in sewage treatment plants and septic systems if flushed down the drain.**
- **Burning can release toxic pollutants into the air.**
- **They can be scavenged from your trash receptacles to be illegally used or sold.**
- **They can be taken mistakenly and cause serious health problems.**

Here are some of the items Drug Toss organizers are encouraging residents to bring in:

- *Expired or unused medications
- *Bulk or loose tablets and capsules
- *Unsealed tubes of creams, ointments, etc.
- *Medications that should have been kept cold but were not
- *Unsealed syrups, eye drops, nasal sprays, or inhalers

*******Important Changes*****Due to safety measures, we cannot receive sharps (needles that have been used)*****Due to the volume of drugs brought to our sites, we ask that immediately before bringing your medications to one of our sites, that you place all tablets and capsules into a zip-lock bag. Vials (with personal information marked out) should be placed into another bag/container. Also, place bottled liquids and tubes of medication into separate bags. This will help us process everything more quickly. For the safety of your family, please keep all medications, properly closed in their original child-resistant containers and transfer to bags immediately prior to your visit.**

We urge residents to black out all personal information on ALL medication containers.

Representatives from Louisville Metro Police and Louisville Metro Solid Waste will be on hand to assure that the products will be disposed of safely.

Here are the dates and locations for the three Drug Toss events:

Thursday Oct 8, 10 AM-2PM	Our Mother of Sorrows Church 770 Eastern Pkwy, 40217 (near Preston)
Friday Oct 9, 10 AM-2PM	Park Terrace 9700 Stonestreet Road, 40272
Saturday Oct 10, 10 AM-2PM	Middletown Christian Church 500 North Watterson Trail, 40243

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18	19 Crime & Safety 7:00 p.m.	20	21 CPW 7 p.m. Haskins Hall	22 Yoga 5:30-6:30	23 Victorian Ghost Tour	24 Victorian Ghost Tour Spirit Ball
25 Victorian Ghost Tour 1300 3rd St. 7p.m.	26	27 OLIC 6 OLNC 7	28	29	30	31 Happy Halloween