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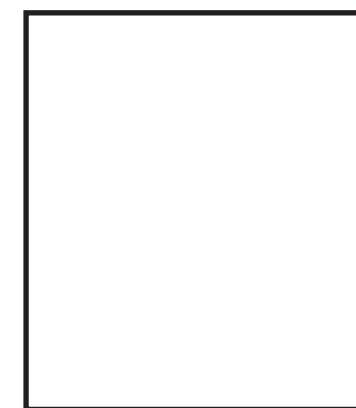
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THE LOCKELAND SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Lockeland Magnet Attracts

An informational meeting was recently held as part of the new Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for the Lockeland Elementary Design Center in the newly renovated Lockeland Elementary School at 17th & Woodland. Beginning this fall, the school will become a magnet school with emphasis in literature and language. While the new school doesn't have a specific zoned population, students living in the Lockeland GPZ (geographic priority zone) will have first priority. Students for all Metro magnet schools are selected by lottery.



The PTO meeting was very focused on getting the community involved at all levels in development of the school. A wide variety of people were represented from all over the neighborhood including people with and without children, teachers, college students and even those who currently home school their children but were excited about a new school in the neighborhood.

The focus of the literature aspect will be to ensure that children become excellent readers and writers, connecting literature to other content areas studied. Guided reading and literature circles will be emphasized and special attention will be taken to ensure that the bookroom and library facilities are state of the art.

The focus of the language aspect will be on the Spanish language. Students will spend time in Spanish every day with the opportunity to continue studying it in middle/high school at East Literature. This will also provide a great resource for our growing Hispanic community.

A large focus of the meeting was also given to selecting qualities for the new principal of the Lockeland Elementary Design Center. Leadership values included experience with this specific age group (K-4), high expectations for every child, ability to speak Spanish, active interest in cultural diversity, ability to work with the neighborhood, and a possible resident of East Nashville. A group of six people from the meeting volunteered to meet with Dr. Pedro Garcia, director of Metro schools, to discuss the concerns and recommendations of the PTO.

The Metro school lottery will be held on Jan. 10 at 9AM at Pearl-Cohn High School and will be televised on News Channel 5. Students selected will receive a letter confirming lottery results by Jan. 21 and must accept placement by Jan. 30. The next meeting of the Lockeland Elementary Design Center PTO will be held on Thursday, Jan. 15 at 7PM at Lockeland Elementary School. An e-mail listserv has also been established for the PTO to connect those interested in the new Lockeland school. To subscribe, send a blank e-mail to: LockelandPTO-subscribe@topica.com.

THIS MONTH:

- **Happiness in the Neighborhood**
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- **Meet the New LSNA President**
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Don't Ignore Abandoned Vehicles

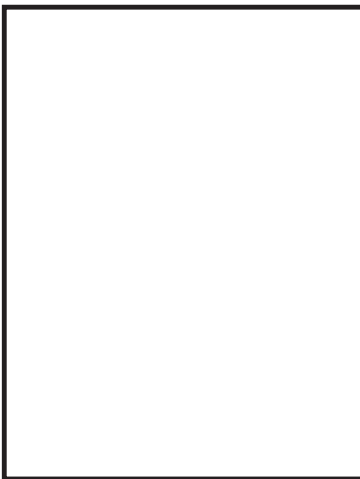
Every day, you drive past them. They have been such a part of the scenery that you barely notice them at all as you zip by. But they shouldn't be ignored. Abandoned and unlicensed vehicles are left parked along our streets and backyards all over the city. Some have expired license plates, some expired temporary tags and some have no tags at all. Research has shown us that if there is a perception of neglect in a neighborhood it usually leads to more neglect and increases the negative impressions of a neighborhood.

Steps to eradicating this problem are simple and can be done anonymously. If an abandoned vehicle is parked on your street, has either no plates or expired plates, or has a broken window or flat tire, call the Police non-emergency number at 862-8600. Next, report it to Metro Codes at 862-6600 or use their simple online form at http://www.nashville.gov/codes/report_violations.aspx.

If abandoned cars are on private property, it's not a Police issue but a Codes issue and should be reported to the Property Standards Division. You can use the Codes online form or call Bill Penn directly at 862-6516.



In With the New An Interview With New LSNA 2004 President Andrew Duthie



Q: Why did you get involved with the LSNA?

A: I'd always felt like I should be going to the monthly meetings, so I finally left work early one Thursday and came to a meeting. Somewhere in there, I wound up talking to then-president Mike

Jameson, and within a month or two Mike had drawn me into the Board. I feel like we've had always had a great Board with lots of energy, so I've really enjoyed working with them, knowing that we can make the neighborhood better through our efforts.

Q: What do you do for your day job?

A: I'm president of Duthie Associates, Inc., which develops custom, interactive eLearning content (aka computer-based training) for corporate and government clients. My father, Bob Duthie, started the company in 1989 and is gradually retiring.

Q: Anything else we should know about you?

A: I'm a big fan of unloved cars and motorcycles and of digging around inside old houses to see how things used

to be built. Thankfully, my wife puts up with all of this.

Q: What do you think the biggest accomplishments will be this year?

A: One of the things the LSNA Board is already working on is improving neighborhood communications by ensuring that every Lockeland Springs resident gets a copy of the newsletter. The mailing list has deteriorated a bit over the years, so a lot of people haven't been receiving it. It's important that everyone gets a copy, because consistent communication is tremendously important to bringing the neighborhood together and informing everyone about what's happening. I also hope to be able to make things a little easier for the Association in terms of organization and planning, so that we can pull off informative general membership meetings and a great homes tour every year without breaking a sweat.

Organization sounds pretty dull, but I believe that making certain jobs easier for the Board will enable the Association to accomplish more for our neighborhood.

Q: What do you think the biggest challenges will be?

A: I've already gotten a sampling of some of the day-to-day issues that come up; problems with crime and the long-standing public perception of East Nashville, zoning questions that will affect the neighborhood in the future and so forth. It's very rewarding to be able to help deal with these issues, but it can be difficult to get all the facts and convey them to the right people to get things done.

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YAHOO!... It's YAZOO!

Eastwood neighbors Linus & Lila Hall have opened the Yazoo Brewing Company, a custom microbrewery in the historic Marathon Village near downtown Nashville.

While Linus is concentrating on creating custom Yazoo brews for restaurants and pubs in the Nashville area, their taproom at Marathon Village is open to the public and is a great place to sample their beers.

More conveniently though, cool East Nashville hangouts The Alley Cat Lounge, The Family Wash and Radio Café are now serving Yazoo beers on tap. Be sure when you're visiting any of these establishments, to order up a fresh Yazoo beer. Visit www.yazooobrew.com or call 320-0290 for more information.



Happiness in the Neighborhood



Bil Breyer is spreading joy to the neighborhood with his new store **Alegria** on 16th Street.

Alegria means "joy" or "happiness" and inside his store is a joyful display of leather goods such as handmade bags, belts and accessories. This summer the store will also offer handmade sandals. "I have something for everybody, whether it's for five dollars or five-hundred", says Breyer.

Local art and jewelry is also featured, and for some of these artists, Alegria is the exclusive outlet for their work.

Bil has lived in East Nashville for the last 3 years and was busy with several of his home-based businesses, working out of a small bedroom, when he decided to open his own neighborhood store. Since opening, Bil says people in East Nashville have been extremely supportive. He is also a founding member of the new Greater Five Points Merchant Association (**The G5**) and is currently their Secretary.

He encourages everyone to stop by to take a look, "especially those that live in the neighborhood". Bil takes suggestions if you have something specific you would like to see in the store and adds, "don't feel obligated to buy anything — just stop by and say hello and see what your neighborhood has to offer".

Alegria is at 307 N. 16th Street. Store hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11am - 6pm. Phone: 227-8566.

Film Crew in Lockeland Springs



On Saturday, December 6th, shortly before the Tour of Homes got started, a film crew descended on Lockeland Springs for the filming of an advertisement for ESPN. The ad, called "Make Shifts", used various locations in our neighborhood, including the railroad trestle in Shelby Park, the intersection of 15th Street and Stratton and several backyards between Eastland, Stratton, 15th and 16th Streets.

Bob Higgins of Mockingbird Film Locations was the scout in charge of finding and securing the sites used


during filming. As part of securing one of the locations, Higgins managed to secure a donation of \$400 from the ad's producers to the Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association. LSNA wishes to thank the producers, Mr. Higgins, and especially all of our neighbors who were involved in making this happen.

At press time, the advertisement was expected to be ready for air sometime in late December or early January. LSNA hopes to get permission to show the ad through the LSNA website.



EVENT CALENDAR

JANUARY
2004

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5 ReDiscover East! Meeting 5:30-7:30pm St. Ann's (5th & Woodland) 	6 Metro Council Meeting 7pm Metro Courthouse 2nd Floor	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Metro Council Meeting 7pm Metro Courthouse 2nd Floor	21	22 LSNA Membership Meeting 6:30pm East Branch Library	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

RE!

REDISCOVER EAST!

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As most Lockeland Springs residents know, Rediscover East! is the non-profit organization established by the R/UDAT plan after the 1998 tornado. Rediscover East!'s mission is to improve the quality of life in East Nashville neighborhoods, which it accomplishes through committees that address everything from the arts to zoning. Lyn Bingham and Alicia Robertson are our Association's representatives on Rediscover East!

Rediscover East! has recently developed a list of long-term goals, including short-term and intermediate goals — all of which fulfill the organization's mission to improve the quality of life for East Nashvillians. As an example, there are goals to encourage development of neighborhood-friendly businesses along and in the major corridors and commercial corners of East Nashville.

There are several ways to learn more about Rediscover East!, the committees, and how you can get involved:

- visit RE!'s website at www.rediscovereast.org
- call Alicia Robertson (226-4018) or Kristen Kinter (227-7155)
- come to RE!'s monthly meeting on the first Monday of every month at St. Ann's Church (5th and Woodland) from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Simple steps in starting a Neighborhood Watch Program (NHW)

Neighborhood Watch programs are instrumental in helping change the face of a neighborhood for the better and in sending a signal that crime will not be tolerated. If you're interested in starting one in your

neighborhood the checklist below will help get things started. Remember, crime prevention starts with awareness and action. Think globally, act locally.

1. Discuss the need for NHW in your area with your neighbors.
2. Map out the area for your NHW (50 houses or less).
3. Contact the Metro Police/Crime Prevention Office to schedule a speaker (862-7145).
4. Secure a place and time for the first meeting.
5. Advertise the meeting to your NHW area.
6. Have the first meeting.
7. After the meeting begin selecting the Director(s) and the Block Captains.
8. The Director should call a meeting with the Block Captains to plan which form you will use to register the members and to select a target date for the Kick Off.
9. Block Captains should make contact and attempt to register every home in your assigned block.
10. Compile a master list of all members.
11. Plan the Kick Off meeting and invite the members and guests.
12. Advertise the Kick Off day.
13. Have the Big Kick Off.
14. Work with the police to reduce crime!

LOCKELAND SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, January 22nd
6:30 PM to 8 PM
East Branch Library Community Room
EVERYONE WELCOME!

January Topic:

Sidewalk Plan for 2004

At this month's meeting, the Department of Public Works will discuss sidewalk projects in the neighborhood during 2004, and Metro Water Services will explain their plans for the year.



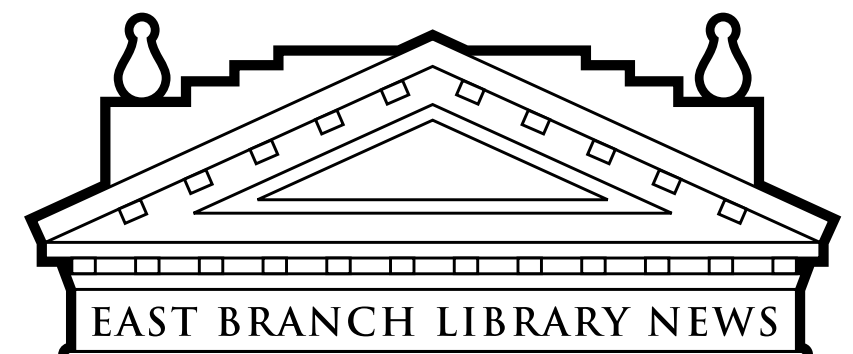
Many thanks to everyone who came out this past year to the monthly membership meetings. These meetings are crucial in providing information to the neighborhood and in keeping us all informed of important issues that affect us all. If you haven't attended one yet or are new to the neighborhood, the meetings are open to all and attendance at any of the meetings is important and welcomed! Here's to another great year of growth and involvement in East Nashville!

BLURBS



BOLO NEEDS YOUR HELP!

If you would like to help with crime prevention go to the MNPD website at http://www.police.Nashville.org/get_involved/bolo_program.htm or fill out the BOLO application on Page 7.



EAST BRANCH LIBRARY NEWS

All Metro Nashville Public Libraries "Retro Reads!"

Summer Reading Logo Design Contest for Teens

Contest runs January 17 through February 7.

Young adults can go "retro" in creating a logo for the public library's Summer Reading logo design contest, and the winning entry will appear on all of the library's 2004 Summer Reading materials. The library system invites all young adults ages 12 to 18 who have library cards. If you don't have one, get one today to enter the logo design contest.

Contest entry forms listing all of the contest details and rules are available now at all 20 Metro library branches, and at the downtown Main Library. The theme for this year's Summer Reading program is "Retro Reads!" so entries should capture the spirit of the '60s, '70s or '80s and tie in to reading. The winner also will receive a \$50 gift certificate to Plaza Artist Materials. Call Young Adult Librarian **Abby Lambert** at Green Hills Branch Library at **862-5863** for more details.