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BAR NO. 308 *by Christine Northern*

Bar No. 308 is everything we love about the nightlife options in East Nashville: contemporary, locally owned, original, and passionate about food and drink. Just a few blocks up from Five Points and owned by newlyweds and bar connoisseurs Alexis Soler and Ben Clemons, No. 308 is so named for the room in which Alexis proposed. The bar also represents a decades-old aspiration between the two of them to open their own bar, a desire over which they bonded early on. That dream has come to fruition in East Nashville by way of New York and Miami – two cities where Ben and Alexis got their tending experience – each locale’s heart and influence intrinsic to the panache and presentation of this eclectic establishment. When walking into No. 308, one notices the bold, deliberate uses of wood, muted color, lighting, space, a retro/modern vibe, and the oft celebrated marriage of style and function (case in point: check out the coat hooks at your knees while you’re sitting at the bar). The background music, ranging anywhere from classic, to lovably indie, to ironically top 40, stays lively and loud.

Aside from price range and its cosmopolitan atmosphere, what ultimately makes No. 308 “high end” is its menu. No. 308 promises fresh ingredients that make up its spirits as well as its food. There are no caramel dyes in their colas, no caffeine, and they make their own carbonated beverages which means nothing high-pressure-squirted out of a gun or a can. Menu choices are wry yet whimsical, like the section of “Writer’s Block Shots.” Each selection represents the drink of choice for a staff member’s favorite author and is so named, like “The Charles Bukowski, for example. “Leap of Faith” is a choose-your-own-adventure-section, where the customer selects the spirit and fresh juice of his or her choice, then lets the professionals do the rest.

As for cuisine, don’t expect salty pretzels for this bar; Chef Jonathan Pritchard has implemented vibrant, seasonal food items like grilled mahi and meatloaf with a modern spin. There’s plenty of vegetarian-friendly

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**THE NEXT
LSNA GENERAL
NEIGHBORHOOD
MEETING
WILL BE
AT 6:30 PM ON
THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 17,
AT THE
EAST BRANCH
LIBRARY**

fare like matzo ball soup and pumpkin ravioli, and even the lightest choices on the menu are stunning in color and flavor. The yam chips paired with a citric, freshly-made aioli are addictive, and the marinated olives are satisfying and so big around that they may be from the promised land. All in all No. 308 is a welcome addition to East Nashville – an ambient, upscale establishment that knows the fresh young audience this area has come to draw.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER BY HANS SCHMIDT

As the newest president of the Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association, I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself and mention some of the things LSNA will focus on in the coming year.

My wife, Tomianne, and I returned to Nashville last June from Birmingham, Alabama, where we had been living since 2002. I am a native Nashvillian. Tomianne first moved here in 1997. I am an attorney with Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC practicing in the commercial litigation department. We are very excited to be back in Nashville and love our new neighborhood. Like many of you, we jumped in with both feet and have already opened our home for last year's Tour of Homes. Although I have only been involved with the LSNA for a short time, it has been a great way to meet my fellow neighbors and to give back to our favorite neighborhood.

During the coming year, we will be working on some exciting projects. Recently, the Metro Development and Housing Authority (MDHA) completed the transfer of 1810 Woodland St. to Metro Parks. In conjunction with other stakeholders, the LSNA is working on a long-range plan for our neighborhood's newest "natural" pocket park. With help from Friends of Shelby Park, we are already planning the first clean-up event next month. We will post more information on the LSNA webpage very soon. During the coming year, the LSNA will also continue to work on Bass Park, our neighborhood's other pocket park located next to the Holly Street Fire Station. We are always looking for volunteers for both projects.

We are also exploring new ways to get information about the LSNA and Lockeland Springs out to the neighborhood via direct mailing, email and other forms of social media. Our goal is to make sure the neighborhood gets timely information about upcoming events and important issues.

To ensure the success of these and all of LSNA's efforts, we need your help. I encourage everyone who loves living in Lockeland Springs to get involved by becoming a member, volunteering or coming to the next general meeting on February 17, 2011. I look forward to seeing you there.

LOCKELAND SPRINGS LISTSERV

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LSNA 2010 YEAR IN REVIEW

Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association is a progressive organization that has worked to improve and promote our historic neighborhood and to protect the quality of life for our diverse group of residents. Please become a member of LSNA so that you can help us help our neighborhood! Here is a summary of the activities and events that LSNA supported during 2010:

- Quarterly Neighborhood Meetings LSNA hosted quarterly meetings at the East Branch Library to provide a forum for a range of important issues and topics relevant to our neighborhood.
- New park at 1810 Woodland St. Through hosting community meetings and advocacy, LSNA was involved in the transfer of the property at 1810 Woodland St. from MDHA to Metro Parks to become Lockeland Springs' newest park.
- The Fountain, the LSNA Newsletter LSNA publishes The Fountain newsletter every two months to announce neighborhood activities, events, and news.
- Night Out Against Crime LSNA joined Eastwood Neighbors, Historic East End, and Historic Edgefield to host Night Out Against Crime on August 3, 2010, at the Walden Development on Eastland. This community event was also supported by the Metro police and fire departments and local businesses to provide information about preventing crime and building stronger neighborhoods.
- 32nd Annual Tour of Homes In December, LSNA presented the 32nd annual Tour of Homes to showcase the diverse historical charms of our neighborhood. The Tour of Homes is by far the largest and most important fundraiser for LSNA, and it showcased the best of Lockeland Springs to hundreds of visitors.
- Donations: LSNA made donations to several important local community/charity organizations, including the Nashville flood relief efforts.

These are just the highlights of the activities and events that LSNA sponsored this past year. Please support LSNA by becoming a member today!



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2010 CELEBRATION OF HOME REPORT

Torrential rain, gusty winds and blowing snow, falling Christmas trees, and small porch fires made the 2010 A Celebration of Home Holiday Home Tour one to remember. Despite these obstacles, tour-goers were all smiles on Saturday, December 11 and Sunday, December 12 as they battled the elements to visit each home and share the season with our fearless homeowners. As one neighbor reminded us, "This tour is a holiday tradition for us. We wouldn't let a little weather get in the way of tradition!" This neighborhood spirit makes Lockeland Springs a special place to call home, and for many of our almost 400 tour-goers, a great place to visit.

Of course, without our willing and enthusiastic homeowners, there would be no tour. All of the 2010 tour homes were lovingly prepared for this event, and a few had a chance to send us stories about their homes. This is just a bit of what you missed if you missed this year's tour:

Ryan and Kim Hutchison of 1615 Fatherland tell us that, "The floors of 1615 have been home to bassinets, strollers, tricycles, backpacks, small hands and feet, and pets. The walls house many original oil paintings by the owner, Ryan Hutchison, of Bastante Gallery. Born 100 years or so ago before indoor plumbing, when a cable car traveled up and down Fatherland and kids played in the yards, 1615, like the whole neighborhood, has had several incarnations."

We learned from Joel and Ann Daunic that 1602 Woodland "was built originally in 1908, and our understanding is that it was taken down to the studs and completely renovated and added on to in 2007. The only major renovation we undertook was to remove most of a wall that separated the dining room and front parlor, opening up the space and exposing the staircase. We also finished the garage, built a staircase to provide access to its second story, and did some landscaping—still a work in progress! Of course there is always more to be done, but we appreciate the labors of several local craftsmen (including our realtor) and don't know what we would have done without them—a testament to the variety of talent in East Nashville!"

Maureen Sanderson reveals a surprising twist about this year's homes when she says, "1902 Fatherland was built in 1922 and has since been the home of countless persons, including the Hutchison's of 1615 Fatherland (also on the tour). This, we discovered on Halloween 2008 when they came trick or treating with mutual friends from outside the neighborhood (small world) and mentioned they'd rented the house before moving to their current home. We're told it was a duplex in the 1970s in which much fine music was created. The house has been renovated several times since, most recently



by us this past year. With the assistance of Lockeland Springs designer, Lynn Taylor, and contractor, Blake Boyd, we opened up the living room and kitchen, redid the kitchen, and built a screened in back porch.”

Elizabeth and Jonathan Gatlin purchased “the charming house at 1102 Forrest Avenue in February of 2010 as our first home together. The Victorian style home is over 100 years old and was originally part of the Bransford Estate re-subdivision. It was first sold in 1906 for \$2,995.00 to a local couple and since has changed hands many times functioning as both a multi-unit apartment complex and a single family residence. This is our first Christmas together as a married couple so even though we have known each other longer than we haven’t, we are still trying to figure out how to make it our home. We hope in the years to come we can better show off this amazing property as the gem that it is. We love and cherish the relationships we have made since living here. East Nashville really is the BEST home for the holidays.”

Even without the cooperation of Mother Nature, 2010 was a good year. We made new friends and learned new things about Lockeland Springs that we will treasure for years to come. Now, it is time to start planning for 2011...anybody game? If you are interested in being a part of the 2011 Celebration of Home, contact Elizabeth Smith at 668-7188 or e.smith.3060@gmail.com.

LSNA SPECIAL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING ON JANUARY 12

On January 12, LSNA hosted a special neighborhood meeting at Bar No. 308 on Gallatin. The topics included a beer license exemption request for No. 308 that was pending before Metro Council, and a presentation of the new design for the development at 1105 Woodland Street.

LSNA WEBSITE

Be sure to visit the Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association website (HYPERLINK “<http://www.lockelandsprings.org/>” <http://www.lockelandsprings.org/>) regularly to get updates about what LSNA is doing and what is happening in Lockeland Springs.

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Please support your neighborhood by becoming a member of the Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association!

Your annual membership will help support the LSNA and will contribute to all of our activities for the neighborhood. Just a few of the activities that we organize and support throughout the year include the annual Christmas Home Tour, Night Out Against Crime, Bass Park, the new Woodland Street park, alley cleanups, neighborhood meetings to discuss issues important to the neighborhood, and more.

Annual membership dues:

Individual Membership: \$15

Family membership: \$20

Business Membership: \$25

Please complete the membership form on the back page of this newsletter and mail to the indicated address. Or, you can visit the LSNA website and update your membership online: http://www.lockelandsprings.org/?page_id=15

LSNA NEEDS VOLUNTEERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Steve Hall at sghall@comcast.net.

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