

MASTERTSON STATION NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Neighborhood Association Meeting
September 11, 1999 (Saturday) — 10:00 a.m. at Mastertson Station Park at the Pavillion (by the playground)
(This meeting planned to accomodate residents that work nights)

Association Meeting Agenda

- A. Welcome
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Committee Reports
 - 1. Social Committee
 - 2. Welcoming Committee
 - 3. Lanscape Committee
 - 4. Park Committee
 - 5. Saftey Watch

TREASURER'S REPORT

Year to Date Expenses:
Landscaping = \$1,359.51
Electric = \$ 295.11
Office Supplies = \$ 263.57
Safety = \$ 78.39

Currently, 25 residents who have lived here since Jan. 1, 1999, have not paid their dues. Please get this in ASAP, & don't forget the \$5 service fee for late payment. Any resident that has not paid will appear in the next newsletter and will have the possibility of a lien being filed on their property.

Anyone who has moved in since Jan. 1, 1999, please make sure you have filled out a new resident form as well as paying your dues - prorated at \$2/month.

Association Dues are \$24.00 per year and all residents are required to pay them (see Deed of Restrictions - Addendum 1.28). Those that still owe dues should send a check to the following address:
MSNA Treasurer
216 Gateway Park Circle
Lexington, KY 40511

QUESTIONS?? Or if you are unsure of what you owe, contact Kendria Bellow at



Landscape Committee

On October 16, 1999, weather permitting, we will be planting our fall flowers & spring bulbs & performing some yearly maintenance on the flower beds at the entance of the subdivision. We will start around 9 a.m. and finish up around noon. All residents are welcome to lend a hand. A big THANK YOU to all the folks who have worked so hard on our landscaping committee. If you are interested in helping, please call Jeff at 252-5497.

Welcoming Committee

A BIG THANK YOU to Janice Annunziato and Ellen Waggle and the others for helping get out to meet the new residents and hand out the "Welcome Bags." The committee still needs help - only 200 houses to go, & starting in September, we start once again. If you would like to help out & meet some of the great people moving into our neighborhood, please call Janice at 389-8188.

Social Committee

Golfers? Scrapbookers? Walkers? Singles? If you have a hobby that you would be interested in participating with others from our neighborhood, we would like feedback/suggestions for future plans for the Social Committee. Call Ashby with any ideas.

We need an outgoing person to plan & organize future neighborhood activities. If you are interested, please call Ashby Jackson at 255-5395.

Mastertson Station Neighborhood Association Board Members

President: Ashby Jackson 255-5395
Treasurer: Kendria Bellou 225-1473
Secretary: Grant Bolt 258-9250
Landscape Comm: Jeff Crabb 252-5497
Newsletter Comm: Carol Wirth 254-8124
Park Comm: Ann Bukowski 255-3043
Social Comm:
Welcoming Comm: Janice Annunziato 389-8188

Safety Watch: Heidi Conn 252-7034

Thanks to Jean Rhodes for all the work she did to get the June Yard Sale put together. It was a big success and we look forward to another Neighborhood Yard Sale next summer.

Safety Watch

THANK YOU to all who helped out with & attended the Safety Awareness Day Expo! Special thanks to McDonald's on Leestown; Polly's Flowers; and, Winn Dixie for their corporate sponsorship enabling this event to be held. We are hoping to make this an annual event which expands each year. If you have comments/suggestions for next year's event, please contact Heidi Conn at 252-7034.

The neighborhood is growing by leaps & bounds - if you are new, or not so new, and wonder if you have a block captain to keep you informed of any criminal activity in the neighborhood, please contact Heidi Conn at 252-7034



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Play Group:

The playgroup meets once a week. We are about twenty families that include 30+ children strong! Our various outings have included: numerous parks, pools, indoor playlands, museums, etc. We are continuing to evolve as the group sees fit – with each member planning a month's worth of activities and then passing that honor on! In addition to our regular play outings, in August we had a Moms' dinner out and in September we are going to have a weekend get together for the whole family. Future activities may include a Halloween party and cookie exchange. If you'd like a calendar of events or a phone tree for play dates, please call Ann at 255-3043.

Park Committee

Park and Rec has bought the equipment for the playground. The purchase of the park land by the city is complete and all is on schedule to get our park playground this Fall. The actual building of the playground will be a neighborhood event, with everyone who can, pitching in. It will take place on a weekend, probably in October. I hope to know more about the date at the next neighborhood meeting on Sept. 10. At the meeting, I will be passing around signup sheets for people to volunteer. A lot of hands will be needed to work on the equipment, spread mulch, hand out refreshments, etc. There will be something for everyone who wants to help. It will be a lot of work, but it should also be fun and something we can be proud of for years to come. If you cannot make the neighborhood meeting, but would still like to help, you can call me at 255-3043. I will be happy to add your name to one of the sign up sheets.

Mark

Neighborhood Concerns

In addition to the city ordinances that have been listed in previous newsletters, there are a couple other issues that residents have brought up that should be addressed.

- Think about where you put up a bird feeder if you have one. If you put one up on or near a privacy fence, then bird droppings end up on the fence. It might be fine if this is your fence, but if you share it with a neighbor or if it is their fence, maybe they aren't as fond of cleaning off bird droppings as you are.
- As school has started again, ask your children to please NOT drop their garbage & debris at the bus stops. This was a real problem last year.
- Please don't park vehicles so they cross sidewalks. Sidewalks are public right-of-ways.
- OUT BUILDINGS – are prohibited by your Deed of restrictions. If you have an out building attached to your house, you must have a permit from the Urban County Government. Do you have one? If not, you will have to take it down.
- CAUTION!! School buses are running again – please slow down and be aware of the school children waiting for school buses
- Children need to be watched more carefully by their parents. There have been reports of children damaging flower & vegetable gardens, and trespassing on other resident's patios & decks. These children need to be respect other people's property and the privacy of their neighbors. Parents should help their children be good citizens. Residents are encouraged to call the police if children roaming their property continues to be a problem.
- CATS – Cats shouldn't be roaming the neighborhood and using flower beds as litter boxes or fences as scratching pads. Please keep an eye on those kitties as well as those doggies.
- CARS + SUN + CHILDREN DON'T MIX – The Fayette County SAFE KIDS coalition is reminding parents not to leave their children in vehicles. On a day when the temperature outside is 93 degrees Fahrenheit, even with your car window down 1 1/2", the temperature inside the car still can reach 125 degrees F in 20 minutes and about 140 degrees in 40 minutes.

Newsletter Committee

If you have suggestions for the newsletter, please contact the association officers or Carol at 254-8124 or email her at carol962@aol.com. This is a neighborhood newsletter and the committee wants input from the residents. The following members of the committee have hand delivered the newsletters since it's inception over a year ago – saving the association money for postage by their dedication and time. THANK YOU to Pam & Grant Bolt, Ann & Mark Bukowski, Dave Hendrick, Carolyn Newkirk, Jerry Bull, and Carol Wirth.



June 3, 1999, Association Meeting Minutes

The following were discussed at the June 3rd Association Meeting:

- Doug Green, Division of Planning, discussed the neighborhood trail. A grant was applied for in April. The trail will be about 12' wide & could eventually link with Rails & Trails. There was a great deal of controversy regarding the size of the trail, the materials that will be used, the safety of the users & the safety & privacy of the trail's neighbors. Since the association meeting, the residents affected along the greenway rightaway have had meetings with the urban county government. Apparently in August, the walking path grant was approved by the state.
- Construction to Citation Blvd. has begun.
- Robert Jefferson, our councilman, reported on current urban county government council issues. He reported that the 100 acres of the Bracktown & Marshall properties are now zoned for residential development as soon as sewer lines are put in.
- John Wigginton was introduced. He is a citizen advocate. You are welcome to call him at 258-3231 with concerns regarding processes that affect the government.
- Tad Mario, Masterson Station Park Maintenance Supervisor, discussed complaints of residents along the fence line who are complaining about overgrowth into the fence and their yards. He also stated that residents are putting debris on the park side of the fence, which hinders the mowers. He also discussed the park schedule. Throwing of debris along the Greathouse property fence row is also a problem.
- Heidi Conn discussed the need for block captains & reported that from Jan. 27 – May 20, 1999, there had been 87 calls to the police department. She also discussed street lights, in that it takes awhile before they are installed. If you live on a street without street lights at the present time, it is recommended that you leave your front & back porch lights on to help illuminate the area. Heidi also shared information about the Safety Awareness Expo.
- Kendria Bellou reported that the budget is the same as it was at the beginning of the year & requested that people continue paying their dues.
- The Neighborhood Committees all need volunteers. Contact the respective Committee Chairs to volunteer and help out.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLASSIFIED ADS

Daytime Babysitter Needed 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday – Friday
Home Maker Parties can also be arranged by Kendra
Please Call Kendra Brannam at 254-0984

[If you would like your classified ad to be in the newsletter, you must live in the neighborhood and want/need or provide a service. This cost is \$2 for 3 lines, each additional line is \$1. Call 254-8124 to place ads for the next newsletter. Payment is payable before the ad runs.]

