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COMING SOON - MUSICAL MONDAYS!



It's a balmy, breezy summer evening. You're seated on a blanket cushioned underneath by lush grass, and if you lie back, you'll see a million stars in the sky. Suddenly, you hear the strains of a light overture being played a few hundred yards away.

Aren't we lucky that this idyllic scene can be experienced absolutely free every Monday evening for a good part of the summer? Better yet, we only have to travel a few minute to get there!

The Compton Heights Concert Band will present its tenth annual Musical

Mondays series at the Henry Shaw Memorial Bandstand in Tower Grove Park. These eight old-fashioned band concerts will be held each Monday from June 19 through August 7, beginning at 7:30 pm and lasting approximately two hours.

The Compton Heights Concert Band of St. Louis was organized in 1976 and made its first major public appearance in Tower Grove Park. Currently, the Band includes over sixty amateur, student and professional musicians from the St. Louis area involved in a variety of backgrounds and professions.

According to Malcolm McDuffee, Band Director, the Musical Mondays program will continue to offer a large variety of music—light overtures, marches, light classical, show music, polkas, waltzes, and a little bit of everything!

Some delicious refreshments will be made available by the Tower Grove Creamery to add to your enjoyment of the program.

Free parking and some bench seating are available at the Park. Lawn seating is in abundance, so bring a few chairs or a blanket, and settle in for some good listening and family fun!

- Judy Johnson

CLEAN-UP BLITZES

On the first Sunday of each month, a clean-up blitz of a street in Tower Grove Heights will take place. The schedule for the next year is as follows:

July - Juniata
August - Wyoming
September - Connecticut
October - Humphrey
November - Utah
March - Spring
April - Gustine
May - Arsenal
June - Hartford

There will be no organized clean-up in December, January, and February. The clean-ups begin at 2pm. Residents interested in participating are asked to meet at the corner of Spring and the designated street to be cleaned.

-Cindy Lazzari



FROM THE EDITORS

Summer in the city always brings with it a host of activities and ways we can rediscover our neighbors and our neighborhood. Tower Grove Heights is an example of the best that the city offers, and in this issue of the Gazette we'll tell you about a few of those things.

Once again, the Compton Heights Band will be a regular part of the Tower Grove Park schedule; and Judy Johnson tells you some things you may not know about

it. You can also read about the strange new wheeled vehicles you may have noticed in the park.

Our "On Grand" column takes a look at Jay Asia Foods' new location, and Don Hardin also gives a rundown on what else is being planned for the business district.

Jack Hurov explains a program that offers volunteers a way to help juveniles; and we'll also show you two area youth who discovered a practical way to help their

neighborhood.

We highlight local activities that have taken place since our last issue: the Utah block party, the organization's open house, and report on a conference on topics of interest to any neighborhood group.

Lastly, don't miss our tips on gardening and recipes. They should prove valuable for the hot weather ahead.

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ON GRAND

In each issue of the Gazette, this column will include information about current events on Grand South Grand and a highlight of one of the businesses. Watch for the Concerts In The Park series on Monday evenings. Signs are posted at the major entrances to the park as a reminder.

Sixteen years ago Suchin Prapaisilp came to America from Thailand. He was soon to prove the axiom that in America inspiration and hard work will bring success. Two years later, he opened the Jay Asian Food Corporation at the corner of Grand and Humphrey. In May of 1988 Jay Asian expanded and moved to 3172 Grand at Connecticut. A walk down the aisles of Jay Asian is like a trip around the world. 3000 items from 10 different countries can be found.

Some of the exotic items to be found include: frozen frog, eel, quail, quail eggs, squid, seaweed, bamboo shoots, coconut soda, many types of spices, cookies, fresh and canned vegetables, many unusual kinds of tea, shelled and fresh coconut, dozens of kinds of fish, and rice available in one pound boxes up to 50 pound bags. The store also includes a video rental service with films from China, the Philippines, and Thailand. I talked with a customer who drives in weekly from Chesterfield. She entertains a lot and said she always finds the perfect unusual entree or appetizer for her dinner guests. Suchin told me of one customer who drives in from Columbia MO once a month to shop for several families in his neighborhood. Suchin attributes his success to much hard work and honest dealings with his friendly and faithful customers. The Jay Asian Food Corporation is open seven days a week; Monday through Saturday from 9am to 9pm and Sunday from 9am to 7pm.

- Don Hardin



Missouri Botanical Garden

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SURREY IN THE PARK

Imagine yourself cruising through a graceful Victorian park. The fringe of the surrey's canopy is fluttering in the breeze. The only sound you hear: the woosh of air and the twitting of birds. Is this a picture from another era? Are you on a time trek? No, you've decided to try riding a quadricycle, and the park you're enjoying is Tower Grove.

Since April 30th, these unusual passenger-powered carriages have been seen cruising through the park. They were the idea of Donna Sanchez, the owner and operator of Spokes 4 Folks. Quadricycles have been popular on both the east and west coasts for some time, but this is the first time they've been introduced to an inland area. Sanchez said that they are not available anywhere else in the city. "They're not available anyplace in the Midwest. I'm the first person to bring them inland. Everyone else has located either in a resort area on the coast, or over in Hawaii," she said.

She viewed them as an ideal business for her, since running it during the summer would still allow her to go to school full-time in the fall.

The quadricycles are not part of a franchise business, but are owned by Sanchez herself.

Asked why she picked Tower Grove Park for her business, she said, "It's a real well-supported park...neighborhood supported. We knew that not being in a resort area, we'd need neighborhood support, and Tower Grove Park is one of the best supported parks."

Sanchez was born in Canada, but has lived in St. Louis for several years. It was her husband's relatives who live near Tower Grove that persuaded her to take a close look at the park. She explained, "They all kept saying 'you know you need to bring them over to Tower Grove Park, not Forest Park.' And when we started checking into the crime rate and different things, we found that Tower Grove Park was more ideal."

OPEN HOUSE

The Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood Association held its second annual Open House at the American Legion Hall at Spring and Wyoming on April 30. Members were asked to renew their memberships, non-members were invited to join. All were welcome to contribute their ideas as to the direction of the Association.

Attendance prizes were available to those becoming members that day. Barb Smith

Sanchez feels quadricycles appeal to the public for a number of reasons. "Number one, it's real unusual. Number two, it's something the family can do that's not expensive. And it's, it's...it's fun!"

The quadricycles can be rented from the concession stand near the tennis courts, and come in three different sizes. The "Beach Buggy" seats two adults, the "Surrey" seats two adults and two kids, and the "Limousine" will accommodate six adults and two kids. They rent for \$8, \$10, or \$18 respectively. Tandem cycles for two are also available for \$7.50 per hour. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, Spokes 4 Folks will operate seven days a week, until 8pm.

- Tom Booth

and Terry Hartz were both recipients of gift certificates to The Resource and Janice Nesser received two Cardinal Baseball tickets.

If you missed the Open House, it's not too late to join. Regular membership is \$5, Heritage (name in Gazette) is \$10, and Renaissance (name in Gazette and TGHNA t-shirt) is \$20. Contact your block captain or mail your membership to: TGHNA, P.O. Box 22174, St. Louis, MO. 63116.

-Cindy Lazzari

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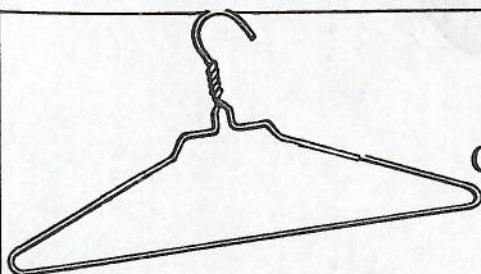
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Organic Pest Control

The growing concern with pesticide contamination of our environment, particularly our food supply, has caused many gardeners to turn to organic or natural methods of insect control.

The first and easiest method of insect control is to maintain a garden free of dead, dying, or diseased plants and leaves. Insects will seek shelter in garden trash and lay eggs in and around it. Using a clean mulch and keeping the garden well weeded will also cut down on favorite hiding places of some insect pests.

Physical barriers are another effective method of control. Cheesecloth stretched over squash is a good deterrent to squash vine borers; and over cucumbers, a good deterrent to cucumber beetles. However, one disadvantage of this method is that insects necessary for pollination are also excluded. This will make hand pollination necessary. Transplants can be protected from cutworm damage by wrapping the stems with paper. This paper collar must be at least an inch below and above the soil.

Many pests that occur on plants may be removed by hand-picking. Check around the base of plants, under leaves, and in the surrounding mulch. Captured insects can be dropped into a soapy water solution. Insects too small for this type of control, such as aphids, mites, and whiteflies, can be removed with a harsh stream of water early in the day.

However, there are some insects that are beneficial in the garden. Predator insects, such as ladybugs and lacewings, eat aphids, mites and mealy bugs. Parasitic insects, such as wasps, lay eggs in caterpillars and tomato hornworms. These beneficial insects may be attracted to the garden by including insectary plants in the garden. In their search for insect pests to eat or to parasitize, beneficial insects require a high level of nectar and pollen which insectary plants provide. Some insectary plants to include in the garden are parsley, dill, coriander, caraway, sunflower, yarrow, marigolds, zinnias, and asters.

Finally, as a last resort, organically derived insecticides may be necessary. An effective chemical control for cabbage worms and corn earworms is a naturally occurring bacteria called *Bacillus Thuringiensis*. This bacteria, sold under the name of Dipel, is ingested by the caterpillar, which becomes ill, stops feeding and soon dies. Pyrethrums, derived from several species of chrysanthemums, is a contact botanical insecticide effective against aphids, leafhoppers, and various beetles. Because of its potency use pyrethrums only when absolutely necessary. Rotenone, also a very potent botanically derived insecticide, is effective against aphids and various beetles. However, due to its short residual effect, it must be applied more frequently. Although these materials aren't as harmful as the so-called chemical insecticides, they are by no means "safe". They should be handled just as carefully as any chemical. As with other chemicals, read and follow label instructions carefully.

Following these simple instructions will insure a safe and pest free garden this summer.

- Benjamin Chu

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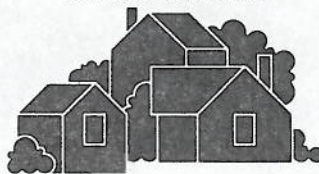
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THE HISTORIC HEIGHTS

Streets and Their Names

Hartford, Connecticut, Humphrey Streets
The 1836-1837 St. Louis Directory had glowingly reported of this area: "South St. Louis possesses extensive quarries of the best lime and free stone; and lately, a quarry of marble has been discovered that will bear comparison with the finest Egyptian marble. The land in the vicinity of St. Louis is fertile in the highest degree, and contains beds of bituminous coal which are believed to be inexhaustible. This coal is found within 4 miles to the southwest of the city..." James Russell, soon after acquiring his estate, had discovered coal at the site of Morganford and Tholoan and the Russells mined and sold the coal from 1820 into the 1880's.

The breakup of the original 213.47 acre McDonald tract began July 1, 1859 with sale to Robert W. Hunt and his wife, Phebe, of 100 acres for the sum of \$4240. This tract was bounded roughly by present day McDonald, Gustine, Grand Ave. and Chippewa. Almost immediately, coal mining was begun, with the McDonald Hunt mines working 12 months a year. Since Gravois Rd. was easily accessible and it was macadamized in the 1840's,

getting the coal to market was never impossible.

By the 1880's, land in our Tower Grove Heights area was owned by the Estate of William Switzer. His executors were Samuel W. Halliday and Edwin Harrison. An attractive street in Tower Grove East bears the name of Halliday. Maps of the 1880's will show platting of planned subdividing in our neighborhood, bearing such names as: McDonald Carr Subdivision and Tower Grove Park and Grand Avenue Subdivision.

Tower Grove Heights was originally platted in 1881, but building occurred in the late 1890's and first decade of the 20th century. In 1904, a single lot in the 3800 block of Juniata (30' X 127.6') sold for \$900, "and the house built thereon must be at least two stories, built of brick or stone, a single-residence, no business connected, and must cost no less than \$3,000." Selling was brisk, Compton & Dry had labeled this area as prime for residential living.

Back in October, 1876, the year the new and present city boundaries were set, the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Com-



pany of Hartford, Connecticut bought approximately 133.60 acres, including our Tower Grove Heights, for the sum of \$857.55.

Thus, Hartford and Connecticut Streets memorialize the city and state of the buyers and developers and Humphrey Green, the Executive Director of that company, was honored by the name of Humphrey Street. Street car lines were accessible to residents; Tower Grove Park was to the immediate north, and the lots were on the best ridge line in the entire St. Louis area.

-Kathryn Kilker

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A MESSAGE FROM ALDERMAN GERALDINE OSBORN

The Charter is the basic law of the City of St. Louis. City officials take an oath to uphold the Charter. Unfortunately, the Charter is frequently ignored and treated with contempt by some of our City officials. The Charter states that:

"Except as otherwise expressly provided in the charter, no money shall be expended except in consequence of appropriations made by ordinance...."

You may have read in the newspaper that the Convention and Tourism Board, which is made up of the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the President of the Board of Alderman, recently voted to give \$400,000 of "convention and tourism" funds to the private V.P. Fair Corporation. The Charter does not give the Convention and Tourism Board or the Board of Estimate and Apportionment any authority to appropriate money from the Convention and Tourism Fund or any other City fund. The authority to appropriate City funds is legally reserved to the Board of Aldermen acting on the recommendation of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. The Convention and Tourism board has simply assumed the authority to appropriate City funds in spite of the clear language of the Charter.

One misrepresentation which you may have seen or heard is that "convention and tourism" funds can only be spent for particular purposes and that their expenditure, therefore, has no effect on other City services. In fact, the City spends millions of dollars of general revenue funds for Kiel Auditorium and the Convention Center. Using convention and tourism funds for some of these expenses would free general revenue funds to provide needed neighborhood services. Please remember, as you watch the V.P. Fair this year, that you are watching neighborhood service "going up in smoke".

Geraldine (Gerry) Osborn
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NEIGHBORHOOD YOUTHS SPONSOR RECYCLING PROGRAM

"Hello, Neighbors! We are Matthew Williams (3655 Hartford) and Daniel Waeltermann (3704 Hartford). Dan and I are two St. Mary's High School students, living on your block who are concerned about environmental problems confronting the planet Earth, much less our own neighborhood!!! We would like to start a recycling program with very little effort on your part."

This message from Matt and Daniel was recently passed out to the residents of the 36-3700 block of Hartford. Matt became concerned with recycling after reading in the paper that landfills are filling up, and that in a very short time they would be full. He thought, "If I start recycling, maybe something good will come out of it."

So in the last few months, Matt and Daniel began a recycling program on their block. So far, only a small number of residents have participated. Matt would like to see more people participate. He would also like to expand his efforts to other blocks in the Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood.

Matt, Daniel and their helpers will pick-

up recyclable items from your front porch and take them to the Operation Brightside Recycling Center (on Kingshighway) every Saturday between 9:30am and 2pm. Items that can be recycled include: newspapers, cardboard that has been flattened, glass jars and bottles, aluminum beer and soda cans, any scrap aluminum except foil, and plastic milk and soda bottles. All items, except aluminum cans, should be placed in paper bags or bundled up. The aluminum cans should be placed in plastic bags to prevent leaking. All items should be washed.

The recycling center only pays for aluminum cans. In the past, Matt donated any money he received from collections on Hartford to the Hartford block party.

Matt is looking for volunteers to help in his recycling efforts, especially if he is to expand to other blocks. He really could use someone with a truck. If you would like to participate or help to organize your block contact Matt at 664-1061 or your block captain. Matt believes, "by working all together, not only will we have a cleaner neighborhood, but a healthier planet to pass on to our kids one day."

-Barb Norbury-Smith

EMPOWERING YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

The Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood Association is constantly striving to improve our neighborhood and strengthen our association. A recent example of this effort was the participation of several members in a seminar sponsored by the University of Missouri - St. Louis - Empowering Your Neighborhood: You Can Make a Difference!

Topics addressed were marketing your neighborhood, bringing your neighbors together, fund raising and neighborhood

safety. Other topics addressed included neighborhood business districts and programs for homebuyers. In addition to University of Missouri employees, speakers included neighborhood association leaders and City of St. Louis employees, such as Operation Brightside and liaison officers.

Information received at seminars such as this, along with your creative input and energy, are critical to the vitality of our neighborhood.

-Cindy Lazzari



CARPENTER LIBRARY EXPANSION PLAN PROGRESSES

The St. Louis Public Library Board is making efforts to correct the parking shortage at its Carpenter Branch, 3309 South Grand Boulevard. Since passage of the Proposition L tax increase in March, 1988, the library has been in the process of acquiring properties adjacent to the south and presently owns two of the necessary three parcels. Acquisitions of the third parcel, the building at 3321-32 S. Grand has been delayed by several months of unsuccessful negotiations with owner George Kumpis.

This May, a number of new developments occurred. Both the St. Louis Community Development Agency and the privately contracted Economic Development Corporation completed their reviews and approved the library's expansion plan. The CDA has also urged aldermen to grant the city redevelopment incentives so it can obtain the 3321-23 building.

If city aldermen approve the redevelopment plan, the library board can begin the process of purchasing the remaining parcel through the authority of eminent domain. Although Alderwoman Geraldine Osborn has stated that she is generally reluctant to resort to the use of condemnation to acquire properties, in this case, because the

library has negotiated with Mr. Kumpis in good faith and because the purchase is clearly for the benefit of the public, she is willing to support the purchase through eminent domain if necessary.

Parking has been an ongoing problem for both patrons and Utah Place resident since the 1960s. Without dedicated parking, visitors to the library have parked primarily on the north and south sides of Utah Place. According to Mary Mulroy, Manager of Library Branches, the Carpenter Branch is the second busiest of the city's branch libraries, issuing in summer months even more books than the central branch. In addition, the Carpenter Branch offers many well-attended special programs, some of which have had as many as 85 participants.

Given its extensive use and residential location, the library board has long recognized "the importance of providing for patrons as well as being good neighbors to surrounding residents," said Mulroy. If acquisition of the tract is finalized, library parking will soon be just around the corner - good news for library patrons and Tower Grove Heights residents!

-Tim Barker

-Anita Barker

REPORT FROM THE CAPITOL

As chairman of the Missouri House Energy and Environment Committee, I believe this past session was a success and I am pleased to see environmental issues becoming a priority concern. We approved bills promoting recycling, protecting the ozone layer, regulating asbestos removal, creating an insurance pool for leaking underground storage tanks, updating our Community Right-To-Know law, requiring testing for water contamination, and managing mining waste. They await the Governor's signature.

Under my recycling measure, state agencies and higher education facilities will be required to set up a recycling program with special focus on recycling aluminum cans and waste paper. The state would also increase its purchase of recycled products. This bill will also ban the use and manufacture of food or beverage containers made of polystyrene foam produced with chlorofluorocarbons which are destructive to the earth's ozone layer.

A progressive bill for a regional approach to the solid waste management was passed by both chambers but died in the Senate the last day of session with the Senate failing to vote on a compromise measure produced from a conference committee. As House sponsor of the legislation, I am certain it will be reintroduced in both the House and Senate next year.

The Legislature also approved my proposal on natural gas safety. This measure was the result of a special study by my committee on the public safety interests of natural gas regulation. The study was prompted by numerous gas line explosions involving both death and injury.

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ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN FIND THEIR VOICE - VOLUNTEER GUARDIANS AD LITEM

For most of us, childhood was shaped by a warm and stable living environment. The only obstacle to personal success was measured by our self-determination. It seems hard to believe that children living in St. Louis today could be denied such basic human rights as an opportunity to succeed.

Yet, abuse and neglect is a problem affecting as many as two-thousand children living in St. Louis. Who should take the responsibility for protecting those children when their natural parents cannot?

Through the Division of Family Services, children are provided with foster care as temporary security against further abuse and neglect. The case of each child placed into the foster care systems is reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that the best interests of that child are continuously served.

In 1987-1988, the St. Louis Juvenile Court, with help from trained community volunteers known as Volunteer Guardians ad Litem, or VGAL for short, reviewed the cases of 1013 children. Appointed by the court, the foremost objective of a VGAL is to minimize the amount of time a child spends in the foster care

system by advocating for permanent placement of the child into a warm and stable living environment.

Currently, with 44 active VGAL advocating for the rights of more than 1000 children in the foster care system, it is clear that this small group of dedicated volunteers needs much more help. In only five years, the VGAL Program has achieved a remarkable 35 percent success rate of permanent placement. However, for many children, an end to foster care remains a dream.

Through the Volunteer Guardian ad Litem Program, the Crusade Against Crime is seeking women and men to provide a needed voice for abused and neglected foster children in St. Louis. Anyone over the age of 21, and concerned about the basic human rights of children may submit an application. Applicants attend a 24 hour training program conducted by social work professionals.

When appointed, VGAL objectively and actively investigate each child's case by conducting interviews with the child, natural and foster parents, juvenile officer, social worker, and teachers. At the court hearing, VGAL report their findings and make

recommendations on how to best help the child.

According to the Fall 1988 issue of the VGAL Newsletter, a recent federal study demonstrated that the most effective way to represent the needs of abused and neglected children in the juvenile justice system is through trained community volunteers. For more information on how you can become involved as a Volunteer Guardian ad Litem, contact the Crusade Against Crime, 4158 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO. 63108, or call Jan Hurov, 776-6939.

-Jack Hurov

CLASSIFIEDS

The classifieds are open to all TGH residents at a cost of \$1.25 for 2 lines, \$.50 for every line thereafter. If you would like to place a classified call Janice 776-5780 or Tom 776-6270.

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Connecticut-Wyoming Progressive Dinner

The thought of spreading the evening meal over a two hour period with it's courses separated not only by minutes but by distance as well may sound ridiculous to some and is certainly not the most efficient way to satisfy your gustatory needs. Well, several resident of the 3800 blocks of Connecticut and Wyoming (I am one of them) would disagree.

The First Annual Connecticut-Wyoming Progressive Dinner took place on Saturday, May 13. Our dining experience began at the first host house with an array of appetizers. The onion puffs and crab-stuffed cherry tomatoes were apparently the favorites. We proceeded to the second host house where we were served three

delicious and most elegantly prepared salads, along with a fine white wine. The artichoke-mushroom salad was especially good. The main course was awaiting us as we ventured on to our next destination. Chicken Piccata and Eggplant Parmigiana, as well as a variety of delicious vegetable side dishes were served. By this time, so much good food and spirits had been consumed that we were wondering how we would manage the desserts awaiting us at the next and final stop of progressive dinner. But with desserts such as Dutch Apple Cheesecake, Chocolate-dipped Strawberries and Baklava, no one was too full to at least indulge a bit.

The First Annual Connecticut-Wyoming Progressive Dinner was a big success, not only because the food and drink were wonderful, but more importantly because it was a chance to spend some time with old friend as well as get to know some new ones.

- David Wagner

Flower Lovers!

Have you been one of the many people who have stopped by and enjoyed the flower beds in the median on Utah Place? Last summer the residents of Utah Place installed those beds to beautify the median and to be enjoyed by its residents. However, the flower beds cannot maintain themselves. Since, it was a neighborhood project, the neighborhood must

maintain them - the city will not!

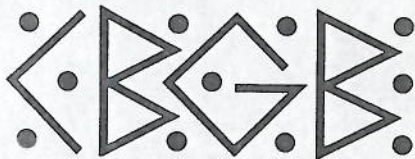
Residents are asked to help water, weed and participate in the maintenance of these flower beds throughout the growing season. Interested residents can contact Teresa at 771-2972. Let's join together and keep the median beautiful all summer long!

-Teresa Telford

2nd Annual Utah Place Block Party

This years block party was held under bright and sunny skies on May 7, in sharp contrast to last years semi-washout. The south side of 3600-3700 Utah Place was blocked with resident's cars since we experienced some saw-horse movers last year. Participation was estimated at nearly half of the block and there was much food to be had. The kids had great fun buzzing up and down the street on an assortment of wheeled vehicles, from mini big wheels to ten speeds. New neighbors Bill and Michelle Kerr (3636 Utah), Victor and Virginia Folk (3710 Utah) and Tim Hays(3724 Utah) were introduced and warmly received. Several donations for flowers in the sprouting gardens in the Boulevard were received, as well as donations for food for next years gathering. A special thanks to Janis Bellow for her efforts in making this years gathering a success.

- Steve Telford



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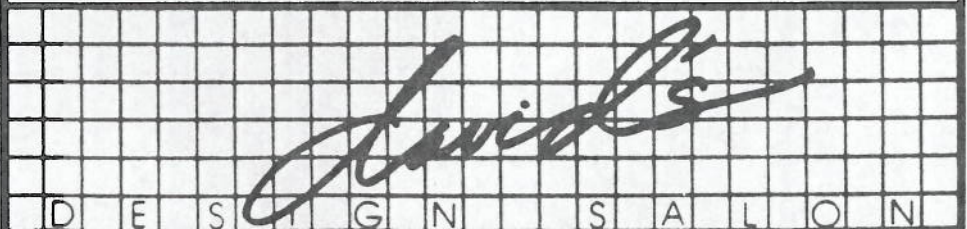
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GRAND UPDATE

On May 31st the Grand Tower Grove Local Development Company held a general meeting at Commerce Bank. Approximately 40 people were in attendance. John Karel, director of Tower Grove Park spoke about a great deal of activity that has taken place since he became director. 1988 saw the restructuring of the administration of the park into a more effective body. Following this course of action, the "Friends of Tower Grove Park" was formed. This volunteer group has dedicated much time and effort in the renaissance that is taking place in what is perhaps the country's finest example of a Victorian walking park.

The Summerfest on Grand South Grand will be on June 24th from 10am to 3pm. Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood Association and others will have booths. There will be food, music, antique cars, puppet show, and Fredbird will join in the fun.

The next topic of the evening concerned the business area near Grand and Arsenal. The area discussed is on the east side of Grand from Hartford to the alley north of Arsenal, including the parking lot at the corner of Grand and Arsenal. Options are being considered for the renovation and/

or redevelopment of this area into a more economically productive center of business. Because this area is the Gateway to Grand South Grand, improvement in this area would benefit the business owners,

residents of Tower Grove Heights and adjacent neighborhoods. As these exciting, but yet to be formed plans take shape, the Gazette will keep you informed.

-Don Hardin



RECIPE

Indonesian Pork Kebabs

This recipe is great for the barbeque grill and is fast and easy.

- 1 lb. lean pork, cut in 1-inch chunks
- 1/4 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 tbs. Worcestershire sauce
- 2 or 3 clove garlic, minced

Combine all ingredients except pork. Stir until peanut butter joins the juice and oil. (Don't let the looks deceive you! It

will taste great.) Add the pork and toss around in the bowl until all pieces are well-coated. Cover the bowl and refrigerate for 6 to 8 hours, or overnight. Stir from time to time.

Light your charcoal, and while it's heating, thread the pork on 4 8-inch skewers. Place the meat over the coals. Turn it often, brushing on a little of the marinade as you do. It will take about 20 minutes for the meat to be well-done, which is the way you must serve any pork dish.

Enjoy! Should you have any left, it's great the next day cold.

-Judy Johnson

If you have a favorite recipe that you would like to share with other Tower Grove Heights residents, send your recipes to: RECIPES/THE GAZETTE,

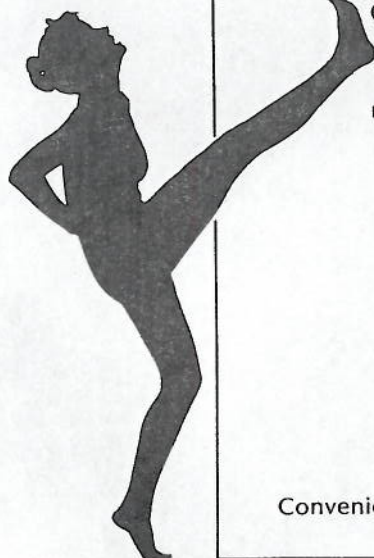
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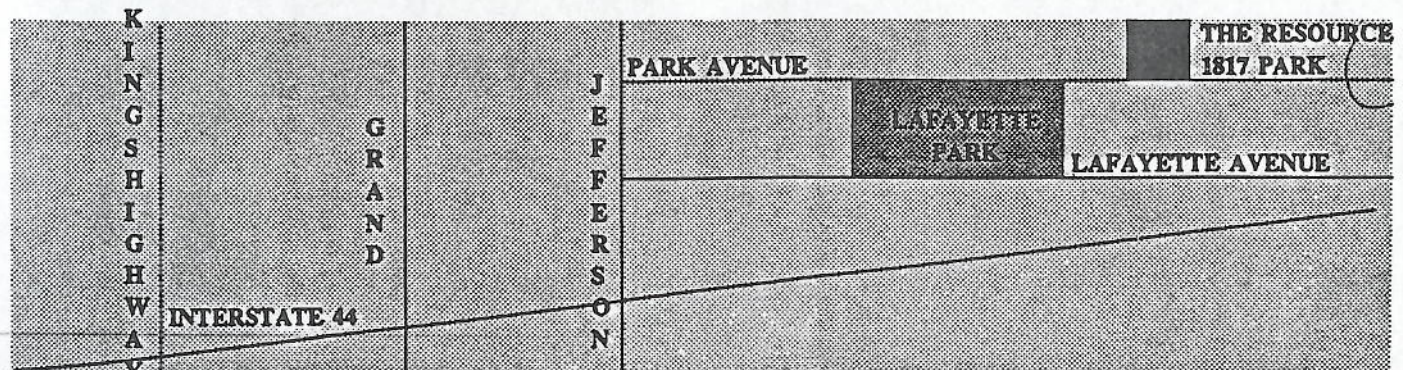
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CALENDAR

JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 1989

June

Children's movies start showing at Carpenter Branch Library on Tuesdays at 2pm

June 24

Summerfest and Antique Car Display on Grand South Grand from 10am-3pm - Visit the TGHNA booth!

June 25

Daylily Society Show at Missouri Botanical Garden

June 28

Jazz in June at Missouri Botanical Garden in Cohen Amphitheater at 7:30pm

July 2

Juniata clean-up blitz beginning at 2pm

July 4

Independence Day - Don't forget to fly your American flag!

July 8 - July 16

Cactus Society Show at Missouri Botanical Garden

July 8 - August 6

Botanical Watercolors by Jacqueline Broughton on display at Missouri Botanical Garden

July 11

Hillbilly Days at Carpenter Branch Library at 7pm featuring songs and stories from the Ozarks

July 12

Travelogues begin on Thursdays at 2pm at Carpenter Branch Library

July 14

"It's a Small World" is the theme of stories told by St. Louis Gateway Storytellers from 11am - 3pm

July 21

Botanical Beauty Contest for children modeling their original flower costumes at Missouri Botanical Garden beginning at 11am

July 24

Henry Shaw Birthday celebration at Missouri Botanical Garden featuring music, storytelling and balloons

July 29

Puppets Galore at Missouri Botanical Garden features roving puppeteers and productions

August 6

Wyoming clean-up blitz beginning at 2pm

August 20

TGHNA regular meeting at St. John's Episcopal Church at 7pm

August 31

Summer reading program wrap-up party at Carpenter Branch Library from 6:30pm - 8pm

August

Look for dates on the 3rd District Police Appreciation Picnic and National Night Out

-compiled by Cindy Lazzari

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