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## 2018 Tour of Homes Recap

On behalf of the Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association, I want to thank you all for your huge support in this year's 40th Annual Home Tour! It was another record breaking year to say the least! This would not have been possible without the amazing turnout from our neighbors, the continued support from our tour sponsors and our presenting sponsor Andy Allen of Village Real Estate. We are so thankful for the support year after year!

Our neighbors were joined by visitors from all over the city and those from out of town who just

happened to pop in when they saw our posters around town. Visitors were greeted at the Urban Cowboy where they picked up their tickets and began the journey. The historic church and homes on the tour were filled throughout the weekend with old and new friends enjoying the architecture and historical elements of the homes. Stories were shared of those who once lived in our neighborhood who had come back to visit along with stories that have been passed down for years in regards to the home itself. Visitors sampled tasty bites and drinks provided by our gracious local restaurant partners.

Our 40th Annual Tour was one for the books! The tour proceeds will allow us to continue to provide support for our neighborhood and grants that will continue to encourage and provide for organizations that are strengthening our community. It was a privilege and honor to serve as your Home Tour Chair and we look forward to next year!

*Sincerely,  
Mary Kathryn Oliver  
Home Tour Chair*



Home Tour attendees check out beautiful wall art at one of the tour homes, and mingle with neighbors on the tour.

## — 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT —

Dear LSNA Neighbors,

It has been another exciting year for the Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association. We are very fortunate to receive continued support from local businesses as well as individuals within the neighborhood. I am thrilled to report that due to this generosity we were able to increase our Grant Program by more than \$5,000, bringing our total grants to more than \$15,000. This marks the fourth year in a row that we have been able to increase our giving to local programs including the Shelby Park Community Center, East Nashville Hope Exchange, Southern Word and Plant the Seed. Congratulations to the grant recipients!

This past year we celebrated our 40th annual holiday home tour and it was a huge success. Thank you to all involved including the sponsors and those that graciously open their homes for the tour. We also hosted our first spring cleanup and neighborhood party and we look forward to continuing this kid friendly event in 2019 as well as a new event in the fall of 2019.

We have had a lot of turnover within the Board recently and I would like to thank those that have served over the past few years. I am hopeful that the new board members will maintain our recent momentum and continue to enrich the neighborhood. Our priorities for 2019 include increasing our community engagement and increasing our support to local programs and nonprofits. The new board members are definitely up to the challenge.

Thank you all for your support. Our neighborhood appreciates it.

Steven Swarts  
LSNA Treasurer

## — LSNA BOARD UPDATE —

The Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association would like to welcome new board members Anna Hollingsworth, Steven Mason, Fritz Spainhour, and Shalini Vallabhaneni. We are excited to welcome their fresh perspectives and are energized by their enthusiasm for our neighborhood.

LSNA would like to thank past board members who have recently rolled off the board, including Todd Cantrell, Kris Mumford and Elizabeth Bush. Thanks to you all for your years of service!

**Lockeland Springs  
Community + Clean Up**

*Join us in service cleaning up trash around the neighborhood  
and celebrating afterward with a family-friendly party  
to get to know neighbors  
(clean up supplies provided).*

**Saturday, April 13**

**Bass Park 1602 Holly St**

8:30 AM registration  
9:00 - 11:00 AM clean up  
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM party

FREE EVENT  
*registration not required to attend*

Raffle  
Bounce house  
Hot dogs  
Face painting

Sign up via Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association  
website ([lockelandsprings.org](http://lockelandsprings.org)) or Facebook page

"Save the date! On Saturday, April 13 we'll be hosting this year's Community + Clean Up event at Bass Park (1602 Holly Street) Last year's event was a huge success and we'd love to build on it and make this year's even better. We'll be collecting trash around the neighborhood in support of April's Earth Day celebration followed by a neighborhood party . We'll be meeting at Bass Park at 8:30 AM to head out into the neighborhood to pick up trash (bags and trash grabbers provided) followed by a neighborhood party (also at Bass Park) where we'll have a bounce house, face painting and other activities for kids. Grilled hot dogs - and vegan dogs - will be provided. So mark your calendars, invite your neighbors, and we look forward to seeing you at this event intended to help beautify Lockeland Springs and build greater community amongst neighbors. If you have questions, email [beautification@lockelandsprings.org](mailto:beautification@lockelandsprings.org). More information can be found on the Lockeland Springs website ([lockelandsprings.org](http://lockelandsprings.org)) or Facebook page."

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Lockeland MOMS club's  
Easter Egg Hunt  
Sat. April 20**

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# Everything is Everything

Do you want to see a Chinese drumming class or a classical ballet lesson in Warner Elementary's state of the art studio? There might also be a jazz or hip-hop session happening depending on the day. I didn't know these things were



*Dr. Ricki Gibbs*

available at Warner until I visited Dr. Ricki Gibbs a few weeks ago. What is even more impressive is the energy Dr. Gibbs has for this school, and that is contagious. The students, teachers, and staff, and this visitor, have caught it.

Dr. Gibbs came to Warner in December. His work at Glengarry, Tom Joy, Hickman, and Napier has prepared him for the challenge of Warner. He has an exemplary record for turning low-performing schools around, and he fully intends to do the same in our community. Meeting him renewed my enthusiasm for MNPS. A great part of that is because it is impossible to be in his presence without mirroring the huge smile that is always on his face. Dr. Gibbs believes that the only way to improve a school is to engage the parents and the community in the effort. At our recent neighborhood meeting, he told us that he is offering parent home work classes for anyone who needs help helping their children with homework-even people whose children do not attend his school.

Growing up in Miami in a single parent household, education

is what changed the course of Dr. Gibbs' life. He came to Nashville to TSU on a full football scholarship then started his career at Paragon Mills in a 3rd grade classroom. Dr. Gibbs believes that he can make the same kind of change in his students' lives that he saw wrought in his own. As I was talking with him, he got a call from a substitute who needed help with a student. He told me that the child works well with his regular teacher, but change is difficult for him. Dr. Gibbs headed to the classroom to help the sub solve the problem by comforting the child, putting his philosophy into action.

Dr. Gibbs plans to return Warner to its rightful place as the hub of East Nashville public schools. The character of the building and the rich history of the school demand it. Dr. Gibbs recognizes that the task is not an easy one. He embraces all of his students and values the powerful dynamics inside (and outside) the walls of his school. His "Everything is everything especially when God is your everything" philosophy is "rooted in my deep faith that God orders my steps and will carry me through anything". After meeting him, I have no doubt that he will accomplish his goal.

Note: If you would like to support the children at Warner by participating in a pen-pal project, please contact Jonathan Wren at [jonathan.wren@mnps.org](mailto:jonathan.wren@mnps.org). If you would like to see Warner in action, contact Dr. Gibbs for a tour. He can be found here: 615-291-6395 (school), 615-947-8313 (cell), [ricki.gibbs@mnps.org](mailto:ricki.gibbs@mnps.org) (email), Twitter: @Principal\_Gibbs Instagram: @warnerartsmagnet

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# 2018 HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST

The annual Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association holiday lights contest took place in mid-December. There were more than a dozen nominations this year, from all over the neighborhood. The entries included some favorite displays from previous years - many stepping up their game - and the introduction of new entrants as well.

The top three winners each received a gift card to a local eatery: 1st Place = \$100 to Lockeland Table 2nd Place = \$75 to Marche, 3rd Place = \$50 to Eastland Cafe.

Thanks to all who entered and congratulations to this year's winners!



## THE WINNERS:

**1ST PLACE: 1411  
ORDWAY PLACE**

**2ND PLACE:  
1606 RUSSELL  
STREET**

**3RD PLACE: 1310  
STRATTON AVE.**





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The next  
**LSNA General Meeting is:**

**6:30 p.m. Thursday,  
May 23rd**

at

**[NEW LOCATION]**

**BOOM BOZZ PIZZA**

**1003 Russell St**

**LOCKELAND SPRINGS BOUNDARY MAP**



Map by LSNA with base information from the Nashville Civic Design Center



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