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THE NEXT LSNA NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING WILL BE
6:30 P.M., AUG. 18, AT THE SHELBY COMMUNITY CENTER.

Lockeland Association Awards Grants to 4 Local Organizations

The Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association board has voted to give \$5,400 in grants to four local nonprofits.

Since 2013, the association has supported projects that educate, enhance safety, build community, and beautify the neighborhood.

The recipients are:

- Shelby Community Center
- Divine Art Cafe
- Give Me 10
- East Nashville Hope Exchange

Shelby Community Center

The community center will receive \$2,400 toward purchasing two moveable, height-adjustable basketball hoops for youth and family leisure use.

The hoops will also be used for organized activities during the afterschool program at the Shelby Community Center and for league play for children ages 4 to 6.

The mission of the Community Center is "to provide a variety of age and ability appropriate programs in a safe and enjoyable environment, while encouraging positive experiences through recreational activities based on the needs of the diverse communities we serve."



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ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS AWARDED

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Divine Art Cafe

The Divine Art Cafe provides culinary training for individuals in recovery and those with disabilities, as well as outreach and inclusion for the community's elderly.

The Divine Art Cafe was awarded \$1,000 toward the purchase of a commercial refrigerator.

The cafe opened in August 2015 with the goal of becoming a place to gather and enjoy good food and coffee while supporting those who are often marginalized by society.

The cafe is located across from Rite-Aid in the back of the building at 604 Gallatin Ave.

East Nashville Hope Exchange

For the second year running, the LSNA board has awarded a grant to the East Nashville Hope Exchange.

The ESNA will receive \$1,000 to assist its work strengthening literacy for at-risk children in East Nashville. Their summer program serves children from kindergarten through 4th grade and focuses on intensive literacy assistance.

The program is tuition-free and breakfast and lunch are provided to the students. Year-round programming builds on and continues the work begun in the summer program by following and supporting the students and families during the school year.



Give Me 10

Give Me 10 is a community led movement to address the issue of hunger among children in East Nashville.

The \$1,000 grant will be used to help Give Me 10's efforts this summer to provide meals and snacks to the Maplewood High School football team.

More than 89 percent of the students at Maplewood are considered economically disadvantaged and rely on school breakfast and lunch.

In the summer, access to healthy food and meals can be a challenge.



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TAKE NOTE:

The Cornelia Fort Pickin' Party returns this summer with live music, vendors, and craft beer.

The event opens at 6, with music at 7.

This year's dates:

- June 18
- July 30
- Aug. 27
- Sept. 17



Holster your decibel meters — Ascend Amphitheater is following Metro's noise agreement, so far

Sound travels in bizarre ways.

That's one of the official findings as part of the ongoing monitoring of sound levels emanating from Ascend Amphitheatre.

In an exclusive interview with The Fountain, Councilman Brett Withers says the venue has thus far complied with an agreement to limit decibel readings at the amphitheatre's property line to no more than 98dB.

That's not to say rock 'n' rollers are holding back.

Withers says the Grammy-winning Alabama Shakes, in particular, drew questions and complaints this spring. But their rhythm section managed to reach the limits of the rules without going over, per measurements that night.

"Sound travels in bizarre ways ... you can hear it on some blocks and not others," Withers said.

He recounted an evening when he was downtown and couldn't hear the theater from four blocks away, but then, from the neighborhood, could hear some of tones from that same concert at a distance of more than 2 miles.

Pro tip: sometimes, if you open your windows

and doors, you'll hear it less, thanks to the ambience of the wildlife in our tree canopy.

Staffers with Metro Parks have been taking readings throughout Lockeland Springs, and permanent meters are being installed at Ascend.

"It would seem to be the case that, so far ... they are actually within that agreement," Withers said. "We're trying to get as many of these readings over the course of the year and we'll try to monitor it."

Questions and requests for sound readings should be directed to **Jim.Hester@nashville.gov** — and please include your address.

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Lockeland Springs Street Cleaning

More than 125 people rallied on April 27 to clean streets — one of 63 neighborhoods that took part citywide.



President's Corner: Tempting fate — and sticky fingers

I have lived in Lockeland Springs for several years now, so I guess it was bound to happen eventually: my bike was stolen from my back porch.

This, of course, was not the first time I've experienced a theft. The first time I realized someone had rummaged through my car was not long after we moved to East Nashville. One night, I was outside late with the dog when I saw a gentleman walking down the street in our direction. It was only when he got closer that I realized he was going down the row of parked cars checking to see which ones were unlocked. By the time I ran inside to get my phone, he was long gone. To their credit, the police responded quickly.



Hans Schmidt

About three years ago, I walked out of the house one morning only to find an empty street where my car had been parked the night before. Gone! The ensuing exchange with the police officer who came to take my report was actually kind of embarrassing:

Officer (not seeing any broken glass): "Was the car unlocked?"

Me: "Yes... and, um, there was a spare key in the console."

Officer (pause): "Uhuh, well ..."

I felt compelled to explain that I really was not trying to get the car stolen. No; instead, in a moment of laziness or forgetfulness — or both — I managed to leave the key in an unlocked car on the same night that someone decided to see which cars were unlocked. Two days later it was recovered, none the worse for wear (for the most part). I guess the thieves either were unimpressed or they had to dump it in a hurry — they left a nearly full pack of Marlboros in it. I threw them away; it was a small measure of justice. The most annoying part of that episode was having to pay over \$100 to get the car out of the Metro impound lot.



Now, back to my bicycle. Honestly, I am pining for my lost bike more than I did for my car. It may sound silly, but it feels more personal. Maybe it's because it was stolen off my back porch, just a few steps from

the kitchen door and before 9:00 p.m. even.

With the car, if it gets stolen, you figure that's what insurance is for and really, a car is a car. Sure, a car gets me from place to place, but a bike, that's different. You cannot cruise around Shelby Bottoms and get a bird's eye view of the Cumberland River from the pedestrian bridge in your car.



The bike

Mine was a white-and-silver Trek road bike that I got used from Halcyon Bike Shop at a good price. Just the day before it was stolen, we had gone on our first bike ride of the summer and were looking forward to many more.

If you were wondering, no, it was not locked up.

That's what makes it

sting all the more; the feeling that I would still have it if only I had been more careful and not let my guard down even this one time. Our neighborhood has seen dramatic changes over the last few years, but, unfortunately, some things remain the same.

So I will close this month with some "presidential" advice (actually, it's the same message I've heard expressed by East Precinct Commander Imhof and Sgt. Fisher on several occasions): Don't leave valuables in plain sight in your vehicles; secure your cars, bikes, lawnmowers, and similar property; don't get into the habit of thinking, "I'm sure it will be fine that I left [fill in the blank] out tonight; I've left it out before and nothing happened." You're tempting fate and one day... (see above).

Got down serial numbers (I didn't before but do now) because they will be helpful if something is stolen. After the police report was filed, I got a call from the officer who put a description of my bike into a database used by the police and pawnbrokers. If someone tries to pawn my bike, it should be entered there. The officer said he was an avid rider and would notify me if anything pops up so we can check it out to see if it's mine.

I'm still holding out some hope that it might turn up that way. The more likely scenario is that my bike is somewhere nearby and I'll see someone riding it around the neighborhood.

Living in East Nashville, you quickly understand that the good and the bad are a packaged deal; you cannot get one without the other.

Fortunately, the good so far outweigh all else and it's why we love to call Lockeland Springs our home.

Beautification Awards 2016

Building a sense of community by keeping Lockeland Springs a beautiful place to live and work.

~ **Nomination Form** ~

Address of Nominated Property: _____

Name of Nominated Property Owner (optional): _____

Why are you nominating this property? _____

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LSNA
P.O. Box 60719
Nashville, TN 37206

Or via email to: newsletter@lockelandsprings.org

Bass Park project update

The Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association continues its support of Bass Park.

The board recently gave \$100 for plantings for the park. Bass Park occupies a single lot next to the Holly Street fire station. Two adjacent lots, often thought to be a part of the park, have been owned by Lockeland Baptist Church for years.

Recently, the church sold the lot furthest from the fire hall, and a house is under construction on that lot.

GET PUBLISHED.

The Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association publishes The Fountain six times each year.

**Send story suggestions:
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Neighbor to neighbor: Randy Crawley Jr.

Years in the Neighborhood: 2

Profession: Program Coordinator with Metro Parks

How long have you been with the community center and what does your position entail?

I have been a program coordinator since the summer of 2014. My position primarily entails detecting the community's recreational interests and designing programs to meet them. The time frames for our programming are Summer Enrichment camp — which takes place during Metro School's summer breaks — and school year afternoons from 3 to 6 p.m.



Crawley

What programs do you run that the neighborhood should know about?

During our 3 to 6 p.m. time frame, youth ages 6 and up are able to be dropped off for supervised recreational activities. This is a great resource for citizens, because many households often look to have their children supervised and active. Metro Parks is a great resource for keeping your children active in a safe environment, with low to no cost.

And which programs are most popular?

One of our most popular programs is our newly launched Tennis Clinic. Metro Parks has partnered with the U.S. Tennis Association to teach kids ages 6 to 14 the fundamentals of tennis.

Another popular program is our Homeschool Fun Zone, where East Nashvillians who are homeschooled gather for organized activities and social events, such as dances and parties.

Lastly, our summer enrichment has increased dramatically, to 100 enrolled this year. We will not only do sporting activities, such as softball and tennis, but also enjoy field trips and enrichment such as reading, journaling, music, and arts.

What has changed at the community center and what are you excited about for its future?

Shelby Community Center has been a place for recreation and fun since 1960!

While the center provides recreational activities, the neighborhood has been redeveloped and the center has been seeing younger families with younger children. This is exciting for the future, because they have the opportunity to grow up with the center as an impactful and healthy part of their experience. These kids will be Shelby's future patrons and my regular afterschool participants.

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