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Meeting**
May 17
June 21
2832 Arsenal

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BPWNA Board Information 2012

We continue to introduce you to your 2012 board for Benton Park West. March brings us **Bill Byrd, Communications and Facilities Chair-**

Being part of Benton Park West since 2004, I still love living here. Almost immediately after moving into the neighborhood, I quickly became involved to help with the work. Since day one, I've been heavily involved in producing the newsletter, heading up countless projects and fundraisers.

May is a birthday month for me, I'm still in my 40's and have a 17 year old daughter.

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Events

May 17: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting - 7p, Five Star Senior Center

May 19: BP 5K Fun Run

June 2: Neighborhood/Wide Yard Sale 8a-Noon

June 2: Blues in BP 5-10p

June 5: BPWNA Board Mtg 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

June 10: Cherokee Farmers Market 4-7p (Texas and Cherokee)

June 21: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting - 7p, Five Star

July 4: Fair St. Louis - Beer Booth; need volunteers

July 20: Back to School

Budweiser Benton Park 2012 Concert Series Schedule!!

Another year of fun and relaxation is coming to you **FREE** at your local city park.

The Benton Park Concert Series continues in 2012 as the Budweiser Benton Park Concert Series!

Another great schedule of concerts, events and movies are brought to you by many local business and a group of hard working volunteers (your neighbors).

Watch for more details on each of the upcoming concerts and events. The first event on the series is the annual **5K & Kids Fun Run** on May 19th.



The first concert, on June 2nd, is the **annual Blues in Benton Park Concert:** 5p - 10p.

This will be our 5th annual Blues in Benton Park, featuring local musical talent with food, drink, a pet adoption event and a pet chipping event.

5 - 7p *Nikki Hill*

7p - 10p *Murder City Players*

Mark your calendars for the next Concert on July 7th for the **Uncle Sam Throw-down Concert:** 5p - 10p. A celebration of our nation's independence with food, drink, attractions and great music. Bands to be announced.

5p - 7p *One More Round - A Tribute to Johnny Cash*

7p-10p *Miss Jubilee and the Humdingers*

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Your Own Farmers Market

Bringing affordable, nutritious local food to Cherokee

FIRST market day for 2012 will be June 15th at The Cherokee Street International Farmers Market at the corner of Cherokee and Texas. Running on Fridays, 4-7pm, you'll find Cherokee full of activity

for the market from June 15th to Nov. 2nd.

The Cherokee Street International Farmers Market aspires to be the melting pot of farmers markets--bringing together neighborhood youth, local

refugee, immigrant, and native farmers, and the varied artists and entrepreneurs of Cherokee Street! This outdoor open air market will bring healthy and local food to the

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The Presidents Corner...



Linda Hennigh

The saying is "April showers bring May flowers"

but this year we seem to be a month early.

It has been wonderful starting the year early with so many activities to enjoy in Benton Park West. Cherokee Street has been providing non-stop entertainment with Shakespeare in the Street, Cinco de Mayo (record crowds and a

parade that is challenging St. Pat's for popularity), and a new Farmer's Market opening for the summer as well as many new businesses.

Your neighborhood association is working on new ideas this year. National Night Out, August 7th, will be held in Benton Park with some amazing activities to be announced soon.

Come to our meetings on the THIRD THURSDAY

Welcome to 2012

Your Ideas are Requested!

OF EACH MONTH at Five Star Senior Center, Arsenal and Oregon and hear all the details!

Also, please contact us if you have ideas for our newsletter and website and if you aren't on our list-serve, send your email address to communications@bentonparkwest.org or call 314.771.0803 and leave a message.

Linda Hennigh.

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IT takes YOU to help make the Fun Happen!

Support BPW and enjoy the free events and fundraisers all year long! To volunteer for any event, call Linda Hennigh at 314-771-2161.

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CHANGES TO JUDICIAL SELECTION HEADED FOR BALLOT



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Voters will decide whether to alter the state's system for selecting judges after the House of Representatives voted on May 10 to grant final approval to a proposed constitutional amendment that would make changes to the Missouri Nonpartisan Court Plan. The measure, Senate Joint Resolution (SJR) 51, cleared the House 84-71, with just two more votes than necessary for passage. The vote was largely on a party-line basis, with most of the 106 Republicans currently serving in support and all but one Democrat, Rep. Penny Hubbard (District 58, St. Louis City), opposed.

The Senate had previously approved SJR 51 on a vote of 19-12, with just one more supporting vote than needed. (In the Senate, all eight Democrats voted no, and four Republicans joined them.) Senate or House Joint Resolutions that are approved by both chambers bypass the governor, so Gov. Jay Nixon does not have the opportunity to veto SJR 51. The proposal will automatically go on the Nov. 6 statewide ballot for voter ratification unless Gov. Nixon moves it to a special election date.

Under the existing system, a seven-member commission is charged with selecting three finalists to fill vacancies on the Missouri Supreme Court and state Court of Appeals. The governor is required to appoint one of those nominees or forfeit the selection to the commission. The commission consists of three lawyers elected by members of the Missouri Bar, three non-lawyers chosen by the governor and a Supreme Court judge, by tradition the chief justice. Because terms are staggered, the same governor does not have the opportunity to appoint all of the non-lawyer commissioners until he or she is midway through a second term.

SJR 51 would remove the Supreme Court's representation on the commission and fill the final voting spot with a fourth non-lawyer chosen by the governor. A retired judge would serve as a non-voting member of the commission, which would submit four finalists to the governor instead of just three. SJR 51 would also change the length of terms so that a governor could appoint a majority of the

commission during a single term.

I voted no on SJR 51, because I believe the current version of the Nonpartisan Court Plan has served our state well. Putting more power into the hands of a governor of either party – a person who can take unlimited campaign contributions following the overturning of voter-imposed campaign finance limits in 2008 – does not appear to be a public policy improvement to me.

DRED SCOTT INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAMOUS MISSOURIANS

It was an honor to be present at the dedication cere-

mony on May 9 when Dred Scott, a slave whose fight for freedom resulted in an infamous 1857 U.S. Supreme Court case that helped precipitate the Civil War, was inducted into the Hall of Famous Missourians. Scott was born in Virginia in 1795 but was living in Missouri in 1846 when he sued for his freedom. Five years later the case reached the U.S. Supreme Court, which ruled 7-2 against Scott. The high court's decision in *Scott v. Sanford* is today considered among the worst, if not the worst, in its history. Scott's supporters purchased his freedom, and he died in St. Louis in 1858.

New BPW T-Shirts Coming Soon

BPWNA is requesting t-shirt design submissions to use as a fundraiser for the neighborhood association.

*Additional information can be found on the BPWNA website: www.bentonparkwest.org/t_shirt/t_shirt, or on the Cherokee Street News website: <http://cherokeestreetnews.org/benton-park-west-t-shirt-design-contest/>

*ARTIST ELIGIBILITY - Open to all

*DEADLINE - Received/postmarked by 5p, Mon, July 2, 2012.

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Your Own Farmers Market...

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underserved neighborhoods surrounding Cherokee Street.

In addition to cultivating local food, we want to cultivate the Cherokee Street entrepreneurial spirit ranging from non-profit incubation, artist and cultural pursuits, to small business startups! From Asian greens to heirloom tomatoes, artist installations to yoga, hot peppers to eggplant, baked goods to comidas deliciosas, the Chero-

kee Market hopes to lead you down a path of culturally diverse foods and traditions that are affordable to all St. Louis populations!

The Market has a special emphasis on farm produce grown locally by immigrant farmers and a neighborhood youth farmers. The Cherokee Street International Farmers Market will sell a vast array of vegetables and products with some unique ones with an international flair!

Located in the heart of the revitalizing and culturally diverse Cherokee Street historic district, the Cherokee Street International Farmers Market will feature diverse farmers, food and entertainment. We accept food stamps and are developing a matched double value food stamp program. We are accepting vendor applications from farmers, nursery growers, as well as vendors selling coffee, baked goods, pre-

pared foods, flowers and dairy products.

The Cherokee Street International Farmers Market is a collaboration between CAMP, SouthCity • Global and the International Institute to expand healthy food options to Cherokee Street while assisting immigrant farmers and at-risk youth.

For more info on the market, checkout www.cherokeemarket.org.

**2012 Season: June 15th to November 2nd Fridays 4-7pm
corner of Cherokee and Texas!**

Benton Park Concert Series...

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A slight change in the mood brings a movie on Saturday July 21 (8:30p) with **Kung Fu Panda 2**. Benton Park West is hosting the first movie of the year.



Enjoy the park with the "cool" movie in the Kung Fu Panda series. Bring your blanket, chairs, tables, own food/drinks, etc. and enjoy a picnic. We are hoping to once again have popcorn and such.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, August 7th, will be celebrated with a Party in the Park! We will host our first combined National Night Out Party in conjunction with city-wide and nation-wide event. Plan on hearing live music and other attractions. Stay tuned. This should be fun! More info to be announced.

6p-7p Talent Show

7p-10p *Lamar Harris & the L w/ DJ Alexis and Jingo*

Fast paced action takes over September 2nd and 3rd in the park with the focus on the BP Classic Bike Race on Monday the 3rd. *September 2nd* brings the second movie of the season, *Breaking Away*, at 8:30p. The weekend continues with the *Benton Park Classic Bike Race Concert* on *September 3rd*, with the all day BP Classic Bike Race.

2p-4p *Funky Butt Brass Band*

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For more info, checkout <http://group hugstl.tumblr.com/>

Benton Park/Benton Park West Business Directories are available. You can pick up your own copy of the directory at any neighborhood meeting (third Thursday of the month, 7p, 2832 Arsenal) or June 2nd at Gravois/Wyoming, during the Neighborhood Wide Yard Sale. Or call the neighborhood office at 314-771-0803.

Cherokee Business Directory - ONLINE. Search online for many of the great businesses on

Community Information Corner

Cherokee. Go to <http://cherokeestreetnews.org/directory/> and scan or search for businesses. Want to help out? Just tell the business owners/counter people WHERE you found out about their business.

CASALOMA continues to celebrate 85 years. Call 314-664-8000 or check out: <http://www.casalomaballroom.com/calendar/> for all of the exciting events at your own neighborhood ballroom dancing activities.

May 19th (7:30 doors, 8:30 show, 11p Carnavalesque and dance party.) brings the **Beggar's Carnivale**. Lots of music and carnivale games, side show, burlesque and vaudeville acts.

Don't miss the first concert in the park for 2012. June 2nd brings the annual **Blues in the**

Park concert. Checkout the front page for more info.

Tossing the word out to not forget about the **Neighborhood Wide Yard Sale on June 2nd**. Check on page two for details. You WON'T want to miss checking out **Near Southside Employment Coalition**, at 2649 Pestalozzi St. as they are doing a **BBQ**, and items for sale, as a fundraiser. Check on the Yard Sale Map for details.

Gateway Men's Concert: ExtrABBAganza concert, presented by GMC.- on stage June 15th and 16th. 8p, Tickets - \$25, \$15 in groups of 15 or more. Edison Theatre, Washington University, 6445 Forsyth Blvd, 63105.

For ticket info check the website at www.gmcstl.org or call (314) 289-4169.

Food Pantries in 63118

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See page 12 for an application

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Barb Potts - NSO*

*Neighborhood Stabilization Officer



2012 Calendar of Events

May 10 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

May 17 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

June 2 BPWNA Annual Rummage/Garage/Yard Sale – 7a-1p – 3136-8 Gravois

Jun 21 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

July 19 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

July 20 Back to School Festival – 11a-1p – 2752 Arsenal, Salvation Army

Jul 21 Movie in Benton Park, part of the Benton Park Concert and Events schedule – Benton Park – 8:30p – **Kung Fu Panda 2**

August 7, National Night Out

Aug 16 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

Aug 25 BPWNA Annual Rummage/Garage/Yard Sale – 7a-1p – 2832 Arsenal

September 2, Movie in Benton Park, part of the Benton Park Gateway Bike Race schedule – Benton Park – 8:30p – **Breaking Away**

Sept 13 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Sept 20 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal – Board Nominations

October 11 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Oct 18 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal – Board Elections

Oct 28 Trunk or Treat - 4p-6p - 2720 Arsenal, Salvation Army parking lot

November 8 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Nov 10 Second Annual Holiday Bazaar – 10a-4p – 2832 Arsenal

Nov 15 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

December 6 Third Annual Splendor in the Glass – 7p-10p – Looking Glass Designs, 1917 Park Avenue

Dec 13 Weed & Seed Holiday Gathering – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Dec BPWNA Membership Meeting – Not held, Happy Holidays

•For more information on events contact the Benton Park West office at 314.771.0803 or on our website at www.bentonparkwest.org.

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FYI!

Don't Miss the upcoming NEIGHBORHOODWIDE GARAGE SALE

When: Sat, June 2, 2012.

Time: 8:00a - Noon

Who can participate? EVERYONE!

Put out your goods at your own home and make a little pocket change. Have things left over you don't want to store? Bring to Gravois/Wyoming and drop off Noon-1p as a donation to the BPW Neighborhood Association.

Pickup the Yard Sale Map at Gravois/Wyoming. While there, checkout the misc items BPW has for sale, including office items and furniture.

Visit: www.stlouis-mo.gov or 314.622.4800 for any questions about City rules pertaining to yard sales.

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BPWNA Board Info 2012 - Bill Byrd

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Living in the 2600 block of Wyoming is wonderful. Initially, the block was one of the worst. With help of neighbors, it's a GREAT block today. While born in Saint Louis, I was not raised here. My neighborhood work began in the mid-1990's when I was a Board member of a neighborhood association in Springfield MO. Since being in Saint Louis for the past 15 years, I've lived in TGE and the Bevo Mill area. I have also served on various Boards such as CHARIS - The St. Louis Women's Chorus, President of Operation Weed & Seed-St. Louis, and have been an advisory to many non-profit organizations.

I've also had the privilege to complete the Neighborhood Leadership Academy, as well as, graduate from the

Citizen's Police Academy - SLPD.

Even after eight years, I still see new beginnings and re-birth in Benton Park West. I strive to continue helping nurture and grow these new beginnings and re-birth in to a safe and comfortable community.

Watch for next months installment when , Mandy Mankin, Chair of the Dog Park Committee, shares.

For more information about being a part of making BPW great, contact Linda Hennigh at 771-2161 or the neighborhood office at 771-0803.

**Be part of your
neighborhood and join the FUN!**



BPW Dog Park 3300 Nebraska

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REMEMBER - BPW Dog Park is open to furry friends from Benton Park, Fox Park, Gravois Park, Marine Villa, McKinley Heights, and Tower Grove East

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Annoying Street Vendors Sent Packing

Rita Ford, resident of Gravois Park, is being honored by the St. Louis Grand Jury Association's Good Citizenship Fund for notifying police of unlicensed street vendors selling pirated DVD's on S. Broadway.

Ms. Ford witnessed some men selling something out of their car trunk. After asking local store owners about the activity, she was told that the various store personnel had been calling the police concerning the activity. Ms. Ford, captured the car and license into before leaving the area. On her way home, she

spotted several District 1 officers. Knowing that the shopping area is a designated NO VEND zone, she shared what she'd witnessed and provided the car and license information.

With the information, the police officers approached the individuals and found over 1000 DVD's. The men were arrested and charged with Felony Counterfeiting.

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What's happening in Benton Park West

MAY AND JUNE 2012

May

17 - BPWNA Membership Meeting, 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Center, 7p. 2832 Arsenal

19 - BP 5K Fun Run- 9a

28 - Memorial Day

June

2 - BPW Neighborhood Wide Yard Sale 8-Noon

2 - Blues in BP - 5 - 10p

5 - BPWNA Board Meeting - 6:30p

6 - Newsletter Deadline communications @bentonparkwest.org

10 - PUT OUT YOUR BULK TRASH. Must be out by 10p Sun.

15 - Cherokee Farmers Market 4-7p, corner of Cherokee and Texas

21 - BPWNA Membership Meeting, 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Center, 7p. 2832 Arsenal

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
13 Bulk Trash week	14	15	16	17 BPWNA mtg 7p, Five Star	18	19 5K Fun Run - BP
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Memorial Day	29	30	31	1 JUNE	2 BPW Yard Sale Blues in BP
3	4	5 BPWNA Board mtg 6:30p, Five Star	6 Newsletter Deadline	7	8	9
10 Bulk Trash week	11	12	13	14	15 Cherokee Market 4-7	16
17	18	19	20	21 BPWNA mtg 7p, Five Star	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

July Events

July 3: Board Mtg, 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal

July 4: Fair St. Louis - Beer Booth; need volunteers!

July 19: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting, 7p, 2832 Arsenal - Five Star

July 20: Back to School with The Salvation Army - Watch for details

Be involved in 2012

Be part of Benton Park West

Contact Linda Hennigh at 314.771-2161, neighborhood office at 314-771-0803 or any Board member.

Lafayette Park United Methodist Church

2300 Lafayette Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63118
314-771-9214 www.lp-umc.org



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Library Calendar March 2012

Barr - 1701 South Jefferson Avenue (314) 771-7040

9am - 6pm Monday
11am - 6pm Friday

12n - 7pm Tuesday-Thursday
9am - 6pm Saturday

Thursday, May 17 Henna Tattoos 4-5p Temporary body art. Grd 6-12.

***Monday, May 21** Storytime 11-11:30a Stories, songs and more. Toddler/Preschool.

Wednesday, May 23 Finger Woven Accessories 4:30-5:30p Make cool accessories using weaving loops. Grd 6-12.

Thursday, May 31 Movie: "Alpha and Omega" 4-6p Families

Tuesday, June 05 Summer Reading Club Kick-Off 4-6p Kick-off Summer Reading Club with stories, crafts and SRC sign-up. Families.

***Monday, June 11** Storytime 11-11:30a Stories, songs and more. Toddler/Preschool.

Tuesday, June 12 The Magic House Presents: Big Science 2-3p.

Thursday, June 14 Glow In The Dark Silly Putty 4-5p Make it, break it and take it home. Grd 6-12.

***Tuesday, June 19** Creative Kids: Twinkle Little Stars 4:30-5:30p Create a twinkling night sky. Grd K-5.

***Wednesday, June 20** The St. Louis Zoo Presents "Creatures Stirring after Sunset" 2-3p Grd K-5/Families.

***Thursday, June 21** DIY: Starry Constellations 4-5p Make a constellation book to use day/night. Grd 6-12.

***Monday, June 25** Storytime 11-11:30a Stories, songs and more. Toddler/Preschool.

***Tuesday, June 26** Creative Kids: Paper Planetarium 4:30-5:30p Design a hanging planetarium. Grd K-5.

Carpenter - 3309 South Grand Blvd. (314) 772-6586

9am - 9pm Monday-Thursday
9am - 6pm Friday and Saturday 1 - 5pm Sunday

Monday, May 21 Magic Monday 4-5p Learn a new magic trick. Grd 4-12.

Wednesday, May 23 Storytime 10-10:30a Babies and Toddlers.

Monday, May 21 Magic Monday 4-5p Learn a new magic trick. Grd 4-12.

Wednesday, May 23 Storytime 10-10:30a Babies/Toddlers

Monday, June 04 Summer Reading Club Kick-Off 3-4:30p Crafts, stories around the "campfire," & more. Grd K-5.

Monday, June 04 Poetry Slam 6-7p Share and perform your poetry, hip hop, or rap. Grd 6-12.

Tuesday, June 05 Glow In the Dark Silly Putty 4-5p Make it,

break it and take it home. Grd 6-12.

***Wednesday, June 06** Storytime: Bonobos Apes 10-10:30a Pre-school.

Tuesday, June 12 Got Game? Play Nintendo Wii and Xbox 360 games. 6-7p, Grd K-5, 7-8, Grd 6-12.

Tuesday, June 12 Got Game? 2-4p Play board games with family and friends. Families.

***Wednesday, June 13** Storytime 10-10:30a Baby Bookworms and Toddlers.

***Thursday, June 14** Creatures of the Night Craft: Balloon Bats 3:30-4:30p Grd 3-8.

Monday, June 18 Movie: Raiders of the Lost Ark 6-8p Grd 6-12



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 Joe Calabro -
 3rd Dist PA Officer 444-0169
 Dave Krapf -
 3rd Dist Prob Prop 444-0185
 Citizen Ser Bureau 622-4800

Alderman:

Ken Ortmann 622-3287 (w)
 776-0161 (h)

Neighborhood Stabilization Officers:

Barb Potts, 314-657-1370 (w)
 314-397-1091 (c)

potts@stlouiscity.com

Dena Hibbard, 314-657-1359 (w)
 hibbard@stlouiscity.com

MISC:

Pothole Department 768-2805
 Refuse/Recycle Department 353-8877
 Five Star Center 664-1008
 Illegal Dumping 911
 Then call CSB 622-4800

Lights:

Alley Lights (AmUE) 342-1000
 Street Lights (CSB) 622-4800

Water:

Open Hydrant 771-4880

Additional Numbers

Animal Abuse Hotline 647-4400
 Child Abuse Hotline 800-392-3738
 EnergyCare 773-5900
 Five Star Senior Center 664-1008
 Operation Brightside 772-4646
 Parents Anonymous
 647-HELP or 866-492-0843
 Parental Stress b800-367-3543
 Free 2-1-1 Service 800-427-4626
 or (314) 421-4636

2012 Membership Application
Benton Park West

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Mail to: BPWNA Membership

PO Box 18671

Saint Louis MO 63118

Level of Membership:

___ Bronze - \$ 10 per person

___ Senior - \$ 5 per person

___ Silver - \$ 25 per person

___ Gold - \$ 50 per person

___ Platinum - \$ 100 per person

___ General Membership (Scholarship)

___ Friend (non-BPW) - \$ 20 per person

___ Gift/Donation _____

I would like to be involved with:

___ Beautification ___ Dog Park ___ Youth ___ Garden

___ Facilities ___ Publications ___ Safety/Quality of Life

___ Board ___ PR/Marketing ___ Block Link ___ Membership

A Cherokee Landmark Restored!

by Jeff Vines

The old Gorham's Beauty Salon clock has been a fixture of the 2700 block of Cherokee Street for decades— a quirky vestige of the street's vital, bustling past. In recent years, the clock has mirrored the decline of the commercial district itself— Gorham's Beauty Salon has long since shuttered, the clock went dark and rusted into obscurity.

Now, after months of hard work and collaboration, I am proud to announce that the old dormant clock has been lovingly restored and once again shines bright on Cherokee. What was once a symbol of decline and neglect is now a symbol of Cherokee Street's resilience and resurgence. Incorporating artistic elements of the winning Cherokee Street Flag design, the new face panels reflect the history, style and artistic spirit that makes the street so special.

Special thanks to the following people for their inspiration, creativity, expertise and assistance in making this project a reality: Randy Vines, Will Liebermann, Jason Deem, Kadie Foppiano, Ryan Reed, Emily Davis, Scott Sturdevant, Jeff Albert, the installation crew and of course, the entire Cherokee community.

In the next couple weeks, we'll be planning a street party to celebrate the restoration of Cherokee's newest landmark. It's bound to be a good "time"! Stay tuned for details...

**NOTICE:**

Weed & Seed and 3rd District Outreach
 meetings are on summer break until September

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