



That is what makes the Centennial Neighborhood such a great place to live.

Clean Sweep – Saturday at 9 am, May 20

Clean Sweep is a city-wide effort to clean up Lafayette. Please meet us at Centennial Park at 9 am on Saturday, May 20 to don a free T-shirt and spend a couple of hours picking up trash. In the past this has been a lot of fun to work with other neighborhood members, so please consider donating your time to our neighborhood—teenagers are particularly welcome to participate!

Please Come to Our Annual Spring Potluck: Sunday, May 21 in Centennial Park

Please join your neighbors for a potluck dinner on Sunday, May 21 at 5:00 pm in Centennial Park. The Historic Centennial Neighborhood Association will supply free beef hotdogs, table service, and drinks. We will also have free popcorn. Please bring a dish to share.

Doggie Tidbits

It is great that Centennial residents are cleaning up after their dogs as they walk them. This shows respect for others' property as well as for pedestrians using the sidewalks. Don't forget, however, that there is a noise ordinance concerning barking. Dogs are not to be barking between 10 pm in the evening to 7 am in the morning. Although those are the set times by the city, please be considerate to people in your neighborhood **any** time of day. Your neighbors could be trying to sleep during the day because they work nights, are home ill, or have a very small child. Or sometimes, we just want to take an afternoon nap if we're lucky!! If you need assistance with a barking dog that is bothering you, please call Animal Control at 423-9321. Hopefully, as a caring and supportive neighborhood we will not have to resort to that.

Welcome New Neighbors!

Kellogg-Atlass Townhouses Renovated and Sold to Bill Bray and Jerry Douglas

Bill Bray is a Purdue grad who has returned to the Lafayette area after receiving his MD from IU Medical School in 1997. A member of the Air Force, Bill was looking for a place to call home. He wanted to live in the city in an established neighborhood, in part, he says because of his desire to be involved in preservation, but also because, as he says "I was influenced a lot by the European way of life and their commitment to their cities."

The Kellogg-Atlass townhouse was one of the first he'd looked at. Says Bill, "It's not like I'm just buying a home, but in a way I have a work of art that was resurrected from the ashes (quite literally)! I'm excited about what I've seen in the neighborhood and the various architectural styles are fascinating. I am really eager to be able to walk to downtown businesses and events that I will try to patronize as much as possible."

Jerry Douglas is a family physician at Arnett Clinic who has been in the area for about 16 years. He has loved (and owned) both old and new houses. He likes living downtown since, as he points out, "It's close to work and most of the things that I'm interested in. The property here interested me



because it had good 'bones' and I could see potential in the restoration."

Jerry is a 2nd degree brown belt in aikido. He loves technology, animals, architecture and photography. He shares the house with Jared Bjerga, who is trained as a massage therapist and who specializes in deep tissue work. They have 2 dogs, a cat, a parrot, and innumerable fish.

Jerry points out that Lafayette is very blessed with good examples of a wide range of architecture. Says Jerry, "Sometimes it's sad to see a grand old house that's been subdivided for rentals. Hopefully slowly but surely more of these old homes will be restored to their old beauty, but with modern conveniences and improved energy conservation." For Jerry, the house he is living in is a perfect example of the new living in the old.

New Neighbor on Fifth Street

Linda Osborne has recently moved to Fifth Street to join the Historic Centennial Neighborhood. Linda has 3 children and 3 grandchildren. She came to Lafayette in 1990 and has rented from Lafayette Neighborhood Housing Services since 1994. She is very pleased with the service she receives. Linda serves on NHS Resident Leadership team, which gives her a chance to meet people. Previously Linda lived on 9th Street Hill and was active in their neighborhood association. She wants very much to be involved with Historic Centennial Neighborhood.

Linda loves pets of all kinds but one is particularly special to her: Samantha, her well-behaved Pomeranian. Samantha has been trained with a barking collar not to bark, which makes Samantha a very good apartment dog. If the dog starts to act up, Linda shows her the blue fly swatter and Samantha goes to her bed. Linda says she never has to use the swatter! Welcome to the neighborhood, Linda!

Time to Plant Hollyhocks

In June of 2007 Historic Centennial Neighborhood would like to sponsor a Hollyhocks and Houses day in our neighborhood. Are you willing to plant hollyhocks in your yard? If so, please purchase a packet and plant them. If you would like a seedling or two, please contact Doug Reed at 317-457-9824.



Fall Newsletter to Feature Good Neighbors

Once again, our fall issue of the Historic Centennial Neighborhood will feature a "Good Neighbor" section. We will feature people making our neighborhood a better place to live. It could be someone painting a fence, planting flowers, or many other things that improve the neighborhood. The 2006 "Good Neighbors" will be presented with a certificate during our fall meeting (and last year their names appeared in the *Journal and Courier*). If you would like to suggest someone you know of, please call Barbara Dixon at 420-0544.

Development of North End of North 5th Street A VISION

By Michael O. Hunt

Opportunities for continuing neighborhood revitalization related development have been identified on the north end of North Fifth Street. Specific houses and commercial properties in this area that are known to be for sale, although not necessarily listed, have been identified for



acquisition and redevelopment as owner-occupied urban residences. In 1998 the City of Lafayette included Historic Centennial Neighborhood as a part of the Greater Downtown Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area. Such a designation allows the City to use community development block grants in a more flexible way for housing creation. Success stories of this program are the new construction North Fifth Street Brownstones and Rowhouses that were completed in 2000 and the soon to be completed historic rehabilitation of the Kellogg-Atlas Townhouses at 509-511 N. 7th Street. The City's Revitalization Strategy plan encourages high visibility projects such as these, and those contained in the VISION. The VISION in the form of a PowerPoint presentation has been presented to the City of Lafayette Departments of Community Development and Redevelopment, the Neighborhood Action Committee and the Lafayette City Council. We have the ideas; we need funding.

Centennial Park to be revamped

HCNA has recently completed a park master plan for the local park. This plan was created with the assistance of the Lafayette parks department and was based on the responses to a survey HCNA conducted last summer of local residences. The master plan was approved by the Lafayette City Park's board with a unanimous vote.

Our new park will feature a reconstructed basketball court with new goals and a smooth surface. A brand new shelter house will be constructed that pays homage to the school that once was in this location. New play pieces for children, which include a swing set and a combination play area with multiple slides and climbing areas, will be installed. These and several smaller play items will greatly expand the opportunities for our neighborhood children to play and enjoy the park. The rusty chain link fence will be replaced with an iron fence that enhances the character of our neighborhood. New landscaping, water fountain, grill, adult swings,

and park benches will complete the park redevelopment. All this should be completed by the end of this year or early next year.

Park redevelopment will be paid for by a series of grants: These include but are not limited to grants from the Neighborhood Action Committee (NAC), the Lafayette Park's Department, and the Greater Lafayette Community Foundation. Our gracious thanks go to those organizations that will make our new park a reality.

HCN Loses Neighbor

George Thomas "Tom" Miller, 45, the owner and operator of GTM Automotive (corner of Fifth and Wall) died on April 26 of this year. Tom was a long-time friend of HCN, joining as a member not only for himself, but for his business. HCN sends its sincere condolences to Tom's family and friends.

Jane's Deli Plants Flowers

Jane's Deli, near Fourth and Cincinnati recently added some beautiful flowers. Nestled among tulips are herbs, lettuce, and spices. We thank Jane's for helping to beautify our neighborhood





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Appreciation is given to the following members for their financial support by joining the Historic Centennial Neighborhood Association. It is their believing in the future of the neighborhood, and the efforts currently underway for neighborhood revitalization that makes them so wonderful! For questions concerning membership status, please contact Phyllis Hunt, 742-6704. Thanks!

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WE INVITE YOU TO BECOME A MEMBER AND BE A PART OF THE ACTION!**

Membership Dues paid now will be effective through December 31, 2006

Yearly Dues: \$20

_____ Neighborhood Resident Owner	\$20
_____ Neighborhood Resident Renter	\$10
_____ Friends of Centennial Neighborhood	\$20
_____ Business/Organization/Landlord	\$20

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Address(es) of property owned in Centennial:

Phone (Home) _____ (Office) _____

E-mail _____

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Block Captain _____ Officer in the Association _____ Helper _____

Other (explain) _____

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