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**Letter to the Editor**

The Neighborhood House wanted me to come for the November 21st for Thanksgiving Dinner and December 8th for the Christmas party. I enjoyed it very much.

*William Barnes*

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## "Merry Christmas"

Merry Christmas Portland, little Carmie and Grampa wishes you the best at this special time of the year! Santa has been running a little late wrapping your presents, so Grampa and me gave him a hand. I hope you get what you wanted. Just remember it's not how much it costs but the thought that counts and always give thanks to God for what you have! Merry Christmas to all and to all a goodnight. "See you on the water or in the field!"



## A Very Merry Senior Christmas

Last week, members of the Four Seasons Senior program came together for their annual Christmas party. Our members donned their festive apparel and celebrated with plenty of food, sweet treats, and BINGO!

## Family Engagement Nights

Join Neighborhood House and the Bounce Coalition for five nights of family engagement and programming. Programming for adults includes topics like self-care and resilience-building, while programming for kids includes social and emotional learning. Dinner and childcare is provided. A \$25 incentive is available for the first ten families that sign up. To learn more and to sign up, visit Neighborhood House at 201 North 25th Street.

**NH NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE**



## Welcome to Neighborhood House

Neighborhood House is excited to welcome the new Pathways Advocate, Ebony Smith, to the team! Ebony joined Neighborhood House in November and will be leading the new Pathways program.

Pathways was born out of a need for additional support and resources for members ages 16-24. The Pathways program is growing thanks to the support of the Jewish Heritage Fund and Impact 100!



## Baby Shower for Expecting Families

Kentucky's HANDS (Health Access Nurturing Development Services) is hosting a free baby shower for expecting families on January 19th from 2:00-4:00 PM at 525 Zane Street, Louisville, KY, 40203. Attendees will receive a gift bag with baby items, snacks, games, and more. Those interested should register by scanning the QR code before January 17th.



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## 1st Division LMPD Officers Of The Month



*Officer Shaw*

On Tuesday October 10, 2023, a suspect caused damages in the approximate value of \$500,000 to one of the valuable assets of the 1st Division, Lynn Family Stadium. The officers involved in apprehending the suspect demonstrated their extraordinary commitment to public safety.

In the process, these officers chased the suspect across several lanes of traffic on the Interstate as he tried to escape capture. Again they demonstrated the quick thinking, astonishing courage and incomparable teamwork to negotiate finding the location and apprehending the culprit who was hiding inside a sewerage drain.

The fearless actions and purposeful determination exemplify the high standards demonstrated daily by LMPD Officers in the 1st Division. Their actions brought a swift result to this deplorable situation and in all likelihood prevented additional damage to this and other venues in our community. It is for this extraordinary work that officers: Andre Shaw(7700), Kyle Willis(5170), Randall Richardson(7291), Matthew Montano(7058), Jackson Evans(5268) are the officers of the month for the 1st Division.

Their work in is incident reflect great credit not only on themselves but the 1st Division and Louisville Metro Police Department.

### Portland Promise Center

#### Free Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (V.I.T.A)

1831 Baird Street - Louisville KY 40203 - 776-2635

**January 23, 2024 - April 14,2024 - Opening day may change.**

We are doing drop off and appointment only. Call 776-2635 for an appointment.

Appointments can be made Monday – Friday 9:00am – 3:00pm.

We will start making appointments on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Drop off days and times: 4:00pm -8:00pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and  
9:00am – 2:00pm Saturday and Sunday 3:00pm – 7:00pm

Appointment days and times: 4:00pm – 8:00pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
9:00am - 2:00pm Saturday  
3:00pm – 7:00pm Sunday

#### What you will need to bring:

I.D for you and spouse (if married)

Original social security card (no copies) for everyone you are claiming

1095 – A Health insurance statement (only if you pay for your insurance through Marketplace)

Direct Deposit information, routing number and account number.

#### All income statements:

- |                                   |                                       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ❖ W-2's & Unemployment            | 1099 - SSA (pink and white) SS letter |
| ❖ Self-employment 1099-Misc. form | Uber or Lift self-employment form     |
| ❖ W-2-G Gambling                  | 1099-R Retirement or Pension          |
| ❖ Interest/Dividend Statements    | Stocks/Bonds                          |
| ❖ Cancellation of Debt            | HSA                                   |

#### All deduction statements:

Daycare statements (name, employer ID “, address, and phone number)

1098 -T College tuition and fees statement or receipts from college & Student Loan

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1 Large 14" Pizza  
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**2 LARGE 14"**

2-Topping Pizzas

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All pizza sales is plus tax. Additional cheese is extra price. Prices are subject to change.



**Ladies of Good Shepherd  
Luncheon and  
Card Party for a Cause**

**Tuesday, January 9, 2024**

Doors open at 10:30 AM

**Lehmann Hall, 3525 Rudd Ave.**

Admission is \$8.00 per person  
and includes lunch and a door  
prize drawing ticket.

Cake Wheel, pull tabs, and raffles  
are planned. All are invited to attend.

**50% of the proceeds will benefit:**

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***All are welcome!***

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## Good Shepherd Church

Over the last several months Good Shepherd Renovations Committee has been hard at work. We've identified necessary Capital Improvements and have been working diligently with the Archdiocese of Louisville to determine possible funding sources for these projects.

We have secured sufficient funding to begin immediate work on some of the most pressing renovation items. All work that is currently underway is being funded by a \$200k grant from the Archdiocese, Historical Tax Credits, funds raised from #iGiveCatholic Day of Giving and a low interest loan from the Archdiocese. The work underway includes new roof of the rectory and garage and gutter replacement, rectory tuckpointing, stairs and sidewalk replacement, church exterior painting, parking lot repairs and resurfacing, Lehmann Hall roof replacement, church doors rehabilitation, and a church interior rendering for future painting.

As you can see, big things are happening at Good Shepherd Catholic Parish, 3525 Rudd Avenue! Where all are welcome!

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We had a great turnout at the 48th Annual Portland Community Christmas Party hosted by Portland Youth Little League. Many families were served. Santa and Mrs. Claus were available for family pictures. Each child received a present and gift bag. So good to see so many smiling faces, including the Grinch! A huge **thank you** to all the volunteers and donors who help make this event possible!

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## Portland Museum Welcomes Intern

By Elijah Humble



Hello Portland readers. As a graduate student pursuing my master's in history at the University of Louisville, I was able to join the team at the Portland Museum as an intern back earlier in the summer. And as you know the team at the museum began partnering with and helping to produce the monthly Portland Anchor, so therefore I am excited to also be able to help out with such a treasured community resource. I've been a fan of the Anchor since I moved back to Louisville in 2016, picking it up at the old McQuixote Coffee shop after dropping off my son Charlie at Western Middle School for Performing Arts (my daughter Jane goes there now). I fell in love with the heart and community spirit of the Anchor as well as the neighborhood itself, which reminds me a lot of my upbringing in Henry County. Portland feels very similar to my hometown of Turners Station, or many other towns like it up that way, like Port Royal, Sulphur or Lockport. Yet of course none of them have the Louisville skyline lingering in the background, creating an interesting and irresistible mix of rural and urban right on the Ohio River. I'm also on the board with Squallis Puppeteers and have a radio show on ART FM, 97.1 FM WXOX. I look forward to getting to know more folks in Portland and sharing its stories and characters, as well as continuing to work with the amazing team at the Portland Museum.

## Gordon's Corner

By Gordon Brown



The idea of a "corner" intrigues me. The euphemism relates to a geographic place in a community where two busy streets intersect, creating four corners. In communities of old, one of the four corners, probably the one with the grocery or the tavern, became the principal corner. It was where people living in the neighborhood also intersected with one another as they went to the grocery, the hardware store, the barber shop, the bank, the cleaners, the tavern, the florists and where two major bus lines had stops. The corner was the place, while shopping, to catch up on the news of the day.

Today, those corner places have pretty much disappeared. We now go to large shopping centers. There are many shoppers whom we do not know. It is less likely that we encounter friends and neighbors while shopping. One question- has anything replaced the "corner", the place where we connect with our community?

Yesterday, I was at the Cup of Joy on Bank Street (great coffee, great food, such nice people). I was there to have lunch with a new friend. While I was there, I noticed, at several of the larger tables, older men had gathered. Over steaming coffee cups, they were talking and enjoying the company. You could tell they were in no hurry as they engaged in conversation.

While waiting for my friend to arrive, there was a man at the next table who kept looking my way as if he was trying to remember if he knew me. I, too, felt that I knew him. He approached me and asked, "Are you Gordon Brown who used to be at the Boy's Club?" "Yes, that's me.", I responded. "Well, I'm Todd Westbay", he said. And memories instantly came back of Todd as a member of the Boys' Club whom I had not seen since he was in his teens. I knew him and his family. We talked and caught up.

After lunch I was walking out, and another man stood from a table closer to the door. He said "Excuse me, but are you Gordon Brown who used to be at the Boys' Club?" "Yes", I responded. He said, "I thought so. I'm Merrill Harris. I was a member of the Boy's Club". Merrill, too, was in his teens when I last saw him. We agreed that we had both changed over the years. We reminisced about those days long ago.

Both Todd and Merrill are lifelong Portland residents. Both had careers with the ironworkers. It was so good to see them and share memories.

On my way home, the idea of "corner" came to mind. Is Cup of Joy an example of the "corner" of yesteryear? I am certain that other "corners" exist in Portland. Is it Kroger, the local taverns, churches? Where is your "corner"? Send a letter or article of your own to the Anchor and share with your community.

Loving Portland, Gordon

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LOUISVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION

## Free class in February: Financial Health for the Homeowner

Habitat for Humanity of Metro Louisville's 2024 Homeowner Education series kicks off with Financial Health for the Homeowner, Saturday, February 10, 2024. Professionals from AARP, Chase Bank, and Legal Aid Society will focus on how homeowners can best protect the asset of their home: How to avoid home repair scams, how to improve your credit score, and how a will can help protect your home for the next generation. Door prize winners will receive \$25 credit on their LG&E account.

Register by calling 502-805-1425 or emailing [mprice@louisvillehabitat.org](mailto:mprice@louisvillehabitat.org) by February 8.

Saturday, February 10  
10:00AM – 11:30AM  
Dare to Care Community Kitchen  
1200 S 28<sup>th</sup> St, 40211



**Thank You Portland!  
Love, Your Museum**







## Obituaries



**Brian Daniel Allen**, 57 of Louisville, Kentucky passed away November 30, 2023. He was born October 14, 1967 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Brian worked in construction. He met and married, Christina (Ison) Allen. Preceding Brian in death are his parents and his son, Charles Allen. Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Christina; daughters, Erin Allen and Cody Allen; son, Christopher Allen; sisters, Denise Boone, Teresa Dunn, Thelma Richardson and Charlene Zavala; brothers, Shawn Allen and John Allen and many extended family and friends. J.B. Ratterman & Son located at 2114 W. Market Street in Louisville, Kentucky in charge of arrangements with cremation to follow.



**Doug Anderson**, 63, of Bardstown, passed November 27, 2023. He was born September 1, 1960 in Louisville. He was preceded in death by his parents Leo and Julia Anderson; brothers Bob Herring and Leo Anderson, Jr.; and his niece Angela Marie Anderson. He is survived by siblings, Barbra Shewmaker, Steve Anderson, Mike Anderson, Vernon Anderson, Rosie Smith, Roger Anderson and Donnie Anderson. Along with several nieces and nephews. His burial was at St. Gregory Cemetery, Nelson County, KY.



**Judith Ann Ashley**, 86, entered Eternal Life December 7, 2023. She was a cherished mother, grandmother, sister, and a beloved member of the Louisville community. Judy, born to the late George Sr. and Hazel Ridge. Judy was immensely proud of her Portland heritage, and her love for her hometown. Judy's greatest source of pride and joy was found within her role as a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, and sister. She poured boundless love and care into her family, creating lasting memories and strong bonds that will endure in their hearts forever. She was preceded in death by her brother, George "Sonny" Ridge Jr. Judy is survived by her sons, Michael Kevin Ashley and Robert Steven Ashley; brother, David Ridge (Brenda); sister, Linda Ridge; grandchildren, Megan, Kevin, Steven Jr., and Hailey. Legacy Funeral Center – Schoppenhorst was in charge of arrangements.



**Larry Wayne Avis, Sr.** 62 of Louisville Kentucky passed away November 16, 2023 at UL Health Jewish Hospital. He was born December 7, 1960 to Chester Bentley and Edna (Avis) Vincent. Larry worked as a mechanic for many years. He enjoyed hunting and motorcycles. Preceding Larry in death are his parents; brothers, Ronnie Vincent and Steve Vincent and his sister, Sue Vincent. Left to cherish Larry's memory are his wife, Brandie (Mason) Avis; children, Tracy (John) Kennybrook, Larry (Tara) Avis, Jr., Dwayne Avis, Alex Avis, Ashley (Josh Cobb) Stinson, Brian Stinson, Mercedes Hubbard and Aaron Avis; 11 grandchildren; brothers, David Vincent and James Vincent; sisters, Shirley Burgin, Betty Horn, Bonnie Spalding, Barbara Wise and Sandy Luckett and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. JB Ratterman & Son, 2114 W. Market St. in charge of arrangements.



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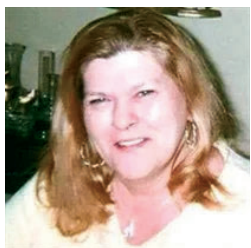
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**Joan Batliner** passed away peacefully on November 28, 2023, at 90 years old. She was born to Charlesetta (Hourigan) and Kenneth Batliner on October 11, 1933, in Louisville Kentucky. Joan was Catholic by faith and an avid animal lover. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends. A Reese's Peanut Butter Cup would always make her day better. Joan was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Doris Batliner. She is survived by a host of family and friends. There will be a private burial per Joan's request.



**Anna Margaret Brown**, age 65, passed peacefully at her home, December 13, 2023 surrounded by loved ones. In her passing she has joined her son, James K. "Bobby" Brown, who passed on 2020 and her parents,

Joseph R. and Evelyn R. (Bodemann). She is survived by her sons, Kamila S. Brown, Mark W. Brown and Stephen M. Brown; sisters, Sharon Rice, Rosemary Riddell and Frances McMichael (David) and brothers, Joseph A. O'Connell Jr.(Deborah), Charles R. O'Connell (Alethea) and John R. O'Connell; grandchildren, Destiny, Dezeray "Dez", Kamila "Milla", Kamila "Jr.", TaNasia, Kalule, Gabrielle "Gabby", Stephen Jr., Mark Jr., Tiffany and Evelyn. Cremation is chosen. Plans for a Celebration of Life will be announced later. J.B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals & Family Cremation Care.



**Ronald Joseph Hendricks**, 81, of Louisville, Kentucky passed away November 29, 2023. He was born on August 13, 1942 in Louisville, Kentucky, son of Joseph and Anna Mae Hendricks. Ron was a United States Navy veteran and was a retired Butcher at William Food Service. He loved his family and enjoyed spending time on his computer, fishing and going on walks. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his 3 sisters; Joann, Nancy, Patsy. He is survived by his daughter, Laurie Harris; brother, Bobby Hendricks and two grandchildren, James and Kristen Harris. A memorial was held at Legacy Funeral Center, Schoppenhorst Chapel, 1832 W Market St.

**Charlotte Ann Hinkel**, age 65 years, passed peacefully December 3, 2023 in the Hosparus unit at Norton Hospital, Broadway. She was a life-long Portland resident, a member of Good Shepherd Catholic Church and Class of '77 Ahrens High School. Charlotte had worked as a Medical Claims Processor at In-Home Care Support and was a true and loving homemaker for her family. She was predeceased by her parents, Marquis L. and Lucy (Thompson) Smith, her brother, Wayne Smith and brother-in-law, Roy Sanders. She is survived by her devoted husband, George L. Hinkel and two sons, Bobby L. Hinkel (Crystal) and Brian A. Hinkel, her sisters, Barbara Hammons (Robert) and Nancy Sanders, her brothers, Mark Smith and Harold Smith. several grandchildren also survive. Memorial Funeral Mass of The Resurrection at Good Shepherd Catholic Church 3511 Rudd Ave.. J. B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals & Family Cremation Care, 2114 W. Market St.



**Carletta Denise Johnson**, 56, passed away on December 12, 2023, in Louisville, Kentucky. She was born May 4, 1967, to the late Aaron William and Violet Mae Alcorn in Louisville, KY. Carla was a loving sister,

mother, grandmother, and aunt. Carla always enjoyed gathering with the family for the holidays. She loved her UK Wildcats, and Elvis Presley. Carla is preceded in death by her parents, Aaron William Alcorn Sr., and Violet Mae Collett Alcorn. Left to cherish her memory, Carla leaves behind 4 children, Tiffany Dahlgren (Norman), Timmy Ray Baize, Glenn Scott Johnson, and Alyssa Johnson; 6 grandchildren, Landon, Aubree, Violet, Derrick Jr., Marshall, and Bella; 2 siblings, Anna Kinley, and Aaron William Alcorn Jr. (Patty Jo); 5 nieces/nephews, Melissa, Michael, Nathaniel, Erica, and Erin; and a host of extended family and close friends. Legacy Funeral Center – Schoppenhorst Chapel, 1832 W. Market Street, was in charge of arrangements.

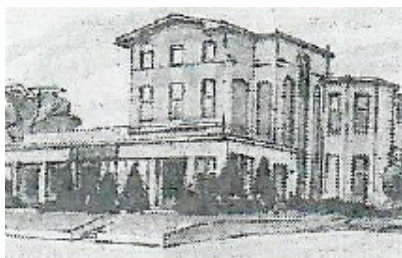


**Daniel Ray "Danny" Melson**, 67, passed away December 6, 2023, in Louisville, KY. He was born on February 25, 1956, to the late James and Regina Melson. He enjoyed the knowledge he got from reading, and was a history buff. In his younger days, Danny was a Golden Gloves champion, and always ready to test his skills. In his spare time, Danny liked to watch his U of L Cardinals play, and listen to his favorite soul music. In addition to his parents, James and Regina Melson, Danny is preceded in death by his sister, Theresa Crum. Left to cherish his memory, Danny leaves behind 4 children, Daniel Melson (Krystal), Memphis Melson, Charline Crowl (Brian), and Jeremy Whitworth (Angie); 2 sisters, Patricia Collins (Mac), and Lynn Montgomery; special brothers, Tommy and Eddie Crum; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a host of extended family and close friends. Legacy Funeral Center – Schoppenhorst Chapel, 1832 W. Market Street.

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## Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

### MASSES

Mass Saturday 4 PM  
Sunday 11 AM  
Daily 7:30 AM

Celebrate Christmas Eve Mass  
at Good Shepherd  
Sunday, December 24, 2023  
Masses at 4 PM and 10 PM  
Join us for Christmas Day Mass  
Monday, December 25 at 11 AM

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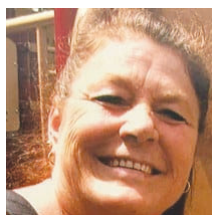
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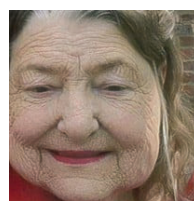
## Obituaries



**Billy R. "Pappy" Roarx**, 64, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on November 16, 2023. He worked at Auto Glass for 18 years as a jack of most trades and master of glass. He will be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, he loved the beach, and was the life of the party. He was an avid University of Louisville fan. He leaves behind his wife, Mona; daughters, Paula (Marcus) and Martha (Craig); grandson, Dylan; granddaughter, Kyah; brothers, Joey (Mona) and Pete (Jean); sister, Ellen; and many nieces, nephews and friends. Legacy Funeral Center – Schopenhorsht Chapel, 1832 W Market Street – Louisville was in charge of arrangements. The family would like to offer a special thanks to the staff, nurses and administration of Hosparus for their loving care to Billy during his last days. We love you Pappy and you will surely be missed.



**Brenda Kay Singleton**, age 68 passed away December 4th 2023. She was born to the late Kenneth Earl Dewitt and Patricia Mae Dewitt. Besides her parents she is preceded in death by her Sister Penny Lee Dewitt, Connie Dewitt, Kathy McEntire. She admired her Grand kids and loved to travel to the lake. She was full of love she always went over the top with Holidays and Birthdays. She leaves to cherish her memory is her Loving husband Danny Singleton, Her Daughter Penny Marie Tappel (Scott). Her son Faron Paul Goodrow Jr. (Malinda). Her sister Denise Bouiver. Her brother Kenneth Dewitt, and Tony Dewitt. Her loving grandchildren Faron Paul Goodrow III (Ashley). Devin Goodrow, Lilly Tappel, Lucy Tappel. Brenda will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. J.B. Ratterman and Son Funeral home is honored to be of service to the Singleton family.



**Mary Taylor (Johnson)**, age 76 passed away Friday December 1, 2023. She was preceded in death by her parents Dorothy and Howard Johnson. Besides her parents she is preceded in death by her sister Beverly Piercy and her bothers Butch Johnson and Howard Johnson. Left to mourn her passing is her loving children Dana Guman and "Craig", and her son Derek Embry and "Angie". One Brother Richard Johnson. Three amazing grandchildren Trevor Embry, Mason Guzman, Madison Guzman. Mary will be sadly missed by all. Burial will follow in the Cave hill Cemetery. J.B. Ratterman Funeral home was honored to be of service to the Taylor family.



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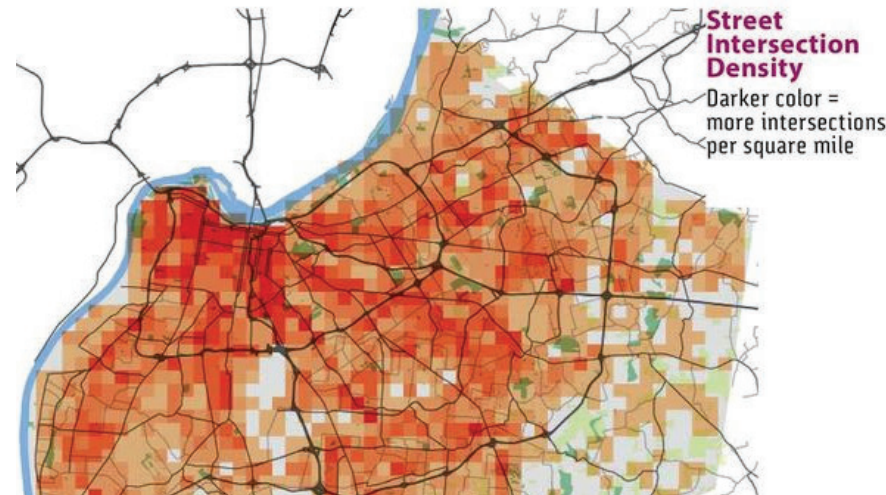
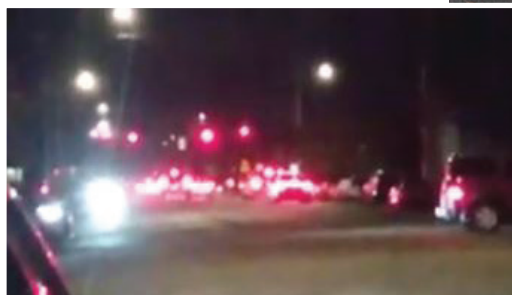
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**2024: TURNING A NEW LEAF**

I'm working on a brief presentation to the city council (which anyone can request) and I want to let you know my plan. I think I'll use the Socratic method of "just asking questions" for greatest effect... Give 'em the "what where why who when how much" treatment. In my heart, I know that if we want to keep Louisville weird then we all must help keep Portland being Portland. See here:

"Many people say that Portland is a war zone, but to that I ask, "Do we really have trenches like the Donbas or tunnels like Gaza and Berlin, to which we say No...but we could! I could go for a bike tunnel under the Ohio River; all it'll take is fundraising. What is a war-zone without a tunnel? But I digress. Military academics have regaled how war is like endless hours of quiet boredom, punctuated by brief moments of extreme intensity. How do our neighbors turn moments of boredom into wild experience in Portland? Intersection takeover. Listen now: Not too many weekends ago, Northwestern Parkway and Portland Ave intersection was taken over by a midnight mob who watched hot rodders squeal, peel, and spin donuts for about an hour. I recall MAD magazines' cartoons of these wild-types (see pic) of 50 years ago. They left tire marks (see pic) and blocked off the intersection from all but the biggest firetrucks (see pic). Did you know that Portland has the highest density of intersections in the city (see pic)? But how many are really just juts and zig-zags that need some traffic re-engineering as the angled streets battle the North-South streets up and down the zip codes? I feel fully exhonorated now as

to my habit of blowing past stop signs with dodgy characters holding cardboard signs that are impossible to read and easily debunked. What is the purpose of even thinking about stopping at red lights if major intersections can be blocked for chunks of time with the cops ready to spring only if someone gets hurt or property gets damaged? As elected officials, don't you know that we are really talking about today is "Intersectional politics"? Can we redefine it to this rather than the overtired definition of the space where the political left and right have room to work--since that concept is now relegated to unrealizable fiction?



And what's this madness about the FBI coming to my door asking questions about my comments on things? So tire squealers get off free but those who make word-noise are tested severely? Upside down; fake news and imbalanced enforcement. Is there an app for that? They were concerned about the intent and impact of my words. I knew that I had nothing to fear but fear itself, so I took it in stride since I know my intentions are pure. That being said, I'm toning it down a little in the interest of continuing to write with my pen--and avoiding time in-the-pen. I told them my idea is bloviation not incarceration. They also want a more mercantilian bent from me in future efforts, to which I said I would comply.



To wit: Can we collectively advise Firestone to promote these Intersection Takeovers to improve sales? Just like doctors promote marathoning and Olympic weight lifting...and Red Bull promotes the weirdest hyper stunts imaginable that only the caffeine-stacked would fathom.

There is no such place as Lake Wobegon, Minnesota, but there could be a place called Woe-Come-Here as an a.k.a. for Portland, filed with the Secretary of State. Can we pass this as a resolution today? Thank you for your time in my addressing this distinguished body. These comments will be submitted to you in writing along with any supplemental materials of which I deem apropos.

May your eyes ever be open and hearts not be dismayed..."

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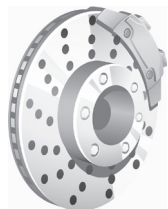
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*If your group information changes, please let us know.*

### PORTLAND NOW, INC.

**First Meeting of the Year  
Tues, January 2, 2024**

**Social Time 6:00 PM**

**Meeting Time 6:30 PM**

### Church of the Promise

1801 Portland Ave.  
Side Door On 18th

This is your neighborhood association, where you can learn what's going on, what's up coming and help decide what PNI is going to do for the Portland Neighborhood. Come out to the meeting and be a part of the voice.

### AMERICAN LEGION POST 193

**4th Tuesday of the month, 7 pm,**

2800 W. Main St. New members welcome.

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- Provide own transportation

Meals are picked up around 10:00 - 10:30 am and delivery takes about 1 hour. Training is provided. Call 574-6420 to volunteer.

## The Portland Anchor Man Between the Pages

### HAPPY NEWS YEAR 2024

*By Charles Frick*



As the old year ends and the new one begins, I offer some words of advice from 3 wise sources. May we all be successful in our efforts to use them in the coming 365 days to guide our feelings, thoughts, and actions to make our neighborhood as good as it can be. (Keep a score sheet as the weeks pass by to see if you are on the road to success or need to change direction and put the peddle to the metal.) Where you end up can have an effect on individuals, families, groups, organizations, and businesses that make up our special place that is nestled by the banks of the Ohio.

Check them off as you accomplish the task. \_\_\_\_\_

- I. **Mayor's Committee on Morale** – I will not complain. \_\_\_\_\_  
I will not spread bad news. \_\_\_\_\_ I will be encouraging. \_\_\_\_\_  
helpful. \_\_\_\_\_ friendly. \_\_\_\_\_ I will work unselfishly. \_\_\_\_\_  
will give all that I can. \_\_\_\_\_ I will do my part toward building a better  
and a greater Louisville. \_\_\_\_\_ (Bonus points for always smiling). \_\_\_\_\_
- II. **Karl Menninger** – Attitudes are more important than facts.  
(Take that chip off your shoulder). \_\_\_\_\_
- III. **Marci** – Make the decision to be happy each day. \_\_\_\_\_  
Make someone smile. \_\_\_\_\_ Be grateful for the little things in life  
that are free. \_\_\_\_\_ Believe that "everything happens for a reason". \_\_\_\_\_  
Share what is best of yourself and discover an unending source of  
happiness. \_\_\_\_\_

### NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

201 N. 25th Street. 774-2322. Meals and activities daily from 9 am to 1 pm. 60 yrs. and up donation suggested.

### Dare To Care

at St. Cecilia Campus  
2519 St. Cecilia Street

the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10 AM

### Dare To Care

will be at Portland Avenue Community Trust (PACT) Parking Lot at the new location in the former Portland Christian School, 2508 Portland Avenue

1<sup>st</sup> Tues. of the month at 10 AM

*If your organization is listed on this page and there is a change in the information, please give us a call to make sure we have the correct information. Call Sherry at (502) 775-6036.*

### Portland Avenue Community Trust PACT

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## January Recipes

Winter is here and that means hearty meals of delicious soups and warm tasty casseroles. Here's a few to make you hungry and appreciate a warm kitchen.



### Broccoli Casserole

1 lge pkg broccoli, cooked and drained  
1 ½ cup milk  
3 Tbs flour  
14 cup butter or margarine  
1 cup sharp cheddar cheese

Mix 1 stick of melted butter or margarine with 1 1/2 cup of snack cracker crumbs and set aside.

Mix milk, butter, flour and cheese until cheese is melted, stirring constantly. Line casserole with ½ cracker crumb mixture. Add the broccoli as the nex laye. Pour cheese sause over broccoli and top with remaining crumbs.



### Potato Casserole

1 lb. Pkg hash brown potatoes  
1 sm. onion, chopped  
10 oz. Can cream of celery soup  
½ cup celery, chopped  
8 oz. Sour cream  
1 cup sharp cheddar cheese, shredded  
½ stick margarine  
cracker crumbs

Combine all ingrediends in baking dish. Cover top with cracker crumbs. Bake in 325 degree oven until vegetables are tender.

### Hamburger Casserole

1 lb hamburger  
1 c. cream of mushroom soup  
1 pkg. Tater Tots or Hash Browns  
¼ cup milk  
1 c. mixed vegetables  
1 medium onion, chopped  
½ c. shredded cheese

Brown hamburger and onions. Line Tater Tots or Hash Browns in a 9 x 13 inch pan. Cover with hamburger and onion mixture. Combine milk to soup in bowl add mixed vegetables and mix well. Pour on top of hamburger mixture. Sprinkle cheese on top. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-55 minutes.



### Lasagna

2 lbs recotta or cottage cheese  
2 eggs  
2 lbs hamburger  
1 lb Mozzarella cheese (more if you like)  
2 jars pasta sauce  
1 box Lasagna noodles  
oregano (use for your own taste)

You might do well if there is another person to help prepare this with you. Boil lasagna noodles until tender. In a bowl combine eggs and cottage cheese. Cook hamburger, drain and add sauce. In a 9 x 13 inch pan start with a layer of lasagna noodles. Add meat sauce. Layer of noodles and cheese and egg mixture. Add mozzarella cheese layer. Repeat until finished. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and shredded mozzarella cheese. Bake in 350 degree oven for 50 minutes.



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### Chili

1 lb hamburger  
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1 c. tomato sauce  
1 tsp pepper  
½ tsp cayenne pepper  
1 medium onion, chopped

Add water if needed chili pepper to taste (make sure you put it on the table for those who like a lot). Fry hamburger until pink disappears. Drain. Place in Dutch oven or a large pan. Add remaining ingredients. Cook over medium heat. Some folks like thick chill, others like it more runny. That's what the extra water if for. I aim to please all of you chili lovers. Oh, another thing, some people like spaghetti in their chili. So, perhaps you could boil some just in case. Of course, you will need crackers or corn bread. So, which ever you favor have some handy. And shredded sharp cheddar cheese and more chopped onions. Now, that should please everyone.



## Winter Fire Safety

*Brian S. Meurer, Lt. Col.*

*Assistant Chief, Fire Marshal, Louisville Fire Department*

The Louisville Fire Department would like to thank readers of the Portland Anchor for their efforts to prevent loss of life and property from fire.

Winter months are particularly hazardous as more people are home for more hours, more home cooking takes place, and people frequently turn to portable space heaters. The top five leading causes of home fires are cooking, heating, electrical, intentional, and smoking. The top predictor of surviving a fire is having an operational smoke alarm.

If you need yours checked, please call 311 and we will come visit you. If you need a smoke alarm, we will provide one and install it for you.

Remember to never leave food unattended while cooking, keep 3 feet clearance around space heaters, and have a home escape plan so that everyone in your family knows how to get out and where to meet.

We wish you a fire safe winter!

## Stay active even when it's cold outside!

Winter is here! Cold weather and shorter days make it harder to find the time and motivation to be active. Many of us feel like hibernating instead! But physical activity is important all year round. Almost all of us would feel better, be able to do more, and be healthier by being more active than we are now. Physical activity is a great way to lose weight too!

Being *physically active* means engaging in aerobic exercises and strengthening exercises. Adults should aim for 30 minutes of moderate aerobic exercises 3 to 5 days a week (walking, aerobics, biking, yard work – anything that works your heart and lungs). Adults should also do 8 to 10 strengthening exercises 2 to 3 days a week (anything that strengthens your muscles by making them work against resistance). Start small! Get support. Try some of the free resources below! And talk with your doctor before you start a physical activity program.

### Exercising outside

- Wear layers – Exercise makes a lot of body heat, but once you start to tire and the sweat dries, you can get chilled. Dress in layers that you can take off since you start to sweat and then put back on as needed. And don't forget a hat or headband – more than 30% of your body heat is lost through your head!
- Be visible – Wear light or reflective clothing so drivers can see you, especially since it gets dark early.
- Drink plenty of fluids – Drink water before, during and after your workout, even if you're not thirsty. You can become just as dehydrated in the cold as in the heat.

### Exercising indoors

Walk around the block.

- Walk up and down the hallway or the stairs in your house or apartment building.
- Create a home gym with a set of weights, an exercise ball and a jump rope.
- Check out the videos and links at the Family Health Centers website: [www.fhclouisville.org/healthed](http://www.fhclouisville.org/healthed)

Submitted by Kristin Munro-Leighton,  
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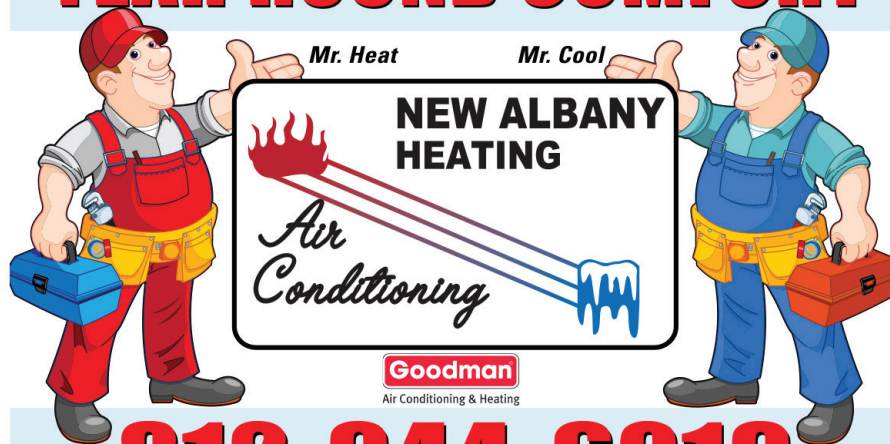
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