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Ed next to his sculptures.

Edward R. White

Returning Home: A Life’s Retrospective

Those who live in Portland know Edward Renard “Nardie” White. His and his family’s roots run deep in the community, himself a third-generation resident. He spent his early adulthood working with the Portland Boys and Girls Club, a staple space among the memories of Portland’s fellow long-timers. Gordon Brown - who served as Director of the Boys and Girls Club during White’s tenure before moving on to being President / CEO of Home of the Innocents for 21 years – has this to say about the White family legacy:

“The Whites were an anchor family for the Black Community on Lytle street in Portland. They were leaders in bridging the racial gap in the neighborhood which was very tough to penetrate in those days. The Whites were distinguished, had high aspirations for their children and were cherished friends of both black and white residents. Nardie is a product of this great family.”

From there, White would discover a passion for working with children, leading to his co-founding of Louisville’s River City Drum Corp, a vital after-school organization that for over 30 years now has utilized Pan-African rhythm culture to mentor West End youth.

Ed White officially retired from the Corp in 2019, as chronicled in the acclaimed 2020 documentary *River City Drumbeat*, leaving it in the capable hands of a mentee. In most other accounts, this would have been the beginning and end of a rich life’s story. However, White has been quietly fostering his interests in being a multimedia artist since childhood. Having graduated from Jefferson Community College with an associate degree in commercial photography, he has both examined his locality and traveled the world with camera in tow. For years he utilized these skills as a professional photographer, and for more years as an outlet of personal expression. Since his retirement, White has also begun to explore ceramics and large-scale multimedia sculpture, exhibited last year at Louisville’s Shawnee Public Library. Even more recently White has earned the titles of *2022 Community Scholar* from the Filson Historical Society, and *Oral Historian* from the Kentucky Arts Council, with a focus on preserving the stories of his hometown congregation of the Portland Memorial Baptist Church. But not even these additions fully recount the ever-evolving story of Ed “Nardie” White.

On February 20th, 2022, Portland Museum will be officially opening *Edward R. White, Returning Home: A Life’s Retrospective*, a sweeping exhibition featuring over one-hundred pieces made by White over the last thirty years of his life. Now in his seventh decade on earth, White has designed and curated this show as a personal reemergence into his community. Having been an artist privately for most of his life, White is now ready to be recognized as one.

White’s photography is focused on the medium’s ability to capture essence,

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Tuesday, March 1, 2022

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The March meeting of Portland Now, Inc. will be Tuesday, March 1st on the Google Meet platform.

Social time starts at 6:00 pm and the board meeting (open to all) begins at 6:30 pm. If you would like to be on the agenda to speak or make announcements, please e-mail president@portlandnow.org before Noon on 3/1.

As always, all community members who would like to gain information about neighborhood initiatives or happenings, or get more involved with the great work being done by our committees, are welcome to attend. Hope to see you soon!

To join the video meeting, click this link:

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Letter to the Editor

That is wonderful that New Directions is going to make something nice at Roosevelt Apartments. I went to school there a long time ago.

William Barnes



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Patrick's
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"Getting Ready"

Hello Portland, little Carmie and Grampa here. Let me start off by asking you a question. Have you ever seen the Valentine day man? I always get something from him, but I've never seen him. Never know when he's coming, just hear a knock on the door or a tap on the window and find a present! But any ways, we're getting the ATV ready to go find shed deer antlers. Then after that it's time for fishing! See ya on the water or in the field.



Shirl Kelly

Congratulations to Shirl Kelly on his 90th birthday. Shirl was born and raised in Portland and his heart never left.

Shirl is the father of 5 children, 8 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, some of which still live in Portland.

Shirl managed the Portland Athletic Softball team for 30 years, through many winning seasons.

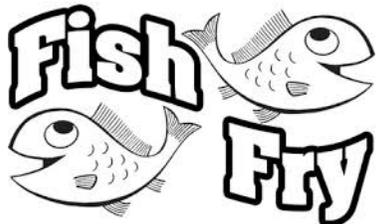
He is a retired Teamster Local 89, and a member of Shawnee Post of American Legion #193.

Shirl was awarded the Portland Icon in 2019. He is a member of Good Shepherd Catholic Church.



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Neighborhood House News

Ongoing Covid Vaccine Clinic

201 N. 25th Street

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Four Seasons Senior Program

Monday through Friday

from 9am-1pm.

Bingo is Tuesday & Thursday

You can contact Ms Janet Cherry, who is the coordinator of the Four Seasons program for senior adults, she plans field trips and parties, helps make sure basic needs are being met and connects our seniors to important resources. 774-2322.



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Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Lehmann Hall-3525 Rudd Avenue

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LIC #0372

Spring is in the air finally!

By Christina Beaven

I absolutely love the Spring and all the joy that comes with everything being “new” again! Use this opportunity to do some easy, safeguards for your family as the season changes!

Trim any weeds or bushes away from your property. Change the batteries in your smoke detector. If you don't have one, stop by your local fire house. They usually have them to give. Make sure all your outdoor lighting is working. This can be one of the biggest deterrents of crime. Do you know what else is a big deterrent of crime? The amazing men and women of the 1st Division!

All crime across the board is down significantly! Violent crime is down over 30% as well as property crime, it's down 16%. That is amazing and it has to do with the support the 1st Division gets from the community. There is no other community in the City of Louisville that compares to the love poured out to the police from its citizens. Of course, I am a little biased (smiley face) but I do believe this. When you support our police and let them know you stand behind them, it gives them a reason to get out there and keep you and your family safe! Thank an officer today!

Northwestern Parkway Speeding Abatement and Traffic Alternatives Community Conversation March 15 @ 6pm

Dirk Gowin, Transportation Division Manager within Public Works, Michael King, Director of Office of Advanced Planning and Sustainability within Develop Louisville, and Councilwoman Donna Purvis, wish to have a conversation with the community about Northwestern Parkway Speeding Abatement and Traffic Alternatives.

Light refreshments and snacks will be available.
March 15th, 2022 - 6pm

Lehmann Hall @ Good Shepherd Church
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Submitted by Aubrey Vittitow

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Louisville Grows will open our greenhouse on Saturday, March 19, from 10am-4pm to sell cole crop vegetables that can be planted right now. Additional shopping dates on April 16 and 30, and May 14 and 21 will include our whole line of veggies, herbs, flowers, fruit trees and more.

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and his exhibit reflects this mastery. Familial love, the personalities of Portland locals, the character of cities abroad, and the unprecedented energy of Louisville's 2020 racial justice protests are all represented on the museum's walls. To be debuted is a sculpture entitled *Portland Now*, employing White's Pan African-inspired multimedia style at monumental scale. Featured as well will be ceramic works and other mementos of White's long life and wealth of careers. Having been a board member of the Portland Museum for two years now, White is proud to be bringing his

life's work back to the neighborhood where it all started. We are incredibly proud to help him showcase it. Thank you for returning home, Nardie.

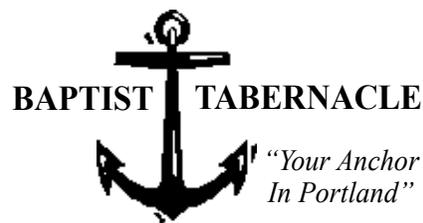


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Lavon Alcon, 40, of Louisville, KY passed away January 28, 2022 at Clark Memorial Hospital. Lavon Lee (Doc) Alcon, the son of Antionette Alcon and Earl Conn, was born as a twin brother to Shavon Alcon March 7, 1981, in Louisville, KY. Although he never married, he found love and welcomed a precious baby girl into his heart. He was an employee of ABM Industries. Lavon was preceded in death by his mother, Antionette Alcon, his maternal grandmother, Isabella Mitchell, his paternal grandmother, Viola Hayden Conn, and two uncles, William Alcon and Anthony Alcon. He departed this life on Friday, January 28, 2022, at the age of 40. Lavon leaves to cherish his memory: his father: Earl Lee Conn, stepmother: Darlene Conn, brothers: Lee Conn, Michael Miller, Vonn Battle (honorary), sisters: Takeya Alcon, Shavon Alcon, Monica Conn Hill (Fred) and Kim Miller, the apple of his eye, whom he loved and treated as his daughter: Jamiya Watkins, nieces and nephews: which include Kah' Maria Alcon, Emoni Alcon and many more; aunts: Ruby Williams-Little (Nate), Cheryl Fitzgerald (John), Debora Dale-Quarles, Cathy Alcon, uncles: Charles Alcon (Stephanie), Otis Conn, and Kelvin

Alcon (Tanate' Benne) and a host of cousins, other relatives, loved ones and friends Legacy Funeral Center-Schoppenhorst Chapel in charge of arrangements.

David Wayne Barr, 49, passed away Friday, February 11, 2022. David was a very caring and loving person with a good heart and soul, he will be dearly missed. He is survived by his wife, Johnna Beswick Barr, sons, John David Barr, Dylan Wayne Barr, Mark Anthony Barr, and Jeremiah Barr; companion, Shannon Gritton; sister Deborah Watson; nephews, Jonathan Barr and Joseph Barr; nieces, Jessica Coomer and Misti Hernandez; 3 grandchildren and many cousins. Services are private, a public memorial visitation was held at East Audubon Baptist Church 1767 Belmar Dr.



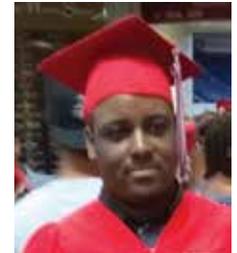
Kim Renee Bomar, 57, passed away peacefully February 11, 2022, at University of Louisville Hospital. Kim was born June

24, 1964 in Chicago, Ill to her beautiful, loving mother, the late Doris Bomar. Kim had five siblings, who loved her dearly. She has made many friends over the years while working for JCPS, Norton Healthcare, Home of the Innocents and other companies. Kim was a avid Louisville Cardinals fan, she enjoyed cooking and tending to her plants. She spent lots of time selling dinners and gift baskets. Besides her mother she is preceded in death by a sister, Lorrie. Those left to cherish her memory is her companion of over 16 years, Ricky DeBerry; one sister, Dana Bomar; three brothers, Derrick, Anthony and Kevin Bomar; special nephew, D'Monte Townes; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Legacy Funeral Center-Schoppenhorst Chapel, 1832 W. Market Street was in charge of arrangements.



Chester "Lucky" Brown, 81, passed away January 14, 2022. Lucky was a retired

painter for Charles Tucker Remodeling. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph Brown and Nell Armstrong; sisters, Josephine Gilpin, Betty Damron, and Christine Niemeier. He is survived by his sister, Rose Lowery; brother, Danny Armstrong; many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were at J.B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals & Family Cremation Care 2114 W. Market Street with burial in Louisville Memorial Gardens West.



Anthony Lee Calhoun, Jr., 21, was born in Louisville, KY on April 15, 2000 to Robin V. Thompson and the late Anthony Lee Calhoun, Sr. God called him home January 22, 2022. Anthony was a very loving son, brother, grandson, nephew, cousin and friend. Anthony was attending school to become a gynecologist. He was dedicated to his education. He was an employee of White Castle since he was 16, where he was



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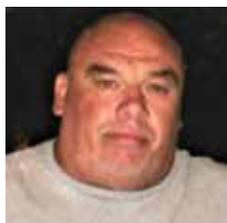
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he was a manager. He is preceded in death by his father, Anthony Lee Calhoun, Sr. Those left to cherish his memories are his loving mother, Robin V. Thompson; two sisters, D'Asia Blackburn and Skylar Miller; brother, Nyante Glover; grandparents, Janice Thompson, Yvette Calhoun, Cecil Lucas and Ogen Buckner (Kim); and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Po-die-man will be missed tremendously by those who loved him. He was very special. Legacy Funeral Chapel-Schoppenhorst Chapel in charge of arrangements.



Sharon Louise Cardwell, 78, passed away January 23, 2022. She loved being a homemaker and a loving "Nan" to many children. She also loved caring for animals. She had been a member of St. Cecilia Catholic Church. She was predeceased by her parents, Edna and John W. Leonard; son, Robert Cardwell; sisters, Patsy Cardwell and Dorothy Johns. She is survived by her loving husband of 63 years, Alfa J. Cardwell; daughter, Angela Mery; son, Thomas Cardwell (Charmaine); grandchildren, Brandon, A.J., Joshua, April, Brandy, and Robert;

12 great-grandchildren; sisters and brothers, Alice, Jean, Nanci, Billy, Dicky, Jackie, Kathy, Gerri, Darrell, Douglas, Peggy, and Cindy; many brothers and sisters-in-law and nieces and nephews also survive. A Memorial Service will be held March 26, 2022 following Mass at 5 P.M. at Good Shepherd Catholic Church 3511 Rudd Ave.



Michael Lee Ferguson, 62, passed away on Monday, February 14, 2022, in Louisville, KY. He was born on December 1, 1959, to the late James and Barbara Ferguson Sr., in Louisville, KY. Michael will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. In addition to his parents, Michael is preceded in death by one daughter, Jessica Ferguson; and 2 siblings, James Ferguson Jr., and Rebecca Sue Ferguson. Left to cherish his memory, Michael leaves behind a loving wife, Debra Ferguson; 8 children, Anthony Dewayne Bishop, Terry Shane Bishop, Gary Gene Bishop, Tiffany Bishop, Michael Bishop (Amanda), Justin Ferguson, Aaron Ferguson (Megan), and Trevor Ferguson (Stephanie); 2 siblings, Patricia Ferguson, and Sandra Rahim; stepmother, Deloris Spencer; many grandchildren; and a host of extended family and friends. Legacy Funeral Center-Schoppenhorst Chapel, 1832 W. Market Street in charge of arrangements.



Payton "Pat" George McClish, 74, peacefully succumbed to his battle with pancreatic cancer January 28, 2022 at Jewish Hospital in Louisville, KY surrounded by his loving family. Pat was born in Louisville, KY on June 7, 1947. He attended Flaget High School and went to work at the United States Postal Service. He is preceded in death by his dad, Wilbert "Tony" Schenck, his younger brother David Schenck, son-in-law Albert "Al" Spaulding and step granddaughter Carrie Lieras. Left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife, Mary Jo and their children Chris McClish, Cindy Spaulding, Cheryl (Billy) Helm, Bill (Cathy) McClish, Paula (Jason) McClish, Missy (Jim) Glaser; 9 grandchildren Christopher McClish, A.J., Patrick and Courtney Spaulding, Josh Helm, Aaron McClish, Kirsten Cartwright, Laura and Alex Glaser; 4 step grandchildren Corey Lieras, Tiffany Harris, Amber Crenshaw and Matt Harris; 8 great grandchildren and 19 step great grandchildren. He is also survived by his mother, Dolores McClish; 5 siblings, Henry, Tommy, Jerry and Diann Schenck and Raymond Hayes and several nieces and nephews as well as numerous friends.

Kathy "Mac" McEntire, 61, passed away February 1, 2022. Kathy graduated from Shawnee High School. She worked for Williams Food Service and the White Castle in New Albany for 30 years. She was preceded in death by her son, John McEntire and brother, Connie DeWitt. She is survived by her loving companion of 30 years, Donald "Donnie" Kelly; daughter, Cassey R. Haley; sisters, Brenda Singleton (Danny) and Denise Bouvier; brothers, Kenny DeWitt and Tony DeWitt; grandchildren, Ariyannah Jefferies, D'Anthony Lee, and John McEntire Jr. J.B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals & Family Cremation Care 2114 W. Market St. is in charge of arrangements



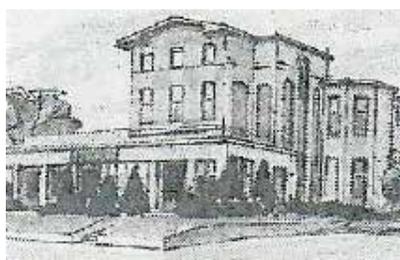
Carl Lloyd Murphy, 75, passed away Sunday, January 16, 2022 in Fairfield Ohio. Carl was a U.S. Marine Corp Veteran and a retired truck driver. He is survived by his niece, Brittney Tennyson. J.B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals & Family Cremation Care 2114 W. Market Street is in charge of arrangements. Services were private.



George Kremer Sawyer, 73, passed away February 7, 2022. George was a Veteran of the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. He was a member of Southeast Christian Church and the Vietnam Veterans Association. George and Marilyn Co-owned and operated Sawyers Heating & Cooling, George's company for 40 years. He loved helping people in his work. He loved his family and deeply loved his country and all its freedoms, George was a proud patriot. He was preceded in death by his parents, Elizabeth Ann Kremer and Brian Davis; Step-father, who raised him, Albert Butler; son Hank Etscorn. He is survived by his loving wife of 32 years, Marilyn L. Etscorn Sawyer; daughter, Laura Etscorn; grandson, Hank Satterly; brothers, Dennis Sawyer and Andy Sawyer (Becky). Ratterman & Sons 3800 Bardstown Rd. was in charge of arrangements.

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Roger Dale Vittitow, 52, passed away February 17, 2022, with his loving family by his side. Roger was born October 1, 1969, in Louisville, KY to the late Floyd Vittitow and Agnes Libby Vittitow. He was a truck driver for Kentuckiana Trucking Co. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson and his Old 1972 Chevy was his pride and joy. Those left to cherish his memory are his loving wife, Tina K. (Calhoun) Vittitow; three children, Roger Gatsby, Bradley and Amanda Vittitow; four grandchildren; two brothers, Johnny Clann and Kevin Vittitow (Pam); sister, Sherry Spayd; several nieces and nephews; and a host of friends. Legacy Funeral Center-Schoppenhorst Chapel, 1832 W. Market Street was in charge of arrangements, with burial in Evergreen Cemetery.

James "Jimmy" Michael Walker, 55, passed away February 4, 2022. He was born in Louisville, KY on May 3, 1966 to the late David Paul Walker and Rose Marie Crimmins. Jimmy loved to listen to music, drink coffee and play video games. He was very easy to please. Besides his parents he is preceded in death by his sister, Bobbi Grounds; and his 4-legged best friend, Paco. Survivors include his sister and brother-in-law that was his caregivers most of his life, Margaret Luckenbill (William "Doug"); sister, Doris "Duke" Cotton; three brothers, David Phillip Walker, Theodore Charles "Charlie" Walker (Oma) and Jimmy's twin brother, John Joseph "Joey" Walker; special niece, Savannah Walker; special nephews, Charles "David" Walker and Leaf Felix "Pete" Walker (Dawn); special great niece's and nephew, Haley, Amber, Lee and Rosie; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Legacy Funeral Center-Schoppenhorst Chapel in charge of arrangements.



forget-me-nots

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Toby Wilson, 53, passed away January 21, 2022. He was a loving friend and big brother to many. Toby was loved by most and respected by all. He was preceded in death by his parents, Harl Wilson and Mary Fuqua; brothers, Donnie Wilson and Billy Fuqua; nephew James Wilson. He is survived by his loving partner of 27 years, Mary Johnson; brother, Peddles Fuqua (Debbie Burris); nephews, Mike Wilson (Family) and Ty Elder; pops, Virgil; stepchildren, Mary Rudolph (Kenny), Tammy Dennis (Ron), Jonathan Prewitt (Nick), Tonya Arnett (Willy), John Johnson Jr. (Sandy), and Jeremy Phillips; Papaws pride and joy, Kasidaty; 12 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. J.B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals & Family Cremation Care 2114 W. Market Street, with burial in Evergreen Cemetery.



Marcelle A. "Mona" Yates, 93, passed away, February 17, 2022. She was born June 27, 1928 in New Caledonia, South Pacific to the late Charles Flottat and Annie Grimigni. Mona was a former school bus driver for the old Community Catholic School; she was also a former seamstress for Shaheen Department Store, and a member of Good Shepherd Catholic Church. Besides her parents she is preceded in death by her loving husband, Raymond L. Yates; and two brothers, Paul Flottat and Russell Brady. Those left to cherish her memory are her five children, Charles Robert Yates (Rita), Rita A. Dugan (Rick), Theresa Wiseman (Rick), Michelle Mike (Stan) and Renee Bailey (Jeff); thirteen grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren. Visitation was at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 3511 Rudd Avenue. Mass of Christian Burial will be immediately following. Entombment will be private in Evergreen Cemetery. Legacy Funeral Center-Schoppenhorst Chapel is in charge of arrangements.



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The Kerfuffle On Northwestern Parkway

For well over two years the Portland Neighborhood has been struggling to get the entrance and exit to and from N. 22nd St at Northwestern Pkwy cleaned up, repaired to the standards prescribed by the US Department of Transportation. I have a letter I sent to Matt Bevin when he was in office asking for help with this area. That too fell on deaf ears - he may have been busy signing pardons.

This past week I got like Howard Beale in Network. I didn't scream, "I'm mad as Hell and I'm not going to take this anymore." But driving under the over pass on Northwestern Pkwy I certainly related to what that movie character was on about. For years Portland has been relegated to at best second class in the way we are treated by government.

We are not going to be treated like this anymore. We are going to have the same access and work from the Commonwealth of Kentucky & Louisville Metro Government as Crescent Hill, Indian Hills, Cherokee Triangle or Norton Commons. To that end I announced I was having a press conference on Northwestern Parkway, North side of the street, West of N. 22nd St. At that press conference I passed out these comments to the press BEFORE I spoke them.

REMARKS BY RICHARD MEADOWS, PORTLAND RESIDENT FEBRUARY 16, 2022.

Good afternoon

Thanks for coming out today. My name is Richard Meadows. I am a resident and property owner here in the Portland neighborhood.

I asked you all to come up here today to talk about the lack of service of any kind from the Commonwealth of Kentucky through the Kentucky Department of Transportation District 5 (KYDOT5). **(This is the Kentucky Transportation District and has NOTHING to do with Louisville Metro Council District #5).**

Over the past two years on any number of occasions residents of this neighborhood have reached out to the Commonwealth about the condition of the area around the exit ramp from I-64 East and West into the Portland neighborhood. For those people traveling east-bound on I-64, this exit is **the first exit in the Commonwealth of Kentucky**. It seems to me and others in this neighborhood that the Commonwealth would at the very least want the appearance of the area around the exit to look clean. If you look around you will see that is obviously not true. THEY DON'T CARE.

The immediate area where we are right now and down to my right has a complete lack of cleanup or any attention from KYDOT5. And after my comments and your questions we can take a brief tour, so those of you in the press with the video cameras can take photos and videos to show the absolute lack of work that is done by KYDOT5.

As we move west from here on Northwestern Parkway you will see several areas where the fence is cut and disconnected from the posts allowing foot traffic directly onto I-64 East. Additionally you will find damaged areas where it looks like a car hit the fence and it's not been repaired. Behind you over there on the 22nd St. side of the fence for that overpass area there's a place cut in the fence located behind some bushes to allow access that can't be seen from the street.

Across 22nd St. on the Eastern overpass area again there is a dumpster full of trash that has been accumulating there for months and months. Several residents in the neighborhood have called KYDOT5, used metro 311, sent emails and made posts to the Facebook page for KYDOT5, all to no avail.

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After all these months of being ignored I took it upon myself last week to send a letter to the governor, Andy Beshear, and to the Kentucky Department of Transportation District 5 Chief Engineer Matt Bullock detailing the problems of this area. I want to make sure that they understand that the Portland neighborhood is not going to tolerate being disrespected like this any longer. I believe that we are ignored in this neighborhood because we are West of Ninth St and north of Main St. It is nothing short of 'governmental redlining'.

In the years that I have lived in Portland and been associated with the Portland neighborhood I have seen the state build decorative walls along I-264, I-64, and I-71 in the Eastern part Metro Louisville. These walls assist in soundproofing the neighborhoods near the interstate. Just like my letter to the governor and the chief engineer, when we make inquiries about being considered for having those walls put up along I-64 near the Portland neighborhood, the only thing we get is the sound of crickets. Again the state is redlining this neighborhood because we are west of Ninth St and North of Main St.

Having you all here today at this press conference is Portland's bully pulpit. You on the other hand have the big stick. You can ask the governor and the chief engineer for KYDOT5 why this situation exists; why they don't clean it up; why are we so special that they won't do their job here in the Portland neighborhood? Is it in fact because the Commonwealth is redlining Portland?

Thank you. Now if you have questions I will try to answer them.

END OF REMARKS TO THE PRESS.

The very first question that was asked was about the homeless and that KYDOT5 allegedly has an agreement with Louisville Metro to clean this area up and the Office of Resiliency is responsible.

The residents of Portland all know that the issue in this area has nothing to do with the homeless. What seems hard to get almost anyone else to understand is the problem at this location is NOT A PROBLEM WITH OR FROM A HOMELESS CAMP. Put that away. Doesn't play any part. The specific area I was in front of and talking about has 3 years or more growth of vines on the broken down chainlink prison fencing. The homeless did not cultivate those vines.

The five ton dump truck load of litter, trash, dumped property, rusted out metal bins, and all other kind of detritus was not put there by some homeless person or people camping on a 40° incline of concrete. It is years of waste that KYDOT5 and Louisville Metro have allowed to accumulate. Could some of it come from homeless people discarding junk, probably, but much less so than the professional dumpers that visit their waste on Portland.

Let me make it clear to everyone - this has NOTHING to do with Louisville Metro Council District #5. I was here when Sharon Wilbert was our Alderman. For all you young folk, the city used to have just 12 Alderman. Sharon got things done for Portland. Until we got our current Council member Donna Purvis, Portland was really relegated to the bottom of the pile. Ms Purvis has worked diligently to get things done in and for Portland.

I am not done by any means on this issue. I heard and read that the city is going to give rakes and shovels and put out trash cans to get this area cleaned up. Apparently, the homeless people are going to do the work. Your tax dollars at work right there. Free labor in exchange for getting a shovel or rake.

So I call a press conference. I address the reporters on camera. I give my name. I am on Facebook. I got Louisville Metro so shook up on the day after my press conference they had 8-10 vehicles and people from all kinds of departments on Northwestern Parkway on the opposite side of the street mind you.

No one has reached out to me. It feels like they know better how to handle this than any resident of Portland does. Or at the very least they do not want your ideas, counsel or decades of experience. Once again Portland is being told that Louisville Metro knows better how to fix this.

This is not over. We are not going to accept a bandaid when we need surgery. What most folks don't know is your can fire your doctor or your lawyer and get another professional to help you, that will listen. Sometimes that means you need to have things worked out with professional help at 601 W Broadway, Louisville, KY 40202.

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Submitted by: Kristin Munro-Leighton, Family Health Centers

Colorectal cancer is the 3rd most common type of cancer for men and women. When found early, colorectal cancer can usually be cured.

If it can be cured, why is colorectal cancer the 2nd highest cause of cancer deaths in the U.S.? Because there are no early warning signs! The only way to catch it early is to get a **colonoscopy** to have your colon and rectum checked. Many people put off getting a colonoscopy because they've heard it is unpleasant. **Here's what Family Health Centers patients said:**

- "I can't say it is not unpleasant, because it is. But it is well worth your peace of mind!" --Mike
- "It's just one day and it could save your life." --Brenda
- "It's a very thorough exam and you won't feel a thing." --Mary

How does colorectal cancer start?

Your **colon** and **rectum** are sections of your large intestine. Colorectal cancers often begin as **polyps** in the colon or rectum. Polyps are fleshy, mushroom-shaped growths. Most polyps are harmless, but some will turn into cancerous tumors. Removing polyps early can prevent colorectal cancer.

Why should I be screened for colorectal cancer?

Signs of colorectal cancer only show up after cancer has developed, when treatment can be difficult. It is best to be checked for colorectal cancer regularly so that polyps can be found early and removed before they become cancerous. Many colorectal cancer deaths could have been prevented through regular screening.

What are the screening methods and recommendations?

- Fecal occult blood test – your doctor will give you a kit to collect a stool sample at home, then you will bring the sample back to your doctor. The lab can test your stool sample for blood in amounts that are too small for you to see, which allows any problems to be caught early.
- Colonoscopy – a camera is inserted to do a complete examination of your colon and rectum. This is the “gold standard” for colorectal cancer screening because it allows for earlier detection of polyps. Also, polyps can be removed during the procedure, which actually prevents cancer from developing. You will be put to sleep for the entire procedure.

Recommendations: Most men and women should be screened starting at age 50. You need a fecal occult blood test every year OR a colonoscopy every 10 years. You will be screened earlier and/or more often if you have a family history of the disease or other risk factors. Talk to your health provider today!

SOURCES: www.cancer.org, www.cancer.gov, www.wikipedia.com,
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By Grant Johnson

LVA is excited to offer unique and exciting Spring and Summer Art Camps in 2022. Info and registration are available at: <https://www.louisvillevisualart.org/camps-workshops>.

The Spring Break Camp - Rock, Paper, Scissors – runs at the Holy Trinity Clifton campus April 4 - 8. Mornings are for artistic creativity and discovery; afternoons are for exploration, games, and fun outside. Kids from all parts of Louisville are encouraged to sign up.

Summer Camps offer additional locations, with some sites able to accommodate extended hours. As with Spring Break Camp, Summer Art Camps focus on art-making in the morning, with energetic activities in the afternoon. Camps occur at Holy Trinity Clifton Campus, Waterfront Park, Waterfront Botanical Gardens, and at LVA's Lytle Street facility in Portland. The Portland based camps include the Manga Academy Summer Workshop for ages 11-13 (August 1-5), and the Studio Art Academy Summer Workshop for ages 13-17 (July 25-29).

Many students have followed a first experience of LVA's exceptional art education curriculum in an Art Camp with continued success in our school-year programs, Children's Fine Art Classes (grades 4-8), and the Academy of LVA (grades 9-12). Camps are a great way for students with interest in visual art to gain knowledge and confidence that may even lead to a career as an artist.

Summer Camps all meet for one week,

Monday through Friday. Most follow a 9am-4pm schedule, but it is important to check the link above for specifics. The Camp season runs June 6 through August 5, 2021, and available spots are already filling up. Please reach out to LVA Education Director, Annette Cable, with inquiries: annette@louisvillevisualart.org.

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Sausage & Spinach Pie



1 lb bulk pork sausage
 ½ cup biscuit mix
 ½ cup onion, chopped
 1 cup milk
 2 eggs
 1 lb bag frozen spinach, thawed and drained
 ¾ cups shredded Cheddar cheese

Oven 400 degrees. Spray 9 in. pie plate with cooking spray. Cook sausage and onion over medium heat until sausage is no longer pink, drain. Mix sausage, onion, spinach and salt and pepper (to taste) and spread in pie plate. In a medium bowl stir biscuit mix, milk and eggs until blended. Pour over sausage mixture. Bake 25 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese and bake 5 minutes longer. Cool before serving.



Macaroni & Cheese

1 can cream of celery soup
 3 cups cooked elbow macaroni
 ½ cup milk
 2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese
 ½ tsp mustard
 pepper to taste
 1 cup French's fried onions

In a 1 ½ quart casserole, blend soup, milk, mustard and pepper. Stir in macaroni and 1 ½ cup of cheese. Bake at 305 degrees or 20 minutes. Top with fried onions and remaining cheese and bake 10 more minutes.



Salmon Patties

1 can salmon
 1 cup mashed potatoes
 2 beaten eggs
 salt and pepper to taste
 1 cup fine cracker crumbs

Drain and remove bones from salmon. Mix thoroughly the salmon, potatoes, eggs, salt and pepper. Shape into patties, dip into cracker crumbs. Brown patties in butter over a low heat until done.



Hush Puppies

1 c yellow cornmeal
 1 large egg
 ¼ c flour
 ¾ c milk
 1 ½ tsp baking powder
 1 small onion finely chopped
 ½ tsp salt
 Oil for deep frying (3-4 inches)

In large bowl combine dry ingredients. Whisk egg, milk and onion, add to dry ingredients until combined. Heat oil to 365 degrees. In cast iron skillet or Dutch oven drop batter by tablespoonfuls and fry until golden brown (2-2/12 minutes) Drain and serve warm.

Tip: Be sure to maintain heat between 350 – 375 degrees. If you like your pups a little spicy, add a tsp of chili powder.



Carrots Au Gratin

3 cups sliced and cooked carrots, drained
 1 can cream of celery soup
 1 cup shredded cheese
 ¼ cup fine bread crumbs
 1 tbs. melted butter

Mix together the carrots, soup and cheese. Put into a buttered casserole. Sprinkle with buttered bread crumbs. Bake for 20-25 minutes at 350 degrees.



Cheese Cake Puffs

16 oz cream cheese
 1 tsp vanilla
 ¾ cup sugar
 24 vanilla wafers
 2 eggs
 22 oz. Cherry pie filling

Heat over 375 degrees. Place the cream cheese, sugar, eggs and vanilla in a large bowl and beat with mixer until smooth. Line muffin tins with paper liners and put one vanilla wafer in the bottom of each liner. Fill ¾ full with cheese mixture. Bake for 10 minutes and cool. Spoon pie filling in each liner. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

St. Patrick's Day 2022
 Thursday, March 17

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Family Storytime

Family Storytime is an opportunity for families to bond over shared stories and songs, as well as engaging in creative activities that reinforce a lifelong love of learning. Ages 3-8 and their families. Wednesdays @ 11:00AM - noon

Teen Art Smart Club

Express yourself! Draw, paint, sculpt, shape; cut, paste, design, create! Ages 12-18
 Thursday, March 3 @ 5PM - 6:30PM

Introduction to Birdwatching

Over the course of three sessions, participants will get acquainted with the basics of bird observation. The sessions will be: 1. Is it birdwatching or is it birding, is there a difference, and how do I do it?; 2. What's that bird?; 3. Digital birding. The sessions will be led by Andrew Melnykovych, field trip coordinator and president of the Beckham Bird Club of Louisville. Andrew holds degrees in biology and environmental studies and was an environmental writer for several newspapers. He has been watching birds since he was 10. He has seen more than 600 species of birds in the US and Canada, and has recorded bird observations in more than 20 other countries.

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All Abroad! Transportation Storytime

All Abroad! An evening family story time for children. Family storytime is an opportunity for families to bond over shared stories, songs, and creative activities. Storytime reinforces a lifelong love of learning. Come join us for this special transportation story time. Ages 3-8
 Monday, March 7 @ 6:30PM - 7PM

Wonder Women!

In celebration of Women's History Month, we will highlight graphic novels, books, artwork, and activities featuring some of the media's most incredible sheroes! Ages 5+
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Monday, March 14 @ 6PM - 7PM

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