

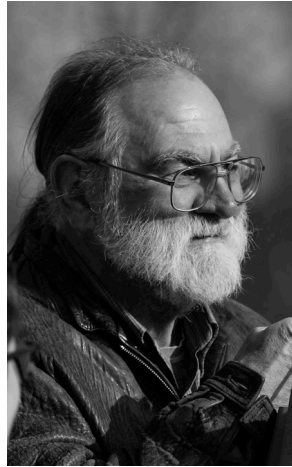
# Pensacola Park Post

A Monthly Pensacola Park Neighborhood Distribution

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## LOSS OF A LEXINGTON TITAN

It is with a heavy heart that we write of the passing of our councilmen Mr. Jake Gibbs, who passed away the morning of March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jake was an integral part of our neighborhood efforts in going H-1. He was a believer in the importance of increasing the tree canopy, in which he helped start *Trees Lexington!* a nonprofit that donated many new trees to Pensacola Park. He was also one of the few on council who pushed for neighborhoods to have a voice (even if he didn't always agree with us). Through thick and thin, Jake was a wonderful council leader; his death will leave a void in Lexington, as his life had left such an impression on many. He is survived by his wife Anita, and his two daughters. If you would like to do something in memory of Jake, please consider donating to Trees Lexington at [treeslexington.org](http://treeslexington.org)



## SUPPORT LOCAL: ReSTORE by Barbara Szubinska

Spring cleaning season will be upon us soon, and I hope that before you "Marie Kondo" that rocking chair, you might consider donating it to Habitat for Humanity's ReStore. Located just a mile away, at 451 Southland Dr., ReStore is like a year-round yard sale. On a recent trip, I found a large stack of brand-new coffee makers next to a kitchen sink. Our son's first apartment was furnished mostly from ReStore. We still chuckle about one-dollar place settings of plates, bowls and cups donated by Olive Garden (now, repurposed as pet feeding dishes) and the sturdy futon that went back to ReStore once the owner could afford a new couch.

ReStore is a part of Habitat for Humanity, a non-profit. Restore's sales help support Habitat's mission of building affordable homes for families in need. The first ReStore opened in 1991 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Now, there are 920 stores in 5 countries. Together, the stores have raised over \$100 million to build and repair homes for low-income folks. Habitat for Humanity operates in all 50 states, and in over 70 countries. Working at the ReStore also provides the participating families a way to satisfy the requirement of volunteer hours since not all can install drywall or paint. Other requirements include a financial literacy course since families do pay for their homes through a low-interest mortgage.

In addition to generating funds for building homes, ReStore helps divert tons of materials from entering the landfills. They accept furniture (except broken/torn), rugs, cabinets, sinks, tubs, and toilets, lamps and lights, appliances (large and small), building materials, paint, gardening and lawn care implements, books, and some electronics. Pick up is available for larger items, such as grills, couches, and large appliances. Volunteers will also help remove items such as cabinets. Call (859) 252-2224 to schedule.

So, before you haul to the curb the patio set that no longer sparks joy, try taking it to the ReStore so others might give it a new life.



## UPCOMING EVENTS IN MARCH:

**March 11th:** History of Bourbon. Why is Bourbon Back? Come taste and learn.  
*Info:* The Kentucky Castle. Wed 6pm. Price \$35

**March 11th:** 'I Am Woman Hear Me Pour' Fundraiser to support the Breaking the Bronze Ceiling by artist Barbara Grygutis in partnership with Maker's Mark  
*Info:* Open Space Art Gallery 6pm - 8pm. Free

**March 13th:** Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> Ghost Tea @ Waveland. Is Waveland really haunted? YES!  
*Info:* Waveland State Historic Site. 6:30pm - 8pm. \$35. Make reservations

**March 13<sup>th</sup>-March 14<sup>th</sup>:** Future of Fashion 2020  
*Info:* Presented by S. Benedit Productions @ the Thoroughbred Center 7pm to 10pm \$30 / day.

**March 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>:** Kentucky Crafted Market. Kentucky Arts Council's premier event w/ more than 200 vendors.  
*Info:* Kentucky Horse Park. Sat. 10am-6pm / Sun. 10am-4pm \$9 online / \$10 at the door. \$5 parking.

**March 14th:** Lexington St. Patrick's Parade and Festival  
*Info:* Downtown 11am - 6pm

**March 14th:** Beautiful Words: Hand-Lettering Basics. Spend an afternoon exploring the beautiful penmanship of Kentuckians of the past!  
*Info:* Thomas D. Clark Center for Kentucky History. 1pm-4pm

**March 21st:** The Hundred Dresses Play @ Lexington Children's Theatre  
*Info:* Saturday 2pm & 7pm; Sunday 2pm. Price \$15

**March 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>:** Lexington Comic and Toy Convention.  
*Info:* Lexington Center and Rupp Arena. 606-923-1664 \$20-\$45

**March 27<sup>th</sup>-March 29<sup>th</sup>** 'An American in Paris' play @ the Lexington Opera  
*Info:* Friday 7:30 pm; Saturday 1 pm & 7:30 pm; Sunday 1pm & 6pm. \$35-\$125

**March 28<sup>th</sup>:** Bluegrass Half-Marathon  
*Info:* Keeneland [runthebluegrass.org](http://runthebluegrass.org)

**March 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>:** RK Gun and Knife Show  
*Info:* Kentucky Horse Park Sat. 9am- 5pm / Sun. 9am-4pm. Kids \$4 / Adults \$10

...Lives a Historic Residential Contractor...

MEET: Melody McMunn

LIVES ON: Rosemont Gardens

YEARS IN P.P.: less than 1 year



Melody is an abstract artist and a full time caretaker to her baby boy. She is married to the most sarcastic goofball (but thankfully also very responsible guy) named Keith. She loves home, family, friends and making things beautiful. You can find her work at [melodyjoymcmunn.com](http://melodyjoymcmunn.com). She is inspired by people who try something new, or stop something that isn't right. Melody values people who are true to themselves, are generous with their knowledge, maintain healthy relationships with work and family, and make the world around them better and more beautiful. She is influenced by local interior designer Hannah Maple; famous impressionist artist Claude Monet, who was never afraid to break the mold; and Lee Ann Ford, an interior designer based in Pittsburgh/LA, who expresses so much security and confidence in her creativity, while at the same time being generous to other creative individuals.

**What do you like about Pensacola Park? And what would you do to improve Pensacola Park?** "I like that not all homes look the same, everyone is friendly, and it is walkable. I love the character of our older home; there's nothing like it to me! I love that our friends drive by and honk to say hi, and the beautiful trees around us. We love to walk to the farmers market and to all the Southland businesses. I would like to see improved sidewalks all the way down Rosemont Garden, and a sidewalk put in on Cherrybark – those of us strolling a baby down the street would really love it! I would also like to see the small business district near the train tracks revived."

IMPORTANT NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES/MEETINGS:

- April 1st @ 7 pm next monthly Neighborhood Meeting at the Liken House.
- April 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm Hunter Presbyterian Church. We will have a meet and greet with our new council candidates. Next newsletter will have more info on the candidates.

QUESTIONS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD:

WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE 1847 NICHOLASVILLE ROAD PROPERTY? IT LOOKS LIKE CONSTRUCTION HAS BEEN HALTED?

1847 Nicholasville Road, now under a new address, has been changed from 8 townhomes to 4 single-family residences. The developer pulled their building permit without having to go through the review requirements set forth by the H-1 overlay guidelines; while others in the neighborhood, who submitted their building permits, at the exact same time, had to comply. The neighborhood quickly mobilized, raised money for a lawyer, and appealed this decision with circuit court, which is where it currently stands.

REQUESTS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD:

- Do you have questions you would like to ask your future council candidate? Let us know! We will ask all FOUR upcoming candidates FIVE questions regarding our neighborhood and the greater Lexington.
- As we gear up for the beginning of spring, we have begun to prepare for this year's plant sale on May 16th. We are hoping to acquire more neighborhood plants, tables, and pop-up canopies for the event so let us know if you have any plants in your yard you'd be willing to dig up for the sale.

THE PENSACOLA PARK GARDEN


Flowers are the #1 cause of spring fever! Some of the first blooms of the year are deciduous magnolias, flowering cherry, forsythia, flowering quince, and, of course, spring bulbs. Add them now or put them on your wish list.




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HOW TO DONATE TO PENSACOLA PARK

All donations to Pensacola Park Neighborhood Preservation Society go 100% back into the community and are tax deductible! We also receive donations from Amazon Smile and Kroger Community Rewards if you choose us as your charity! We accept donations 1 of 3 ways:

- Cash or Check (which you can drop off to our GREEN mailbox at 107 Lackawanna Rd.)
- Paypal. We have a paypal link on our website at [pensacolapark.org](http://pensacolapark.org). Or you can send it through your paypal to: [pensacolapark@gmail.com](mailto:pensacolapark@gmail.com)
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ABOUT PENSACOLA PARK PRESERVATION SOCIETY



Pensacola Park Preservation Society is a non-profit 501(c)3, formed to bring together residents and businesses located in the Pensacola Park Neighborhood for the common good of (1) preserving the historic integrity and resources of the area; (2) creating an environment that promotes sustainable and appropriate growth for the neighborhood; and (3) providing historic education and assistance to those in the Pensacola Park Neighborhood for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic homes, structures, and landscapes. Also check us out online at [www.pensacolapark.org](http://www.pensacolapark.org), and follow us on Facebook @ Pensacola Park Preservation Society.

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