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YARD SALE FEEDBACK

Thank you to everyone who participated in the neighborhood yard sale this year! Special thanks to Greg Scarboro for suggesting and implementing the idea! We learned a lot from our first neighborhood yard sale. Two things we will change next year are to have it on ONE DAY only, which will be on Saturday, August 13th 2022, and to have a set time for everyone, which will be from 9am – 1pm. If you decide you want to set up earlier for the early birds, or want to end earlier than 1 pm, or keep on going until the sun goes down, this is your call. From what we gathered this year from those attending the yard sales, there was just too much confusion on the time, and not enough people participating on Friday. So going forward, we have heard the input, and we will try something new next time. Eventually we will get it right! Regardless it was great to see how many of you participated, and great to collect and sell treasures. So thank you again Pensacola Park for uniting!

THE RIBBON DRIVEWAY: MAKING AN ECO COMEBACK BY REBECCA C. GLASSCOCK

My 30+ year old asphalt driveway was a mess. I didn't want to leave it in such a state a year longer, but what to do: asphalt again, concrete, pavers? Especially considering the water issues in our neighborhood, I wanted a replacement that would be more in tune with our environment. After getting some price quotes, I came down on the side of the ribbon driveway.

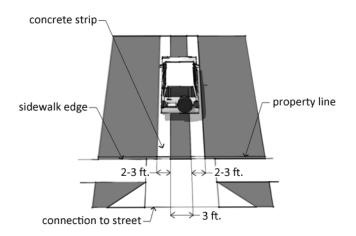
Over the years, the dual wagon ruts morphed into a driveway (the term "driveway" was first used in 1871). The driveway, of two solid lanes with a grassed strip in the middle, came to be called a ribbon (or Hollywood) driveway. Popular in the 1920s, they are making a comeback, especially in the northeast U.S.

There's a formula for the driveways: 2-3' ribbons separated by a 3' strip for grass (or other permeable materials). I like the retro look of my new driveway, and there are several other advantages as well.

- As already mentioned, I was looking for the environmental attributes. The middle strip absorbs water from rainfall or car washing, keeping the water from flowing down the street and overloading the sewer system. UK faculty estimated the water absorption from my 3' x 68' middle strip. Once the grass is established (Eco-lawn grass will be sown in later September), about 152 gallons is expected to be absorbed from a 1" rainfall. On average, Lexington gets 46.2" of precipitation a year, so about 7,022 gallons absorbed each year. Not bad.
- Ribbon driveways tend to cost less to install than concrete driveways. There's more framing, but much less concrete.
- As long as the ribbon has been installed correctly, they're less prone to cracking as a result of the freezethaw cycle. So, the ribbon is durable, and it also seems to be easy to maintain.
- And finally, I like how the ribbons with the vegetation in the middle transition to and blend so nicely with the house and the yard.

The one real challenge for me is backing up. I wanted to make sure I could consistently stay on the ribbons before sowing the grass. Took me a couple of weeks, but I've got that down now.

If you're considering a new driveway, hope you will consider the ribbon. Getting approval from the Office of Historic Preservation was a breeze.





SEPTEMBER 21: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

Following are excerpts from the United Nations' statement about this year's International Day of Peace:

"In 2021, as we heal from the COVID-19 pandemic, we are inspired to think creatively and collectively about how to help everyone recover better, how to build resilience, and how to transform our world into one that is more equal, more just, equitable, inclusive, sustainable, and healthier.

The pandemic has been accompanied by a surge in stigma, discrimination, and hatred, which only cost more lives instead of saving them: the virus attacks all without caring about where we are from or what we believe in. Confronting this common enemy of humankind, we must be reminded that we are not each other's enemy. To be able to recover from the devastation of the pandemic, we must make peace with one another.

And we must make peace with nature. Despite the travel restrictions and economic shutdowns, climate change is not on pause. What we need is a green and sustainable global economy that produces jobs, reduces emissions, and builds resilience to climate impacts."

Here is a link to the 2021 IDoP: https://www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-peace

NEIGHBORHOOD DIRECTORY FOR PENSACOLA PARK



August, 1954 Alvaton, Kentucky

We have a bit of news about the neighborhood directory. Rebecca Jean Fesmire, the parent of one of our neighbors, died a few months ago. She was 96, taught math for 30 years, and was a very active member of her neighborhood. She was always coming up with ways (building a community center, having Saturday breakfasts, bringing in speakers, fundraising to address needs) to bring her community together. As one way of honoring her memory, the family has decided to help bring our community together by covering the cost of a directory for EACH household in the neighborhood.

If you haven't gotten your information to your street captain yet (whatever you'd like included: name, address, cell phone, email, profession, services provided), please do so by the end of September.

Your street captains are:

<u>Goodrich:</u> currently no street captain, Rebecca Glasscock is taking info for directory / Claire.glasscock@gmail.com

<u>Lackawanna/ Norfolk</u>: Pat and Mike Bardo / pbardo.pb@gmail.com

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- Flag. Comes in three colors: 2'x3' Black, Green, Red (\$85)
 - Metal Plaque. Comes in two sizes: 8x8 (\$165) and 5x5 (\$80)
- Stickers. Comes in eight different colors (\$2 each)







PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO PENSACOLA PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

As an organization we do not currently collect any neighborhood association dues, instead we function off of grants, fundraisers, and donations from the neighborhood. Donations allow us to go after matching grants, buy trees to increase our canopy, improve street conditions, throw community events, and be able to print this newsletter. If you would like to donate, you can either: (1) Drop off Cash or Check to our GREEN PPNA mailbox at 107 Lackawanna Rd / (2) Use Paypal @ pensacolapark@gmail.com / (3) Use Venmo @ Pensacola-Park

ABOUT PENSACOLA PARK PRESERVATION SOCIETY AND PENSACOLA PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Pensacola Park Preservation Society is a non-profit 501(c)3 formed by Pensacola Park Neighborhood Association in order to bring together residents and businesses located in the Pensacola Park Nationally Registered Historic Boundary, 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; (3) providing historic education and assistance to those in the Pensacola Park Neighborhood for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic homes, structures, and landscapes; and (4) Unifying and being representative of all the original streets in the Pensacola Park Historic boundary. Also check us out online at www.pensacolapark.org, and follow us on Facebook @ Pensacola Park Neighborhood Association.

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