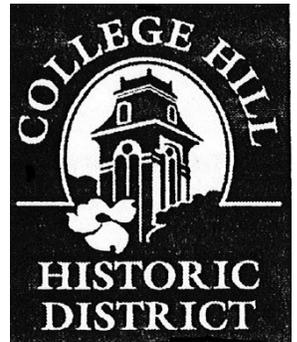


College Hill Historic District



Clean Up on Court Street:

One family finds a way to make a difference in our neighborhood



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It's inevitable. With a busy road day and night it is easy to spot trash strewn onto the sidewalk and yards of Court St. It takes more than our quarterly Neighborhood Clean Up Day to keep our streets looking their best. That is why Tim Richardson of Waller Ave. decided to make it a habit to clear the way on his walks. His wife Adele shares, “Tim was the one in our family that started this and he is the main "picker-upper"...he is exercising on Court Street all the time and is so good to pick up trash when he sees it. He truly has been doing this for years, but just got our family to "join in" and now the sign makes us official...we better all get our hands dirty! Why, you ask? Because it is the right thing to do...it is awfully hard to walk past trash and NOT pick it up....my conscience works on me when I try to do this. We will probably have a "once-a-week" clean-up for our family....the girls can accrue volunteer time for this and we can work on something as a family. Our "family time" is precious to us since we seldom are all here at the same time!” An official Adopt- A-Mile sign with the Richardson Family name sits just up from Stanley Ave. on Court St.

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Get Involved!

We welcome neighbors to our meeting @ 7 pm on Mondays

October 13: Jerry & Terry King

133 W. Goddard Ave.

November 10: Bobby and Alicia Luttrell

116 Indiana Ave.

December 8: Jim and Hannah Volk

918 Hunter Lane



Email: if you are not getting info from us chances are we do not have your email. Please let us know by contacting celtichyme@gmail.com



111 Miller Ave.

Our neighbors are the best recruits, so spread the word!

More information is posted on the College Hill Website under Neighborhood News: For Sale

- 224 Indiana Ave SOLD!
- 304 Indiana Ave PENDING!
- 111 Miller Ave.
- 433 Cates St
- 232 Clarion Ave.
- 510 N. Clark SOLD!
- 763 N Clark SOLD!
- 103 Stanley Ave SOLD!
- 305 Stanley Ave
- 903 Court Street
- 923 & 925 S. Court St
- 316 Waller Ave SOLD!
- 233 Wilson Ave.



232 Clarion Ave.



Welcome Home. Brianna Ross welcomes David Clearman and his family into the neighborhood with a plant. They moved from the Atlanta, GA area.

Welcome New Neighbors!

224 Indiana Avenue David and Lisa Clearman purchased Andy and Kahren White's house

113 Indiana Avenue Adam Householder and Scarlett Hoskins purchased Fred and Wanda's McArthur's rental home

510 N. Clark Wes and Sally Mullins purchased Brian and Amy Pennington's home. They sold their house on Waller and have officially moved into the district.

211 Clarion Ave Rob Mohn purchased Beth Profit's home

103 Stanley Ave Amy Thomas and her father purchased the Cowden house to restore.

209 Indiana Ave Tina Becker is renting from the McArthurs



Neighborhood Clean Up

It's time do a clean sweep through our neighborhood this month!

When: Saturday, September 27

Time: 11 am

Where: 206 Indiana Ave (Hasson Home)

Equipment: bags, gloves, pickers, and vests provided



Spotted!

Jonathan and Ashlee Day have been hard at work in their yard with landscaping. Their wildflower garden is filled with majestic sunflowers, colorful zinnias, and creeping sweet potato vine. They have also repainted their home in warm accent colors. For house update see page 10.



Hosted by: Todd & Laura Hasson

Where: 206 Indiana Ave.

When: Saturday, November 1

Time: 4:00-6:00

What to Bring:

Bring your own lawn chair and enjoy a chili supper and cake walk!

Email the Hasson's at

hassont2006@comcast.net if you can bring chili and/or cake and to get more info.

2014 **FALL** Gathering!





I Scream for Ice cream. It was another showdown between top homemade ice cream contenders Jonathan Day (far left) and Tom Arnette (second from right) with Jerry King and Erin Huffstetler in the mix. This year's winner of the "Brick" goes to Jonathan Day with his blackberry ice cream incorporating local ingredients. "I felt really good about it because if we win next year we will win the Triple Crown. Plus it's fun beating Tom Arnette," said Day.

4TH OF JULY

Windows of Time

A peek into renovations

by Jim Volk

It has been a busy year since Hannah and I moved into 918 Hunter Lane. Some of the projects were refinishing floors, removing old wall paper, painting the living room, bedrooms, and kitchen. Scraping the stippled ceilings and installing ceiling fans. We received approval from the Historic Zoning Commission to rebuild our chimney, install a chimney cap, and install some roof ventilators.

A bigger and more expensive project is to replace all of the windows. The house was built for Dr. E. B. Hunter in 1939; Dr. Hunter had his practice on the lower level and lived upstairs. We were fortunate to get the original build order for the house. The house is brick veneer and the windows are all 16-pane double hung. The main floor has eight very large windows of 39 inches wide by 60 inches high.

Over the course of time the windows were painted brown then later aluminum casings were installed. Time had not been kind to the windows, some of the windows had rotten sills when the aluminum was installed while in other windows there had been leaks along the brick wall and rot had started. Some of the panes were broken and the glazing was significantly deteriorated. Many sash cords of the old cast iron counter weight system were broken and the windows did not open. It was clear that the windows needed replacement.

The first step in that process was approval by the Historic Zoning Commission (HZA). The winter and spring were spent planning the replacement of 23 windows. We measured rough openings, consulted various window manufactures to see what would fit, and what styles were available. By spring the presentation was ready and sent to the HZA. At the May meeting the decision was made quickly, all were in favor.

We had decided on Anderson 400 series windows. They had the sizes that fit well with the rough openings. The profiles exactly matched the grills in the original windows, and they offered a tilt wash system where the sashes can be pulled out of the frames and tilt into the house when the windows need washing. We opted for white PVC protective coating on the outside and unpainted pine inside.

On the July 4th weekend the first test window was replaced. It was on the lower level for ease of working - no ladders. The old sashes were removed and when the sill was cut out it was easy to remove the old frames. As it turned out the rough opening in the brick was a good fit for the window we bought. The now empty weight pockets were filled with two pressure-treated 2 x 6s. These were then covered in ProTecto Wrap a membrane that sticks to the wood and will prevent water penetration. The work went well (only two trips to Home Depot for supplies).



Next the 7 large windows on the main floor were replaced. Due to the slope of the lot the north window is some 8 feet above grade while the southern windows are 4 feet above grade. We rented scaffolding to help with these heights. Over the Labor Day weekend with the help of two strong young men five of the windows were installed. This time I had all the material and equipment ready. The work went well as it was very similar to the test window using pressure treated wood to fill the empty weight pockets and ProTecto Wrap along with lots of caulk to seal the window in. The following weekend the last two were installed. Yes I did the work myself; it was a relief from my job at ProNova working in front of computers all day long.

We are already receiving the benefits of our new windows. We can easily open the windows both top and bottom and that lets plenty of fresh air in the house. The old aluminum and cast iron weights were sold to a scrap dealer in town, the storm windows went to Habitat for Humanity, and the old sashes went to the Salvage House on Ellis - who knows someone may make an art project out of them. Eight down Fifteen to go!

Getting Grounded

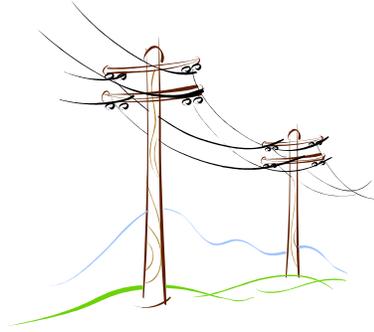
Looking into the benefits of underground electric lines

by Hannah Volk

In order for this to work electric power lines cannot touch the earth. This is the reason that they were installed on poles. Insulators (they look like disks) maintain the separation between the live wires and the ground. But, up in the air the wires are vulnerable to being weighed down and damaged by ice as well as tree limbs falling on them. Enter underground power lines.

The newer underground power lines are made to withstand the rigors of being buried. This is what is hoped for by many in our neighborhood. To begin with only six homes are being considered. It is more efficient to do a group of homes than one at a time. In this group there are four along Court St., one on Indiana Ave., and one on Hunter Ln. The request is to remove a total of three poles, underground the electric power, and underground power to a light pole.

Here are the costs so far: for two of the low voltage lines \$4,124.10 less a credit for reduced maintenance of \$2,124.10 for a net of \$2,000. The removal of the higher voltage-carrying pole is \$4,175. This is a higher cost because a transformer (these



are the large can-like objects) must be relocated to the ground and the neighboring pole has to have additional mechanical support. These costs do not cover the

expense of rearranging the electric input into each home. I am still waiting on those numbers.

Undergrounding these wires would save the electric department some headaches in maintenance. I am requesting that not only conduit be installed for running the power but also a tube called innerduct to house communications. True, the cable company will not use them today but since innerduct itself is inexpensive it makes sense to install them along with the conduit for power. Someday soon they will be needed and they will already be in place.

So far the electric department is unwilling to install innerduct and they want all costs paid up front. This is a roadblock to getting our neighborhood upgraded. But we are just getting started and I am optimistic that first these six houses will have their power undergrounded and then a system will emerge to continue through College Hill.

New Year Membership info

Starts January 1-December 31

Annual meeting will be held in January

Membership dues \$35.00

Official forms will be in the Nov/Dec newsletter





Pruning your Plants

Fall is fast approaching and it's that time of year for trimming back. But be careful when pruning the following plants this time of year.

Bloom Time Is the Key

Many of the commonly butchered shrubs and trees bloom in spring. This means that they've already formed their flower buds. Therefore do not prune the following.

1. Forsythia
2. Lilac
3. Loropetalum
4. Oakleaf hydrangea
5. Rhododendron
6. Saucer or star magnolia
7. Spirea
8. Viburnum
9. Azealea
10. Flowering cherry, peach, plum, pear, crabapple

Plants that are OK to prune now are those that make their flower buds on new growth next year. They include:

1. Angel's trumpet
2. 'Annabelle', 'Limelight', and PG hydrangea
3. Butterfly bush
4. Cape plumbago
5. Chaste tree
6. Crepe myrtle
7. Gardenia
8. Goldenrain tree
9. Hibiscus
10. 'Knockout' and most shrub roses

Saving a Home on Stanley Avenue

An interview with Amy Thomas

1. Why did you and your dad buy the home?

Anyone who lives in Maryville drives down Court Street at some point during the week. It's hard to look at a beautiful home in such disrepair and not feel pulled to save it. Maryville is a beautiful small town. As its citizens we should all stop and do something. Simply picking up a piece of litter is doing something. We feel lucky to have the opportunity to be creative together and try to make this home grand again.

2. What are you doing to renovate the home?

The biggest renovation at this point is a brand new, proper foundation. Vinyl Siding has been removed and the original siding is currently being scraped and repaired.



103 Stanley Avenue

3. What kinds of challenges have you encountered so far?

A cistern collapsed under the side porch and the porch had to be removed due to water damage and safety issues. We created a new foundation with the same footprint and plan to create a mudroom in its place. At some point, that side porch had been turned into a kitchen. It's important to us to relocate the kitchen back to its original area and maintain a porch look for the mudroom.

4. What is your vision for the home?

Beautiful. Grand.

5. Do you know any history of the home? When built? Who originally owned it etc?

The home is dated 1900, but previous owners have suggested 1897. The Stanley family lived in the home.

6. What are your plans for the home? To live there or sell it?

The Stanley Avenue house will be for sale after the renovation. When you work on a home, it's hard to not see yourself living there and it is hard to sell in the end. You have to go into it thinking what would I want if I lived here. Anything less isn't good enough. What I take away from it is the memories of working with my family members and all the jokes along the way. That's more important than having the privilege to live there.

7. How many older homes have you restored and why is this important to you and the community?

My father has restored many homes, but this is our 2nd collaboration. He has the knowledge and I have the desire to design.

*This home is located on the corner of Stanley Ave and Court St facing the entrance to Maryville College. Amy Thomas is librarian at Sam Houston Elementary School



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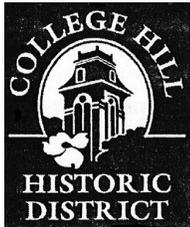
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Jonathan and Ashlee Day's new house colors. To view in color open our newsletter on the website.

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