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Hey Parents, Santa is coming to 12th South!!!

On Sunday, December 6th from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. have your child's picture taken with Santa by our very own professional photographer, Mr. John Schweikert of John Schweikert Photography! No fee, but a small donation to the 12th South Neighborhood Association would be generous. Enjoy a candy cane and a picture with Santa that will be emailed to you for FREE! Why stand in line at the Mall? Just come by and enjoy the holidays with your neighbors! Santa will appear @ Imogene + Willie at the corner of Sweetbriar and 12th Ave. Address: 2601 12th Ave. South. Look for the big orange plus sign and you'll find Santa!
Contact: abbekeler@yahoo.com if you have questions.



Neighbors
Between
Wedgewood
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Restoring Community
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November
2009

Next Board Meeting - All Welcomed
Tuesday, November 10th @ 5:30 p.m. @ Bart and Abbe Keleher's home
1105 Montrose Ave.

We Drew 12 South October 10

How can 60 folks make a drizzly, cold Saturday fun? Well, we met early for coffee and went outside to draw pictures. More accurately, assorted neighbors, children, visitors, area artists, exchange students, even our Metro council lady participated in first neighborhood Big Draw in US, produced by Drawing America (drawingamerica.org).

After 10 minutes (!) of instruction by organizer Suzanne McDermott, we dispersed to historic commercial buildings and homes and tried out "skills" that had, for most, been dormant for decades. By 2pm the results were posted on wall of the Frothy Monkey, and at 6 we reassembled for an exhibit opening, with wine and cheese no less.

Quotes say it all: "a wonderful thing" (Adraine Knight); "a meditative experience!" (Linda Southwell); and "Wanna join similar event again" (Ka Hung, Tse). This was truly a community event, to be repeated, we hope, next year. The drawings hang through November 9 and event photos and comments are at bigdrawnashville.org. Thanks to artist Suzanne and architect Nick Dryden for inspiration and to Frothy Monkey for space and refreshments.

~Ken Winter



**New
Neighborhood
Association
Board Members**



Bart, Hayes and Abbe Keleher

ABBE KELEHER
Hello my name is Abbe Keleher and I am the new Secretary of the 12 South Neighborhood Association. My husband, Bart, and I moved to the 12 South neighborhood in 2002. We started in a home just one block from where we are currently. We were in an older home built in 1910 and needed a little more space to start our family. We couldn't bear the thought of leaving this great neighborhood, so we moved just 4 houses down in 2003 to a newly constructed home. We have a 3 year old son, Hayes, that we love raising in this neighborhood. I stay at home with him two days out of the work-week and we frequently stroll up and down the sid

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The Rain Came but the Rock Won!

A brief autumn squall threatened to end the 12 South Concert Series in Sevier Park prematurely on September 26th but the faithful picnickers braved the 10 minute downpour and the concert continued. Weather had been stellar through the entire series that started August 15th and wrapped up Sept 26th.

The series kicked off with Midnight Riders, Zig Zag and Mondo Seanz performing in front of an impressive opening night crowd of 200. Falling on the 40th anniversary of Woodstock, the music was a perfect tribute with the Allman Brother's tribute, Zig Zag's classic rock and Mondo's folk-inspired rock.

Show number two on August 29th featured Eric Wilson kicking things off, followed by Jason White and Brother Henry. Crowd was great, music fantastic and the series' popularity solidified.

The third show in the series brought the funky sounds of Eclectica, Ugly Stick and Storm Kings to the neighborhood stage September 12th. A huge crowd soaked up the late Summer sun while some of the finest musicians in the South performed musical acrobatics.

The week leading into the final show September 26th was plagued with unseasonably wet weather and consideration was given to

rescheduling or postponing the event. Instead, the show went on. Art 4 Sale kicked the afternoon off while the skies cleared and the sun shone. Denitia Odigie joined the group onstage when a sudden cloud-break seemingly pinpointed Sevier Park dousing the stage and spectators with a few minutes of comedic hard rain. A decision was made to continue and Ik Ben and Shawn Byrne rewarded the faithful with compelling Americana rock to cap off a second season of 12 South Concerts.



The show organizers thank all the sponsors for supporting the shows, in particular: Core Development, Village Realty, Fry Classic Construction, Rumours Wine Bar, Green Pea Salon, Imogene & Willie, D A | A D, Rudy Title, 12th South Neighborhood Assoc., Belmont/Hillsboro Neighborhood Assoc., Armstrong Realty, Frothy Monkey, The Beautiful Rosine, Halcyon Bike Shop, The Happy Hound, The Clean Plate Club, 12South Tap Room.

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walks to chit-chat with neighbors or to say "hi" to all of the dogs that he has become fond of. The other three days of the week, I am a Pharmaceutical Sales Representative. Bart, Hayes and I do not have any family in the state of Tennessee. This neighborhood has quickly become our family; therefore, it is important for me to give back to the neighborhood by being on the Board for the 12 South Organization. My family and I look forward to seeing this community grow in a positive way.

KELLEY KING

Hello, my name is Kelley King and I am a newly appointed Board member of the 12 South Neighborhood Association. My husband, Ryan, and I moved to the neighborhood in March 2007. We are newlyweds - just married in Delaware on Sept 5th. We have been steadily improving and preserving our home on Halcyon and love living in 12 South. I work in business development for American Express Corporate Services.



Ryan and Kelley King

CHRISTIANE DAVIS

Hi, my name is Christiane Davis and I am the new Treasurer for the 12 South Neighborhood Association. My husband, Jeremiah, and I moved to Nashville from San Francisco in 2003. I have worked in the Banking sector since 1998, and currently act as the Director of Premium Finance at Cool Springs Financial Group. My obsession with spreadsheets will be a great attribute to properly keeping the books for the association. We live on Montrose with our 2 year old daughter, Nadine, and our 2 labs, Daisy and Millie.



Christiane Davis with her Husband, Jeremiah, and their daughter Nadine

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On the Street

• 12South's Best of Nashville.

The Nashville's Scene's free 20th Annual "Best Of Nashville" issue (Oct 15 - 21) ranked many neighborhood businesses among the top three in numerous categories. Most were based on reader polls; however Scene staffers contributed additional, critical reviews. Find a copy quick if you still can. A full list of Avenue and vicinity winners will appear next month.

• **Halcyon Bike Shop Mural.** Elise Tyler, the Scene's 2009 selection for "Best Ideals in Practice" contributed the following comments about the 1118 Halcyon Avenue artwork facing 12th: "We wanted to create public art that incorporated the 12South Neighborhood in addition to promoting our shop. Laura Lester, Jenny Bags and Mike Luckett of Number Walls were the perfect team to do the job: they have done beautiful murals around town. We loved the concept they decided on: the mural is inspired by shadow puppets, and they successfully incorporated the neighborhood by including a coffee cup and a popsicle! We hope to do another mural on the wall facing our parking lot in the coming months."

• **(n)habit**, 2309 12th Av So (www.n-habit.net), an eco-friendly home supply and design store, is having a grand opening celebration Sunday, November 8, from 1 to 6 p.m. The inventory consists of over 70 products, including bamboo flooring and carpentry wood, low-flow kitchen and bathroom fixtures, no-VOC paint, interior and exterior fireplaces, recycled glass tiles and rain barrels. Free shopping bags at 1 p.m. snacks by tayst at 2.

~Ken Winter

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ERIN SIMPSON

Erin Simpson has been a resident of the 12South neighborhood since 2006. A New Orleans native, Erin spent several years in Providence, Rhode Island studying urban revitalization and the rehabilitation of existing architecture. Currently, she is a real estate broker with Village Real Estate. As a Realtor specializing in the urban neighborhoods of Nashville, Erin has enjoyed not only living in but also working with members of the 12South community.



Erin Simpson

Upcoming Events

Pinewood Derby Saturday, November 21st at Imogene + Willie. Races start at 5:00PM.

Second Saturday Morning Breakfast November 14. Council Lady Sandra Moore hosts the moveable monthly meeting of neighborhood leadership from across the district. 8 - 9:30 am, place - to be announced, breakfast is \$5.00. Social, political fun.

2010 Neighborhood Tour.

Tentatively third Saturday, April. Abbe Keleher and Kelley King (kelleymullins@gmail.com) will sell advertising and Ken Winter (385-9762, kcwinter@earthlink.net) will coordinate home and garden selection

Progressive Dinner:

Tentatively January 23 or 30, 2010 (Saturday evenings), organized by Todd McEachern, Todd@mdusi.com; volunteers needed for hosting and preparing courses.