



The Soulard Restorationist

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B. PEAR REVEALS HER SHADY STORY!

Hello, I am your new tree. I would like to thank you for giving me a new home in Soulard. I have talked to the other 32 trees that were planted on April 20th by the Beautification Com-

mittee, and they, too, are very happy. Let me see if I can give you a run down on that wonderful day.

On April 19th, we were all taken from our foster home in the county

(Treeland Nursery), placed on a truck and began our long trip down to the Big City. When we got there, some people (I think they were those Beautify people) were putting tags with names and addresses on our branches. We all slept well that night, but I heard one of the Bradford Pears talking to the others about separation.

In the morning (I think it was about 8 a.m.) all these people came. Seemed like doves, but I would guess it was 50 in all. They were picking us up and putting us on trucks. Those Beautify people were saying "This group goes to Lami and 9th, this group goes to 13th and Lami...." There were six groups with about five of us per group. All the people were very kind and gentle, taking care not to drop us or break our branches. We then arrived at our new homes. We were each placed in a hole and covered with nice clean dirt. The hose was brought out, and we all received a big drink of water. I was planted on 13th Street, so I was able to find out what happened after we were all planted.

It was about 10:30 a.m., and the people came to this house and went to the back yard. I thought they might be planting more trees, but then I kept hearing people say they were thirsty. I felt bad because I had the

garden hose. All they had to do was ask me and they could have gotten a drink. Soon there was this big barrel thing with a hose attached to it and all the people lined up with cups in hand to drink from this hose. Funny, I don't think they were drinking the same thing I was.

I then began to smell something cooking. Fear ran through me at the thought of one of my tree friends being burned from the roots up. I could hear them saying "is the sausitza done yet?" I have never heard of a tree called "Sausitza," but I am only five years old and have not been around that long. There were two little people, and they had not heard of sausitza either. I heard one of the big people tell them it was like a hot dog. Well, that put my fear to rest. I knew it must be people food and not a tree.

People came and went all day long. Then about 7:30 p.m., I saw that barrel thing with the hose being put in a truck and driven away. It was quiet then.

I found out later that those nice people who planted us would be back in the fall to plant more of us. I would just like to give a special thanks to all those people for planting us and taking such good care of us. I know that the trees to come will be in good hands. I am so happy.

B. Pear



Yes, 3'x3' holes are fun to dig, reported Marcia Wilson, Beautification Chairperson.

The Soulard Restorationist
Box 13312 Soulard Station
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Address Correction Requested

Notes from the Animal House . . .

Soulard is a much greener and cleaner neighborhood after several weekends worth of hard work by members of the SRG. The weekend of April 20th saw the planting of more than 30 trees throughout the Soulard neighborhood. This was a part of our on-going tree planting effort, which has been funded by area corporations (Anheuser Busch and Monsanto, to name two of our biggest supporters), and from proceeds of our annual Fall House Tour.

Operation Brightside's Project Blitz was a success in Soulard, but at the expense of a great many sore

muscles blistered hands. Those of you who were unable to help on May 4th can enjoy the handiwork of your neighbors by viewing the clean lot at 8th and Russell as well as the beautiful brick sidewalk we discovered underneath several inches of dirt and grass at 13th and Russell. My thanks to all who helped, and especially to Marcia Wilson, Linda Hoffman and Bob Printz for organizing these projects.

Two events of special note are coming up: the SRG Summer Membership Picnic, scheduled for Sunday, June 2nd, and the Annual 4th of July Soulard vs. Lafayette Square Softball Game. As last year's losers, Lafayette Square will be supplying the refreshments for this year's game. They haven't won a game in recent memory, but there is talk of an upset victory this year. So pack the picnic basket, grab a lawn chair and join in the fun.

—Tony Hanson

Summer in the City

The annual SRG Membership Picnic, "Summer in the City," will be held on Saturday, June 8, 1985 in Lyon Park (directly east of A-B). The festivities will begin at 5:00 p.m. and last til...? The menu will feature such succulent picnic fare as hamburgers and hotdogs with compatible condiments. Ted Drewes will be the guest of honor, delivering a "melt in the mouth" desert!! Of course, no

SRG affair would be complete without such notable potables as beer and lemonade.

So...bring your favorite lounge chair and a side dish and enjoy "Summer in the City!!" Babysitting will be provided!!

Please let us know if you're coming by June 5: call Thelma at the Housing Office — 771-5563.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



2302-04 Menard St.

I am responding on behalf of the board of directors to the editorial entitled, "Julia's Missing Children" (April 1985).

As a past board member and officer of the Soulard Restoration Group (SRG) I can say that the SRG has a long standing policy of opposing demolition of buildings in the historic district. From the days of the Boys' Club fight to the present, this organization has consistently *opposed* demolitions.

It is true that last year when I was President of the SRG the board voted not to oppose the demolition of 2302-04 Menard, but we voted not to support it either. This was decided after a very long and gut wrenching discussion. The board took this position because Mead McClellan, the owner and potential developer, told us that it was economically feasible to rehabilitate the building. Two other developers were asked if they would be interested in buying the properties

and renovating them, but both said it would be too expensive. Consequently, the board decided not to oppose the demolitions.

Those buildings have a long and involved history and, while it is true that the SRG owned them at one time, it is also true that we did everything we could to ensure their future. When we sold the buildings, we even attempted to place a restriction on the deed stipulating that the buildings be renovated within a certain period of time. We were unsuccessful, and the rest is history.

There are no easy decisions when preservation and development are at issue. Your volunteer board members try to make fair and just decisions based on information presented to them. We can do no more.

Sincerely,
Kathy Dabrowski-Poe
Ex-officio board member

WELCOME

The Soulard Restoration Group would like to take this opportunity to welcome the following new members:



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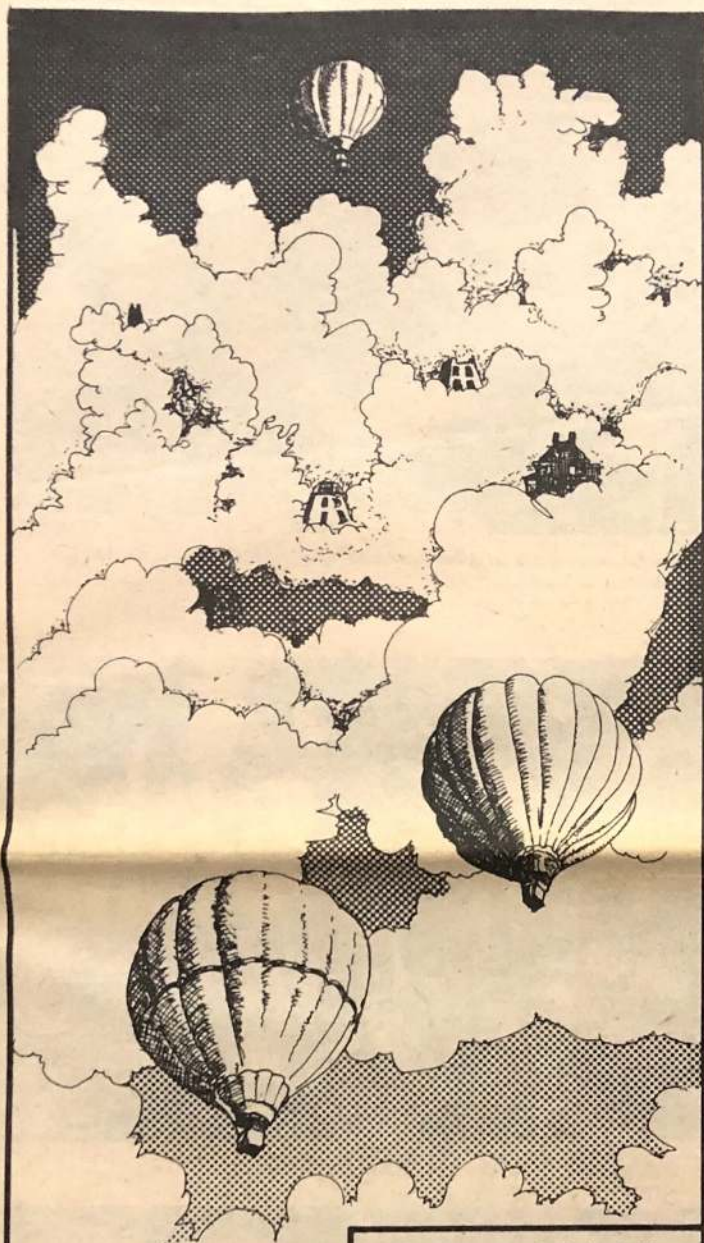
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The 11th annual Souard House Tour, the "Magical History Tour" will be held September 28 and 29, 1985.

This is an opportunity for our neighborhood to show some of our finest and most unique historical houses. If you think your house is special, call John Durnell or Richard Eaton at 621-4460 or any member of the House Tour Committee. Let's give St. Louis a taste of Magical History on this year's tour.

Featured with this year's house tour will be a unique quilt show displayed at Jesus Church. In addition, there will be a raffle for a quilt (double bed size), a baby quilt and pillow slips.

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More Adventures of an Amateur Rehabber

— Jay Gibbs

I have lived in my partially renovated Soulard house for approximately two months now. During this period many facts of life concerning urban living in general and handyman living in particular have surfaced. These are the many observations and occurrences, both large and small, both good and bad, that an uninitiated young man from Richmond Heights could never anticipate.

The house still has virtually no interior walls; as I view skeletal studs I can fathom how Jonah felt inside the whale. Because of this absence of partitions the house takes on a cavernous air, especially at night, when every noise is magnified. As I lie in bed, creaks, clanks, groans, and other disquieting noises sound in a cacophony that should send me to the Ghostbusters. This arthritic great-grandmother of a house only seems quiet when nearby bars crank up on weekends. I used to think I lived alone, but no, slumming with me are several mice. At least they're considerate, they stop their rustling when I'm trying to impress touring friends and relatives. The mice don't bother me much, because I know some folks with (nearly) finished renovations who deal with the furry little guys all the time. Speaking of fur and noises, it sounds as if a cat convention of the carnal kind is in full swing right below my window. Using the several vacant buildings nearby as home bases, these alley felines embark on conquests that make Kimba the White Lion seem a kitten. Despite all this sound, life is usually very peaceful, unless some trucker downshifts on I-55.

Interesting sounds are not the only new experience in store. One begins to think of everything in terms of the house. I remember attending the Fox Theatre, seeing movies, buying records, and partying at bars. Now the house gulps my meager entertainment budget without even the courtesy of a burp. It's a lot less fun to go to plays, movies, or bars when one thinks of a ticket as eight studs, a rum and coke as a half sheet of drywall. Having fun has become like binging during a diet; the house starts the guilt trip as soon as I walk in: "Let's see, you blew 16 studs, one box of eight-penny nails, and seven sheets of drywall tonight." My social life is absolutely anorexic as a result.

Even the money I do save goes

almost nowhere, so I have recently concentrated on things that require little cash outlay, the rarest of rare. Pulling up a damaged wood floor for relayment required no bucks, just patience, another precious commodity. The house did contribute to my rehab funds as it yielded a 1924 Mercury dime between top- and subfloors. When the weather turned warm and sunny I switched to outside activities. Innumerable hours spent on yardwork have thus far produced a few rewards but hey, it's still only spring. True burnout waits until it's 99 degrees in the shade. I have tried my hand at brickwork and have discovered that laying bricks is not very difficult, just incredibly tedious. I can't seem to keep my hands out of the mortar (remember making mudpies as a kid?) and so in addition to being quite slow at this task I have trashed my hands in the process. I salute all you bricklayers out there — to keep up an economical pace, keep your hands on the trowel, and not die of boredom is remarkable. Rome wasn't built in a day, and neither shall be my brick wall repairs.

All in all my life has changed immeasurably because of this house. One year ago, just one year ago in May 1984, I was gutting this place, whistling while I became filthy and developed "straw hair" and "plaster-dust cough." Now that's normal. A year ago I enjoyed nice restaurants and home cooking, now haute cuisine is a Dairy Queen double-with-cheese and home cooking is peanut butter sandwiches. A year ago a rainy day meant no Cardinal game or cookout, now it means no masonry work, yardwork, or paint work. Actually, despite what I say, I don't wish to return to the beforetime of suburban living, despite the rose-colored glasses, memories of boredom remain. Now I'm never bored, that's for certain. When in a moment of weakness I decry my house, its builders, and my idiocy, my supportive neighbor, John, reassured gently, "Ha! You're stuck! You're married to that house! So get used to it! Welcome to Soulard! Ha! Ha-ha-ha-ha!" I'm considering changing the name of this column to "Home Sweet Wreck" or "Ninth Street Ruins" to consummate this bond of fidelity. Until next time, as they say on American Top 40, keep your feet in the plasterdust and keep reaching for the joists. Don't work too hard!

Yes! I want to join the Soulard Restoration Group.

Here's the information and my check. Let me hear from you as soon as possible.

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Remember When

MAY 10, 1861

by John Soderberg

Come with me down Broadway to Arsenal St. by the brewery — to Lyon Park. You know the place — probably driven past it hundreds of times. It's a typical city park with a couple of softball diamonds, a monument, and, in this case, a statue of General Nathaniel Lyon, for whom the park is named.

But wait! Let's go back in time — back to the spring of 1861 when this place was the site of a Federal arsenal. A series of events began here in this part of Soulard that would ultimately help to shape the course of U.S. history.

Upon President Lincoln's inauguration many more southern states made good their threat to leave the Union. Thus, from Lincoln's perspective it was absolutely crucial that no more states secede. Missouri, a border slave state, strategically located on the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers, was of particular concern since it had a U.S. arsenal with a supply of guns and ammunition sufficient to equip a 60,000 man army. To further complicate the problem, Missouri's newly elected governor, Claiborne Jackson, a closet secessionist, curtly refused to honor Lincoln's request for volunteers. On the contrary, he was forming his own state militia in order to capture the arsenal, thereby insuring his plan to take Missouri out of the Union.

The responsibility to thwart secessionist plans and to secure the arsenal fell to Capt. Nathaniel Lyon, a 43-year-old West Pointer. He had arrived in St. Louis in February, 1861 with 80 men. Capt. Lyon was a short and slender man with abundant light brown hair, reddish brown beard, and deep-set blue eyes. What he lacked in physical stature, however, he more than made up in his fierce loyalty and desire for preservation of the Union. How clearly Lyon's mind was set upon the great issues of the day, his own words show: "I do not see how war is to be avoided ... yet I have no apprehension about the final triumph of Almighty Truth ... I would rather see the country lighted up with flames, from its center to its remotest borders, than that the great rights and hopes of the human race should expire before the arrogance of the secessionists ... We shall rejoice, though, in martyrdom if need be."

Upon his arrival Capt. Lyon wisely cultivated the friendship and support of many prominent, like-minded St. Louisans, among them Frank Blair, Franz Sigel (a school on Russell St. is named for him), and editor Henry Boernstein. Capt. Lyon relied heavily on the immigrant German population centered in the Soulard area for support, many of whom had participated in the Revolution in Europe in 1848-49 and consequently were strongly in support of the anti-slavery, Union cause.

Sensing the vulnerability of the arsenal to attack, Capt. Lyon dispatched personal messengers to the President in Washington, D.C. (He couldn't trust the local telegraphers.)

He asked for and received permission to muster four regiments into service. President Lincoln also promoted him to brigadier general.

In an effort to gain time and to outsmart the secessionist spies who were everywhere, General Lyon would periodically load several companies of soldiers into covered wagons, sneak them out of the arsenal at night, then march them back into the arsenal the next day with much fanfare, as though they were newly arriving reinforcements.

By May 6, the city was at a fever pitch, war rumors were flying, roving bands of Southern sympathizers were attacking Union loyalists, and large crowds gathered daily outside the gates to the arsenal. At the same time, Governor Jackson called together the State Guard troops, ostensibly for training, to a place called Lindell's Grove, renamed Camp Jackson. It was a picnic and parade ground located on the edge of town at what is now the Lindell and Grand area.

Despite Governor Jackson's assertions to the contrary, General Lyon regarded the presence of this military force as a clear threat to the arsenal. In one of the most daring episodes of this period, General Lyon decided to see first-hand the situation at Camp Jackson. On the 9th of May, Lyon rode through Camp Jackson disguised as a lady, complete with black dress, bonnet and heavy veil. He did, however, wisely have two loaded Colt revolvers under a shawl in his lap. What he saw confirmed his suspicion that, indeed, preparations for an assault on the arsenal were being made.

Wasting no time, he ordered the march on Camp Jackson the following day. Gen. Lyon and Colonel Frank Blair led troop columns up 7th Street to Chouteau westward; Colonel Franz Sigel led a column from the arsenal north on Broadway to Olive Street; Colonel Rombauer's column marched from Jaegers Garden at 10th and Sidney across fields to Jefferson Ave. westward; Colonel Kallman's column left from the Soulard Market, and another column headed by Colonel John McNeil departed from the Turner Hall at 10th and Walnut St. (in this group was Corporal Adolphus Busch). When this large force converged on Camp Jackson, General Lyon requested and got the immediate surrender of the Camp, without a shot being fired. On the march back with their prisoners, however, some of the citizens who lined the streets became unruly, pelting the Union soldiers with rocks. Suddenly a shot from the crowd was fired, fatally wounding a Colonel Bladowski. Additional shots were exchanged, resulting in 28 civilian casualties. It is interesting to note that two of the bystanders that day were U.S. Grant and Wm. T. Sherman, both of whom would soon become major figures in the Union Army.

Gen. Lyon's bold action that day ended the threat to the arsenal and



Brigadier-General Nathaniel Lyon

also any hopes the Confederates had of taking Missouri out of the Union.

Sadly, a few months later, in August, 1861, at Wilson Creek, Missouri, Gen. Lyon was killed. He died in the battlefield — felled by a Confederate bullet — a martyr to the Union cause.

Unfortunately, most accounts of the Civil War merely mention General Lyon in passing, if at all; yet he, more than any other, was responsible for saving Missouri for the Union. For many of us, however, he is not forgotten; but, rather, the memory of this resourceful, brave soldier lives on in a statue at a park, in a little corner of Soulard.

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In a renovated storefront at 2022 S. 12th Street that was formerly an auto supply store is located *Sister Star Floral Design*. Souland's newest florist, Sisters Dodie Alber and Barbara Heneisen opened the shop in March and are currently putting the finishing touches on the facilities. Neither is a stranger to the floral business, as is obvious when one enters the shop. *Sister Star* specializes in both commercial work and residential custom design. Barbara and Dodie repeatedly stressed, however, that they do *all* kinds of floral work, that they will design what *you* ask for. Their work can include freshly cut and silk flowers and live plants, placed in a basket, vase, or Haegerware ceramic. Anything not in their large, inhouse selection can be ordered for

later pick-up or delivery. They can deliver your order anywhere in St. Louis city and county, and accept Visa and Mastercard. You should stop in just to see the "Natural Flower Design" cards, my favorite. These are real dried and pressed flowers mounted on a card sans printing inside, making them completely personal and unique. *Sister Star* is another welcome addition to the Souland business community, and is worth a look when anything floral is called for. Watch for the brass and black sign with the star on it at 2022 South 12th Street, across from the Hat Factory. Hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 to 3 or by appointment.

by Jay Gibbs

TINSLEY'S 20/20

Fellow Soulandians, we can all look forward to the opening of *Tinsley's 20/20 — Perfect Vision in Hairstyling* at 2020 South 12th Street, in June 1985. We shall have our own quality salon near the corner of 12th and Russell. Peggy Tinsley is an experienced cosmetologist who has long desired to open a full service salon in Souland. She will not be alone in that four experienced operators will be working with her. Each person's special talents will be directed toward making the customer beautiful and comfortable. The atmosphere of the

salon is largely the work of local contractors such as TabCo Construction, Underfoot Floor Covering, and Marge Cooper, wallpaper specialist. This decor, the coordinated furnishings, and sincere interest of personnel will contribute to a relaxing experience for the pampered customer. Styling for both men and women is available. Hours will be normal business hours Monday through Wednesday. So, rehabbers, bring your battered bodies, scraggly heads, and broken nails in for a complete overhaul. After all, do we deserve anything less than the best?

by Judy Shehan

Definition

Cognitive dissonance is a psychological concept which explains how people change the information they use to justify a decision once it is made. The reasons for the decision take on a greater value and those reasons against take on a lesser value after the decision is made.

SMOKEY THE BEAR SAYS

It takes one blow torch to destroy a whole cornice. Be careful and use a heat gun when stripping paint.

John Durnell

Drop-In Bridge

This weekly Thursday afternoon drop-in bridge game at Gardenville Community Center will not meet in June, July, and August. These sessions will resume on September 5th. Other bridge activities will continue as usual at the Center, 6651 Gravois, at Kingshighway. Also in September, Gardenville's next series of classes will start, with "Bridge III" on Tuesday evenings beginning September 10, and "Bridge I", Thursdays at noon — first class, September 12. For any information call the Center at 352-1350.

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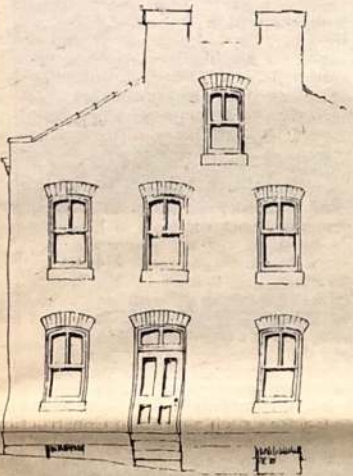
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The "Preserving Our Heritage" column in the April issue stated that the Soulard Historic District Standards applied to all buildings located in the district. It also implied that letters had been written to the Heritage Commissioner explaining how the letter writer felt the standards should apply to a particular building.

With this column I want to expand on those ideas. I also want to discuss how a part of the standard, which appears straightforward and clear, can be subject to different interpretations.

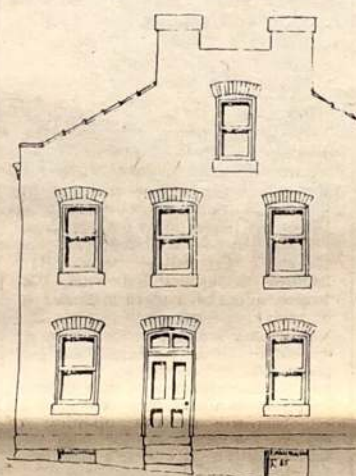
The Section of the standard to which I am referring is Section "d" of the *Use, Construction and Restoration Standards* entitled "details." The pertinent part reads as follows: "Doors, windows and openings on both new and renovated structures should be the same horizontal and vertical proportions and style as in the original structure."



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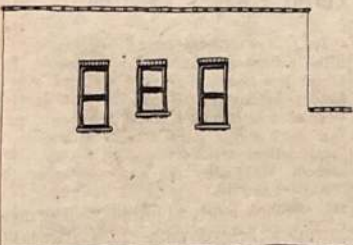
The first project, a street visible front elevation, proposed the use of square head replacement windows where segmented sash was existing. No changes were proposed in the size of the existing window openings.

A letter received by the Heritage Commissioner opposed the granting of this permit. The reasons given



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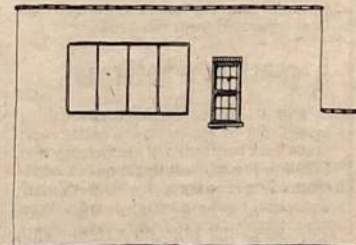
were: 1) "the curved window head is one of the few distinguishing features," 2) "the substitution of square heads will detract substantially from the architectural quality of these highly visible buildings," 3) "will set a poor precedent for future rehabilitation work and represent an inconsistency in the treatment of previous applicants."



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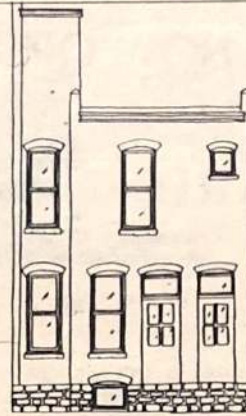
The second project was a street visible side elevation window replacement, but slightly different. Here it was proposed to remove two double-hung one-over-one windows along with about 50 square feet of masonry area, and replace it with a window 6 feet high by 12 feet wide.

A letter received by the Heritage Commissioner recommended approval for the project. If there are



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reasons given in the letter it probably is in the following paragraph: "We feel that by keeping the head of the opening below the bottom of the cornice line the new opening will not violate the horizontal lines of the building as the original proposal did. Similarly, by maintaining the masonry parapet and using a bronze colored material for the frame and mullions, the new window opening will suitably blend into the existing elevation."



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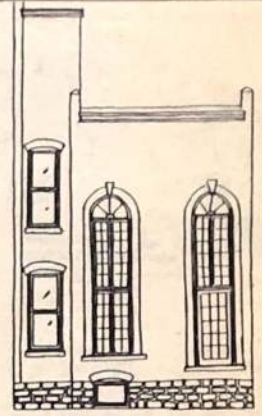
The third project was a total rebuilding of a street visible rear elevation.

An excerpt from the letter received by the Heritage and Urban Design Commissioner in support of this proposal reads as follows: "The use of casement windows, a full panel glass door, and the two-inch recessed brick and the openings create a contemporary look which appropriately contrasts the existing architecture of the neighborhood."

If these three letters were written by different individuals or groups, it would not seem incongruous. But they were written by members of the same organization as representatives of that organization.

I know that many variables were considered before a decision was made to either recommend approval or denial of an application. Among those are: location of the building; its impact on the neighborhood; precedent; consistency and many others.

With this thought in mind, I would say that the first project's compliance with Section "d" is debatable, and



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reasonable people could differ in interpreting the standards. But, the second and third projects, and the letters written in support of those projects appear to directly contradict the letter and intent of Section "d." With only slight modifications, the reasons given to oppose the first project could apply to projects two and three. Point number three is especially pertinent, "...will set a poor precedent for future rehabilitation work and represent an inconsistency in the treatment of previous applicants."

This may appear to be a criticism of the letter writers; however, it is not. These examples were discussed to illustrate the wide range of interpretations regarding an item such as window details, which can range from strict to liberal. The liberal interpretation is more in keeping with the preamble to the standards, which allows contemporary design as alternative solutions, if they are compatible with the existing neighborhood.

The Commission invites comments from all interested parties, which will be taken into consideration in the decision making process.

Arnold Montgomery
Heritage Commission



The answer to this question is to be found in this newsletter.

GARDENING IN SOULARD

by Kathy Dabrowski-Poe

April was a particularly hectic gardening month in Soulard, mainly because of the warm and relatively dry (weekends at least) weather we had. In fact, since mid-March conditions have been right for transplanting and dividing perennials, planting trees and shrubs and digging new flower and vegetable beds.

In the last column I said I was going to discuss flowers and vegetable plantings in this issue. I'd like to start by offering some advice: experiment with your garden, but don't forget the basics.

For example, if you are planning to grow vegetables you must have lots of space and sun. In the gardens on S. 13th and Victor, we've relegated space that is concealed by hedges and lattice for vegetables beds. We've also built frames for the beds that are approximately 4'x7'. This allows us to grow our vegetables in a confined area that is neat and easy to maintain. In the spring, I grow lettuce and in the summer a few herbs such as basil, dill, parsley — and of course, tomatoes. Last year, and again this, I started my plants from seed; whopper tomatoes, are vigorous plants that produce large, juicy tomatoes. This year I am also growing a Roma tomato. The fruit can be used for tomato sauce, paste and more.

Larry Hollenberg is the real vegetable gardener. This spring he planted peas, beets, rhubarb, asparagus, strawberries (shh, don't tell the squirrels), okra and tomatoes. With the exception of tomatoes, Larry started all those plants from seeds he ordered through the mail. He dug his

beds, mixed in some leaf mold, sand and in a couple of beds he used bagged topsoil to improve the quality of the soil and planted the seeds according to the directions on the package. Things are looking prosperous about now and he's planning for some summer vegetables to replace the peas and beets which are really cold weather crops.

Another vegetable garden devotee is Peter Sortino. This year he built a lattice screen to shield his vegetable beds from the house and has planted tomatoes, peppers and herbs.

Flower gardening requires just as much planning and digging, because after all you don't want to plop your petunias in the middle of the grass!!!!

When planning your flower bed I'd suggest you plant a combination of annuals and perennials. You should also remember to plant according to the plant's height — the taller plants to the back of the flower bed.

The soil in your flower bed should be well prepared and fertilized. The experts say to mix sand, leaf mold and peat moss to improve the quality of the soil and to allow for better drainage. I've found most Soulard soil to generally be of good quality, ready for flowers. In England, the gardeners double dig the soil. By that I mean they dig down approximately two feet. This works the soil and gives the roots of many perennials the room they need to grow.

The flower bed should be a contrast of many different types of flowers and foliage. This is where the fun begins.

GHOSTS

Article written by Sheila Reiter, a freelance writer. Reprinted from St. Louis Home Magazine, May, 1983.

Her business card says "Sandy Boucher - Psychic Ghost Hunter." It features a line drawing of a little ghost. After looking at Sandy's photographs of ghosts, the best of them from the Lemp Mansion, I comment that her photos don't look like the little Casper-type figures on her business cards. "Well, you have to start somewhere or people won't take you seriously." Her telephone interrupts our first meeting. It is someone asking her to speak on ghosts at a St. Louis Lions Luncheon.

What, I ask, is a ghost hunter and how is that different from a medium? She explains patiently but I get the feeling it's for the hundredth time. A ghost hunter tries to locate ghosts, discover what they are doing here and what they want. A medium is a communication vehicle for spirits. Spirits speak through a medium.

A ghost hunter seemed like just what we needed.

Once we located ghosts we would need a way of understanding them and, perhaps, an exterminator as well. This led us to Kathy Worley, a psychic respected enough in her field to read for Hollywood and country music stars. Kathy has been seeing and talking with ghosts since she was 8 years old.

Since I didn't speak the language I was interested in a way of understanding what the house spirits were saying so we located a woman with emerging psychic abilities who is a whiz with the Ouija board. In one house where I worked with her on the board, long, elaborate sentences were spelled out so quickly that we required a scribe to take the letters down and then later separated them into words.

Many spirits remain in their houses because they don't know that they are dead. Such was the case with the 18th Street ghost. When we asked what he was doing here he replied tersely, **LIVEHERE**. But you're dead, we protested. No, he quickly indicated through the Ouija. The house owner told us that an old fellow who had lived here had died in his sleep and was not discovered for several days. The ghost called himself Edward and we continued to address him by that name for the rest of the encounter. Later that week the owner received a bill for some storm window installations addressed to Edward, the Ghost. We can only assume that the owner thought the ghost hunt an interesting enough story to share.

Like all the ghosts we've visited with so far, Edward liked the fellow living in his house. It was a question we asked to suggest that ghosts are not always bothersome or terrorizing. The fact that residents knew that they had ghosts was probably, our ghost hunter offered, indicative of the resident's psychic abilities.

Because I was concerned with working this all into a story I asked Edward if there was anything about the house that I should know. **MORON**, he replied through the Ouija. We buzzed with excitement. Is there a moron in this house? Are you a moron? my questions tumbled. The planchette moved to No. Who is a moron? I asked eagerly. **YOUARE**, it replied. I resolved not to ask the "anything about this house" question again.

Edward the Ghost allowed Kathy Worley to see him. She described him in some detail and told us that his expression was crabby. The planchette began to move without being addressed. **SAD-NOTCRABBY**, it spelled.

Editor's house haunted...

The four of us gathered at the Rehabber editor's elegant LaSalle home. We would all go to a house in Soulard that had a history of mysterious happenings. We were all a little hyped. Kathy announced that there was a spirit present with us. Sandy affirmed. Not a bad spirit but very present. We hauled out cameras, tape recorders and the Ouija board. The editor sat watching while we talked with her house spirit who identified itself as Blake. We asked why he was here. **HOMEAFTER-DEATH**, he told us. This ghost knew that it was dead but when we asked why it did not go on to rest he told us, **BECAUSE I DREAD JUDGEMENT**. This will be one of the most interesting answers we would ever get, I thought. We established that he died in 1942 but that he was not from St. Louis. Where, we asked? **DENVER**, he told us. Why did you choose this house, here? **I JUST LOOKED IN AND LIKED WHAT I SAW**. After we had made a sentence out of the rush of letters the editor spoke. "That's OK," she said. "That's why I moved in here, too."

A ghost in a bathroom...

"Well, I've never seen or heard anything myself, but he appeared to a house guest in the back bedroom and another guy that I think is pretty normal said he felt something out here in the hall." We were making a trial run in a 3-story townhouse on south 18th Street. The male owner was a real brick about four women walking through his house taking pictures of stairwells, doorways and corners. And, he solemnly provided chairs for our comfort when the Ouija lady's spirit guide instructed us to seek the spirit of the house in the second floor bathroom.

If I was going into this with reservations, 30 minutes in the bathroom on 18th Street hooked me. I had a story coming.

Most houses have ghosts. Even new houses. But the old ones are probably more interesting. Usually spirits return to places where they have been very happy or very unhappy.

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An Interview With A Soulard Ghost

The house is genuinely spooky. It's isolated setting on a hill helps. It is only partially rehabbed. The present owner is not bothered by ghosts.

The ghost hunter is feeling cold, indication that spirits are present. The house is very cold. I wonder how she knows the different.

Like all our conversations with ghosts, this one begins with a prayer for protection from all low and earthbound spirits. We asked to be surrounded by the pure white light of God's love and the golden ring of Truth. If I don't wholly believe in what we're doing I do feel better with some recognizable religious symbols. Before we are through here I'm especially glad we begin this way.

Questions for the spirits come from all of us. Answers are written as they are delivered.

- Q: Is the spirit of this house present?
A: Yes.
Q: What is your name, spirit of this house?
A: DROPDEAD
Q: What is your name?
A: No.
Q: Are you afraid of us?
A: No.
Q: Then why won't you tell us your name?
A: NOWAY
Q: Is there another spirit present?
A: Yes.
Q: What is your name?
A: ABRAHAM
Q: Thank you, Abraham. How many spirits are there in this house?
A: MANY
Q: Why are you here?
A: STUCK
Q: We can help you. Do you want help?
A: No.
Q: Will you help us?
A: WHYSHOULD I
(I quickly concoct an answer to this question, admittedly groping so we don't lose our contact.)

SR: Because information about past lives will help us with the present.

- A: BULL
Q: Would you like to get unstuck, Abraham? Where would you like to go?
A: ATREST
Q: Did you once live in this house?
A: Yes.
Q: Did you die here?
A: No.
Q: Were you happy here?
A: No.
Q: Why did you come back?
A: TOGETHEVEN
Q: With who?
A: BADGHOST
Q: Is there anything you want to tell us?
A: HELP
Q: We will help you. Will you allow us to photograph you?
A: Yes.
Q: In what year did you die?
A: 1927
Q: Where are the other spirits in this house?
A: SECONDFLOOR
Q: Do you like the person who lives here now?
A: Yes.
Q: (I cannot stop myself.) Is there anything about this house that you would like to tell us?
A: BECAREFUL
Q: We will. Anything else?
(There is some intrusion from what Sandy tells us is other spirits trying to break in. We all tell the other spirits to go away, that we don't want to talk to them. Unsolicited, the Ouija spells out DROP-DEAD)
Q: Abraham, come back. Are you there?
A: Yes, RUNGO

There is a long pause, the planchette moves around a lot without stopping on letters and then begins to spell BAST
We elect to stop and speculate that Abraham is no longer with us and that the insult about to be hurled is from a lesser spirit. We talk among ourselves. As we are about to shut down the planchette begins to move. It spells out: YOU BROUGHT GOOD SPIRITS ALONG WITH YOU.



Blame not only deception for the tangled web we weave. The innocent passage of time can share some blame. To study history at the neighborhood level is to trace the details behind the most mundane of actions by the most mortal of players. There are those who say that the same holds true for the great moments of history, as well.

The quest to fit the puzzle pieces together is often frustrating, occasionally euphoric and, with hope, always stimulating. Sometimes the answers don't come; when they do they are subject to debate. In this neverending effort to satisfactorily explain some past event, a deadline can be a might inconvenient creation.

For the past several months I have been at work on a piece for this issue of the *Restorationist*. The subject is one which has puzzled people from both within and outside Soulard for many years and which awaits a definitive explanation.

Although my research has come along well enough for me to write an

interesting and informative piece, I have not yet achieved the "breakthrough" required to put the mystery to rest. Since I believe such a breakthrough to be very close at hand I have elected to hold the publication of this article for the next issue.

In closing I want to thank those of you who have taken the time to read my column in the past and have offered such kind comments. I also want to applaud Mary Jo, Jay, Marcia and David for making the *Restorationist* the best volunteer neighborhood paper in the City and something we can all take pride in. When I put a stack out at the store, it "outsells" the professional *West End Word* by a wide margin. Now, if we could just do something about uncooperative deadlines.

Oh, and one more thing; I will consider requests. If there is a subject related to Soulard history that you would like to learn more about, or wish to share with other members of the community, give me a call at 773-7058 and I'd be happy to consider it.

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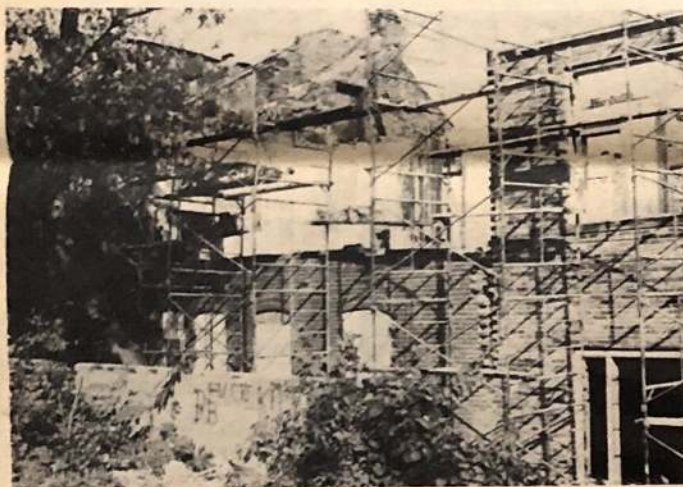
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Neighborhood Fabric

The function of this column is to highlight buildings that would have fallen prey to the bulldozer if it were not for the intervention of either individuals or developers. This

philosophy of preserving the quality, history and craftsmanship of the past is shared by all parties that have joined in the battle to save Souland.



When I first saw my house, it was love at first sight. There were no windows, no doors, no back wall, no roof, no ceilings, no floors, and no bay. Most people would have said, "What house?" The truth of the matter is there was only one and a half walls — the front wall and half of the side wall — standing and towns and tons of burnt lumber and trash. Not to be stopped by such minor details, I consulted a couple of general contractors who immediately told me I was stark raving mad, but being a general contractor myself, I disputed their wisdom. With check book in hand, I dashed down to LRA and insisted on buying my dream house, only to be told they were unaware there was even a house on the ground. It was listed as a vacant lot. After a couple of weeks, I walked out of LRA with the

deed to my dream house.

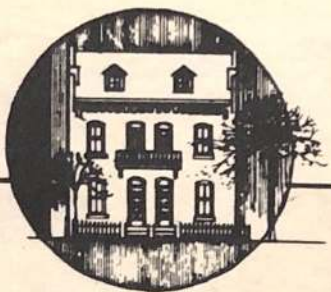
A few days later I was standing in front of my house again with a fellow general contractor and a friend who again reminded me I was raving mad, but as I looked through the front door, I could see my staircase and entrance hall and beyond that into my dining room with its crystal chandelier and french doors. Past that would be the patio with brick flower planters and steps going up to the second level where my pool would be. My side yard would have a grape arbor, a fishing pond, a weeping willow, and lots and lots of climbing roses. My back porch would be about 14x32 with brick pillars all the way to the top of the second story. My friend still thought I was mad but said he would help me, so we got to work.



Meanwhile, my parents had sold their house down the street, and I had 60 days to be ready to move in. Believe me when I say my blood, sweat and tears are in my house. It is the truth. Spring had not yet come to St. Louis when I found myself freezing my hands and feet laying bricks, using far more anti-freeze in the mortar than water and my tears falling on the new laid bricks were almost as many as the snow flakes from the last snow of the season. Well, we finally got the exterior walls finished and it was time for the roof and the framing. On more than one occasion I would get in a hurry, hit my fingers with the hammer and send blood flying all over 2x4 studs, but in 60 days we moved in. Everything was in pretty good shape except the dry wall taping. By

that time it was getting warmer, and as I taped and sanded wrining wet with sweat, I could not help but be just a little proud of myself for doing what so many people told me just could not be done. Mad? Well, maybe. But in a couple of years, the good Lord willing and the creeks don't rise, it will all be put together. At least the hall, the dining room, chandeliers, french doors, patio, swimming pool, grape arbor, roses and the 2-story porch with the brick pillars are a reality, and I can look at it and say, "This is my house and I did it."

Marge Cooper



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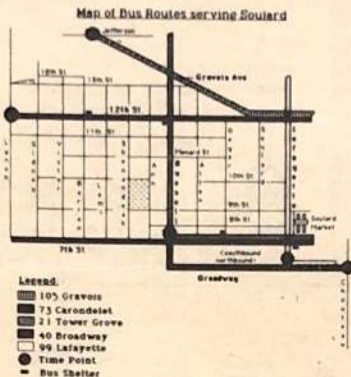
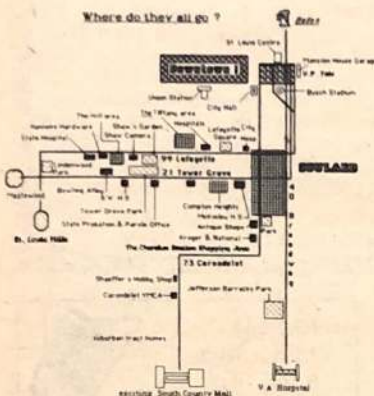
Did you know that the Tower Grove bus will drop you off at the front door of Busch Stadium? All the lines that serve Soulard will drop you off a block from the V.P. Fair — thus avoiding all the headaches that all of those "tourists" cause when they all look for a parking space. This year should really be an exciting one for downtown with St. Louis Centre, Union Station and the Admiral premiering. I hope you won't do anything as *gauche* as driving your car downtown, this summer, to see those attractions! Remember the old days — when Laclede's Landing and downtown in general were deserted and were ours for the asking? Those days are gone forever. Besides, isn't it our civic duty to leave as many parking spaces for those, scared, county people? The more money they spend in those areas, the more tax money our city will have to fund street and concrete sidewalks in Soulard. Besides, it's infinitely cheaper to take the bus downtown. Do I have your attention now? Parking for downtown workers averages \$45-70 per month. That is \$2.25-\$3.50 per work day. A bus is \$1.50 roundtrip. Besides, you'd have the added advantages of cheaper car insurance, and you might fool potential burglars if your car was parked in front of your house during the day. If your agent won't give you cheaper rates, then you should look for another insurance company.

So, I've convinced you to try it, at least for one day. What do I know, you ask? You say, "I never know when they come by." First, find the closest bus line to your house on the

map of Soulard. Included are some customized schedules for Soulard. These schedules have some times that aren't published in Bi-State schedules (such as, 12th and Lynch for the Carondelet Line). The normal schedule has times for Virginia-Meramec and Chouteau and Tucker — which meant a little math work and lots of trial and error. Mostly error! Anyway, you'll still have to do a little math work, now, but not as much. If you are catching a Carondelet bus in front of Cottons, add (what?) a minute or 30 seconds to the times listed at Lynch Street. If you want to go south (away from downtown), reverse the process and subtract. O.K.? The schedules were made so that you may want to cut them out and glue them to a piece of cardboard for future use. O.K.? Anybody lost, yet? Complete schedules are available from Bi-State at 231-2345. They'll be glad to mail you any you need — free! These will tell you the complete times that the buses leave downtown, also, but space doesn't allow us to print all this information. You could write the departure times from downtown on the back of your handy cardboard schedule. In Seattle, all bus stops (oops, starts!) have all the times listed but then this isn't Seattle. Seriously, we have a good, solid bus system in St. Louis and it will get better if more of you yuppies use it.

The one-way fare is only 75 cents. The drivers don't make change. Transfers are 10 cents, but you won't need to know anything about them just to go downtown. In most cases you won't have to but be sure to "flag" the bus down. The driver won't know you're waiting for them if you are talking to your neighbor about last month's heating bill. The driver will, first, open the door. You should then enter the bus. Deposit your money into the fare box. You are then entitled to sit at the seat of your choice. Do not sit in a seat that is already occupied. That is unwise. I prefer the ones in the rear for people watching — but the choice is yours. Don't forget to take the paper with

WHERE DO THEY ALL GO?



you. You can read it on the way, thus freeing up some of your much-too-short lunch time to do other things. To exit the bus, you pull down on the vinyl cord that runs along the top of the windows. The driver will, first, open the door for you — and then you may exit. O.K., are you still with me?

A map showing where all of those Soudard bus lines go is included. Some Saturday you might try going west or south on one of them. It really can be enjoyable. Thelma Hemmen goes to South County Mall all the time on the bus, and Thelma's no dummy! For clarity and lack of space, the Gravois line isn't included on the map. You should know, by now, what is on Gravois. Let's see, Gravois has a White Castle, several porno bookstores, Bevo Mill, K-Mart and other neat things. Next time the streets are bad and you don't want anyone sideswiping your red Fiero, take the bus! Of course, once you get downtown the possibilities are endless once you buy a 10 cent transfer. This will allow you to, as the word implies, use another bus. The transfer has, usually, a 1 hour time limit on it and you can use it more than once if you need to use more than 2 bus routes. You can get to anywhere important by bus. You may have to go to point C first, but you can get from point A to point B. The truly adventurous may want to get a system map from Bi-State showing where all the bus lines go. When the light rail is completed some year (decade?) you could even take the bus to Locust Street and walk across the street to the light rail terminal in the Old Post Office and ride the rails to the airport in 17 minutes. Not bad, huh? It always amuses me when someone pays several hundred dollars to go out of town and then they ask someone to save them a few bucks by picking them up at the airport. There will be no need for this in the future. Presently the only way to get to the airport is by taking a local Natural Bridge bus through north St. Louis. It can be done if you have the time to kill. Many cities have express service to airports

but not St. Louis. Apparently Bi-State is leary of the "political consequences" of competing with the Airport Limousine Service which happens to be owned by state Senator J.B. "Jet" Banks. Enough of this. I promised myself not to bad-mouth Bi-State for at least a year after visiting Phoenix in November. Any bus you see on their streets after 7 p.m. on weekdays or Sundays is probably stolen. Apparently bus service is not a high priority in Mr. Bidwell's relocation plans.

If you're really hooked on Bi-State after riding for awhile, you may wish to avoid digging through your piggy bank each morning and buy a bus pass. A new Commuter pass costs \$9.00 and is good for 10 rides with no time limit. This is nice to have because you don't lose money if you decide to drive certain days. You can use it when you need it. The old standby, the Weekly Pass, costs \$10 a week and must be used only during the week it is dated. This allows you to go anywhere Bi-State goes. A nice thing with it is you can use any bus downtown during your lunch hour as your own personal shuttle bus. You can effectively increase your "range" of errands with this. Bi-State even has a map of downtown showing all the bus routes serving it. It is a little confusing but there are a lot of bus lines that converge on downtown. Passes are on sale at Famous-Barr and various bank downtown, call Bi-State at 231-2345 and they will tell you where.

So, that is about all I know about bus riding. If you have any questions call Bi-State, or better yet, ask Sherry Compton, Thelma Hemmen, Terry Hoffman, Judy Johnson, Darrell McDaniel and John Soderberg. They are just some of Soudard residents who do it! Plus, there is this cute blond who I don't know — yet!

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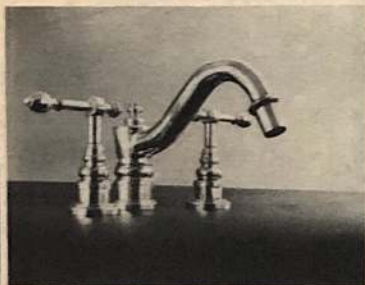
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LANA's

Fruit Pizza

The recipe below has been served at two social events recently and received rave reviews. It's lovely to behold and just as lovely to bite into, so by popular demand, I will share the secret of this visual and culinary delight.

1 pkg. slice & bake sugar cookies for crust.

Slice and place on 14" pizza pan, pressing together edges to form a solid crust. Bake according to package directions and cool.

Whip the following ingredients and spread on cooled crust.

8-oz. pkg. cream cheese

1/3 C. sugar

1/2 tsp. vanilla

Crust and cream cheese topping can be refrigerated and the fruit toppings added just before serving. Fruit toppings I use are: fresh strawberries, kiwi fruit, mandarin oranges, pineapple (canned or fresh), bananas, cherry pie filling. How you arrange them is the "creative" part. After placing all fruit on top of filling, brush on glaze with pastry brush.

GLAZE: 1/3 C. each peach preserves, apricot preserves and orange marmalade

2 Tblsp. water.

ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION SUMMER CAMP

Summer camp is a routine part of vacation plans for millions of youngsters. The Eastern Missouri Chapter, Arthritis Foundation makes this experience possible for children suffering from juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, the most prevalent form of arthritis in children, whose victims number 350,000 in the United States alone.

Kiwanis Camp Wyman has reserved spaces for JRA sufferers aged 7-14 in their 3rd session, July 8-18.

Camp Wyman staff have had experience working with children who have special needs. Last year 5 JRA children were among those who enjoyed work and play at camp. Camp Wyman has also provided camping experiences for several hemophiliacs over the past 2 years. For many children isolated by their disease, this was a first time to enjoy freedom.

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This energetic rehabber, Nancy Farber, sacrificed her body and lawnmower to the effort.

Well, another Operation Brightside has come and gone. Despite the low turnout, two major tasks were undertaken and completed with the help of individual allies. The first project attacked was the lot on 8th Street right next to Lafayette School. After cutting down the weeds, almost a ton of trash was discovered. After filling about 40 bags of trash, the crew moved on to the corner of 13th and Russell. There stood a beautiful brick sidewalk covered with sod and weeds. This is the spot where the dedicated, hard working citizens of Soulard literally broke their backs. It was really a sorry sight when the first four workers (two of whom had bad backs) appeared on the 13th Street location. Needless to say, these four girls (Judy, Mary Jo, Marcia and Nancy) were panic-stricken, but not to fear. The "men" of the group showed up, along with others of the female persuasion, and set their minds at ease.

After ironing out a few last minute details of organizing Brightside, I returned to the site. When I arrived, I saw about 20 bodies sweating profusely, yet managing to keep their sense of humor about themselves. The sidewalk that was once covered by a tall grassland now stood red and beaming and proud to be alive. I could almost hear it take a deep breath and say, "Thank you for finding me." I was so proud of all the dedicated people who still feel there is a need to come out once a year and show their concern towards beautification of our neighborhood. Thank you very much for all your help. Bob and I are still anxiously awaiting "The Potted Plant."

Linda Hoffman

Robert Printz and Linda Hoffmann — area Operation Brightside Commanders admire finished project.

The exhausted crew. Worth every penny of it!





GOOD NEIGHBORS TEAMED-UP TO KEEP-UP ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS — Operation Brightside officials are now offering the program concept to city and county officials throughout the country based on the success of the program in St. Louis over the past three years.

Mayor Vincent C. Schoemehl, Jr., said an Operation Brightside program manual has been developed with a grant from Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc., and will be made available to other communities nationwide.

Entitled "Operation Brightside: The Public-Private Partnership," the manual describes the St. Louis program in detail, including guidelines for program organization, fund raising and securing volunteer support. The Anheuser-Busch grant, in addition to paying for production of 1,500 manuals, also includes travel funds for Operation Brightside representatives to explain the program at various city and county association meetings.

Patricia Ferrell, program Administrative Director, has been representing Brightside at various conferences, seminars and conventions around the United States, where

she participates as an exhibitor.

"We are extremely grateful for the generous support of Anheuser-Busch for not only sponsoring the program here in St. Louis but also helping to expand Operation Brightside to other communities," said Mayor Schoemehl. "A clean, attractive community not only enhances a city's image but can also serve to promote redevelopment and neighborhood stabilization."

Anheuser-Busch also is spending \$485,000 this summer to sponsor Operation Brightside programs in 20 cities where it operates breweries or company-owned beer distributors. These programs will provide employment for approximately 300 minority and other disadvantaged youth in various litter reduction, beautification and other social service projects.

Since being established in 1982, the St. Louis Operation Brightside program has resulted in the collection of more than 65 million pounds of trash, the clearing, grading and seeding of 7000 vacant city lots, the planting of 4.6 million flowers and recycling of 2 million pounds of aluminum, glass, newspaper and metal beverage containers.



When planning your vacation trip for this summer, devoting some extra time to a few security measures can help to assure you of returning to an undisturbed home. Sgt. Charlie Metzner, St. Louis Police Department liaison to Operation SafeStreet, offers the following tips.

Take a few minutes, stop by your local police district station and fill out a vacation checklist form. The patrol car assigned to your area will check your home randomly day and night.

Have a close friend or neighbor check your house regularly. That person can alternate the lights in different rooms and change shades and blinds to give your home an "at-home" look. Ask the friend to remove the circulars from your porch and yard.

If you are only gone for two or three days, you could have your neighbor or friend collect your mail and newspapers. If you are going to

be gone for a longer period, I suggest cancelling your mail and paper deliveries for the length of your trip.

Make arrangements to have your lawn taken care of while you are away.

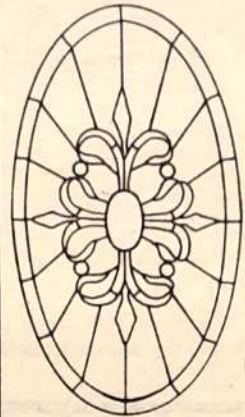
Let your neighbor know where you can be reached. Don't hide a key outside. If a burglary is discovered while you are away, ask your neighbor to call the police immediately and then get in touch with you.

Bring everything inside. Lawn furniture, toys, tools and bicycles should be stored indoors. The garage should be closed and locked.

Remove valuable articles from places where they can easily be seen through windows.

Give your home a security survey before you leave. Find weak areas and strengthen their security.

Don't discuss your plans publicly or in a newspaper. Talk about your good time after you return.



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Dear Aunt Judy

by Judy Shehan

Dear Aunt Judy,
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Love,
Clay

Dear Clay,

I very much enjoyed our visit and seeing your new home. It does appear that you are proceeding in a logical order. However, the northwest corner of the rear addition should be investigated for termites or rot, as the floor is spongy and sunken in that area. The problem is most likely rot and can be corrected by replacement of a couple of joists and the flooring in that area. Termite infiltration is relatively rare in the Souland area due to the type of lumber used and original construction methods; however, it has been known to occur. In years past, damage was confined to grade or below grade material as there was no perimeter studding for travel to upper floors or walls. However, material currently available for framing out is generally second growth white woods ... a moist treat for the gourmet termite. Therefore, do not blithely assume that Souland has some God-given immunity, but rather has not had proper conditions until we began our energy necessary improvements. There is a well known Bug Lady in the neighborhood who can inspect your property and advise you if treatment is required. Also, be advised that building code requires

the use of treated lumber in below grade applications. Check with your building inspector in regard to these specifications before constructing any walls or storage units in your basement. Your building inspector is charged with protecting your health and safety as well as that of your neighbors. I'm sure that you will find that he or she will be happy to answer questions and has infinite patience with those who are trying to do things right the first time. However, inspectors tend to be quite testy with those who would "sneak things through" or consider themselves above the law. You will be able to reach your inspector between 8-9 a.m. each morning at 622-4755.

In regard to all your friends helping you ... if you wish them to remain so, do not overdo the assumption of time available to you. Remember, only those affected with rehab psychosis should plaster on Saturday night. You are a long way from wallpaper, and if you don't make some time for her now, you may find yourself plastering alone.

Additionally, Clay, you need a "real plumber" and their advice at this stage of construction. I'll deal with what and where "real plumbers" are in the next issue.

Your Aunt Judy

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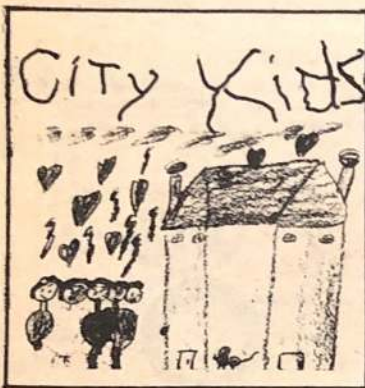


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I was born 2-18-71 and my address has always been 2219 S. 11th. As a shriveled, red seven-plus pounder, I came home to a very different world than you see today. Things have changed, mostly for the better; but some things I miss. When I was little, everyone did their own work. There were no developers. Mead-McClellan was no big deal. It was just Guy, Peggy and Sedg. We went on a canoe trip and John and I swam behind the canoe for a long time. We also got sun burned and the sandwiches got all wet.

There were other dump trucks before Mike Smith's polk-a-dot orange one. Dean Pruitt had a big

black truck called Lucy. I used to sit by the back gate for hours and wait for Dean so I could ride to the dump. I liked to watch the truck dump. It was no fun the day we had a flat tire and had to wait forever for the big tow truck. I was very little and everyone laughed because I was looking for a big toe truck!

A long time ago Larry Giles did not have a warehouse or a boom truck. Once he borrowed my red wagon to haul some terra cotta from where they were wrecking. That made scratches on the paint, and I cried until he repainted the whole wagon. He gave me this neat thing with wheels. I still don't know what it is, but I have it on a shelf in my room.

My mom used to go to lots of meetings. There weren't very many newcomers here then, and there was interminable discussion of how to "save" the area. Mom and Bob used to argue all the time about which came first — saving the buildings or social programs. My approach was much more direct as I was a "hair puller." Yes, Bob had red curly hair then and Joyce had a dog named Biddle-Bye. Barbara Clark lived where the Allens live now and had a parrot named Columbus. He would escape all the time and we would have to try to get him out of the maple tree.

The city used to tear down lots of buildings and there were many fires. Sometimes we would go stand in front of the building to keep the bulldozers away ... but the police always came and they tore them down anyway. Speaking of police, there were lots of crimes, shootings and such. Mom kept a shotgun by the front door and

always got it before we would answer a knock. Once there was a big fight out front and two ambulances came to take away all the wounded. Mom said it had something to do with the drug house up the block. I don't really know since I wasn't allowed outside the fence. Mom used to say I wasn't leaving the yard till I was 21. However, she has mellowed a bit on that.

I remember when Larry got his first storefront. Larry, Craig, Mom and I and, I think, Jim Felling, were there. It was cold and took all day 'cause we only had the big Scout truck, Mom's car, a rope and a bumper jack. They were going to bulldoze the building the next day and the police let us block part of the street because it was a holiday. We sat on the curb and ate White Castles. But we got the front and a lifetime of slightly burned mops ... the place was Tucco Mop Company.

One thing hasn't changed a bit ... Mr. Corona always tried to keep the alley clean ... he still does.

I do miss "Neighborhood Thanksgiving." That was when everyone would bring a dish and their own chairs and we would put plywood on saw horses for a table. We would cover the whole first floor with tables for people and all eat together. One year Dave Felling ate so much

blueberry cheesecake he had a terrible stomachache! Barbara made the turkey that year and Jim Felling almost dropped it bringing it across the alley.

Well, one last funny thing about the old days. When Mom and Susan were working on the restaurant — Tucker's now — we would often work late. I had a mattress and a beer cooler so I could sleep without the saws bothering me. I was in first grade and into dressing rather strangely ... I refused to wear socks that matched, and such. Mom said that as long as I was clean, if I wanted to dress like a clown that was my problem. However, the school social worker noticed my unique outfits and called me to her office. Anyway, while we were talking she found out I slept in a beer box ... she was still all worried even after I told her it wasn't plugged in. She even called the child abuse people, but, fortunately, got Mom's friend, Jamie assured her that it was perfectly okay since her son, Joel, also slept in the beer box when she was there helping!

Well, that's enough stuff, particularly since Mom said I couldn't write anything that would offend anyone. That's hard since everything offends someone in Souldard.

Brandon Shehan

GIRLS CLUB DEDICATES GARDEN

Conrad Campbell, President of Community Housing Improvement and Preservation Inc. (CHIP), a Souldard neighborhood not-for-profit corporation which developed the Souldard In-Fill I project and serves as managing General Partner of the Souldard In-Fill Associates Partnership broke ground today as part of the dedication for the Girls Club of Souldard Garden Park located on Souldard In-Fill owned land. The park is part of a "tot lot" developed for tenants of the Souldard In-Fill family apartments. Funds for the park were provided by CHIP, Youth Education and Health in Souldard Inc. (YEHS) project manager, and by the City of St. Louis through a loan from the St. Louis Community Development Agency. The Souldard Restoration Group assisted in obtaining City

Funds for the park. The Garden Park is completely fenced and contains a water hydrant for watering. A sand-filled play lot adjoins the garden area and will be reserved for children too young to go to Pontiac Park to play. Playground equipment is currently being sought for the tot lot portion. The Girls Club of Souldard has been seeking a fenced lot for its vegetable gardening project for some time. The Girls Club used the same site several years for a gardening project before relocating to the back yard of the Senior Citizens Center on Menard. Sandy Diekman and Shirley Barton of the University of Missouri Extension Service, will assist Girls Club with the garden project, and will use produce grown in the garden for cooking classes at the club.



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"The Husbands" June 7&8

"Souldard Blues Band" Every Friday in July

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

We specialize in private parties
Lunch served from 11:00-2:00 weekdays.
Every Friday and Saturday night 8 pm-1 am

Calendar of Events

June 5 Souldard Restoration
Group Meeting
7:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church
June 8 Annual Membership Picnic
June 17 SRG Board Meeting 7
p.m.
July 3 Souldard Restoration Group
Meeting 7:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran
Church
July 4 Lafayette Square/Souldard
Annual Softball Game
July 15 SRG Board Meeting 7 p.m.

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