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Little Loomhouse Hours

Monday	By Appt.
Tuesday	10 am - 3:30 pm
Wednesday	10 am - 3:30 pm
Thursday	10 am - 3:30 pm
Friday	By Appt.
Saturday	10 am - 3:30 pm every 3rd Sat.
Sunday	Closed

The Little Loomhouse is an all volunteer organization. Please call us at (502) 367-4792 before you come to visit.

The Lou Tate Foundation Proudly Presents

The Little Loomhouse



The Little Loomhouse invites you to our 5th annual Spin A Yarn Storytelling Festival on Saturday, June 1 from 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM.

There will be 11 storytellers sharing their talents and spinning their yarns, many of them are returning from last year and a special guest

appearance by WAVE 3 News Anchorwoman Dawne Gee..

The Festival is very family friendly with cabin tours, weaving, spinning and basket making demonstrations and this year we have added a blacksmith. We will also have Tammy Burke and Jeff Guernsey returning to share their wonderful bluegrass music.

A raffle will be held along with a silent auction. Get there early and be one of the first 200 visitors so you can receive a free Storytelling Festival t-shirt. Food and drinks will be available for purchase, and the gift shop will be open all day.

General Admission is \$2.00 per person, Seniors 65 and older \$1.00, and children six and under are free. Park behind DeSales High School at 425 West Kenwood Drive and enjoy a free TARC Trolley ride to and from The Little Loomhouse. The trolley will run about every 20 minutes. Cabins tours and demonstrations start at 10:30, music at 11:00, and the storytelling begins at 11:30.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Ole Man Mac on stage at the 2012 Festival.

HAPPENINGS



Garry W. McCandless, Sr. (Ole Man Mac), back from chasing bears in the mountains, he brings his yarns and fables to our stage, charming the young, middle aged and young at heart

Terry Burres comes from a long line of story tellers, tall tale tellers and down- right liars. She has told stories for as long as she can remember.

Cynthia Changaris is a professional storyteller, she started the Kentucky Storytellers Association and has been the recipient of the Parents' Choice Award.

Mandy Dick grew up listening to stories told by her parents and grandparents, which they had learned from their parents and grandparents! She shares her stories at many historic sites, including Locust Grove and the Falls of the Ohio State Park.

Mrs. Patricia W. Vincent has loved being able to share stories in schools, churches and even in villages in Nairobi , Kenya .

Miss Christina L. Vincent loves to write and act and sing and share her stories.

Ed Cozart is the winner of the 2011and 2012 Indiana State Fair Biggest Liar Contests.

Don Ray Smith, a Louisville journalist and humorist has written features, profiles and humorous articles for newspapers and magazines in Kentucky. He has been a wry commentator for WFPL.

Jamie Eiler had the pleasure of attending the original Corn Island Storytelling Festival. He loves to hear stories, tell stories and research the stories of history.

Janice Sidebottom is joining us for the first time but is not new to storytelling. She is a local teacher who also does historical reenacting.

Henry Escobar is our youngest storyteller at the age of 12 and we are excited to be his first audience.

Bob Mitchell, host for Best of Bluegrass on WKWC FM, Owensboro, KY will be returning as our Master of Ceremonies.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spin a Yarn Storytelling Festival - Saturday, June 1, 2013

New Cut Road Area Trolley Hop - May 18, 2013

Check the website or Facebook for more events.

A Birthday Celebration at the Womens Club

On March 6, 2013, Rosemary McCandless and Stefanie Buzan helped the Woman's Club of Louisville celebrate their 123rd birthday. In light of this special occasion, we prepared a special presentation that focused on the history of the Little Loomhouse and some of influential women who shaped its history- Lou Tate and Mildred and Patty Hill.

We took one of our Little Looms and gave all in attendance the opportunity to participate in weaving on a piece of cloth that they could keep to commemorate their special occasion. Some Happy Birthday trivia was included as part of the celebration. They knew who was credited with the most famous performance of Happy Birthday - do you? See page 5 for the answer.



Basketmaking class



Students show off their baskets.

On February 23rd, Susan Kute hosted 10 talented basket makers at the Little Loomhouse- it was a full house! Everyone walked away with a really nice fruit basket- our first basket with handles. A big thank you to Susan for sharing her talent and for her generosity to the Little Loomhouse!

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10 am - 3:30 pm
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Naval Ordnance Station Gets a Historic Marker



As a historical archive for the Iroquois Park and Kenwood Hill Neighborhoods, the Little Loomhouse continues to support the neighborhood in its effort to recognize and preserve our history through the Kentucky Historical Society's Historic Highway Marker program. On April 19, 2013, Captain Gilbert and Bob Weiter unveiled the neighborhoods 5th marker at the old Naval Ordnance Station, 5601 Southside Drive.

HAPPENINGS

Norma Estes Hall

In 2012, Melissa Pullra contacted the Little Loomhouse about donating her Mothers's Little Loom to the Little Loomhouse. Melissa's Mother's name was Norma Estes Hall. Melissa shared a personal story that we thought our readers would enjoy.

"My mother really enjoyed doing and reading about mountain/primitive crafts such as weaving, sewing and crocheting. She heard about the Little Loomhouse from a co-worker around 1970. She made the trip from Frankfort at least once a month, sometimes more often. When I went with her we'd always make it a point to also stop at White Castle since there were none closer to home. My mother truly enjoyed Ms. Tate's company and greatly admired her."

Lou Tate must have truly inspired a passion for weaving in Norma judging from the amount of wear/use on her loom. Dennis Kinsfather, Little Loomhouse volunteer and board member did a beautiful job restoring Norma's loom. We have it on display at Wisteria if you would like to stop in and check it out.

Jimmy Hogan

Jimmy Hogan, son of Thelma Hogan, while cleaning out his basement came across a box of his mother's weavings. There are some news clippings, weaving drafts, and samples of weavings done by Thelma Hogan included in the box. Jimmy brought these items to the Little Loomhouse to donate them in honor of his mother, her relationship to the Loomhouse and Lou Tate. Jimmy remembered being at the Loomhouse often as a child with his mother. He greatly enjoyed coming back to the Loomhouse and touring the cabins. Jimmy stated he was glad the cabins are still around and that someone is looking after them for future children to be able to enjoy.

Jimmy is planning to retire in a few years and may come back to Little Loomhouse and put his skills as a wood worker to good use, possibly building looms and tables to benefit the Loomhouse. He stated that it felt good to have finally made it back after so long away. The Loomhouse is glad to have him back.

Wisteria Cabin Gets New Gutters



Ron Washburn at work on the gutters.

The Little Loomhouse recently had gutters installed on the rear of Wisteria to divert some of the water that has been causing damage to the cabin. River City Siding Company most generously donated the materials. Mr. Bob Trammel and Mr. Ron Washburn of Washburn and Trammel Guttering Company provided the labor free of charge. We are most grateful to both businesses for their kindness in helping us to preserve the cabin.



Bob Trammel at work on the gutters.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

The Carder is Working, Thanks to Dennis!



Over the past year, Dennis Kinsfather has been doing an incredible job refurbishing some of the old equipment at the Little Loomhouse. Thanks to his amazing handy work, the Little Loomhouse carding machine is now fully operational.

Found, A Lou Tate Original



Little Loomhouse board members Sylvia and Dennis Kinsfather were recently restoring one of our vintage, Little Looms. When they pulled off the remaining warp they found this really neat piece - American Flags woven within a linen strip. The newspaper wrapped around the base of the loom was The Louisville Times, dated March 17, 1947. We believe this piece may be a Lou Tate original!

Answer: Marilyn Monroe sang Happy Birthday for President John F. Kennedy on May 19, 1962 to celebrate his 45th birthday.

Thank You, DeSalles High School

Thank you, DeSales High School teachers and staff, for all of the fabulous help! Suzanne, Anastasia, Johanna, Lance, Laura, Shelley, Paul, Gaynor, Donna, TJ, Doug and Tom came out to the Little Loomhouse to help weed beds, remove invasive Japanese honeysuckle, clean out storm drains and perform general spring clean up outside.



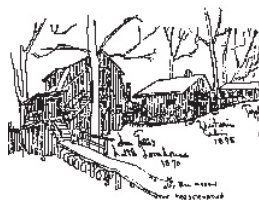
Loomhouse Gets Spring Flowers

Thank you to our good neighbor, Melissa Amos-Jone and her daughters who did a beautiful job planting some spring color around the Esta Cabin at the Little Loomhouse.

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