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

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



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The Little Loomhouse Receives a Generous Donation from Collegiate

Meg Roby of Collegiate shares the details of how it all came together...

Last year the Collegiate students were asked by the Art in the Highlands committee to participate in the fair by making art to sell. The Middle and Lower School students made clay pendants, painted rocks and notecards. When one of the students asked, "Who gets the money?" I was stumped. Another art teacher, Christina Clifford, said, "How about giving it to charity?" This was a great idea. Then, I remembered that during our last kindergarten fieldtrip to the Little Loomhouse, I overheard one of the volunteers, Jean or Ethel, telling our bus driver, Russell, that a big branch had fallen on the roof and it needed to be fixed. Russell checked it out, and tried to help. Russell loves the Loomhouse as much as the Collegiate students do. Whenever the older students hear that the kindergartners are going there, they exclaim with wistful glee, "I LOVE the Little Loomhouse." I wish that we could go again!". It was decided that The Little Loomhouse would be the recipient of money made at the student booth at Art in the Highlands.



Meg Roby and Russell

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UPCOMING EVENTS

November 13, 10 am – 3 pm the Little Loomhouse will be hosting a **soap making class- \$50 per person- supplies provided. Soap scents to choose from are lavender and rosemary. There is a \$10 discount for returning students who bring own supplies/oils. Call Mona for more information, 502-451-6662.**

December 4, 2 pm – Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon at the Little Loomhouse.

May 21, 2011 – the next Spin A Yarn Storytelling Festival

HAPPENINGS

Lou Tate Project Takes Top State Honors



Samantha Carson Murrell took top state honors with her project.

Congratulations to Samantha Carson Murrell, a student at the Academy for Individual Excellence in Jeffersontown. Samantha created a poster exhibit about Lou Tate and her work that took top state honors in the Kentucky Historical Society's, Kentucky History Day educational program. The Lou Tate Foundation /the Little Loomhouse are honored that Miss Murrell selected Lou Tate as the subject of her project.



Second Sunday Health Initiative

On Sunday, October 10, 2010, the Little Loomhouse had the opportunity to demonstrate weaving at the 2S Second Sunday Health Initiative. Second Sunday is a health awareness project of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, in which over 115 counties across the Commonwealth come together to stimulate the physical and mental health awareness of its citizens. The Little Loomhouse really appreciated the invitation to participate with Second Sunday and share our weaving program and history with the hundreds of people who attended.

Wishes Do Come True



Many thanks to Juanita Speiche.

The Little Loomhouse is an all volunteer organization that depends on the kindness of others. Each time the Little Loomhouse publishes a newsletter, we include a wish list. The wish usually consists of simple necessities. Our last wish list included toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning supplies etc. and a gently used vacuum.

Over the summer, our wish was granted by Little Loomhouse member **Juanita Speiche**. She cut out our list and mailed it to us with a generous donation and a little note that read, "now you can buy some". We would like to take this time to thank Juanita for her thoughtfulness and friendship.

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MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS

The Little Loomhouse Goes to the Airport



Mona Cattan-Lewis, left and Sally Moss at work at the airport.

The Little Loomhouse is a member of the Greater Louisville Inc., Arts and Cultural Attractions Council and as a result was given the opportunity to have a display at the Louisville International Airport, in the Pegasus Gallery. Four volunteers, Sally Moss, Mona Cattan-Lewis, Stefanie Buzan, and Rosemary McCandless, worked to put it all together. The display shows some of the history of the Loomhouse and the process and tools of weaving and spinning. It will be up from October through December. If you go to the airport, check it out. We're in the hallway by Woodford Reserve.

Discover Southwest Treasures Exhibit



Alex Hibbs at Library Exhibit.

During the month of September, the Little Loomhouse was invited to participate in the Southwest Regional Library, Discover Southwest Treasures Exhibit. The goal of the exhibit was to highlight the art and cultural treasures in the South End of Louisville. We incorporated examples of cloth making tools and materials into our exhibit, which included wool, a drop spindle, carding blocks and of course, a Little Loom. A special thanks to Alex Hibbs, a local student, who was kind enough to help us set up our display. Our community could use more volunteers like Alex.

Collegiate Donation continued from page 1

The students loved the idea that their artistic efforts could help a place that they know and love. We art teachers say thanks for instilling in our students, at such a young age, the joy of making something with one's own hands and keeping the art of weaving alive!

From the Little Loomhouse:

Collegiate School invited the Little Loomhouse to come demonstrate at "Art In the Highlands" on the Collegiate campus. Collegiate School always brings some of their young students each year to the Loomhouse for tours and weaving lessons. It was great to see several of the students stop by and demonstrate that they still remember how to weave. We were overwhelmed with happiness a few weeks later to receive a generous donation from Collegiate—the money raised by the students and staff for our benefit. We at the Little Loomhouse want to thank Collegiate for their generosity. What a wonderful group of people!

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Iroquois Amphitheater and Works Progress Administration Get a Highway Marker



Pictured are: Councilman Rick Blackwell, Councilwoman Vicki Aubrey Welch, Stefanie Buzan, and Rosemary McCandless

Earlier this year, members of the Lou Tate Board of Directors, Stefanie Buzan and Rosemary McCandless, participating in a Southwest Dream Team initiative, worked on an application to the Kentucky Historical Society and successfully obtained a Historic Highway Marker commemorating the Iroquois Amphitheater and the Works Progress Administration (the WPA built the Amphitheater in 275 days, in 1938). On September 12, 2010, Louisville Mayor, Jerry Abramson and Becky Riddle of the Kentucky Historical Society unveiled the marker in front of the Iroquois Amphitheater. The unveiling was followed by a free concert featuring the Monarchs. The marker was sponsored by South End Metro Council Members, Dan Johnson, Vicki Aubrey Welch, Rick Blackwell, Marianne Butler and Bob Henderson.

A Gift from a Good Neighbor

While doing some work in his basement, Little Loomhouse neighbor, Charlie Hayes, came across an interesting



1920's era cardinal bird sign

artifact tucked away in the ceiling rafters of his 1920s home. He found one of the old Kenwood Village cardinal bird, arrow signs used by Sam Stone Bush to direct folks to the neighborhood at the time of its initial development. Sam Stone Bush was responsible for the construction of Little Loomhouse cabins, Wisteria and Tophouse. The arrow sign is a 31 by 10 inch wooden cut out, in the shape of a cardinal, painted red with appropriate color detail. It is approximately 90 years old. Charlie donated the sign to the Little Loomhouse, where it can be seen and appreciated for its history. The Little Loomhouse is excited to be the caretaker of this well preserved piece of local history and is fortunate to have friends like Charlie Hayes.

Info on Trunk in Esta

While on a school tour with Dorothy Sayers last month, one of your volunteer guides showed me an old storage trunk next to



The Trunk in Esta.

the fireplace in the Esta Cabin. On the inside of the trunk was the inscription Katharina Marti Havre–New York. This intrigued me, so I did a quick check on the Internet and found a Catharina Martin (age 23–wife of Henry Martin) who had been a passenger on the Ship Caroline and Mary Clarke from Le Havre, France to New York in November 1851. Of course, you probably already knew this - but it was fun tracing it down.

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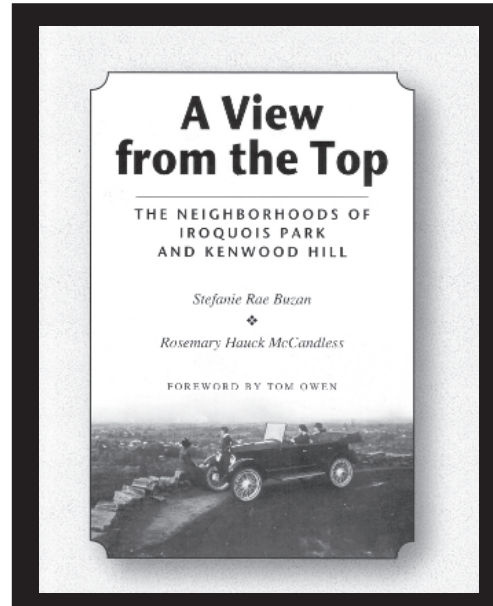
Just in time for the Holidays

The Little Loomhouse is proud to announce the third printing of our award winning book "A View From the Top the Neighborhoods of Iroquois Park and Kenwood Hill".

We continue to sell several copies a month and had less than 50 copies left.

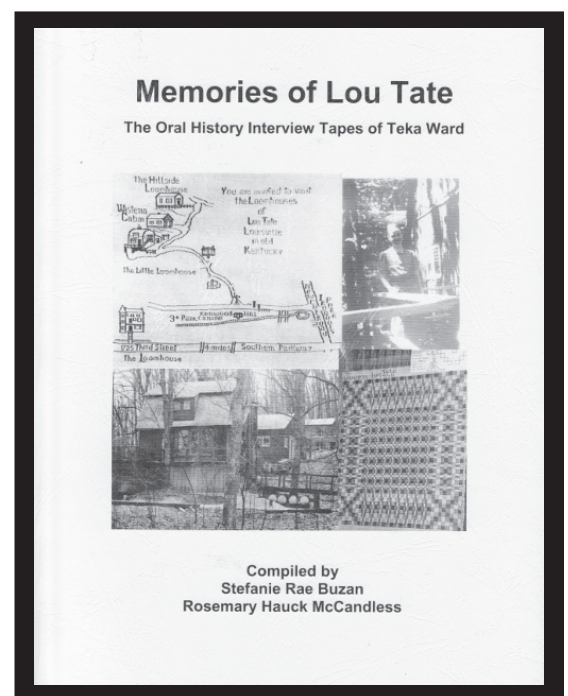
The books will be available at the Little Loomhouse and some of the Louisville bookstores for \$23.27 (Price includes sales tax).

All proceeds go to the Little Loomhouse.



Memories of Lou Tate

In the 1980's Teka Ward interviewed friends and colleagues of Lou Tate to compile an oral history of her and the Little Loomhouse. A few years ago the Board and Volunteers at the Loomhouse received a grant to transcribe the cassette tapes. It took many hours and the help of all the people involved with the Loomhouse in order to accomplish this feat. Stefanie Buzan, Rosemary McCandless and Miriam Forinash then assembled the transcriptions into a 300+ page book with some photos from the archives. We were recently able, through Councilman Dan Johnson's generosity, to have 25 copies of the book printed by Publisher's Printing. We have given copies to the Filson Club, the Kentucky Historical Society, the U of L archives and archived a couple of copies at the Loomhouse. We have a very limited number of copies left and they are available in the gift shop with a minimum \$20.00 donation. If you are interested in a copy or more information, please contact the Little Loomhouse by mail or phone.



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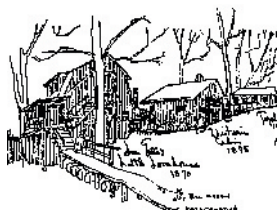
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