New board members to be installed May 10

We are delighted to welcome the following to our board:
Lydia Prichard of New Directions Housing Corporation;
Christie McCravy of Housing Partnership, Inc.;
Rick Vance of Stites and Harbison; Marita Willis of PNC Bank, and developer John Bajandas. Look in June’s newsletter to learn more about the new MHC board members!

MHC recommends the re-appointment for a second term for the following board members whose first term has expired: Phil Tom of PC USA; Barbara Banazynski of Volunteers of America; Gabe Fritz of All-State Builders; John Rosenburger of New Albany Redevelopment Commission; and Susan Stokes of HMR Associates. Be sure to come May 10 to vote!

MHC says a fond farewell to four fabulous board members: Kevin Dunlap of Fannie Mae; Maria Gerwing-Hampton of Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Louisville Branch; Dave Howard of National City; and Morgan Ward of Stites and Harbison. Thanks for your dedication and hard work on behalf of MHC!

Last chance to get tickets to MHC’s 18th Annual Meeting on May 10

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This year our theme is Yes! In My Back Yard (YIMBY). MHC and more than 20 partners are developing a brand new public education campaign on the benefits of affordable housing throughout the entire city. We encourage all affordable housing advocates to come out on May 10 to support MHC by purchasing your very own YIMBY apron or Back Yard centerpiece! Don’t miss Andrea Levere of CFED discuss Assets and Opportunities: Building a True Ownership Society. (Read more about Andrea on page 3.) The event will be held at the downtown Hyatt at 320 W. Jefferson.

Email Kendell@metropolitanhousing.org to let her know how many seats to reserve for you! Come at 5pm for a social hour with drinks and live music!

Open Housing Forum: How the movement of yesterday influenced today’s leaders

The commemorative event celebrating the Open Housing Movement of 1966-1967 was wonderful. Senator Georgia Powers, Representative Reginald Meeks and Council Member Cheri Bryant Hamilton participated in the Open Housing Movement and went on to become elected officials. Their presentations were rich with history and the description of their personal involvement was powerful.

The second half of the event was about where we are now in integration and where we are going. Dr. John Gilderbloom from University of Louisville and Carolyn Miller-Coo-per of the Louisville Metro Human Relations Commission presented.

We are very grateful to Council Member Hamilton for getting this recorded by Metro TV. We will let you know when we have a schedule. Trust me, you want to see this!

There was a packed house, including a representative from Congressman John Yarmuth’s office. It was standing room only!

The Open Housing Movement occurred during 1966-1967 in which demonstrations,
It’s the biggest celebration of the year! Kentucky Jobs with Justice will hold their Solidarity Celebration on Saturday, May 12. Join Kentucky Jobs with Justice and keynote speaker Fred Azcarate, AFL-CIO Voice@Work Director, and community, faith, labor and allies to celebrate the achievements of workers and activists alike at the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, 4315 Preston Highway, 5–7pm. Tickets are available now for online purchase at www.kyjwj.org or by phone, 582-5454, for a suggested minimum $15 donation. Special ticket packages are available for labor unions, community and faith organizations and student groups. Please call for more details on the ticket packages as well as the art contest.

Boys’ Haven Volleyball and Corn Toss Tournament returns this year. This year’s tournament will take place on Saturday, May 19 and is sponsored by Arch L. Heady and Son. Volleyball is “Coed Trips” starting at 9am and corn toss is a two-person team starting at 1:30pm. Registration fee is per person for volleyball and corn toss. Register online at www.LouVB.com. Split the Pot Practice Court for corn toss opens at noon; practice on official corn toss courts is 1-1:20pm. For more information, call 458-1171, ext. 109, or email at mclements@boyshaven.org.

Metro United Way is celebrating 90 years of service to Louisville! Please save May 24 in your calendar and plan on attending MUW’s Success By 6 Early Childhood Education Forum from 8:30am tp 1:15pm at the Galt House East. Jonah Edelman, co-founder and the Executive Director of Stand for Children, one of the nation’s groundbreaking child advocacy organizations, will be speaking on Creating a Community that Ensures the Success of Young Children. His speech will help attendees understand the stakes for our children and energize them to take a stand. This forum is an opportunity for all community members to come together to create a community that better provides for the success of its youngest citizens. Register online by visiting www.metrounitedway.org. This event is free! Stay for MUW’s 90th Anniversary Celebration Dinner, also on May 24 at the Galt House East, with an opening reception at 5:15pm and dinner at 6pm. The event will include a full meal and program, including a celebration of accomplishments and milestones for the organization and Success By 6, as well as a look at some of the achievements of our agencies. Honorees will include past and present Campaign Chairs and members of our Board of Directors. We hope you will join us to celebrate 90 years of success, outline our course for the future, and recognize some of the outstanding people who have helped us grow. Tickets are $65 each or $500 for a table of eight.

The Kentucky Homeless Summit will be held on June 7–8 at the Four Points Sheraton in Lexington. This conference is sponsored by the Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky in partnership with the Kentucky Interagency Council on Homelessness, with support from Kentucky Housing Corporation. Join service providers, program administrators, and policymakers as we take a close look at best practices in Kentucky and across the country. For agenda and registration info, go to www.hhck.org. Registration is due by May 30.

If you would like to receive MHC’s newsletter by email only, contact Kendell at 584-6858 or email her at kendell@metropolitanhousing.org.

Have you been out of touch with MHC? Want to receive MHC’s newsletter and other publications? Now is the time to join or renew your membership! MHC needs the support of its members to continue to be successful as the affordable housing advocate! If you believe in fair, safe and affordable housing for all, fill out the form on the back page and send in your check today!

Special thanks to local favorites for helping to make our centerpieces possible! We are very grateful to: BourbonQ from Westport, Kentucky, www.bourbonq.com or call 1-866-4Pappys; and Old Town Wine and Spirits in the Highlands, 1529 Bardstown Road, www.oldtownwine.com.
For 17 years, The Housing Partnership, Inc. has worked in the Louisville community to create homeownership opportunities that are affordable for working people. That success was celebrated this year by the landmark 1,000th home built through HPI development efforts.

The Housing Partnership, Inc. uses every avenue to create a variety of homeownership opportunities. Through home ownership education programs potential buyers learn the many benefits of homeownership and how to handle the many responsibilities that comes with owning your own home. To date this program has created over 7,000 homeowners.

HPI’s multi-family development our community has created over 3,500 quality affordable rental housing. Through their new Home Mortgage Loans department, HPI offers assistance to buyers who might otherwise get tied into the wrong type of loan through our Home Mortgage Loans department. Visit their website for details. www.housingpartnershipinc.org.

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June is National Homeownership Month and HPI is celebrating with the 3rd Annual Champions of Home Ownership Luncheon. Mr. Jonathon Reckford, CEO of Habitat International, will speak, and Habitat for Humanity Louisville Metro is this year’s honoree.

The Housing Partnership Inc. congratulates Habitat of Louisville for their success in bringing homeownership to 250 low income families in our community and their continued efforts throughout the world.

If you would like to join the celebration on June 6 at the Hyatt Regency Downtown from noon to 1:30pm, please call Terry Stinnett at 814-2711 for reservation information. Tickets are $35 each or $350 for a table of 10.

Marches, and advocacy culminated in an open housing law for Louisville, the first such law in a southern city of our size. Get a copy of MHC’s US Bank sponsored paper Opening the Door: 40 Years of the Open Housing Movement describing the history of the Open Housing Movement. A new initiative, Yes In My Back Yard! (TIMBT?), was presented.

This education campaign shows the need for diverse housing and diversity of households for neighborhoods to thrive as market demands and demographics of Louisville change.

Hosting partners were: Metropolitan Housing Coalition, University of Louisville College of Arts and Sciences, Legal Aid Society, Kentucky Commission on Human Rights, Louisville Urban League, Louisville Metro Human Relations Commission, ACLU of Kentucky, African American Heritage Museum, NAACP of Louisville, Kentucky Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression, and Fair Housing Coalition.
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served as Chair of the Board of the Ms. Foundation for Women from 2002-2005, after being on its board since 1998.

She is a recognized speaker in national and international forums and in 2001 Ms. Levere received the Alumni Recognition Award from her alma mater, the Yale School of Management, for exemplary commitment to the field of economic development and the mission of the Yale School of Management.

Ms. Levere lives in Silver Spring, Maryland, with husband, Michael R. Mazerov, a senior fellow at the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, and their two children.