

ALTON AREA LANDMARKS ASSOCIATION
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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

We skip the summer month August. The next meeting will be September 15th. We will have a program about the Eldred House.

HOUSE TOUR:

The tour will be Sunday October 12th this year. We have several fabulous houses committed to the tour already. We are looking for new volunteers and new ideas. Do you know an organization which would like to make barbeque as a fund raiser the day of the Tour? Call Terry Sharp at 463-5761.

OLIN PARK:

Finally they are going to start to put Olin Park back together. New playground set for \$70,000 and walkway lighting for \$18,400 were approved by the City Council. It is all a mud pit now.

LOST:

We are going to lose one block of brick street because of the new bus station downtown. The block of West Seventh between Piasa and Belle has to be concrete to support the weight of buses.

FOR SALE:

Sebastian Wise House- 505 Bond, Captain Leheye House- 703 State Street, a house with a great river view at 453 Bluff and a house one block from Haskell Park at 902 Royal. A beautiful one and one half acre wooded area is for sale in Christian Hill. They are asking \$130,000 for this tract bordered by Beacon, Bond and Prospect. Wouldn't this be a great city park?

TOO BAD:

We had high hopes about a historic facade on Catdaddies. But instead of using the wonderful second story windows that were there, they went for the concrete block look. What were they thinking? More facade changes are happening on Broadway at Ridge.

PANTRY:

The Alton Plan Commission denied a permit for another food pantry in the Middletown Historic District. Neighbors spoke for and against it. Hopefully, another more suitable location can be found. Why not combine efforts with the Food Crisis Center already in the neighborhood and give better services for both sets of clients?

DUES:

Dues for 2008 can be mailed to the AALA, Box 232, Alton, IL 62002. Individual dues are \$15.00 a year. Family membership is \$25.00 a year, Contributions are tax deductible. Remember the AALA in your will. Thank you for your support.