



## Gallopalooza Auctions benefit Brightside Beautification

The 2009 Gallopalooza herd is going to auction! Don't miss your chance to own your very own artistic horse sculpture.

Mark your calendar for the live auction on **Friday, November 20**, The Seelbach Hilton, where 40 horses will be available to the highest bidders. Highlights include Black Jack (pictured here) and America's Victory Ryder, featuring autographs from the US and European Ryder Cup Teams. An additional 60 horses will be available during the online auction at [www.gallopalooza.com](http://www.gallopalooza.com)

Reserve your auction tickets today by contacting [rsvp@gallopalooza.com](mailto:rsvp@gallopalooza.com). Tickets are limited. Register today!

You can also find merchandise online, such as the Gallopalooza hardback book. It's wonderful pictures make it a great gift for family and business clients. Visit [www.gallopalooza.com](http://www.gallopalooza.com) for more information.

Auction proceeds support community beautification projects done in partnership with Brightside.

## Brightside / UPS Community-Wide Cleanup

Nearly 6,000 volunteers have registered to participate this fall in the Brightside/UPS Community-Wide Cleanup on Saturday, November 7, 2009. Volunteers will clear tons of trash from streets, sidewalks and green spaces showing their civic pride in Louisville. Volunteers received free bags, gloves and a limited supply of t-shirts from Brightside to help in the clean and green initiative.

Groups select their own cleanup site and Brightside coordinates trash collection with our partners at Metro Solid Waste Management. If you see these individuals out this Saturday morning please thank them for keeping our city clean and beautiful!

Each volunteer is equipped with approximately \$5 worth of cleanup supplies. If you like what you see consider making a tax-deductible donation today. Your support is valued and appreciated. **Donate** to support our cause [www.brightsideinc.org](http://www.brightsideinc.org).

Thanks to our sponsors:

Brightside's Community-Wide Cleanup is made possible thanks to the generous support of the UPS Foundation, Kentucky PRIDE Fund, Louisville Metro Solid Waste Management and individuals just like you.

## Brightside Bio-Bags keep Landfills Greener

Use Brightside biodegradable cornstarch bags instead of plastic for your yard waste this fall. The Brightside cornstarch bag is made by BioBag. It has the look and feel of a plastic bags but they are made from a material called Mater-Bi and will completely biodegrade within 45 days. Even the ink and dyes are vegetable based.

Brightside Bio Bags are available at Amazing Green Planet, Brightside, Creation Gardens, all Heine Brothers Coffee locations and St. Matthews Feed and Seed for only \$5 per roll (10 bags per roll).

## Give the Gift of Green this Holiday Season

### Plant-able All Occasion Gift Card

Not sure what to get the man who has everything, the ladies in your Bunco group, your corporate clients?? Make a donation to Brightside of \$10 or more, in their honor and we'll send them an environmentally friendly holiday card celebrating your gift of green made in their honor.

This ornament (shaped like an evergreen tree) is handmade from recycled, bio-degradable fibers and embedded with seeds. When planted, it will grow an Austrian Pine Tree! Call 502.574.2613 or email [Brightside@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:Brightside@louisvilleky.gov).



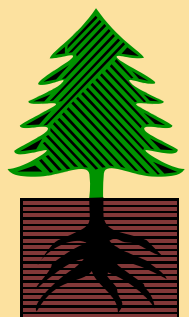
Black Jack by Flags4Vets



Volunteers help us keep Louisville looking clean, green and beautiful!



Use biodegradable bags for your yard waste to eliminate plastic



Give the gift that keeps on giving

# Brightside's Youth Education Programs Encourage Young Stewards

## Brightside's EcoDrama Program

### Brightside's Eco-Drama: InterAct with your environment.

Eco-Drama, free of charge to all Louisville third grade classrooms, is an environmental education program coordinated in partnership with Stage One. Eco-DRAMA provides students and educators with an active approach to exploring environmental issues with drama-based instructional strategies. Students explore environmental issues such as recycling, litter, clean water and energy awareness. Classes are limited.

Thanks to our sponsors MSD and Waste Management of Kentucky for contributing to this unique program.

## Brightside's Environmental Youth Summit

Brightside's Environmental Youth Summit, held in the spring and fall of each year, is a day-long, interactive workshop for students in grades 4-12. Students throughout Greater Louisville join together and rally around a state education initiative called Kentucky's Green & Healthy Schools Program. This interactive program challenges students to investigate environmental issues and promote individual responsibility for the earth and their school. Students engage in hands-on environmental activities in eight key areas: energy, green spaces, transportation, resource management, hazardous chemicals, indoor air quality, storm water and climate change.

Participants develop the leadership skills and strategies necessary to implement environmental stewardship principals in their schools, such as reducing litter, decreasing energy use, recycling and improving the environment. Hosted by the Partnership for a Green City, a consortium including JCPS Center for Environmental Education, Brightside, Louisville Metro and UofL. The next Brightside Environmental Youth Summit will be held March 17, 2010 at UofL.

**Sponsorship opportunities for both of these essential green education programs are available and in need. With your support Eco-Drama could be extended to include more 3rd grade classrooms and the Environmental Youth Summit could reach more students who are eager to learn valuable energy saving techniques, ways to improve the environment, protect green spaces and provide sustainable living. Contact Brightside 502.574.2613 to learn more about how your organization can help.**

## Mark your Calendars!

- Brightside's Spring 2010 NatureScape Grant Applications are now available online [www.brightsideinc.org](http://www.brightsideinc.org), deadline March 31, 2010. NatureScape grants do not cover signage but your group has the opportunity to apply for a potential matching grant for signage through our friends at Sign-A-Rama.
- Olmsted Parks Landscape Restoration Projects – Restoring health to natural areas takes a lot of hands-on effort. Through the Park Champions program you can volunteer to restore native plant communities, learn about the environment, make friends, call 456-1623 and/or [sarah.wolff@olmstedparks.org](mailto:sarah.wolff@olmstedparks.org).
- Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Agency offering Master Gardening classes and Community Garden information [ces.ca.uky.edu/jefferson](http://ces.ca.uky.edu/jefferson).

November 6. Supporting School Gardens-Workshop of the Kentucky Healthy Foods Local Farms Conference, [www.healthyfoodsllocalfarmsconference.org](http://www.healthyfoodsllocalfarmsconference.org)

November 7 - 2009 Festival of Faiths Sacred Water - Sustaining Life will host a day of environmental programs, visit [www.interfaithrelations.org](http://www.interfaithrelations.org).

November 27 - Light up Louisville celebrates its 29th year, adding even more exciting events [www.louisvilleky.gov](http://www.louisvilleky.gov). Anyone interested in donating a large spruce or fir tree for Light up Louisville please contact MetroCall 311 or 502-574-5000.

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Student uses catch basin

EcoDrama Sponsors



Students witness LCD requires less energy than incandescent bulb by watching the meter usage at the environmental youth summit

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## SAVE THE DATE

### Brightside's 4th Annual Green Tie Bash

March 5th, 2010



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