

# The Holly Hills *Neighborhood News Newsletter*

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## **SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW ...**

### **HHIA Annual Banquet**

**Monday, January 25**

Cocktails, 6:30 pm -- Dinner, 7:00 pm

Christy's Banquet Center, 5856 Christy Blvd.

Cost:\$13.50 per person

RSVP: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

Long-time residents remember the days when the Holly Hills annual banquet was a ritzy affair. Ladies and gentlemen dressed in their formal best, an elegant banquet and ballroom dancing at the Chase Park Plazas swanky penthouse Starlight Room. Die-hard party-goers would then gather at homes after the main event, to visit, talk about past highlights and plan for a bright future (and perhaps sip another cocktail or two) until the wee hours of the morning. What times those must have been!

While we cant recreate the past (especially at todays prices), this years banquet promises to bring back a touch of those exciting days, while introducing some new traditions. A change in venue this year brings us to the Christy Banquet Center at the corner of Christy and Gravois. While maintaining the same cost for the event as last year, we have added an all-evening open bar to our buffet meal, featuring turkey, top round and an array of tasty side dishes. Dinner will be accompanied by graceful background music and the warm company of your neighbors.

Following the meal, we have a special treat. Sharon Quigley Carpenter, our Recorder of Deeds, has graciously agreed to entertain us with some of the fascinating tales and historical trivia that her study of our citys deeds has uncovered. For example, did you know that many women kept their maiden names and had prenuptial agreements drawn up ... more than 200 years ago? (And we thought we were so modern.)

Finally, as always, you might be one of the lucky attendees to win one of the many door prizes we have, including gift certificates to our new Market Place of Holly Hills, (compliments of Alderman Fred Wessels).

If you've never attended one of our banquets in the past, this will be the perfect time to find out what you've been missing. If you're a long-time attendee, we think you'll enjoy what we have in store. The price for the entire event is a very reasonable \$13.50 per person. (Where else could you enjoy a fine meal, with good company and live entertainment at this rate?) RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20.

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## ... Something Worthy, Something Due!

And while you're writing that check to attend the banquet, we'd sure appreciate it if you add those annual dues as well. A \$7 family membership or \$20 business membership ensures you continue receiving your Neighborhood News newsletter throughout 1999, and enables us to continue our many programs that benefit the neighborhood (such as our Welcoming, Beautification, Maintenance and Events committees, and all of the projects they oversee). Thanks for your support!

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### A Winning Neighborhood

As always, Holly Hills looked especially welcoming during this year's holiday season. It's as hard as ever to pick just a few residences to receive our annual lighting contest award, but here are some that our judges felt were particularly noteworthy:

#### **GRAND PRIZE: 3840 BOWEN**

##### **Best Single-Family Larger Home**

First prize: 6021 S. Grand

Runners-up: 3949 Federer, 3931 Holly Hills and 3850 Bowen

##### **Best Single-Family Smaller Home**

First prize: 4226 Bates

Runners-up: 3671 Bellerive, 6125 Marwinette and 4104 Burgen

##### **Best Multi-Family**

First prize: 3844 Fillmore

Runners-up: 3848 Fillmore, 3660 Wilmington and 3652 Dewey

### **Best Block**

First prize: 4200 Bates

Runners-up: 4100 Alma, 4000 Bowen and Holly Hills from Morganford to Grand

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### **Just Bag It**

Good news for current or would-be recyclers. Alderman Fred Wessels has notified us that the city is expanding its cost-sharing curbside recycling program into the 63116 zip code (encompassing most of Holly Hills). Residents there will soon receive an announcement in the mail with all the details of the program, which will enable you to leave your recyclables at your curb for regular pick-up.

The annual cost to those residents who choose to participate will be \$24. The remaining cost per participant (\$38.52) will be paid by the city, via a grant it has received. All current recycling programs (such as the center in the park), will continue to operate as well.

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### **Building a Strong Neighborhood**

Construction of new homes in the Holly Hills neighborhood continues to take place ... although there aren't many vacant lots left to fill! According to Alderman Wessels, a permit to construct a new home at 3924 Fillmore was recently granted. The lot is currently a side-yard lot. Those travelling along the 3800 block of Federer will notice a new home taking root there as well. HHIA board members have reviewed the specifications for this home and have been assured it will be in keeping with the style and beauty of its neighboring homes. An advance welcome from HHIA to our newest neighbors.

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### **Life's a Picnic**

Already dreaming about next summer and planning picnics in the park? To reserve a picnic spot in Carondelet Park, the number to call is 535-0100.

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### **Holly Hills Boulevard Update**

Reported by Alderman Wessels: The Holly Hills Boulevard road striping plan outlined in the last issue of Neighborhood News is delayed pending further review and discussion. Changes will take place shortly, but all parties involved want to make certain that the changes implemented are safe and beneficial.

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### **Tune In To Safety**

Speaking of safety, thanks to the efforts of a local ham radio volunteer, our neighborhood now has a crime-fighting radio station that can help keep our area a little more safe. Tune your radio to 1510 AM during most daylight hours, and you will hear an announcement listing local numbers you can call if you need help with a safety-related issue.

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## **Welcome, New Members**

Please join us in a warm welcome to our newest HHIA members:

### **Family Memberships:**

- Patricia and Alfred Hofer on Michigan Ave.
- Drew and Cathy Strabala on Arendes
- Donald Mouser on Burgen
- Jennifer Joyce on Fillmore

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