

Carondelet Music Series

- July 27 **Latin Touch**
Cuban/Peurto Rican/Dominican
Republic/Central American mix
- August 3 **Air National Guard Band of the Central States**
- 10 **Buffalo Bob and the Bedroom Blues Band**
blues
- 17 **The Chia Band**
rock in a variety of musical styles

CCBF is the sponsor for the Carondelet Park concert series. HHIA is also proud to support the series each year with a contribution to the efforts.

**HHIA
General
Meeting**

Monday, July 28,
7:30 pm

Southern Commercial
Bank, 5515 S. Grand



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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The Holly Hills Improvement Association (HHIA) was formed on September 10, 1927. Since its inception, we have held various activities and events to promote the well-being of Holly Hills. Our Web site is at <http://stlouis.missouri.org/hollyhills>.

Boundaries:
Grand on east, Bates on north, Morganford on west and Loughborough on south.

Membership:
Anyone can become an HHIA member. Annual dues (\$10 per family, \$25 per business), collected at the end of each calendar year, support projects and defray the cost of this newsletter.

General Meetings:
Bimonthly general meetings, are typically held the fourth Mondays of March, May, July, September and November, in the lower level of the Southern Commercial Bank, 5515 S. Grand, 7:30 p.m. A non-business January meeting is also held.

Questions:
Contact us at 569-5708; P.O. Box 22144, St. Louis, MO 63116 or hollyhil@stlouis.missouri.org.

Everything You Always Wanted to Know (but were afraid to ask!) About Home Rule

The July meeting of the Holly Hills Improvement Association will feature a speaker who will talk about Home Rule and the planning process know as Advance St. Louis. The meeting is Monday, July 28 at 7:30 at the Southern Commercial Bank at 5515 South Grand.

In May 2001 the Missouri State Legislature authorized a statewide referendum on a Constitutional Amendment (HJR 11) providing the City of St. Louis Home Rule. A November 2002 statewide vote resulted in the passage of an amendment providing the City of St. Louis with Home Rule. (The amendment passed by a 69% majority of statewide voters and 66% of City of St. Louis voters.)

As a result of the vote, the citizens of the City of St. Louis now have the opportunity to discuss, evaluate and modify their current form of government. A grassroots planning process, known as Advance Saint Louis, was launched in May 2003 following four months of discussion by an eight-person Conveners' Group, Mayor Francis Slay and four former mayors of the city, members of the board of directors of Citizens for Home Rule, representatives from the Comptroller's Office, the Board of Aldermen, and various neighborhood and community organizations. One of the first public manifestations of Advance St. Louis occurred Saturday, June 28 when several hundred people gathered to begin actively discussing and debating what form of government is best for the City of St. Louis. Advance Saint Louis hopes to create a 150-person Stakeholders Assembly that will be the focal point of the ongoing planning process.

All city residents are invited to another public meeting at Forest Park Community College, August 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, to continue the planning and discussion process to improve their city government.

Come and learn about the process and how you can get involved.

For more information, see the web site for Advance Saint Louis at: <http://www.advancesaintlouis.org/>.

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Community Recreation Center Update

There will be a Public Meeting to review the findings regarding the site for the Community Recreation Center slated for South St. Louis City. The information that has been gathered by the consultants hired by the City of St. Louis through several public meetings and recent phone surveys will be presented. The consultants have determined what they think are the top possible sites for the Center. After the meeting their findings will then be sent to the City of St. Louis for a final decision. The meeting will be the last week of July at Woerner School. Please look for the exact time and date to be posted in upcoming Journal issues.

Carondelet Park Master Plan Progress

Remember the Master Plan for Carondelet Park? Well good news — it's moving forward. The Master Plan has been approved by the City and the Implementation Advisory Committee has been formed. This Committee is responsible for helping to monitor the Master Plan progress and is composed of various community representatives, city officials, and professional representatives (engineer, arborist, landscape architect, etc.). The Committee will have its first meeting in August. Look for updates in this newsletter.

The draft of the Carondelet Park Master Plan is available on the Holly Hills website at: <http://stlouis.missouri.org/hollyhills/>

House-Hunting Help?

A frequently asked question we receive on our Web site is from individuals who are looking to buy or rent in the Holly Hills neighborhood and are seeking our advice. As an organization, we unfortunately do not currently have a program to track all of the purchasing and rental opportunities in the neighborhood (if anyone might be interested in volunteering to set up such a program, give us a call at 569-5708). But a great source of info. to which we often refer such questions is our local realtors. Following is a list of realtors who both feature Holly Hills homes to their clients AND who themselves have chosen to live in the Holly Hills neighborhood:

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Denise lives on Holly Hills Blvd.

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Susan lives on Federer

Eugene Schaller and Annette Hudson
Schaller Realty
7419 Broadway
314-832-6100
schallerrealty@accessus.net
Eugene lives on Fillmore and Annette lives on Dover

If you are a realtor who both lives in and features Holly Hills, please contact us so we can add your name to our list.

St. Stephen Protomartyr "Buildings for our Future" Campaign

The parishioners at St. Stephen's Catholic Church recently held a capital campaign to raise nearly one million dollars. This money has been pledged by over 300 parishioners and friends of St. Stephens. This money has been designated for three projects:

- 1) Support of the new St. Stephen's Early Childhood Development Center. This operation is located at the corner of Wilmington and Leona.
- 2) The remodeling and renovation of the interior of the church located on Wilmington. The work on the interior of the church should take place in early 2004.
- 3) The construction of a new multi-purpose building which will be located next to the existing school on Wilmington. This new structure will be in excess of 6,000 square feet and will have brick work which is identical to the rest of St. Stephen's buildings. Part of this project will include the upgrading of the existing parking lot which is located at the corner of Wilmington and Livingston. The construction timeline is still in the planning stages.

The Igloo

Did you know that there is a shaved ice sno-cone and ice cream stand right here in the Holly Hills neighborhood! The Igloo is located on the lot of the Holly Hills Auto Service at Morganford and Holly Hills. In addition to the delightful shaved ice sno-cones, try the nine types of Blu Bunny novelty ice creams. If that doesn't strike your fancy, the Igloo offers four types of soda, bottled water and a variety of candy. The owners of the Igloo are Mike and Linda Seemiller and they live right here in the Holly Hills neighborhood on Toenges.

So when your hot this summer, "chill out" at the Igloo!!