



Holly Hills Happenings

HOLLY HILLS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION (HHIA)

Grand to Morganford and Bates to Loughborough

Founded in 1927. St. Louis' oldest neighborhood association. Visit us on the web: www.stlouis.missouri.org/hollyhills

NEXT MEETING

January 28, 2008, 7:30 p.m.
Southern Commercial Bank
5515 South Grand

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Just in time for the holidays! These high-quality, weather-proof flags make great gifts for friends, family,

neighbors or yourself!

Send a check for \$25 to HHIA; P.O. Box 22144; Saint Louis, MO 63116.

We will deliver the flag to your door.

You are cordially invited to a **Holiday Party and 80th Anniversary** celebration of **The Holly Hills Improvement Association**, the oldest neighborhood organization in the City of St. Louis.

Monday, November 26th
Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Banquet Center
6400 Minnesota Avenue
Cocktails 6:30 p.m. (cash bar)
Dinner at 7:15 p.m.
Entertainment by Holly Hills resident and vacuum aficionado, Stan Kann

Be there for the launch of the newly redesigned **Holly Hills Web Site**

Cost of admission: A toy for a needy child, An assortment of non-perishable food items or outdoor Christmas lights for the Lyle House (if you're feeling generous, bring all three!)

Reservations are required
Please respond by Monday, November 19th to
Barb Russell at 353-4619
or dr.russell@sbcglobal.net

A message from the president...

Greetings!

It is an exciting time for HHIA, celebrating our 80th anniversary as a neighborhood organization, the oldest in St. Louis. As you can see from the invitation, we plan to give something back to the community through our price of admission for the dinner.

For those of you who have not been a member or familiar with our association, we are here to make the neighborhood a better place. We are lucky to have Fred Wessels and Matt Villa as our Aldermen. They attend our meeting at Southern Commercial Bank on South Grand every other month faithfully and fill us in on the comings and goings at City Hall. Tom Villa, our State Representative, lives in the neighborhood and lets us know what is happening on a state level. Our two Neighborhood Stabilization Officers, Brian Kolde and Kathy Savage, and our district police rep, Tom Bottini, give reports on specific incidents about which we should be aware. We usually have a guest speaker to make the meeting even more informative.

It is very easy to become a member of HHIA - there is a form in this newsletter for you to fill out and send in with a check. Please consider joining us in our efforts to continue the goal of those first dedicated Holly Hills residents who simply wanted to make the neighborhood a great place to live.

Dee McAliney

Holiday Lighting Contest

Pull out those Christmas lights and make a splash and flash of color on your home and in your yard! Let's light up Holly Hills like it's never been done before in celebration of our 80th year as one of the best neighborhoods in St. Louis! We have three categories this year which will be judged on or before December 20th. Prizes will be awarded for Most Creative Design, Best Traditional Display and the Spirit of Christmas Award. We've had some great designs in the past, let's see if we can outdo ourselves! Good luck and happy lighting!

Also, if you have any unwanted or unused Christmas decorating items like lights, wreaths, trees, etc. please consider donating them for the Lyle House. We are planning on decorating it this year and could sure use your help. You can drop them off on the front porch of the President, Dee McAliney, at 3922 Dover Place. Thank you so much!

The Holly Hills Improvement Association (HHIA) was formed on September 10, 1927. Since its inception, HHIA has worked to promote the well being of Holly Hills and its residents.

For more information or to become a member of HHIA contact us at (314) 569-5708 or hollyhil@stlouis.missouri.org

Numbers to Know!

First District Police	444-0100
Police (non-emergency)	231-1212
Anonymous Drug, Gang, Homicide Police Line.....	241-COPS
Neighborhood Stabilization Officers (NSO)	772-3484
.....	622-4628
Citizens' Service Bureau	622-4800
Humane Society	647-8800
Alderman Matt Villa 11th Ward	351-9896
Alderman Fred Heitert 12th Ward	622-3287
Alderman Fred Wessels 13th Ward	589-6836
State Representative Tom Villa 108th District	352-2084
State Senator Harry Kennedy 1st District	481-5857

Dee McAliney	H H I A B O A R D M E M B E R S	President
Paul Sager		Vice President
Daniel Haag		Immediate Past President
Victoria Checkik		Past President
Beth Murphy		Treasurer
Anne Borgmeyer		Recording Secretary
Tara Ohler-Jenney		Financial Secretary
Mary Lopinot		Member at large
Stacy Ross		Member at large
Barbara Russell		Member at large

Community makes Garden a success

The first season for the Holly Hills Community Garden is coming to a close. The garden, at the corner of Bates and Ardenes was a huge success, and there are plans for expansion in the 2008 season including getting another funding grant, building more beds, planting low canopy trees and erecting a permanent sign. This summer a generous neighbor allowed gardeners to attach a hose to his water faucet, but the garden planners intend to get bids for a plumber to install a water tap by next year.



Stacy Ross and Tara Ohler-Jenney

The Green Girls

nated enough money to build two more beds and purchase a storage shed.

In March, Tim and Mark directed about 25 Holly Hills residents - adults and children alike - who helped clear the lot of debris and build raised beds.

Even in its first year, the Holly Hills Community Garden did great things for the neighborhood. It not only beautified a formerly vacant lot, but it created a greater sense of community among neighbors, who worked together in many different ways to make a lasting positive change.

A big thanks to all those involved in creating the Holly Hills Community Garden, to all the gardener participants and especially to Tim Bolt for maintaining the common areas of the garden and the neighborhood flower beds.

As the 2008 season approaches, stay tuned to Holly Hills Happenings for information on how you can become a gardener in the City.

The garden first started to grow when Holly Hills resident and unofficial neighborhood gardener, Tim Bolt, secured the lease for the lot with assistance from Alderman Fred Wessels. Another Holly Hills resident, Mark Groth, worked with Gateway Greening, the outreach arm of the Missouri Botanical Garden, to get funding. Gardeners paid \$25 per raised bed for the chance to grow their very own plot of vegetables, herbs and flowers in the middle of the City. HHIA do-

The weather is turning colder and the taste of fresh tomatoes is just a memory. But before you go into withdrawal, consider these sources of local food products:

- Local Harvest Grocery, located at 3148 Morgan Ford Road, specializes in locally raised and produced foods.
- The Maplewood Farmers' Market Winter Pantry is held once a month on a Saturday at the Schlafly's Bottleworks in Maplewood at 7260 Southwest Avenue. This indoor market features a wide variety of local farmers and food producers.
- St Louis Community Farmers' Market will be held the second Saturday of each month at St. John's Episcopal Church at 3664 Arsenal St from 8:30am to Noon and will feature an assortment of local food producers and artisans.
- Soulard Farmer's Market is open year round, Wednesday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Neighborhood Businesses

Apollonia Mediterranean House
6836 Gravois - Open 7 days
Delicious Greek food and drink

State Farm Insurance
Jake Schillinger
5229 South Grand - 832-2820

Mel's Service - Mike Schwent
Complete Auto Care - 481-4828
Wilmington and Coronado

Tom Roth - Bank Star 750-1651
All types of loans and refinancing

Tara Ohler - Attorney
P.O. Box 22114,
St. Louis, MO 63116 583.6784

Schaller Realty 832-6100
Premier Realtors - Annie Bullerdieck
241-0008 or 540-4495

Coldwell Banker - Gundaker
Susan Ronshausen
351-6005 or 614-0578

ReMax Results - Paul Sager 781-7777
HHIA Board Vice President

ADT Security Services - Robert Haefner
Residential Specialist - 581-0183

Arbonne International -
Jennifer Haefner 752-5018
Beauty and wellness products

Andrew LaBeaume, CPA - 259-1136
Tax returns and business accounting

Fuller Brush Company - 832-3515
Anna Marie Baldwin
Specializing in home products

The City Mouse - Dee McAliney
Residential painting and paperhanging -
Free estimates 550-5571

If you would like to have your business listed, all it takes is a paid annual HHIA membership of \$25.00.
See form in this newsletter.



Holly Hills Improvement Association
PO Box 22144 St. Louis, MO 63116

Yes, I would like to become a member of HHIA!

Household Membership.....\$10

Business Membership.....\$25

(Business membership includes newsletter listing)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please mail this form with a check made out to HHIA
to: PO Box 22144 St. Louis, MO 63116

Flowers and Bushes and Trees, Oh My!

Several organizations have teamed up to make Holly Hills even more beautiful. Volunteers with the Flora Conservancy help implement park Master Plan projects and are responsible for the rose bushes in front of the Boat-house. They plan to plant more on the lake-side in the spring.

The Master Plan calls for about 160 trees to be planted in mid-November on the south side of Carondelet Park along Loughborough, between Leona and the playground.

In addition, Operation Brightside donated 100 rosebushes, which Tim Bolt and other volunteers planted all along Holly Hills Blvd in October. In mid-November

Operation Brightside will donate 57 trees to be planted on the west side of the bridges on Holly Hills Boulevard.

Tim Bolt and Victoria Chechik are the driving forces behind these beautification efforts. Please show your support for the neighborhood by planning to join Tim and Victoria for just a couple hours for a planting project.

“As a volunteer, it's a chance to spend time with fellow gardeners, enjoying the outdoors together, exchange plant tales and share valuable information” Victoria said.

Email Victoria at chechik@sbcglobal.net or call 832-0610 or call Tim at 922-6220.

Holly Hills Real Estate courtesy of Paul Sager

Active Listings As of July 1	5617 Dewey \$137,500	3642 Bellerive \$185,000	SOLD:
4073 Concordia \$49,900	3929 Burgen \$139,900	5644 Morganford \$189,900	4150 Fillmore \$70,000
4055 Concordia \$55,900	4145 Tyrolean \$149,000	6500 Morganford \$189,900	4140 Concordia \$78,414
4106 Wilmington \$99,900	4156 Federer \$154,900	4059 Toenges \$199,900	6006 Morganford \$103,000
3808 Burgen \$104,900	3717 Bates \$155,000	3646 Dover \$205,900	4174 Burgen \$115,000
4154 Concordia \$104,900	4123 Haven \$155,000	6111 Grand \$205,900	4151 Alma \$120,000
4146 Concordia \$105,000	4133 Toenges \$156,900	3806 Bowen \$209,900	6121 Newport \$121,250
4101 Burgen \$109,900	5705 Dewey \$159,900	3620 Wilmington \$210,000	4094 Wilmington \$124,900
4129 Burgen \$109,900	4149 Holly Hills \$159,900	3950 Bowen \$214,900	4150 Bates \$132,000
4171 Burgen \$109,900	4131 Loughborough \$159,900	4120 Toenges \$216,200	4096 Fillmore \$138,500
5626 Arendes \$116,250	3632 Bellerive \$162,000	6128 Leona \$224,900	3814 Wilmington \$147,000
4140 Bates \$117,500	3970 Dover \$176,300	3636 Fillmore \$244,900	4156 Tyrolean \$148,000
3646 Wilmington \$126,900	3683 Dover \$179,900	6118 Arendes \$259,000	3816 Dover \$159,000
5809 Dewey \$129,000	4332 Holly Hills \$179,900	6216 Arendes \$299,900	4127 Haven \$163,900
4124 Concordia \$129,200	4107 Federer \$179,900	3941 Holly Hills \$499,000	3622 Bellerive \$171,500
4101 Concordia \$130,000	3721 Bates \$180,000	5927 Coronado \$219,900	4353 Holly Hills \$174,900
4180 Burgen \$132,900	3625 Dover \$180,000	6512 Morganford \$229,900	4132 Alma \$185,000
3923 Burgen \$133,000	5632 Arendes \$184,500	3963 Dover \$245,000	5916 Marwinette \$200,000