



Holly Hills Happenings

HOLLY HILLS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION (HHIA)

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Groups gather to green the neighborhood

NEXT MEETING

November 23

7:30 p.m.

Peggy Meyer
Principal, Woerner School

ALSO

Votes on Bylaws Changes:

- Should HHIA raise residential dues to \$15/year?
- Should HHIA meetings start at 7 p.m?
- Should HHIA meetings be held on the fourth Wednesday of the month (change from Monday)

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A great big THANK YOU to all those gardeners that came out to plant Oct 24 and Saturday Nov. 6.

The group planted 55 trees and shrubs, such as Oakleaf Hydrangea, Knock-Out Roses, Tulip, Red Maple, River Birch, and Redbud trees; 330 native Missouri wild flowerplants such as Butterfly Milkweed, Yellow Coneflowers, Prairie Blazing Star, Missouri Black-eyed Susan, Royal Catchfly, and New England Aster.

The group was organized by Tim Bolt and started planting at 9 am each day and the many hands made the planting go very fast.

The plant materials are provided through Operation Bright Side of St. Louis, with funding from Anheuser Busch, Boeing Corp Employees, and Missouri Department of Conservation. HHIA has continued to receive a grant from Operation Bright Side for over 12 years. "We are very thankful for Mary Lou and Operation Bright Side for all their help," Bolt said.

Volunteers included Lonny Boring, Todd and Jerry, Ted and Nicholas, Mike Bauer, Victoria Hatfield-Chechik, Mary Jo Gordon, the Mark Groth Family, Patrick Hanlon



Ted Hartsler, Nick Hartsler Mike Bauer enjoy planting one of the boulevards as part of a neighborhood planting day organized by Tim Bolt.

and his kids Conner and August, Mike and Pam Reilly, Jim Ross, Kate Hastings, Barb and Harold Russell, the Students Today Leaders Forever(High School Pay It Forward Tour). "Anyone else I am forgetting to mention, know your help is greatly appreciated," Bolt said.

And HHIA says, thanks so very much for your help in making your neighborhood a greener place to live. We will all enjoy the blooms of the flowers and the shade of the trees for years to come!

Consider Giving a Bit of Holly Hills this Holly-day Season!

Looking for holiday gift ideas for neighbors, family or friends? Why not give a Holly Hills Improvement Association membership? If you let us know it's a gift, we'll notify the recipient. An even better

idea: A Holly Hills flag! These durable green and white flags make the perfect housewarming gift for new neighbors or as a thank you to a longtime Holly Hills friend and cost just \$30. Either one or both

are a great way to show your support for the neighborhood! Contact Tara Ohler at Tara@hollyhills.info, or send gift information and payment to HHIA PO Box 22144 St. Louis, MO 63116.

A message from the president...

As the year winds down I hope that it finds you with a smile as you reflect back on 2009. Here in Holly Hills we had a great year with two movie nights, a pumpkin parade, park clean ups, neighborhood meetings, park plantings, boulevard plantings, continued success in our community garden and holiday decorating contests.

As we move forward to 2010 I hope you will encourage your neighbors to join the HHIA. That small membership fee helps to pay for all of the events that we do in and around our neighborhood. Without, you, the HHIA membership, we could not accomplish all that we do.

I also encourage you to purchase a Holly Hills flag and show your Holly Hills spirit. As we move into next year I hope that you will consider volunteering to serve on our board or for events. I hope that you and your family all have a great holiday season and we will see you next year!

- Paul Sager

Numbers to Know!

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Police (non-emergency)	231-1212
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Haly Halyburton—Ward 11 NSO	613-7148
Kathy Savage—Ward 12 NSO	613-3163
T. J. Minden—Ward 13 NSO	622-3444
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
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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 hhia@hollyhills.info

Paul Sager	H	President
Kate Hastings	H	Vice President
Daniel Haag	I	Past President
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Tara Ohler-Jenney	A	Financial Secretary
Patrick Hanlon	R	Member at large
Rich Hutson	D	Member at large
Stacy Ross	M	Member at large
Barbara Russell	E	Member at large
Vacant	B	Member at large
	R	
	S	

Halloween Decorating Winners!

And the winners are:

- 3954 Fillmore
- 6136 Leona
- 4102 Federer.

Some comments from the judges:

4102 Federer was “whimsical, bright and fun,”

6136 Leona –was “Eerie, with a ghostly skeleton rising to the second story,” and “The owners did a nice job coordinating with their neighbors.”

3954 Fillmore was “Scary, with frightening stuff everywhere,” and “You can’t help but love the skelton holding the sign which said: ‘I told you I was sick.’”

Honorable mentions include: 6109 Marwinette (which as one judge said, “rocked as always,” but you can’t win every year!), 4121 Holly Hills and 3865 Bowen

Thanks to everyone who helped make our neighborhood so frighteningly festive!

Light Up the Holidays!

It’s hard to believe, but it’s almost time to start putting up the Christmas lights! We’re barely finished judging the Halloween decorations and we’ll soon be out looking for the most

flashy, classy, fun and festive holiday decorations. HHIA judges will cruise the neighborhood December 14-18, so be ready!

2009 Community Garden Recap

The 2010 garden season is beginning to wind down with the turn in the weather, but we still have beds producing lettuce, peppers, chard, garlic, broccoli and more. This year we built an additional 3 raised beds to bring our total to 23 and have pretty much filled the lot at Bates and Arendes to capacity. One negative that we do have to report is that this was the first time in our three year existence that we had noticeable thefts of our produce – something that was unfortunately a problem at many community gardens in the St. Louis area.

On Saturday, November 7th, some of our gardeners will be gathering in the morning for a brief fall cleanup and to talk about some ideas for next year. One thing that we’re going to consider is reserving a few of the plots to raise produce for local residents who do not have good access to locally grown, fresh produce. Additionally, we’re going to apply for a garden expansion grant with Gateway Greening in the hopes of establishing a reliable water supply for our garden.

Holly Hills Real Estate courtesy of Paul Sager

ACTIVE listings:

4077 Concordia \$34,000 (UC)
5624 Leona \$39,900 (UC)
4067 Concordia \$57,900
5706 Arendes \$70,000 (UC)
4058 Concordia \$73,500
5615 Grand \$80,000 (UC)
3948 Dover \$99,000 (UC)
4124 Concordia \$109,900 (UC)
4084 Fillmore \$114,900
5620 Dewey \$114,900
3937 Burgen \$119,900 (UC)
5624 Arendes \$120,000
4107 Bowen \$129,900
3627 Bellerive \$129,900 (UC)
4072 Wilmington \$139,900
6111 Adkins \$139,900
6110 Newport \$139,900
6141 Grand \$139,900
3658 Dover \$158,900 (UC)

3833 Dover \$158,000
5917 Marwinette \$164,900
3916 Dover \$169,900
4124 Tyrolean \$175,000
4124 Alma \$175,000
4105 Alma \$175,000
5608 Arendes \$177,900
4073 Haven \$179,900
6130 Adkins \$179,900
4061 Alma \$184,000 (UC)
3704 Bates \$184,900
4132 Tyrolean \$185,500
3916 Dover \$199,900
3636 Fillmore \$229,900
6501 Leona \$249,900
6725 Leona \$259,000 (UC)
3975 Federer \$289,900 (UC)
(UC=Under Contract)

SOLD Listings:

5721 Leona \$40,000

3978 Burgen \$44,900
4140 Bates \$45,000
4073 Fillmore \$45,250
5648 Morganford \$93,000
6726 Morganford \$101,500
4152 Toenges \$105,000
4155 Tyrolean \$116,200
3950 Bates \$117,900
6111 Ray \$120,000
4103 Fillmore \$129,900
3966 Burgen \$129,900
3986 Bowen \$135,000
3957 Burgen \$148,900
4138 Haven \$157,000
6809 Alexander \$166,500
3659 Bellerive \$167,000
6141 Marwinette \$175,000
6117 Coronado \$310,000

HHIA General Membership Meeting Minutes for Sept. 28, 2009

In attendance: Paul Sager (President), Kate Hastings (Vice President), Tara Ohler-Jenney (Financial Secretary), Patrick Hanlon (MAL), Stacy Ross (MAL), Richard Hutson (MAL), Barbara Russell (MAL)

Unable to attend: Beth Murphy (Treasurer)

Paul Sager called the meeting to order. New neighbors and new members were welcomed and invited to introduce themselves.

Officer Tom Bottini gave the 1st District police report. Information on upcoming programs and events is available on the web at www.SLMPD.org. A Neighborhood Watch training session will be held on Monday, November 9 from 7:00pm-9:00pm at Long Middle School.

Jim Meyer, chairman of the Carondelet YMCA Board of Advisors, along with Dan Schulze and Maribeth Boyle of the Carondelet branch gave a presentation about the new facility amenities and programs. Dan Skillman, Parks & Recreation Commissioner, provided the construction update. The grand opening is scheduled for November 19, 2009.

Fred Wessels, 13th Ward Alderman, provided updates on the proposed north side regeneration bill; the smoking ban bill; proposed rooster prohibition; and Carondelet Park tennis court repairs. Tree planting season runs from November to April. Requests for public space trees should be made to Alderman Wessels.

Matt Villa, 11th Ward Alderman, provided up-

dates on overnight semi-truck parking at Loughborough Commons; new home development east of Grand and Bates; plans for sprucing up the intersection of Grand & Bates; water department upgrades in Carondelet; the traffic study for the east side of Carondelet Park; and proposed Loughborough bridge improvements.

Jake Hummel, State Representative, noted that the state budget was passed. The budget is down 7% from last year. Representative Hummel provided updates on Federal stimulus funds for Metro. He reviewed the status of legislation on texting while driving; restrictions on sex offenders; tax credits and the quality jobs program; historic tax



Thanks to St. Louis Fire Department Engine co. 19 at Haven and Morgan Ford for serving as the "Grand Marshall" of the Pumpkin Parade.

Congratulations to Dave and Ann Borgmeyer who were nominated by their neighbors, Greg and Robin Venneman in the Suburban Journals' "Celebrate Your Neighbor" Contest. The Vennemans noted the Borgmeyer's long history of sharing their musical talents with students at St. Stephen's grade school. Dave Borgmeyer, a dentist here in the neighborhood, regularly donates his dental services to the needy.

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credits for neighborhoods; extension of unemployment benefits; Department of Revenue fee offices; tax exemptions for military pensions; comprehensive education bill; lifting of casino loss limits; high school drop-out age; and the transportation bill. Representative Hummel encouraged people to complete and return the census forms. If the population is down, Missouri could lose a Congressional seat.

HHIA will show "Ghostbusters" on

Saturday, October 3 at 8:00pm at the Carondelet Park Bandstand. Admission is free and refreshments will be available for purchase. The HHIA Pumpkin Parade will be held on Saturday, October 24 at 3:00pm. Gather at Arendes and Holly Hills. Neighborhood Halloween decorations will be judged the weekend of October 17-18. Winners will be announced the weekend of October 24-25.

Tim Bolt announced that Operation Brightside provided a \$5,000 dona-

tion for public space plants, trees and bulbs.

Paul Sager motioned that the HHIA General Meeting dates be changed to 7:00pm on the fourth Wednesday of each month. The motion was seconded, voted on and passed. Details for the November 2009 meeting will be forthcoming. Check the website (www.hollyhills.info) and watch for meeting signs.

The meeting was adjourned.

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