

NEXT MEETING | NOVEMBER 28, 7:00 PM

Carondelet Park Rec Plex, 930 Holly Hills Avenue
Come to the meeting to discover the latest news
around the neighborhood.

OLLY HILLS APPENINGS

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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
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member, please contact us.

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2011 HOLLY HILLS PUMPKIN PARADE



The 2011 Annual Holly Hills Pumpkin Parade, held on October 29, was a great success with about 75 children and adults in attendance.





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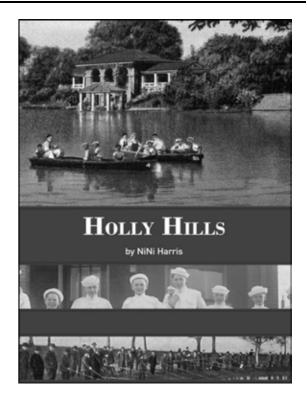
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we approach the end of the year, and enter the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, I would like to recognize all that we in Holly Hills have to be thankful for. Though there is always room for improvement, we live in a wonderful neighborhood filled with great neighbors. I encourage you to be even more mindful of your neighbors. Keep your eyes open for anything unusual, as this season of gifts might make some homes targets for crime. Remember that the cardboard box for the new t.v. can draw attention to a home when left in the alley. Check in on neighbors, especially older residents and those who live alone, to make sure their holidays are merry and bright. When making holiday treats, make extra for those neighbors or invite someone without family to your family gathering. Check in with one of the many churches in the neighborhood to see how you can give of your resources or time. It could be as simple as donating to their food pantry or taking an ornament from their giving tree and shopping for someone, whom you know will be thankful to receive those gifts. You can donate to a Salvation Army bell ringer's kettle outside of a store, or adopt a family from the annual 100 Neediest Cases in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Remember our troops serving around the world, who are unable to be with their families this holiday season, and choose a way to help them if you can, such as donating to the USO or through one of the many other reputable organizations such as soldierpackages.org (featured in Parade Magazine) or go to charitywatch.org and look under the Veterans & Military section. Whether big or small, our actions make a difference, and for that we can be thankful. Happy Holidays, Holly Hills!

~ Tara Ohler-Jenney

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Anonymous Drug, Gang, Homicide Police Line	241-COPS
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Holly Hills, the book, profiling the history, architecture, parks and personalities of the Holly Hills neighborhood, written by St. Louis historian NiNi Harris and published by Reedy Press is available for \$19.50 by calling 314-752-2304.

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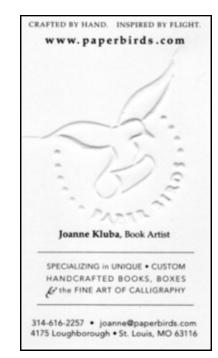
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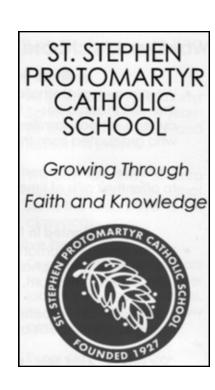
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UC = Under Contract MF = Multi-family









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NOTES FROM CARONDELET PARK BOARD MEETING 10/18/11

House Lyle landscaping improvements are underway

Carondelet Park Bandstand replacement design has been approved, the contractor has a notice to proceed, but no exact timeline has been established

The lights at the ball fields next to the Recplex have been re-wired

Remaining budget is approximately \$140,000

~ Ben McClusky



A truckload of serviceberry trees ready to be planted in an orchard pattern at the Lyle House earlier this month.



Meeting minutes are available at http://hollyhills.info

The Oct. 22 movie "Megamind" was cancelled due to the World Series (this was the second cancellation the first was in June due to rain). Congratulations to the St. Louis Cardinals World Series Champions! And stay tuned for "Megamind" in the Park in Summer 2012!

BECOME A FRIEND OF CARONDELET PARK

Tim Bolt and Stacy Ross are resurrecting Friends of Carondelet Park, a nonprofit that was formed a number of years ago by a group of dedicated neighborhood moms to spearhead the drive for the playground equipment we now have. Over the years it went dormant and so Bolt and Ross

are bringing it back to life. Their or other park projects, contact primary goal is to develop a roster of volunteers to help with trash clean-up, plantings and other park beautification projects on an ongoing, consistent basis.

If you are interested in volunteering for park clean ups, plantings,

Stacy at stacy@hollyhills.info, or Tim attimothybolt@hotmail. com. Also, don't forget to "like" the Carondelet Park Facebook page www.facebook.com/ pages/Friends-of-Carondelet-Park/207214142675844

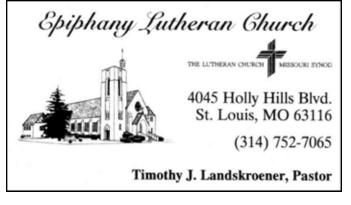


Margie Ottensmeyer and her husband Richard do some heavy lifting during the park clean up.



Appointments call, text, or email

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BOOK SIGNING BY LOCAL AUTHOR AND HISTORIAN

NiNI Harris will be signing her recent books at Hammond's Books (1939 Cherokee Street, 63118) on December 3, 2011 from 1:00-3:00 pm.

Holly Hills A history of the Hollywood-inspired neighborhood that borders St. Louis's treasured Carondelet Park. Harris follows the history of the area from the faint traces of early French settlers, through its purchase by railroad magnate Jay Gould, and finally to the dynamic developers who envisioned a California-styled neighborhood.

The book also covers the history of the adjacent Bellerive Boulevard and Dover Place areas and Bellerive and Carondelet Parks.

Historic Photos of the Gateway Arch Chronicles the St. Louis riverfront from its days as a fur trading post, to the creation of the Arch.

Unyielding Spirit, The History of the Polish People in St. Louis The history of the small but distinctive Polish community in St. Louis, which demonstrated resilience in the face

The book also covers the history of of hardship, and determination in the adjacent Bellerive Boulevard the face of oppression.

Story Thousands of Bohemian immigrants chose St. Louis to build new lives. Through their crafts, artistry and industry, they enriched their adopted city. They built a unique and colorful neighborhood in South St. Louis.

If you are unable to attend the book signing but would still like to buy a book, contact NiNi Harris at 314,752,2304.





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AVOID EXCESSIVE DRINKING DURING THE HOLIDAYS

The Holiday season brings parties, events and festivities that often include alcohol. The American College of Emergency Physicians warns that excessive alcohol consumption – a common issue during the holiday season – can lead to serious injury and death. Some partygoers do not drink often and may have a low tolerance, which leaves them more vulnerable to the effects of alcohol.

For those with alcohol abuse problems, the stress of the holidays and the increased availability of alcohol can make this time especially difficult. Even for people who do not normally consume a lot of alcohol, binge drinking can be tempting over the holidays. The Center for Disease Control defines binge drinking as 5 or more drinks on a single occasion for

men, and 4 or more drinks on a single occasion for women.

Excessive alcohol can cause many problems including car accidents, violence, risky sexual behaviors, alcohol poisoning, and long term health problems. Nearly 40% of all fatal car accidents occurring during the Christmas and New Year holidays involve alcohol-impaired drivers (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration).

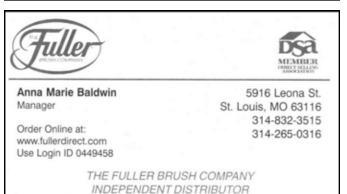
Dangers from other drivers under the influence increase during the holiday season. Avoid driving home late at night when there is an increased chance of impaired drivers being on the road. When driving, be alert to the signs of an impaired driver. These include weaving, very slow or very fast

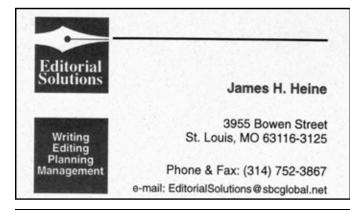
speeds, erratic braking or stopping, nearly striking an object or vehicle. If you suspect a driver is drunk, call and report the vehicle to 911.

Children and teens are at risk for alcohol related incidents as well. Alcohol poisoning is a common risk for children during the holidays. If your child is at a party where alcohol is being served, make sure that you supervise them and that they do not have access to alcohol. Teens are also susceptible to alcohol abuse. Teens that are out of school with little supervision during the holidays may turn to drinking. Talk with your teen about the dangers of alcohol use, and remind them that drinking under the age of 21 is against the law.

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PROTECT YOURSELF THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

According to the St. Louis Metropolitan all valuables are in the trunk, you home is locked up tight, well-Police Department, there were 2,125 robberies and 6,705 burglaries in the City of St. Louis in 2010. Robbery is the crime of forcibly stealing property from someone else. Burglary is defined as when a person knowingly enters unlawfully or knowingly remains unlawfully in a building or inhabitable structure for the purpose of committing a crime.

The upcoming holiday season brings an increase in robberies and burglaries. Criminals commit crimes where they see the easiest opportunity, and the chaos of the holiday season can leave people vulnerable.

Robbers target people both inside and outside their homes. If your car is locked in a well-lit parking lot, and

are much less likely to be a victim than the person who piles their shopping bags on the backseat of their car. When you are out, be aware of your surroundings. If you feel uncomfortable as a person or aroup approaches, ao into a business or public, well-lighted area.

When doing your holiday shopping, do not carry around bags of merchandise. Place bags in the trunk of your car and keep as few valuables on your person as possible. When you reach your vehicle, have vour kevs out and ready so you are not distracted. Make sure you always lock your car when you exit it.

During the holidays, burglars are looking for an easy target. If your

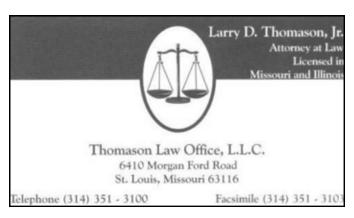
illuminated and with trees and shrubs trimmed to allow a clear view of windows and doors from the street, vou are much less likely to be victimized. The most common point of entry for burglars is through an unlocked door or window, Only 5% of burglars entered through a locked door (US Department of Justice). During the rush of the holiday season, take the time to make sure all vour windows and doors are locked, even when you are at home. Strangers are not the only people to be aware of. According to the Department of Justice, the victim knows the offender in nearly 65% of burglaries.

If you are traveling for the holidays, limit your conversations about your continued on page 11

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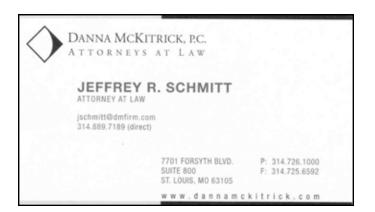


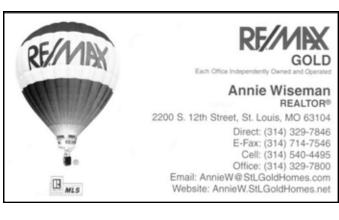
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upcoming vacation plans. Burglars can learn about vacant homes through word of mouth or social media. Arrange for snow removal, lawn care, and mail pickup so that burglars can't immediately tell that the house is not occupied.

One of the most effective deterrents to crime is an involved citizen. If you see any suspicious activity in your neighborhood or while you are out, call 911.

~ Jennifer M. Joyce, Circuit Attorney City of St. Louis



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There are several ways you can make the holidays safer. If you plan on drinking, make sure you have a designated driver. If you are hosting a holiday party, take steps to ensure that your guests are drinking responsibly. Don't be afraid to make your guests take a cab home. It is better to have your friend annoyed with you for the evening than risk them harming themselves or others. Offer a food and a selection of non-alcoholic beverages. When at parties, limit your alcoholic intake by finding non-alcoholic alternatives. Be careful when drinking mixed drinks. When drinking eganog or punch, it can be very difficult to tell how much alcohol you're ingesting.

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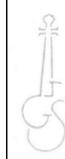


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