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# HOLLY HILLS APPENINGS

HOLLY HILLS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION (HHIA) | Grand to Morganford and Bates to Loughborough

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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, please contact us.

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## HOLLY HILLS GREEN SPACE INITIATIVE

The Holly Hills Green Space Committee (HHGSC), coordinated volunteer Saturdays in July, August and this month of September. Turnout was very low with only a couple of residents showing up to help with major naturalization projects, so our timeline for removing invasive honeysuckle, volunteer mulberry trees and weeds has been delayed. On the bright note, we should finish some bed naturalization projects on Federer Place before fall.

HHGSC is coordinating with the Parks Department on the removal of the defunct planter pots placed around the neighborhood. We hope to start the removal of the very large and heavy pots this fall. The majority of the pots is broken and will be recycled while a few have been adopted by residents and businesses who have taken on the planting and maintenance duties. A round of thanks to them!

We have many great neighbor volunteers! Many adopted beds look fantastic (special kudos to the residents of Belle-rive!) In the coming remaining weeks before cold weather, we hope to schedule weeknight events and perhaps and perhaps one more Saturday even, so watch your email! If you wish to get on the email list, wish to adopt a remaining bed, get plant ideas or request mulch for a public area, contact the committee at:

[greenspace@hollyhills.info](mailto:greenspace@hollyhills.info)

**Important note:** the Parks Department does not have vacuum equipment or sweepers to remove leaves from the boulevards, so please blow/sweep all leaves to residential curbs for pickup, not those of the boulevards or other green spaces within the neighborhood. Leaves in the boulevard will sit, kill the grass and encourage weeds.

**Proposed Slate of Officers for upcoming  
election at Holly Hills Improvement Association**

Meeting on September 28th for the 2015-16

*HHIA Board Members – naturally, the floor will  
be open to any additional nominations.*

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Ward 13 NSO—Chris Howard .....	314-657-1366
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 4114 Concordia ..... \$39,900  
 4066 Burgen ..... \$59,900 (UC)  
 4167 Wilmington ..... \$69,500  
 4069 Burgen ..... \$89,900  
 4121 Concordia ..... \$89,900  
 6015 Dewey ..... \$91,900  
 3808 Burgen ..... \$92,500  
 6012 Leona ..... \$95,000  
 3862 Bates ..... \$96,500  
 4050 Bates ..... \$99,800  
 4135 Bowen ..... \$104,900 (UC)  
 6131 Dewey ..... \$116,000  
 6117 Adkins ..... \$123,000  
 5716 Arendes ..... \$124,900  
 6101 Adkins ..... \$124,900  
 3686 Bellerive ..... \$125,000  
 3647 Fillmore ..... \$129,990  
 5708 Arendes ..... \$132,500 (UC)  
 5722 Morganford ..... \$132,900 (UC)  
 4094 Haven ..... \$134,500 (UC)  
 4092 Wilmington ..... \$144,900  
 4010 Dover ..... \$149,900  
 4156 Federer ..... \$150,000  
 5809 Dewey ..... \$154,900 (UC)  
 5819 Dewey ..... \$154,900 (UC)  
 3910 Fillmore ..... \$169,900 (MF)  
 4137 Toenges ..... \$174,500  
 4124 Toenges ..... \$174,800  
 4148 Federer ..... \$174,900  
 4139 Alma ..... \$174,900 (MF)  
 3674 Wilmington ..... \$185,000 (MF)  
 3642 Fillmore ..... \$189,900  
 4140 Alma ..... \$189,900

3617 Fillmore ..... \$189,900  
 4120 Haven ..... \$194,500  
 3963 Dover ..... \$215,000 (MF)  
 5717 Grand ..... \$237,900  
 6119 Marwinette ..... \$239,900  
 4068 Toenges ..... \$239,900  
 3811 Fillmore ..... \$244,900  
 6141 Marwinette ..... \$259,900  
 4046 Holly Hills ..... \$299,900  
 6725 Leona ..... \$300,000 (UC)  
 5935 Marwinette ..... \$315,000  
 6129 Coronado ..... \$329,900  
 4112 Toenges ..... \$175,000  
 5811 Grand ..... \$179,900

UC=Under contract  
 MF=Multi-family

## SOLD AS OF SEPTEMBER 16

4152 Burgen ..... \$16,000  
 3838 Bates ..... \$30,000  
 4067 Concordia ..... \$33,000  
 4172 Concordia ..... \$42,926  
 4161 Concordia ..... \$56,000  
 4121 Bowen ..... \$70,000  
 5609 Leona ..... \$75,000  
 4108 Fillmore ..... \$82,000  
 3839 Wilmington ..... \$82,000  
 4135 Fillmore ..... \$85,000  
 4117 Burgen ..... \$88,500  
 5620 Dewey \$99,000  
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 3921 Burgen \$124,000

3621 Wilmington \$134,000 (MF)  
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 4136 Haven \$162,000  
 4091 Haven \$167,000  
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## HHIA MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 1, 2015

**Roll Call** Present: Kendal Dauphin, Anna Baldwin, Beth Murphy, Jan Hill.  
Absent: Stacy Ross, Ted Disabato, Mike Dauphin, Tara Oglesby.

### **Moment of silence for Norb Butz.**

**Guest Speakers: Circuit Attorney Jennifer Joyce and Mary Pat Carl** - Initiative in the Circuit Attorney's office designed to stem gun violence in St. Louis. Fortunately not a lot of gun violence in Holly Hills, but if you watch the news almost every day is another shooting. Cities all over the country are seeing an uptick in gun crimes. She is not anti-gun, she and her husband are gun owners themselves. Not in any way opposed to the legal right to own firearms or use them in a lawful manner. My problem

is gun violence. If people were killing each other at a rate with knives and forks...violence that is the problem, not guns. People talk about St. Louis as one of the most dangerous cities in America...it is hard to think about our city that way. Economic issue as well ...impacting universities and businesses. We all have a dog in this fight. We wanted to make a difference. **Three Rs: RESOLVE (Resolve of the community)**. What is the underlying cause...issues like poverty, poor education system, social issues that form a climate where gun violence can flourish and take root. unless we address the social issues we will not have a lasting influence on gun crime. Those problems will be solved with the community. If you have a gun, keep it locked up. Security it properly in your

car. No glove box. Keep it secured in your house. If you see crime, report it. Volunteer work. Single moms, young people. Charitable organizations (consider organizations that are helping young people).

**STLOUISGUNCRIME.COM** - lots of resources, including stats, organizations that help youth with diversion. They hope to be a connector between residents and resources.

**REDIRECT - NOVA program.** Identify recently paroled individuals. Let them know that they are on the radar, please note that we are watching you. If you violate the law, you are going to prison. You have a choice...you can avail yourself of these social services or you can go to jail.....continued on pg 5



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Job training, GED, dangle the carrot, but make sure that they know if there is another body, they are going to jail. Technique has worked. Focused deterrent. Kansas City had a 40 year low in gun violence and credits this program with a reduction in gun violence. Is this a magic bullet? No, but one more brick in the wall. Young kids that go through the system. Prison is referred to as criminal finishing school for low level, first time offenders. Get them in a mentoring program, job skills. Give them some support and mentorship in the hopes that they will get off the wrong path. Only non-violent, low level crimes. They will be heavily screened. Hope is to turn them around and redirect them.

**REMOVE – Classic role.** We have been committed to removing the people from our community that are the cause of the problem. Crime strategies unit. In order to be someone that is intimidating on the street, you have to put your info out there. Gathering that public info. No spying involved. Advertising on Facebook, tweeting, etc. Created entire unit that is gathering that info. Let's

them know who is at the heart of the violence in the community. Small % of the population that is violent, but they cause ripple effects. Remove them from the community. Pass this info on to the judges. Sentencing memos. Lead Homicide Prosecutor position. First and foremost, she is a mom and she was getting tired of calling moms and telling them about their dead child. Regardless of whether or not the child was a participant in the crime or an innocent victim, it is a problem. She and her team are responding to homicide scenes directly with the police officers. Allows them to absorb info from the very beginning of the crime. It can change your ability to effectively prosecute the case. Each detail is incredibly important. Traditionally, the police has investigated for months and sometimes years, but the circuit attorney wasn't involved until arrest occurs. Only have 24 hours to try the case. Now, they are getting brief all along the way which will build trust with those witnesses. They will be more likely to show up in court. They will be there every step of the way up until the arrest.

Gun court question – gun court was proposed to judges. Judges did not want to do it.....continued on pg 6




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That idea is no longer on the table. But this prompted them to come up with a solution that didn't involve the judges cooperation. She thinks that what they have proposed is better than the gun court. It made them go back to the drawing board and come up with a solution that will be more effective. Everybody has a part to play and everybody is affected by it.

When a homicide occurs, the sergeant will contact the Circuit Attorney and they will be on the scene. Witnesses are taken back to headquarters where they are interviewed. Also lets them build a relationship with the victim's family members. It's about building relationships.

Jamieson homicide...if the attorney would not have gone to the scene, they could not have tried that case. You have to be there and see it. They will be able to have all kinds of scene diagrams, etc. It didn't sound like an issuable case on paper, but because the attorney was there and saw it with his own eyes they were able to charge.

Triple homicide at 4467 Itaska. That case is in the works. Those people will be held accountable.

NOVA program...is that the same program that LA has been using? Our program is a little bit different.

Hold call-ins. These guys will be found through intelligence gathering, or recent parolees. Give them a choice.

Recent demonizing of policemen will help the situation? No, it's very bad. Police are like anybody. Some of the finest people that I have ever known are police officers. No profession is free of bad employees. Makes the police less desirable to engage with the public. Round of applause for the police. Vast majority of people support them. It's a bad dynamic that is happening... who knows where it will end.

Any way to find out which judges keep letting criminals back on the street? There are some resources. Main Circuit Attorney website, you can search for cases by neighborhood. You will be able to see the sentence that they asked for and the sentence that the judge gave. The sentencing memo will soon be on this website. Judges don't like her website, but it is providing transparency.

Any summarization? Some summarization, but not on the gun web site. They can't identify the judges. Most of the judges are good judges. They need to provide citizens with the tool to look up the info themselves. [Circuitattorney.org](http://Circuitattorney.org)

Do we lose many cases due to a lack of witnesses? Yes.  
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that are fabulously wealthy. Some are so small that don't have a sales tax or a commercial corridor. No commercial district. Jobs moved out. Having trouble convincing banks that there is a reasonable reason for repayment. Economic dev: 92 different entities that do business licensing. If you want to start a small business, there are 92 different ways to do it. Not every town hall is open 9-5. It can be difficult to expand your business from one community to another. You can't spend all your time learning the process for the next town over. Unnecessary impediment. Public health: couldn't be an adversarial issue when it comes to public health. West Nile breakout in Affton affects the city of St. Louis. Public safety: broken down into smaller components. Municipal courts, fire protection study, police study. Municipal courts (20 or so courts) where 20% of the city income is coming from the court. Originating with a fine. 13 cities where the court is basically funding the city. Judges and prosecutors: small group of law firms that provide all of the services for a few municipalities. Can be prosecutor in one town and judge in another town. Can cause one to lose faith in the system. Policing: how does policing operate?

Lay of the land. We are a region of extremes. St. Louis Police Dept that cover big geographic areas and are well funded. Large depts. are able to recruit better skilled officers. Small towns that have a handful of police officers. Police Executive Research Forum. Massive 70-80 page report that outlines the harsh truths, particularly in st. Louis County. Received recommendations about how to talk about it. Solutions seem like great ideas. Combine training academies. Shared COMSTAT, so that crime stats are shared, makes communication difficult. 20 of the smaller police depts. folding their service into other larger depts... For example, several areas around U City would start employing U City police services. BetterTogetherSTL.com

You can subscribe to get updates from them. They want to hear from us.

Question: electricity, water, etc. City of St. Louis doesn't pay water bill. Union Electric sent us letters that they will improve, that's why the price goes up. City will increase property taxes. Facing more increases. I want to offer my house to the city at the price that they say his house is worth. Trying to make second life for himself. If they unite, all the funds from the city ??? I lost him here ..... continued on pg 9




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**Mechelle Minden – Green Space Committee – Parks Dept** operating with 10% of budget they had before. Tim bolt used to take care of the green spaces and boulevards. When he moved, the Parks Dept put out an SOS where the Green Space Committee was formed. Have had a couple events. April and May. Pull weeds, remove honeysuckle. Take beds that have not been adopted by a neighbor. Trying to naturalize them and put them back to grass. One event per month. If you want to get on our email list go to HollyHills.info. Large pots that are placed sporadically throughout the neighborhood. 127 of them. A lot of them are broken. Not feasible to have them watered. Parks Dept will be helping to unload pots. Will save some, will recycle those that cannot be saved. In a future Master Plan they may be replaced. As a carrot, if anyone volunteers or if you have adopted a green space, they plan on getting Holly Hills t-shirts. Greenspace@hollyhills.info

**Chris Howard NSO –**


**Officer Wilson – District 1** Quarterly meeting at Carondelet Park on June 17th 6pm. Free BBQ. A few are good about

contacting me, he is on our requests all of the time. Larry Wilke, retired policeman lives in the neighborhood. Car parked in front of his house for a week. He removed the car. No warrants...why was it dumped? He reads his emails... anything weird going on in the neighborhood. Holly Hills gets hit with the gutter theft quite a bit. Also like to get in our garage. Lawnmowers, leaf blowers. Advise your neighbors to come fill out the vacation form at the sub-station. They will come by every shift to keep an eye on your house. Always look out for your neighbors. 3157 Sublette. His email address is spwilson@slmpd.org. CNN kept us on news. 37% rise in gun violence. Nationwide trend. As a veteran policeman of 20 years. Young kids at the gym...they see all this stuff going on. They don't want their life ruined for an incident that happens. It's a tough job.

Recently hard a lawn mower stolen...should they report it? Absolutely, yes, report it.

Dumping in alley? License plate, he can look it up. Citizens Service Bureau should be contacted. He called, they didn't follow up. Chris Howard can talk to him about that.

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Question on crime mapping on webpage. Why are some incidents are on the map, two days later they will disappear. But the others remain. Crime map is done weekly. It's no up-dated daily. Looking at it every day. Crimes change every day. Some crimes will remain, aggravated assault. Thank you from the audience for Officer Wilson.

## Lieutenant Kenny Newsome

**Chris Howard NSO** - \$13 for club. He will deliver to your house. Great deterrents. Work with the alderman on a regular basis. In 13th ward in Holly Hills. Never know where the vacant properties are until summer and no one cuts the grass. One on Federer, point to go by on a regular basis and take the newspaper sand throw them on the porch. Cleans up, calls the owner. Doesn't want people driving by a vacant house. They finally cleaned up back yard. Mother who lost her husband. Daughter is taking control. Daughter lived on the Hill and he knocked on their door. Then they started to realize...they cleaned up the back yard and the porch. Several properties just like that. Dealing with properties just like that, but they affect the neighborhood.

Bates Ave. Four family apartment building. Bellerive and Bates, some guy that liked to shoot his pistol. Bellerive residents were hitting the floor. Coming to a public hearing to shut down the unit next week. Success. Got residents organized... property owner has agreed to close this unit. Closed for at least 45 days. Vacant property in 3800 block of Bates. High grass and weeds. Assessors office states that it is owned by couple. The couple lost it in foreclosure. The mortgage company owns it. Owner was indicted for fraud. Own another house in St. Louis City...no idea where to send the notices to. In the meantime, there was criminal activity involving drugs. It is being closed this week. It is tough to determine who to make responsible for a piece of property when it is foreclosed and the bank is not getting indicted. Taxes haven't been paid for two years. All they can do it maintain it until the taxes are not paid. Then it can go on for tax sale. 657-1366

**Alderwoman Beth Murphy**—bond issue on the ballot on Aug. 4th. \$180 million bond issue. Capital improvements. Fire Dept and Police Dept (new equipment). Haven't had a capital issue in 17 years. What will it cost? \$75,000 will be \$28 per year. \$125,000 will be \$50 a year. \$297,000 will be \$97 a year. Not that bad for all that we will get. She is supporting the bond issue..... continued on pg 11



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**Gateway Greenways**—restriping Morganford. Morganford was repaved. Adding bike lane From Holly Hills to the City limits. Slows down traffic, which is a plus. Complete streets initiative.

Question on speeding from Holly Hills to Loughborough on Morgan Ford. Not one speed limit sign. They can get speed limit signs. Not enough traffic cops like they used to.

Bond issue: assessed value went up \$5,000, property tax went up \$400. This bond will be on top of

Streets: Holly Hills and South Grand, making left on Holly Hills. Cars go the wrong way. More prominent signage. Lighting is dark, it is hard to see. There will be some new striping because of the RecPlex.

Push button sign for the crosswalk, why is it yellow? Yellow does no good, it should be red. Possibly yellow was chosen because it would back up traffic too much. The cars just don't stop. Black lights at Holly Hills and Christy that are never turned on at the trailhead. Beth Murphy will call the alderman of that neighborhood.

**Alderman Villa**— Brochure has good resources and phone numbers. Lake Hummel, handbook for senior citizens. Antonio French wants to investigate the taser incident. Aldermen do not have any business micromanaging what the police do in the field. Have to quit beating up on those that put their life on the line. These issues are very divisive at the board of alderman. Public Utilities committee, with Chairman French. No agenda, they just want to get organized. If you got an assessment notice. 60,000 were sent out. If you got one, your taxes went up. House on Holly Hills sold for a lot of money. If you neighbors house sells well, then your property taxes will go up. Chief Dotson has been meeting with the board of alderman. They let him have it. Counter-productive. Dotson is upset with the judiciary and he is upset with the alderman because they aren't hiring police quickly enough. Crime stats are fine, but crime isn't going down. More gunshots, more garage break ins. If we hire 20 new officers, that is \$1 million. Their salaries and pension benefits go up. Money will come from red-light camera revenue. Supreme Court will more than likely dismiss that law. Chief publicly chided the board for not giving them more policeman. Carondelet Commons, putting dirt in to cover the 500 year flood plain on South Broadway. Starting first building on July 1st. Standing authority spend \$750,000 on the new stadium. No one has come to the board to ask for any funding. Money came from fund to maintain existing building. He just doesn't see how they are going to pay for it. He signed a letter stating that it needed to go to a vote of the people. The governor let the county out of the funding discussion. Lot of good things in the bond issue. The good outweighs the bad. Look into the detail. St. Louis Post dispatch will break it down for us. Increase in real property. Rolling stock, new refuse trucks. Biggest share to fire dept, Chief Dotson is into drones. New building for evidence. Needs 2/3 vote. He is going to vote for it, but we really need to hold the powers that be accountable. Where the most acute need is. These numbers came from capital committee. When we hire more policeman, you are going to pay for them somehow. Extremely important that you make an educated vote. Police deployment is important to us collectively. The chief has told us that each district has the same number of officers and cars. He doesn't see that. 11% increase in 911 calls, leading the league in homicides. We all need to continue to be vigilant.

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- Tennis Court bathroom renovations and court resurfacing renovations waiting for final plans
- New park signage plans due, hope to put out for bid late summer, early fall
- Gravel pathways ready for bids, budgeted at \$127,000 including removing gravel, putting down asphalt and topping with crushed limestone
- Boathouse & Lake Improvements drawings due and will then go out for bids
- Bird habitat drawings nearing completion by SWT Landscape Architects. Budget for project is \$83,000
- Alderman Villa asked YMCA director about crime at the RecPlex – 12 car break-ins since January. Director said the Y is looking to upgrade their surveillance cameras and add license plate readers. Person who broke into locker was apprehended. Other thefts have been crimes of opportunity - victims left belongings unattended. New shade structures at the outdoor pool address complaints about lack of shade.

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