



## Next Neighborhood Meeting

Monday, March 25th, 7 pm at the Carondelet Park Rec Plex

**Guest Speakers:** Michael Butler, Recorder of Deeds, and  
Jack Krewson with Kairos Academies.

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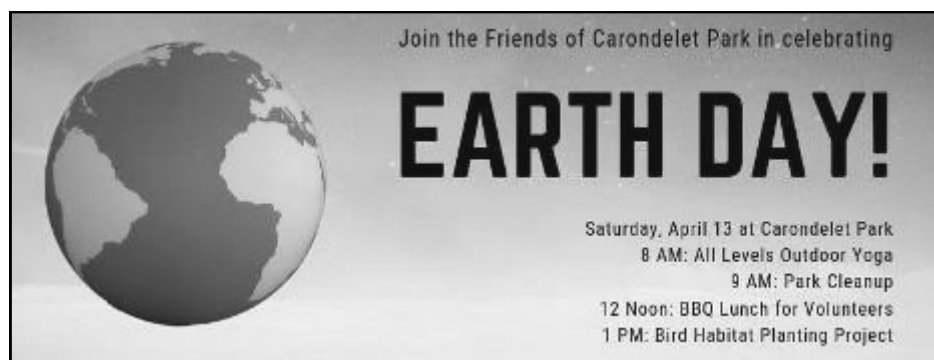
Mark your calendars! Join Friends of Carondelet Park for an action-packed, productive day in celebration of Earth Day on Saturday, April 13th.

Starting with outdoor yoga, a park cleanup, and ending with a planting project at newly opened the bird sanctuary, there will be enough projects for every interest and plenty of time to get to know your neighbors.

Please consider coming up to Carondelet Park and pitching in for Mother Earth.

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## FROM THE DESK OF HHIA:

2019 is in full force! Hard to believe that not long ago we were wishing everyone a Happy Holidays.

Looking to the year, we have several great things happening around the neighborhood. With March, comes the annual Vann Knight Tuesday Night World Championship Criterium Training Series (bike races in the park), running through August 27th. The return of Strange Folk Festival, with the first installment, Big Glamp scheduled for May 31st to June 2nd. And a very special event celebrating Earth Day by Friends of Carondelet Park.

In addition to events, we were happy to see the inclusion of The Stellar Hog in Ian Froeb's STL 100 highlighting the best restaurants in St. Louis right now. A well-deserved honor!

Here is to a great rest of the year.

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 4105 Haven \$149,000  
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# Minutes from the January 28 HHIA Meeting

## Roll call

**Present:** Anna Baldwin, Beth Murphy, Stacy Ross, Lisa Bertke, Julie Orrick

## Introduce New Neighbors

## Guest Speakers

**Peggy from the St. Louis Chapter of Be Smart:** . I am so excited that you are all here. Kudos on getting out on this cold night. Kids, guns, and safety. That is the topic tonight. We are a chapter of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense. My name is Kristen Ray. Thank you for coming tonight. We are happy to present the Be Smart message to you. I'm here as a parent, as a community advocate. The many senseless shootings of children in our schools made me feel that I had to do something. My focus is the Be Smart message which works to prevent kids from getting access to guns. We all want our children to be safe, but there have been too many incidents where kids have not been safe from gun violence. First story is about Haley who lived in Pekin, IL. Loved riding her bike, celebrating her 9th birthday. They found a loaded gun and her cousin pointed it at her. Shot her in the throat. Spent four days in hospital and died on her 9th birthday. She would probably still be here today if that gun had been secured safely in her home. Local instances...5 year old found his father's hand gun and fatally shot his 7 year old brother. 2 year old found a gun and accidentally shot his father and killed his father. These poor kids are going to live with this trauma for the rest of their lives. American kids are 11 times more likely to die from gun violence than children in other developed countries. Nearly 300 children every year gain access to a loaded gun. Another 500 children use a gun to commit suicide. The US has the highest reported rate of unintentional gun deaths in the world. What do we do about this? The BE Smart program focuses on kids, guns, and safety. It is non-partisan, non-political. Just trying to have an open discussion on what we can do to stop these unintentional shootings. This can be a very emotional issue, we all have different perspectives. This is for everybody. I'm not here to talk about politics or policy. Laws and policies to curb gun violence are important but we are here to talk about actions that we can take to prevent gun violence.

The SMART framework is to help parents and children. If we are all smart together we can reduce gun deaths.

**S** – Secure guns in your homes and vehicles. This is the single most important thing that anyone can do. Store the guns locked and unloaded, separate from the ammo. You can loop a cable lock through the gun chamber. 70% of children in gun owning households knew where the gun was stored and 36% had handled the gun. You may think it is hidden but they

know how to get a hold of it.

**M** – Modeling responsible behavior around guns. Before you bring a gun into the home, think about whether or not all adults in the home will take firearms training. Risk factors in the home: depression, family violence, cognitive challenges (grandparent with dementia). A few responsible gun behaviors; ALWAYS keep your gun pointed in a safe direction. Be sure of your target, keep finger off trigger until you are ready to fire. Do not rely on the gun as your only means of protection. The most recent research shows 4.6 mil kids live in homes with guns that are loaded and unlocked. When your child is visiting another home, you have to be aware of the risks.

**A** – Ask about unsecured guns in other people's homes. Don't be afraid to ask others if they have any guns in the home and if they are secured. It shouldn't be something that is difficult to talk about. This is a safety issue for my child. If you find out that guns are not being securely stored in the home, it doesn't have to be a confrontation. Suggest to move the play date to another location such as a park or your own home. In children under the age of 16 the presence is a more significant risk factor for suicide than a psychiatric illness. Mental illness is often impulsive. The method matters here... firearms are the most lethal method of suicide.

**R** – Recognize the risks of teen suicide. Some teens do exhibit signs of suicide: change in mood or behavior, talking about killing themselves, increased aggression, feeling ashamed, restless, etc.

**T** – Over 2200 volunteers have been trained. Over 2600 events in 43 states. Also presented at conferences, PTA, Police Association Meetings, etc. **T** – Telling your peers about the Be Smart message. People that are close to you will listen to you...you do have influence. Volunteer to help spread this message...<http://besmartforkids.org/>

Thank you so much for your attention. Kristen and I go out to spread this message. First time at a neighborhood association. I'm a firm believer in trying to get some feedback. Is the information you have here...is this enough for you to take that next step to tell someone about it? Would you rather have had less of a PowerPoint and more of a discussion?

**Officer Wilson:** Crime stats from Dec to Jan 25th. HH always has low numbers. Two robberies...one occurred 3900 Burgen. Young man, 21 years old, exited his vehicle, 4 young guys pointed a gun and asked for his cell phone. Got license plate, plate didn't come back registered to the car.

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## Carondelet Park Advisory Board Meeting Minutes—12/18/18

The meeting was called to order by Kim Haegele at 5:15PM.

Present: Kim Haegele, Michael Dauphin, S. Marion Renkens, Dan Schulze, Peggy Meyer

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the September 18th meeting. The motion carried.

Kim Haegele updated the board on the following old business items:

Bird Habitat – This is complete.

Lyle House Improvements/Usage – RFP on Lyle House (using it as an event space) should be arriving soon. Work is currently being done on the windows.

Pickle Ball Courts – Will be completed in the spring. Board of Public Service is adding it onto another contract.

Bridge – They are still planning to start construction during the first or second quarter of next year. They want it to be resurfaced and ready for use before summer.

New Business:

Loughborough Playground has new surfacing and new equipment. This came from bond money that was distributed by acreage through all city parks.

Next fiscal year (July) we will have additional tax money. We

will have to speak to the Alderwomen about upcoming expenditures and to find out what projects will be covered by ward capital money.

Board members should start thinking about future projects for the next fiscal year.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 19, 2019 in the Honesty Room at the Rec Plex.

Respectfully submitted by:

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**Office Wilson (cont.):** Other robbery was a drug deal gone bad. I call the far end border of HH...over in 3700 Dewey. He went to make a purchase and didn't want to pay, so he shot the dealer and took the product. Aggravated assault on Bates. Burglary...lots of rehabs are a good opportunity for thieves. If you have a rehab or see something going on...if you're not sure call us. These burglars are real smart...they blend in. Vehicle thefts...one was a gun stolen from a vehicle. Take your firearms out of your vehicle at night. Don't carry a firearm with you to college. Keep the guns at home...if you can't take them to school or a building don't bring them. Firearm taken 3600 Wilmington. Got in the car, got the firearm. Loaded too. Vehicle thefts...don't warm them up. Simple assaults...domestic and a peace disturbance. Disorderly conduct...Family Dollar at Grand and Iron, unruly customer wouldn't leave. Other crimes are leaving the scene of an accident (car was hit). What is larceny? Stealing an item from a vehicle.

**Andrew Hernandez – Neighborhood Improvement Specialist for the 13th ward:** Everyone knows what the Citizen's Service Bureau is, right? Place for you to report: trash not collected, neighbor's yard is overgrown, etc. It's been rather quiet, don't have too much to report. Working on some issues, some properties that are being addressed. With trash and stuff like that, 3800 Burgen, another on Holly Hills.

**Beth Murphy:** Alley cameras...they are not put on every alley. It goes by complaint. When you see this illegal dumping, call CSB and give the address of the dumpster, then they may place a camera. They purchased 120 cameras and we have a very large alley system...they can move them around to problem areas.

Other updates...Walgreens finally repaired the fence down on Bates. They want to take the whole fence down. The people that work there do not want it cut down. Car repair place will apply for an occupation permit at Grand and Bates where Sound Solutions was. I have a list of 10 conditions for this business. If they are willing to meet the conditions she will sign it. Supposed to be a Mexican restaurant across the street from Chimichanga's. The grocery store right there...he bought what used to be a 7-11. He is going to put in a restaurant there.

Trees being taken down on Bates...it looked like a clear cutting. It's the ash borer. Back in 2016 we spoke about it here, it's been on TV. I brought all the city website info. They did not tell us when they were going to come down otherwise we would have given a heads up. All the stumps will be taken out and new trees will be planted immediately. I asked if they

could be 20 feet tall and they said no. 4 different species. Hopefully plant them this session. The Alderman pay for those with their ward capital, I will sink as much into it as I can. They already started planting them on Bates. I raised heck with Forestry...I said you left one tree on Bates so they could hang me in effigy.

**Sarah Martin:** Smart Cities Initiative above. Give me your block...I have been in touch with the foreman in our area. Working on a prevailing wage bill. If you are a developer and getting an incentive then you have to pay the prevailing wage to your coworkers. Beth is a cosponsor. It's fair for our area contractors...you are going to have higher overhead than someone in a rural county. Prevailing wage triggers a lot of other good percentages...minority and women. On the health committee, Chairman Arnowitz has brought forth several different grants to fight the opioid crisis. Programs with the county and the entire region. Some are federal, some are state. We all know that drugs increase homelessness, gun violence, a litany of problems. Kitchen House Coffee was another update, and they were here. Please check them out. Elwood and Broadway, old Biker Bar. Carondelet Comm Betterment Federation getting more grant money and working with the Lemay Housing partnership to make improvements for senior homes. A lot more money coming in. Helps seniors stay in their homes and keeps our houses looking great. Loughborough and 55...the worst is the carpet out there instead of a sidewalk. Had a meeting in Jeff City last week with the liaison from MoDot. Rep Butz and some other folks Brooks Goedeker have been planning a cleanup. Campaign signs are a problem...lots of illegal campaign signs. If they're in the right of way and you know they don't belong there...pick them up and toss them. Thurs 6pm Ward meeting at MJs 6312 S. Grand. Pres of Board of Alderman meet the candidates event. You can have a beer at that meeting, hopefully that will increase turnout.

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
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