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The Unsung Heroes that Keep our Neighborhood Beautiful

Now that the long winter is officially over, we at HHIA wanted to recognize some of our neighbors who work behind the scenes to keep our greenspaces beautiful. These were the names we could find through our detective work, but we are sure there are more amazing volunteers out there!

Thank you to the people below who have unofficially adopted a section of our neighborhood. If you see them out there, say thanks or lend a hand if you can!

Mary Ann Powers, Colette French, and Roseanne Howard take care of the parkway in the 3600 block of Bellerive, including the beautiful luminaria around Christmastime

Mike and Pam Reilly maintain the circle at Holly Hills and Leona

Irene and Ralph Dobberstein maintain the two gardens at Holly Hills and Coronado

Angie Butz maintains the boulevard and gardens along Holly Hills

Mary Jo Gordon and Jim and Stacy Ross maintain green spaces along Leona across from Carondelet Park

Ed Papes maintains the boulevard garden near Holly Hills and Livingston

and so many, many more....

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*thank
you*

FROM THE DESK OF HHIA:

Time flies they say and here we are in May! With the warmer weather, HHIA is gearing up for a busy season of events and activities. Up next will be the Big Glamp, the first event of The Strange Folk Festival taking place in Carondelet Park. HHIA will be there helping out on one of the activity stations again and selling neighborhood merchandise. Please come up and say hi! Following that, we will be partnering with Friends of Carondelet Park to (re)introduce an event to our lineup with the return of movies in the park! Our first will be **“Meet Me in St. Louis” on July 12th**, then **“The Miracle Match” (formerly “The Game of Their Lives”) on August 9th**.

As you can imagine, it takes a lot of brain and muscle power to produce and run these events. We need you! Please consider getting involved, either as a member of the HHIA board or volunteering to help support activities. The more people who are involved, the more we can do to keep our neighborhood vibrant. If interested, please reach out to us at hhia@hollyhills.info.

Thank you everyone!

The Holly Hills Improvement Association

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.

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 5643 Leona \$149,900
 4094 Fillmore \$153,000 (UC)
 4130 Rosa \$185,000 (UC)
 3915 Dover \$187,000 (MF)
 4092 Haven \$194,900 (UC)
 4119 Toenges \$195,000
 4115 Haven \$200,000 (UC)
 3638 Bellerive \$206,000 (UC)
 3940 Wilmington \$209,000 (MF) (UC)
 3651 Bellerive \$270,000 (UC)
 3842 Federer \$275,000 (UC)
 3941 Holly Hills \$439,900 (UC)
 3847 Holly Hills \$455,000

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Minutes from the March 25th HHIA Meeting

Roll call

Present: Anna Baldwin, Beth Murphy, Lisa Bertke, Julie Orrick, Eileen Muir, Mike Dauphin, Tara Ohler

Introduce New Neighbors

Guest Speakers

Michael Butler Recorder of Deeds: Recorder of Deeds first 90 days. Served six years in the state legislature. Masters Degree of Public Affairs, Bachelors Degree in Business. Here to talk about property fraud. Important to know that the Records of Deeds office records property but they don't enforce the laws. Take every precaution to change their process and help enforce laws. Predecessor required grantor and grantee to be present. Other counties don't do that. We are also doing something new in tracking bad notaries. There are certain notaries that have a history of fraudulent documents. Starting to flag them and get that info to the state. Last thing we are doing...3,000 landowners that have a PO Box or an address of City Hall or another city building. Difficult to track them if fraud were to occur. Reaching out to the owners to get an actual address. While we don't enforce property laws we are working with various groups (vacancy initiative) and the mayor's office to try to prevent these issues.

If you are a victim of prop fraud. We partner with two entities: Legal Services of Eastern MO. They have been helping us for years. They provide free attorneys. If fraud occurs, we can flag it. Property FraudAlert.com. 3rd party vendor you can access from our new website. Comes directly from our software provider. You can get alerts on your property, anytime there is a lien or a change in your property address.

Last thing, our office will be improving our website in the next 90 days. Saturday, we went through a great strategic planning process. Great solutions from our staff and from folks outside the office. We have remade relationships with the state office to improve our archives and vital records processes.

Jack Krewson, Kairos Academies: New middle school opening up in south city in the fall. Why do we need to have a new kind of school? Sponsored by the MO Public School Comm and authorized by the state. Kairos was born out of my classroom. Taught at Normandy and Jennings. Our school system today is founded on control and compliance. Might be appropriate for elementary school kids. You are not preparing students for college and the real world. I would have former students that said they couldn't handle college. At Normandy this means no backpacks, no lockers, limited lunch. We are focused on "how can we give students incremental choice" so that by the time they get to college they know

how to do independent work, set goals, set schedules and calendars. The things that we do every day. The school model has not changed in 100 years. Set up in the age of industrialism to train kids to be factory workers. Kids were taught to obey and no critical thinking skills were taught. We need to give kids the proper skills to be successful in the modern world. We just need to make sure we are teaching kids the right things.

Schools in St. Louis are almost as segregated as they were 100 years ago. It comes from our schools...single socioeconomic and racial schools. Lots of good reasons to have integrated student body. Boosts academic achievement for all students. Intentionally diverse school. 63116, 63118, and 63111 zip codes have the largest educational gap in St Louis. The average school scores are also underperforming. Every kid deserves to attend a high-quality school in their neighborhood.

What do we do differently? Kairos is one of two ancient words for time. The right moment of time. Student experience structured by four pillars. Project Based Learning, Individualized Coaching, Personalized Learning, and Diverse Peer Communities. Meet students where they are with their learning. Every kid gets a one-one-one coach that they meet with every day for 15 min. Extracurriculars...need to structure interactions between students. Work in small groups in different contexts toward a common goal. Everyone gets a lap-top. Distributed leadership, everyone is teaching a different class. Year-round schooling. On for five weeks, off for two weeks. Align all breaks with other breaks (winter break, spring break, etc) Flexible schedule, set growth goals to give the kids more choice over how they learn. This model is very tested. We did a lot of community outreach. Focused on Dutchtown, Gravois, Jefferson, Benton Park, Fox Park, Tower Grove East. Located at Miami and Jefferson the former Concordia Publishing House. Hosted public forum...set the record for turnout. Have sponsor...have goals set with the sponsor that we need to set. These goals will set us in the 90% percentile of public schools. Unlike a lot of charter schools we are financial sustainable, no need to raise private money.

Please if you know of any student who is interested...we have 107 applications for 115 slots. 79 people confirmed. We have slots left.

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Send an email to newsletter@hollyhills.info with the subject line **HHIA Goes Green** and we will make the update. You will even get your copy before the snail mail folks so you will be the first to know all the exciting neighborhood updates!



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"Meet Me in St. Louis"

Friday, July 16th

Synopsis: Divided into a series of seasonal vignettes, starting with Summer 1903, the movie relates the story of a year in the life of the Smith family in St. Louis, leading up to the opening of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in the spring of 1904.



"The Miracle Match" (formerly "The Game of Their Lives")

Friday, August 9th

Synopsis: The film details the true story of the 1950 U.S. soccer team which, against all odds, beat England 1-0 during the 1950 FIFA World Cup. The story is about the family traditions and passions that shaped the players who made up this team of underdogs. One group of teammates were from The Hill neighborhood of St. Louis.



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Operation Brightside, Samantha from St. Louis City Recycles: Under the umbrella of Brightside St. Louis. Some things that people think are recyclable but are not: garden hoses, plastic utensils, insulation, plastic plates, ice cream containers. Just because it has a recycling symbol on it...it isn't necessarily recyclable. Recyclable: spray bottle, lotion tube, amazon mailer (without bubble wrap inside), hairspray can, dry paint can. Come together with OneSTL group, Recycle Responsibly campaign. Created a cohesive message to recycle responsibly. Whether or not you live in the city or the county, the message is the same. Contamination is a big issue for us. Top 5 contaminants: plastic bags, medical waste (needles), food waste, non-container plastics (film, yard signs, laundry bins, toys), clothing. Benefits of recycling: STL has more recycling jobs on average, over 90 mil in our payroll in STL metro, every 1 ton we recycle creates 10 jobs. Health benefits: less pollution in our environment, conserve and protect finite resources. Recycling 101. Stick with the six categories of items you can recycle: paper, flattened cardboard, plastic bottles and containers, glass bottles and jars, metal food and beverage cans, food and beverage cartons. Five items not to place: plastic bags, Styrofoam, sharps and needles, food waste, one time use disposables (coffee cups). If you aren't sure about an item, visit the website stlrecycles.com/database.

Also accept household hazardous waste: paint, solvents, anti-freeze, etc can be taken to a facility once a year.

Upcoming events: Sustainability Speed Dating, Recycling Extravaganza, Earth Day Weekend Some other things we do: Blitz Clean-ups, Graffiti Removal Team, Neighbors Nature Scaping St. Louis Urban Gardening Symposium, morning of workshops, Sat June 1st

Alderwoman Beth Murphy, 13th Ward: We are not in session right now. Committees are still meeting. Speed study came back on Leona. They divided Leona into three big sections. She requested they do that first because of the school. Holly Hills started in 1927...we all know what happened in 1929. Lots got smaller and other resources dried up...and the other half of Leona didn't get the boulevard. 85% of the cars go over the speed limit. They recommended a speed hump (more gradual than a bump). Put in the fourth parkway (which should have been there a lot time ago) to slow down traffic. They are working on that right now. It will be grass, there will be plants in it. Hoping to get some ornamental trees (something like a dogwood). Epiphany Lutheran Church has graciously offered to take of it for us. Notified residents on ND and personally notified residents on Leona. They will most likely recommend more speed humps. Alderwoman Martin and I are also going to look into calming traffic on Holly Hills. Traditionally the fire dept did not like speed bumps.

The street dept also didn't like speed bumps due to snow plows but they are ok with speed humps. The bridge work is supposed to begin soon. Also want to work to slow down traffic on Grand near the YMCA bridge. Also put in for a speed study on Bates. 1st district was promised 5 additional police officers from the new class. The captain has promised us that we will get cops devoted to traffic. Concerts will start in the park soon. Stone Soup Shakespeare coming again at the bandstand May 10th. Dr. Prince will be speaking in front of the Legislative committee.

Follow up on the bridge...June/July. Waiting on Union Pacific to review the plans. \$628,000 project. Light post down in the park. CSB is looking into it. Huge tree fell by the Boathouse. Waiting for the ground to dry.

Michael Dauphin, City Assessor: one thing I want to make sure that everyone got mail from me. 4/1 is when you have to declare your personal property. If you don't do so you will get hit with a \$10 penalty. 17,000 have renewed online...please check it out. Save a lot of paper and postage. If you lost it all and you don't know what you need to do to declare please call our office.

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
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