

The Holly Hills *Neighborhood News Newsletter*

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Family Health Care Centers CEO to Speak

Bob Massie, Chief Executive Officer of Family Health Care Centers, will speak about Family Health Care Centers -- a new health care facility at the corners of Michigan and Holly Hills.

Bob is a graduate of John Hopkins University School of Public Health and Hygiene. He holds a doctorate in dental surgery from the University of Tennessee and a Bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from David Lipscomb University.

Family Health Care Centers was established in 1969 as a grassroots response to an alarmingly high infant mortality rate. Today, Family Care is a multi-site primary health care and social service not-for-profit organization serving all ages.

The Centers have grown to provide a complete array of comprehensive services which include adult medicine, geriatrics, pediatrics, OB/GYN, family planning, community health nursing, Women, Infants & Children (WIC), optometry, crisis intervention counseling, HIV counseling and testing, nutrition, dental services and inpatient hospital care.

The mission of Family Care Health Centers is to provide affordable and accessible comprehensive primary health care services to anyone, with emphasis on the medically underserved, and to promote the general health of the service area.

Family Care Health Centers accepts most medical insurance plans. Patients without insurance are served on a sliding fee scale based upon income and family size.

Family Care has health facilities located at 6313 Michigan Avenue and 4352 Manchester Avenue along with a dental site at 422 Wilmington Avenue.

Bob Massie will discuss the capital campaign for the new 30,000 square feet health center. The facility will allow Family Care Health Centers to expand capacity of existing services by 40% and also allow for consolidation of dental, financial, and administrative functions under one roof. New services including a pharmacy, a larger more convenient patient laboratory, an optical dispensary (eyeglasses), focused geriatric services and possible podiatry and chiropractic services.

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K-Mart (or not) Update

The fight is still on and the Southtown Coalition is committed to carrying through their plan. At the moment, they are attempting to get in contact with the owners of the property in order to set up a meeting with Jeffrey Anderson (the developer out of Cincinnati) in order for Jeff to buy the property and develop with some newer store to the area.

The overriding advantage for the coalition is that the city, with its Board of Public Service Denial is taking the official position that the proposed Kmart fails to meet the zoning requirement. The appeal to the Board of Adjustment must receive a "super majority" of the five members in order to overturn the Board of Public Service denial. After that, their appeal to the courts merely reviews the case to make sure the process at BPS and BOA was handled correctly and that there was nothing terribly blatant that the commissioners overlooked. The court will not rehear the case nor allow both sides to present zoning arguments. The party that is appealing will have to show that the process was flawed or that there was something terribly obvious that BPS or BOA missed.

Once there is a date set for the appeal, there will probably be a petition drive for signatures. Also a show of force similar to the one at the initial hearing will help to show that the K-Mart big box is really not what the community wants. There are other alternatives.

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Dinner on the Park

The River Des Peres Beautification Alliance will hold its 2nd Annual "Dinner on the Park" at the historic Carondelet Park, Saturday, June 24th at 5:00 PM. Dinner, drinks and entertainment are included in the ticket price. Proceeds will benefit River Des Peres area improvement efforts. Advance tickets are \$25.00 which include food, entertainment, beer, wine & set ups. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door for \$35. Call 908-1434 for more info.

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Book Sale

The Carondelet Y Service Club is holding its twenty-second annual Book Fair August 18-23, 2000, at the Carondelet YMCA, 600 Loughborough. Our Book Fair is the second-largest in the St. Louis area [behind the Nursery Foundation's big one in the Galleria parking garage]. Last year's Fair featured nearly 250,000 volumes on all three floors of the Y facility and raised just shy of \$40,000. Proceeds benefit YMCA youth programs in this historic South Side neighborhood, the Beginning Babies with Books and Y-Read programs all over the metropolitan area, and YMCA work in developing nations worldwide.

To volunteer your help or donate call 314-353-0439 and leave your name and number. Friday August 18 will be First Look Night. This night only we will be charging \$5 for admission, since all the book dealers and collectors from miles around will be anxious to get in and get the best stuff.

Numbered tickets go on sale at 9 am for the 5 pm opening. (Admission is free every other day of the Fair.) Wednesday August 23 will be \$4 per box or bag. This is your big chance to stock up on books for the winter, fall, spring, or even next summer, without spending a lot of money.

If you have any questions or comments, or would like directions or more information, you can call the Carondelet YMCA at 314-353-4960 or the book pick-up hotline at 314-353-0439, or you can e-mail jredmond@ymcastlouis.org.

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Looks Good!

The southeast corner of Bates and Grand looks pretty sharp lately. Thanks to Jack-in-the Box for re-routing their drive-thru and landscaping their property at Bates and Grand.

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Carondelet Park News

Many of you have noticed the water level of Horseshoe Lake receding. The lake is being drained and the fish are being salvaged. Soon there will be a new fountain installed and the water cannon that has spouted water continuously for the last few years will be removed. The tennis courts have been resurfaced and repainted and are already in use.

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New to the Area

The old Star Video store in Loughborough Plaza has been divided and will house a new Edward Jones office. Jarrett Estes, investment representative will be opening his doors soon to help individuals achieve their financial goals through investments such as stocks, bonds, mutual funds and FDIC Insured CDs. Stop by and say hi or call him at 481-4726.

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Sunday Concerts in the Park

In case of rain, concerts will be performed the following Wednesday. Otherwise, scheduled appearances are as follows:

- June 4 -- Original Nights of Swing
- June 11 -- Waterloo German Band
- June 18 -- Solucion Latina Orchestra
- June 25 -- Presentations
- July 2 -- St.Louis Stompers

July 9 -- Air Natl. Guard Gateway tot he West

July 16 -- Singleton Palmer Dixieland Six

July 23 -- Michael Brooks Route 66

July 30 -- Starlifer-AF Band of Mid-America

August 6 -- Soulard Blues Band

August 13 -- Smokehouse All Stars

August 30 -- Fanfare

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