KINGSHIGHWAY HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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OUR MARCH MEETING is Thursday, March 31 at 7 pm. at Kennard Junior Classical Academy, 5031 Potomac. Park and enter the building from the Fairview side, upper playground/parking area.

WE ALWAYS INVITE...

10th Ward Alderman Joe Vollmer, whose ward includes most of Kingshighway Hills; 23rd Ward Alderman Joe Vaccaro, whose ward includes the blocks south of Pernod and west of Brannon; Neighborhood Improvement Specialist Annette Bridges (23rd Ward); Missouri State Rep. Mike Colona; Missouri State Senator Joe Keaveny; Community Affairs Police Officer Don Veile. Here is your opportunity to meet and ask questions of these public servants.

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A quick visit to our city's website and we learned Michelle Boston-David is still our interim 10th Ward NIS. We'll invite her, too. We also learned what is on the ballot April 5.

HAPPY HOUR

There was a Happy Hour the fourth Thursday in February and in March. It was supposed to include a wider group than just Kingshighway Hills residents. Hope it was productive and fun. Come to the meeting March 31 and maybe we'll know then about the next one.

NEW DATE FOR MARCH MEETING

We were trying to avoid spring break at Kennard School (and St. Patrick's Day) but we noticed there was school the third week of March anyway, and spring break was in fact Holy Week.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD of KHNA still has room at the table for you.

ELECTION DAY, APRIL 5

At the municipal election on April 5, an important issue on the ballot is whether or not we will continue to pay city earnings tax (1% of salary). Conversation on Nextdoor.com suggests widespread concern over how else the city would replace the income if the city earnings tax is defeated. This in turn suggests voters won't automatically vote "no" on this tax issue, so please be equally thoughtful in your decision... and then be sure to vote. There is also a school tax increase and a bond issue (no tax increase needed) and two MSD issues on the ballot...too many such issues, in the opinion of many, on one ballot.

RUMORS

There are rumors about the original Southwest Bank (now BMO Harris) on Kingshighway and Southwest. For those who have lived around here a long time, that building is historic. A movie was made about an old-fashioned bank robbery which happened there, and the movie (starring a young Steve McQueen) was filmed there as well. Any other rumors going around? Come to the meeting for reliable information.

JANUARY MEETING

Our aldermen and NIS Annette Bridges reported on the new QuikTrip; some cease and desist letters to rental properties and a local car wash; victim impact statements given in court proceedings; the consequences of losing the earnings tax. Police Officer Vince Stehlin, who is NOM (Neighborhood Ownership Model) officer for Northhampton, was able to attend. He explained the history of NOM in St. Louis and how we can participate and train for it.

KINGSHIGHWAY HILLS PRESCHOOL

PLUS is not only a business member of KHNA, but is planning to hire another employee and expand. Glad to hear the preschool and its kids are thriving. It's at Pernod and Hereford.

MOVED IN!

Garcia Properties have put their neon sign up on their new location. Many of us know the building at Kingshighway and Pernod as the Bowersox building after the insurance business which occupied it for many years. The structure is now on the National Register for Historic Places as the Brahm-Mitchellette, for it was once the home of the Brahm-Mitchellette Motor Car Company.

DUES GOING UP

The Executive Board has decided to raise dues for new members to \$10.00 per person, \$15.00 per family. Current members can still renew this spring for the old price of \$7.00/\$12.00.

TILLES PARK

Our neighborhood to the west is planning an activity in the park May 24 at 6:00 pm. Looking for a summer meeting? They're having one July 26, 7:00 pm at the Police Officers Association, 3710 Hampton. By the way, the TPNA president was at our January meeting, and we thank him for attending.

BIG TRASH PICKUP

On our Facebook page there was a question about "big trash". Not sure if the question was about monthly pickup or an Operation Brightside event. Our monthly pickup is the third Monday (or a day or two after). The city no longer sends trash trucks around on a designated Saturday in spring, but encourages neighborhoods to organize their own day.

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