

KINGSHIGHWAY HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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THURS. JAN. 15 ***Kennard School, 5031 POTOMAC**

A NEW YEAR!

The next meeting is Thursday, January 15, at 7 pm. at Kennard Classical Jr. Academy, 5031 Potomac. Enter the upper parking lot, and entrance to our meeting is on the Fairview side of the building. We hope to hear from the following: 10th Ward Alderman Joe Vollmer, 10th Ward NIS Mike Flood, 23rd Ward Alderman Joe Vaccaro, 23rd Ward NIS Annette Bridges, Mo. State Rep. Mike Colona, Mo. State Senator Joe Keaveny, and Community Affairs Police Officer Don Veile.

ON NEXTDOOR.COM

Our Kingshighway Hills neighbors and those who live in neighboring neighborhoods are expressing concerns and frustrations about events of recent months. There continue to be thefts of copper guttering and downspouts. There have been some thefts of packages just after delivery to the front porch. There is fear of even more crime in the future.

The KHNA meeting is Thursday, January 15 at 7:00 pm in the Kennard gym. Everyone is welcome!

Some of the Nextdoor.com regulars have attended a meeting and left discouraged because their concerns were not immediately addressed. We ask them to try again. Conversations over the 'net do not solve everything. A little face time is sometimes necessary. If you think the neighborhood association is not doing enough, that just may be because it is shorthanded.

This writer's opinion: Our city's complex issues, requiring a bucket of approaches, have been kicked down the street for decades while most looked for one person or entity to blame or wished for one approach to solve it all.

A REMINDER

Please print and share a copy of this newsletter with new neighbors and those who do not use a computer at home.

OUR SECOND ANNUAL FRC XMAS

EVENING... That is, we spent some time December 11 at the Family Resource Center, Fyler at Kingshighway, wrapping gifts for FRC's clients. We helped out and had fun, too. Photos are on our Facebook page. We reached out in a small way to families in need while impressionable children are still small enough to yet grow up to be successful adults.

THERE WAS A MONDAY EVENING IN DECEMBER...

A well-attended meeting took place at Bishop DuBourg High School. I happened to hear about it on KMOX that afternoon. The wards south and west of us were well represented, and their officials, including Alderman Vaccaro, held the meeting. I may have been the only 10th ward resident present. Nowadays we have more ways to find out about things, but that does not mean we will always stumble upon any piece of information important to us. St. Louis Police Chief Dotson answered questions, and fortunately even the pointed questions were respectful.

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for information about City of St. Louis programs to actively involve the community in addressing problems. One of the approaches included is very similar to our Dog Walkers and Alley Cats—we have suggested being observant while walking dogs or taking out the trash (and then reporting observations).

ANOTHER GATHERING AT THE BAR

of Southtown Pub, Kingshighway near Tholozan is currently planned for Thursday, February 12 at 6 pm.

AT OUR NOVEMBER MEETING

Alderman Vollmer reported the Kingshighway viaduct just north of Vandeventer is really going to close for reconstruction in spring, 2015...The Quik Trip will relocate (within two years) to the now closed northwest corner of McMahan Ford. State Senator Joe Keaveny will devote time to early childhood education and lamented his lack of Democratic colleagues. Alderman Vaccaro is hearing comments about speeding on Pernod and wants to hear about those annual potholes.

MORE NEXTDOOR.COM

As of the first week of the new year, there seems to have been an explosion in some alleys of excessive trash not properly placed in dumpsters. Congratulations on receiving so many new things for Christmas! Now, flatten the boxes before putting them in the recycling dumpster. If the dumpster is overflowing, please wait until after the next pickup before taking out any more stuff. If you have some kitchen trash that is getting, uh, ripe, a small bag of that can be squeezed into the dumpster, but the cleaner trash will keep.

In our neighborhood, bulk trash is picked up on the third Monday or a day or two later. Please do not put out the bulk trash until just before the 3rd Monday. January 1 is NOT just before the 3rd Monday. Please do not put bulk stuff right beside the dumpsters. Please do not lean anything against a dumpster.

Someone said in all seriousness that we should put the box from our new TV into a different recycling bin from our own to thwart the bad guys. Except, if you put your box into my re- cycling dumpster, they will think I'm the one with a new TV they can break in and steal?!

Find a link on www.kingshighwayhills.com

AFTER JANUARY...our next meeting will be Thursday, March 12 (school will be closed the week of the 19th.)

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Through 8/31/15

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