

KINGSHIGHWAY HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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****MEETING THURS. MAR. 12 *****Kennard School, 5031 POTOMAC****

STILL SNOW ON THE GROUND!

As we write this there is still snow on the ground, but just around the corner are spring and our next meeting...Thursday, March 12, 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 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.

THE JANUARY MEETING

Greg Meyer, President of Tilles Park Neighborhood Association was present. We hope this is just the beginning of meaningful conversations between him and our President Brendan Gates. **Thanks to Alderman Joe Vaccaro for bringing him along. State Rep. Mike Colona** spoke of the ongoing challenges of serving in the State Legislature. **Stephen Engelhardt spoke on behalf of Congressman Lacy Clay**, outlining a number of issues and the Congressman's positions on them. The south city office at 6830 Gravois is fully staffed. He announced a job fair at Harris-Stowe State U. the 1st Monday in June. **Alderman Joe Vollmer** reported on the eventual move of Quik Trip to the demolished corner at Kingshighway and Fyler and redevelopment of the present site. **NIS Mike Flood** answered several questions, including

how to deal with the private dumpsters of larger apartment buildings. **It was a very productive meeting.**

BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP

We welcome as a KHNA business member Chad Beffa's Kingshighway Hills PreSchool Plus, at Hereford and Pernod. The preschool is finally open, so if interested, stop by.

OUR MARCH MEETING IS THE SECOND THURSDAY because Kennard School will be closed the following week for spring break.

ON NEXTDOOR.COM & AT THE PUB

One of our Lawn Avenue neighbors posted a thank you to whatever neighbor shoveled more sidewalks than just his own. We have some great people in Kingshighway Hills. We met some of them as well at our Happy Hour at Southtown Pub on February 12. We had a bigger turnout than the one last fall, and age wise it was diverse, too. Join us next time, and there will be a next time.

POST-DISPATCH ARTICLES

Recent articles featured Kennard Classical Junior Academy and some statistics past and present about its program and student body. A parent has discovered that Samuel M. Kennard served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War, a fact which caused some consternation. This writer attended Kennard School many years ago, and all we knew was

that he was a rich businessman. St. Louis's history during the 1800s was complex, and most likely his peers, where ever they were during the Civil War, just wanted to put the past behind them. We cannot turn the clock back, but we can try now to offer the education that Kennard affords to as many kids as possible. **There are still residents of this neighborhood who attended Kennard or sent their children to Kennard decades ago. They also can have an opinion about such a drastic move as changing our landmark's name.**

OUR CONDOLENCES

We are sorry to report the passing of Dalton Baker, who was a current member and former newsletter volunteer.

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for information about City of St. Louis programs to actively involve the community in addressing problems. One approach 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). Several approaches fall under NOM, which stands for Neighborhood Ownership Model.

SO, WHERE ARE WE??

When the City of St. Louis designated this area between Kingshighway and Hampton the Northampton neighborhood, two separate neighborhood associations, Kingshighway Hills and Tilles Park, already existed, with Macklind the dividing line.

This does lead to some confusion. Communication and cooperation between the two associations? Not a bad thing. **Alderman Vaccaro suggests our two neighborhoods could work together to join the NOM program.**

THE BOWERSOX BUILDING on Pernod and Kingshighway has been purchased by Garcia Properties, and they will redevelop it. They will move in their business and also create 20 apartments. We appreciate the Garcias' investment in our neighborhood. **By the way, the story of the close knit Garcia family and their desire to continue living very near each other was featured in the Post-Dispatch in late December.**

A REMINDER

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

GRAFFITI?

Continue to report any graffiti to your Alderman or NIS. You might take a photo. The city will be responding to graffiti removal better when the weather is warmer.

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