



SUMMER NEWS 2012

Meet Our New Neighbors

Names: Mark and Micki Strautmann

Address: 12646 Whispering Hills Ln.

Occupation and employer:
Mark: Construction
Micki: Housewife

Children (names and ages):
James, 3 years old

Hobbies:
Mark: Golf and travel
Micki: Travel

Children: James enjoys being 3

How long have you live in Whispering Hills? 2 months

Where did you go to high school? Not in St. Louis

Pets: 2 dogs

WHISPERING HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Message from the President and Trustee

As President and Trustee of the Whispering Hills Homeowners Association, I would like to welcome you to the new Whispering Hills Newsletter. The newsletter will be issued via e-mail to all homeowners, free of charge, on a quarterly basis.

It is intended to be both a vehicle for keeping you up to date on news within the subdivision as well as alerting you to upcoming meetings, events, and other points of interest in the St. Louis area.

Since the publication will be distributed only to Whispering Hills homeowners, it can also be a means for communication between you and your neighbors. You are encouraged to submitted articles for publication, such as announcements of special occasions (births, graduations, marriages, and deaths, among others), invitations to social gatherings (street parties, pool parties, etc), areas of concern, and perhaps even recommendations on subcontractors who have performed outstanding work for you or a neighbor.

The newsletter should be considered a tool for sharing interests and strengthening the community bond. Please enjoy it and participate in helping to make it a worthwhile to all.

John Schembri

Semi-Annual Subdivision Meeting

Date: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 • Time: 7:00 PM

Location: The Clubhouse

Topics: Review of the current year's budget, next year's budget projection, common grounds and Plat IV projects, among other topics.

Adult Annual Pool Party

Date: August 24 • Time: 6:30 PM • Location: WH outdoor pool area

Please, note that this is an adult event sponsored by the Michelson Organization. There will be food, non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages. More details will be sent via e-mail in the near future. If you would like to volunteer please, contact Jeanette Roscoe, Property Manager at 314-434-5400.



St. Louis County Parks Calendar

July 11 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Faust Olden Days of Summer
Faust Park
15185 Olive St. Rd.
Chesterfield MO 63017

July 11 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Puppy and Basic Dog Obedience Class
Kennedy Recreation Complex
6050 Wells Rd.
St. Louis, MO 63128

July 12 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Mad Science
Faust Park Carousel
15185 Olive St. Rd.
Chesterfield, MO 63017

July 17 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Summer Concert Series in Faust Park
Faust Park Carousel
15185 Olive St. Rd.
Chesterfield, MO 63017

July 19 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Mad Science Faust Park Carousel
15185 Olive St. Rd.
Chesterfield MO 63017

July 24 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Summer Concert Series in Faust Park
Faust Park Carousel
15185 Olive St. Rd.
Chesterfield, MO 63017

July 25 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Puppy and Basic Dog Obedience Class
Kennedy Recreation Complex
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July 26 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Mad Science Faust Park Carousel
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July 31 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Summer Concert Series in Faust Park
Faust Park Carousel
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Social Network Plans for a Night at the Races

The Social Network chairs, Robert Sudholt and Tom Claus, would like to plan a night for WH residents at Fairmont Park Horse Racetrack. If enough people are interested we can rent a bus to transport our group to and from the racetrack. If you want to go contact Bob Sudholt at robertsudholt@yahoo.com.

Sit down dinner Skybox. \$33 per person. This includes:

- Gate admission, program, & third floor admission
- Dinner salad, choice of one of three entrees (steak, chicken or fish served with baked potato and fresh veggies) & a featured desserts for the evening
- Non-alcoholic beverages

This is a full sit down dinner package. There will be a server to cater to all of your needs! This package puts you right out on the floor at the tables on the windows and in their luxury skyboxes.

Common Ground Committee Report

There are several common ground areas throughout the Whispering Hills subdivision. As you may be aware, we are responsible to maintain certain areas while The Michelson Organization is in charge of others.

The subdivision currently maintains the front entrance, three (3) small islands along Whispering Hills Lane, the area to the east of the Clubhouse, the area going up the hill on Whispering Hills Lane toward Parkway North, Pin Oak Lake on Cotton Tree, and the island at the end of Whispering Hills that is often referred to as the "Sophomore Circle."

The Common Ground Committee met this spring to inspect the areas and make recommendations for maintaining and updating the common ground. The Committee made arrangements with Mike Mitulski, who currently maintains the common ground, to begin making the changes later this summer.

The changes will be made in two (2) phases. The first phase will include replacing gravel beds with grass, tearing out dead and overgrown bushes, removing dead trees, and grinding stumps. The second phase will take place between later this fall or early next spring and it will include replanting areas to make them more visually appealing.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Common Ground Committee, or have any questions/concerns about the common grounds, you may contact the Committee Chair, Susie Brown at sbrown@wcastl.org.

Pump Yoga Class

July 23rd through Sept. 12th
Mondays and Wednesdays
6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

At the Whispering Hills Clubhouse Lobby

Come, bring some friends and make some new ones at this fun and energizing fitness class. The class starts with light weights then Pilates, and Yoga. It is a great way to get a full body workout in one hour.

Classes are \$7.00 if you prepay for the whole session and \$10.00 for walk-ins.

Buy two (2) personal training sessions and get one (1) free. Move inside with expert personal trainer, and more.

For more information, contact Wendi at (636) 699-9228.

Sand Volleyball Court

There is a new sand volleyball court available, which is located to the right of the indoor pool.

It must be used during the day as there is no outdoor lighting.

Neighborhood Watch Program Meeting Tuesday, July 31, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

The Whispering Hills Homeowners Association Board would like to start a new Neighborhood Watch Program in conjunction with St. Louis County Police.

The key to a successful program is active involvement of the area residents. The first step in starting a Neighborhood Watch Program is to organize a community meeting. Officer Accardi from the St. Louis County Police Department is available to speak to us on Tuesday, July 31, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse. This meeting will be designed to encourage residents to get involved. A Neighborhood Watch coordinator and block captain(s) will be selected or appointed.

Please reply to me if you have interest in becoming involved and can attend this meeting. Marilyn Sander Whispering Hills Board, Secretary
sandsud@sbcglobal.net

Things To In St. Louis

Boat House in Forest Park- See lots of wild life and Forest Park landmarks from the lake while on a Paddleboat or Kayak. Restaurant onsite. Rental Prices: Kayak for two or Paddleboats for up to 4 with life vests \$15 per hour.

www.boathouseforestpark.com

Citygarden- Enjoy an oasis in the heart downtown St. Louis: a 2-block area decorated with plantings, sculptures, fountains and more. Admission is free.

www.citygardenstl.org

Farmers Markets- Several in the St. Louis area, including but not limited to: Historic Soulard Market, open year round Wednesday through Saturday. Check for information on free events and location of free parking (soulardmarket.com). The Loop Market in University City, Maplewood, Clayton, Tower Grove, Sappington, and more.

Faust Park- Outdoor Play area, Sach's Butterfly House: Adults \$6, seniors \$4.50, Children 4-12 \$4.00, Children 3 and under free. Historic Village, picnic areas. St. Louis Carousel rides: \$1.00, children under 12 months free with paying adult, all children under 4 must ride with paying adult, Thornhill Estate tours by appointment, adults \$4 children under 12 yrs \$2. Preschool arts-and-crafts projects: registration required, includes carousel ride, advance registration required, \$10 per child/parent class. <http://greatriverroad.com/stlouis/faust.htm>

Free Family Film Festival- at the Regal Cinema at St. Louis Mills Mall- Check with theater for summer schedule. Movies shown on Wed. and Thurs. mornings 10 am, all are rated G or PG, seats are on first come first seated basis. June-Aug. Check with movie theatre for 2012 schedule.

Grant's Farm- Famous historical site with game preserve, show place for Clydesdale horses, entrance and tram to animals and animal shows is free, parking is \$11.00.

Missouri Botanical Garden- Visit the Lantern Festival thru August 19. Climatron, Japanese Garden, Rose gardens and more Admission: Free general admission to St. Louis City and County residents (with proof of residency) on Wednesday and Saturday before Noon, Adults (13 and over) St. Louis City/County Residents \$4.00, Children 12 and under Free. Free parking available.

www.missouribotanicalgarden.org

Purina Farms- Free admission and parking. Barnyard animals and everyday pets, kids can play in the hayloft, milk a cow, take a tractor-drawn wagon ride and watch animal performances.

Rockwood Reservation- bird watch, bicycle, hike, view wildlife, visit the education center for exhibits, displays and demonstrations. Call for more information about the education center.

Six Flags/Hurricane Harbor- Located in Eureka, MO, Check for information on hours and admission prices. Watch for coupons and special days for reduced price admission.

Congratulations!

New Additions

Baby's name: Mikaela

DOB: March 24, 2012

Parents: Mike and Alejandra Bergstrom

High School Graduates

Student: Madeline Edgerley

High School: Parkway North High School

College: Truman State University,
Kirksville, MO

Major: Communications Disorders
(speech therapy)

Parents: Dale and Lorraine Edgerley

Student: Sharon Han

High School: Parkway North High School

College: Washington University, St. Louis

Major: Archeology

Parents: Byung Hee (Henry) and
Jeong Sook Han

Student: Jennifer Heck

High School: Parkway North High School

College: University of Illinois

Major: Accounting

Parents: Bob and Deb Heck

Name: Danny McCune

High School: Kennedy High School

College: Missouri State

Major: Not Declared

Parents: Beth and Jerry McCune

Name: Andy McCune

High School: Kennedy High School

College: Graduated from Missouri State;
obtained CPA license and is employed by
Emerson as an Internal Auditor

Major: Accounting

Parents: Beth and Jerry McCune

Anniversaries

Ron and Jan Williams celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on August 18, 2012. They have two children, Stacy & husband Rob; two grandchildren, Sera & Matt and their son Chris and his fiancée Angie. They have lived on Sugar Grove Court since 1969.

Pompeyo D. Ríos and Marcherie Vázquez celebrates their 4th wedding anniversary on July 28, 2008. They have a son, Daniel and a huge yellow lab. They have lived on Tallow Hill since February 2010.



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Interesting Websites

www.explorestlouis.com – 101 things to do in St. Louis

www.stlkids.com – Ideas and activities for kids

stlouiskidsmagazine.com – parents sourcebook, things to do

www.kidsinstlouis.com – Calendar of local events and family events, local attractions and more

www.STLMOMS.com – Activities, including Parents As Teachers, Tip of the Week, other sites for activity ideas, recipes, and links to Fox News for calendar of events in the St. Louis area.

www.peatot.com – Click on calendar of local events (free events are also identified), resources, coupons, etc.

www.explorestlouis.com/kids – Click on things to do, then St. Louis for kids. Select from the St. Louis 4 Kids page of Artsy Stuff, Fun Stuff, Smart Stuff, Wacky Stuff, and Coloring Stuff. All kinds of stuff to do plus the free stuff!

www.familyvacationcritic.com – Click on destinations at the top, then on right side of page under “where do you want to go,” select St. Louis from the destination bar. Overview of St. Louis is given with additional attractions to click on at the bottom of page.

www.gocity.parentsconnect.com – Nickelodeon’s parenting resources, kids’ events and family friendly places to go. Calendar allows you to select month and day to get activities.

www.stlouis.about.com – Select from free things to do in St. Louis, fun for kids and families, parks and outdoor activities, museums, theatre and more.

www.stlkidsdirectory.com – A family resource guide to the St. Louis area. Local area businesses offer products, services, and activities for infants, kids, teens and youth. Calendar of events, articles and current issues.

www.stlouiskids.com – Fun activities, family vacations, family dining and more.

Newsletter Mission Statement

The mission of this newsletter is to inform members of what is currently happening in their community.

The purpose of this newsletter is to create a bond among the community and its leaders.

Its goal is to instill pride and a desire for united improvement.

Your comments and story ideas are welcome.

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