



Clifton Heights Neighborhood Association
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December/ January 2005

Next CHNA Meeting
January 24, 2005 at
Mason School Cafeteria

For the Good of the Neighborhood

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Neighborhood Life Initiative

A fundamental element of Mayor Slay's administration is recognizing that the key to a flourishing St. Louis lies in the health and vitality of the City's neighborhoods.

To this end, the Mayor has developed the Neighborhood Life Initiative; a series of programs designed to make our neighborhoods stronger and safer.

Problem Properties

Problem properties are defined as those which pose threats to the health, safety and welfare of neighborhoods' residents, including those that are substantially derelict. By improving these properties in our neighborhoods, we will make our surroundings more livable and will, therefore, be able to retain and attract City residents.

Clean Up St. Louis

This initiative targets specific neighborhoods for intensive alley and vacant lot clean-up of waste and debris.



Cameras in Alleys

Surveillance cameras will be set up in alleys in an effort to catch and prosecute illegal dumpers.

Problem Property Process (314) 622-3600 (Hotline)

Call the Hotline to report problem properties and other nuisance behavior. Calls can be kept confidential.

Citizens' Service Bureau (314) 622-4800

Neighborhood Stabilization (314) 622-4628

Board of Aldermen (314) 622-3287

St. Louis Police Department Emergency (police, fire, ambulance): 911

Non-emergency Police: (314) 231-1212

Crime Hotline: (314) 241-COPS

Call the Crime Hotline to report tips regarding criminal activity. Calls can be kept confidential.

This article was taken from the City Information Network website; the official web site of the City of St. Louis.

<http://www.stlouis.missouri.org/neighborhoods/life/>



SPECIAL GUESTS IN 2005

We are proud to announce that our regular meetings in the first Quarter of '05 will have some guest speakers from city departments. On March 28 we will feature Dave Bisentainer, director and commissioner of the city water division. He will speak about water in the city and how it gets to your tap. Jill Hamilton is also coming to a first quarter meeting, date to be announced. She is from the recycling division of the refuse department. Clifton Heights Association meetings ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC and are held on the fourth Monday of the month at 7 P.M. at Mason school. You do NOT have to be a member or even a resident of our neighborhood to attend. SEE YOU THERE.

Church Site Redevelopment Update



As many of you may or may not be aware, a developer is looking into the Clifton Heights Presbyterian Church site at the corner of Columbia and Clifton. His plans would involve construction of six (6) two and a half (2-1/2) story townhouses on this lot. Each townhouse would be 20' wide, 50' deep and 30' tall. Each unit would have three (3) bed-

rooms and two and a half (2-1/2) baths and would list for approximately \$250,000 -

\$275,000. Several of you have expressed your desires, wants, opinions, questions, etc. (from modifying this current proposal to totally against it) through door-to-door survey, telephone calls, CHNA meeting, etc. The developer is trying to get this through quickly, so the zoning variance meeting may be as early as January. One of his requirements is a ten

year property tax abatement. Copies of the proposed development can be obtained from Debbie Layne. As this will greatly impact our neighborhood, anyone who has not yet voiced their thoughts (pro or con) may do so by contacting any of the officers of the Association or Sharon Barnes. You could also plan on attending the January 24, 2005 CHNA meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. at Mason School.

CITY RESIDENTS OFFERED FREE FIREWOOD

Free firewood is available to city residents by the St Louis Department of Parks Recreation and Forestry. The wood is available on a first come first served basis at the lower Muny Opera lot from November until

early March. The wood comes from the removal of dead or damaged trees from city streets and parks and is of various sizes and species. Due to park restrictions, no commercial or trailers are

allowed. For more information call the forestry division (314) 613-7200.

Tips to Avoid Identity Theft

- When you order checks have only your initials printed on the check instead of your name. This prevents thieves from knowing how you sign your checks but the bank knows.
- Put your work phone number instead of your home phone on checks.
- Put P.O. box instead of address on checks if you have one, or use your work address.
- NEVER get your social security number printed on your checks you can add it if necessary.
- When you pay credit cards put only the last four digits of your account number on your check. The credit company knows the rest of the number and this prevents anyone handling the check from having the whole account number.
- Keep photocopies of the contents of your wallet in a safe place. Copy both sides of licenses credit cards etc. That way you will know what was in your wallet in case of theft and have the "800" numbers to call along with the account numbers.
- If your wallet or personal info is stolen, file a police report immediately in the jurisdiction where it was stolen. Then call the credit card companies. This proves you were diligent in filing a claim and is the first step in a criminal investigation.
- Last but not least; call all three credit reporting agencies and ask that a fraud alert be placed on your name and Social Security number. This prevents thieves from establishing NEW credit in your name.

EQUIFAX 1-800-525-6285
 EXPERIAN (formerly TRW) 1-888-397-3742
 TRANS UNION 1-800-680-7289

Prompt and proper actions can minimize the damage to

CHNA Membership is from October 1 to September 30!

CHNA MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

The CHNA membership year is October 1-September 30, with a \$10 annual registration per Clifton Heights home (2 votes per household). * Businesses pay \$20 for membership and are entitled to a "Featured Business" article in the newsletter.

Referred by _____ **New** **Renewal** **Business**

Member Name(s) _____

Address _____ Year: _____

Home Phone _____ Email Address _____

Circle the following that apply to your membership interests:

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| Attending the monthly Meetings | Neighborhood Safety |
| Neighborhood beautification | Neighborhood Parties/ Events |
| Newsletter Production/ Distribution | Website Development |
| Party in the Park | Other _____ |

Please make checks payable to: **CHNA**
 Send to: CHNA Treasurer
 PO Box 6036, St. Louis, Mo. 63139
 or bring to the next CHNA meeting!

* CHNA Membership, Policy and Procedure is directed by the CHNA bylaws which are established by CHNA members.

Holiday wishes from CHNA

The officers of your Clifton Heights Neighborhood Association want to extend warm holiday wishes to all residents of our neighborhood and their families. May this Holiday Season be especially happy and safe. Thank you for all you do to make this neighborhood "home". We look forward to working with you all next year to continue the tradition of Clifton Heights.

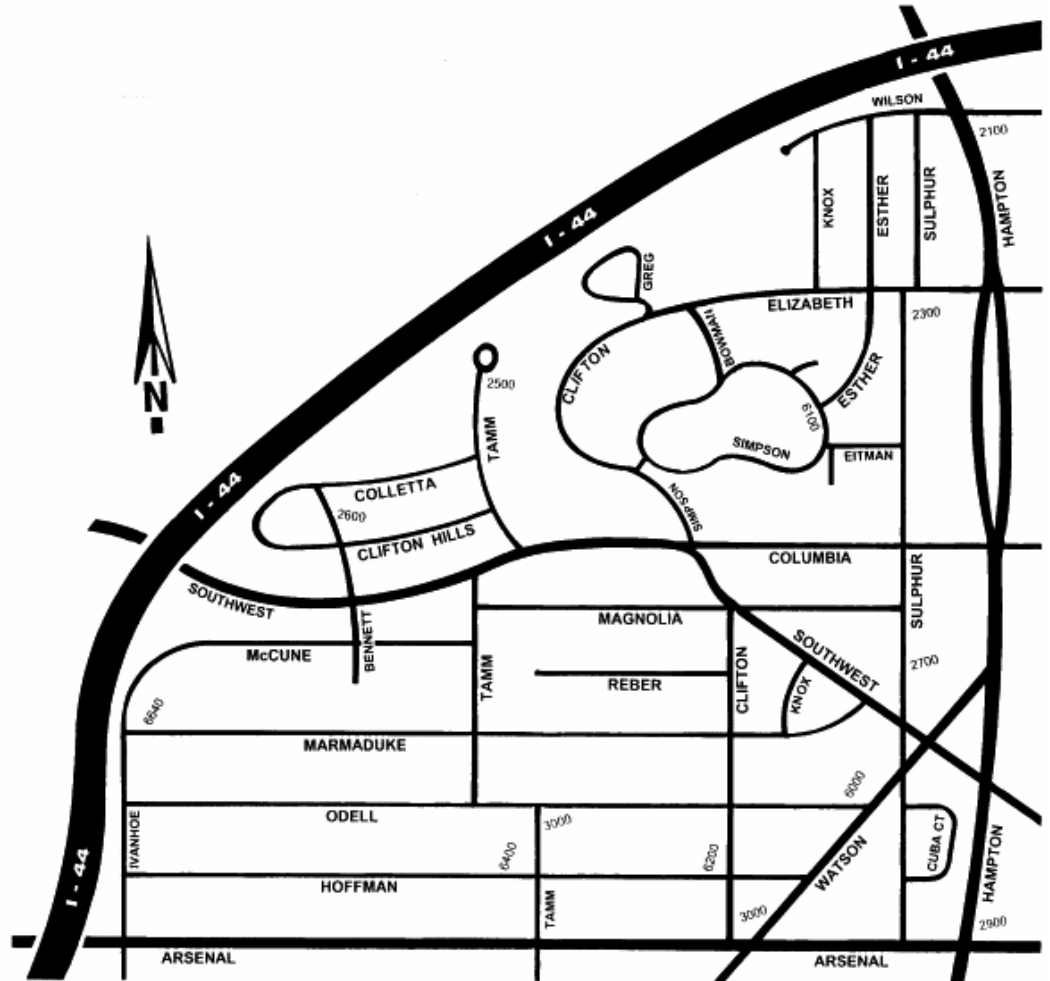


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A Map of the Clifton Heights Neighborhood



We're on the
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For past newsletters, a calendar of events, and much more, please visit the CHNA Website:
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