

The Armour Star

ARMOUR FIELDS HOMES ASSOCIATION



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We Desperately Need Volunteers!



As we look ahead to the coming months, our HOA is facing a challenge: we currently don't have a board member to plan and organize our beloved neighborhood events. Without someone stepping up, we risk losing activities like the caroler event and other fun gatherings throughout the year. If you're interested in taking on this role, you won't be alone – a committee can support you if needed.

Bess Covert has graciously agreed to plan the Gingerbread Hunt (details below), but she can't do it without volunteers. Additionally, to help reduce dues, Jane Aylward has volunteered to hang the holiday lights, but she needs extra hands.

Please remember, none of us on the board are paid – we're all volunteers working hard to keep our neighborhood vibrant.

In order to keep enjoying the events and traditions we've come to love year-round, we need help! If you can help in any way, please reply to this email. Here are the current needs:

1. Someone to take over year-round event planning (a board position)
2. Volunteers to assist Bess with the Gingerbread Hunt
3. Help for Jane as she hangs the holiday lights

Thank you for being part of our wonderful community. With your help, we can keep making great things happen all year long!

AFHA Octoberfest
Saturday, October 12th @ 4:30 pm



Saturday, October 12th

Food, Drinks & Activities:

4:30 - 6:30 / 7:00pm

Hocus Pocus Screening:

7:00 - 9:00pm

Romanelli Island

In less than 2 weeks we will gather to celebrate one of our favorite events of the year at Romanelli Island (69th & Wornall). If you see Julia Hamilton, please give her a special shoutout. Although her term on the board ended, she agreed to do this one last event so our neighbors could enjoy it.

This year we will have a full dinner available and of course beer for the theme - generously donated once again by [City Barrel](#) (psst...have you visited their new pizza location on Gregory?). We will also have a few wine choices as well as nonalcoholic beverages and kid's drinks.

Many of our favorite vendors will be back! Sister Act Face Painting and Kathy's Ponies will be available from 4:30-6:30 p.m. To wrap it all together, our favorite DJ Mark Dierks will be providing the soundtrack.

Starting at 7 p.m. we will have a park viewing of the movie Hocus Pocus. Please bring your own blankets, pillows, sleeping bags, etc.

If you're feeling extra festive, we loved seeing those dressed up in their dirndls and lederhosen last year. We can't wait to see everyone there!

PS- We are still looking for a volunteer to take over event planning so we can continue these events. You are welcome to have a committee support you in this role if desired. Please reply to this email if you are interested in more information.

Sincerely,
Your HOA Board

Add this event to your calendar:



Christ Community Church Permit Update

As a part of our responsibilities in connection with a Special Use Permit process concerning the Christ Community Church, Armour Fields HOA hosted a meeting September 3rd at HJ's Community Center. We invited the church congregation and their pastor, Bill Gorman, so the church could present its intended use of the property (house) at 416 W. 67th Street. After Pastor Gorman spoke, Mike Jantsch reported on the results of the board's research into the restrictive covenants on the residential properties of Armour Fields/Romanelli, as well as the legal necessity to enforce those covenants on the limited use of properties in the subdivision as single family residences or risk losing that limitation on use.

On September 12, Pastor Gorman, responded to Mike Jantsch's request for an update. An excerpt of that email is below:

"This afternoon, we decided to withdraw our special use permit application. We will no longer pursue a path of seeking to use the home for any church purpose. While we

determine what is next for the home, we will continue maintaining it and care for it as we have over the past 9 months.”

Justin Smith of KCMO Planning & Development confirmed their office has received written notice withdrawing the application. Because the case had been scheduled for an Oct. 9 hearing before the application was withdrawn, on that day the case number will be called at the hearing and then immediately dismissed.

Security Update



As you've likely heard, we have been notified of an uptick in car break-ins and thefts in the area, as well as street racing, and we want to ensure everyone stays informed and vigilant. A big thank you to Jane Aylward for attending the most recent safety meetings on behalf of our community and for providing a detailed recap. You can view her [full recap here](#).

Remember, for any non-emergency issues call Titan Protection, and in case of an emergency, call 911. Titan has increased their patrols in response to the recent incidents.

There are additional steps you can take to help protect your property and our neighborhood:

- Park cars in your garage or driveway, not in the street. This makes a car easier to steal and

easier to rummage through.

- Do not leave anything visible in your car, including remotes (like a garage door opener)

- Have cameras that record footage

- Make sure you are reporting any incidents. The more police reports, the more they patrol our area. If you file a police report, please also inform our security board member John Butler [by emailing him](#).

Together, we can help keep our community safe.

Save the Date: Gingerbread Hunt



Mark your calendars - the beloved Gingerbread Hunt is back! Participants can do the hunt at any time this day and there will be a special party at the end from 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm. We need more volunteers to help Bess Covert with the planning & execution of this special event. Please reply to this email if you can help out. More info, including a registration link, coming soon!

Welcome New Neighbors

Join us in welcoming the following new neighbors to our wonderful community:

George & Deena Wolf @ 1014 W. 67th Street
Mark Hart & Mary Reed @ 426 W. 68th Terrace
Nick Newell & Mallory Mahoney @ 440 W. 68th Terrace
Oluseun Adebo & Meghan DeRuyter @ 418 W. 69th Street
Andrew & Katherine Miller @ 429 W. 69th Street
Cathy Charbonneau @ 1000 W. 69th Terrace
Dillon & Sarah Kaiser @ 612 W. 70th Street
Braden Bates & Alexandra Corbin @ 1006 W. 70th Street
Tracy Gordon @ 617 W. 70th Terrace
Ryan & Lindsay Buhs @ 1000 Arno Road
Mark Callison @ 609 W. Dartmouth
Isaac Caverly & Scott Weidner @ 6919 Edgevale Road
Lisa Lysell @ 836 W. Gregory
Mark & Emily Fowler @ 6529 Jefferson Street
Robert & Kathy Fielder @ 619 Romany Road
Neal & Jordan Johnson @ 6525 Valley Road
David & Vonda Jensen @ 6984 Valley Road

Small Business Feature

If you have a neighborhood storefront business you'd like to have featured in an upcoming newsletter, email us [here](#).

Email Sign Up

If someone you know within our HOA is not getting our emails, please have them click the button below to be added to our list!

[Sign Up Here](#)
