

# The Grapevine



THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE BOTANY HILLS  
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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## Botany Hills - A Safe Neighborhood!

Each month, at The Botany Hills Neighborhood Association meeting, we review a safety report for the neighborhood. Neighbors in attendance are very proud of the fact that Botany Hills has one of the lowest crime rates in the City of Covington.

"This neighborhood should take great pride in the lack of crime" says Officer Justin Tucker "The secret to safe streets is neighbors communicating with neighbors, and with the police department. If you see something that doesn't look right- occupied cars parked where they shouldn't be or other suspicious activity- call 292-2222. It may be nothing,

but we must err on the side of safety."

The safety of a neighborhood is an important indicator of its overall economic and social health. Neighborhood crime prevention efforts are essential. Safe neighborhoods are necessary to foster common values and community quality of life. Neighborhood crime, on the other hand, creates fear and distrust among residents.

We, in Botany Hills, are very fortunate for our low crime rate. It has contributed greatly to a surge of investment and reinvestment in our neighborhood. If you are



interested in tracking the safety statistics in Covington neighborhoods, the City is participating in a national crime tracking system ([www.crimereports.com](http://www.crimereports.com)). This interactive web site shows crime reports in Covington neighborhoods over the last 3, 7, 14 and 30 days. Take a look at Botany Hills and share in the pride.

### Coming Events

- HALLOWEEN FEST  
OCTOBER 31ST  
4-6 PM  
ST. ANN'S PARKING LOT
- HOLIDAY PARTY & MEETING  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16  
6:30 PM  
ST JOHN'S CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
HIGHWAY AVE

## HALLOWEEN FEST!!!!

Sunday, October 31st

4-6 p.m.



St Ann's Church Parking Lot

1274 Parkway Ave

Games –Food– Prizes

Costume Contest

Sponsored by the Botany Hills Neighborhood Association



### Mark Your Calendar

BHNA Meeting  
Thursday, October 21st  
7:00 pm  
St. John's Church  
1235 Highway Ave

Guest Speaker:  
Jackson Kinney  
Community Development  
Director  
City of Covington

**BOTANY HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

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Botany Hills Executive Committee

Ray Kingsbury, President  
Deb Henning, Vice President  
CJ Jacobs, Treasurer  
Melissa Einhaus, Secretary  
Dick Burg, Member at Large  
Austin Becker, Member at Large

**Follow the Signs to A Healthier You**

The Monday Mile signs are in place so there's no better time than now to "kick off" that healthier lifestyle.

Follow the signs (posted on the telephone poles along Highway Ave, Spring, Wilson, John and Altamont streets for a brisk one mile walk.

Join your Botany Hills neighbors and the City of Covington in adopting a healthier lifestyle!



The Grapevine is a quarterly publication of the Botany Hills Neighborhood Association (BHNA). The BHNA meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at St. John's Congregational Church at 1235 Highway Ave. Yearly dues are \$5 per household and \$20 per business. Checks made payable to the Botany Hills Neighborhood Association may be mailed to: Treasurer—BHNA, P.O. Box 0484, Covington, KY 41012-0484. You may also visit on Facebook or our web site at [www.botanyhills.org](http://www.botanyhills.org).

**New Residents Discovering Botany Hills**

**Howard McGurty and Pam Smith**

**How long have you lived in Botany Hills, where else did you look for a house and why did you choose to move here?**

We chose to live here about a year ago after having looked in the Northern Kentucky area. We wanted to have quick access to I-75 midway between West Chester, Ohio (work) and Dry Ridge, Ky. where we have farms.

**What is something you wouldn't have expected about your neighborhood?**

Our neighborhood is much quieter and safer than expected.

**What do you love, hate?**

Pam hopes more neighbors



get involved in community affairs, such as the neighborhood association and Howard hates when people litter.

**What would your neighbors be surprised to learn about you?**

Most would be surprised to find we have both lived on farms for the past 30 years. We've had everything from cats and dogs to cows, chickens, goats, horses, ducks and

geese. Although neither of us smoke, we both had a source of income from tobacco.

**What makes for a healthy community?**

I believe that a healthy community solves problems together and plays together. Pam believes that schools, local businesses, community centers and parks bring people together and provide a base for getting to know and care.

**Join the Botany Hills Neighborhood Association**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$5 per household \_\_\_ \$20 per business

Please make all checks payable to Botany Hills Neighborhood Association.

Bring this form to a meeting or mail it to:

Treasurer-BHNA,  
P.O. Box 0484,  
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Are You a  Fan?

Check out the Botany Hills FaceBook Page for the latest neighborhood news! Over 200 fans have signed up - Have you?

The Botany Hills Neighborhood Association values inclusion to reflect our diversity. We encourage and welcome everyone to participate in our meetings and events.