

Lafayette Square

May 2026

General Membership Meeting

The neighborhood association of Lafayette Square
Lafayette Square Restoration Committee (LSRC)
Established 1969, Incorporated 1971

aka

Lafayette Square Neighborhood Association (LSNA)
Since 2022



Meeting Rules & Notices

- When speaking with a question or a comment, please **STAND AND TALK LOUD or USE THE MICROPHONE**
- Meeting procedures are Robert's Rule
- Meeting minutes are recorded/translated/generated with AI assist & MeetGeek application



Agenda



Call to Order	7:00	Guest Speaker - no one	
Approval of April Meeting Minutes	7:05	<u>LSNA Report</u> 1. President's Report 2. Business Affairs Report 3. House Tour/Fundraising 4. Membership Report 5. Communications Report 6. Safety Report 7. Preservation /Problem Properties 8. Improvements Report	7:40 7:42 7:45 7:50 7:55 8:00 8:05
Welcome new residents	7:06		
<u>Community Updates</u> 1. Alderwoman/Jami Antwi 2. SLPD Officer/Rosa Rojas 3. Neighborhood Improvement Specialist/Reign Harris 4. St. Louis Public Library/Roxanne Reed 5. Lafayette Park Conservancy/Tricia Spence 6. Arts Council/Patty Carleton	7:08 7:15 7:20 7:25 7:30 7:35	Announcements	8:15



Approval of Meeting Minutes



For April General Membership Meeting

- Is there a motion to approve?
- Is there a second?

The minutes are approved, -thank you



New Residents

Welcome to Lafayette Square!!!

- Please introduce yourself
- Any newborns in our neighborhood?

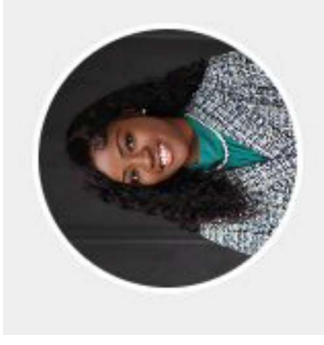
You are approved as residents!!!!

Desired Reading: *Lafayette Come Back* by R. Kamphoefner
Lafayette Square St. Louis by J. Albury Bryan

Ward Report

8th Ward Alderwoman
Jami Antwi

Legislative Assistant
AJ Hessburg



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hessburga@stlouis-mo.gov

(314)-669-4992



Police Report

Central Patrol District
Officer

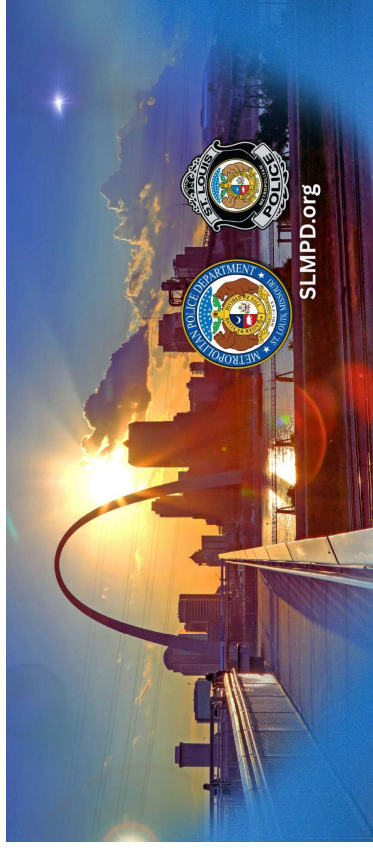
Rosa Rojas

DSN 11184



rrojas@slmpd.org

314-444-2595 (Cell)



Neighborhood Crime and Activity Report

Ending May 5

Lafayette Square	LAST 7		DAYS		LAST 28		DAYS		YEAR		TO		DATE		2021	
	2026	2025	% Chg		2026	2025	% Chg		2026	2025	2026	2025	% Chg		2026	2025
MURDER	0	0	*		0	0	*		0	0	*	*	*	*	*	*
SEXUAL ASSAULT	0	0	*		0	0	*		1	0	*	*	*	*	*	*
ROBBERY	0	0	*		0	0	*		1	0	*	*	*	*	*	*
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	*		0	2	-100%		1	6	-83%	-83%	-83%	-83%	-83%	-83%
BURGLARY	0	0	*		2	0	*		2	4	-50%	-50%	-50%	-50%	-50%	-50%
FELONY THEFT	0	0	*		0	1	-100%		5	8	-38%	-38%	-38%	-38%	-38%	-38%
AUTO THEFT	0	1	-100%		0	3	-100%		1	3	-67%	-67%	-67%	-67%	-67%	-67%
TOTAL	0	1	-100%		2	6	-67%		11	21	-48%	-48%	-48%	-48%	-48%	-48%

St. Louis Neighborhood Stabilization Division

Neighbor Improvement
Specialist

Reign Harris



harrisre@stlouis-mo.gov

(314)-901-3615 (cell)



In Memoriam

Balloon Release in memory of Reign's son
Mr. Jaz Granderson

Desoto Park
23rd & Carr Street

June 13, 2026 @ 2:00 PM



St. Louis Public Library

Branch Manager

Roxanne Reed



rreed@slpl.org

314-241-2288 x3086



Lafayette Park Conservancy

President
Tricia Spence



president@lafayettepark.org

(314) 949-2197

Future Events

I Am St. Louis: A Rapid-Fire Walk Thru of STL History
Presented by Sam Moore of the Missouri Historical Society

Sunday, July 19th, 2pm (Kern Pavilion)

Register at: <https://donorbox.org/events/907390>

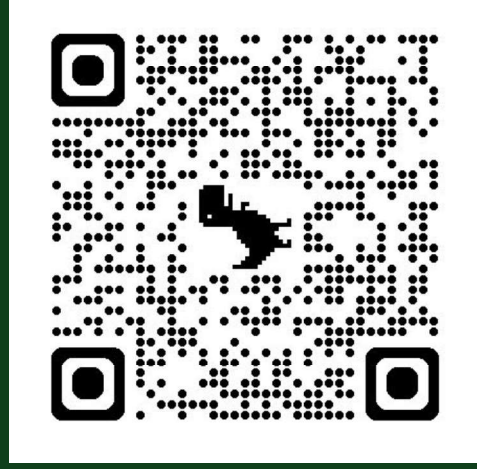
*Soirée for the Park 2025 – A Benefit for the Lafayette Park
Conservancy*

Friday, September 18th

Lafayette Park Fall Festival (tentative)
Saturday, October 18

Spring Membership Drive

Please consider renewing or joining for the first time,
your support ensures this extraordinary public space
continues to thrive for generations.



**SCAN TO JOIN OUR MAILING LIST, LEARN
ABOUT FUTURE EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES, AND/OR DONATE!**



Lafayette Arts Council

President
Patty Carleton

Sapna Bhatka

Arts Council of Lafayette Square

St. Louis, Missouri

acsls@lafayettepark.org

(314) 949-2197

Summer Concert Series

* LAFAYETTE PARK SUMMER CONCERTS 2026

6PM-9PM BETSY COOK PAVILION

JUNE	06	SPECTRUM BAND
	20	EUGENE AND COMPANY
JULY	04	UNCLE ALBERT
	18	ZERO TO NINETY
AUG	01	CAPTAIN BULKHEAD AND THE PORTHOLES
	15	CHASING THE MILKY WAY
	29	NICK GUSMAN AND THE COYOTES
SEPT	12	SOUL REUNION

President's Report - Phil Lamczyk

Accomplishments

- Park House Operations Contract granted to us by the City
 - We were the only bidder; lease reviews ongoing
 - Executive order to celebrate with 1st Friday night social on May 29th at the Park House

New Membership Chair(s)

- Charles Purnell and Jacob Malina agreed to fill in vacancy position
- Direct assignment to fill vacancy by bylaw; no election required

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President's Report - Phil Lamczyk

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Open Board Positions

- Secretary
 - Easy job with automatic meeting minute generation with AI application
- Member-at-Large #1
- Positions opened to complete the rest of 2026 term

Tax Exemption Reminder

- Seek sales tax exemption for purchases
- Home Depot and Lowe's; we are in their system for the exemption
- See Backup for certificate

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LS Business Report

Business Affair Chair - Bart Lissner

Cocktails on the Plaza

Wednesday, May 20th 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Promoting Safety in Lafayette Square

Tickets

- \$35 Advance Sale
- \$40 Day of Sale

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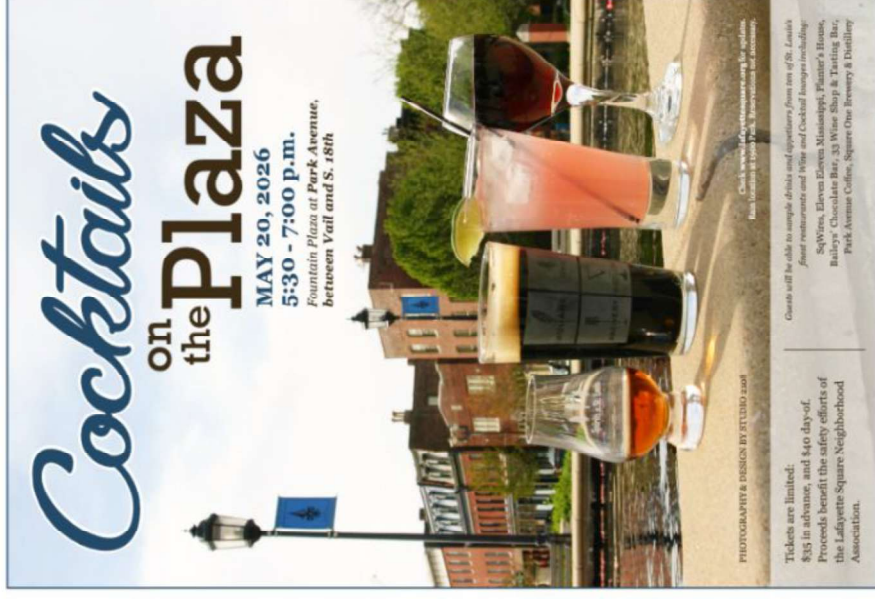


Lafayette Square

COCKTAILS ON
THE PLAZA

Wednesday, May 20, 2026
5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

\$35 Advance
\$40 Day Of



Fundraising Report

Fundraising Chair - Barb Absher

57th Annual Spring Home & Garden Tour

Saturday & Sunday - June 6 & 7 2026

10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

- 11 homes and 4 gardens including community garden
 - Volunteer signup available NOW (next page)
 - Antique Fair south & west side of the Park
 - Makers Market in Fountain Plaza
 - Packard Cars and Trolleys

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House Selection - homeselection@lafayettesquare.org

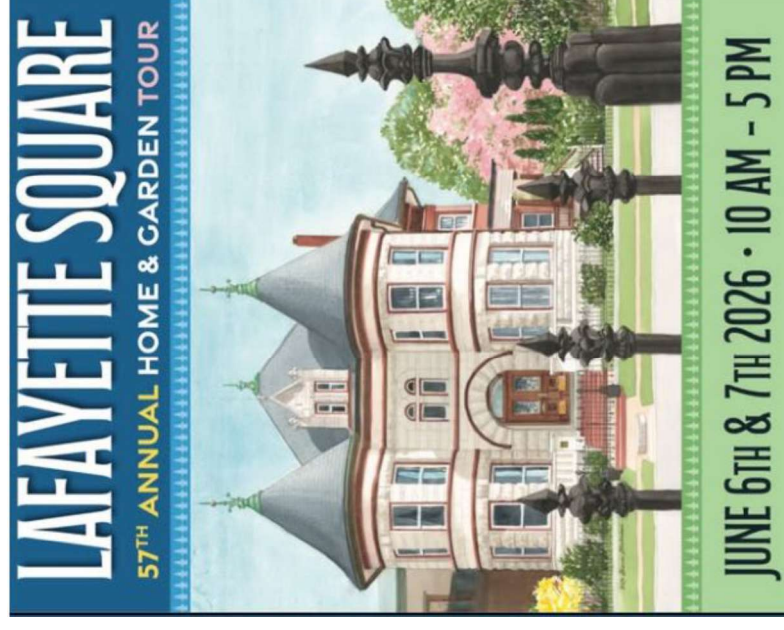


57th Annual Spring House & Garden Tour

- Volunteer Signup ↴

[LSNA House Tours: Lafayette Square Home & Garden Tour 2026](#)

⇒ Need docents, sales of merchandise and tickets, signage placement
deploy trash cans or trolley attendant



Fundraising Report continued

Archival Revival

- Seeking volunteer for help with database; create metadata for 2,000 documents

Print On Demand Art Project

- Art posters dating back to the 1970s
- Seeking volunteer artistic person to adapt to T-shirts, mugs, hoodies and more

Photos Needed for Social Media

- Trolley in the Spring House Tour and Antique Fair

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House Selection - homeselection@lafayettesquare.org



Get Ready for 2026 Holiday House Tour

- 7 more months!
 - Seeking house tour committee members
- And
- Recruiting homes, homes, homes

Membership Report

Chair of Membership - Charles Purnell & Jacob Malina

2026 LSNA MEMBERSHIP GOAL

50 NEW MEMBERSHIPS (350 TOTAL) &

15% OF RESIDENTS ARE LSNA MEMBERS

Count

May 315 / 15%

UNSURE IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OR
DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?

membership@lafayettesquare.org



JOIN TODAY



Communications Report

Chair of Communications - Ben Warner

Annual Directory Release

Voluntary reporting of your contact information



communications@lafayettesquare.org



A **NEW** DIRECTORY IS COMING



Scan here to
add or edit
your info.



You'll be glad
you did

Complete form and submit by May 29

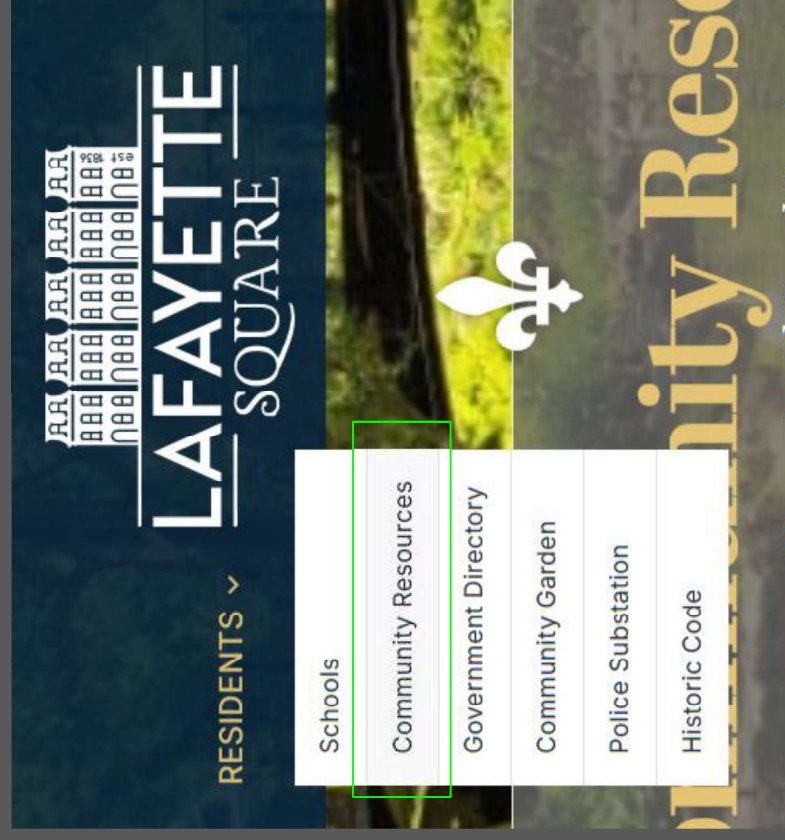
Safety Report

Chair of Communications - Jeff Kirkpatrick

Resident Resources

Available on lafayettesquare.org website

safety@lafayettesquare.org



Safety Report

Chair of Safety - Jeff Kirkpatrick

Resident Resources - continued



Citizens' Service Bureau

The Citizens' Service Bureau (CSB) is the customer service department for the City of St. Louis.

Services

- Derelict Vehicles
- Graffiti
- Parks
- Recycling
- Sidewalks
- Stray Animals
- Street Signs
- Street/Alley Issues
- Street Lighting
- Traffic Signals
- Trash/Debris
- Trees
- Unsecured Building
- Water Main Break
- Weeds/High Grass

Preparation

Have the exact street address where the problem is occurring (or intersection if it is a traffic problem) and be prepared to give an accurate description of what you have observed.

Contact Information

Phone: (314) 622-4800
Web: stlouis-mo.gov/services
Twitter: @stlcsb

Neighborhood Improvement Specialist

Reign Harris
314-901-3615
harrisre@stlouis-mo.gov

safety@lafayettesquare.org

Safety Report

Chair of Safety - Jeff Kirkpatrick

Resident Resources - continued



What to Expect

After filing your request, CSB will give you a service request number and let you know which City department is going to respond to this request. You will receive a date by which they expect to have a response from that department. A response may indicate completion of work or it may indicate that an inspection has been completed and the responsible party (usually the property owner) has been issued a violation notice. Either way, you may contact CSB after the target response date to find out the status of your request. You may also find basic information about the status of your request on-line.

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Safety Report

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Resident Resources - continued



Tiered Snow and Ice Response

Summary

Map of City of St. Louis arterial, secondary and hill snow routes.

Snow Routes – PDF file

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Safety Report

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Resident Resources - continued



Police

FOR EMERGENCIES, DIAL 911

For Non-Emergencies, contact the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department at 314-444-5555 or 314-231-1212.

Parking Violations: 314-627-2232

Citizen Service Bureau: 314-622-4800

Graffiti Issues: Operation Brightside

Environmental Investigations/Illegal Dumping: 314-444-5697

Neighborhood Liaison Officer:

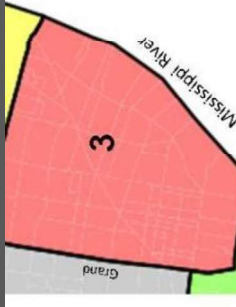
Rosa Rojas

Email: rrojas@slmpd.org

Phone: (314) 444-2576

Lafayette Square is located in the St. Louis Police Department's Third District.

Led by Captain Joseph Morici, the Third District includes the neighborhoods of Benton Park, Benton Park West, Compton Heights, Fox Park, Gravois Park, Kosciusko, Lafayette Square, Lasalle, Marine Villa, McKinley Heights, Peabody/Darst/Webbe, Soulard, The Gate District, Tower Grove East and portions of Dutchtown.



Safety Report

Chair of Safety - Jeff Kirkpatrick

Resident Resources - continued

Utilities

- Ameren (Alley Lights): 314-342-1000
- Laclede Gas: 314-342-0800
- Spire – Gas, Sewer and Water:



Problem Properties Report

Problem Properties Committee - Christina Ryan

Target Property #1 for Legal Remedy

- 1730 Nicholson
- City Legal will only pursue collection of fines 😞😞😞
- LSRC is pursuing nuisance statute with paid legal assistance
 - Ordering title work



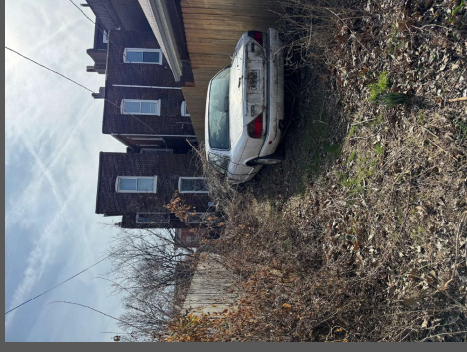
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Problem Properties Report

Problem Properties Committee - Christina Ryan

Target Property #2 for Legal Remedy

- 1713 Carroll
- City Legal will only pursue collection of fines 🙄😞
- LSRC is pursuing nuisance statue with paid legal assistance
 - Ordering title work



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Upcoming Events

- Cocktails on the Plaza, Wednesday May 20th
- 1st Friday Night Social, May 29th at the Park House
 - ~~June Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 2nd~~ **cancelled**
 - Spring Home & Garden Tour, Saturday & Sunday, June 6th & 7th

Upcoming Events - continued

Friday Night Socials

- Host and address notices on Facebook
- Alternating Fridays from Summer concerts
- All slots filled
- Always seeking backups in case of cancellations
-

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Any Brief Announcements of the Members

- Birthday (significant or otherwise)?
- Anniversary of something?
- Significant life event?
- Complaints?

End of Meeting

Is there a motion to adjourn?

Is there a 2nd?

All those in favor?

We are adjourned, -thanks.

TIME TO SOCIALIZE

Backup

Under construction

Under construction
Backup

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State of Missouri

Limited Exemption

from Missouri State Sales and Use Tax on Purchases and Sales

(Civic)

Issued To:

LAFAYETTE SQUARE RESTORATION COMMITTEE

2023 LAFAYETTE AVE

SAINT LOUIS, MO 63104-2548

MISSOURI ID: 11518359

Effective Date: 12/01/2014

Your application for sales and use tax exempt status has been approved under Section 144.030.2(21), RSMo. This letter is issued as documentation of your organization's exempt status. Your organization must adhere to all requirements of your exempt status.

This is a continuing exemption subject to legislative changes and review by the Director of Revenue. Outlined below are specific requirements regarding this exemption. This summary is not intended as a complete restatement of the law. You should review the law to ensure your understanding and compliance.

- This exemption is not assignable or transferable. It is an exemption from sales and use taxes only and is not an exemption from real or personal property tax.
- Purchases by your organization are not subject to sales or use tax if conducted within your organization's exempt civic or charitable functions and activities. When purchasing with this exemption, furnish all sellers or vendors a copy of this letter.
- Individuals making personal purchases may not use this exemption.
- Agents or contractors may not claim or benefit from your organization's exempt status. Contractors paying for construction materials to fulfill a contract with your organization must pay sales and use tax on all such materials. Only purchases of construction materials that are directly billed to your organization may be purchased exempt from sales and use tax.
- Sales by your organization are not subject to sales or use tax if conducted within your organization's exempt civic or charitable functions and activities.
- Sales not directly related to your exempt function that are made only to raise funds for your organization are not exempt unless such sales are occasional or isolated.
- If your organization engages in a competitive commercial business that serves the general public, even if the profits are used for purposes of your exempt function, you must obtain a Missouri Retail Sales Tax License and collect and remit state and local sales taxes.
- Any alteration to this exemption letter renders it invalid.

If you have any questions regarding the use of this letter, contact the Taxation Division, Post Office Box 358, Jefferson City, MO 65135-0358, salestaxexemptions@dor.mo.gov, or call 1-735-751-2836.

Notice Number: 2002002324

State of Missouri

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from Missouri State Sales and Use Tax on Purchases and Sales

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Information architecture

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