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Spring Craft Show
Sunday, March 20
Brentwood Community Center
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Calling all arts and crafts enthusiasts! If you've been aching to attend an exciting craft fair this season, we've got you covered. This Spring, come out to the craft show and treat yourself to something special. Free Admission.

Family PJ Day

Come party in your pjs! Join us at the Brentwood Community Center for Family PJ Day, enjoy breakfast together and make a special keepsake to take home. Price includes family of 4, more family members can be added for \$3/\$4. Pre-Registration Required.



Saturday, February 26
8:30 am - 10:00 am
Brentwood Community Center
Resident: \$12/family
Non-Resident: \$16/family



Brentwood Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 16
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Memorial Park

West Community Credit Union Scholarships Available!

West Community Credit Union is now accepting applications for their annual scholarship program. There are five \$1,500 scholarships available to graduating high school seniors. Online applications are available at www.westcommunitycu.org and are due March 11, 2022.

West Community has been awarding scholarships to high school students for the past 25 years. "We are committed to our members and the communities we serve, and happy to provide financial assistance to graduating high school seniors for their higher education." States Lori Hudson, Community Outreach Specialist for West Community Credit Union. For more information, visit online or stop by a local branch.

About West Community Credit Union

West Community Credit Union is a full-service, not-for-profit financial cooperative serving more than 27,000 members and businesses in St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County and Boone County. The credit union has offices in O'Fallon, Brentwood, Kirkwood, Lake Saint Louis, Florissant and Columbia, MO. For more information on banking products and services, call (636) 720-2400 or visit www.westcommunitycu.org.

NEW DATE
February 26

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Tables of 8-\$200
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Registration deadline is February 16

To register or for more information, please visit <https://midcountycommerce.org/programs-events/trivia-night/>

TASTE OF SOULARD

FEBRUARY 19-20

This self-guided tasting and pub crawl allows you to choose your own adventure through the many Cajun flavors that you will find throughout Souldard. Each purchase includes one drink voucher and six food vouchers that can be redeemed at any of the participating establishments. On Saturday, the world-famous Souldard Trolley Tramps will be shuttling merrymakers to restaurants throughout the neighborhood.

Passes also available for purchase at any participating Taste of Souldard establishment on Feb 19 & Feb 20.

For more information or to register, visit <https://do314.com/events/2022/2/19/taste-of-souldard-tickets>

Rock Hill Coffee with the Mayor
Event Date:
Wednesday, February 16, 2022 - 8:00am

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INSIDE BASEBALL

By Rob Rains of
StLSportsPage.com

Ozzie Smith might help decide whether Bonds, Clemens make it to the Hall of Fame

By Rob Rains

Ozzie Smith did not spend much time in recent weeks worrying about whether Baseball Writers Association of America members would elect Barry Bonds or Roger Clemens to the Hall of Fame.

Smith might have to start thinking more about the issue in the months ahead.

When the results of this year's Hall of Fame vote was announced in late January, it ended the chances that either Bonds or Clemens would be elected by the writers. This was the 10th and final year for each on the writers' ballot.

The next potential path for both players to be elected to the Hall of Fame could come from a select Hall of Fame committee assigned to evaluate and elect players, managers, executives and umpires whose primary contributions to the game came between 1988 and 2016.

Smith, the former Cardinals shortstop who was elected to the Hall of Fame 20 years ago, has been a member of that committee the last two election cycles. Even though Smith doesn't know officially that he will again be on this year's committee, it is a renewable appointment.

If Smith is once again part of the 16-member committee that includes Hall of Fame players, baseball executives, historians and veteran baseball writers, Smith could have to cast his vote saying yes or no to whether Bonds or Clemens should be elected.

"This will probably be one of the toughest ones (his vote) if I am on that committee simply because of the subject matter," Smith told STLSportsPage.com. "It's going to be real interesting."

Smith has said publicly that he has opposed the election of players to the Hall of Fame who had their careers stained by performance enhancing drugs, even if they were among the best players ever to play in the major leagues.

In a 2010 interview Smith said, "From my perspective, if a guy tested positive or admitted using, he automatically eliminated himself from being part of the Hall of Fame."

Following last week's election results, Smith said his opinion on the issue has not changed.

"I still feel that way," Smith said. "Now knowing that there are others who have made it who were associated with it, I don't know if that changes other people's views. It certainly makes me give it some second thoughts."

"It does become a very personal thing. Some people look at it and put more weight to it (the character issues) than others. There is a whole gamut of things to think about as we go through the process."

One of the primary arguments for including Bonds and Clemens in the Hall of Fame is their career accomplishments, and a belief that both still would have been among the greatest players in history even had they never been connected to the use of steroids.

Should the best players in the game be in the Hall of Fame? The easy answer is yes, but Smith says the question is not that easy to answer.

"I think our goal is that it (the Hall of Fame) should be something much more than that," he said. "The real question is how much value do you put on the fact that there are already people there who you know were associated with it."

"From a traditional standpoint you say no, I don't think those guys actually belong. I think that has actually stood up to this point but you never know until you get in there and sit down and hear the historians talk about it."

"I can't sit here today and tell you that I'm going to say no. I can't tell you I'm going to say yes."

Smith said that in the last two Today's Game Era committee votes in which he has participated, as well as earlier committees evaluating other players, some of the information he heard during the meetings led to him changing his position about how he ultimately voted.

"There have been times when I went into the meetings thinking one way and sitting down and listening to the historians talk, it changes your mind," Smith said. "You never know when you go in there. You go in (thinking) one way and come out completely different."

Before Smith will have to make that decision, there are two things which will have to happen. First, he will have to be asked by the Hall of Fame to once again serve on that committee. There will be at least two changes among the players serving on the committee because of the death of Joe Morgan, and Roberto Alomar being removed because of his own character issues.

Second, Bonds and Clemens actually will have to make it onto the 10-man ballot that the committee members will consider. Getting on the ballot might prove as difficult as actually getting the 12 out of 16 possible votes necessary for election.

A different committee of veteran writers will select that ballot of former players, managers, executives and umpires.

Expected to be on the ballot are former managers Lou Piniella, Bruce Bochy and Jim Leyland. The group of players - apart from Bonds, Clemens, Sammy Sosa and Curt Schilling - who will be considered by that committee includes Fred McGriff, David Cone, Carlos Delgado, Kenny Lofton, Johan Santana and former Cardinals Jim Edmonds and Lance Berkman. Executives and umpires also will be considered.

Once the ballot is finalized, the Today's Game Era committee will meet and vote in December to select members for the induction class of 2023. Committee members can vote for no more than four candidates, and 12 votes are required for election.

"It's going to be interesting to see who winds up on the ballot," Smith said. "It all depends on the views of the writers who will pick the ballot."

"It's real interesting being on the committee. It gives you a totally different perspective. It's thought provoking. Sometimes you go in there with an idea and walk away with a totally different idea."

Follow Rob Rains on Twitter @RobRains

Photo by AP courtesy of KSDK Sports

WWE Royal Rumble Brings Nearly 45,000 People to The Dome



A capacity crowd of 44,390 filled The Dome at America's Center for the 2022 WWE Royal Rumble. The event generated 11,000 hotel room stays and \$8.3 million in revenue supporting the jobs of thousands of hospitality professionals throughout the region.

Explore St. Louis is the driving force behind St. Louis' \$5.9 billion convention and tourism industry, the official destination marketing organization of St. Louis City and County, and operator of the America's Center Convention Complex.



Sky Wars Presents 17th Annual Fireworks Championship

Sky Wars will hold its 17th annual invitational fireworks championship on Sat., Sept. 24. Gates open at 2 p.m., and the fireworks show begins at 7:30 p.m. The event is in partnership with the developers of Innsbrook and will be held at 13604 State Highway M in Wright City, Mo.

Sky Wars, which is presented by the nonprofit Missouri Pyrotechnics Association, is the nation's largest fireworks competition and one of the only pyrotechnic competitions in the U.S.

The more than two-hour long fireworks championship will feature invitation-only pyrotechnicians who are among the nation's top fireworks choreographers. Up to 10 highly skilled teams will create award-winning pyromusicals—or "concerts in the sky"—which combine the artistry of music and pyrotechnics.

Sky Wars will feature The Fireball Dudes, who hold a world record for their signature gasoline fireballs. They will attempt to break another world record at this year's event.

There will be a Children's Festival Area from 2 to 7 p.m., and families are welcome. A wide variety of food and beverages will be available for purchase. Musical entertainment is by Diamond Empire Band from 3 to 7 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Wags & Whiskers animal shelter and its "Raise the Woof" campaign.

Tickets range from \$30 to \$50 per person for general admission and \$130 to \$160 for an all-inclusive VIP ticket. Children five and under are free. To purchase tickets or for further information, call (314) 730-0793

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Boating Safety Courses Offered

Colonel Eric T. Olson, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, announces the Patrol is offering boating safety courses to inform and motivate boaters to prepare for the boating season. These approved courses meet the national boating educational standard.

“Missouri’s many rivers and lakes offer a variety of boating opportunities,” said Col. Olson. “Please do your part: Take a boating safety class. Join us in our mission to promote safety on our waterways.”

Missouri law requires everyone born after January 1, 1984, who operates a vessel on Missouri lakes to possess a certified boating safety education card. This includes personal watercraft operators.

Boaters have the opportunity to sign up for a certified course in a classroom at: <https://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/WP02Web/app/safetyEdClasses>

The classroom courses provided by the Missouri State Highway Patrol are free, but registration is required and the boater ID card costs \$15.

Don’t see classes in your troop location? Please contact your nearest troop headquarters and ask to speak with a marine operations supervisor to check the possibility of administering additional classes. Troopers welcome invitations to teach classes for groups and teams throughout the state.

TROOP HEADQUARTERS CONTACT INFORMATION:

- Troop A Lee’s Summit- (816) 622-0800
- Troop B Macon- (660) 385-2132
- Troop C Weldon Spring- (636) 300-2800
- Troop D Springfield- (417) 895-6868
- Troop E Popular Bluff- (573) 840-9500
- Troop F Jefferson City- (573) 751-1000
- Troop G Willow Springs- (417) 469-3121
- Troop H St. Joseph- (816) 387-2345
- Troop I Rolla- (573) 368-2345

U.S. Coast Guard statistics indicate that of the boating crashes where the level of operator education was known, 80.6% of boating deaths occurred on boats where the boat operator had never received boating education instruction. In contrast, only 19.4% of deaths occurred on vessels where the operator possessed a nationally-approved boating safety education certificate.

Watercraft operators must consider the effect their actions have on others. Share the waterway and use common sense, good judgment, and courtesy to ensure the safety of all. Life jackets save lives. Wear It!!

2021 Grow Solar Program in the Metro-St. Louis Area Ends with Success



The 2021 Grow Solar St. Louis and Grow Solar Metro East programs have come to an end after helping 56 more properties in the St. Louis area go solar.

The limited-time program gave people access to solar education and competitive prices for solar installations on residential and commercial properties through volume purchasing. Through a competitive selection process, a local advisory committee chose St. Louis-based StraightUp Solar as the program’s solar installer.

As the program comes to an end, 56 more households in the St. Louis region are on their way to getting clean solar energy to help meet their daily energy needs in their homes and on their properties.

MSHP Reports Zero Traffic Fatalities Over New Year’s Holiday Weekend; No Drownings Or Boating Fatalities

Colonel Eric T. Olson, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, provides the following preliminary statistics related to the New Year’s holiday weekend:

No one was killed in a traffic crash during the 78-hour counting period, which began at 6 p.m. Thursday, December 30, 2021, and ended at 11:59 p.m. Sunday, January 2, 2022. There were no boating crashes or drownings over the 2022 New Year’s holiday counting period.

2022 New Year’s Holiday Traffic Statistics

Troopers investigated the following:

Traffic Crashes — 406, Traffic Crash Injuries — 91
Traffic Crash Fatalities — 0, DWI — 94

[Note: Last year during the 78-hour New Year’s counting period, there were 1,247 traffic crashes statewide. In those crashes, six people were killed and another 389 people were injured. During the 2021 New Year’s holiday, troopers worked 173 crashes including three fatalities and 48 injuries. Troopers arrested 94 people for driving while impaired last year.]

The fatality statistics in this news release could change if late deaths occur, or if other departments report fatal traffic crashes after this news release is sent to the media.

Too many people die in traffic crashes each year in Missouri. The choices you make when you’re behind the wheel matter. Make good choices, so you’ll never have to say, “If I could just go back.”

Follow the Missouri State Highway Patrol on Twitter @MSHPTrooperGHQ



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BRENTWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Modified Cash Basis All Government Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2021					
	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Local Sources	\$ 14,341,567.62	\$ 253,917.84	\$ 2,644,059.09	\$ 5,697,041.52	\$ 22,936,586.07
County Sources	109,836.48	5,763.91	43,600.39	19,995.50	179,196.28
State Sources	77,712.72	353,081.65	-	-	430,794.37
Federal Sources	364,970.14	132,546.28	-	-	497,516.42
Total Revenues	14,894,086.96	745,309.68	2,687,659.48	5,717,037.02	24,044,093.14
Expenditures					
Regular Instruction	1,045,740.07	7,123,829.45	-	1,669.48	8,171,239.00
Attendance	82,635.48	-	-	-	82,635.48
Guidance	94,310.38	446,843.91	-	-	541,154.29
Health, Psych Speech & Audio	263,727.87	-	-	-	263,727.87
Improvement of Instruction	321,502.84	170,711.14	-	-	492,213.98
Professional Development	450.41	-	-	-	450.41
Media Services	27,854.84	223,070.27	-	-	250,925.11
Board of Education Services	54,931.04	-	-	-	54,931.04
Executive Administration	743,278.21	429,546.81	-	665,368.80	1,838,193.82
Building Level Administration	550,928.95	838,489.84	-	572.79	1,389,991.58
Business Central Services	266,429.08	-	-	-	266,429.08
Operation of Plant	2,089,109.98	-	-	-	2,089,109.98
Security Services	24,124.38	-	-	530,933.40	555,057.78
Pupil Transportation	28,869.84	-	-	-	28,869.84
Food Service	323,972.16	-	-	24,630.04	348,602.20
Central Office Support Services	203,415.40	-	-	-	203,415.40
Other Supporting Services	1,674.60	-	-	-	1,674.60
Community Services	384,050.20	365,575.21	-	-	749,625.41
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	5,946,007.04	5,946,007.04
Debt Service:					
Principal	-	-	460,000.00	155,000.00	615,000.00
Interest and Charges	-	-	1,084,320.12	279,896.58	1,364,216.70
Total Expenditures	6,507,005.73	9,598,066.63	1,544,320.12	7,604,078.13	25,253,470.61
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	8,387,081.23	(8,852,756.95)	1,143,339.36	(1,887,041.11)	(1,209,377.47)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers	(8,597,824.60)	8,597,824.60	-	-	-
Sale of Bonds	-	-	-	29,000,000.00	29,000,000.00
Net Insurance Recovery	-	-	-	-	-
Sale of School Buses	-	-	-	-	-
Sale of Other Property	-	-	-	6,065.81	6,065.81
Refunding Bonds	-	-	-	-	-
Tuition From Other Districts	28,647.64	-	-	-	28,647.64
Area Voc Fees from Other LEAS	-	-	-	-	-
Contracted Educational Services	178,469.50	-	-	-	178,469.50
Trans From Other LEAS Non-Handi	3,544.09	-	-	-	3,544.09
Trans From Other LEAS for Handi	-	-	-	-	-
Trans From Other LEAS for ECSE Handi	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(8,387,163.37)	8,597,824.60	-	29,006,065.81	29,216,727.04
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(82.14)	(254,932.35)	1,143,339.36	27,119,024.70	28,007,349.57
Fund Balances July 1, 2020	7,977,169.83	3,548,780.10	1,361,856.39	8,888,522.56	21,776,328.88
Fund Balances June 30, 2021	\$ 7,977,087.69	\$ 3,293,847.75	\$ 2,505,195.75	\$ 36,007,547.26	\$ 49,783,678.45

The above statement was prepared from the information included in the final audit for fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, prepared by Daniel Jones & Associates, P.C. Certified Public Accountants 3510 Jeffco Blvd., Ste. 200, Arnold, MO 63010



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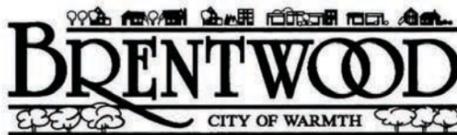
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Brrrentwood Ice Festival February 18

6-9:30 p.m. at Brentwood Ice Rink
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 Register online, by phone or in person. Skates available to rent. All proceeds benefit Backstoppers. Cash and credit cards accepted.
 Children 12 & under, \$6;
 Adults 13 & up, \$10.
 Skate rental is \$2.00.



2022 Holiday Trash Schedule

Holiday	Date	Change
New Year's Day 2022	Monday, January 3, 2022	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Live Christmas Tree Recycling	January 5, 12, 19, 26; Feb 2	Tree pickup on Wednesdays 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
MLK Day	Monday, January 17	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 21	No trash service. Pickup resumes on day after regular schedule (Tues- Sat)
Confluence Trash Bash Event	Mid to Late March	Special event
Memorial Day	Monday, May 30	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Independence Day	Monday, July 4	No trash service. Pickup resumes on day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Labor Day	Monday, September 5	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Veterans Day Observed	Friday, November 11	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Sat)
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 24	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Fri-Sat)
Christmas	Monday, December 26	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
New Year's Day 2023	Monday, January 2, 2023	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)

Basic trash, recycling, and yard waste services are provided to Brentwood residents free of charge.

Large item pickup is available for an additional fee. Please see **Household Pickup Information** located in under Government > Departments > Public Works on www.brentwoodmo.org. To schedule a large item pickup and investigate fee schedule, call 314.962.4800.



Home Sweet Home received over **300** pillows from the Annual Brentwood Pillow Fight!

Cheers to the Brentwood Fire and Police Departments, The Pulse, and ALL of the donors who participated. Thanks to your generosity, 300 of our neighbors in need will get a good night's sleep!

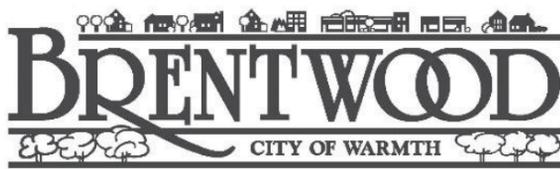


-The Home Sweet Home Staff

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CANDIDATES THAT HAVE FILED for APRIL 5, 2022 ELECTION

ALDERMAN – WARD 1:

NANCY PARKER TICE Incumbent 2301 Parkridge Ave.

ALDERMAN - WARD 2:

SUNNY SIMS Incumbent 2016 Spanish Dr.
 DAN GLASS 8506 Henrietta Ave.

ALDERMAN - WARD 3:

JEFF GOULD Incumbent 2517 Mary Ave.

ALDERMAN – WARD 4:

KATHY O’NEILL Incumbent 1716 Blue Jay Cove

Candidate for Brentwood Alderman, Ward 2

Dear neighbors,

I hope you will allow me a moment to introduce myself. My name is Dan Glass and I am a lifelong Brentwood resident. Does that make me a Brentwoodian or a Brentwoodite? Either way, the city of Brentwood means a great deal to me and my family. With a family of four kids, three of which go to Mark Twain and one in Mt. Calvary Preschool, we care deeply about the future of our community. Because of our deep connections to this city, I will be running in the April 5th election for Alderman of Ward 2.



I have simple goals and will strive to:

- First and foremost, serve my neighbors and represent their vision for the city. That means I really do want to hear from you, and others about what you want to accomplish in the coming years.
 - Improve accessibility to better connect our neighborhoods. For example, we can improve walkability between East and West by making Brentwood Blvd safer to cross.
 - Raise the bar for Construction Company and Home Builder accountability. Builders working in Brentwood should take great care to protect our streets, sidewalks, trees, and common ground. Most importantly, they should respect surrounding neighbors AND finish their projects in a timely manner.
 - Have forethought and be progressive in promoting sustainability and environment. Green space, school yards, dog parks, gardens, playgrounds, and tree lined streets are good for community. These are assets that encourage us to be outside, meet new people, and stay active.
 - Explore and implement traffic calming and speed reduction measures. We can figure out how to reduce or eliminate speeding from cut-thru traffic on our streets.
 - Create awareness and safe operating conditions for alternative modes of transportation. Yes, I’m the guy driving around on a Golf Cart. Electric bikes and scooters, golf carts, and other small electric vehicles are fun, quiet, functional with zero emissions and now commonplace. Brentwood has a unique opportunity to be forward thinking in this area.
- You’re probably thinking, this guy has a lot of ideas. You would be right about that. Again, I will go back to my first bullet point above, ultimately it is your ideas that count. If you plan to vote on April 5th, I would love your vote and to hear from you on the priorities you have for Brentwood, our “City of Warmth.”

My best,

Dan Glass
 vote4danglass@gmail.com



Talk With the Hawk

*Happy New Year...
 Happy New Normal...*

Crime summary and prevention tips

**A Note from Major Hawkins
 Bureau of Community Policing Commander, Brentwood Police**

Happy New Year, Brentwood! I really hope everyone is doing their best to stay healthy and safe. We continue to face challenges head-on as we struggle to deal with a new COVID variant, and as we continue to see certain types of crime in our neighborhoods.

Just to provide you with a brief vehicle-related crime update from 2021 compared to 2020:

- Vehicle thefts were down
- Thefts from vehicles were down
- Attempted thefts from vehicles were down
- More than 10 vehicle-related suspicious persons were identified by BPD and crimes were prevented through enforcement action

This is great news and tells me that more of our residents and visitors are committed to keeping vehicles locked and valuables out of sight! Also, we received calls from some keen citizens who called in what they saw as suspicious!

Always call 911 when you see something suspicious, you are never bothering us. We wish we could be everywhere at once, but it’s simply not possible. Well, not yet. Who knows what Apple will come up with next?

All of this great news is fine and good, but our work never stops. Areas all around Brentwood have been experiencing an uptick in vehicle-related crimes, and we still need to be vigilant with our vehicles, and in our surroundings. Please, continue to lock your vehicles, encourage your neighbors and friends to do the same, and continue keeping valuables out of sight. Over the next few

weeks additional BPD personnel will be out and about in the early morning hours in an attempt to prevent vehicle warm-up thefts, carjackings, and other vehicle-related crimes.

So many vehicle thefts that occur in the winter months take place as a result of people warming up their cars in the morning, or leaving their cars running while they run a quick errand. Those few minutes or seconds is all a thief needs to help themselves to your vehicle.



What do I do at home AND at work? If I warm up my car, I lock it, and I keep the key fob on my person. I don’t keep my computer bag visible inside the car. I am aware of my surroundings as I leave home to make sure I don’t see

anyone suspicious looking to commit a crime of opportunity in my neighborhood.

At the Police Department we have experienced several officers who have come down with COVID, but thanks to proper protocol, we are staying as healthy as possible. We



encourage you to stay well and to adhere to the guidelines set forth by the CDC. As a favor to your first responders, if you have been exposed

or are experiencing symptoms, please let us know before we make contact with you, or as soon as possible, so that we may take proper precautions.

As always, stay safe! ☆

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Alderwoman Sunny Sims Files for Re-election as Brentwood's Ward 2 Alderwoman



Election Set For April 5th, 2022

Sunny has served as Alderwoman of Ward 2 since April of 2016. She is a 2005 graduate of St. Louis University School of Law, and a 2002 graduate of George Washington University. She has been in private practice as a trial attorney at Wasinger Daming, LC, located in Brentwood, for almost 8 years. She focuses her practice on business, banking, real estate, estate planning, and municipal law. She was born and raised in St. Louis and moved to her current residence, 2016 Spanish Drive, in 2010.

As Alderwoman she has served on the City's Public Safety and Public Works Committees, and she has served as Chair of Ways and Means since 2019. She has served as the City's Excise Commissioner since 2017 and has served as a board member of the Brentwood Redevelopment Corporation since 2019. She has been a part of Brentwood Bound since its inception. Brentwood Bound is a comprehensive plan to renew the Manchester Road corridor between Brentwood Boulevard and Hanley Road. There are three components to the plan: Deer Creek Flood Mitigation, Manchester Road Improvements, and Deer Creek Greenway Connector. Most recently, Sunny supported moving forward with a \$5 million destination playground in the Brentwood Bound area.

As Chair of Ways and Means:

- She guided the City through 2020 Covid, a year with decreased revenue;
- She ensured cuts were made to have a balanced budget while still providing services residents are accustomed to receiving;
- She helped direct how ARPA funds were to be used;
- She ensured proper budgeting for 2021 — the year of uncertainty; and
- Every year her committee has presented balanced budgets to the Board of Aldermen.

As Alderwoman:

- She fought against scuttling the lateral sewer program but supported necessary changes to ensure viability of the program for the foreseeable future;
- She fought against outsourcing the trash service and insured that it would stay “in house;”
- She championed installation of speed humps on Rosalie, and helped create and implement the City's traffic calming tool kit to address speeding;
- She championed surface transportation programs for installation of new sidewalks and streetlights to improve pedestrian traffic;
- She supported acquisition of additional Flock cameras for the police department to help with patrolling;
- **She has been a vocal proponent of increasing pay for first responders, dating back to 2018;**
- She lead the effort to add an additional police officer to the force;
- She supported a vaccine mandate for City employees;
- She has been working with businesses in the Hanley Industrial Court to increase presence:
 - She supported the expansion of the Hoffmann Brothers campus;
 - She has been in discussions regarding a possible multi-family development at the Post Holdings site; and
- She supported legislation favoring EV-readiness, which will support the deployment of plug-in electric vehicles and charging infrastructure.

Since 2016, Sunny has been an integral part of the positive changes in Brentwood. She lives and works in the City and believes that Ward 2 deserves a representative that will continue to listen to residents and advocate for their needs. She believes her experience as an attorney representing clients has served her, and will continue to serve her, in this capacity.

Beginning in February, Sunny will hold a number of open houses to fully explain her contributions to the City and her vision going forward. She looks forward to meeting with the Ward 2 voters to discuss this vision and to hear their concerns.



BRENTWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 2022 News

Celebrating Our History

Each year, Brentwood School District comes together in celebration of events and people in African American history. This year, the month of February will be dedicated to a variety of learning experiences in classrooms throughout the district to celebrate Black lives and excellence while providing a safe space for discussion on the past, present, and future Black experience.

We've collected samples of student and staff contributions to the study and celebration of Black History on our website. We will continue to post and update these stories, so check back often. Also be sure to keep following us on social media as we share opportunities to learn more about Black History Month.

<https://www.brentwoodmoschools.org/community/culture-connections>

BECC Registration Continues

Registration is ongoing for the Brentwood Early Childhood program for children ages 2-5! You can find enrollment details and documents on the Early Childhood website: ecc.brentwoodmoschools.org. We've had a successful year of learning and fun and look forward to another exciting year ahead!

The Brentwood School District Early Childhood Center offers a developmental/constructivist program designed to meet the educational needs of young children. This program offers the following unique opportunities:

- We use Project Construct, an early childhood curriculum approved by the Missouri Department of Education.
- Goals are set according to the Missouri Early Learning Standards. These directly flow into the standards which are used by all Missouri Public Schools to guide education from kindergarten through 12th grade.
- We have experienced, certified early childhood teachers that guide learning through current research and best practice.
- An on-site nurse is available every day.
- Early intervention services/resources are available through our partnership with Special School District.
- Free/reduced tuition preschool options are available for families below an earning threshold. Please contact our Director, Kristin Clemons, at the number below for more information.
- A brand new early childhood facility is currently under construction at the McGrath Elementary School site on St. Clair Avenue.

To learn more about the program please visit us at ecc.brentwoodmoschools.org or call 314-262-8521.

Facilities Update

We have launched a new dashboard on our website that will feature monthly updates about the progress at the McGrath/BECC campus. You can check it out anytime by visiting <https://www.brentwoodmoschools.org/community/facilities-planning>.

In January, the project continued to progress on schedule in the following areas:

- Slab Prep - Area C
- MEPFP Rough Ins
- Masonry Block Areas A & B
- Steel Framework
- Exterior Wall Framing - Areas A & B
- Roof Truss Installation - Area A
- Site Utilities
- Substantial Completion Estimate: Winter 2022

Teacher & Support

Staff of the Year Nominations

Nominations are now open for Brentwood School District Teacher and Support Staff of the Year! The Brentwood School District Teacher and Support Staff Member of the Year program honors and recognizes the efforts of all Brentwood certified and support staff. The program is designed to provide an opportunity to recognize one teacher and one support staff member across the district.

Brentwood's Teacher of the Year is highly encouraged to participate in the Missouri Teacher of the Year Program if they meet the requirements for that program. The Missouri State Teacher of the Year program is open to full-time certified teachers, pre-kindergarten through grade 12, who provide four hours or more of instructional time in a classroom. Applications to begin the process for becoming the MO Teacher of the Year are due by April 15, 2022.

We encourage you to take a few moments to nominate someone for this recognition. You learn more and find the nomination forms at <https://www.brentwoodmoschools.org/teacher-staff-of-the-year>.



Save The Date for the Confluence Trash Bash!! April 4th - 9th, 2022

The Open Space Council and our partners from Great Rivers Greenway, MSD Project Clear, the Missouri Stream Teams, and Earthways Center are excited to announce that registration for this year's Confluence Trash Bash will open in March!

Help clean up the rivers and creeks at several sites throughout the Lower Missouri Watershed and Confluence of the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers. All supplies needed will be provided, and volunteers will receive a FREE T-Shirt! More details to come.

Seventh Annual Brentwood Community Blood Drive Was a Success

To our most wonderful DONORS on behalf of the Brentwood Rec Center, the LaMartina and Leahy families; we wish to say THANK YOU!!!!

For caring enough for others that you came and helped with the blood drive on Friday January 21st. With your help we collected 90 pints of blood in this critical time of blood shortage. We wish to apologize for running late and having you all have to wait. That Friday morning we were scheduled to man two rooms but due to staffing issues that arose earlier in the day; we had to reduce to one room. Your kindness was extremely generous and deeply appreciated by us and the American Red Cross staff. THANK YOU!!

Over the years we have steadily grown the community's participation and it is heartwarming to see the community respond. To date this community drive has collected 736 pints that have gone out to help more than 2100 individuals in need. This is one way of actively showing that Brentwood is "the City of Warmth." This comes from the community and makes this a great place to live

For those that could not wait out the delay we recommended making appointments at the Red Cross Service Center on Watson Road across from the old Crestwood Plaza. They are open seven days a week and do both whole blood and platelet collections. It should be noted that the Red Cross is in crisis mode due to blood shortage thus getting donors to the drives and centers is extremely important. If you are looking for something to do during the cold months please consider making a blood donation appointment and give for those in need.

It is a wonderful way to help others and your efforts will change a life.

THANK YOU to all that gave at our drive and to those blood and platelet donors that support blood drives throughout the year. You all truly make a difference.

Andy Leahy

Three St. Louis Arts Organizations to Share Unexpected Multi-Million Dollar Estate Gift

Three St. Louis nonprofit arts organizations today announce that a generous and unexpected gift close to \$3 million has been bequeathed by the estate trust of Louetta A. Buechler, a long-time area resident and local artist.

The three organizations, Craft Alliance, Laumeier Sculpture Park, and St. Louis Artists' Guild, are the recipients of the bequest and will share the proceeds equally. This is one of the largest individual gifts that each of these organizations has ever received, and it will be distributed in several installments throughout 2022. Buechler, a resident of Manchester, MO passed away December 20, 2020. While she had been a loyal member and supporter of each organization for more than a decade, her generous gift came as an incredible surprise to all three.

"We are sincerely grateful to Ms. Buechler, a long-time Craft Alliance member, for this wonderful commitment to artistic excellence in the St. Louis arts community," said Mark Witzling, Executive Director of Craft Alliance. "We feel deeply fortunate that this gift allows us to further educate and enrich our community through contemporary craft."

Kathryn Nahorski, Executive Director of St. Louis Artists' Guild, notes that Ms. Buechler was a painter who participated in Artists' Guild shows and classes. She made her colorful abstract paintings in her home studio, surrounded by plants. Lou, as she was known to her close friends, filled her retirement years with her three loves: art, gardening and travel.

"We are thankful for her extraordinary gift and that she found meaningful opportunities for regional artists at the St. Louis Artists' Guild. Her generosity ensures our vibrant programming for future generations," Nahorski said.

"With this wonderful gift, Ms. Buechler leaves a legacy that will help the St. Louis artistic community for years to come," said Lauren Ross, Executive Director of Laumeier Sculpture Park. "It also beautifully illustrates the dramatic impact that planned giving can have. We are so grateful that she gave this level of thoughtful consideration to where she wanted her assets to continue to have an impact after her passing."

Each organization will plan its individual use of these funds, and all expect to enhance their artistic programming for the benefit of the St. Louis community. As nonprofits, each organization relies on public and private support to fulfill their missions, including from the Arts and Education Council; the Regional Arts Commission; and the Missouri Arts Council, a state agency.

ABOUT CRAFT ALLIANCE

Craft Alliance is a non-profit art center dedicated to empowering and enriching communities through craft. From its new location in the Delmar Maker District in St. Louis, Missouri, Craft Alliance offers

exhibitions, education classes for all skill levels, free community programs, artist residencies and a gallery shop. Learn more about Craft Alliance at www.craftalliance.org.

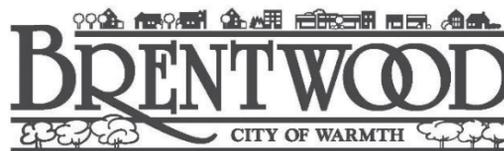
ABOUT LAUMEIER SCULPTURE PARK

Dedicated to creativity, community connections, and the restorative benefits of art and nature, Laumeier Sculpture Park serves visitors of all ages through art exhibitions, education programs, and public events. The 105-acre park is free and open daily and home to more than 70+ large-scale outdoor sculptures, interwoven amongst woodlands and trails. Founded in 1976 and located in Sunset Hills in St. Louis County, Laumeier is one of the first and largest sculpture parks in the country. It is an internationally

recognized, nonprofit arts organization, accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. Learn more about Laumeier Sculpture Park at www.laumeier.org.

ABOUT ST. LOUIS ARTISTS' GUILD

The St. Louis Artists' Guild, established in 1886, inspires art experiences through extraordinary exhibitions, interactive education, outreach to diverse audiences and by fostering creativity throughout the community. Its gallery and classrooms in Clayton serves both artists and art appreciators, by providing opportunities to display their work and teach while achieving our mission in raising awareness of artistic expression. Learn more about St. Louis Artists' Guild at www.stlouisartistsguild.org.



PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Brentwood at Brentwood City Hall, 2348 S. Brentwood Blvd., Brentwood, MO 63144-2097 will hold a Public Hearing on March 7, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. on:

Donald Stafford, of Cornerstone Brentwood LLC, has submitted an application for a Text Amendment amending Section 400.1380.C Conditional Uses and E.1. Use regulations in the "PD" Planned Development Overlay District. The proposed amendment to Section 400.1380.C would add apartment buildings with an elevator to the list of conditional uses within the district. The proposed Elevator Apartment Building would not be subject to a maximum height unless established as part of the conditional use permit. The proposed amendment to Section 400.1380.E.1 would allow for a greater number of units per acre for Elevator Apartment Buildings; the density would only be limited as established by the conditional use permit. Currently, multi-family buildings are limited to a certain number of units per acre depending on the percentage of the development devoted to the multi-family use

This meeting is open to the public. As provided in the Zoning Regulations of Brentwood Missouri, the above items will be discussed and considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission for recommendation to the Board of Aldermen and all persons interested in said matter will have an opportunity to be heard. Please contact the City of Brentwood for any changes to the meeting schedule.

The City of Brentwood will provide reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities to enable their attendance at City Meetings. Please contact the City Administrator's office at 314-962-4800 ext. 8606, use relay Missouri 1-800-735-2966 TDD, or contact us by email at deputycityclerk@brentwoodmo.org. at least 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend to make your accommodation request. Representatives of the news media may obtain copies of this notice by contacting the office of the deputy Clerk

S/s Whitney Kelly, AICP
Director of Planning and Development



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August 22, 2022



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Program: Heavy appetizers at 3 pm. You will be out by 4:30 and home in time for dinner!!

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Questions: Contact David Weber 314.209.9181

What is a Balance Transfer and how can it save you money?

By: West Community Credit Union

A balance transfer is a type of credit card transaction in which debt is moved from one account to another. For those paying down high-interest debt, such a move can save serious money on interest charges if done strategically. For example, debt that's moved to a credit card with a 0% introductory APR offer on balance transfers could potentially be paid off interest-free.

Balance transfers come with certain costs and limitations, though. Generally, you'll have to pay a balance transfer fee — usually 3% to 5% of the total transferred. And if your balance transfer card's limit is low, you might not be able to transfer your full balance.

How Balance Transfers Work

While the exact process for balance transfers can vary widely, here are the steps you generally have to take when working with major issuers:

1. Apply for a card with an introductory 0% APR offer on balance transfers or use an offer on a card you already have. Something to keep in mind: Same-issuer transfers generally aren't allowed.

2. Initiate the balance transfer. If you're doing this online or by phone, you'll need to provide information about the debt you're looking to move, such as the issuer name, the amount of debt and the account information.

3. Wait for the transfer to go through. Once the balance transfer is approved, which could take two weeks or longer, the issuer will generally pay off your old account directly. That old balance will show up in your new account.

4. Pay down the balance. When that balance is added to the new card, you'll be responsible for making monthly payments on that account. And if you pay it down during the introductory 0% APR period, for example, you could potentially save a bundle.

Pro tip: Credit card debt isn't the only type of debt you can transfer. Many issuers also allow cardholders to move other types of debt — such as auto loans or personal loans — to a credit card or consolidation loan.

Choosing a Good Balance Transfer Card

The goal of a balance transfer is saving money, so you want to choose a card that helps you minimize your costs. The ideal balance transfer credit card comes with three big zeroes:

- A 0% introductory APR offer for balance transfers.
- A \$0 annual fee.
- A \$0 balance transfer fee (or a way to avoid paying such a fee).

With such a card, you could potentially pay off your debt without spending a penny on interest and fees. Cards without transfer fees are rare nowadays, so take advantage when you find one.

In general, a balance transfer is a valuable choice if you need months to pay off high-interest debt and have good enough credit to qualify for a card with a 0% introductory APR on balance transfers. You could save plenty on interest, giving you an edge when paying off your balances. For customized debt solutions and current balance transfer specials, contact West Community Credit Union at 636.720.2400 or visit us online at westcommunitycu.org.



SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR Great Rivers and Routes

The following special events are submitted to you for distribution to the public. The Great Rivers and Routes Tourism Bureau is a destination marketing organization serving Madison, Macoupin, Montgomery, Jersey, Greene, and Calhoun counties in Illinois. We make every effort to ensure the information provided below is accurate and timely. For additional information beyond that provided, please contact the event coordinators at the numbers supplied with each calendar entry.

February

Bald Eagle Days at Pere Marquette State Park

February 2, 3, 4, 25, 26, March 3, 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Pere Marquette State Park
13112 Visitor Center Ln
Grafton, IL 62037

A site interpreter at Pere Marquette State Park will be presenting informative programs about bald eagles this winter. All programs will begin at the park's visitor center at 8:30 a.m. There will be a short video presentation followed by an observational drive to view the wintering bald eagles. Please dress warmly and have a full tank of gas. Bring binoculars, wear water proof boots, and bring snacks/coffee. For more information or reservations, call (618) 786-3323 ext 1 for reservations.

Reservations begin Nov. 15.

Ice Jam at the Dam

February 19, 10 AM to 4 PM

National Great Rivers Museum
2 Lock and Dam Way East
Alton, IL 62024

Join the National Great Rivers Museum and the Rivers Project for an outdoor, winter-themed festival! Enjoy live music from Chris Cahill & Co, tours of the locks and dam, live animal programs presented by Treehouse Wildlife Center, food and beverage vendors, and much more! Most activities will take place outside but campfires and heaters will be available to keep warm. Head into the museum and enjoy popcorn and a movie in the museum theatre. Check out the craft table or check out the gallery to view the Winter on the River photography contest entries.

An Evening with the American Witch

February 19, 7-10 PM

Mineral Springs Hotel
301 E Broadway
Alton, IL 62002

Join author Troy Taylor for another night of our "An Evening with..." series of events! This eerie evening will include a catered dinner, served in our private ballroom at the former hotel. After dinner, Troy Taylor will be presenting "The American Witch," a journey back in time to discover the horrors of early American witch trials, the events at Salem, folk magic, hex murders, and more — and the way that witchcraft has become part of our culture today.

Stained Glass Retreat

February 20, 9:30 AM

Pere Marquette Lodge & Conference Center
13653 Lodge Blvd
Grafton, IL 62037

This stained-glass art class is perfect for beginners! Learn from local Alton legend Lynn Ulett owner of Alton Stained Glass Works. Beginners will be led through glass cutting, grinding, foiling, and soldering. Work on your own stained-glass window or light catcher to take home. All supplies and lunch will be provided during this class.

Reservations cannot be made online so call 618- 786-2331 to receive your spot!

Mardi Gras in Granite City

February 26, 1:00 PM

Downtown Granite City
Niedringhaus Ave
Granite City, IL 62040

Experience the Mardi Gras festivities in downtown Granite City! This inaugural event will bring Bourbon Street to you! Enjoy a delicious Cajun cook-off, shop local vendors, listen to live music by the American Originals, and kids can participate in activities in Alligator Alley. An all-day celebration you won't want to miss! Parade: 1:00 PM Block Party: 2-5:00 PM Local Bar Crawl: 5-10:00 PM. For more information, email gmardi-gras@gmail.com

Cajun Cook Off in Granite City

February 26, 2:00 PM

Downtown Granite City
Niedringhaus Ave
Granite City, IL 62040

Granite City is excited to host its first ever Cajun Cook- Off! Professional and amateur cooks will compete to see who's the King or Queen of Cajun Cuisine. This event will take place during the block party in Downtown Granite City. Prizes will be awarded from people's choice for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place. For more information, and to enter contact bwhitaker.granitecity.illinois.gov

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Trailnet & Ste. Genevieve Department of Tourism to host inaugural gravel bike ride: StG Gravel Classic

Trailnet and the Ste. Genevieve Department of Tourism are launching the StG Gravel Classic. This multi-route bike ride, Saturday April 9, 2022, is the tourism department and Trailnet's first gravel event.

The StG Gravel Classic offers riders a choice of three routes, 20, 45 and 78 miles on levee trails and hilly gravel roads, with less than 10% of each route on paved roads.

This ride is the first of the 2022 Trailnet Classics, a series of multi-distanced, supported bike rides across the region that help fund Trailnet's work to improve safety for people walking and biking.

The StG Gravel Classic and all of the Trailnet Classics include rest stops with food and water, marked routes, turn-by-turn directions, and support vehicles to help riders in case of mechanical or first aid issues.

"We're launching our first duce more people to the beautiful Ste. Genevieve has to offer. This is of gravel in such a welcoming community," Matt Hartman,

"The Ste Genevieve Tour-welcome riders, their friends connect with everything we storied- history, the Missouri nature, delicious dining, win-know all who visit will fall in love," Jeff Wix, Ste. Genevieve's Tourism Director, said.

Riders should explore visitstegen.com for a convenient guide to lodging, dining, local winners, shops, and attractions during the weekend of the ride and for their next trip to Ste. Genevieve.

"By partnering with Ste. Genevieve, we're introducing more people to the community and helping share the benefits of biking for economic development as well as the health and connection in the community" Cindy Mense, Trailnet's CEO said.



gravel event this year to intro-ful and challenging riding Ste. a chance to embrace the spirit and historically significant Trailnet's Rides Director said. ism Department is excited to and families to explore and have to offer. With our long Dinosaur discovery, scenic eries, and unique shopping, we

What is gravel riding?

Gravel biking is simply riding bikes on unpaved gravel or dirt roads. Combining elements of road riding and mountain biking, gravel riding has grown in popularity in recent years both in recreational riding and racing.

While any bike can be ridden on gravel roads, bikes with wider tires - 32 mm or 1.25 in or thicker - are encouraged for greater comfort and handling.

The StG Gravel Classic is designed to give people of different skill levels a unique, supported gravel experience.

Registration is open now at Trailnet.org/rides and is \$45 for the public and \$30 for Trailnet members.

This year Trailnet is introducing youth pricing for riders 18 years old and younger to encourage more young riders and families to participate. Registration for people 18 and younger is \$10.

The StG Gravel Classic is sponsored by Ste. Genevieve Tourism Department. The prizes for the fastest riders of each category are sponsored by InMotion Bike Fit Studio. The timing for the ride is courtesy of Billy Goat Bicycle Company. Logan University will provide complimentary post-ride massages.

Schlafly Beer is the 2022 beer and hard seltzer sponsor of the Trailnet Classics.

Registration Link: <https://trailnet.redpodium.com/2022-stg-gravel-classic>



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From Cassidy

Happy Valentine's Day to Ian and Cassidy from
your mother :)



St. Louis Area Diaper Bank Hosts Bloody Mary Brunch

The St. Louis Area Diaper Bank will hold its second annual Bloody Mary Brunch on Sun., April 3 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event - which includes sipping Bloody Mary's while packing period supply kits - will be held at the Diaper Bank's headquarters located at 6141 Etzel Ave. and is for those 21 years of age and older. Tickets are \$50 per person, and all monetary donations will go toward purchasing menstrual hygiene products for the nonprofit organization.

Attendees will count, sort, and pack menstrual products for those in need. Other activities include a raffle, selfie station, a wine pull, and a quick presentation about the agency's efforts.

The St. Louis Alliance for Period Supplies (STL APS) is a Diaper Bank program that collaborates with the Alliance for Period Supplies to ensure access to menstrual hygiene products. The STL APS program distributes period supplies through community partners, as well as advocates for the elimination of "period poverty". To date more than 450,000 period supplies have been distributed in St. Louis, with 10,800 period supplies allocated each week. Last year two-thirds of low-income women in St. Louis could not afford menstrual hygiene products, with 46% of low-income women having to choose between food and period supplies.

For more information about the Bloody Mary Brunch or to make a donation, call (314) 624-0888 or visit their website.

Pride St. Louis, Inc. is proud to present PrideFest 2022 "Together Again."

This theme depicts our excitement to bring PrideFest back to Soldier's Memorial in Downtown St. Louis on June 25-26, 2022, after a two-year hiatus, with local and national entertainment acts across multiple stages.

There will be vendors, food trucks, dance tent., VIP Experience and much much more!

This is going to be a PrideFest you don't want to miss! So please join us June 25-26 at Soldier's Memorial in downtown St. Louis.

The mission of Pride St. Louis is "To foster an understanding of and equality for the LGBTQIA+ community in the general population by raising awareness through educational programs and events, ultimately leading up to the annual PrideFest in St. Louis."

For more information about Pride St. Louis please visit www.pridestl.org, or follow us on social media. Facebook: www.facebook.com/pridestlouis

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Brentwood Board of Aldermen Minutes

PARTIAL MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 6 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING.

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Call to Order – Mayor Dimmitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Mayor Dimmitt lead the Board of Aldermen and all present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call – All members were present

- Alderman Plufka - Present
- Alderwoman Tice - Present
- Alderwoman Sims - Present
- Alderman Wegge - Present
- Alderman Gould - Present
- Alderman Lochmoeller - Present
- Alderwoman O’Neill - Present
- Alderman Shelton – Present
- Mayor Dimmitt - Present

Other members present: City Administrator Akande, City Attorney O’Keefe, Deputy City Clerk Silvey, Parks and Recreation Director Gruenenfelder, Public Works Director Gummshheimer, Fire Chief Cottrell, Police Chief Spiess, Finance Director Jones, Court Administrator Schwartz, Legal Counsel Murray, Armstrong Teasdale and Owner’s Representative Schuller, Navigate Buildings Solution.

PUBLIC HEARING

Adoption of The FY 2022 Adopted Budget - Mayor Dimmitt opened the public hearing on the adoption of the FY 2022 Budget beginning on January 1, 2022 and ending on December 31, 2022. No one from the public spoke. Hearing was closed.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approval or Amendment of Agenda

Mayor Dimmitt asked to remove Item 8A -Resolution No. 1324 from the Consent Agenda. The City Staff heard from the Missouri Attorney General’s Office. A representative from the office said “unfortunately, only political subdivisions with a population greater than 10,000 are included in this settlement proposal from the distributors and manufacturer.” Sorry about that. You should know that all Missourian’s will benefit from the settlement proceeds as the State utilizes the funds consistent with 196.1050, RSMo.”

Motion was made by Alderman Plufka and seconded by Alderman Gould to approve amended agenda. There were no objections.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The agenda was then approved by acclamation.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizen Comments – Brian Hansen spoke on amended Bill No. 6356.1. He commented that the number of electric vehicles was miniscule and feels the policy is premature. He asked that clarification of the definition for new dwellings be provided and that the Board of Aldermen reconsider the adoption of this bill.

Email comments were provided by Don Keeling, Mevo-tech, National Sales Director, Traditional Accounts regarding Bill No. 6365.1. Comments were read into the minutes and uploaded into Board Docs.

Email comments were also provided by Paul Presson regarding Bill No. 6365.1 and were read into the minutes and uploaded into BoardDocs.

Susan Mullen spoke via the virtual format (Zoom) regarding Bill No. 6365.1 stating this should be the resident’s choice, and not the City’s directive, as this does not represent the majority of citizens but only a select few.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Brentwood Bound Update – Owner Representative Craig Schluter, Principal, Navigate Buildings Solution gave a Brentwood Bound update on Construction costs, Soft Costs and Property Acquisitions. There were no other costs to report.

Warrant List Notation: Resolution No. 1328 - Wei Investment Condemnation Matter – City Administrator Akande noted that on the agenda is Resolution No. 1328 - A resolution authorizing the pay of a condemnation award related to Wei Investments for an easement for the Brentwood Bound project. Given where the Warrant List is on the agenda, the check request to pay all parties will be taken up by the Board of Aldermen before Resolution No. 1328 is considered under the Consent Agenda.

Request for Indemnification - Section 115.010 Update - Former Mayor Christopher Thornton is requesting indemnification of legal expenses and attorney’s fees incurred in connection with an investigation conducted by the Assistant U.S. Attorney for Eastern District of Missouri (AUSA) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) from January 2018 through May 2021. City Administration shared updates from



Mayor David Dimmitt

Ward 1



Alderwoman Nancy Parker Tice



Alderman David Plufka

Ward 2



Alderwoman Sunny Sims



Alderman Brandon Wegge



Municipal Judge Patrick Dignam

Ward 3



Alderman Jeff Gould



Alderman Steve Lochmoeller

Ward 4



Alderwoman Kathy O’Neill



Alderman Jack Shelton

the city’s insurance carrier AXA XL and information obtained by acting City Attorney Jones from Hal Goldstein, Office of the United States Attorney. Mr. Jones at the November 18, 2021 meeting had offered to contact Mr. Goldstein as City Attorney O’Keefe had sent him two letters previously without any response. Assistant US Attorney Hal Goldsmith confirmed that the documents compiled during a grand jury investigation are confidential. There is an exception which allows for a motion to be filed to produce documents for collateral litigation, but here there is none pending. An example would be a criminal investigation into fraud charges and a civil case for damages for misrepresentation. Hal did confirm that the investigation was actually conducted at the city’s request. Presumably, we have the Chief’s memos. He sent the attached articles from 40 South News. He also confirmed that Harness, Dickey performed an audit or review for the city and apparently determined that Mayor Thornton did not utilize proprietary IP data. In the end, the US Attorney’s office determined they could not readily prove any criminal charge and investigation was terminated.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Sims and seconded by Alderwoman O’Neill to deny the request for indemnification.

Motion carried by voice vote of 6(yes) to 2(no).

OLD BUSINESS

A. Bill No. 6356.1 - An Ordinance amending Section 500.820 of the Brentwood City Code and the City’s Energy Conservation Code to include the Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) in the New Dwellings - 2nd Reading

Alderman Wegge suggested modifications to the ordinance, and it was shared that the suggested revisions had already been made and incorporated in the amended Bill now being presented. A memo indicating the changes is available in Board Docs.

A motion was then made by Alderman Wegge and seconded by Alderwoman Sims to Amend Bill No. 6356 to 6356.1 with said changes.

Motion carried by voice vote of 7 (yes) to 1 (No). Alderman Lochmoeller was opposed.

City Attorney, Kevin O’Keefe did the second reading of the revised Bill No. 6356.1

Motion was made by Alderman Wegge and seconded by Alderwoman Sims to Perfect the amended Bill No. 6356.1 into Ordinance form.

Discussion took place.

Alderman Lochmoeller stated that the amended Bill was not presented or reviewed at Public Works for discussion and that it should have followed the proper channels and asked that his name be removed from the Bill.

Alderman Plufka felt there was no overriding interest for safety of residents and that per public comment, the Bill is too far out in front of the EV Readiness issue.

Alderwoman O’Neill respectfully disagreed and feels we should be out in front. She also noted that since the City of St. Louis is doing it, we should as well.

Alderman Gould suggested the market should drive public policy, not the other way around and that this should be fully vetted in Public Works and Public Safety Committees.

Alderwoman Tice noted that it was being reviewed and addressed by the full Board, and as such, was supportive of the new amendments.

Alderman Shelton stated that he is a champion for sustainability, however the masses are not there yet, and this may be a few years premature.

Alderwoman Sims noted we received feedback from developers and cost is not an issue for new construction. She wants the City to be in the forefront of change.

Alderman Wegge stated that he supports EV readiness.

Mayor Dimmitt noted that it is not required to go to committee and can be fully vetted at the Board, so procedure was followed.

Roll was called:

Alderman Plufka – No Alderwoman Tice – Yes Alderwoman Sims – Yes Alderman Wegge – Yes Alderman Gould – No Alderman Lochmoeller – No Alderwoman O’Neill -Yes Alderman Shelton – No Mayor Dimmitt – Yes (to break the tie)

Motion carried by vote of 5 (Yes) to 4 (No).

Upon the signature of Mayor Dimmitt, Bill No. 6356.1 will become Ordinance No. 4994.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 6361 An Ordinance Adopting The Annual Budget For The City Of Brentwood For The Calendar Year 2022; And Providing For The Effective Date Of This Ordinance. First Reading

City Attorney, Kevin O’Keefe, read the Bill.

City Administrator Akande presented the FY 2022 Proposed Budget thanking all who worked diligently to bring this document forward. Ms. Akande noted some highlights:

The City’s sales tax is doing really well

The City was conservative in predicting the Use Tax, so projections are positive

The City will scale back capital improvement the next few years until some of the debts are completed in 2024.

We have received and will continue to receive Cares Act and American Rescue Plan Act funds

We present a balanced budget and plan for FY 2022.

The Ways and Means Committee recommends the Fiscal Year 2021 Proposed Budget be presented to the Board of Aldermen for consideration.

Alderman Plufka noted the Brentwood Bound money had been invested well and asked if the income from those investments could be spent on any capital improvement? With advisement, Ms. Akande noted that the 2019 money can be spent this way.

Mayor noted that the budget was balanced without using any reserves and thanked all who had helped make this happen.

Bill No. 6362 An Ordinance of the City of Brentwood, Missouri, authorizing the Mayor and/or City Administrator to execute the attached 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Municipal Housing and Community Development Supplemental Cooperation Agreement - First and Second Reading

Kevin O’Keefe did the first reading.

City Administrator Akande presented the information that is available in Board Docs with the supplemental agreement, noting we have been doing his for many years. The City of Brentwood, through St. Louis County, participates in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. As part of this program, the City has elected to utilize the funds as part of the home improvement program. This program offers forgivable loans of up to \$5,000 annual to income eligible participants. This bill is for an ordinance authorizing the mayor and/or city administrator to execute the 2021 Community Development Block Grant Municipal Housing and Community Development Supplemental Cooperation Agreement between the City of Brentwood and St. Louis County. This program allows for income eligible homeowners to receive forgivable loans up to a maximum of \$5,000. Total amount available is \$20,000. Funds are generally used for roofs, heating and cooling, plumbing and electric work.

Motion was made by Alderman Plufka and seconded by Alderwoman O’Neill for the second reading of the Bill. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

City Attorney O’Keefe did the second reading.

Motion was made by Alderman Plufka and seconded by Alderman Gould to perfect Bill No. 6362 into Ordinance form. There was no discussion.

Roll was called:

8 (Yes) to 0 (No).

Upon the signature of Mayor Dimmitt, Bill No. 6362 will become Ordinance No. 4995.

Explore St. Louis Shares Activities for Black History Month

For Black History Month, Explore St. Louis has provided a list of activities below to honor the lives and accomplishments of St. Louis' most notable African American figures.

The St. Louis Walk of Fame is located along The Delmar Loop and honors notable people from St. Louis who made contributions to the culture of the United States. Stars include Maya Angelou, Tina Turner, and Chuck Berry. All were either born in the Greater St. Louis area or spent their formative or creative years here.

Nine PBS is sharing stories from the St. Louis community about trailblazing Black citizens who are from the region. Airing in February, these stories include *In Their Own Words: Chuck Berry* (February 1) and *My Journey with Annie Malone: James Agbara Bryson* (February 14).

Open year round, the **Scott Joplin House State Historic Site** plays some of his famous melodies in the modest flat on Delmar Boulevard. It is furnished and lit by gaslight as if it were 1902 when Joplin spent time there composing some of his famous songs.

The inspirational **George Washington Carver Garden** at the Missouri Botanical Garden honors the life and accomplishments of the famous scientist who greatly influenced 19th and 20th-century agriculture and education. The focal point of the garden is a life-size bronze statue of Carver sculpted by Tina Allen. The garden is one and a half acres and features inspirational inscriptions from Carver's writings and speeches, a reflecting pool and is landscaped with viburnums, hydrangeas, and holly trees to give it an intimate feel.

The Missouri History Museum has scheduled Black history programming throughout the month. Their newest addition of "See STL Walking Tours" includes a walking tour of "The Ville" which is home to several Grammy Award winners, rock and roll hall of famers, Kennedy Center honorees, one of the first Black woman millionaires, three Grand Slam titleholders, and the founder of the first Black collegiate sorority.

Ebony and Jet were the magazines to read for Black perspectives on lifestyle, culture, and politics during the heyday of the magazine industry. **The Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis** hosts a community conversation about these two iconic publications for its free program. They will also feature images from vintage editions of Ebony and Jet, enhanced with shimmering, watercolor hairdos on CAM's street façade.

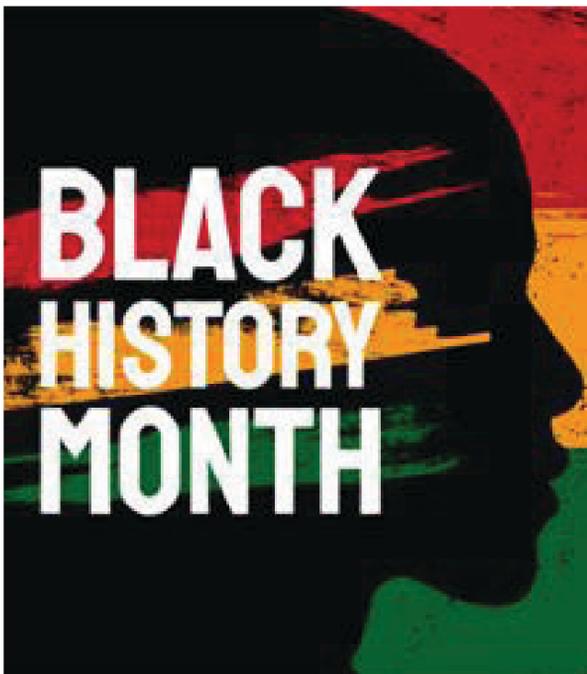
On Feb. 25, the St. Louis Symphony (SLSO) will perform **Lift Every Voice: Black History Month Celebration** starting at 7:30 PM. The SLSO and IN UNISON Chorus will celebrate African American culture through reflective and soulful music. Kevin McBeth conducts this concert and Capathia Jenkins is the vocal soloist.

From February 9th through 27th, **The Black Rep** is telling the story of "Fireflies" in the Hotchner Studio Theatre at Washington University. Set in the Jim Crow South, Fireflies tells the story of Olivia, the inspiring speechwriter and force behind her charismatic husband Charles and his freedom movement. When four little girls are bombed in a church, the couple's relationship is thrown into jeopardy as Olivia begins to believe "this world ain't no place to raise a colored child." This intimate performance allows viewers to experience the powerful drama from Olivia's female-led perspective.

More information about these activities are listed on ExploreStLouis.com.

About Explore St. Louis

Explore St. Louis is the driving force behind St. Louis' \$5.9 billion convention and tourism industry, the official destination marketing organization of St. Louis City and County, and operator of the America's Center Convention Complex.



GIVE A LIFELINE... Donate Your Old Cell Phone

Cell Phones for Safe Homes program raises funds through phones

Drop off your used cell phones at the Gene-Del Printing/Pulse Newspaper office to be recycled through Lydia's House "Cell Phones for Safe Homes" fundraiser.

For each phone collected, our recycling partner will make a cash donation of up to \$100 to Lydia's House.

If you'd like to donate your phone, stop by this location:

- **Gene-Del Printing (9019 Manchester Rd.)**

If you are interested in collecting phones for Lydia's House through a drive at your business, faith community or school, please contact Ellie Lorenz at (314) 771-4411 ext. 116 or elorenz@lydiashouse.org.

About Lydia's House

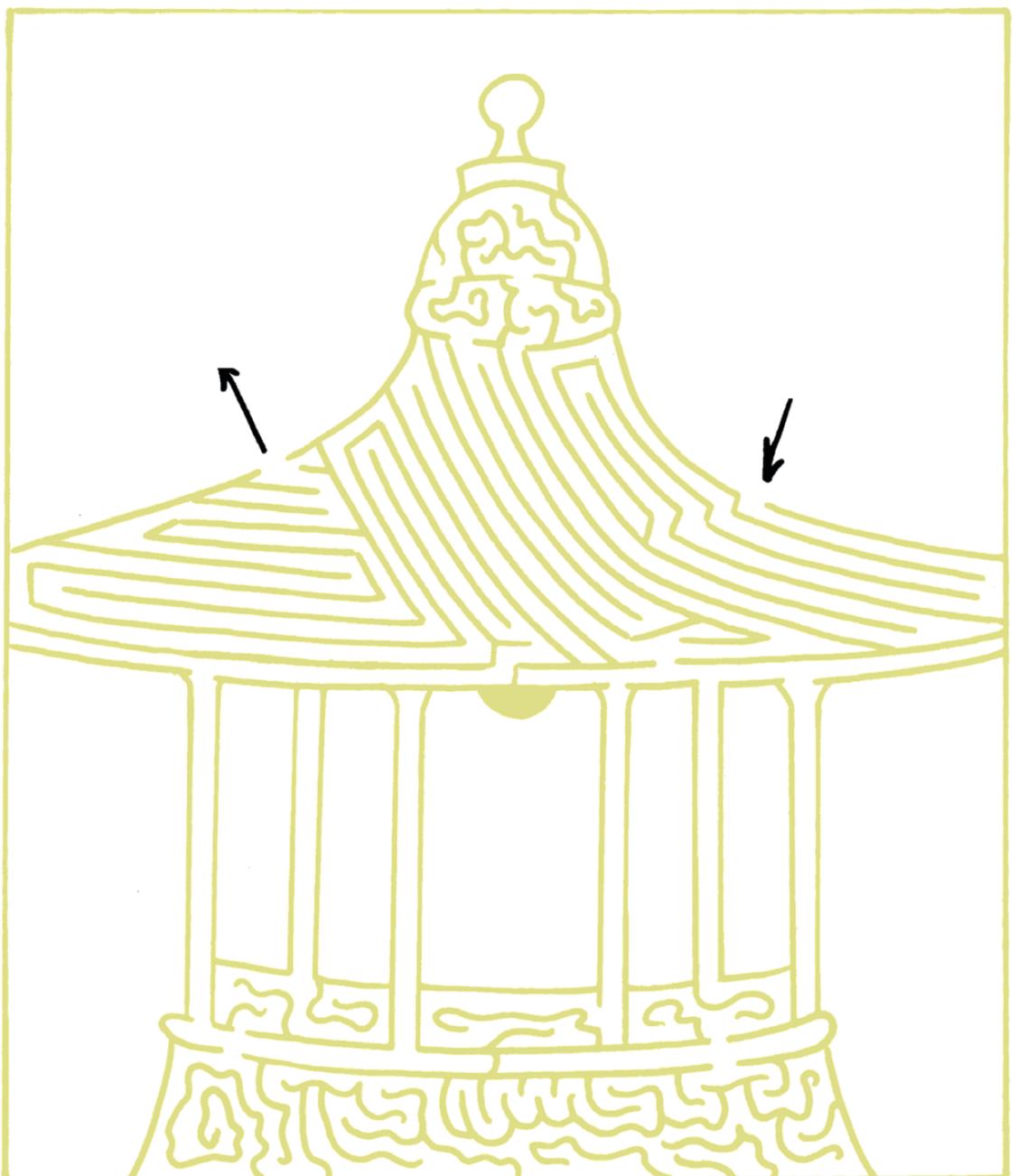
Lydia's House works in faith to end domestic violence by being a place of healing and a voice of hope for abused women and their children. Our program provides up to two years of transitional housing and critical support services to survivors of domestic violence.

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Bandstand at Forest Park





Brentwood Police Department

Calls for Service Report

***Note: CFS Do Not Always Become Written Police Reports**

01-24-22 to 01-30-22

CFS for Person Crime	
Murder / Manslaughter	0
Sexual Assaults - Misconduct	0
Robbery /Car-Jack	0
Assaults	0
Peace Disturbance & Domestic	10
Calls for Mental Health	2

CFS for Property Crime	
Arson/Bombing/Burning	0
Burglary - Residential	0
Burglary - Business	0
Destruction of Property	2
Frauds & ID Theft	3
Larceny - Shoplifting	0
Larceny - From Vehicle	3
Larceny - All Others	7
Stolen Vehicles	3
Trespassing	2

Weapons Related	
Utilized/Taken	0
Recovered	0

Auto Accidents	10
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Foot Patrols	
Building & Business Check	16
Parks & Schools	8
Misc	3

Notable CFS	
Alarm Calls	9
Animal Related	0
Assist Fire Department	16
Check Welfare/Notification	5
Contact Another Agency	4
Motor Assist	5
Police Community Relations	1
Radar / LPR Hits/ Flock	0
Solicitors	1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	13
Traffic Control/Details	7
Traffic Stops	39
Vacation Checks/Close Watch	3
Fireworks	0
ARREST	
Prisoner Conveyance	2
Adults	2
Juvenile	0
ARREST TYPE	
FTA/Fugitive	1
Original Non-Traffic	2
Original Traffic	

Miscellaneous CFS	
	25
Minus Arrest/Types	-5
Total Calls For Service	199

MISSION STATEMENT

The Missouri Senior Cameo Club is a non profit organization sponsoring an annual pageant for senior women which fosters their talent development, charitable giving, community service, and personal growth.



Virginia Leitner Celebrates 107 Years



Virginia Leitner at age 30

If you ask Virginia Leitner what's her secret to longevity, she will say, "Don't tell me to be good, because I want to dance and have fun!" Virginia, born on February 2, 1915, has had plenty to dance about. Although she didn't learn to drive until she was 55 years old, she has more than made up for those miles.

With only an eighth-grade education, she is curious and extremely book smart, and she doesn't hesitate to take a class if she wants to learn something new - like computers and iPhone usage. An accomplished painter, she's proficient at ceramics and china painting as well as watercolors and oils - which she prefers.

"You have to focus on the positives," Virginia says. "I try to encourage others by looking at the bright side of life." Her smile is infectious, and although she's a bit hard of hearing, she doesn't miss much when it comes to current events or



appreciating the changes she has

witnessed in her long and epic life. Even a recent bout with Covid didn't get her down.



Not afraid of trying new things, Virginia entered the Ms. Missouri Senior America pageant in 2017, and the judges and audience marveled at her amazing artwork.



For those who don't know Virginia, she is one of the most interesting people on the planet - And to her friends in the Missouri Senior Cameo Club, she's an inspiration.

EVERYTHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN

In 1990, ten Ms. Missouri Senior contestants from the 1989 pageant became members of a group they called "Cameo Club." The Ms. Senior America organization had a National Cameo Club made up of past contestants, and Missouri had to hold Ms. Missouri Senior pageants for five years in order to qualify to use the Cameo Club name.

was published in 2010 with editors Sue Lauber-Fleming and Sharon Houston. In 2013, the newsletter was renamed the Missouri Cameo Clips.

By 1992 the Missouri Cameo Club was officially established with 36 members. Each time there was a pageant, the contestants were inducted into the Cameo Club. Through showcases and fundraisers, Cameo Club members raised funds and donated a percentage back to the community.

In 2014, the national Ms. Senior America organization disapproved of giving collected proceeds from Metro St. Louis showcases to Missouri charities using the "Cameo Club" name. Rather than risk legal action from the Ms. Senior America organization, the Missouri members changed the name to the Missouri Pageant Alumnae Club (MPAC).

By 2006, the Cameo Club was becoming well organized and envied by other state pageant organizers. The first Cameo Talk Newsletter

Under new guidelines from Ms. Senior America LLC, we have recently been advised that the Cameo Club name can once again be used, and that all proceeds raised by Showcases can be kept in Missouri. So, it is with great excitement that we rename our organization the Missouri Senior Cameo Club.



If you know of a senior center, senior community, corporation or organization looking for the variety of a high-energy one-hour performance showcase, contact Suzanne Pratl, 636-532-0108 or email suzanneprat@att.net.



Brentwood Police Department

Calls for Service Report

***Note: CFS Do Not Always Become Written Police Reports**

JANUARY 2022

CFS for Person Crime	
Murder / Manslaughter	0
Sexual Assaults	0
Robbery /Car-Jack	0
Assaults	1
Peace Disturbance & Domestic	55
Calls for Mental Health	7

CFS for Property Crime	
Arson/Bombing/Burning	0
Burglary - Residential	0
Burglary - Business	0
Destruction of Property	5
Frauds & ID Theft	7
Larceny - Shoplifting	3
Larceny - From Vehicle	10
Larceny - All Others	23
Stolen Vehicles	7
Trespassing	11

Weapons Related	
Utilized/Taken	3
Recovered	2

Auto Accidents	44
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Foot Patrols	
Building & Business Check	164
Parks & Schools	35
Misc	22

Notable CFS	
Alarm Calls	33
Animal Related	1
Assist Fire Department	77
Check Welfare/Notification	24
Contact Another Agency	42
Motor Assist	9
Police Community Relations	3
Radar / LPR Hits	4
Solicitors	4
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	51
Traffic Control/Details	29
Traffic Stops	109
Vacation Checks/Close Watch	30
Fireworks	0
ARREST	
Prisoner Conveyance	7
Adults	20
Juvenile	0
ARREST TYPE	
FTA/Fugitive	8
Original Non-Traffic	13
Original Traffic	

Miscellaneous CFS	
	91
Minus Arrest/Types	-41
Total Calls For Service	913

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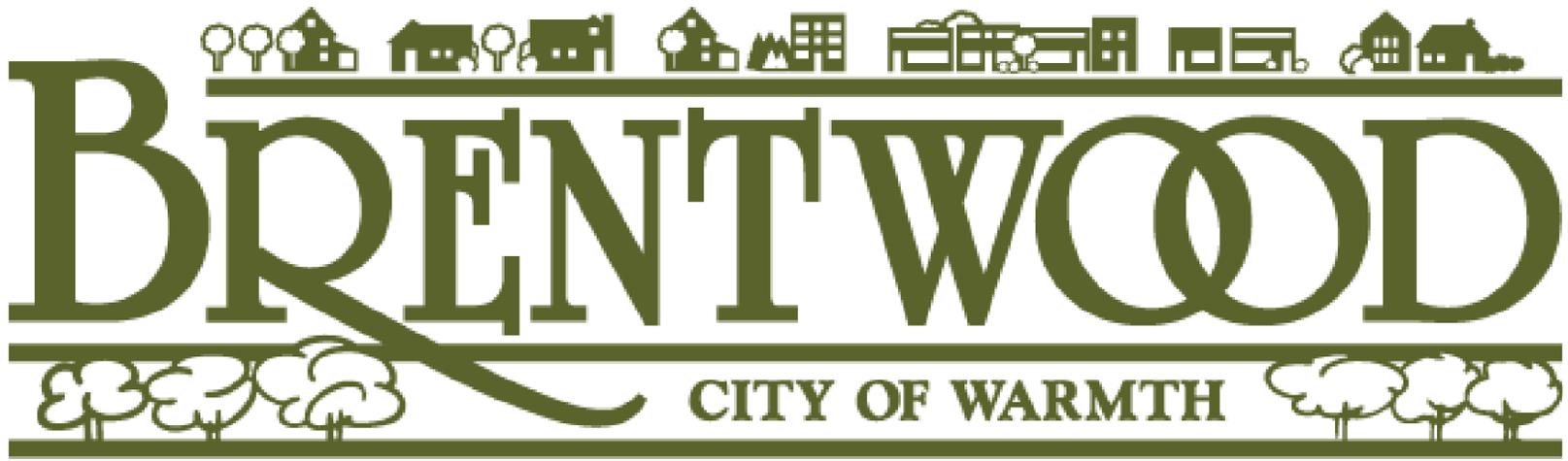


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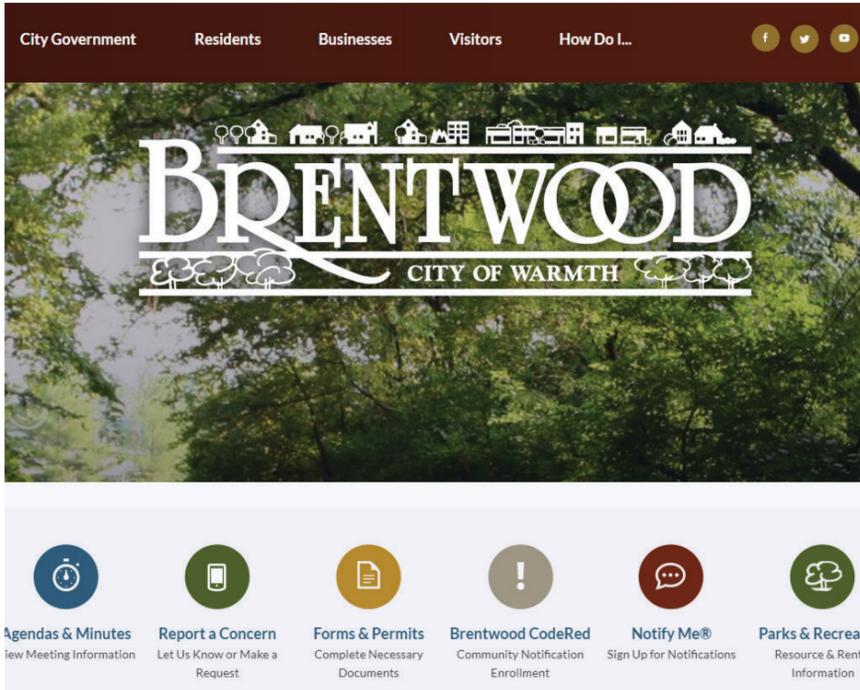


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Brentwood Bound Website: BrentwoodBound.org



Brentwood Bound Construction Progress

The transformative projects of the Brentwood Bound Plan are taking shape in our community. Construction on the Deer Creek Flood Mitigation project and the Deer Creek Greenway Connector is on track to continue through December 2022.

In Summer 2021, members of the Brentwood Bound Community Engagement Task Force met to discuss the area formerly known as Farm West Park. The Task Force proposed a new name of Brentwood Park, to link the park's name to its location and to enhance residents' pride for their city. The new Brentwood Park will be the jewel of the Brentwood Parks system and a premier park in the metro area. The Board of Aldermen approved this name as well as the renaming of the current Brentwood Park (on Russell Avenue) to Brentwood Sports Complex. Construction of an event/laundromat station building in the new Brentwood Park is well underway. Find updates at BrentwoodBound.org.

Brentwood Bound Timeline

- Deer Creek Flood Mitigation Construction Phase 1 8/2020-12/2022
- Between the F&W Brentwood Park (formerly Farm West Park) and Breckenridge Industrial Court.
- Deer Creek Flood Mitigation Construction Phase 2 7/2021-12/2022
- From Breckenridge Industrial Court to confluence of Black Creek and Deer Creek.
- Stippled Area Road Improvements Construction 8/2021-12/2023
- Deer Creek Greenway Connector Construction in the F&W Brentwood Park 9/2021-12/2022
- Deer Creek Greenway Connector Construction from Brentwood Boulevard to Russell Avenue 6/2022-12/2022

>> More details: BrentwoodBound.org > Timeline

Brentwood Bulletin, the City's quarterly newsletter, is mailed to residents' homes in January, April, July and October. An electronic version of the newsletter is available on the City website.

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4 | City Services

CITY SERVICES

CodeRED/OnSolve Emergency Notification
Sign up to receive notifications of impending emergencies, weather alerts, or critical community alerts via phone, email or text. Click the CodeRED button on the home page of brentwoodmo.org or call 314.962.4800 to sign up. Download the CodeRED Mobile Alert by OnSolve LLC mobile app for real-time, location-specific alerts.

Knox HomeBox Loan Program
The Brentwood Fire Department offers a 90-day Knox HomeBox loan program for residents who have a temporary special need or physical disability preventing them from opening their front door to Brentwood fire and medical personnel in event of an emergency. Call 314.963.8612.

MAGIC Bus
This free service is designed to transport Brentwood residents age 60 and older or adults with disabilities to destinations within Brentwood and surrounding communities. To learn more, call 314.963.8685.

Medication Disposal
Deposit acceptable items directly into the medication disposal drop box located inside the Brentwood Police Department lobby, 8 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday.

Notary
Please call 314.962.4800 to make an arrangement for Notary of the Public services at Brentwood City Hall.

Business License Renewal
All businesses operating in Brentwood are required to obtain an annual business license. Business license renewal and fees are due online by February 15, 2022. Late fees will accrue after this date. Questions? Contact Planning & Development, 314.963.8602.

BRENTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY
The library is back to normal hours, minus Sundays. Face masks/coverings are required inside the library. Grab 'n Go Crafts for Adults/Teens and Children are available the first of every month. These kits go super fast! Brentwood Book Club meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Brentwood Recreation Complex. Visit the library website at brentwoodlibrarymo.org.

Report a Concern, Make a Request
Make requests (such as vacation check or household item pick-up) or submit concerns through the MyGov request tracking system via the home page of brentwoodmo.org. Click on the "Report a Concern" button, choose a category and submit your request. You'll receive feedback when the request is received and also will receive updates as the request is investigated by City staff.

Stay Informed on Nextdoor.com
City staff members regularly share information on Nextdoor. Staff can see your replies to our posts but are not able to see what you and your neighbors are posting. If you have concerns or comments for City staff to address, please respond to City posts or send a private message, call 314.962.4800, or submit the information via "Report a Concern" on the City's website, brentwoodmo.org.

CodeRED Notification System: Weather Warning Alert Option
In Fall 2020, Brentwood updated its CodeRED Community Notification System to include CodeRED Weather Warning. In order to provide residents and businesses with automated severe weather alerts. Those who choose to opt in to this service will receive flash flood, tornado and severe thunderstorm warnings just moments after an alert has been issued by the National Weather Service. Residents and businesses who have already signed up for Brentwood CodeRED notifications and wish to activate the Weather Warning Alert options will need to register for CodeRED again. To activate these severe weather warnings, click on the "Brentwood CodeRED" icon on the home page of brentwoodmo.org or text WARNME to 99411 from your mobile phone. There is no charge to residents or businesses for this service. Residents and businesses who have not previously signed up for CodeRED notifications may do so at any time by clicking on the "Brentwood CodeRED" icon on the home page of brentwoodmo.org. We will continue to send other public safety notifications, such as road closures or specific emergency situations, through the CodeRED system. The City of Brentwood CodeRED Assistance Line is 314.963.6710. Please leave your name and phone number, and a staff member will return your call as soon as possible.

Report a Concern

Make requests or submit concerns through the "Report a Concern" button on the home page of www.brentwoodmo.org.

City of Brentwood News – February 2022

Electronics Recycling Event: Saturday, Feb. 19

Drop off your old, unwanted electronics at our next electronics recycling event: Saturday, Feb. 19

8am – Noon

Brentwood Recreation Complex Parking Lot

To learn more about what can be recycled and see the list of fees for some items, visit: <https://mrcrecycling.net/electronics-recycling-events/brentwood-m0-2022-02-19>

City Offices Closed February 21 for Presidents' Day; Trash/Recycling Schedule Adjusted

City of Brentwood offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 17, in observance of Martin Luther King Junior Day.

Per the Holiday Trash Schedule, there will be no trash or recycling service on Monday, Feb. 21. Trash and recycling collections the week of February 21 will take place the day after the regularly scheduled day.

Yard waste collection will take place on Thursday, Jan. 20.

Coffee with the Mayor: Thursday, Feb. 24

Join Mayor Dimmitt for coffee, donuts and conversation on Thursday, Jan. 27, 9-10 am, at Brentwood City Hall. The public entrance is the entrance facing Brentwood Boulevard.

Open House & Ribbon Cutting at Jost Builders: Thursday, Feb. 24

Let's welcome a new business to Brentwood! Join us for a ribbon cutting and open house on Thursday, Feb. 24, 10:30 am, at Jost Builders, 2721 Collier Avenue.

NEW DATE for Residential Paper Shredding: Saturday, Feb. 26

Residential Paper Shredding Saturday, Feb. 26

9am – Noon

Brentwood Recreation Complex – Side Parking Lot

Dispose of residential personal/confidential paperwork, which will be shredded by Secure Document Destruction.

Maximum 5 boxes of documents per household. If you have a larger quantity of items to be shredded or if you are a business, please make arrangements for your shredding directly with Secure Document Destruction.

Questions about what to shred? Call 314.795.0004.

Responsible Recycling: Stick with the Six

Know what to put in the recycling bin and what to leave out of the recycling bin.

DO Add to the Recycling Bin:

- Paper
- Flattened Cardboard
- Plastic Bottles and Containers
- Glass Bottles and Jars
- Metal Food and Beverage Cans
- Food and Beverage Cartons

Keep these items loose (not bagged), clean and dry. Place these in your recycling container; do NOT place recyclable items in a trash bag or plastic bag.

RECYCLING TIPS

- Labels may remain on cans and bottles.
- Glass is usually broken during collection or transit, so the lids may be on or off the bottles.
- Metal lids may remain with metal cans or be separated, since magnets collect the steel products.
- Recycling centers prefer that you leave the plastic cap on a plastic bottle so that the caps do not fall out of the conveyor system.
- Take long fluorescent bulbs to Lowe's, Home Depot or Metro Lighting for responsible recycling

Medication Disposal

Deposit acceptable items directly into the medication disposal drop box located inside the Police Department lobby. Medication drop-off hours are 8 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday.

Brentwood Police Department Lobby 272 Hanley Industrial

Monday-Friday, 8 am-4 pm

Donate New and Gently Used Furniture and Household Good

Home Sweet Home

290 Hanley Industrial Court Monday-Friday, 9 am-2 pm

Find out where to recycle or donate other hard-to-recycle items at stlcityrecycles.com/ database.

Learn more by visiting the Recycling and Sustainability Resources page on the City of Brentwood website: <http://brentwoodmo.org/2229/Recycling-and-Sustainability-Resources>

Sign Up for Weather Warning Alerts Through the CodeRED/OnSolve Community Notification System

Brentwood's CodeRED/OnSolve Community Notification System includes CodeRED Weather Warning, to provide residents and businesses with automated severe weather alerts. Those who choose to opt in to this service will receive flash flood, tornado and severe thunderstorm warnings just moments after an alert has been issued by the National Weather Service.

To activate the Weather Warning Alert options, you'll need to register for CodeRED again.

To activate these severe weather warnings, please visit Brentwood's CodeRED enrollment page by clicking on the "Brentwood CodeRED" icon on the home page of www.brentwoodmo.org. You also can text WARNME to 99411 from your mobile phone.

Enter a cell phone number, landline number and/or email address and select the types of weather warnings you wish to receive. There is no charge to residents or businesses for this service.

If you have not previously signed up for CodeRED notifications, you may do so at any time by clicking on the "Brentwood CodeRED" icon on the home page of www.brentwoodmo.org.

We'll continue to send other public safety notifications, such as road closures or specific emergency situations, through the CodeRED system.

The City of Brentwood CodeRED Assistance Line is 314.963.6710. Please leave your name and phone number, and a staff member will return your call as soon as possible.

Report a Concern

Make requests (such as scheduling a household bulk item pickup or a vacation check) or submit concerns (such as a missed trash pickup or a possible code violation) through the MyGov request tracking system via the home page of brentwoodmo.org.

Click on the "Report a Concern" icon, choose a category and subcategory, complete the additional information and submit your request.

If you include your contact information, you'll receive feedback when the request is received and updates as the request is investigated by City of Brentwood staff.

Board of Aldermen and Committee Meetings Available on YouTube

Watch Board of Aldermen and committee meetings on YouTube and subscribe to the City's YouTube channel. Click on the YouTube icon on the home page of www.brentwoodmo.org or search "brentwoodmo govtv" on YouTube.

Stay Informed on Nextdoor.com

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MARCH

- 3 Ways & Means Committee, 5:30 pm
- 7 Board of Aldermen, 7 pm
- 8 Ward 1 Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 9 Planning & Zoning Commission, 7 pm
- 10 Public Works Committee, 6 pm
- 13 Daylight Saving Time Begins – Spring forward one hour
- 14 Municipal Court, 5 pm
- 15 Redevelopment Corporation, 6 pm
- 16 Architectural Review Board, 7 pm
- 21 Board of Aldermen, 7 pm
- 23 Public Safety Committee, 5:30 pm
- 24 Board of Adjustment, 7 pm
- 28 Municipal Court, 5 pm
- 28 Sustainability Commission, 6 pm
- 29 Ward 3 Meeting, 7 pm
- 30 Site Plan Review Subcommittee, 6 pm
- 31 Coffee with the Mayor, 9 am





RESTAURANT REVIEWS

By Kevin McCarthy

As Seen On TV!



I went to the internet to find something “romantic” for valentines Day. My first choice was Bailey’s chocolate Bar. Unfortunately they are closed for repairs due to a broken water pipe. I was so looking forward to a few chocolate martinis.

Yelp suggested Sauce on the Side as a romantic restaurant with an almost 5-star rating across the board, so We decided to give it a try. Let’s face it the “eat more calzones” tag line to their commercials got me.

We found a local Sauce on the Side near us in the Streets of St Charles area, think the old Noah’s Ark as you cross the Blanchette Bridge. This is the site of a short lived pizza joint that lacked service and atmosphere. It hasn’t changed much. Sauce on the side still has the concrete floor, metal chairs and order at the counter service of the previous tenant. Romantic it s NOT!

Sauce on the side offers a number of Bite Side appetizers. These are baked cheese balls with pepperoni and basil, Jala-peno Cheddar,



Buffalo Chicken, and Spinach Artichoke. They are all price at \$7.00 and served with various dipping sauces. We choose the Spinach Artichoke that came with a queso pesto sauce. Five pieces was more than enough for both of us. Unfortunately, the were barley warm when they came to the table. They were not hot enough to soften the Parmesan cheese sprinkled on top. I asked the young lady that brought them to table if the were supposed to be served hot, rather than luke warm and she said they have a problem with the bottoms being burnt if cooked too long. I think they are pre-made and simply warmed up in an oven. They were a tasty way to start our lunch.

There are seventeen different calzones with every type of filling imaginable, so there is something for everyone’s taste. Priced at \$10.75



they turned out to be a very good deal. Sue had the Cock-A-Doodle Noodle. This was featured on the Travel Channel’s Food Paradise! It is Mac ‘n Cheese / Roasted Chicken / Pan-



cetta / Provel Cheese / Mozzarella / Green Onion / Garlic Oil and Buffalo Butter. The Buffalo Butter tasted as if it had been thickened with flour. I ordered the Magic Carpet Ride. A calzone filled with Button Mushrooms / Crimini, Portabella and Shiitake Mushroom Mix / Minced Garlic / Parmesan / Mozzarella / Ricotta /Garlic Honey Oil and Garlic Butter which again tasted as if it were thickened with flour. The portion sizes are more than enough for two people to share. We could only eat half of each one, so we took home another meal for free. The crust was perfectly baked, but the interior stuffing could have been much warmer. They were excellent, but again, I got the feeling they were pre-made and warmed over.

My only real complaint was the dishes they were served on. The lip on two sides of each dish turns down, so when I placed my knife on the side of the plate, it always feel off on the table, or floor. Also, the bottom of the plate is rounded, rather than flat making it very difficult to cut anything with your knife and fork as the plate moves all over the table. I guess I should have three hands, tow for the knife and fork, and one to hold the plate in place.

We saw some of their salads at nearby tables and they looked very nice and also larger than average servings

Desserts are also calzones such as Caramel Apple Pie, Nutella and Banana, and S’mores. We ordered the Caramel Apple Pie and it was huge. We only ate half of it and again, took the other half home. Unfortunately, they did not offer ice cream on the side, but it was still delicious.

Soft drinks, tea, and coffee are the only beverages available. There is no beer nor wine, both of which would be a great accompaniment to the menu of calzones.

My faith in Yelp stands at mediocre. Sauce on the Side is not a “romantic” restaurant, nor does it rate a 4.5 out of 5 rating. It is a 3 out of five fast food venue with reasonable pricing. We will go back. They have seven locations throughout the St. Louis area, so they are is close to everyone. And as they say on TV “Eat More Calzones”.



PATIOS WITH HEATERS

Cold temperatures are upon us and cabin fever has kicked in hard this year.

Some of St. Louis’ best bar and restaurant patios have acclimated to these crazy times, so if you feel like grabbing a cocktail in a socially-distanced outdoor space, consider the options below.

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PW Pizza & Vin de Set
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St. Louis, MO 63108
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St. Louis, MO 63118
- Big Daddy’s in Soulard
1000 Sidney St.
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- Broadway Oyster Bar
736 S. Broadway
St. Louis, MO 63102
- Cinder House
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St. Louis, MO 63102
- The Dark Room
3610 Grandel Square
St. Louis, MO 63103
- 4 Hands Brewing Company
1220 S. 8th Street
St. Louis, MO 63104
- Friendly’s Sports Bar & Grill
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- Handlebar
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St. Louis, MO 63110
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- Henry’s
825 Allen Ave.
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- ITAP Soulard
1711 S. 9th St.
St. Louis, MO 63104
- John D. McGurk’s
Irish Pub and Garden
1200 Russell Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63104
- Little Fox
2800 Shenandoah Ave
St. Louis, MO 63104
- Molly’s in Soulard
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St. Louis, MO 63108
- Off Broadway
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St. Louis, MO 63118
- Planter’s House
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St. Louis, MO 63104
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St. Louis, MO 63108
- Rockwell Beer Co.
1320 S. Vandeventer
St. Louis, MO 63110
- Salt + Smoke
392 N Euclid Ave
St. Louis, MO 63108
- Sanctuarium
4198 Manchester Ave
St. Louis, MO 63110
- Sasha’s on Demun
706 Demun Ave
Clayton, MO 63105
- Sasha’s on Shaw
4069 Shaw Blvd
St. Louis, MO 63110
- Scarlett’s Wine Bar
4253 Laclede Ave
St. Louis, MO 63108
- Schlafly Bottleworks
7260 Southwest Ave
St. Louis, MO 63143
- Seven Gables Inn
26 N. Meramac Ave
Clayton, MO 63105
- SqWires Restaurant
and Annex
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St. Louis, MO 63104
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St. Louis, MO 63118
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Should You Get a Veteran ID Card?



The VA is offering a free Military ID Card as a way to give all honorably discharged veterans proof of service regardless of era or time in service as ordered by Congress.

A valid ID card is proof of service that may be required to receive special benefits from private firms as a “Thank you for your service”. Perks like free meals, parking spots and discounts at many retailers. Accept a bit of gratitude when it’s offered as it’s nice getting respect for your service to your country. It’s easy to apply, log on to VETS.GOV and create an account. Then scan and upload your DD-214 form and your photograph. It’s that easy and you’ve earned it.



LUZCO Technologies, LLC Moves Its Headquarters to Maplewood, Missouri

LUZCO Technologies, LLC announced the opening of its new headquarters on January 3, 2022. The relocation to the Maplewood building is a response to the company's rapid growth and need for additional space. Upon designing the new 17,000-square-foot office space, LUZCO incorporated numerous environmentally sustainable and energy-efficient features.

"We want our new office to not only be a place where we can host our business partners and showcase our capabilities, but also where we can promote environmental sustainability, energy efficiency and carbon footprint consciousness," says Lusnail Haberberger, the founder and president of LUZCO Technologies, LLC. "Most of all, we want our headquarters to be where we can bring our children and, with pride, show them the impact we are making in our society."

The new LUZCO building uses T5 lamps, LED sources, low-power factor electronic ballasts, and low-mercury sources to achieve a 25% reduction in lighting energy. The primary lighting fixtures integrate holographic lenses and high-efficiency reflectors. The 10% up-light gives the perception of a lighted ceiling, while directing 90% of the light to the working plane. In addition, motion sensors were installed throughout the office to reduce lighting energy when spaces are unoccupied.

LUZCO's HVAC system has been zoned by orientation and differentiating interior – versus perimeter zones – to provide comfort and reduce energy consumption. Furthermore, the building's white roof reflects solar energy, thus reducing the energy required to cool ventilation air. This roof will reduce office cooling loads in the summer by 30%.

Additionally, the Maplewood location utilizes low-flow faucets, urinals and water closets to achieve a 42% reduction in water usage, in comparison to an office space of the same size that is not equipped with water-saving devices. Low-flow devices with automatic operating features provide enhanced savings with reduced maintenance.

Every LUZCO equipment and appliance is Energy Star rated. This includes the data network, laptops, monitors, docking stations, displays, copy machine, plotter, refrigerators, microwaves, dishwasher, water fountain and ice maker.

LUZCO maintained over 90% of the existing office space. This includes twelve offices, the cubicle area, the copy/plotter room, the large conference room, the IT room, the mothers' room, and the community room. Only the kitchen area was reconfigured and completely remodeled. The entire raised floor system was reutilized, as was 100% of the power wiring underneath.

Recycled materials were used in the construction of the new office. The carpet installed was manufactured in a carbon-neutral facility, using 40% recycled materials. The ceiling tiles are made of 39% recycled materials, and the door frames are made from 64% recycled materials. Other recycled materials applied include countertops, cabinets and laminate flooring. Moreover, LUZCO's Maplewood space is furnished with 98% used, reclaimed and repurposed furniture.

To regard employee safety, cleaning chemicals used in the office are stored in the janitor's closet, which is directly exhausted to the outdoors. A walk-off mat is located at the main entrance to reduce the amount of contaminants tracked into the office interior.

Lastly, the new LUZCO location is situated within close proximity to the Maplewood MetroLink station and the Deer Creek Greenway. For this reason, both interior and exterior bicycle storage racks were installed. Within a ½ mile of the office, there are numerous businesses, parks and public facilities that support sustainable lifestyles.

About LUZCO Technologies, LLC

LUZCO Technologies, LLC was launched in 2017 with just two employees. Today, the company employs a team of 54 and specializes in Environmental Engineering services in addition to Transmission and Distribution Line services, Value Engineering/Project Management services and Substation Engineering services.

LUZCO continues to seek additional staff from a variety of professional backgrounds to help meet increasing project demands. The company values diversity, a work-life balance and internal growth. To learn more about LUZCO Technologies, LLC, please go to: www.luzcotechllc.com

WGU Missouri Announces New "I Have a Dream" Scholarships in Honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In celebration of the life and legacy of late civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., WGU Missouri has launched a new scholarship for those who have always dreamed of completing their college degrees and advancing their careers but faced challenges along the way that prevented them from moving forward. The fully online, nonprofit university will award \$75,000 in scholarships to new and returning students to provide support and help encourage them to fulfill their educational goals.

The "I Have a Dream" scholarships are open to new and returning students enrolling in any of WGU's 60-plus undergraduate and graduate degree programs in information technology, business, teacher education and health professions, including nursing. Each scholarship is valued at up to \$4,000 and will be credited to students' accounts at a rate of \$1,000 per six-month term, renewable for up to four terms. Applications are being accepted now through June 30 at missouri.wgu.edu/dream.

"Nearly 60 years ago, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., laid out his vision for a future where people of all races and backgrounds were afforded the same rights, opportunities and privileges," said Dr. Angie Besendorfer, Chancellor of WGU Missouri. "His activism opened minds and inspired people to strive for a more equitable society, and his words and actions continue to challenge us today. In that spirit, we are proud to offer this scholarship in his honor in hopes that those who have consistently faced challenges that prevented them from moving forward with their education plans can be inspired to go back to school and complete their degrees."

The "I Have a Dream" scholarships are competitive and will be awarded based on the students' academic record, previous college experience, readiness for online study, current competency, as well as other considerations.

For more information about WGU Missouri and the "I Have a Dream" scholarship, visit missouri.wgu.edu.

About WGU Missouri

WGU Missouri is a competency-based, online university created to expand access to higher education for Missouri residents. The university offers more than 60 undergraduate and graduate degree programs in the fields of business, K-12 teacher education, information technology, and health professions, including nursing. WGU Missouri faculty members provide one-on-one guidance, support, and instruction.

Established through a partnership with nationally recognized Western Governors University, WGU Missouri is open to all qualified Missouri residents. The university is nonprofit and self-sustaining on flat-rate tuition of about \$7,600 per year for most programs.

The Big One is Back! Home & Garden Show, Missouri's Largest Home Product Market Place, Returns March 3-6

The 44th Annual Builders St. Louis Home & Garden Show, presented by LP® Smart-Side®, returns to America's Center Thursday, March 3 through Sunday, March 6. One of the largest quality consumer home shows in North America, the Home & Garden Show gives area consumers a chance to see, learn about and buy the latest home products and services under one roof. The Show is produced by the Home Builders Association of St. Louis and Eastern Missouri.

Spending more time at home recently has prompted many people to reevaluate their homes. From design to functionality, many homeowners have found areas of their homes that would benefit from some updating. The Home & Garden Show is a great source for home products, services and local experts to help with those updates to create homes that fit the needs of today's families and give them their best home life.

Show visitors are encouraged to bring photos of their homes as well as examples of items on their wish list to create ideal spaces in their homes. No question is too small and with hundreds of local home improvement pros in attendance, the answers are easy to find! Show attendees will save time by visiting a variety of companies in one convenient location and find what they need to get started on their home improvement journey!

Stroll through the Feature Landscapes to see amazing outdoor living spaces with the newest design ideas and materials. The Lawn & Garden Marketplace has dozens of companies who can create the yard and patio you want, from quaint to elaborate. Discover the latest Belgard hardscape products – there are so many styles and colors to choose from – and register to win one of two Smoke-less Belgard fire pits!

Visit the Lifestyle Stage for seminars by The Renegade Gardener, with expert tips and techniques on how to become a better gardener and create beautiful yards and gardens. Topics include The Top 10 Gardening Blunders – and How to Avoid Them; Landscape Design for Homeowners; and Gardening for Birds, Bees and Butterflies.

For those looking for a new home, the New Construction Zone, sponsored by the Mid-America Carpenters Regional Council, is the place to go, whether they are looking to build or buy. There will be builders for large, small and custom homes, from the mid-100s to 2 million or more, and information about subdivisions from all over the St. Louis metro area. Plus, visitors will have the chance to register to win \$2,500 toward closing costs on a new home (restrictions apply).

The Home & Garden Show is always a fun, family day out, with so much to see and do. Kids of all ages will love Twiggy the Water Skiing Squirrel! This fun, interactive performance with Twiggy and his friends has been entertaining audiences at events across the U.S. and Canada for more than 40 years. Creature Feature Reptiles & Exotics, presented by Show Me Snakes, is a safe, hands-on display and presentation of colorful, exotic live animals and artifacts. Discover animals you've never encountered before and learn about the importance of these magnificent creatures at a unique encounter for both reptile lovers and those who are just plain curious.

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TRAVEL

By Sue McCarthy

WESTERN GEORGIA ROAD TRIP

By Sue McCarthy

I usually have several international trips to report on, but with the COVID and eastern Europe conflicts I will be writing about destinations domestically we have traveled to.

I have always wanted to follow the Cherokee Trail and have been on parts of it in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and Oklahoma. This trip started out in northwestern Georgia.

NEW ECHOTA

This is one of the most significant Cherokee Indian sites and also where the tragedy of the "Trail of Tears" began. It was the capital of the Cherokee nation in 1825. It was the site of the first Indian language newspaper office. The signing of a treaty which relinquished Cherokee claims to land east of the Mississippi River and assembly of Indians for removal west on the infamous "Trail of Tears."

Visitors can visit 12 original and reconstructed buildings, including the Council House, Court House, Print Shop, Missionary Samuel Worcester's home and an 1805 store. There are also outbuildings such as smoke houses, corn cribs and barns. There is a visitor's center where you can buy souvenirs, books, music and view interpretive exhibits and a 17-minute film.

Chief James Vann in the 1790s was a Cherokee Indian leader and a wealthy businessman. He had the most prosperous plantation which covered 1,000 acres. In 1804 he constructed a 2 1/2 story brick home that was the most elegant in the Cherokee Nation.

Chief Vann was murdered in 1809 and his son Joseph inherited the mansion and plantation. Joseph was a leader too and he became more wealthy than his father. In the 1830s almost the entire Cherokee Nation was forced to move west by the state and federal troops on the infamous "Trail of Tears." The family rebuilt in Oklahoma Territory and today the Vann home is Georgia's best-preserved historic Cherokee Indian home. A guided-tour will show you the handcarvings, a "floating staircase", a 12-foot mantle and fine antiques.

A nearby visit to the Etowah Indian Mounds in Cartersville, GA proved to be another interesting stop at 813 Indian Mounds Rd.

Mound A – is a temple mound about 65 ft. high. Construction began in the early years of Etowah's occupation about A.D. 1000 and rose to prominence and reaching its peak in A.D. 1325. A staircase was added measuring 22 feet wide. Mound A has not been completely excavated. A broad ramp projects from the eastern side and a smaller terrace is attached to the southern side.

There are many places to visit along the route (Highway 27 or Martha Berry Highway) that runs along the western border of Georgia, next to Alabama, all the way from TN to FL. It is a nice uncrowded route for people traveling through Georgia for those wanting to miss the Atlanta traffic and take the backroads.



Cherokee Chief Vann's Plantation



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