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Brentwood Centennial Honors 75 Year Residents



As part of its ongoing celebration of its centennial, the City of Brentwood recently honored five residents who have lived in Brentwood for at least 75 years. The Brentwood Century Foundation, the official centennial organization for the city, has designated February as "Recognition Month" and honored the long-time Brentwood citizens at the Board of Aldermen meeting on Tuesday, February 19th.

Dan Fitzgerald, president of the Century Foundation and the Brentwood Historical Society, honored each recipient with remarks and gave them each a beautiful glass award. He started the ceremony by recalling what Brentwood was like 75 years ago, including recognizing some of the early businesses and the number of residential homes at that time along the current business corridors of Brentwood Boulevard and Manchester Avenue.

Those honored included: Laren Langguth, who has lived in the city for 75 years including 50 years with his wife, Joyce, across the street from the famous Brentwood lake; Regina Gahr, a 75 year resident who lived in Audubon Park (now Brentwood Forest) and various single family homes and helped found the Brentwood Historical Society; Judie Litts, who has lived in Brentwood for 78 years at several locations and for 57 years at her current home; Rosemarie Kornfeld, a 75 year resident who moved back to Brentwood so that her children could attend her alma mater, Brentwood High School. The winner in longevity was Wilma Nowell who has lived in Brentwood for 83 years and graduated from the high school in 1946.

The mayor, members of the board, and the many friends and family in attendance stood to honor these long-time residents of Brentwood, "the city with warmth". They all look forward to more Centennial events throughout the year. For more information, go to the website for the Brentwood Century Foundation at Brentwood 100.org.

For more information, contact Ed Wright at wrikink@aol.com or 314-780-6421.

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Deadline for next Pulse issue is April 1

"It Was Like Coming Home" for African-American Brentwoodians



It was indeed like a big family reunion at the Brentwood Rec Center on Sunday, February 24th, as Brentwood recognized and celebrated the residents of the Howard-Evans Place neighborhood. This was another Brentwood Centennial event sponsored by the Brentwood Century Foundation as part of a year-long celebration.

More than 80 people turned out for the gathering and more than half of them were former residents of the African-American neighborhood that is now home to the commercial area known as the Brentwood Promenade. There were plenty of hugs and laughs and tears to go around as many hadn't seen each other in almost 20 years, while others have remained close and in contact.

Foundation Vice-President Ed Wright, Jr. introduced the program as part of celebrating Brentwood's Black History and helping current younger residents learn more about the city's past. After first saluting long-time Brentwood historian, Barbara Gill, who had recently passed away, Wright related his own experience as a former alderman representing the area.

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West Community Credit Union Opens New Branch

West Community Credit Union is excited to announce their new facility is open for business. The new branch, in the heart of Brentwood, replaced their existing location that was home to the credit union for 43 years. The new space offers the latest in banking technology, an innovative design, easier access, and tenant space for two additional Brentwood businesses.

"We thank the Brentwood community and our credit union members for their patience during construction," states Jason Peach, President/CEO. "We are excited to be near completion and feel confident we have built a branch that can support our growing membership and the residents of Brentwood."

Demolition of the old building is expected to begin mid-March with the final stages of construction completed late April. Watch for details of a grand opening celebration this spring!

For more information on West Community Credit Union, visit www.westcommunitycu.org.

About West Community Credit Union

West Community Credit Union is a full-service, notfor-profit financial cooperative serving more than 25,000

members and businesses in 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.



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HIGHWAY

Name: HIGHWAY Age: 2 years and 2 months old Color: Tricolor Sex: Spayed Female Weight: 50.80 lbs First Day at APAMO: Jan 10, 2019

I am currently available for adoption.

Shelter Staff made the following comments about this animal:

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Brentwood Area Parkinson Support Group

2019 brings a newly formed Parkinson's Support Group to the Brentwood community. Monthly meetings are held at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church (9321 Litzsinger Road) on the first Thursday of the month at 2:00P. Each meeting offers an informative program relating to some aspect of Parkinson's disease with tips on how to deal with that particular piece of the disease process as well as a time for group sharing. Meetings last from 60 to 90 minutes depending on the topic and the level of group interest. Gayle Truesdell is the leader/facilitator and brings 13 years of experience working with people with Parkinson's to the group.

This group is acknowledged and accepted by the Greater St. Louis Chapter of the American Parkinson Disease Association.

All those with Parkinson's disease or a derivative Parkinsonism along with family members, friends, or care-givers are encouraged to attend.

Any questions may be directed to Gayle Truesdell at 636-579-0769 or gayletruesdell@gmail.com

West Community Credit Union Scholarships Available!

West Community Credit Union is accepting applications for their annual scholarship program. There are five \$1,500 scholarships available to graduating high school seniors. Applications are available at www.westcommunitycu.org and are due March 15, 2019. For more information, visit online or stop by a local branch.

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CALLING ALL GARDENERS

Wild Ones-St. Louis will be hosting an event on Wednesday, March 13, at 7 pm at the Brentwood Rec Center. Susie Van de Riet, Owner of St. Louis Native Plants and Horticulturist with Forest Park Forever will speak about Fighting the Bad Bugs with the Good Bugs. Come and find out what plants to add to your landscape and environmentally sound landscaping practices that will encourage the good bugs to take up residence in your garden. The event is free and open to the public. Wild Ones promotes landscaping with native plants. You can check out their website at www.stlwildones.org.



JUPITER, Fla. – Being young has never been a problem for Dylan Carlson, whether it was when he was 10, 14 or now at the age of 20, where he has spent this spring as the youngest player in the Cardinals' clubhouse.

"I don't mind being the youngest guy," Carlson said. "It's really great to be in here at any age."

Ever since he joined the organization in 2016 as the 33rd overall selection in the draft, Carlson has been one of the youngest players in each of the leagues he has played in and has more then held his own against the older competition.

That has not come as a surprise to his father, Jeff Carlson, who also was his baseball coach in high school in Elk Grove, Calif., and knows his son's skills, and his baseball knowledge and maturity, has always been higher than any other players his own age.

"He has grown up in the dugout and was around my program for years," Jeff Carlson said. "He's a baseball rat and soaks everything up. When he was 10 years old, we were playing in Redondo Beach and he was watching from the stands and was telling some of the dads what we were going to do before we did it. He used to sit on the bench when he was the bat boy and he would watch everything; he took everything in."

Carlson began playing for his dad's Elk Grove High School team when he was 14, primarily because even at that young age, the father knew his son was old enough to handle failure, a skill baseball players develop at different ages – if at all.

"If a guy can handle the failure and keep progressing like you should and not go the other way, you can have a real good career," Jeff Carlson said. "If you push too quickly and maybe the player is too immature for that level and can't handle the failure, it's going to eat you up.

"Dylan was always around the game and around mature players when he was really young. That's really helped him. That's what their scout, Zach Mortimer, and the Cardinals recognized in him; they recognized that he needs to be challenged. That's when you get the most out of him – keep pushing him."

The Cardinals have done that this spring, bringing him to camp as a non-roster player despite his age and the fact he spent last season mostly at Class A Palm Beach, the only player in camp other than some of the extra non-roster catchers who has not spend at least one day at Double A or higher.

The switch-hitter has not been out of place, whether it has been on the field, sitting at the table in the middle of the clubhouse eating lunch with former All-Stars, working out in the weight room or hitting in the cages.

"I've been really impressed with Dylan," said manager Mike Shildt. "He looks like he's taking advantage of the experience. He seems to be a mature young man who has gone about things exactly the way you want; head on a swivel, paying attention, listening."

One of the veterans who Carlson has bonded with this spring is Paul Goldschmidt. The two recently had lunch together, with Goldschmidt asking Carlson as many questions as Carlson was asking the All-Star first baseman.

"It's been unreal just being around these guys and being able to learn from their experiences," Carlson said. "I'm trying to take advantage of being around this group of people. It's been a real honor. A lot of stuff has blown me away; there's a lot of great things going on here and I'm just grateful to be here.

"I've learned so much not only the game, but how to handle myself off the field; the type of things that are expected. Just watching the way some of these guys work is eye opening. It's good to see they take a lot of pride in it and it's something I'm going to do better myself to try to make myself the best player I can be."

One of those players Carlson has leaned on for advice is Goldschmidt.

"I'm just trying to learn anything I can," Carlson said. "I don't say too much but I am trying to see what it is that makes them so elite. I'm the youngest guy, so it's even bigger for me to learn as much as I can while I'm here."

Goldschmidt has been happy to answer Carlson's questions because he remembers what it was like to be a young player in a clubhouse filled with veterans when he was coming up with the Diamondbacks. He was older, having been drafted out of college, but the feeling was still the same.

"I had a ton of guys," Goldschmidt said of the veterans he leaned on for advice. "I was really spoiled to have a great veteran group. My locker was between Willie Bloomquist and J.J. Putz and they helped me a ton. I asked a ton of questions and just watched everything they did.

"I was just a sponge soaking up all their knowledge. I was eternally grateful for what they shared with me.

"I've enjoyed watching Dylan in the outfield. He's made

some really good plays and it seems he's got the fundamentals down; little things like hitting the cutoff man, that a lot of guys in the minor leagues are not as consistent at doing. He's definitely got a really good swing and a feel for the game."

That's the kind of comment a father, and a former coach, wants to hear, said Jeff Carlson.

"What an experience for a 20-year-old," he said. "This early in his career, to be able to talk with those guys and get the tips is going to make him more comfortable with the situation."

Carlson said he didn't really know what to expect from his first major-league spring training, about how much playing time or at-bats he would get.

"I came here ready to learn," he said. "I have learned a lot. To get some time on the field has been a great opportunity and I'm trying to make the most of it and get as many at-bats as I can get."

Carlson played in six of the Cardinals' first seven games this spring, and Monday he made his first start and played a complete game against the Tigers in Lakeland. His 21 plate appearances are among the most of any player in camp.

"Being in this clubhouse everyday is kind of an awe moment," Carlson said. "To sit at the table and pick guy's brains is just something I'm trying to take advantage of while I'm here."

Carlson grew up in a baseball environment. His father coached three first-round draft picks in high school, including his son; Derek Hill by the Tigers and Nick Madrigal, out of college, by the White Sox. J.D. Davis. now with the Mets, also played at school before that group arrived as did Rowdy Tellez, now with the Blue Jays.

"He's got a nice circle of guys who all work out together and hit together," Jeff Carlson said. "J.D. Davis has been a big mentor to him. ... He's a great kid, and he works really hard. He knows what he wants. He's living the dream."

There are at least three concessions to his age that Carlson has had to deal with this spring. He has the very corner locker in the clubhouse, sharing it with Brian O'Keefe; he was assigned uniform number 91, and he still is too young to rent a car so he has to bum rides with his older teammates from the hotel to the ballpark.

The day is coming, likely later this week, when Carlson will be reassigned to the minor-league clubhouse as he prepares to open the regular season – where he most likely will again be one of the youngest players in the league as he reaches the Double A level with Springfield.

He spent most of 2018 in Palm Beach, a notoriously tough challenge for hitters, and finished with nine homers and 53 RBIs while hitting .247 in 99 games, statistics that don't accurately measure his performance, which should be reflected better this season in the more hitter-friendly Texas League.

"Age doesn't matter," Goldschimdit said. "It's about your baseball knowledge and maturity as a person. You don't have to be a certain age if you are a guy who grew up around the game and have good baseball knowledge."

When he sees someone like Carlson, with his desire to learn everything he can about the game, Goldschmidt is more than willing to share what he knows.

"That's what I was taught," he said. "I didn't make up anything in this game. Anything I've learned I've taken from someone else and now I try to share that. I'm still doing it myself; there are a lot of new people I can learn from."

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"It Was Like Coming Home"

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The main part of the afternoon was a panel discussion moderated by Brentwood resident, Beth Miller Erman, who had written her master's thesis for Washington University on the Howard-Evans Place neighborhood, its history and eventual replacement by commercial developments.

Four long-time residents of the neighborhood gave their own individual perspectives on life in the area and how they look back on it. Ed Holt, a 55 year resident and mail carrier in the area, was a community leader who saw the inevitability of highway expansion and commercial encroachment on their houses but looks back fondly. "My 55 years in Brentwood were the best times of my life."

Olivette Thompson and her family lived there for many years and she recalled the kindness of her neighbors and still remembers the gift of \$10 from one of the elderly matrons in the neighborhood. She proudly spoke of her late husband, Walter, and his role in the neighborhood.

Elaine Reed and her daughter, Allison, also spoke of the friendliness and care shown by all their neighbors. "We never locked our doors", Elaine bragged. Children were always playing in the streets (especially when the nearby Black Creek flooded) but knew that if they did wrong, they'd get in trouble twice—once by the adult who caught them and once by their parents. "I want people to remember how much fun we had, "Allison said. "It was a great place to grow up."

Another highlight was the appearance of Ivory Crockett ("the fastest man in the world" in 1974), who had lived in the neighborhood for years. He thanked his high school track coach, John Titus, who was in attendance. He also thanked the people of Howard-Evans Place for "making me the man I am today".

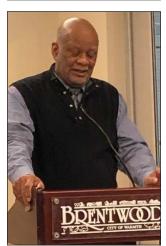
As the formal part of the program ended, people hugged and laughed and cried some more and the former residents gathered for a group photo in the lobby. There was talk of asking the city to erect a more suitable monument in the Promenade area to salute the residents of the neighborhood. That may happen but there was no more suitable reminder of the character of the neighborhood than the many smiles on that February Sunday afternoon.

For information about more Brentwood Centennial events, go to the website at Brentwood100.org.



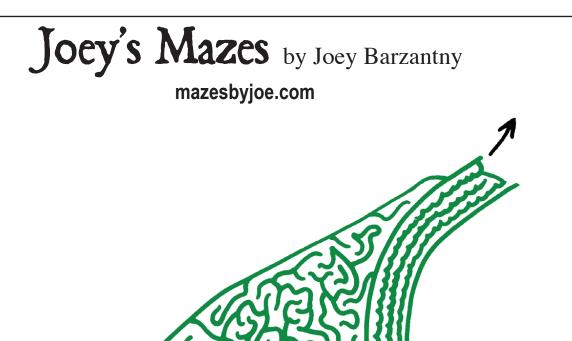












Ancient Order of Hibernians Announces Accessibility for Saint Patrick's Day Parade and Dogtown Irish Festival

Dogtown United, heading up the Dogtown Irish Festival on March 17, recognizes the importance of providing access to all members of the St. Louis community, including those with accessibility needs.

"We are committed to ensuring equal access to the annual Saint Patrick's Day celebration, both the Hibernian Saint Patrick's Day Parade and the Irish Festival that follows," commented Festival organizer Colin O'Brien.

Among the services provided will be prime Accessibility Viewing Area along the parade route o Tamm Avenue and Oakland (northeast corner), an ADA toilet near the viewing area, as well as sign language interpreters at the main stage. A limited number of parking spots will be reserved on Oakland Avenue, just east of Graham. For more information on Accessibility and the Saint Patrick's Day celebration in Dogtown visit: https://dogtownunited.org/st-patricks-day-2/

ADA toilets will be available at the following locations.

North side of Oakland @ Tamm (by ADA viewing area)

Pat Connolly Tavern tent area

Felix's Pizza Pub parking lot

Clayton @ Tamm (one on both sides of Tamm)

Seamus McDaniel's on Victoria @ Tamm

Tamm @ West Park (on both sides of Tamm)

St. James the Greater Parking Lot

About Dogtown United

Dogtown United, a non-profit organization that seeks to bring together the broader Dogtown community to create a strong, safe and vibrant neighborhood. Dogtown United seeks to represent local residents and business owners to better coordinate efforts with the Hibernians and improve the operations and efficiency of all events taking place in that historic neighborhood on March 17.

For more information on the Dogtown United, visit their website: https://dogtownunited.org or contact Festival Organizer Colin O'Brien at 314-474-8548 (cell) or via email cobriendogtown@gmail.com



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Good Things Come In Small Packages!

After re-connecting with a co-worker from years ago, we decided to get together for lunch. He suggested a restaurant in a building that his son had redeveloped in the Historical Botanical Heights area of South St. Louis.

The restaurant Olio is in an old Standard Oil gas station at 1624 Tower Grove Ave. It sits next to its sister, fine dining, restaurant EliA. These restaurants, along with La Patisserie Chouquette just across the street, were founded by Internationally known Chef Ben Paremba. This was my first clue that this would be a wonderful experience.

On a side note, this keeps getting better, Executive Chef for both restaurants, Araron Martinez, was recently a finalist in America's search for a Chef to represent the United States in the Culinary World Olympics in Lyon, France. (he came in second).

Chef Paremba describes the fare at Olio as "Middle-terranean", a nod to his Middle Eastern, Israeli heritage along with items and flavors from southern Europe and north Africa.

I agree with Chef Paremba's feelings that food is a celebration of life, family and friends. To that end, every item on the menu is hand crafted including home made breads.

While at Olio I felt I was sitting in a friends kitchen and kept waiting for his mother to come around the corner with something delicious! There is nothing pretentious about olio. It's simply a place to gather for an amazing dining experience.

When I read the menu I wanted to try everything I saw. There are many items that I have only seen during our two visits to Israel and can't wait to return to try them all.

My friend ordered the Famous Egg Salad, which is a recipe from Chef Paremba's Grand mother. I ordered the "King of Kings" Hummas with tahini, smoked paparika and parsley. There is also Taim Hummas with marinated local mushrooms, almonds and harissa. The "Deluxe" Hummas which includes braised lamb shoulder, almonds, pine nuts and harissa.

My Hummas was nothing like the paste you get at the grocery store. It was exactly like the hummas I fell in love with in Israel, buttery smooth, drizzled with olive oil and garnished with fresh herbs and spices. It was perfection! Along with a fresh baked flat bread, it was a meal unto itself.

I also tried the soup-of-the-day, a perfectly spiced bowl of eggplant, sweet potato, fresh herbs and sour cream. WOW! It was incredible.

Our choices came from the MEZZE section of the menu. MEZZA is defined as small, savory dishes served as appetizers or accompaniments to alcoholic drinks in Greek or Middle Eastern cuisine. While defined as small, these dishes were more than enough to be a very filling lunch.

A hot green tea was the perfect accompaniment for both of us.

The menu also includes small plates and large plates all with their Middle-Terranian selection of tantalizing items.

Olio also has a full bar service and a "Spritz Hour" from 3 to 6pm with hand-crafted drinks featuring club soda, sparkling wine and citrus wedges.

There is a large number of hand crafted, true cocktails featuring an impressive list of vermouths, aperitifs, amari an anissettes. Beers include at least 25 local, regional and national craft beers.

The wine list is more than adequate with wines from America, Argentina, France, Germany Italy, New Zealand, Romania, Austria and Spain. All wines are sold by the glass, and the bottle, and are reasonably priced.

Try to save room for a Macaron at La Patisserie Chouquette across the street. They a true piece of Paris!

I am anxious to try EliA's offerings but I think it may be a while as it will take some time to try everything at Olio.

Olio is located at 1626 Tower Grove Ave., you will easily recognize it as an old gas station, They are open Tuesday – Friday, 9am - 2pm and Saturday, 9am – 5pm. Phone 314-932-7935.



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Opera Tastings Series Returns to Venues across St. Louis

Opera Theatre of Saint Louis's popular Opera Tastings—a unique series of 80-minute "culinary concerts" that serve as the perfect introduction to opera—returns this spring from March 31—April 9, 2019. Each venue will present its own specifically crafted tasting menu created to accompany an intimate concert of arias and duets from across opera's rich history. Each musical selection is paired with wine, beer, spirits, small bites, or desserts, based on the inspiration of each venue's chef. Soprano Teresa Castillo, mezzo-soprano Rehanna Thelwell, tenor Edward Graves, and baritone Robert Mellon will perform operatic classics from The Marriage of Figaro, Carmen, and Porgy and Bess, among others. Pianist Timothy Cheung will accompany the singers.

•Sunday, March 31, 1p.m. The Venue at Maison du lac 2603 Wild Plum Valley, Pacific, MO 63069 Eclectic aria-inspired cuisine wine pairings from Ces & Judy's Catering

•Sunday, April 7, 2 p.m. Friends: A Meeting Place 716 N Compton Ave., St. Louis, MO 63103 Undeniably good Italian food

•Saturday, March 31, 7p.m. Catrinas 1207 Century Dr., Edwardsville, IL 62025 Artisan Mexican cuisine with a modern twist

•Sunday, April 7, 7 p.m. Hofbräuhaus 123 Saint Eugene Dr., Belleville, IL 62223 Bavarian dishes and fresh-brewed beers

•Monday, April 1, 7 p.m. Centene Center for the Arts: Rialto Ballroom 3547 Olive St., St. Louis, MO 63103 Locally sourced, vegetarian-friendly traditional American food from Turn restaurant

•Monday, April 8, 7 p.m. Mad Art Gallery 2727 S 12th St., St. Louis, MO 63118 Tenacious Eats' signature full contact dining

•Wednesday, April 3, 7 p.m. Mandarin House Banquet Hall 8008 Olive Blvd, University City, MO 63130 Authentic Chinese cuisine

•Tuesday, April 9,7 p.m. Saint Louis Club 7701 Forsyth Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63105 French cuisine from 32 top chefs, plus fresh spirits & fine wine

•Friday, April 5, 7 p.m. Moulin Events: Jefferson Ballroom 2017 Chouteau Ave., St. Louis, Missouri 63103 Inventive continental food and cocktails

The 10th anniversary of Sing for Siteman will include the singers participating in Opera Tastings, and will also feature celebrated soprano Christine Brewer, The Voice finalist Kennedy Holmes, and soprano Susannah Biller, who returns to OTSL this season for The Marriage of Figaro. The concert will be held at the Performing Arts Center at John Burroughs School on Friday, March 29, 2019. The event begins with a 6:30 p.m. cocktail reception, followed by a concert at 7:30 p.m. Funds at the concert support the Discovery Fund at Siteman Cancer Center. Opera Tastings are made possible with a leadership support from The Wallace Foundation and with generous support from Ces & Judy's Catering, Lewis Rice, Allison W. Roberts, and Mary Susman & Tom Herm. Opera Tasting is sponsored by media partners Feast, Gazelle STL, Guided: Alive Magazine, the St. Louis American, and the Riverfront Times. Doors for each Opera Tasting event will open 30 minutes prior to each event. Bar service is available when the house opens, but once the program begins, all food and drink are included in a single all-inclusive ticket price of \$25. Tickets are available online at ExperienceOpera. org/OperaTastings or the Opera Theatre box office at (314) 961-0644.

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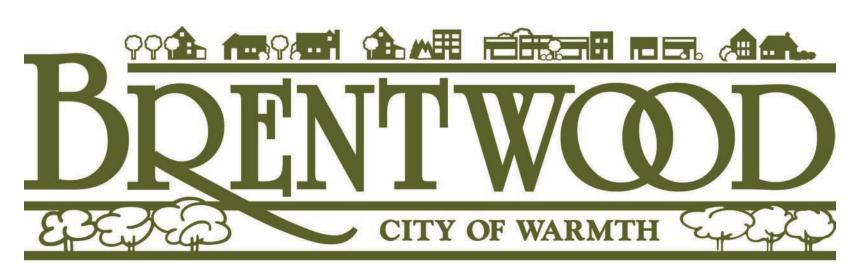
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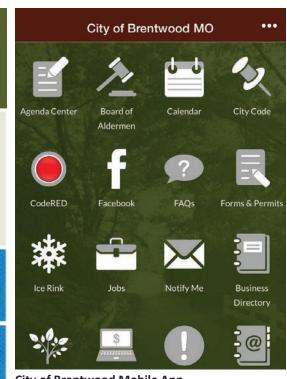








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civicmobile/id1278189882?ls=1&mt=8

Google Play: https://play.google.com/store/apps/
details?id=com.civicplus.mo_brentwood4





brentwoodmo.org/centennial



Brentwood Celebrates a Century with 100+ **Events in 2019**

The City of Brentwood was established on December 15, 1919. In 2019, the City is celebrating its first century with more than 100

events throughout the year. Learn more at www.brentwoodmo. org/centennial and www.brentwood100.org

Brentwood Community Service Weekend – May 2-4

The Brentwood Century Foundation will host a community service weekend May 2-4. This is an

opportunity to partner with the City and help residents and their properties. Groups, families and individuals may sign up for service times and tasks beginning in April. Businesses who want to donate materials or service are encouraged to do so.

The weekend will culminate with a celebration on Saturday evening, May 4, to thank everyone who contributes to this weekend of service.

To get involved or suggest a project, please contact Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, 314.968.2360 or office@mtcalvarylcms.org.

Brentwood Police Department Coordinating "Neighborhood Eyes" Camera Program

Brentwood Police Department's "Neighborhood Eyes Program" is an opportunity for Brentwood residents and business owners with security cameras around their homes or businesses to let the police know where these cameras are located. If security camera footage may help in a police investigation,

the Police Department would contact the resident or business owner to request to view footage.

The Police Department does not have the capacity to remotely access the video systems. This voluntary program is simply a way to know where cameras are positioned in



Brentwood in the event the police need to seek help during an investigation. To register or learn more, contact

Tom Bottini, tbottini@brentwoodmo.org or 314.963.8615.

Brentwood Board of Aldermen and Committee Meetings Available on YouTube

A new audio/video system was installed in the Brentwood City Hall Council Chambers in Fall 2018.

This state-of-the-art system enhances the City's transparency by allowing Board of Aldermen and other meetings to be



video recorded and shared with the public. Brentwood's Board of Aldermen meetings and committee meetings will be recorded and uploaded to the City's YouTube channel.

In addition, Board of Aldermen meetings will be livestreamed on YouTube, so residents who cannot attend the

meetings in person may watch the proceedings remotely in real time.

To access these videos, click on the YouTube icon at the top of the City website, www.brentwoodmo.org.

Download the New City of **Brentwood Mobile App**

The City of Brentwood has launched a mobile app. This app provides on-the-go access to news, events, agendas, reporting a concern

Download the app and connect with the City of Brentwood:

- Google Play: https://play.google.com/store/ apps/details?id=com.civicplus.mo_brentwood4
- Apple: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/ civicmobile/id1278189882?ls=1&mt=8

For the Apple consolidated app, users will download the app and the icon that will display on your device will be the CivicMobile app icon. Once you've opened the app, you have the option to search for Brentwood, MO or use the "Find Your Location" feature. After selecting the app, it will open directly to the app's menu screen.

Brentwood Recycles!





Images from www.stlcityrecycles.com

CITY OF BRENTWOOD 2348 SOUTH BRENTWOOD BOULEVARD **ELECTION - TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2019**

The following candidates have filed:

MAYOR - TWO (2) YEAR TERM

David A. Dimmitt 9104 Pine Avenue

ALDERPERSON TWO (2) YEAR TERM

Ward 1

David Plufka 3 Middlesex Drive

Ward 2

Brandon Wegge 8537 Douglas Court

Ward 3

Steve Lochmoeller 8831 Madge Avenue

Ward 4

8933 South Swan Circle Thomas Kramer

MUNICIPAL JUDGE - TWO (2) YEAR TERM

9405 Sonora Avenue Patrick Dignam

April 2, 2019 General Municipal Election 4/7 bond majority approval needed at this election **April Filing Qualifications**

**Saturday absentee voting times vary. Check the website for each election.

Closing of candidate filings (5:00 p.m.) for the April 2nd General Municipal Election (exception <u>Ianuary 15</u> with chartered cities).

Closing (5:00 p.m.) for receiving certification of election forms for the April 2nd General January 22 Municipal Election. See 115.125

**Absentee opens for the April 2nd General Municipal Election. See 115.279(3) February 19 March 6 Last day to register for the April 2nd General Municipal Election. See 115.135(1)

March 22 Last day to file as a write-in candidate for the April 2nd General Municipal Election. Write-in candidates must file at the St. Louis County Election Board at 725 Northwest Plaza Dr., St. Ann by 5:00

p.m. See 115.453(4) March 27 Last day (5:00 pm) absentee applications will be accepted through the mail or in person from a

guardian or relative of the applicant for the April 2nd General Municipal Election. See 115.279(3) **Office opens (times optional) for absentee voting in the April 2nd General Municipal Election. March 30

April 1 Last day (5:00 pm) for voting an absentee ballot in person at the Election Board office for the April 2nd General Municipal Election.

ELECTION DAY, Polls open from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. April 2

Brentwood Board of Aldermen Minutes

PARTIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING (Thursday, January 17, 2019)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Thornton.

Members Present: Mayor Christopher Thornton, Alderman David Dimmitt, Alderman Thomas Kramer, Alderman Andy Leahy, Alderman Steve Lochmoeller, Alderwoman Kathy O'Neill, Alderman David Plufka, Alderwoman Sunny Sims, Alderman Wegge joined via Skype

Staff Present: City Administrator Bola Akande, Deputy City Clerk Shelly Todd, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, Finance Karen Director Shaw, Police Chief Joe Spiess, Fire Chief Terry Kurten, Parks Director Eric Gruenenfelder, Public Works Director Dan Gummersheimer, Communications Manager Janet Levy, Planning and Development Director Lisa Koerkenmeier

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Sam Longstreth owner of Brentwood Plastics, Inc located at 8734 Suburban Tracks asked the Board if rushing into this Brentwood Bound project without adequate planning and funding could become a quagmire. The City is negotiating for property yet FEMA and Jacobs haven't finalized the new floodplain. Has the City considered the ramifications of shortfalls to property acquisition and inherent litigation and construction cost overruns. Asked why we didn't go for \$50 million in bonds needed to cover the flood mitigation instead of the \$42 million we have. Is the vote for sales tax to cover the \$8 million shortfall. Mr. Longstreth is not against the project, concerned about insufficient planning and foresight.

Dr. Brian Lane, Superintendent of Brentwood School District stated the Brentwood School District in the City of Brentwood have a long-standing relationship based on mutual support, respect and collaboration. I have attended many City events and Mayor Thornton has served as an essential role on School District committees. Recently the City and School Board held a very productive and collegial meeting where we share our plans and vision for the future. I'm here tonight to show the School District support for Brentwood Bound. I have been at several presentations on the detail of the plan and feel that I'm well-informed. The plan is bold, visionary and necessary for the long-term health and viability of this community in terms of the fiscal impact on the School District. We understand there will be short-term losses, but we are confident there will be long-term gains not only for the City but ultimately for the School District as well. I support the placing of a sales tax increase on the April 2019 ballot and hope that's the decision of the Alderman this evening. I believe this a fiscally responsible way to raise needed monies that will primarily affect shoppers that do not reside in Brentwood. I feel it's important to not delay the ballot issue past April 2019 as I am concerned that could negatively impact the future plans of the School District in relation to our facilities planning and potential future school district ballot issues.

Jamie Allen resident of 2204 Saint Clair Avenue commended Alderman Plufka and Alderman Dimmitt for all the hard work going into this complex project. The time and effort that you all are putting into getting the word out, disseminating information, listening and collecting feedback is to be commended. We're at a point where we've stepped into the project and took the debt already of \$42 million. We know that there's a lot of unknowns ahead of us with this project and that's why we have the elected officials to help us to manage that. We need to take the next logical step for additional monies and one of the options is the economic development sales tax



Mayor Chris Thornton



Municipal Judge Patrick Dignam



Alderman David Dimmitt



Alderman Andy Leahy



Alderman David Plufka



Alderman Steve Lochmoeller



Ward 2

Alderwoman Sunny Sims

Alderwoman

Kathy O'Neill



Alderman Brandon Wegge



Alderman Tom Kramer

with the context that the City isn't asking to take on that debt however asking for the ability to pay for any debt that would be required to finance the project. We would then look to the Board to be very prudent with selecting what makes sense.

Mike Horton resident of 2527 Kentland Drive stated he supports placing the sales tax on the ballot. Liked to see the voters the ability to have their say. Favors the proposed amendment to put a 25-year sunset on the tax.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT Brentwood Bound Update

Craig Schlueter with Navigate Building Solutions provide the Brentwood Bound update. Recent investment costs included a deposit of \$1,428,390 to MODOT to allow them to commence with property acquisitions for Manchester Road Improvements per the Cost Share Agreement. Total spent to date is \$2,185,660.37. Direct project costs include Deer Creek Flood Mitigation design and engineering and environmental surveys. Total spent to date is \$1,870,478.70. Indirect or "Sunk" Costs include legal reviews, property surveys, and project management costs. Total spent to date is \$938,688.81.

Phil Blonn with Jacobs Engineering stated the CLOMR application was submitted today. FEMA's response is due in 90 days (April 17, 2019). Concurrence forms from neighboring cities, public notice, and landowner notice is being working on however, it doesn't reset the 90-day timeline. Jacobs can efficiently address FEMA's comments and resubmit with a quick timeframe. FEMA then has another 90 days to approve or respond again.

Resolution No. 1130 - Brentwood Park Playground Project: A Resolution of the City of Brentwood Missouri, Authorizing the Mayor and/or City Administrator to enter into an agreement between the City of Brentwood and Game Time c/o Cunningham Recreation

Motion to approve 9A. Standing Committees Reports, 9B. Resolution No. 1130, 9C. Brentwood Century Foundation Special Use Permit, 9D. Warrant Lists, 9E. Minutes December 3, 2018 and 9F. Minutes December 17, 2018.

Motion by Alderman Leahy, second by Alderwoman Sims. Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Alderman Dimmitt, Alderman Kramer, Alderman Leahy, Alderman Lochmoeller, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderman Plufka, Alderwoman Sims, Alderman Wegge

OLD BUSINESS

Bill No. 6229.1 - An Ordinance Of The City Of Brentwood, Missouri, Calling An Election Regarding The Imposition Of A Sales Tax For Economic Development Purposes And Providing For Submission Of The Proposal To The Qualified Voters Of The City For Their Approval At A Special Election Called And To Be Held In The City On April 2, 2019.

City Attorney O'Keefe read Bill No. 6229.1, second reading by title only.

Motion to amend Bill No. 6229 by the text of Bill No. 6229.1.

Motion by Alderman Plufka, second by Alderman Dimmitt. Motion Passed

Yea: Alderman Dimmitt, Alderman Kramer, Alderman Leahy, Alderman Lochmoeller, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderman Plufka, Alderwoman Sims, Alderman Wegge

Motion to perfect Bill No. 6229.1 into ordinance form. Motion by Alderwoman Kathy O'Neill, second by Alderwoman Sunny Sims.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Alderman Dimmitt, Alderman Kramer, Alderman Leahy, Alderman Lochmoeller, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderman Plufka, Alderwoman Sims, Alderman Wegge

NEW BUSINESS

A. Bill No. 6231 - An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 4066 Of The City Of Brentwood, Missouri, And Enacting In Lieu Therefore A New Ordinance Relating To Compensation For Members Of the Board Of Aldermen; Providing For The Repeal Of All Conflicting Ordinances; And Providing For The Effective Date Of This Ordinance

Bill No. 6231 was postponed and will place on the next regular Board of Aldermen Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT A. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Proposition B Ballot Language

Shall the City of Brentwood impose a sales tax of one-half of one percent for economic development purposes, including flood mitigation, transportation improvements, pedestrian greenways and economic revitalization, for a period not to exceed twenty-five years?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "Yes." If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "No."



Yard Waste Reminder

Yard waste containers, bags OR cans - should not weigh more than 50 pounds. If you can't lift it, our trash collectors can't.

Neighborhood Eyes

Neighborhood Eyes is a program for Brentwood residents who have surveillance systems for home protection. If you have cameras on your property, you may have valuable video that could aid in the investigation of a crime in your neighborhood. Find out how to sign up and help your police department solve crime on your block.



by Sue McCarthy

Upstate New York

Often when I head off on a road trip to another part of the country I like to stop at local museums and unique attractions. Last fall after attending a travel conference in Niagara Falls, NY I took a tour at Platter's Chocolates in Tonawanda, NY. Tours are available Monday - Friday, 7am to 9 pm, Saturday 8am - 9pm and Sunday 10am to 9pm. In 1938, Carl Platter started making orange flavored sponge candy covered with chocolate. This chocolate is a special treat for Easter. The recipe is a family secret and the chocolates are sold in the upstate area. In 1992, Roger Urban purchased Platter's Chocolates and began wholesaling to Drug Stores and Delicatessens in other parts of Western New York. Customers were asking for additional chocolates, such as, Creams, Caramels and Jellies. Legend states a famous red-haired comedian was inspired to write one of her funniest episodes. Does the name Lucy ring a bell?

In 2004, an on-line store was opened and now you can place your orders for this special candy.

Not far from the Chocolate Factory is another of my favorite places to visit. Since I was a child I have loved Carrousels and I stopped at the Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum for a tour. Museum admission gives you access to all the buildings, the exhibits and one ride token for the carrousel. You can get extra ride tokens for .50 cents and if you love the carrousel like I do you need to take a couple rides around. The museums saying is "Once Around Is Never Enough." Museum hours are April 3 – June 16, Monday – Tuesday closed, Wednesday – Sunday 12:00 – 4:00pm. May 25th – June 18th, Monday – Friday closed, Call the museum for current hours they are open.

The exhibition building is a historic carrousel factory located in N. Tonawanda, NY. In 1985 the building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. You can see how master carvers created horses and carriages and painted and assembled them. There are several unique animals besides the horses, also featuring roosters, frog, cats and dogs and a kangaroo. On your way out be sure to stop by the outdoor Kiddieland Testing Park where kids can "test" restored company rides from the 1950's.



IF YOU GO

Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum N. Tonawanda, NY 716-693-1885

Platter's Chocolates
The Wurlitzer Building
908 Niagara Falls Blvd.
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120
http://www.platterschocolates.com
716-693-5391









THE SAINT LOUIS ZOO IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD FROGWATCHERS

Jump in and become a FrogWatch USA volunteer with the Saint Louis Zoo! St. Louisarea "citizen scientists" are needed to monitor frogs and toads from their backyards, parks, fields, creeks or just about anywhere. The information gathered can ultimately lead to practical and workable ways to stop amphibian decline.

You do not have to be a frog or toad expert to join FrogWatch. You won't even need to see or touch these amazing amphibians to participate. All you need is an interest in frogs and toads and the time to attend a training session. You'll be asked to make a commitment to monitor a site of your choosing for at least three minutes twice a week throughout the frogs' breeding season, which ranges from about February to August.

"In just a couple of hours, we will train you to distinguish the croaks, peeps and various calls of the 10 most common frog and toad species around the St. Louis area," says Michael Dawson, Conservation Education Liaison at the Zoo and coordinator of the St. Louis chapter of FrogWatch USA. "Breeding calls vary greatly and are often mistaken for birds or insects. Their volume ranges from a soft musical trill to a deafening chorus."

If you're ready to take that leap, sign up for one the following FrogWatch trainings held this spring. Advance registration for training is requested. The program is designed for adults, families, and for students entering grades 9 and up.

2019 Training Schedule:

- \cdot Thursday, March 14 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Butterfly House in Faust Park
- \cdot Thursday, March 21 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Carriage House at Shaw Nature Reserve in Gray Summit
- \cdot Thursday, March 28 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Carriage House at Shaw Nature Reserve in Gray Summit
- \cdot Friday, March 29 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Visitor Center at Brommelsiek Park in Defiance
- \cdot Monday, April 15 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in The Living World at the Saint Louis Zoo in Forest Park

Even if you can't attend a training class or monitor a site, you can still contribute to amphibian conservation by recording frog and toad calls through an app on your smart device. FrogWatch St. Louis is building an online auditory library, which will help researchers track where frogs and toads are being spotted in the St. Louis region.

For more information, training registration, link to the app and to hear some frog calls, visit stlzoo.org/frogwatch. For more information, contact Michael Dawson at dawson@ stlzoo.org or (314) 646-4551.

FrogWatch USA is the Association of Zoos and Aquariums' flagship citizen science program. It allows individuals and families to learn about the wetlands in their communities and help conserve amphibians by reporting the calls of local frogs and toads. For over 10 years, FrogWatch USA volunteers have been trained to enter their information. Ongoing analyses of this data have been used to help develop practical strategies for the conservation of these important species.

Spring Aboard The 2019 Boating Season!

Lieutenant Colonel Eric T. Olson, acting superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, announces the Patrol will participate in the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators' (NASBLA) Spring Aboard campaign. Developed by NASBLA, and produced under a grant administered by the U.S. Coast Guard, the annual Spring Aboard campaign informs and motivates boaters to prepare for the boating season by providing information on how to enroll in a boater education course. The campaign emphasizes enrollment in approved courses which meet the national boating educational standard.

"Missouri's many rivers and lakes offer a variety of boating opportunities," said Lt. Col. Olson. "Please do your part: Spring Aboard and take a boating safety class. Join us in our mission to promote safety on our waterways."

The Spring Aboard campaign encourages boaters to register for a certified boating educational course during the week of March 17-23, 2019. Forty-nine states and U.S. territories require some form of boater education.

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

Boaters have the opportunity to sign up for a certified course in a classroom or take an online course by visiting the Patrol's website 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.

Spring Aboard: Boating Safety Courses:

Troop A

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., March 16 – Harry S Truman Visitor Center, 29027 Visitor Center Road, Warsaw, MO 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., March 23 – Northside Christian Church, 500 N. Ridgeview Drive, Warrensburg, MO

Troop D 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 17 – Dewey Short Visitor Center, 4500 Missouri Highway 165, Branson, MO

Troop E 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., March 23 – Troop E Headquarters, 4947 Highway 67 North, Poplar Bluff, MO

Troop F 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 23 – Advantage Marine, Beechwood Drive, Sunrise Beach, MO

Troop

8 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 23 – Laclede Electric Co-Op, 1400 E. Route 66, Lebanon, MO

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.



The Challenge

Stormwater flooding has inundated the area along Deer Creek between Hanley Road and South Brentwood Boulevard 26 times since 1957, causing property damage and creating public safety issues.

The natural floodplain along Deer Creek was filled and developed 100 years ago. Since then, the nearly 37-square-mile watershed area upstream has fully developed, sending more water into our area at a faster rate. In Brentwood, the Deer Creek channel slope flattens out and joins Black Creek, creating a backup of water and severe flooding.

This flooding makes it difficult for businesses to be successful along this area of Manchester Road. As a result, some business have closed and others will not locate there, causing the area to look run-down.



Proposition B

On the April 2 ballot

Proposition B is a proposal for a one-half of one percent economic development sales tax in the City of Brentwood that will be on the April 2 ballot. The Board of Aldermen voted to restrict the use of these funds to the implementation of the Brentwood Bound plan and to stop collecting the tax by 2044. The additional sales tax would result in an additional nickel on a \$10 purchase, or 50 cents on a \$100 purchase. It is estimated to generate \$3.2 million per year for the city.

Opportunity

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) plans to resurface Manchester Road between Lindbergh and Big Bend in 2020. This project will improve pedestrian access and safety while enhancing the overall appearance of Manchester Road.

Brentwood is one of two cities along this route with the opportunity to partner with MoDOT on additional improvements to the corridor.

The Plan

In Brentwood we have a unique opportunity to overcome these flooding challenges while working together with MoDOT, Great Rivers Greenway and other community organizations to revitalize this part of our city, develop new parks, trails and green spaces, and improve safety with one comprehensive plan: Brentwood Bound.

Brentwood Bound Projects

Reduce flooding

- Stabilize creek banks
- \cdot Widen the creek and improve the slope
- Add water storage features

Improve Manchester Road

- Upgrade traffic signals and crosswalks to improve pedestrian and vehicle safety
- Add a 10' shared path along the south side and a 5' path along the north side of the road
- Construct a new bridge over Black Creek at the Hanley Road intersection
- Add a pedestrian tunnel at the intersection of Mary Avenue, where a street-level crossing was not feasible due to the slope of the land.

Learn More

As Brentwood enters its second century, we're working on ambitious plans – and an exciting opportunity to transform and renew part of our City. The Brentwood Bound plan includes three components to renew the Manchester Road corridor in Brentwood.

This comprehensive solution will help us overcome flooding and public safety challenges in this area while enhancing our community for decades to come and providing an opportunity for improved pedestrian access along with park and recreational spaces to be enjoyed by all Brentwood residents.





Enhance trails, parks and greenspace

- \cdot Improvements to Norm West Park
- Development of a pond near Mary Avenue with a water feature to circulate water
- Trail connection from Rogers Parkway (north of Manchester Road) to the Great Rivers Greenway
 Deer Creek Greenway
- New trails and green space throughout the redeveloped area
- $\cdot\,$ Potential for 3K and 5K race routes in the area

Future Development

These improvements to the area will make it more viable for new business development. The City is developing a zoning plan for what will be known as the Manchester Corridor Commercial District. This plan is rooted in community feedback for the area that requested green spaces to enhance walkability and pedestrian safety, and that the City focus on securing non-chain restaurants and small local businesses as part of future development plans.

Development in the area will focus on pedestrian-friendly, walkable environments with easy access to trails and parks developed by the City and Great Rivers Greenway. The buildings will be designed to include common architectural features and materials to develop a sense of place and character, while providing greater pedestrian and vehicle safety. The inclusion of patios, plazas and other gathering places throughout the district will also be encouraged.

Investment

The Brentwood Bound plan is being funded through a combination of grant funding, partnerships with MoDOT, Great Rivers Greenway and other organizations, funding from certificates of participation (COPs), and possibly a one-half of one percent economic development sales tax. It is estimated that more than 75% of our local sales tax comes from those who don't live in Brentwood.

Existing Funding	\$39.2 million
Anticipated Additional Funding	\$40.4 million
Anticipated Total Cost	\$79.6 million





Kerry Trostel Seeks Re-Election to School Board

To the Editor of The Pulse,

On April 2nd, I will be seeking re-election as a member of the Brentwood Board of Education.

Since moving to Brentwood in 1995, I have immersed myself in its schools and community. I have been involved as a room parent and parent volunteer. I have served in the elementary PTO as President (2012-2014), and Treasurer



(2014-2016). I am currently the President of the Brentwood Middle School PTO. I have worked on several committees pushing forward important initiatives for the Brentwood School District (The CI3T Model of Prevention: Supporting Academic, Behavioral, and Social Development of Students, Proposition K, Proposition B, and School Counseling Advisory). I have organized many events and programs to bring together the Brentwood community. Along the way, I have built strong relationships with residents all over Brentwood and with Brentwood students, teachers, and school and district administrators.

When a seat on the Brentwood Board of Education was vacated in 2015, I stepped up to serve as a board member and was selected after an application and interview process. Since 2015, I have been entrusted to make good and right choices for our schools. I have served Brentwood schools with great diligence and enthusiasm. In my tenure:

- I was actively engaged in the selection of our superintendent, Dr. Brian Lane, who is working hard with the Board to further strengthen our schools.
- I worked with fellow Board members to developed a strategic plan for measurable goals of district performance, curriculum development, and student achievement that is critical for knowing our current status and areas for further growth and improvement.
- I worked with Mr. Faulkner and Dr. Lane, other board members, district staff, city leaders, and community members to pass a no-tax-increase bond for much needed renovations in our middle school and high school.
- I helped to ensure the financial stability of the district.
- I worked to establish infrastructure for a healthy and safe learning environment for our students and teachers.

When I commit to something, I am all in, and I am committed to Brentwood and its schools as a citizen and parent. I passionately believe in public education as a product of public education myself and daughter of two public school teachers. I fully understand how excellent schools affect civic pride, property values, and the sense of unity in such a diverse place as Brentwood. I understand that every student is different and that each child may require different services, accommodations, or interventions to help them reach their full potential. I also understand the need for our schools to stay within their budgets. I am certain that both can be accomplished.

We have great schools in Brentwood, and I will continue pushing to make our schools even better. I will continue to support policies and programs that promote enriched learning, and diversity in our classrooms, build partnerships with city leaders and others in the community to enhance the learning opportunities and environment for our students, and work on updating district facilities, including a plan to address the needs of our elementary schools. I will continue to make good and right choices for our schools with my strong foundation of relationships in the Brentwood community and experience at all levels of our schools. Please continue to entrust me with our schools on April 2nd. I can be reached at kerry.trostel@ gmail.com.

Sincerely, Kerry Trostel



Melissa Nehrt Announces Candidacy for Re-Election - School Board

To My Brentwood Neighbors,

I would like to announce my candidacy for re-election to the Brentwood School Board. I joined the board in April 2016 and have found my time on the board to be both productive and meaningful. With the support of the community, I am looking forward to serving another term and contributing to the ongoing



excellence of the Brentwood School District.

My husband Tim and I moved to Brentwood in 2014, and we continue to believe that it was the best possible move for our three children. We love having the small town feeling that we both grew up with nestled among all the advantages of living in a major metropolitan area. There are not many communities where you can walk to school, the library, and the grocery store all without crossing a major road.

After receiving my degree in Elementary Education and Psychology from Washington University in St. Louis, I worked as a reading specialist, classroom teacher and English Language Arts teacher before joining International Schoolhouse in Richmond Heights as the Director of Academics. At International Schoolhouse, I am responsible for teacher development, family engagement, and academic support for our students. I believe my experiences as a parent, classroom teacher, specialist, administrator, and school board member allow me a unique perspective. I am able to identify, based on first hand experience, the strengths of a particular program, can relate to making difficult decisions about budgeting and resources, and am able to confidently engage parents in conversations around a variety of educational topics.

During my time on the Brentwood School Board, we have been busy!

In 2017, Mark Twain was named a National Blue Ribbon school, one of the highest honors in the nation. While the majority of the credit for that honor lies with the students, teachers and administration, I am proud of the support the school board provides for outstanding professional development and high quality resources in every classroom.

I was actively involved in the search for our current superintendent, Dr. Brian Lane. I believe bringing Dr. Lane to Brentwood has already reaped many rewards, and I am excited to see where he is able to lead our schools.

In 2018, the citizens of Brentwood passed a no rate increase bond measure, and the upcoming changes to Brentwood Middle School and Brentwood High School will make our schools a model for 21st century excellence.

All of these highlights are in addition to the day to day work of ensuring the district maintains its fiscal excellence, adopting new policies in support of our staff and students, and helping to shape a vision of our district's future.

My personal vision for Brentwood's future involves excellent facilities at every level, academic equity for all students, and an engaged community that feels passionately informed about all aspects of the district and its success. I ask for your support this April as we work together in support of our amazing students.

If you would like to talk further, please contact me at Melissa.Nehrt@gmail.com. All the best,

Melissa Nehrt



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MOST NEEDED ITEMS THIS MONTH

- Can Openers
- Comforters (Oueen, Full, and Twin)
- Shower Curtains, Rings, and Rods

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www.homesweethomestl.org to learn how to donate.

Lois Truman: Candidate for Brentwood School District Board of Education

I am excited to be on the April 2, 2019 ballot as candidate for the Brentwood School District Board of Education. I have a career as a lifelong professional educator in public schools:

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education (Taylor University, IN)

Master of Education/ Counseling and Psychological Services (Georgia State University)

Doctorate in Child and Family Studies (Syracuse University, NY).



Background information:

I've been involved with school systems in various states and other countries where we've lived.

In 2014 my husband, Garry (Brentwood Library Board Vice President), and I returned from Dubai, UAE, to live near our family here in Brentwood. We have one grandchild attending Mark Twain Elementary School. Another began at McGrath and is now at Brentwood Middle School. Our oldest grandchild is in her 2nd year at NYU Tisch School of the Arts after graduating from Brentwood High School in 2017. We enjoy volunteering for the Brentwood School District, and never tire of hearing the rave reviews about our schools' innovations and their top rankings.

As has been my life pattern, I look for ways to contribute to our local community. This position on the Brentwood School District Board of Education allows me to use skills, experiences and training in giving back to our Brentwood residents. While my husband was active duty military, I found my niche working with children and families wherever we were assigned. I taught in grades K-12, worked as public school guidance counselor, directed before/after school programs, supervised staff at the Army Education Center, oversaw budget and construction for multi-million dollar family services facilities, and also managed the closing/downsizing of military services/facilities. In each of these experiences, I have seen first-hand how a high quality, vibrant school system directly correlates to a high quality, vibrant community.

I pledge to work with members of the Brentwood School Board of Education in creating and carrying out policies that benefit the children and families of our community, because I believe a quality school system reduces negative impacts in every area of our community - lower crime rates; abundant resources; kind and respectful citizens; and healthy, positive attitudes in general. Brentwood schools rank in the top percentile of Missouri public schools. I ask for your vote so I may work with the Brentwood School District to continue our history of top-quality public education. Brentwood schools make our world a better place. I need your vote on April 2nd for BSD Board of Education to allow me to join this successful team in serving you. Thank you!

Please visit my Web site at www.loistruman.com, or Facebook (Lois Truman for School Board) for more information.

I also welcome emails: loistruman@gmail.com, texts or calls: (314) 743-6165.

Brief Overview of Involvement and Experiences:

Brentwood resident: 8710 Rosalie Avenue since 2014 Volunteer in Brentwood schools (grandchildren in Brentwood School District)

Educator: Associate Professor (Ivy Tech Community College Early Childhood Education)

(2018 Recipient of Excellence in Instruction award)

Recent Professional Training: Board of Education Candidate Training (2018)

Positive Guidance Techniques (2018)

Diversity Across the Curriculum (2018)

Prevention of Sexual Misconduct (2018)

Project-based Learning (2017)

Strategies for Active Learning (2017) Techniques for Classroom Presentation (2017)

20+ year membership: National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) 5-year volunteer in Brentwood School District

Children's Ministry Director/University City Family Church

Director/New Destiny Childcare Center, Maplewood

Volunteer English tutor/US Citizenship Exam preparation for refugees/immigrants (BIAS)

Parent Life Group Facilitator: Cultivating Exceptional Children Member of community task force (Brentwood School District Facilities)

Presenter for college-level Student Success Summit (March, 2019)

Previously:

15+ years directing military child development centers (Infants through School-age)

Created and executed multiple budgets Recruited/trained/evaluated staff working with Child and Family Services

Taught public school grades K-12 (full time and substitute teaching)

Served on public school curriculum boards

Curriculum editor for Word Aflame Publishing (10 years)

Created and executed policies and procedures for Early Childhood Education & Training Designed/Oversight for renovations/construction of childcare/school-age facilities

Supervisory Training Technician/US Army Education

Creator & Program Director of Education Department, Jumeira University, Dubai, UAE) Educational counselor for Army Education Center

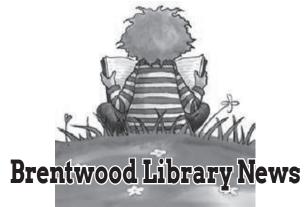
Guidance counselor in public schools for grades K-8

President/local chapter: National Association for the Education of Young Children

Validator for accreditation certification (NAEYC)

Look for upcoming events to meet and discuss how your vote April 2nd can add a "qualified, experienced, and involved" candidate to serve on our BSD Board of Education.

VOTE LOIS TRUMAN on APRIL 2, 2019!



Brentwood Public Library 8765 Eulalie Ave., Brentwood, MO 63144, (314) 963-8630 www.brentwoodlibrarymo.org circulation@bplmo.org

March and April News All Library events are free and open to the public.

Kids' Programs

Recurring Weekly Events Baby and Toddler Storytime

Tuesdays, 9:30 am

Please join us for stories, songs, and rhymes from 9:30-9:45 a.m. For children ages birth-3.

Pre-K Storytime

Tuesdays, 10:30 am

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes from 10:30-11 a.m. For children ages 3-5.

Board Game Club

Thursdays, 3:30 pm

Come play board games with your friends. We have a collection of new and popular games

Big Ideas Club

Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm

A weekly makerspace club for grade school and middle school youth. An unstructured opportunity to be creative and make things!

Toddler Yoga

Thursdays, 9:30 am

Toddlers and caregivers can do a fun 30-minute yoga session, taught by certified yoga instructors. A limited number of yoga mats will be available.

Special Events

Make Ice Cream in a Bag

Wednesday, March 13

Learn how to make your own ice cream with just a few ingredients and a freezer bag! Recommended for kids ages 8+.

Tales and Tails

Wednesday, April 3

Dogs make the best listeners! Stop by the library on the first Wednesday of every month to read your favorite book to dogs from CHAMP Assistance Dogs. Event is free and open to children and families.

Family Craft

Friday, March 22 Donut Soapmaking Friday, April 26 Craft TBÂ 3:30 pm

A fun opportunity for families to craft together. We will provide all supplies. Open to children and families. This event will take place at the library.

Brentwood Bookworms

Wednesday, March 27 Amal Unbound by Aisha Saeed Wednesday, April 24

Grab the monthly book and join us for snacks, discussion, and an activity!

PAWS for Reading

Thursday, March 2 Thursday, April 25 6:00-7:00 pm

Can't make Tails and Tales? We have another read-to-pups program on the fourth Thursday of every month (unless otherwise noted) with Support Dogs, Inc. Event is free and open to children and families.

Adult Programs:

Brentwood Book Club

Tuesday, March 12 at 6:30 pm Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30 pm March's meeting will discuss The Trouble with Goats and Sheep by Joanna Cannon; in April the group will read American Journal: Fifty Poems for Our Time. Ask for a copy at the desk. Newcomers are always welcome and no registration is required.



Resolutions Book Club

(meets every other month) Wednesday, March 20 6:30-7:30 pm

Together we share our goals for 2019 and cheer each other on. The Four Tendencies by Gretchen Rubin has been rescheduled for the March meeting due to technical difficulties. You are invited to chat between meetings about any progress or setbacks or simply to ask for and receive encouragement.

Worm Bin Workshop

Tuesday, April 23 6:30-7:30 pm

Want to learn how to easily compost yearround? Bring two 5-gallon plastic buckets and 1 lid to our workshop and learn all about how to make a worm bin! We'll provide the worms and beginning composting matter, and then we'll walk through the process and maintenance together. This class will be limited in size so please RSVP by calling (314) 963-8630 or e-mailing hgan@bplmo.org.

Walking Club

Thursdays at 12 pm

Join us on your lunch break or with your strollers for an hour-long walk through the neighborhood. We'll start from the library; please bring appropriate footwear and clothes. Weather dependent.

Adulting 101 Tuesday, March 26 Recycling Tuesday, April 30 Modern Etiquette

Join us on the last Tuesday of the month to master the precarious art of adulting! In March, we'll walk you through the dos and don'ts of recycling in Brentwood. Then, in April, we'll discuss modern etiquette for invitations, e-mails, parties, business meetings, and more.

Just For Fun

Friday, March 15 at 6:30 pm Mystery March Friday, April 19 at 6:30 pm Appetizing April

Choose any book related to the monthly theme and come to the library after-hours for a mixer with other readers! We're partnering with local brewery Earthbound Beer; sign up for email updates at http://eepurl.com/z21VH or ask at the desk for more details and reading recommendations from our librarians. Valid ID required, please.

Adult Craft

Thursday, March 14 at 10 am Bottle Cap Magnets Wednesday, April 3 at 6 pm Thursday, April 11 at 10 am Fabric Flower Pins Limit of 12 people to a craft. Registration required, call Gina at 963-8636 or email at ggibbons@bplmo.org. Check our calendar at http://www.brentwoodlibrarymo.org/events/

calendar/ for March activity updates.

Social Sketch

Beginners' Sketching Wednesday, March 27 Beginners' Sketching Wednesday, April 17 6 p.m.

St. Louis Artist's Guild instructors will be leading hour-long beginners' drawing classes. You are welcome to bring your own materials, but we'll have the essentials on hand if needed. RSVP to Hilary G. at hgan@ bplmo.org

Scrabble! Night

Thursdays March 21 April 4 & 18 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

The Scrabble Club meets on the first and third Thursday of the month. Games begin at 5:30 pm and generally conclude around 7 pm. All interested players are welcome to attend. No reservation required.

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Why I am Voting "YES" on Proposition B

By Chris Thornton

Paid for by Citizens for Brentwood Bound, Jeff Gould, Treasurer

Proposition B will be on the ballot in the April 2nd municipal election. A "Yes" vote on Proposition B will authorize the Board of Aldermen to impose a 1/2 cent Economic Development Sales Tax (EDST) on retail sales in Brentwood. In addition, Proposition B includes a "sunset provision" which provides that the EDST can only be collected for a maximum of 25 years.

Passing Proposition B will give the Board of Aldermen the ability to implement the EDST when and if they determine that there is an economic development project, in this case the Brentwood Bound project, that will truly benefit the City and is ready for execution. Passing Proposition B will put the Board of Aldermen in a position to fully fund and carry out the Brentwood Bound plan.

It is important to note that Proposition B does not automatically impose the EDST or indebt the City in any way. Passing Proposition B simply gives the Board of Aldermen the authority to impose the EDST. The ordinance placing Proposition B on the ballot clearly states that before levying the EDST, the Board will take into account the status of any required floodplain regulatory approvals, alternative funding options, any outstanding Brentwood Bound project-related indebtedness or obligations, economic development opportunities that could offer significant enhancement to the economic vitality of the community, and other relevant circumstances. A "YES" vote on Proposition B will give the Brentwood Board of Aldermen, the authority and the means to fully fund and implement the Brentwood Bound plan.

Brentwood Bound

Brentwood Bound is comprised of three related projects designed to: 1) mitigate the flooding along Deer Creek south of Manchester Road (between Brentwood Blvd and Hanley Rd.); 2) make significant improvements to Manchester Road, and; 3) connect the Brentwood City trail system to the Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) by extending the GRG north from the intersection of Marshall Rd. and Brentwood Blvd.

The flooding along the Deer Creek south of Manchester Road has been a problem in Brentwood for over 70 years. Every 2-3 years, heavy rains cause the Deer Creek to flood Manchester Road and most of the area south of Manchester Road. As a result of this recurring flooding, this area has become blighted. Property values have fallen, businesses have fled the area and dilapidated buildings in the area have had to be condemned.

Brentwood Bound will mitigate this periodic flooding by re-engineering the Deer Creek to accommodate these periodic heavy rains and restoring much of the Creek's natural floodplain. During periods of heavy rain, water from the Deer Creek will stay in the area around the Creek. As a result of the Brentwood Bound flood mitigation, 30+ acres of property, most of it south of Manchester Road, will be removed from the Deer Creek floodplain. Protected from the ravages of periodic flooding, this "reclaimed" property will be well suited for re-development that will benefit Brentwood and the surrounding communities. Regardless, the elimination of the periodic flooding along Manchester Road will dramatically improve this area of Brentwood and remedy an ongoing public safety hazard.

In 2015, the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) began a long planned project to resurface Manchester Road and improve the adjoining sidewalks from Big Bend Boulevard to Lindbergh Boulevard. You can find the details of this project on the MoDOT website (https://www.modot.org/ manchester-road-route-100-between-big-bend-andlindbergh). As part of this project, MoDOT reached out to the communities through which Manchester Road travels to see if they would like to partner with MoDOT to make additional improvements while the construction is taking place. Brentwood has partnered with MoDOT to make additional improvements to the entire Manchester Road corridor in Brentwood.

The planned improvements to Manchester Road in Brentwood include; new concrete curbs, ADA compliant sidewalks both north and south, a new bridge with sidewalks over Black Creek at Hanley Road with safe pedestrian crossing north and south, a pedestrian tunnel at Dorothy Avenue connecting the Rogers Parkway to a new and improved Norm West park, a designated pedestrian crossing near Manderly Drive and High School Drive, a 10 foot wide shared-use path

on the south side of Manchester between Hanley and Bremerton and improved signage and lighting along the entire corridor. These improvements will dramatically enhance public safety and provide our residents access to the Great Rivers Greenway and other public green spaces in the restored Deer Creek floodplain.

In the fall of 2018, the Great Rivers Greenway officially opened the Deer Creek Greenway. This portion of the GRG connects Lorraine Davis park in Webster Groves to "Rocket" park in Maplewood. GRG has plans to connect the Greenway east through Maplewood and eventually to Forest Park. Brentwood Bound will connect Brentwood residents to this outstanding regional trail system. The Brentwood Bound plan will extend the GRG north from the Deer Creek greenway at Marshall Road, through a new and improved Norm West park, and connect to Brentwood's City trails at the pedestrian tunnel near Dorothy. This will provide Brentwood residents direct access to the Great Rivers Greenway and allow them to safely walk and bicycle the entire region.

The flood mitigation, improvements to Manchester Road and connection to the Great Rivers Greenway will revitalize an area of our City that has suffered for far too long. The anticipated re-development of the Manchester Road corridor will bring new businesses to Brentwood and create a stable tax base for the future. Brentwood Bound will transform a significant portion of our City from blight and disuse into a unique, sustainable urban watershed benefiting Brentwood and the surrounding communities. In only five years, we will have solved a 70+ year old problem and in its place, created a tremendously valuable asset for our community. We have endured the flooding along Manchester Road long enough. The time has come to solve this perennial problem. Brentwood Bound is the right thing to do for Brentwood and its future.

Economic Development Sales Tax (EDST)

Missouri state statutes authorize municipalities to levy up to a ½ cent sales tax for economic development purposes (§ 67.1305, RSMo). Proposition B, authorizing a ½ cent EDST in Brentwood, must be approved by a majority of voters at the election on April 2nd. If the EDST is approved by the voters, the Brentwood Board of Aldermen must vote to assess the EDST and can suspend or repeal it at any time. The EDST does not authorize the City to incur debt, it only authorizes the City to collect a sales tax for economic development purposes. Voting "YES" on Proposition B, will not indebt the City or impose the tax on Brentwood shoppers. A "YES" vote simply authorizes the Brentwood Board of Aldermen to levy the EDST when and if they determine that the funds are needed to fund economic development projects such as Brentwood Bound. By approving Proposition B, the voters will be giving the Brentwood Board of Aldermen the power to fully fund and implement the Brentwood Bound plan when and if they determine the time is right to do so. Any decision to begin collecting the EDST or use the proceeds to repay new or existing debt will be made by the Brentwood Board of Aldermen at the appropriate time.

The City of Brentwood generates an enormous amount of sales tax revenue. This is especially true considering our relatively small size and population. Thanks to the efforts of Mayors Bob Kurtz and Pat Kelly, and the Boards of Aldermen who worked with them, Brentwood generates most of its annual revenue from sales taxes. It is estimated that less than 25% of the sales tax revenue collected by the City of Brentwood is paid by Brentwood residents. Brentwood residents are the beneficiaries of the dollars spent in Brentwood; mostly by residents of our neighboring communities. It is precisely this circumstance that makes Brentwood Bound such a unique and wonderful opportunity.

By voting "YES" on Proposition B, the citizens of Brentwood will authorize the Board of Aldermen to impose a ½ cent sales tax on purchases made in Brentwood. If the tax is imposed, it will mostly be paid by shoppers who do not live in Brentwood. Under other circumstances this might seem unfair, but Brentwood Bound will benefit Brentwood residents AND the surrounding communities. To a large extent, shoppers from Clayton, Ladue, University City, Richmond Heights, Maplewood, Webster Groves and Rock Hill will be paying for the Brentwood Bound improvements; it is fitting that these same people will also benefit from Brentwood Bound. It is truly a win-win situation.

How the Money Might be Used

It is estimated that a 1/2 cent Economic Development Sales Tax in Brentwood would generate more than 3 million dollars each year. According to State statute, this money can only be used for economic development purposes. The Brentwood Bound plan is an excellent example of an economic development project that could be funded by the proceeds of the EDST. If the citizens of Brentwood approve Proposition B, the Brentwood Board of Aldermen can use the proceeds of the EDST to fund and implement the Brentwood Bound plan.

The engineering plans for the flood mitigation portion of the Brentwood Bound project were recently completed by the City's consultant Jacobs Engineering Group, a nationally recognized engineering firm with extensive experience in water management. In January 2019, Jacobs submitted a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on behalf of the City. FEMA is responsible for maintaining the maps showing the flood areas in Brentwood. By the summer of 2019, Jacobs expects that FEMA will approve the City's CLOMER and commit to issuing a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) upon the completion of the project. If FEMA approves the City's CLOMER, upon completion of the Brentwood Bound project, the flood maps will be revised and 30+ acres of property will no longer be in the floodplain. During this time, Jacobs and the City's other consultants will be working to finalize the remainder of the Brentwood Bound plans. By early 2020, the City should be in a position to seek bids for the Brentwood Bound construction.

It is anticipated that the total cost of the Brentwood Bound project will be \$79.6M. To date, the City has raised \$39.2M and received approximately \$8 M in grants and pledges to fund the Brentwood Bound project. If Proposition B is approved, the Board of Aldermen would be in a position to raise an additional \$32.4 M to fully fund the Brentwood Bound plan. The Board would be authorized to assess the EDST and use the proceeds to repay these funds. The anticipated revenues from the EDST would be more than sufficient to fund the additional \$32.4 M.

Work and the World Works with You

I have been consistently pleased and surprised at the support we have received from outside organizations and the partnerships the City of Brentwood has been able to build over the last three years as we developed the Brentwood Bound plan. MoDOT, the Metropolitan Sewer District, the Army Corp of Engineers, the Great Rivers Greenway, MoDNR, the Deer Creek Watershed Alliance, and many other organizations have made significant contributions to Brentwood Bound. In addition, the leaders of Maplewood, Shrewsbury and Webster Groves have provided their support and encouragement. Certainly not least, has been the effort of hundreds of Brentwood citizens who have improved the plan with their hard work, suggestions, questions, comments and (yes) even objections.

We hear stories about governments, government agencies and vocal minorities preventing progress every day. We don't hear many stories about groups working together to make good things happen in the community. I don't know why. I have a theory as to why so many people have come together to make Brentwood Bound a reality. It's a simple theory, but I believe it is correct.

We took it upon ourselves to solve a problem. We looked at a serious problem and said, "What will it take to fix this?" We saw that it would take a tremendous effort and said, "How can we muster the resources?" We saw tasks that were beyond our abilities and said, "Who can we ask for help?"

Just as important, we did not say, "Who will fix this for us?" or "Who is responsible for this mess?" We did not say, "So-and-so won't let us ", or "We can't do that because "

We decided we wanted to change our community in a positive way and we sought out ways to make it happen. We found that when we did so, others were willing to help and have worked with us to get the job done. Brentwood Bound is an opportunity to improve Brentwood and the surrounding communities in ways that will significantly benefit future generations. These opportunities don't come around very often. We should not let this one pass. I hope you will join me in voting "YES" on Proposition B.

A TUES APRIL

Brentwood, Missouri is called the "City of Warmth," yet an important part of our city is in decline because of repeated flooding—driving away businesses and opportunity. Proposition B will help us complete the Brentwood Bound plan which will restore and revitalize the Manchester Road Corridor.

Why should we vote YES for the One-Half Cent **Economic Development Sales Tax Tuesday, April 2?**

It's simple-75% of the sales tax collected from our existing retail districts are by people that actually live outside of our city. Instead of raising our property taxes, the proposed One-Half Cent Sales Tax means that those shoppers will help us pay for the city's needed improvements. To put it in perpective, we-and everyone shopping in Brentwood-will pay an extra 50 cents on every \$100 spent. That 50 cents is worth every penny to help bring new life to a deteriorating section of our city with the addition of:

- ☑ Restored floodplain to overcome a century old problem
- ☑ Recreation potential with enhanced pedestrian greenways
- ☑ Economic stability through small business opportunities

The time is now to come together as a community and finally resolve this issue to ensure the whole city brings "warmth" to our citizens for the next century and beyond.

Complete information about the Brentwood Bound project can be found on the City of Brentwood's website BrentwoodBound.org.

Vote YES for Proposition B Tuesday, April 2.



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THE 50TH ANNUAL St. Patrick's Day PARADE AND THE 41st ANNUAL MICHELOB ULTRA ST. PATRICK'S DAY RUN

The Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in St. Louis will take place on Saturday, March 16, 2019, starting at 12 noon. Leading the 50th annual parade will be parade founder and St. Louis Irish Consul Joseph McGlynn, Jr., Parade Committee Chairperson Vincent Via, the Irish Guest of Honor Senator Aidan Davitt, our Honorary Parade Marshal Kevin Short, managing partner and CEO of Clayton, Capital Partners; St. Louis City Mayor Lyda Krewson,; and other dignitaries. This year's parade will be a Salute to its 50th Anniversary.

The parade steps off at 12 noon from 20th and Market Streets and proceeds east on Market to Broadway and then south on Broadway where it will disband at Clark Street. Market Street will be closed at 7:30 a.m. from Compton to Broadway. Parade units will stage starting at 7:30 a.m. from Compton to 18th Street.

The parade, also known as St. Louis' "Rite of Spring," will feature over 130 units, including floats, bands, marching units, large helium-filled balloons, and over 5,000 marchers.

In the past with good weather, more than 350,000 spectators have gathered along Market Street to watch the elaborate floats, marching bands, marching units, dance groups, animal units, novelty units, and motorized units.

The children's favorites – giant cartoon character heliumfilled balloons – will be featured in the parade. Each balloon will have its own team of handlers, usually employees of the corporate sponsor of the balloon in question.

The 41st Annual Michelob ULTRA St. Patrick's Day Parade Run will precede the parade at 9:00 a.m. McGlynn noted the support the run has received over the years from Anheuser-Busch, "From the very first run 40 years ago, Anheuser-Busch

was there supporting our efforts." The St. Patrick's Day Parade Run is St. Louis' largest locally organized run. It covers a five mile course which will begin on Broadway just south of the Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark hotel in front of the Ballpark Village (Broadway between Walnut and Clark Streets) and conclude at 8th and Market Streets. In addition this year will also feature a three kilometer run which will be part of the five mile course. Runners will then be directed to the Michelob ULTRA Runners Village at Kiener Plaza which will also be the site of this year's Irish Village featuring food and beverage provided by the Ball Park Hilton which will be open prior to, during and after the parade.

Over 8,000 runners, walkers and wheelchair racers of all ages participated in the 2018 St. Patrick's Day Run. There are 13 different age categories for both male and female competitive runners, ranging in age from under14 to 70-plus years. Prizes will be awarded in age categories for both men and women, including "14 and under" and "70 and over."

This year's run will bring back the popular "Best Costume" award competition. Individuals and teams can show off their best Irish-themed outfits. In the past there have been Irish potatoes as well as St. Patrick driving out the snakes. The runners' creativity is their only limit.

Runners may register online at: wwwstpatsrun.com. The cost is \$32.00 with the entry fee going up in March. Past top finishers will be issued special bib numbers so they will be allowed into the corral at the front of the pack.

The Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark is the official hotel of the St. Patrick's Day Run and Parade. For information on special St. Patrick's Day Parade and Run room packages,

visit the hotel's "Hotel Specials" page of its website WWW. HILTONSTLOUIS.COM or call 314-421-1776.

Starting at 9:00 a.m. some of the unique inflatable balloons that will be in the parade will begin inflating at Leprechaun Village located on the east side of Aloe Plaza as part of the preparade activities. Children will be able to enjoy bounce houses and there will be a caricature artist and other fun activities.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade and the Michelob Ultra St. Patrick's Day Parade Run celebration kicks off Friday night, March 15 at the Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark, 1 South Broadway, with cocktails and dinner. For cost and further information, call 314-241-PATS or visit our website at www. irishparade.org.

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA THIRD FAMILY CONCERT OF THE SEASON, CARNIVAL OF THE ANIMALS, ON MARCH 24

The St. Louis Symphony Orchestra will take families on a trip to the zoo without leaving Powell Hall during the Sunday, March 24, Family Concert: Carnival of the Animals. The 45-minute family-oriented concert, led by SLSO Resident Conductor Gemma New and presented without intermission, features Saint-Saëns' beloved musical suite. The suite's 14 movements depict various animals, including lions, elephants, donkeys, kangaroos, and swans. The narrator for the concert will be Emily Bowling, Conservation Education Liaison from the Saint Louis Zoo.

Brentwood Community Service Weekend - May 2-4

Help Brentwood residents restore their properties and make home repairs. Residents may suggest projects. Groups, families and individuals may sign up for service times and tasks.

Residents who would like to have assistance with home improvements and property maintenance, please contact Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, **314.968.2360** or **office@mtcalvarylems.org**.



To get involved as a volunteer for the event, please contact Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, 314.968.2360 or office@mtcalvarylcms.org May 2nd - 4th: Sign up at City Hall fire bay from 9 am to 4 pm. Sat. May 4th: 9 am-noon jewelry repair at City Hall fire bay.

Sat. night: Celebrate the service weekend with a *Taste of Service*Party - 4pm - 6pm at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church - Food

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Brentwood100.org







#Brentwood100 #BrentwoodMo100 Families are invited to Powell Hall before the concert for the SLSO's Instrument Playground. Starting at 2:00pm before each Family Concert, guests can explore, touch, and play real instruments of the orchestra in this hands-on experience located in Powell Hall's Wightman Grand Fover.

Representatives from the Saint Louis Zoo Education Department will be available prior to the show with animal biofacts and activities centered around animals that are featured in the movements of the music.

Tickets for this Family Concert are on sale now and start at \$8 for children. Tickets may be purchased at www.slso.org or by calling the Box Office at 314-534-1700.

Sunday, March 24, 2019, 3:00pm

Powell Hall, 718 N. Grand Blvd., St. Louis, MO

Gemma New, conductor

Peter Henderson, piano

Nina Ferrigno, piano

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS Overture to The Wasps

SAINT-SAËNS Carnival of the Animals

The performance of Carnival of the Animals is the final of three Family Concerts planned for the 2018/2019 season. The SLSO created its Family Concert series to engage and capture the imaginations of younger listeners and make orchestral concerts accessible to parents with young children.

For more information about Family Concerts, visit slso.org/family.

The Brentwood Century Foundation presents:

Brentwood Sons and Daughters Centennial Art Exhibit

Featuring works of:

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Judy Chiodini - Quilting

Harry Hysmith - Wood Sculpting

Ann Hysmith - Water color Artist

Jasmine Raskas - Acrylics

Emilee Felknor - Watercolor Artist

Robert Green - Photographer, Architect

Paul Harper - Acrylics

Michael Titus - Photojournalist, Fine Arts Photographer $\textbf{Ralph Fournier} \cdot Architect\ and\ Painter$

Tim Rempel - Mixed Media

Jonathan Gabriel Raskas - Author and Photographer

Kelene Karetski Renberg - Acrylics

Cathy Einspanier - Watercolor Artist

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Brentwood School District March 2019 News

District

- Amber Walkenbach is BSD Teacher of the Year. Ms. Walkenbach teaches second grade at Mark Twain Elementary
- Dorenda Ford is BSD Support Staff Person of the Year.
 Ms. Ford is the principal's secretary at Brentwood Middle School
- McGrath and Mark Twain Elementary families attended the Cupid's Ball on February 8 at the Conference Center.

Brentwood Early Childhood Center

- Students employed fine motor skills in making Valentine's Day crafts.
- Students learned the meaning of the word "symmetrical" then used that knowledge to create their own designs.
- Students made cell phones in class and used their new communications devices to practice number recognition.

Mark Twain Elementary

- Students hosted a Black History Month assembly. The assembly included a performance by the step team, accompanied by a rhythm section and poetry reading.
- Fifth graders increased their knowledge of Black History through a visit to the Missouri History Museum.

McGrath Elementary

- Dr. Cindy Neu, Principal at McGrath, gave a presentation on the American Civil Rights Movement to fourth grade students.
- Students hosted a Black History Month assembly that included the vocal performance of "Lift Every Voice and Sing."
- Students participated in the American Heart Association Kids' Heart Challenge. The team raised over \$4,000.00.

Brentwood Middle School

- The sixth grade choir performed a Valentines' Day concert for residents at Stonecrest Senior Living.
- Over 40 students participated in the third annual BMS student trivia night.
- BMS Junior Eagles Boys' Basketball team won their tournament the last weekend of February.

Brentwood High School

- Six members of the Debate Team earned awards at the Jefferson City Capital Classic at the beginning of February.
 BHS was one of 29 schools participating in the event.
- Scholar Bowl team placed 11th in the semi-finals at Sullivan Academic Tournament.
- Members of the boys' wrestling team and the girls' wrestling team qualified for the state tournaments in Columbia.
- Student volunteers participated in the National Salute to Veterans at Jefferson Barracks Hospital on Valentines' Day.
 The jazz band performed for Stonecrest Senior Living
- residents on Valentines' Day.

 Students interested in engineering took a field trip to St.
- Louis University.

 The Botany class held a plant sale. Offerings included vegetables, flowers, herbs and succulents. All plants were selected by the students and grown organically. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase supplies and materials for the greenhouse and to help support the student garden.

FREE Home Buying Coffee Talk presented by West Community Mortgage

West Community Mortgage invites you to attend a FREE Coffee Talk Seminar on "The Home Buying Process" at 10:00 a.m. in their Mortgage office located at 9534 Manchester Road, Rock Hill, MO 63119. Attendees will learn factors that affect buying a home, what mortgage lenders look for in a borrower, mortgage solutions for your situation and more. Presenters are West Community's Mortgage Specialist, Lisa Boaz and Realtor, Carolyn Mantia, from Clarity Realty. Refreshments will be provided. Limited seating available so RSVP today!

To reserve your seat, contact Stephanie Tyler at styler@westcommunitycu.org or call 636-720-2462.

About West Community Mortgage

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Kickstart Savings: Making the Most of Rising CD Rates

By: West Community Credit Union

Rates on Certificates of Deposit are finally rising! If you're looking to kick-start your savings strategy, consider adding CDs to the mix.

CDs are seen as safe bets for saving or investing since they are federally insured and returns are guaranteed. And when CD rates go up, as they have in the past year, you'll earn more money.

CDs Work Best When...

- 1. You want to protect your savings for something in the future. These may include saving for a down payment on a home or car. Whatever the goal, the money won't be used for years and can stay safely out of reach in CDs.
- 2. You want to build short-term wealth. CDs with short terms, such as one or two years, can make sense if there's a plan to later invest that money. For example, if you want to invest a large sum in the market, you might spread out when you buy stocks or funds over time using a popular investing strategy called dollar-cost averaging. The money waiting to be invested could go into CDs to earn more interest than it would in a regular savings account.
- 3. You want to ensure returns without risk. Investing in long-term CDs is generally best for people, typically retired, who want to avoid risking their money in the stock market. They also want to stop their savings from eroding because of inflation.

CD ladders can be a useful strategy in a rising-rate environment

A CD ladder is a way to spread out a large amount of money into multiple CDs of varying term lengths, such as one year, two years and three years. When each CD expires, you either withdraw funds if you need them or reinvest in another CD. If your financial institution has raised rates since you started the ladder, you benefit from higher rates with each new CD.

Financial advisors will usually encourage the ladder method when it comes to CDs. That said, if there's an attractive long-term rate that suits your portfolio — maybe it comes due when you'll need a new car or have to pay a college bill — by all means take advantage of it. It's really important to consider your particular situation and talk it over with your advisor so you know it will help you achieve your financial goals.

Overall, CDs are a safe form of savings that keep things simple, with the caveat you have to keep your hands off your funds for some amount of time. Whatever your future holds, we're positive it holds something worth saving for so take advantage of these fantastic rates and contact Member Services at 636.720.2400 or visit us online at westcommunitycu. org to learn more about opening a CD today!



Merge Plan Abuse of the Missouri Constitution

Self-determination is the bedrock of our democracy. America was founded on the principle of self-rule, closest to the people. This is one of the fundamental and overarching fallacies of Better Together's proposal to force the merger of all the municipalities, St. Louis County and the City of St. Louis into one Metro St. Louis.

This proposal, hatched by corporate chieftains, the County Executive and Mayor of The City of St. Louis behind closed doors without any input from elected municipal officials, city administrators or municipal police chiefs or the general public, conjures up an excuse to amend the State Constitution requiring a statewide vote on this local matter. The reason Better Together's plan requires a statewide is very clear, because it violates the constitution and the Missouri Revised Statues.

Better Together is using the Constitution which is supposed to protect the rights of citizens to take their rights. There are several types of municipalities authorized by state law; 3rd class, 4th class and villages, but the Missouri Constitution also authorizes the formation of a charter cities. Under a charter city form of government the residents create and approve, by a vote of the people, the governmental structure under which the want to live. There are 17 charter cities in St. Louis County including some of the oldest in the state; Florissant (1786), Kirkwood (1853), Webster Groves (1896) and city of Ferguson (1894) just to name a few. Under the Better Together plan they would lose their sovereignty. Their charter approved by a vote of the people, authorized and protected by the constitution would be discarded. This is undemocratic and un-American.

The constitution also requires that if two counties wish to merge, the voters of both counties must approve the merger by a majority vote in each county. The Better Together plan takes that right and protection away from the residents of St. Louis City and County and gives it to the voters across the state in cities like Kansas City, Arrow Point, Clinton and Shelbyville.

Why should voters in distant parts of Missouri vote on merging the City of St. Louis and St. Louis County? Would any other city and county in Missouri want St. Louisans voting on their self-government? Better Together's contrived excuse for a statewide vote is specious at best and disenfranchises and dilutes the will of the people in our City and County. It's an end run around local control of our communities that is the fiber of our democracy.

Better Together's plan also changes the municipalities into what they are calling municipal districts. The municipalities are no longer a political subdivision of the State of Missouri, they become a political subdivision of the new Metro St. Louis. All authority, property and ability to exist is controlled by the 33-member council of the new Metro St. Louis. Metro St. Louis also takes control of all municipal sales taxes, authorized by the state of Missouri for local use upon approval by a local vote. This confiscating of local taxes violates state law. For those taxes to be use outside of the communities they were authorized requires a vote of the people. This is a bald-faced redistribution of wealth, leaving municipalities in St. Louis County without the means to provide essential services.

The Missouri Constitution already has provisions that would allow forms of consolidation by local voters. A statewide vote is unnecessary and purposely circumvents the right to decide these issues for ourselves. That is why the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis and volunteers across the City and County are gathering signatures calling for the formation of the board of freeholders. This is the constitutionally authorized process allowing City and County residents the opportunity to voice their opinions in a transparent, public and open forum on their governmental structure and ultimately cast their votes on any proposed plan.

The Better Together proposal, if approved, will also eliminate the board of freeholder's process from the constitution, taking away the ability for the residents to change the structure in the future without making another constitutional amendment.

Better Together has stated as part of their outreach they collected information from some 2,100 residents at seven public forums and online surveys in addition to some 250 stakeholders' meetings. Let us assume there were 10 people at each stakeholder meeting since they didn't give a number and there is no public record to support the information. This would mean that they collected input from 4,600 people or 0.35% of the population of St. Louis City and County. This is not a good representation of the people. They would have had more participation if they had asked for input on the elimination of municipal police departs, local control of zoning or reducing municipalities in St. Louis County to no more than homeowner associations.

If Better Together values the rights of the residents of St. Louis City and County, they would insist a majority of voters in St. Louis County approve it first and then seek to amend the constitution.

Better Together's proposal is unconstitutional, undemocratic and unamerican. Both the United States and Missouri Constitution start with, "We people" not "We the many". As Abraham Lincoln stated at the Gettysburg Address, "that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth".

Better Together believes it knows how our cities and neighborhood should be governed and by whom. We believe local voters know better. Who do you trust?

Pat Kelly Executive Director Municipal League of Metro STL



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About Lydia's House

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Civic & Church Organizations

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2nd & 4th Monday, 6:00 p.m. Goff-Moll Post 101, 2721 Collier Mary Meers, President

Goff-Moll Post 101

3rd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. The American Legion, 2721 Collier Ave. Brentwood, MO 63144, 961-3263 Halls for Rent

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1st & 3rd Tues., 7:00 p.m. Meeting Meet at Branch Outreach Resource Center 2150 Yale Ave., Maplewood MO 63143 Lion Judy Yingling, President Phone: 314-550-0093

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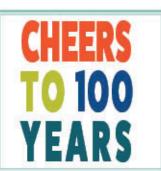






NUTRITION SEMI **How to Break Your Sugar Addiction**

March 13 **Brentwood** Community Center 6:30-8 PM





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March 22 Lunch at The Barn Departs from THE HEIGHTS 10:30 am - 1:30 pm \$6/person -drinks/food at own



March 27 THE HEIGHTS Viewing Butch Cassidy 1:30 pm





March 28 Argosy Casino Departs from THE HEIGHTS 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

