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BHS Senior Awarded SEMO President's Scholarship



Last month, the Director of Admissions and Director of New Student Programs at Southeast Missouri State University stopped by to surprise Hayden, a BHS senior, as he was selected this year as one of only five recipients for the President's Scholarship at SEMO.

For context, the President's Scholarship is SE-MO's top prestigious award with only five recipients annually. It's initial value is \$10,000, and the scholarship grows in value each year. The scholarship is renewable for 4 years with a total value of \$43,000! SEMO had over 350 applicants, selected 100 finalists to interview, and then selected Hayden as one of their five recipients.

"This is such an incredible honor for Hayden and speaks highly about the type of student he is both in and out of the classroom," said BHS College and Career Counselor Emily Diaz. "He is hardworking, kind, involved, disciplined, and ambitious. On behalf of the entire Brentwood High School community, I can confidently say that we are all so very proud of Hayden and know that he will continue to shine in the university setting and wherever he chooses to go in life!"

Eagle Eye for Equity Nominations Open

The "Eagle-Eye on Equity" is a recognition of a staff member, student, parent, or other community member who has gone above and beyond in the pursuit of equity in Brentwood School District, both in and out of the classroom. This award will help us celebrate equity as a point of pride in our community.

Learn more and submit your nomination at bit. ly/eagleeyeaward

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

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

Brentwood Ward 2 Candidate Forum



What: Candidate debate forum

When: Monday, March 28th, 6:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:00)



Where: Brentwood Community Center, 2505 S Brentwood Blvd, Brentwood, MO 63144

Moderator:

Brentwood citizen and former Mayor, Pat Kelly

Candidates:

Alderwoman Sunny Sims, and Dan Glass

ELECTION DAY FOOD DRIVE

On Tuesday April 5th St. Louis County will be hosting the municipal election and four County propositions A thru D will be on the ballots. The Brentwood Rec Center and McKnight Crossing Church will be active polling places and at these locations we will be collecting canned goods and donations to help families in our area in need.

We ask that when you come vote that if you wish to bring one, two or three cans to help others. We will be there to see to it that your kindness reaches those in need. Even if you choose not to vote you can still drop off your donation curb side.

This is an opportunity to something nice to help others while also participating in making our community governments work.

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McKnight Crossing Christians Who Care - The food pantry serves those living within zip codes 63119, 63143, 63144, and 63117.

Hours of Operation:

Every Wednesday: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

First Wednesday of the month: 11:00 am - 6:00 pm First Saturday of the month: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

St. Mary Magdalen CARE – (Christian Action Really Evident) mission includes aiding people in need, those in emergency situations, those with financial difficulties, and the aging adult community. We work to provide events and services to our seniors all year long, as well as people of all ages in our community. We meet monthly from September to June on the first Monday of each month. Scheduled events occur all year long and meeting needs whenever we hear about them. Requests for help or for more information, please call the CARE phone number at: 962-1354.

St. Vincent de Paul helps those within our parish boundaries, which means Brentwood, Rock Hill, and parts of Webster Groves and Maplewood. We do need food right now since we are somewhat depleted. Monetary contributions are also needed. With the cold weather we are helping with quite a few utility bills. As far as food, when we have a surplus we share with Immaculate Conception and Webster Rock Hill Ministries food pantries. The members of this organization are actively involved with helping the needy of our parish community. The members help with job assistance, food, and utilities. Financial support comes from donations of those who wish to help those in less fortunate situations. Meetings are held every Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory meeting room.

To best help these organizations we are looking for your help with food, paper products or cash donations so that we may help others in need. Whether it is one can or one dollar your help in this drive will be used to make someone else's life a little better. You are the biggest piece to the Election Day Food Drive so we ask for your help in meeting the current needs of families within our community.

Thank YOU for Caring for Others. See you at the polls; please come vote!

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Regional Partners Hold STL Manufacturing and Distribution Career Fair

First-time event will feature 20 companies seeking to hire new personnel

Conflux Co-Learning – the nation's first co-learning space that exclusively serves manufacturers and distributors – is joining forces with the St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE) and the St. Louis County Workforce Development for the first STL Manufacturing and Distribution Career Fair. The event will be held Thurs., April 21 from 1 to 6 p.m. at Conflux's headquarters located at 8221 Minnesota Ave. in South St. Louis. The event is free and open to the public.



The career fair is primarily for job seekers and students interested in machining, welding, robotics, logistics, warehouse operations, supply chain management, automation, maintenance, engineering, customer service, sales, and accounting. Many of the available positions do not require a college degree, and some companies are offering full benefits, signing bonuses, or opportunities for career growth.

"Given the recent closures of GKN Aerospace in Hazelwood and PGP Glass in Park Hills, we saw a timely opportunity to connect job seekers with area manufacturing and distribution companies looking for talent" said Conflux Co-Learning Executive Director Matt Menietti.

Despite these closures, a 2020 study by the National Association of Manufacturers found United States manufacturing workers earned \$92,832 on average, which included pay and benefits. Roughly 90% of these positions also offered health insurance.

Both SLATE and the St. Louis County Workforce Development will assist with promoting open positions among job seekers in their network. The Missouri Job Center, as well as other training and employment partners, will be at the career fair to provide information about services, programs, courses, and other resources for job seekers and those looking for career opportunities in the industry.

Conflux Co-Learning is a membership-based organization that curates content, connections, and space so manufacturing and distribution leaders can navigate and grow in a rapidly changing industry.

SLATE connects job seekers with training programs and employment, helping employers diversify their workforce and assisting youth with career skills. St. Louis County Workforce Development serves in a partnership role between St. Louis County residents and businesses while supporting the St. Louis Metro area's economic development with a qualified workforce.

For more information about the career fair, call (314) 754-8712



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SPRING EVENTS AT MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

Celebrate the season among beautiful blooms

Spring is just around the corner, and the Missouri Botanical Garden is the perfect place to welcome the changing of the season. Look for these seasonal events happening at the Garden this spring.

March 26: Seasonal Re-openings

After we officially enter spring, the Garden will re-open Café Flora, the Doris I. Schnuck Children's Garden, and Tower Grove House.

Garden goers can enjoy outdoor dining at Café Flora from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday–Sunday. Originally known as the Flora Gate, the pavilion is situated on the grand plaza overlooking the three large reflecting lily pools, the Milles Sculpture Garden and the world-renowned Climatron.

April 1: Sake and Sakura 5:30 pm - 8 pm

Bask in the beauty of blooming cherry trees (sakura) while sipping sake. Specialists will be on hand to guide your sake sampling adventure. Attendees will receive a keepsake special massu tasting cup and will have the rare opportunity to explore the Japanese Garden's Teahouse Island. Seven samples are included with admission. Additional sake and traditional Japanese cuisine will be available for purchase.

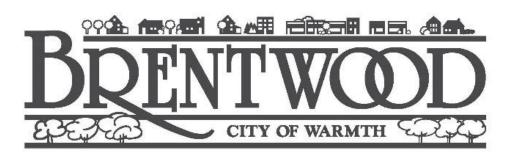
Tickets on sale now at mobot.org. For guests ages 21 and older.

April 29-30: Herb Sale

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday April 29 9a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 30 (If there are remaining plants.)

Shop more than 6,000 herb plants, representing more than 125 varieties. Members of The St. Louis Herb Society will be on hand to share plant care tips and information about the Society. Included with Garden admission. Free for Garden members.

Botanical Garden is a National Historic Landmark and a center for science, conservation, education and horticultural display.



PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Brentwood at Brentwood City Hall, 2348 S. Brentwood Blvd., Brentwood, MO 63144-2097 will hold a Public Hearing on April 4, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. on:

Teresa Dale Pupillo, of Capes, Sokol, Goodman & Sarachan, P.C. has submitted an application on behalf of the Animal Protective Association of Missouri (APA) located at 1705 S. Hanley Road, Brentwood, MO 63144, to include Facilities used for animal rescue, shelter, and adoption, including the provision of related services for those animals such as veterinary care, pet owner resources support and educational programming as a conditional use in the Urban District. The proposed text amendment is in anticipation of an application for the renovation and expansion of their existing facility at 1705 S. Hanley Road.

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

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

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



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9:00am / **Registration and donuts** 10:00am / **Shotgun start**

Lunch: Grilled brats and hot dogs fresh off the grill available during your round on the course

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

Price: \$750 per foursome, \$200 for individuals
Includes hot lunch, heavy appetizers, raffle,
auction, new contests where everyone is a winner!

REGISTER EARLY starting April 1 until May 15th Save \$50/foursome and \$10/individual

Questions: Contact David Weber 314.209.9181



Join us for the annual Home Sweet Home trivia night!

Grab your slippers and put on your thinking caps for a night of trivia, games, silent auction, and MORE - all to support Home Sweet Home's mission to give at-risk families a sense of dignity and hope by providing basic home furnishings!

What: Home Sweet Home Pajama Party Trivia Night

When: Saturday, June 25th Doors open at 6PM, Trivia starts at 7PM

Where: The gym at T.A.S.K. (Team Activities for Special Kids)

980 Horan Drive, Fenton MO 63026

Why: To support Home Sweet Home's mission + LOTS OF FUN!!

Bring your own snacks and we'll provide the drinks: wine, beer, soda, and water (no outside alcohol, please)!

Don't miss the Early Bird Special! \$300 per table of 8, available now through Friday, March 18th. Get them while you can! Price after 3/18: \$350 per table.

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Brentwood Community Center Sunday, March 20th

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. *FREE ADMISSION*

★ ELECT DAN GLASS ★

VOTE FOR DAN GLASS ON APRIL 5TH!

I am a lifelong Brentwood resident, and I grew up on Lawn Ave. My wife and I have four kids, three of which go to Mark Twain and one is in Mt. Calvary Preschool. I have lived in Ward 2 on Henrietta Ave since 2005. To say the least, I care deeply about the future of our community, our neighbors, and the City of Brentwood.

Your ideas and opinions matter to the future of our community. I hope you will elect me as your representative of Ward 2 and our neighborhood.

Goals and Vision

- Serve neighbors and represent your vision.
- Improve accessibility.
- Raise the bar on home builder accountability.
- Support sustainability and environment.
- Explore traffic calming initiatives. Slow down on our streets!

 Allow for alternative modes of transportation. Yes, I'm the guy driving around on a Golf Cart.

My best,

Don Han

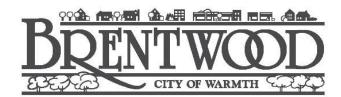
Dan Glass



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Paid for by Candidate Dan Glass

BRENTWOOD WARD 2 ALDERMAN



CANDIDATES THAT HAVE FILED for APRIL 5, 2022 ELECTION

ALDERMAN – WARD 1:

NANCY PARKER TICE Incumbent 2301 Parkridge Ave.

ALDERMAN - WARD 2:

SUNNY SIMS Incumbent 2016 Spanish Dr.

DAN GLASS 8506 Henrietta Ave.

ALDERMAN - WARD 3:

JEFF GOULD Incumbent 2517 Mary Ave.

ALDERMAN – WARD 4:

KATHY O'NEILL Incumbent 1716 Blue Jay Cove

Candidate for Brentwood Alderman, Ward 2

Thank you for the positive response from last month's letter. I was encouraged by the support. When I think about this campaign, I am excited for the learning opportunity. It's true that I've never been an Alderman and I hope this second letter helps in your decision making process.

To recap, my name is Dan Glass and I am a lifelong Brentwood resident running in the April 5th election for Alderman, Ward 2.



I previously outlined six goals and can expand on those here:

- Serve my neighbors and represent their vision for the city: The best ideas come from the people who experience community. This means all residents and I am happy to bring your ideas forward to better prepare for Brentwood's future. I'm committed to that.
- Improve accessibility: We are doing great work to improve the walkability along Manchester and the Brentwood Bound space. I know we can carry that success forward to better connect East and West in making Brentwood Blvd safer to cross. Kids and community members should be able to meet up without have to "jump in the car" to drive over to the other side.
- Ensure Home Builder accountability: I support business and builders in Brentwood and will encourage companies that take pride in their work. We need solid companies building quality homes. Many homes will be built over the next five and ten years and we should have an opinion on how that turns out for those excited families buying a new home. Personally, I have built a home in Brentwood and found that collaboration with the city saved me thousands of dollars. Let's encourage builders to finish their projects in a timely manner.
- Promote sustainability and environment: For me this topic is more than just solar panels. Brentwood is already doing a great job in making solar upgrades easier for its residents. I think about how great it would be to have an extra recycle day to see more cardboard pickup. Of course I support more green space, dog parks, gardens, and tree lined streets. These assets not only help with watershed but encourage us to be outside and be active.
- Explore traffic calming: This is a tough one, but I am confident that with a collective effort we can make the speeding situation better. As technology progresses and new tools become available, being on the forefront with new techniques becomes possible. We should strive to slow speeding and change traffic patterns in a mutually beneficial way. This is St. Louis right? We still have to drive.
- Create safe operating conditions for alternative modes of transportation: Yes, feel free to roll your eyes here. Electric bikes, scooters, golf carts, and small electric vehicles always get a smile. They are extremely functional around the neighborhood and they are quiet while emitting zero emissions. These alternate modes of travel are well aligned with Brentwood's Vision Statement.

Most of these topics are not unique, but at the end of the day, people matter and open communication and trust makes progress easier. I'll strive for that.

Don Han

Dan Glass

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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 visiting brentwoodmo.org

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

Election Set For April 5th, 2022



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

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

As Chair of Ways and Means:

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

As Alderwoman:

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

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

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



BRENTWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 2022 News

Board Approves 22-23 and 23-24 School Year Calendars

The Calendar Committee recommended and the Board of Education approved Brentwood School District calendars for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 academic school years.

The Calendar Committee consisted of teachers, parents, support staff, Board of Education, and administrator representatives from every school in the district. Each school had 3 representatives. The committee reviewed the survey results from the Brentwood community, adjustments made to the Brentwood calendars in recent years, this year's calendar, state mandates, and examples of ten district calendars across the St. Louis and St. Charles counties to determine a consensus on the proposed calendars.

Here are some of the considerations that went into the construction of the upcoming school year calendars:

- The approved calendars meet state requirements (House Bill 604)- School may start no earlier than 14 days prior to Labor Day
- The end of the school year takes place prior to Memorial Day for both students and teachers
- Early release days are located on Fridays and in conjunction with holiday weekends if possible
- High school students are able to complete their first semester finals before winter break
- Inclusion of a Wellness Day in April for all students and staff, where buildings will be closed to support the mental wellbeing of all stakeholders
- Inclusion of the use of AMI (virtual learning) days instead of traditional snow days to minimize the need of adding additional school days to the end of the year

You can always find the latest version of our calendars on our website at https://www.brentwoodmoschools.org/about/calendars.

McGrath Student Leaders Organize Water Bottle Challenge

McGrath 5th Grade Leaders learned about the impact of plastics on the environment during Writing class. They wanted to make an impact through a challenge they developed. They challenged students to bring their disposable water bottles for the month of February. Grade levels would get prizes for their success. But the real success was the behavior that they changed in the students at McGrath. Their Water Bottle Challenge made the following happen:

- Kindergarten through 2nd Graders kept 177 plastic bottles from entering our environment and causing damage to plants and animals
- 3rd Graders through 5th Graders kept 168 plastic bottles from entering our environment and causing damage to plants and animals.
- McGrath Elementary kept 345 plastic bottles from entering the environment in the month of February.

This is proof that small actions can make big changes. Congratulations to our environmental leaders. And, congratulations to their parents and Mrs. Oesterle for bringing forth students who care.

Engineering Day

The Brentwood High School Math Department hosted a virtual field trip to Saint Louis University last month. The theme of the field trip was to introduce



young women to experience STEM career fields, particularly engineering. The event featured hands-on activities that the students completed while virtually touring science labs and engineering spaces at SLU. It was a great hands-on learning

experience for students and is just one of many ways our teachers help empower students to explore new and exciting career fields.



Facilities Update

We have launched a new dashboard on our website that will feature monthly updates about the progress at the McGrath/BECC campus. You can check it out anytime by visiting bit. ly/bsdconstruction

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

- Slab Poured Area C
- MEPFP Rough-Ins
- Masonry Block Areas A & C
- Steel Erection
- Exterior Wall Framing and Sheathing Areas A/B
- Roof Truss Installation Area A
- Site Utilities

Substantial Completion Estimate: Winter 2022













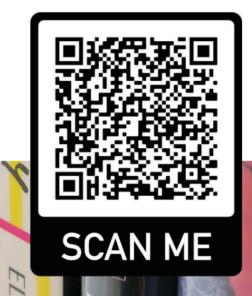


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Community Science Volunteers NEEDED FOR frogwatch USA

Saint Louis Zoo virtual training sessions set for March 24

Jump in and become a FrogWatch USATM volunteer with the Saint Louis Zoo! Members of the St. Louis-area community are needed to monitor frogs and toads from their backyards, parks, fields, creeks or just about anywhere. The information gathered can lead to practical and workable ways to stop amphibian decline.

You do not have to be an expert to be help with frog conservation. All you need is an interest in frogs and toads and a willingness to participate at the level of commitment that works for you.

"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."

There are two great ways for St. Louisans to get involved in FrogWatch at different commitment levels:

· FrogWatch-Lite is designed as an entry-level introduction to frog and toad community science. The mainly self-directed program requires participants to attend a 90-minute virtual training session with a commitment to collect photos and record frog calls then share them through the iNaturalist mobile app. Frog call observations can be made anytime throughout the breeding season, March through August, or anytime. There is no minimum or maximum number of observations required. The first FrogWatch-Lite free virtual training session is 7 to 8:30 p.m. CST on Thursday, March 10, 2022. Advance reservation is required at stlzoo.org/frogwatch.

• The FrogWatch USA™ Volunteer program is a community science opportunity that goes beyond the introductory level. Volunteers are required to attend a three-hour virtual training session to learn how to accurately identify calls of common frogs and toads in Missouri, collect and report scientific data, and register an observation site. Participants are asked to commit to monitoring and recording data on a regular basis at a specific site from March through August. The first FrogWatch Volunteer free virtual training session is from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. CST on Thursday, March 24, 2022. Advance reservation is required by March 12 at stlzoo.org/frogwatch.

More training sessions may be added throughout the spring. Visit stlzoo.org/frogwatch for training dates and registration. For more information, contact Michael Dawson at dawson@ stlzoo.org or (314) 646-4551.

Dawson also leads the Saint Louis Zoo WildCare Institute Spring Peeper Program, which is working to identify remaining populations of urban frogs and toads in the watersheds located within the Interstate 270 beltway. Causes for the decline of spring peepers, western chorus frogs and cricket frogs in these areas are currently being studied with the hope of reestablishing viable and sustainable breeding populations in the future. Data from FrogWatch St. Louis volunteers may contribute to this conservation program.

FrogWatch USA is a community 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.

Trailnet's 2021 crash report highlights pedestrian deaths, inequitable distribution of crashes across St. Louis

Last year, 178 people were killed and more than 14,000 people injured in traffic crashes in St. Louis City and County.

For the fourth year in a row, the number of people walking who were killed in crashes increased in St. Louis City, and for the first time since data was tracked, St. Louis County saw the total number of traffic deaths exceed 100.

In both city and county, these crashes occurred at disproportionately higher rates in predominantly Black and minority communities.

This grim accounting and other key findings are part of Trailnet's "2021 St. Louis City and County Crash Report." This report is a snapshot and analysis of traffic violence in the region and lays out recommendations for governments to better-address these deaths.

"This data confirms what most people know intuitively: wide roads with fast moving cars are dangerous. Our governments need to do more to prevent these unnecessary deaths and act now," Sam McCrory, Trailnet's Program Coordinator and the main author of the report said.

"We're focused first and foremost on the needs and safety of people walking, biking, and using transit but these crashes can affect everyone and ripple through our community. As a region, we need to address these crashes based on the data and needs of the community," Cindy Mense, Trailnet's CEO said.

The report is based on data from the Missouri Statewide Traffic Accident Records System, which catalogs crash information from law enforcement agencies across the state.

In addition to reporting crash data, the report features suggested solutions to reduce deaths and injuries. These solutions include addressing high-crash corridors, reducing speeding through street design, improving safety near bus stops and adopting a need-based approach to traffic safety.

Other key takeaways include:

Over the last 5 years in the City of St. Louis, nine roads were responsible for 40% of crashes affecting pedestrians and 46% of pedestrian deaths. These high-crash corridors make up only 1.5% of the city's road network. In St. Louis County, over that same 5 year window, eight roads accounted for 34% of pedestrian crashes and 45% of pedestrian deaths.

- 95% of pedestrian deaths in the city and county occured on streets with speed limits of 30mph or greater.
 - 32% of deadly car crashes involved at least one car speeding.
 - In the city 36% of pedestrian crashes occurred within 200 ft of a bus stop.
 - Visit trailnet.org/2021-crash-report to read the full report.

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Trailnet is the St. Louis region's nonprofit walking, biking and public transit advocacy organization. For more than 33 years, Trailnet has been working within the St. Louis region and across the state to respond to the demand for improved walking and biking networks that attract and retain talent, strengthen our economy, and connect people to the places they love.



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Brentwood Police Department

Calls for Service Report

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02-21-22 to 02-27-22

Robbery /Car-Jack	0	
Assaults	1	
Peace Disturbance & Domestic	10	
Calls for Mental Health	3	
CFS for Property Crime		
Arson/Bombing/Burning	0	
Burglary - Residential	0	
Burglary - Business	0	
Destruction of Property	1	
Frauds & ID Theft	3	
Larceny - Shoplifting	0	
Larceny - From Vehicle	3	
Larceny - All Others	5	
Stolen Vehicles	0	
Trespassing	1	

Weapons Related	
Utilized/Taken	0
Recovered	0

Auto Accidents

11

Foot Patrols	
Building & Business Check	11
Parks & Schools	5
Misc	0

Notable CFS	
Alarm Calls	6
Animal Related	0
Assist Fire Department	17
Check Welfare/Notification	7
Contact Another Agency	8
Motor Assist	6
Police Community Relations	1
Radar / LPR Hits/ Flock	1
Solicitors	0
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	9
Traffic Control/Details	6
Traffic Stops	12
Vacation Checks/Close Watch	3
Fireworks	0
ARREST	
Prisoner Conveyance	1
Adults	8
Juvenile	2
ARREST TYPE	
FTA/Fugitive	5
Original Non-Traffic	5
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Miscellaneous CFS	29
Minus Arrest/Types	-20
Total Calls For Service	160

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Home-Buying in 2022: Sellers will still mostly have the upper hand. This is what you can do about it.

By: West Community Credit Union

Let's get right to it: The 2022 housing market seems likely to be a watered-down version of 2021. That means while price increases might be slowing and competition could be a little less intense, overall we're still looking at an abnormally hot market. The stress of home buying and selling almost always puts people in their feelings, but in the coming year, emotions may be running especially high.

With inventory still low, most sellers can continue to expect multiple offers. The National Association of Home Builders regularly surveys buyers who've been searching for three or more months and found that in the third quarter of 2021, being outbid was the top reason those folks hadn't yet bought homes.

Getting pre-approved prior to starting your house hunting journey remains your most effective course to home ownership. Here's a closer look at how you could benefit from a mortgage pre-approval and what it takes to get one:

Obtaining a Pre-Approval Letter

First, you'll need to provide your would-be lender with some financial documentation, including a copy of your credit report, tax returns, pay stubs and checking and savings account statements. This helps financial institutions determine your creditworthiness. As long as there aren't any dramatic changes in your personal finances, it's fairly safe to assume that the lender will let you borrow the stated amount.

How pre-approvals help buyers

When looking at homes, a pre-approval letter can be a great tool with which to impress sellers. This document indicates that you're serious about buying, especially in a time when they're receiving multiple offers. More importantly, it shows that you have the financial backing of a lender to go through with a deal.

The takeaway

Before applying for a pre-approval, work on improving your credit score. Reduce your debt as much as possible while also making sure not to accumulate any more of it. These moves will make you look like less of a risk to lenders.

Ready to make 2022 the year you settle into your dream home? Take the first step and schedule a free mortgage consultation with the West Community Mortgage Team. Contact Lisa Boaz with West Community Credit Union at 636.720.2495 or visit us online at westcommunitycu.org.



You Are Cordially Invited To The 41st Annual Women's Interfaith Conference—Virtual!

Ladies come join us at this year's gathering entitled 'Women Of Faith: Living Our Faith In A Secular World' as followers of the religious communities of Hinduism, Sikhism, Christianity, Baha'ism, Judaism and Islam share how individually and communally those in their faiths have addressed and attempted to positively influence the current challenging issues of human society. We are pleased to announce that we will once again convene virtually this year on Thursday March 31, 2022 at 1:00 pm Central Time (US and Canada) to observe current pandemic precautions for the well-being of all. This event is free, although donations are gratefully accepted. After you register at https://interfaithstl.org/wic2022 you will receive the online webinar link for the conference.

For further details contact **Jerri Livingston** at **314-469-3553**. Please attend to make it a memorable day of learning, reflection and hopefully positive connection.

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The RUSH Tribute Project Friday, November 18, 2022 at 8 PM at River City Casino & Hotel

The RUSH Tribute Project, an homage to one of the most enduring and influential bands in rock music, returns to River City Casino & Hotel on Friday, November 18 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$19.50, \$29.50, \$39.50 and \$49.50.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.ticketmaster.com or at the River City Casino & Hotel box office. You must be 21 and older to attend.

Combining skilled musicianship with exciting performances, The RUSH Tribute Project (known as RTP to its dedicated fanbase) delivers the magic of Rush's famous live concerts. Covering all 40-plus years of Rush's amazing career, RTP painstakingly recreates the sound and energy that made Rush one of the top-selling rock bands of all time. With a lineup that has performed Rush tribute shows for over a decade across North America and around the world, including RushCon, RTP stands out as one of the premiere tributes to this legendary power-trio.

For more information, visit www.rivercity.com or www.stev-elitmanpresents.com. Must be 21. Exclusions apply. Gambling Problem? Call 1.888.BETSOFF.

Need a Speaker?

Does your organization, senior center or corporation need a speaker? As part of the outreach of the Missouri Senior Cameo Club, a Speaker's Bureau is available to provide 20-, 30-, and 60-minute presentations on a variety of subjects. "Senior women are extremely knowlegeable and are eager to share their expertise - either in person or via Zoom," said Nancy Pittman, PhD, president of the Missouri Senior Cameo Cub Board of Directors.

Current topics include:

Mind - Body - Spirit How To Grow Old With Purpose

I Ain't Dead Yet! How the Media Portrays Seniors (And Why It Matters)

Looking Good to Feel Great Dress For Your Best Age

Self Esteem for Grownups

Reflexology It's a Real Thing

Makeup For the Mature Woman

All the topics are explained on the Speakers Bureau page of our website, www.msmissourisenior.org.

For information or to schedule a speaker, contact wrightsings@gmail.com.

Ms. Missouri SENIOR America Pageant

2022

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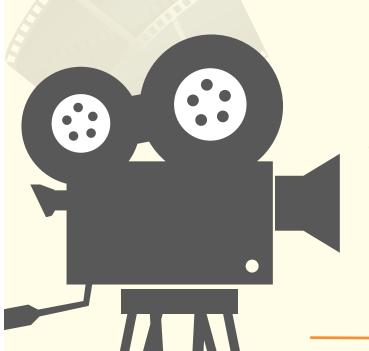
All performers are members of Missouri Senior Cameo Club, a non-profit organization sponsoring an annual pageant for senior women which fosters their talent development, charitable giving, community service and personal growth.

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Graphite Lab Develops Original Game for Atari

Puzzle-platformer Kombinera is the first game Atari has published for the St. Louis developer

Independent video game developer Graphite Lab recently announced its newest title Kombinera, a puzzle-platformer experience, to be published by Atari. The IP video game – which is the first time Atari has funded, published, and distributed one of Graphite Lab's original games - will be one of Atari's first



releases of 2022 to commemorate its 50th anniversary.

Kombinera will be available on 11 platforms including Play-Station 415, which is another first for Graphite Lab. The game will be downloadable on PC via Steam and Epic Games Store, as well as Nintendo Switch, Xbox One, Xbox Series XlS, Atari VCS, and mobile platforms (iOS, Android) in April 2022.

Graphite Lab joined forces with the new independent label Joystick Games to create the game. Joystick Games was founded by Jacob Lear and Phil Snowbarger, who conceived the concept during a Game Jam. This is the first collaboration for Graphite Lab in its history and resulted in the company hiring the Joystick Games' team thanks to the Atari partnership.

"Joystick's collaboration with Graphite Lab opened a world of possibilities," said Phil Snowbarger, Co-Founder of Joystick Games. "It allowed for exploration and expansion on our original concept of Kombinera. We are excited to use this momentum to make more original games and help grow the St. Louis game development community."

The game lets players take control of multiple-colored balls while navigating through more than 300 increasingly perilous environments and puzzles. All the balls move in unison, avoiding obstacles like tricky barriers and spikey walls which will require intense concentration and brain-taxing problem-solving.

"Kombinera is truly the product of a combined effort and the desire to create something different from the pack," said Matt Raithel, Graphite Lab Owner and Studio Director. "Juicy animation, clever storytelling, and memorable puzzles were all made better through collaboration with Atari's creative team."

Seniors Home Care LLC Receives 2022 Best of Home Care® – Leader in Experience Award

Seniors Home Care LLC announced today that it received the distinguished 2022 Best of Home Care -Leader in Experience Award from Home Care Pulse, the leading firm in experience management for home care. The Leader in Experience Award is the highest recognition awarded by Home Care Pulse and is given to select home care businesses that consistently rank among the very highest in 10 or more quality metrics. As a Leader in Experience, Seniors Home Care LLC is now recognized among the top 10% of home care providers participating in the nationwide Home Care Pulse Experience Management Program.

This accomplishment demonstrates Seniors Home Care's long-term dedication to excellent care and quality improvement. To qualify for this award, 10% of Seniors Home Care's clients and caregivers were interviewed each month by Home Care Pulse. Over a 12-month period, Seniors Home Care received high client and caregiver



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What does it mean to be a 2022 Best of Home Care® Leader in Experience?







satisfaction ratings in areas such as caregiver training, compassion of caregivers, communication, scheduling, client/caregiver compatibility, and more. Using feedback from clients and employees, as well as quality benchmarks from Home Care Pulse, the Seniors Home Care management team set goals to reach the highest level of Experience possible.

"For 35 years, we have been committed to providing the highest level of service and satisfaction to both our home care clients and the many caregivers who work for Seniors Home Care. This award is proof of our dedication to assist families as they age," says Ryan Whittington, CEO.

The Best of Home Care – Leader in Experience Award highlights the top-performing home care businesses in the nation. Home Care Pulse believes that by honoring these providers, families looking for in-home care for a loved one will be able to recognize and choose a trusted home care provider.

"At Home Care Pulse, our mission is to help home care businesses create an experience that goes beyond client and caregiver expectations," says Todd Austin, President of Home Care Pulse. "When we see agencies like Seniors Home Care that have so effectively provided outstanding care and employment experiences, we know we're on the right track. Seniors Home Care has worked extremely hard to prioritize high-quality care and employment, and their work hasn't gone unnoticed. This award allows them to show proof of quality to potential clients and caregivers."

To find out more about Seniors Home Care's commitment to experience, please visit www.SeniorsHomeCare or call 314-962-2666.

About Seniors Home Care

Seniors Home Care is in their 35th year of delivering private duty home care services to the St. Louis area. Continued quality service allows clients to enjoy dignified, independent and safe lives, while their family members achieve a guilt-free, less stressful environment to enjoy their loved ones.



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Family's serious car accident changed baseball perspective for Cardinals' Aaron Brooks

By Rob Rains

JUPITER, Fla. - Everything that has happened in his life the last 18 months has given Aaron Brooks a new perspective on baseball.

He arrives daily at the Cardinals' spring training complex and reports to the minor-league clubhouse. Having signed a minor-league deal in January, with a non-roster invitation to the major-league camp, the lockout



has re-directed Brooks' path to earning a spot on the team's pitching staff.

Considering how his life has changed since September 2020, having to go through a different door and using a smaller clubhouse isn't a tough adjustment for the 31-year-old Brooks. The change in his perspective began with a phone call.

"Night and day," he said. "Baseball is second. Baseball has rarely been second for me my whole life."

"I could hear sirens"

Brooks was alone in his apartment in Gwangju, South Korea on the morning of Sept. 21, 2020. He was nearing the end of his first season with the Kia Tigers of the Korean Baseball Organization, having signed after stops with the Royals, Athletics and Orioles in the major leagues and more time with a handful of minor-league teams spread across five organizations since being drafted by the Royals in 2011.

His wife Whitney, whom he met in 2014 while pitching in Omaha, and the couple's two young children had returned a few weeks earlier to the family's home in Manhattan, Kan., after spending most of the season in Korea.

It was about 7 a.m. when Brooks' phone rang half a world away. Whitney was on the other end. "I could hear sirens in the background," Brooks recalled. "I had no idea what was going on. She was crying, but trying to hold it together."

The family had been involved in a serious car accident in Washington County, Kansas, while heading to visit Whitney's family in Nebraska.

An F-250 pickup truck had failed to stop at a four-way stop at the intersection of two two-lane highways. Whitney, driving a GMC Yukon, had stopped and was beginning to turn onto the other road when the truck slammed into the driver's side of their vehicle at a speed later determined to be about 65 miles per hour.

The rear door took the brunt of the collision, inches away from where 2 ½ year-old Westin was sitting in his car seat.

Brooks would learn later that his son had suffered severe injuries to the left side of his face, including the loss of his left eye.

"Basically the whole left side of his face was fractured," Brooks said. "Whatever hit him hit right by his nose and eye. It destroyed his whole eye."

Brooks immediately tried to find out how quickly he could get from Gwangju, about 4½ hours from Seoul, to Kansas City, where his son was being air lifted to Children's Mercy Hospital.

from Seoul, to Kansas City, where his son was being air-lifted to Children's Mercy Hospital. "I wasn't able to get on a flight to come home until that night," he said. "I remember just laying in my son's bed. Honestly it was the only thing I could do. I didn't know what else to do.

"We're Christians, and I was just hoping and praying that he was going to be OK. It was looking pretty bad there for a while."

About 31 hours after getting that phone call, Brooks' father-in-law picked him up at the Kansas City airport and drove him to the hospital to join his wife and children. Neither Whitney or his daughter Monroe, nine months old at the time, had been seriously injured.

Brooks learned more about what happened immediately after the accident, what he now considers to be a case of divine intervention – or the situation could have been much worse.

"As soon as my wife could get to the back seat, there were already two or three people there," he said. "They worked at the local hospital and were on their way home. One or two of them saw it (the accident) happen, and the other just drove up on it. There are times when you might not see a car at that location for two or three minutes.

"There were some stars aligned. They have one ambulance and it was out on a call, but they didn't need it and it was on its way back to the hospital and was able to get to my family.

"If you would have told me that night that he would lose his eye and would be OK, we all would have taken it because of how severe the accident was for him. My son was unrecognizable. The doctors did a great job, He is still going through surgeries and dealing with everything daily that comes with losing an eye but thankfully nobody died.

"It definitely changed my wife and I as parents with everything that goes into being a parent, and how quickly that can be taken from you. I don't want to take anything for granted anymore. I definitely know it has made us stronger as parents, as husband and wife, as spiritual followers, in a lot of ways ... it kind of made me mature a lot more than I had before that all happened."



While Westin was recovering, Brooks and his family went back to Korea for the 2021 season. His wife and kids returned to Kansas in the summer in advance of the next scheduled surgery, and Brooks found himself suffering from anxiety, another side effect of being away from his family after the accident. He was having trouble sleeping.

He didn't want to take a pill, so Brooks found a vape pen online, and ordered it. This time, the bad news came after a knock on his apartment door instead of in a phone call.

"I made a poor decision"

Brooks answered the knock on his door on Aug. 9, 2021 and was handed a package, his online order. What he found out when there was a second knock on his door a few minutes later was that the pen contained traces of marijuana, which is illegal in any form in South Korea.

The contents of the package had been discovered by Korean customs agents, who needed to see Brooks in possession of the package – which is why it was hand-delivered instead of simply left in his mailbox.

"A few people were standing there and they (the customs agents) said there was something illegal in the package," Brooks said. "I literally didn't know what was going on."

The agents opened the package and described the situation to Brooks.

"They took it (the pen) out and said it contained marijuana," Brooks said. "They stressed how bad it is looked upon in their country, and I respect that. It went on from there."

That was the beginning of six months of legal proceedings that literally kept Brooks stuck in South Korea until January.

"I didn't know it had that," Brooks said. "I was just trying to find something that would help me. It was a poor decision; I was just trying to get some sleep at night."

Brooks informed the Tigers of what had happened. "I didn't want them to look bad," he said. "I asked them what they wanted to do. They said there was a way I could voluntarily retire from the KBO for a year, so on my own I agreed to do that."

The retirement did not stop Brooks' legal issues, however. Even though he was never charged or arrested, he was prevented from leaving South Korea while an investigation continued, which ended up taking months.

"I didn't think it would take that long," Brooks said. "I missed my daughter's birthday. I missed Halloween and Thanksgiving ... When it first happened baseball was still going on, but after the season ended I just was stuck playing video games and passing the time the best I could. It was a sticky situation and pretty alone time for a few months.

"When it got to December, I didn't want to miss my son's fourth birthday (on Christmas Eve) or Christmas so I told my family, 'You guys need to come back. I can't keep sitting here in this apartment by myself."

Finally in January Brooks was informed that he could leave the country and his passport was unblocked.

"Basically I was deported," Brooks said. "They just told me it was illegal there, and if I was a Korean citizen I would be in a lot more trouble, possibly even have to go to jail. Basically I was put on probation. If I was caught in Korea doing anything else, even if it was running a stop sign, I could still get punished for what they

let me go for."

With his legal issue resolved, and with his son continuing to recover, it was time for Brooks to think about baseball again.

"I have a reason to play"

When Brooks was home after the 2020 season, he found out the Cardinals had interest in signing him but his family decided it would be best for him to go back and play a second season in Korea.

His performance in 2021 did not change the Cardinals' interest and after doing Zoom interviews with them and a couple of other teams while still in Korea, Brooks decided to sign – agreeing to a non-roster contract since the lockout prevented him from signing a straight major-league deal.

"It just felt like the guys over here had something that I was looking for as far as a fit, with the philosophy over here," Brooks said. "I throw strikes, I keep the ball down. We have a great defense, just let them do their thing."

Aside from how Brooks matured as a person through everything that happened while he was in Korea, he also believes he developed more as a pitcher during his time there.

"It was big for me to understand that I can trust myself regardless of who's hitting," Brooks said. "Previously when I first got called up I think I was more star-struck in a way, facing guys I had watched my whole life. I got kind of wrapped up in that instead of trying to dominate them.

"There's a little less power in Korea but they (hitters) will make you work. They have a good eye and will foul pitches off. I didn't know who the big home run guys were. I knew they were hitting third or fourth, but I didn't know them personally so it kind of allowed me to attack them and to trust my stuff and say, 'Here you go, hit it' versus thinking about who the guys were I was facing in the big leagues instead of just thinking about my job."

What attracted the Cardinals' to Brooks was that in his two seasons in Korea, Brooks walked only 40 of the 919 hitter he faced and had a 78 percent ground ball rate, surrendering only eight home runs. The team also knew it had found success with recent signings of pitchers from Japan and Korea such as Miles Mikolas, Kwang Hyun Kim and Seung hwan Oh. They thought Brooks might become the latest pitcher they could add to that list.

Mentally, Brooks believes he benefitted from his Korean experience by not having to worry that if he had one bad game, he might be going back to the minors.

"Getting the ball every five days, regardless of what happened, kept me from having to worry about anything else," Brooks said. "Going to Korea helped me realize I don't need to worry about who's hitting. I just need to worry about my job and what I can do and the rest will take care of itself."

That's basically the same attitude Brooks has adopted about the lockout that has forced him into the minor-league camp instead of working with the major leaguers. He is in somewhat

of a awkward spot, considering he has been a member of the player's union before, hopes to be again soon, but isn't a member now.

He is trying to take advantage of the fact he still has a chance to pitch and show the Cardinals why he deserves a spot on the roster when the lockout finally does end.

"I think there is an opportunity for me here," Brooks said. "Normally I am a starter but I can be a reliever.

"Everything that has happened has kind of re-lit a fire in me. I know I have a reason to play and that I belong here."

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City of Brentwood News – March 2022

Manchester Road in Brentwood: Summer 2022 Road Closures

Black Creek Bridge on Manchester Road (just west of the intersection with Hanley Road) will close on May 2 and remain fully closed through August 2022.

During the same time, work will take place on the pedestrian tunnel near Mary Avenue. This work will reduce Manchester Road traffic to one lane in each travel direction.

Details and detour routes will be shared in the coming

MoDOT Update on Manchester Road (Route 100) Construction Project

Construction continues on Route 100 (Manchester Road) between Big Bend and Lindbergh, as weather permits.

Most of the work currently underway continues to construct sidewalk and remove, grade, and replace entrances in various sections on each end of the project. Most of this work will require a lane closure where the crews are working at the time.

On the east side of the project, crews are working mostly on the south side of Manchester between Hanley and the new pedestrian underpass at Mary Avenue. Most of that work is during the day, between about 7 am and 3:30 pm weekdays.

At night, crews remain on the north side of Manchester between Lindbergh and Woodlawn. Crews are typically out between 7 pm and 5 am each night Monday through Thursday. Friday is used as a makeup day if inclement weather interferes with construction work during the week. There may be some limited daytime work along the corridor for electric work and utility relocations.

Coffee with the Mayor: Thursday, March 31

Join Mayor Dimmitt for coffee, donuts and conversation on Thursday, March 31, 9-10 am, at Brentwood City Hall. The public entrance is the entrance facing Brentwood Boulevard.

Jost Builders Open House & Ribbon Cutting: Thursday, March 31

Let's welcome a new business to Brentwood! Join us for a ribbon cutting and open house on Thursday,

March 31, 10:30 am, at Jost Builders, 2721 Collier Avenue.

Responsible Recycling: Stick with the Six

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DO Add to the Recycling Bin:

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- Food and Beverage Cartons

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RECYCLING TIPS

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

Medication Disposal

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

Brentwood Police Department Lobby 272 Hanley Industrial Monday-Friday, 8 am-4 pm

Donate New and Gently Used Furniture and Household Goods

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

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

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

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

Brentwood's CodeRED/OnSolve Community Notification

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

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

To activate these severe weather warnings, please visit Brentwood's CodeRED enrollment page by

clicking on the "Brentwood CodeRED" icon on the home page of www.brentwoodmo.org. You also can text **WARNME** to 99411 from your mobile phone.

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

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

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

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

Report a Concern

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

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

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

Board of Aldermen and Committee Meetings Available on YouTube

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



JOST BUILDERS Ribbon Cutting & Open House Thursday, March 31, 2022 10:30 am BRENTWOOD 2721 Collier Avenue

MARCH CALENDAR

15 Redevelopment **Corporation 6pm**

16 **Architectural Review Board** 7pm

21 **Board of Alderman 7pm**

Public Safety Committee 5:30pm

Board of Adjustment 7pm

Municipal Court 5pm

Sustainability Commission 6pm

> 29 Ward 3 Meeting 7pm

Coffee with Mayor 9am



2022 Holiday **Trash Schedule**

Holiday	Date	Change
Confluence Trash Bash Event	Mid to Late March	Special event
Memorial Day	Monday, May 30	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Independence Day	Monday, July 4	No trash service. Pickup resumes on day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Labor Day	Monday, September 5	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Veterans Day Observed	Friday, November 11	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Sat)
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 24	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Fri-Sat)
Christmas	Monday, December 26	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
New Year's Day 2023	Monday, January 2, 2023	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)

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Brentwood Board of Aldermen Minutes

Ward 1

Monday, February 7, 2022

PARTIAL BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING **MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Call to Order- Mayor Dimmitt called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

Pledge of Allegiance – Immediately followed Call to Order

ROLL CALL

Roll Call – All Members were present Alderman David Plufka -Present Alderwoman Nancy Parker Tice - Present Alderwoman Sunny Sims – Present Alderman Brandon Wegge - Present Alderman Steve Lochmoeller Present Alderman Jeff Gould - Present Alderwoman Kathy O'Neill – Present (Virtually) Alderman Jack Shelton - Present



Mayor



Patrick Dignam

Ward 3 Municipal Judge



Alderman

Jeff Gould

Alderwoman Alderman Nancy Parker Tice



Alderman Steve Lochmoeller



Alderwoman Sunny Sims

Alderwoman

Kathy O'Neill



Alderman Brandon Wegge



Alderman Jack Shelton

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing - Text Amendment amending Sections 400.1370 and 400.1380 of the Zoning Code relating to Conditional Uses in the "GC" General Commercial district and the "PD" Planned Development Overlay District to remove certain auto-oriented and other uses as conditional uses.

Mayor Dimmitt opened the Public Hearing stating that this would be continued at the February 22nd Board of Aldermen Meeting. There were no comments.

MAYOR AND ALDERMEN REPORTS

Mayor David Dimmitt- The City shared donuts with the Public Works Department (Sanitation, Streets Division) and Parks Maintenance as a token of appreciation for their hard work during the snowstorm and thanked them for the street cleaning and trash removal service during difficult weather. They plowed 1718 Lane miles, dispensed 125 tons of salt, collected trash, yard waste and trees, and worked 12-hour shifts, 24 hours a day doing clean-up.

Alderman David Plufka - Ward 1-Encouraged people to watch Women's hockey match - U.S. vs Canada. One of the goalies is Alex Cavallini, a resident of Brentwood.

Alderwoman Nancy Parker Tice - Ward 1- Echoed the Thanks to the Public works Department Staff.

Alderwoman Sunny Sims - Ward 2 – Also thanked the Public Works staff.

Alderman Brandon Wegge - Ward 2 - Thanks again to Public Works staff.

Alderman Steve Lochmoeller - Ward 3 – Kudos as well to Public Works.

Alderman Jeff Gould - Ward 3 – Thanks as well for implementing pick-up with just a phone call.

Alderwoman Kathy O'Neill - Ward 4 - Thanks to Public works also. Alderman Jack Shelton - Ward 4 - Public Works did great. Thanks.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Kerb, Eck & Braeckel, LLP 3rd Quarter Audit Presentation

Gina Cochran with KEB presented the 3rd Quarter Audit information via Zoom for Brentwood Bound Project noting no written requests for 2018 COPS, and 66 invoices for 2019 COPS for a little over \$4 Million in expenditures. One exception was noted – Armstrong Teasdale was overpaid. Correction was made and funds were refunded. There were no questions.

Brentwood Bound Update

Craig Schluter with Navigate Building Solutions presented his regular report citing construction costs, soft costs, no acquisitions, and extra funding reimbursements from MSD and Great Rivers Greenway (GRG). He shared an example of what the report would look like if playground project is approved, so that the Board could see the categories and where the monies would come from if they choose to do this project.

Alderman Gould asked if Economic Development Sales Tax money could be used to pay down the debt? City Administrator, Bola Akande, stated that debt service is not mentioned as a restriction, but still wants to confirm with financial counsel for clarification.

Presentation - Destination Playground

Craig Schluter with Navigate Building Solutions and Ted Spaid with SWT design gave a Power Point Presentation available in Board Docs, noting that at the end of the presentation there would be four approvals needed to move forward with plan. They did a recap of the information which was also presented at Public Works meeting on January 31st. They shared the bid process for the playground equipment and selection of items. Bid process was done early to lock in pricing and use of multiple vendors for equipment to get best value. It was noted that continuing with 60% design plan was helpful with MSD and for the private market buzz for developers and interest. The plan does not include the use of contingency funds. There are additional funding sources and grants available along with excess EDST if needed. Also there will be naming rights and fundraising opportunities.

Area is 3.2 acres in size, which is large, and incorporates 5 design areas: Family Fun, Hub, Water Play, Adventure Spine, and Crazy Climb area. Grand opening planned for Spring 2023. It was shared how this becomes an economic catalyst for the city and how developers are excited to be a part of this area.

Alderman Lochmoeller asked about the alternative water capture system. It was shared that this will be an alternate bid, but they will work within the budget that we have.

Alderwoman Tice asked about the cost and any money left over. It was shared that the project came in right at anticipated cost, and should there be anything unexpected come up, they have done what they can to prepare. There is over \$4 million in Contingency, which is a very comfortable amount. Monies have been budgeted for acquisitions and other potential project needs, not including contingency funds.

Alderman Gould asked about risks, and Craig stated that they have shared all they know and prepared as best they can to cover potential property, jurisdictional and construction type risks. Ongoing maintenance was discussed, and SWT stated they feel the warranties for safety and construction are solid and meet industry standards. They are also reviewing potential site-barriers in adventure play structure to ensure maximum safety and sight coverage.

Alderman Wegge inquired about bid alternates for the water capture system and the entryways. SWT stated the bids will include these as alternates and will have the performance specs and documents for review. Also, explain the potential risk for property acquisition with MoDOT and the property easements, and if this was considered in the project. Craig noted that there is a potential \$800,000 risk with their construction, but it would come out of

contingency. He noted that there are funds already allocated for some of these construction risks, which the city may or may not need or use. If not used in the construction contracts, the money comes back to the city.

Ward₂

Ward 4

Mayor noted there are many trees in the plan, and Mr. Spaid said they are included in the cost estimate.

Members were supportive of the presentation. The following items (D,E,F,G) are the four items seeking approval for the project.

Brentwood Bound - Destination Playground - Approval for SWT To Proceed With The Preparation Of Construction Documents For A \$5,000,000 Destination Playground And Water Play, Engaging The Playground Equipment Companies To Incorporate The Selected Pieces Into The Design.

Motion was made by Alderman Wegge and seconded by Alderwoman Sims to move forward with the project as noted. Discussion: Alderwoman Tice asked if there are any other risks (like MoDOT) that can be recalled. Craig stated that he has mentioned all he is aware of and can speak of openly. Alderman Wegge asked about GRG segment along Brentwood Blvd. and if this is allocated in budget, even without grant money. Craig noted that it is covered with over \$5 Million and can be covered under additional funding sources. Roll was called: Motion carried by a vote of 8 (yes)

Resolution No. 1335 - A Resolution Approving Acquisition of Playground Equipment for the Destination Playground in Brentwood Park

Motion was made by Alderwoman Tice and seconded by Alderwoman Sims to approve Resolution 1335 for the acquisition of playground equipment for the Destination playground. Alderman Gould confirmed that there are age-appropriate climbing features in multiple areas. Roll was called: Motion carried by a vote of 8 (yes)

Resolution No. 1336 - A Resolution Approving a Change Order with SWT for Additional Design Services for the Family Pavilion for the Brentwood Park Destination Playground.

Motion was made by Alderman Wegge and seconded by Alderman Plufka to approve Resolution No. 1336, the change order with SWT for the additional design for the family pavilion. No discussion on this. Roll was called: Motion carried by a vote of 8 (yes)

Resolution No. 1337 - A Resolution Approving a Change Order with SWT for Additional Design Services for the Overlook for the Brentwood Park Destination Playground.

Motion was made by Alderman Plufka and seconded by Alderman Wegge to approve Resolution 1337, the change order with SWT for additional design services for the Overlook. Alderman Gould did not feel this feature provided great value and that the added cost was not necessary. Alderman Wegge felt it was good to at least have the design to consider.

Alderman Plufka felt it offered a great view of the entire area and provided a spot for any visitor to experience he park. Roll was called:

Alderman David Plufka -Yes Alderwoman Nancy Parker Tice - Yes

Alderwoman Sunny Sims – Yes Alderman Brandon Wegge - Yes

Alderman Steve Lochmoeller Yes Alderman Jeff Gould - No Alderwoman Kathy O'Neill – Yes (Virtually) Alderman Jack Shelton – Yes Motion carried by a vote of 7 (yes) to 1 (no).

Discussion on Union Pacific Railroad and Pavement Maintenance

Dan Gummersheimer spoke and presented that this project supports the crosswalk to connect two parks safely, stating that MoDOT funds most of the improvements - but the total cost to Brentwood is approximately \$22,000 a year, for the signal maintenance and surfacing. This is money we would transfer to Union Pacific to do the work. City attorney will provide language for agreement that ensures the maintenance is done each year by Union Pacific.

Motion was made by Alderman Lochmoeller and seconded by Alderman Plufka to authorize staff to proceed and negotiate a contract under which this obligation is sorted out and to bring back to Board for approval.

Motion carries by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Whitney Kelly presented the information. Robert Srote, Justin King and Oliver King (architect and property owner) were in attendance via Zoom to answer any questions in support of this Bill. Based on prior discussion, Whitney noted that additional use of parking space has been agreed upon by the church and written into the amended agreement. The church and previous owner allowed use of additional space if needed, and the church has agreed to extend this to the new owner, although the need is not anticipated.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Sims and seconded by Alderman Wegge to amend Bill No. 6370 to 6370.1. Motion carries by unanimous voice vote.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Sims and seconded by Alderwoman Tice to have a second reading of Bill No. 6370.1. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote,

City Attorney, Kevin O'Keefe did a second reading of the Bill.

Motion was made by Alderman Lochmoeller and seconded by Alderwoman Sims to Perfect Bill No. 6370.1 into Ordinance form. In discussion, the following questions were asked: Alderman Plufka inquired about the pole signage not being in compliance and that plan appears unchanged. Whitney Kelly explained that was part of the original submission and verified that on sheet C-2 it has been changed to a monument sign. Alderman Gould suggested removing the old rendering to avoid confusion. He also asked about the metal roofing and if it meets compliance. Whitney said metal is only on the new front part and was discussed in existing

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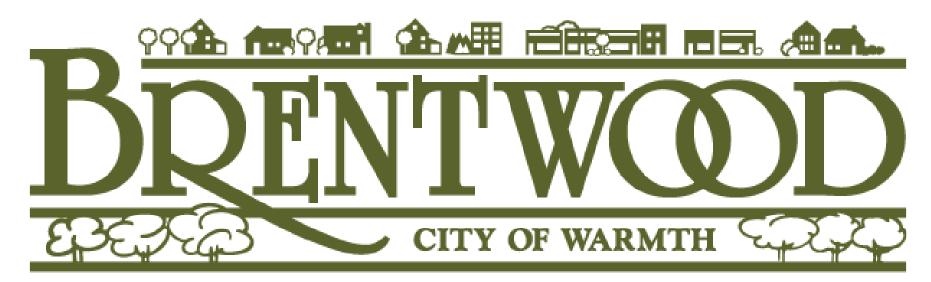
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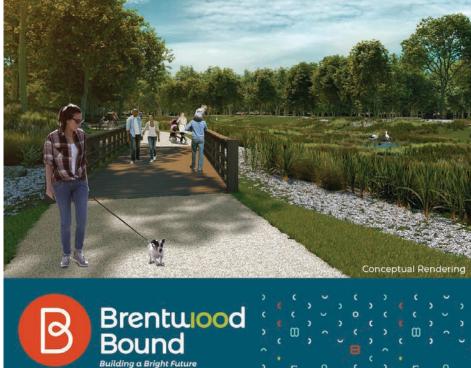












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RESTAURANT REVIEWS

By Kevin McCarthy

Real American City, Real American Dining

After attending a large travel show in Chicago, we decided to stop and spend a couple of days in Pontiac, Illinois. Pontiac is about 3/4ths of way to Chicago and we usually stop there to fill up with gas to avoid the \$4.00 per gallon cost in Chicago.

This time we wanted to learn more about this city of 12,000 people. It is a wonderful family destination and a must see for a weekend trip.

We rolled into town at about 6pm and checked in to the Hampton Inn just off of I-55. It is next to a Wally's Super Center; 72 gas pumps and everything you need for a road trip!

We drove toward the downtown area which is about a mile off the Interstate. We saw a sign for a "family restaurant" named Baby Bull's. We thought it would be worth a look. It was great!.It was very comfortable and a large menu of many varied items included something for everyone, including many Greek items. "Baby Bull" was from Greece and had just passed away a few weeks before we arrived.



We each had a perfectly cooked strip steak with corn, soup and a salad and baked potato. A side of homemade bread was a nice touch. I also had a bourbon on the rocks and sue had a light beer. It seems that most of the "family restu8arants" in Pontiac have a full bar service. They reminded us of the old Midwest Supper Clubs of the past. The only thing missing was the relish tray. I wished we had the chance to go back there again.

The next morning we had the free breakfast at the Hampton Inn. Spanish omelets, American fries, sausage, bacon, Waffles and a full choice of fruit, pastries and breads and juices. The coffee was excellent as well.

Lunch that day was at Erdlinger's filling Station, yes, it was an old gas station. But now it is a great local diner. Sue had a pair of Cozy Dogs with a huge batch of French fries. I saw biscuits and gravy on the menu and asked if they were still available at lunch. (I find it almost impossible to pass up B&G). To my surprise the answer was yes. They were

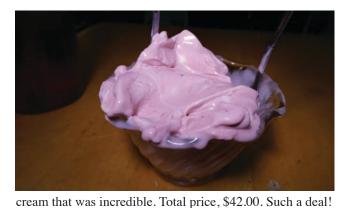






delicious. The apple pie and banana cream pie were homemade perfection. It seems that every restaurant in Pontiac has wonderful homemade pies.

That night we ate at Delongs's Family Restaurant across the street from the historic court house at the town square. Again, this "family restaurant" offered a full bar service in a two story dining area. It is also a unique soft ice ream destination. Sue had a fried shrimp dinner with fries. I had a grilled chicken breast with a walnut and honey sauce served over wild rice. I had another bourbon on the rocks and Sue had another light beer. They offered 13 different flavors of soft ice cream and 15 different toppings. We shared a cup of black raspberry ice



After another breakfast at the hotel and we continued our

tour of the many historic attractions in Pontiac. We had lunch with the city administrator at the Madison Street Family restaurant. This was, once again, reminiscent of a Supper Club dining experience. Since it was lunch, we all went for sandwich specials. I had a patty melt with fries and a cup of chicken potpie soup. Sue had a turkey club sandwich and we split an incredible homemade carrot cake. WOW!

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ALDERMAN MINUTES

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staff report at P&Z and it meets architectural and compliance standards. Alderman Lochmoeller wanted to ensure that the parking agreement was in place. He also inquired about the existing fence and possible replacement. Whitney noted that was not a part of this agreement but can be discussed with the applicant regarding if needed for code enforcement.

Roll was called: By a vote of 8 (yes) to O (no), Bill No. 6370.1 will become Ordinance No. 5004, upon signature of the Mayor,

NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 6371 - An Ordinance Pertaining to the Safe Conduct of Pedestrians. First and Second Reading The City Attorney did the first reading of the Bill.

Chief Spiess presented the information, noting that the Public Safety Committee suggested an Ordinance be drafted. Original discussion was for targeting panhandlers and roadway solicitation. City Attorney noted that this is for Safety in the Roadway, and applies to all pedestrians (including Newsboy Day, etc.) so as not to target individuals or infringe on

First-Amendment rights. This ordinance seeks to amend the Brentwood Municipal Code regarding Panhandling, and address citizen comments and calls regarding "solicitation" of money.

Motion was made by Alderman Lochmoeller and seconded by Alderman Gould to have a second reading of the Bill. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The City Attorney did the second reading of the Bill

Motion was made by Alderman Gould and seconded by Alderman Shelton to Perfect Bill No. 6371 into Ordinance form. There was no discussion. Roll was called: By a vote of 8 (yes) to O (no), Bill No. 6371 will become Ordinance No. 5005, upon signature of the Mayor,

Bill No. 6372 An ordinance of the City of Brentwood, Missouri, approving a certain easement with Spire Missouri Inc.; authorizing certain other actions in connection therewith; providing for the effective date of this ordinance; and containing a severability clause. First and Second Reading.

The City Attorney did the first reading of the Bill.

Director of Public works, Dan Gummersheimer presented the information noting this is in the area of Mary Ave. This work is at the pedestrian underpass and connects the two easements. It runs perpendicular to pedestrian area.

Motion was made by Alderman Wegge and seconded by Alderman Plufka to have a second reading of the Bill Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The City Attorney did the second reading of the Bill.

Motion was made by Alderman Lochmoeller and seconded by Alderwoman Tice to Perfect Bill No. 6372 into Ordinance form. Alderman Gould asked to gain clarification on some of the line markings in the drawing. Dan noted those had no bearing on this work. Roll was called: By a vote of 8 (yes) to O (no), Bill No. 6372 will become Ordinance No. 5006, upon signature of the Mayor,

Bill No. 6373 An Ordinance of the City of Brentwood Approving a Certain Settlement Agreement with Drewco Property, LLC and Brentwood Material Company; Authorizing Certain Other Actions in Connection Therewith; Providing for the Effective Date of this Ordinance; and Containing Severability Clause. First and Second Reading

The City Attorney did the first reading of the Bill.

Attorney Mark Murray presented the information, stating that after some back and forth, the result is a revised settlement agreement. Materials terms are all the same, some minor changes and typos were corrected, and most significant change is that check will be made payable to the law firm representing Drewco Properties.

Motion was made by Alderman Plufka and seconded by Alderman Lochmoeller for a second reading of the Bill, Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The City Attorney did the second reading of the Bill.

A motion was made by Alderman Plufka and seconded by Alderwoman Sims to Perfect Bill No. 6373 into Ordinance form. There was no further discussion. Roll was called: Bill No. 6373 will become Ordinance No. 5007, upon signature of the Mayor,

Resolution No. 1338 - Engagement Letter for Financial Audit Services for the year ended December 31, 2021. - A Resolution Authorizing A Professional Services Agreement For The Year Ended December 31, 2021, With Clifton Larson Allen (CLA) LLC For Financial Auditing Services

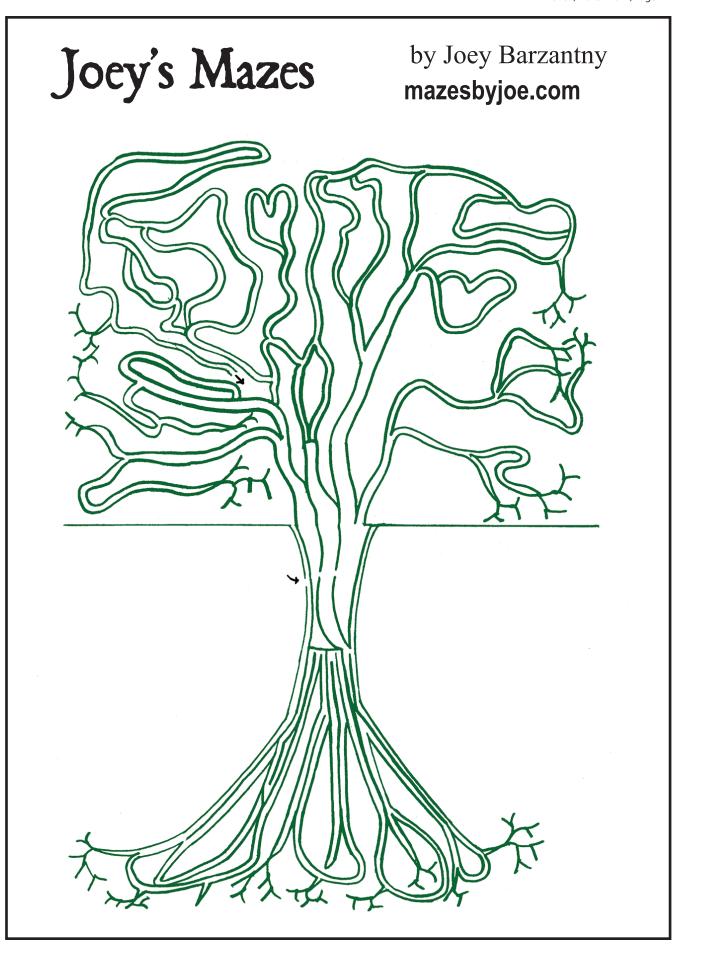
The Director of Finance, Robin Jones, presented the information noting that this agreement is for a 3-year commitment, with the option for two, one-year extensions, effective for the 2021 financial audit.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Tice and seconded by Alderman Jack Shelton to approve the agreement as written. There was no further discussion. Roll was called: Motion carried by a vote of 8 (yes) to O (no),

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A. Citizen Comments

Stewart "Stew" Clark offered congratulation to everyone on the hard work that has gone into Brentwood Bound and the new Destination Playground design.



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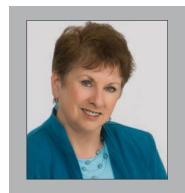
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TRAVEL

By Sue McCarthy

Pontiac Illinois Murals and Museums

By Sue McCarthy



Lincoln Mural

On a recent trip to Chicago for the Travel and Adventure Show we stayed overnight at the Hampton Inn in Pontiac, Illinois. We knew Pontiac had a rich history of Rt 66, but we didn't know it had such a diverse history of murals and museums. The town also has a Currier and Ives type courthouse built in 1875. In the winter they even have installed an ice skating rink in the town square. There is no charge for the ice skates, hot chocolate or admission, said City Administrator Bob Caris. Last year 12,000 people showed up for the FREE fun.

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Pontiac has a growing collection of murals. You can pick up a walking tour map at all museums and the Visitor Center. There is also a Jolly Trolley available to take you around town. To find the "Murals on Main Street" follow the blue footprints to find museums follow the red footprints.

My husband, Kevin, has written an article about the restaurants and DELICIOUS pies we ate while there. My favorite was coconut cream pie.





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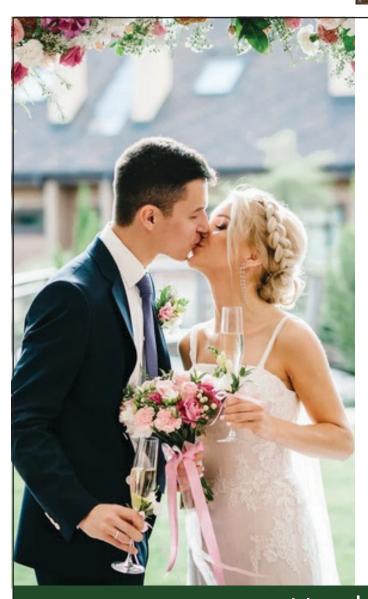


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*APR—Annual Percentage Rate effective 2/1/2022. After fixed rate introductory period of 24 months, a variable rate applies and may adjust annually between Prime Rate, as listed in the Wall Street Journal, and Prime Rate plus margin of 1.50% depending on loan to value and credit history. Rate will not be lower than 4.75% APR and will not exceed 18.00% APR/ Loan features and 15-year draw period and a 20 year repayment period. Current APR reflects best rate available based on less than 80% maximum combined loan-to-value (including prior mortgage liens). Properties securing home equity lines of credit must be secured by your primary single family residence located in Missouri and select counties in Illinois and Kansas. Property insurance will be required and flood insurance where necessary. Closing costs apply. All loans subject to approval. Rates, terms and conditions subject to change. NMLS#474385







