

Raise Cash or Find Treasures With Wentzville's Citywide Yard Sale

Whether you want to turn some of your seldom-used items into cash or you're a treasure hunter looking for bargains, Wentzville's annual Spring Citywide Yard Sale is just the ticket. This year's Spring Citywide Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 30. Every year Wentzville's Citywide Yard Sale attracts thousands of participants from surrounding areas and as far away as Illinois!

To increase your chances of attracting the right buyers or finding the perfect treasure, be sure to take advantage of the Citywide Yard Sale Booklet the Parks and Recreation Department will put together and print. The booklet will include a set of four City maps and a list of all the registered yard sales. The location on the maps of each of the registered sales will be included along with a brief description of the items to be sold and the hours of the sale.

Sellers can list their yard sales with the Parks Department for \$6 through Sunday, April 24. Beginning April 27, buyers can purchase the booklets for \$2 each at the following locations: City Hall, located at 310 West Pearce Boulevard; the Utilities Service Center, located at 5 West Pearce Boulevard; the Parks and Recreation Office, located in Progress Park at 968 Meyer Road. Shoppers can purchase booklets at the Parks and Recreation Office all the way through Saturday, April 30, but the other two locations will only be open

regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

No matter whether you're buying or selling, this year's Spring Citywide Yard Sale is something you won't want to miss. For more information about the Citywide Yard Sale, contact the Park's office at (636) 332-9236 or (636) 327-7665.



City-Utility-Tax Refunds Available to Some Residents

From April 1 through May 31, eligible residents can apply for a City-utility-tax refund. The refund amount is according to what was listed as "City Tax" on the resident's electric, gas and phone bills during 2010.

To be eligible for the refund, individuals need to either rent or own their primary residence in the City of Wentzville, be at least 65 years old or considered totally disabled by Social Security, and had a maximum 2010 gross income of \$38,300 for single-person households and \$43,750 for married-couple households. Refunds are only available for the months when the resident lived in Wentzville and was at least 65 years old or considered totally disabled.

Residents can apply for the refund at either the City's Utility Service Center, located at 5 West Pearce Boulevard, or at City Hall, located at 310 West Pearce Boulevard. When applying for the refund, residents will need proof of residency (such as a current utility bill), income, age and/or disability, and copies of their gas, electric and primary phone bills for the months they were eligible. Also, to comply with Missouri's section 208.009 that prohibits a local public benefit being distributed to illegal aliens, residents will be required to present one of the following: a driver's license, Social Security card, or birth certificate.

If residents have further questions about the refunds, they can call Wentzville City Hall at (636) 327-5101, or the Village Square Utility Service Center at (636) 639-2155.



APRIL 5 MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES

All eligible City residents are encouraged to vote and make their choices known in the April 5, 2011 election. Residents who have not yet registered to vote have until March 9 to register. Voter registration is available at all Missouri State offices that provide public assistance, any City Hall, public library, public school, vehicle registration office, St. Charles Community College, or at the St. Charles County Election Authority's Office, which is now located at 397 Turner Boulevard in St. Peters.

Below are the Wentzville candidates running for election this April.

Municipal Judge, Two-Year Term

Andrew Koor
Mike Carter
Michael Kruse

Stephen Martin
Jay Lenox
Joel Eisenstein
Alderman Ward 1, Two-Year Term
Ola Martin
Cheryl Kross
Alderman Ward 2, Two-Year Term
Donna J. Sherwood
Chris Gard
William J. Schuette
Patrick W. Vining
Alderman Ward 3, Two-Year Term
Nickolas Nick Guccione



Be Part of the Solution—Join Annual MISSION: CLEAN STREAM

Be sure to join with residents across St. Charles County on Saturday, April 2, for the Annual Mission: Clean Stream event. Volunteers of all ages will unite that day to help cleanup and restore the Peruque, McCoy and Dardenne Creek watersheds. Last year volunteers removed about 50,000 pounds of litter from our creeks, including carpeting, tires, appliances, bicycles, and much more.

Greenway Network, Inc. will partner again this year with St. Charles County and its municipalities to cleanup these important creeks and their watersheds. Volunteers in the Wentzville area will meet at Rotary Park at 8:30 a.m. for site assignments. Volunteers will need to provide their own transportation to assigned cleanup sites. Long pants, boots or sturdy shoes are recommended—no flip-flops or sandals, please. Volunteers might also want to bring insect repellent that day.

Cleanup activities will take place from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Following the cleanup, everyone returns to Rotary Park for a picnic lunch, kids activities, eco-art demonstrations where artists will be creating sculptures from found metal, and Wentzville's Arbor Day Celebration (for more information, see Arbor Day Celebration article on page six). In the event of dangerous weather, the cleanup will be rescheduled for Saturday, April 9.

If you would like to give back to the community and help the environment at the same time, please be sure to register in advance for this event by calling the Wentzville Parks and Recreation Department at (636) 332-9236. **Registration is free, and volunteers who register by March 20 will receive a free Mission: Clean Stream T-shirt.**



Help Protect Our Water Resources Volunteer as a Water-Quality Monitor

Ever wonder what is in our local creeks? You might be surprised. Now is your chance to find out what is in our creeks and do something to protect our water resources. The City of Wentzville is partnering with the Missouri Stream Team to enlist the help of trained, volunteer water-quality monitors. The City's goal is to have volunteers collect data on all the creeks in our community.

A free, introductory training session will be held at Quail Ridge Park Lodge, on Thursday, April 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Missouri Stream Team will provide each volunteer the equipment and training needed to monitor the physical, biological, and chemical parameters of streams. Volunteers can select their own site, or can have a site assigned. The only requirement is an interest in water quality and a willingness to attend the entire workshop and monitor a stream. This is an excellent opportunity for Scout groups, teachers, landowners, and families.

Space in this popular program is limited, and is filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Residents can find out more about the program or sign up for it by visiting www.wentzvillemo.org/stormwater.aspx, or by calling (636) 639-2055.



From the Board:

Keep Kids Alive—Drive 25

Like in most communities across the nation, one of the primary complaints Wentzville's police and elected officials hear is about motorists speeding in residential areas. Studies have shown that speeding significantly increases your chances of having an accident, and speeding accidents are especially dangerous along residential streets where children may be walking or playing. What is surprising is that most speeders in residential areas live right in the neighborhood.

To address this problem, Wentzville's Board of Aldermen, Mayor Paul Lambi, and Police Department are working with concerned residents to bring to Wentzville the Keep Kids Alive-Drive 25 (KKAD25) program—a nationwide program that focuses on ways to reduce speeding in neighborhoods and make them safer places for children to live and play. One of the reasons the KKAD25 program is effective is because it uses neighbors working with their neighbors to change everyone's driving habits in residential areas.

The elected officials agree that citizen involvement is what makes the KKAD25 program successful. In many communities the only way to effectively change public driving behavior on subdivision streets has proven to be through a grass-roots, community-based program like Keep Kids Alive—Drive 25. This program has achieved significant, measurable, and documented results in other communities. A study of the effectiveness of the KKAD25 program in Oceanside, California showed a 16-percent decrease in the average speed of motorists. Another study in Oro Valley, Arizona showed a 13.4-percent decrease in speed after neighbors began applying "Keep Kids Alive Drive 25" decals to all trash cans.

Changing the way people drive on residential streets can have a significant impact on the safety and welfare of everyone. Below are a few statistics that show just how dramatic of a difference slowing down can make:

On minor roads, which include residential streets, crash rates increase faster with an increase in speed than on major roads like highways. (Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, 2004)

According to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) statistics, the death rate per million-miles driven on residential streets is almost two times the death rate on highways.

NHTSA figures also show a dramatic increase in pedestrian-fatality rates with only modest increases in motorist speeds. If a pedestrian is hit by a car traveling only 20 miles per hour, there is a 5-percent fatality rate. At 30 miles per hour the pedestrian-fatality rate jumps to 45 percent, and at 40 miles per hour, the fatality rate zooms to 85 percent.

The City held an introductory meeting about the KKAD25 program in February at Wentzville's Law Enforcement Center, but that was only the beginning. More work and residents are needed to make a significant difference in slowing down motorists in our neighborhoods.

Wentzville's Board of Aldermen, Mayor Paul Lambi, and Police Chief Robert Noonan invite residents to contact them to find out how they can become involved in Wentzville's KKAD25 program. Residents can also find more information about the program on its Web site at www.keepkidsalive-drive25.org.



GM Earth Day at GM Wentzville Assembly Plant
April 16, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
(636) 248-0064 for more information



Mayor's Comment:

New Parks Coming Soon to Wentzville!

I'd like to use my article this time to bring residents up to date on the progress we've made with expanding Wentzville's Parks facilities. Thanks to the foresight of voters who last August passed the Project Parks Sales Tax, we've gone from envisioning what our Parks system could be, to taking the first steps toward making that vision a reality.

Securing a dedicated income source was important because it not only increased the income stream we can use for Parks, but it

also enabled us to leverage additional funds through things like bonds and grants. We've now been able to approve and begin selling Certificates of Participation to finance the development of Peruque Valley Park, Heartland Park, and Splash Station. Certificates of Participation are a form of borrowing similar to bonds.

At the end of January we sent out a request for an Expression of Interest by design companies that would be interested in designing the two new parks and aquatic center. While the City would like to find one firm to design all three facilities, we are open to splitting the design portion between different firms, if that is in the City's best interest. If all goes according to schedule, the responses to our request will be opened on February 28, and the team that reviews the requests will make a recommendation to the Board of Aldermen in late March.

Once all this is accomplished, residents can expect to see heavy equipment moving dirt and starting work on these three new Parks facilities by the end of 2011. If the weather and other factors allow, it's possible the athletic complexes at Peruque Valley and Heartland Parks will be ready for use by late 2012 or early 2013. There's also a good chance Splash Station will be ready to open sometime in 2012.

I invite residents to follow the progress of these two new parks and aquatic center on the City's Web site at www.wentzvillemo.org. From our home page, just click on the Parks and Recreation link on the drop-down box under the Departments tab, then click on the Project Parks Update link in the right column, under Quick Links. You can even sign up at the bottom of the Project Parks page to be notified by email anytime the page changes. That way, you'll always be one of the first to know the latest progress made on our new Parks expansion.

This is an exciting time for all of us as we watch the addition of these new recreational facilities become a reality. With the funding we need for Parks now in place, we look forward to building the kind of Parks facilities that will serve our residents well for generations to come.

Wentzville's 2010 State-of-the-City Online!

Want to know Wentzville's current population, how many business licenses were granted last year, or how 2010's housing starts compared with past years? It's all in Wentzville's 2010 State-of-the-City address, available online from the City's Web site at www.wentzvillemo.org. Just go to the City's home page, place your cursor on the "Your Government" tab; from the drop-down box choose the "Mayor and Alderman" option and then click on the "State of the City Address-2010" link. It's great information about your City and it's all at your fingertips.

Spring Residential Large-Item Pickup Helps Residents Cleanup

If you have large items that didn't sell at your last garage sale, or unwanted appliances taking up space in your basement or garage, then be sure to mark your calendar for the City's Spring Residential Large-Item Pickup. This spring the free, Large-Item Pickup will take place May 2 through May 6. With the City's change to a five-day-a-week pickup schedule for trash, residents can put out their bulky items for pickup on their regularly scheduled trash pickup day that week. This service is for residential customers only and all items should be placed at the curb by 6:00 a.m.



PLEASE NOTE: For safety purposes, semi-airtight containers with a capacity of 1 1/2 cubic feet or more and openings of 50 square inches must have the hinges, latches or other hardware removed.

All appliance items limit of 1 of each type per household!

Appliances that will be accepted are:

- Refrigerators • Freezers • Air-conditioners • Washers • Dryers • Stoves • Televisions

NOTE: Items with Freon® should be put to the side of all other items and a separate truck will pick them up.

The following items will not be accepted:

- Tires • Batteries (lead acid) • Waste Oil • Yard Waste • Bricks • Railroad Ties • Any Liquids • Car or engine parts of any kind

CITY PARTNERS WITH AMEREN FOR CFL RECYCLING

Compact fluorescent light bulbs, commonly called CFLs, can save you energy costs and reduce greenhouse gases. Since minute amounts of mercury are sealed within the bulbs, however, they require special handling when you dispose of them. CFLs should be dropped off at a CFL recycling location, rather than going into your trash.

To make it easier for residents to dispose of CFLs, the City of Wentzville is partnering with Ameren Missouri to provide free CFL recycling drop-off during business hours at the following locations:

- City Hall, 310 West Pearce Boulevard
- Public Works, 200 East Fourth Street
- Utility Service Center, 5 West Pearce Boulevard

Residents can find more information on recycling CFL bulbs and what to do if a CFL bulb breaks at www.Uefficiency.com, or at www.epa.gov/bulbrecycling.



MARCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY

MONDAY

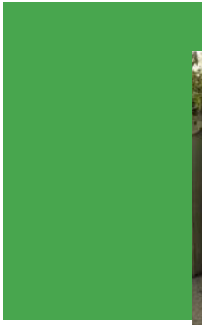
TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



1
Yard Waste Pickup Resumes**
9:30 a.m.
Municipal Court
1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd.

2

3
2:00-7:00 p.m.
Summer Job Fair
Progress Park
6:00 p.m.
Planning & Zoning
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

4

5

6

7
7:00 p.m.
Park Board Meeting
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

8

9
6:30 p.m.
Board of Aldermen
310 W. Pearce Blvd.
Last Day to Register to Vote in April Election

10
Time Varies
Little Wizards
Progress Park Center
6:30 p.m.
Board of Adjustment
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

11

12
Time Varies
Softball Pitching Clinic
Progress Park Gym

Municipal Court: 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. • Park Board Meetings: 968 Meyer Rd.

13
Daylight Saving Time Begins**



14

15
9:30 a.m.
Municipal Court
1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd.

16

17
6:00 p.m.
Storm Water Advisory Committee
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

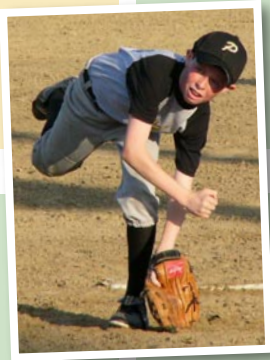
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7:00-9:00 p.m.
H.O.P.P. Nights
Progress Park Center



19

Visit the City's Web site: www.wentzvillemo.org

20
Time Varies
Baseball Pitching Clinic
Progress Park Gym



21

22

23
6:30 p.m.
Board of Aldermen
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

24

25

26
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Coffee Talk With Aids. Nick & Cheryl
310 W. Pearce Blvd



27

29
9:30 a.m.
Municipal Court
1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd.

30

31
6:00 p.m.
Municipal Trials
1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd.



APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY

MONDAY

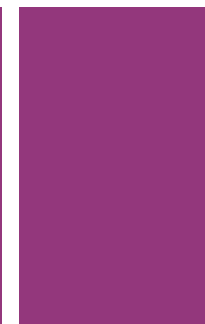
TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



1
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
First Day to Apply
for a City Utility
Tax Refund at City
Hall or the Utility
Service Center**
(310 or #5,
W. Pearce Blvd.)

2
8:30 a.m.
Mission Clean
Stream**
Rotary Park
12:00-2:00 p.m.
Arbor Day
Celebration
Rotary Park

3

4
Property
Maintenance
Inspection
Begins**
Brush & Tree
Chipper Program**
North Side of City
7:00 p.m.
Park Board
Meeting
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

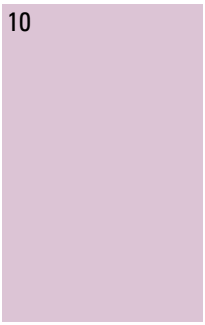
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Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
North Side of City
Municipal
Elections**

6
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
North Side of City

7
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
North Side of City
6:00 p.m.
Planning &
Zoning
310 W. Pearce
Blvd. Blvd.

8
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
North Side of City

9
8:30 a.m. Spring
Tree I.D. Hike**
Progress Park
9:30 a.m.
Little Lightning
Bugs
Rotary Park
Lower Pavilion



11
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
South Side of City

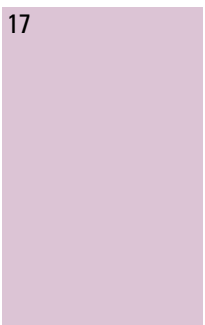
12
9:30 p.m.
Municipal Court
1019 Schroeder
Creek Blvd.
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
South Side of City

13
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
South Side of City
6:30 p.m.
Board of
Aldermen
310 W. Pearce
Blvd.

14
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
South Side of City
6:30 p.m.
Board of
Adjustment
310 W. Pearce
Blvd.

15
Brush &
Tree Chipper
Program**
South Side of City

16
8:30 a.m.
Easter
EGGstravaganza**
Rotary Park
2:00 p.m.
Bone Hunt**
Rotary Park



20
Time Varies
Egg Decorating**
Progress Park
Center

21
6:00 p.m.
Storm Water
Advisory
Committee
310 W. Pearce
Blvd.

22
City Hall Closed
for Good Friday
Holiday**



Municipal Court: 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. • Park Board Meetings: 968 Meyer Rd.

24
Last Day to Have
Yard Sale
Listed in
Booklet**
Progress
Park
Easter



26
9:30 a.m.
Municipal Court
1019 Schroeder
Creek Blvd.

27
Citywide Yard Sale
Booklet on Sale**
City Hall, Utilities
Service Center &
Progress Park
6:30 p.m.
Board of Aldermen
310 W. Pearce
Blvd.

28
6:00 p.m.
Municipal Trials
1019 Schroeder
Creek Blvd.

29
6:00-10:00 p.m.
Wiffle Ball
Tournament
Rotary Park
Lower Field

30
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Coffee Talk With
Alds. Nick &
Cheryl
310 W. Pearce
Blvd.
Citywide Yard
Sale**



* Call City Hall at (636) 327-5101. ** See article in this edition of *Vision*.

EXPERIENCE *Wentzville*

EASTER ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE!

Everyone in the family, including Fido, can get in on the Easter activities in Wentzville this year. Check out the special events below! To register for any of these events, call the Parks Department at (636) 327-7665 or (636) 332-9236.

Egg Decorating

April 20 • Progress Park

5:30-6:15 p.m. • Ages: 2-3

6:30-7:15 p.m. • Ages: 4-6

7:30-8:15 p.m. • Ages: 7-9

\$12 Residents/\$15 Nonresidents

April 13 registration deadline.



Bone Hunt

This event is for the furry member of the family!

April 16 • 2:00 p.m. • Rotary Park Upper Field

Any age in dog years

\$8 Resident Pooch/\$10 Nonresident Pooch

April 9 registration deadline.

Easter EGGstravaganza

Thousands of eggs filled with candy and special prizes. Don't forget to bring your basket and come early for clowns and face painting.

April 16 • Rotary Park

Gates open at 8:30 a.m.

Ages: 1-2 • 9:30 a.m.

Ages: 3-4 • 9:45 a.m.

Ages: 5-6 • 9:45 a.m.

Ages: 7-8 • 10:30 a.m.

Ages: 9-10 • 10:30 a.m.

\$2 in advance. Tickets sold at Progress Park until April 15 at

6 p.m. and you must bring ticket with you on the day of the event.

\$3 on day of the event.



Job Fair for Summer Parks and Recreation Positions

Don't miss out on the chance to have fun while earning a little extra cash this summer. On Thursday, March 3, from 2:00-7:00 p.m., the Wentzville Parks and Recreation Department will host a job fair at Progress Park to fill temporary summer positions. Positions available include Day Camp Management, Day Camp Counselors, Pool Operations, Lifeguards, Swim Instructors, Concessionaires, Umpires, and Recreation Aides. Starting pay varies depending on position and experience.

Applicants should be highly motivated and age 16 or older by May 1, 2011. Applications can be filled out in advance by downloading them from the City's Web site at www.wentzvillemo.org, or they can be picked up and completed on the day of the job fair. No advance appointments will be provided.

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Office at (636) 332-9236 or (636) 327-7665.

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION PROMISES FAMILY FUN

From noon to 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, April 2, in beautiful Rotary Park, Wentzville families can enjoy an afternoon of fun and games, a seedling giveaway, and even

a special movie for the kids when Wentzville hosts its annual Arbor Day Celebration. This FREE event is not only fun for the whole family, it's also educational and reminds us of how important trees are to our ecosystem. A ceremonial tree planting will also be part of the afternoon's activities.

For more information about the Arbor Day Celebration, call the Wentzville Parks and Recreation Office at (636) 332-9236.



Spring Tree I.D. Hike in Peruque Valley Park

Don't miss this chance to get an early peek at one of the City's newest parks—Peruque Valley Park. On Saturday, April 9, from 8:30-9:30 a.m., Wentzville's Parks and Recreation will host a Spring Tree I.D. Hike through this beautiful parkland, just in time to see the early spring blossoms. In addition to a chance to catch a glimpse of deer, raccoons, and other wildlife, participants will learn about the different types of indigenous trees in the area. This hike promises to be a great learning and recreational opportunity for the whole family. A light breakfast will also be provided to participants.

The difficulty of the hike is considered mild to moderate, depending on the participant's fitness level. Participants should dress according to the weather, bring bug repellent, and wear boots or tennis shoes—no open-toed or open-heeled shoes will be allowed. Participants will meet at Progress Park and from there be transported to Peruque Valley Park.

The cost for the hike is \$3 for residents and \$5 for nonresidents. Pre-registration for the hike is required. To register or for more information, call the Parks and Recreation office at (636) 332-9236.

Online registration now available through the Parks and Recreation area of the City's Web site at www.wentzvillemo.org. Just click on the "Classes/Programs" Quick Link in the right column and then on the "Online Registration" link.

Irrigation Systems Require Permits and Annual Spring Testing

Irrigation systems are convenient and can keep your lawn green through a hot, dry summer, but they come with some responsibilities. First of all, residents who want to install an irrigation system must obtain a permit from the City *prior* to installation.

Second, the State of Missouri requires anyone who has an irrigation system to have the backflow devices checked each spring by a certified backflow tester to make sure the system's backflow device is working properly. This requirement applies even to systems that are not used. Debris buildup and damaged parts due to freezing can allow contamination to flow back into public water lines from the sprinklers.

Once the testing has been completed, it is the homeowner's responsibility to make sure the results are *correctly* sent to the City, whether the inspector sends in the results or the homeowner sends them. **Test-result reports must be sent to Wentzville's Water Department no later than June 1 of each year.**

The reports should be sent to:

Attention: Sandra Menne
Wentzville Water Department
200 E. 4th Street
Wentzville, MO 63385

Last of all, if residents decide they want to completely discontinue use of their irrigation system, the backflow device must be removed and the plumber who removes the backflow device must send the City a letter verifying that the device has been removed.

If residents have any questions about having their irrigation system checked or submitting the test results, they can call the Wentzville Water Department at (636) 327-5102.



City Fills Two Key Staff Positions

In 2010, the positions of Wentzville's Public Works Director and Economic Development Director became vacant. Early this year, City Officials made their final selections on the new staff members, after months of reviewing applications from across the nation.

In early January, the Board of Aldermen announced the City had hired Scott Smith as Wentzville's new Director of Public Works. Smith comes to Wentzville with 12 years of experience in the field, and most recently served as the City Engineer for Florissant, Missouri. In addition to his service at Florissant, Smith has worked as a civil engineer for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Smith steps into the position with several existing, high-priority projects on his plate, including the City's Wastewater Plant expansion and several transportation improvements. The Board of Aldermen are highly confident Smith is also the right person to enhance some of the City's existing services. Smith's first day in his new position was January 24.

When Wentzville's Economic Development Director position came open last year, the City used the vacancy as an opportunity to restructure the position to better meet the City's needs, and created a new Marketing and Business Development Manager position. Among other duties, the new position has a broader focus on marketing the City via a wide range of communication avenues, as well as providing customer-driven, problem-solving assistance for Wentzville businesses and developers.

In late January the City Administrator announced Larry Tucker had been selected to fill this new position. Tucker is a Certified Economic Developer by the International Economic Development Council, and is also certified as an Economic Development Finance Professional by the National Development Council. Tucker came to Wentzville with 14 years of experience in the economic development field, and directly from his position as Executive Director of the Perry County, Missouri Economic Development Authority. Tucker's first day as Wentzville's Marketing and Business Development Manager was February 14.

Wentzville's City Administrator, Dianna Wright, expressed high confidence in both men hired for these key positions. "Both Scott and Larry come to us with impressive credentials and high recommendations. They've both demonstrated impressive leadership and public-service skills, and I'm sure they will be important assets to our City staff."

NEW BUSINESSES

All About Love
Christian Books & Gifts
1155 Wentzville Parkway,
Suite 115

All Star Pawn
1005 South Callahan Road

Hometown Treasures
Resale
4 Wentzville Center

Ultimate Image Hair Salon
207 South Linn

Fireside Treasures
6 West Main Street

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS BEGIN APRIL 4

Properties with deteriorating exteriors are not only unsightly, they can also lower the marketability of neighboring properties. To help protect Wentzville homeowners' investments and ensure property values remain stable, the City routinely conducts "windshield" or "drive-by" property-maintenance inspections. All properties are inspected every two years, with one half of the City inspected one year and the other half inspected the following year.

In 2011, all structures in the eastern half of Wentzville will be inspected, with inspections beginning April 4. The City conducts these exterior inspections based upon the 2006 International Property Maintenance Code.

The items inspected on properties are as follows:

- Address numbers
- Sidewalk/driveway deterioration
- Overgrown grass/weeds/dead trees
- Garbage, trash or rubbish in yard
- Derelict autos or parts in yard
- Porches deteriorated



- Fences deteriorated
- Masonry damaged or deteriorated
- Windows damaged or broken/screens missing or broken
- Garage or main doors deteriorated or broken
- Exterior wall surfaces deteriorated—needing paint
- Guttering damaged or missing
- Roof shingles damaged or missing

When City inspectors find a property that needs attention, they leave a notice on the doors of the property. The notices allow a reasonable time for completion.

If residents have a concern about the exterior maintenance of properties in their neighborhood, they don't have to wait for the City's biannual windshield inspection. Residents can call the Action Center at (636) 327-5101 anytime to alert the City of the problem. By providing this service and remaining vigilant in ensuring all Wentzville properties are suitably maintained, the City hopes to keep Wentzville a desirable place to live and work.



310 West Pearce Blvd.
Wentzville, MO 63385

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Yard-Waste Pickup Resumes

Yard-waste pickup for the City of Wentzville will resume on March 1 and continue through the last week of December. Residents who have not canceled the service and were receiving the service when it ended last year will automatically be put back on the list to receive it in 2011.

Now that the City has gone to a five-day-a-week pickup schedule, residents who receive yard-waste-pickup service can put their yard waste

out on the same day they put out their trash and recycling. All yard waste should be placed at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on the appropriate morning.

Residents can place their yard waste in brown recyclable bags or in a trash can. If residents use a can, however, they need to paint or apply a "Yard Waste" sign on the side of the can. Residents can also rent a cart for yard waste for an additional fee.

The City will also accept bundled yard waste/limbs. The bundles should not exceed 4 feet in length, 18 inches in diameter, or 40 pounds in weight. Also, the bundles should be tied with a natural twine or other bio-degradable binding material.

If residents want to schedule yard-waste pickup, or have questions about fees or regular sanitation pickup, they can call (636) 327-5102.



Free Spring Pickup of Tree and Shrub Trimmings

The City provides a Chipper Program in both the spring and fall so residents can easily dispose of trimmings from trees and shrubs. For residents living north of the railroad tracks, the free pickup of tree and shrub trimmings is scheduled for the week of April 4 through April 8. Residents living south of the railroad tracks will have their tree and shrub trimmings picked up April 11 through April 15. To ensure pickup, residents should have their tree and shrub trimmings placed at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on Monday of the week their area is scheduled for pickup. After the April pickup, the next scheduled free limb and brush pickup won't be until this fall.

Limbs should be 8 inches or less in diameter, and residents should *not* tie limbs into bundles. Leaves or grass clippings are not included in this pickup and will not be accepted. All materials not placed at the curb line or that have greater than an 8-inch diameter will not be picked up.

If residents have questions about the Chipper Program, they can call the Wentzville Public Works Department at (636) 327-5102.

CITY OFFICES' HOLIDAY HOURS

Please note that City offices will be closed for Good Friday on April 22 so that City employees can spend the holiday with their families. On Easter Sunday the Parks and Recreation Office at Progress Park will also be closed.

Daylight Saving Time Starts
March 13.

Don't forget to set your
clocks ahead one hour.

