



Annual Holiday Tree Lighting

This year don't miss Wentzville's traditional kickoff to the holidays with its annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on Sunday, December 4. It's a night filled with glittering lights, holiday music, crisp night air and lots of friends. The official Wentzville Holiday Tree will be located on the wedge of land between Pete's Drive-In and Dee's Produce, at the intersection of Pearce Boulevard and Luetkenhaus Boulevard (formerly Business Route 61).

Gathering for the lighting begins at 5:30 p.m. Live, holiday musical entertainment will enhance the festive spirit that evening, and Wentzville's Mayor Paul Lambi will officially light the tree. Immediately following the tree lighting, the Wentzville Holiday Parade will begin. The parade starts at Budget Towing on

Luetkenhaus Boulevard, will travel south to Pearce Boulevard, then turn and go west on Pearce to the Wentzville firehouse.

Be sure to mark your calendars. You won't want to miss it.

Ninth Annual Holiday Parade Kicks off the Spirit of the Season

Bring the whole family and join with friends and neighbors when Wentzville celebrates the holidays with its ninth annual Holiday Season Parade. This evening of music and twinkling lights is sure to get even the most humbug of Scrooges into the holiday spirit.

The parade will be held on Sunday, December 4, immediately following the Wentzville Holiday Tree Lighting ceremony, which is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. The parade starts at Budget Towing on Luetkenhaus Boulevard (formerly Business Route 61). It will travel south on Luetkenhaus Boulevard, then turn and go west on Pearce Boulevard, terminating at the Wentzville firehouse. At the firehouse, kids and adults alike can gather for cookies, candy canes, hot chocolate, and, of course, a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Bring your camera so you don't miss a single photo-op as children sit on Santa's lap and talk over their Christmas list with the jolly old elf.

Businesses, churches, organizations, and individuals are all invited to be part of the parade. Participation can include floats, decorated cars, marching groups or even individuals on foot as long as they are lit in some way. The coordinators say they are especially looking for musical groups. Even horses and pets can wear their holiday best and be part of the parade. Parade participants are encouraged to use their imagination to create unique parade entries, and they can pass out candy and treats along the parade route.

There are a few guidelines for parade entries. First, all entries must be related to the parade theme, which is Spirit of the Season. Second, at least some portion of the entry must be lit. Also, since the Wentzville Chamber of Commerce float will carry the official Santa for the parade, there can be no other live Santas in the parade. Individuals or groups who

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Add Sparkle to Your Holidays With Wentzville's Holiday Night Lights Display

Whether you cruise the display by car, take advantage of the special walk-through night, or do both, Wentzville's fifteenth annual Holiday Night Lights display at Rotary Park will add sparkle to your holidays and create great memories for you and your family. A full, magical mile with thousands of glittering lights outlining holiday scenes and tunnels is sure to put everyone in a holiday mood.

The Wentzville Holiday Night Lights display will be open to visitors Thursdays through Sundays, beginning Friday, November 25, through Sunday, December 11. Then from December 15 through December 30, the display will be open every evening except for Christmas Day, December 25. Display hours are from 6:00-10:00 p.m. Admission is only \$8 for vehicles holding up to six passengers. Vans, buses or limos holding seven or more people must pay an additional \$1 per person, beginning with the seventh person.

A special walk-through night will be held on Monday, December 12, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. In addition to strolling through the impressive light displays, visitors that evening can enjoy refreshments in the Kolb building. Santa will also be there, so bring a camera for all the photo opportunities that are sure to arise. The cost for the walk-through evening is \$3 per person for ages six and up. Children five and under will be admitted free. No drive-through viewing will be allowed on this special night.

Be sure to mark your calendars. This is a holiday event you won't want to miss.



GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT!
Shop Wentzville and keep your tax dollars at home.
Wentzville...Your Holiday Place. Shop, Dine, Celebrate!

Snowplows Follow Plan to Clear City Streets

Roads Not Cleared by City

Below is a short list of roads within Wentzville's City limits that are cleared by the Missouri Department of Transportation, rather than the City of Wentzville. In addition to these roads, there are thoroughfares that are St. Charles County's responsibility to maintain. More information is available in the Public Works Department section of the City's Web site, under the Emergency Winter Storm Department Procedures link at www.wentzvillemo.org.

- Interstate 70
- Interstate 70 North and South Service Roads
- Hwy 40/61
- Interstate 64
- Route A
- Route Z
- Route N

Although we don't generally get the heavy, prolonged snowfalls northern states get, we usually do see between three to six snowfalls each winter that require street plowing. Below is important information for residents about the City's snowplowing procedures, and what residents should do when snow is predicted for our area. More information is available in the Public Works Department section of the City's Web site at www.wentzvillemo.org, under the Emergency Winter Storm Procedures link.

To ensure that most people are able to get out as quickly as possible, the City follows a Winter Storm Operating Policy for clearing the streets. First, the City clears major roads like Wentzville Parkway, Pearce Boulevard and West Meyer Road. Once major roads are passable, the City clears collector roads like Meyer Road, Peine Road, and Mexico Road. Subdivision collector roads are cleared next and after that individual subdivision streets are cleared.

Interstates and highways are cleared by the Missouri Department of Transportation, and St. Charles County maintains roads that fall under their jurisdiction, even though they are within Wentzville's City limits. A short list of some of these roads is located in the adjacent sidebar.

In addition to plowing, the City spreads salt as the weather dictates. If the temperature is above 30 degrees and rising, no salt is spread; but when it is at 30 degrees and falling, the City begins salting the streets. When the temperature drops to 20 degrees or below, the City adds calcium chloride (a deicing agent) to the roads to make it more effective at the lower temperatures.

Cars parked on streets and in cul-de-sacs create significant problems for snowplow crews. In some instances, such as when two cars are parked across from each other, there is not enough room for the snowplows to navigate safely and the street must be left unplowed. When snow is predicted, residents should make every effort to move their vehicles off the street. Moving your car off the street will not only make it easier for snowplow crews to do their job, but will also let you avoid the problem of digging through a snow pile to get into your car. **In addition, if the conditions are such that the snowstorm calls for five inches of snow**



or more, the Mayor will issue a snow emergency. When a snow emergency is issued, all City streets MUST be cleared of all vehicles.

Unfortunately, when snowplows are clearing City streets, mailboxes are occasionally knocked down or damaged. The City will cover up to \$50 of the cost to repair or replace

a mailbox damaged either as the result of being hit by the plow or from the snow pushed aside by the plow. Residents with specialty mailboxes that are damaged in excess of the \$50 limit must submit a claim directly to the City Clerk.

The City's policy does not cover damage to lawn irrigation systems and landscaping within 18 inches from the back of the curb. If damage occurs beyond 18 inches from the back of the curb, the City will cover the repair or replacement costs of those items damaged.

When snowplows are moving down the street, although they may move at only about 15 miles per hour, the force and weight of the snow they throw can knock over people standing near the curb. It is especially important that children are not allowed to play near the curb when snowplows are coming through a subdivision. Also, it is extremely dangerous to allow children to tunnel into or play in the piles of snow that line the streets after a plow has come through.

One particular winter frustration is clearing your driveway only to have the end of it buried in snow after the snowplow has come through. While the City apologizes for this inconvenience, crews are unable to effectively clear the street without this happening, and are not staffed to clear driveways that get plowed in. You can minimize the amount of snow left at the bottom of your drive if when you clear the end of your drive you toss the snow to the left. (left as you face your house) This way, as the snowplow comes through, less snow will be deposited at the end of your driveway. Never just push or blow the snow from your driveway into the street. **It is actually illegal in Wentzville to plow or clear snow out into the street or the right-of-way areas.**

So, the next time the weatherman predicts snow, be sure to move your cars off the street and follow the above tips. This way you'll make life easier for yourself, your neighbors, and the City's snowplow crews.

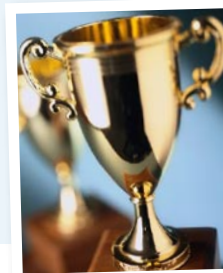
City to Announce First Citizen of the Year Recipient in January

Wentzville's elected officials felt it was important the City recognize outstanding residents whose actions and accomplishments make life better for others. Until now, however, while the City might occasionally recognize these people in one way or another, there was no established system to do so. To correct that omission, the Wentzville Board of Aldermen has instituted a Citizen of the Year Award, which will recognize these special people. This is the first year for this special award, which City leaders say will become an annual presentation.

The City announced the kickoff of the Award in September with a news release, on the City's Web site, and later in the *Note Worthy* newsheet the City sends out with utility bills. All nominations had to be turned in

to Wentzville's City Clerk by October 15 for them to be considered. For a nominee to be eligible, he or she had to reside in Wentzville at the time the nomination, and could not be an elected official or serve on the Citizen of the Year Award selection committee. Only Wentzville residents could make the nomination, and they were asked to provide detailed information as to why they believed the nominee deserved the award.

The Wentzville Board of Aldermen will make the presentation of the Award to the winning nominee at one of the January 2012 Board of Aldermen meetings.





Mayor Paul Lambi

Mayor's Comment:

Shopping Locally is the Best Way to Keep Your Tax Dollars Working for YOU!

Shopping figures largely in most of our holiday celebrations this time of year. We shop for food and decorations for gatherings and parties at our homes. We shop for hostess gifts for people who invite us to their homes. And, of course, we shop for gifts to give at Christmas, Hanukah, or other seasonal celebrations.

While we all worry about finding just the right thing to buy, many people don't realize how important it is to shop at local stores first. **Shopping locally is one way you can give a little something**

back to yourself this holiday season.

First of all, **shopping Wentzville first means more of the sales tax you pay comes back to you in improvements and services where you live.** Wherever you make your purchases, you see that line-item on your receipt that says "sales tax." Some of that sales tax will go to the State of Missouri, and some to the county in which you are shopping. Another portion of it, however, goes to the city where you are shopping.

If the City where you are shopping is Wentzville, **the City sales tax portion provides funds to improve the roads in your neighborhood and the parks near your home.** That sales tax also helps pay police officers, street crews, water-plant workers, City office staff, and all the other people who provide our residents excellent City services and amenities. If you are shopping in cities other than Wentzville,

however, the city sales tax portion you pay goes to make improvements to other people's quality of life. It's like you're using your money to fix up your neighbor's house instead of your own.

Shopping locally also helps Wentzville businesses grow so they can create jobs right here.

We are a City of over 29,000 people. If all of us would make an effort to shop at Wentzville businesses first, it would make a dramatic difference to the bottom line of the retailers here. And the healthier our businesses are, the healthier our whole City is.

When you shop at Wentzville businesses first, **you save lots of money on gasoline and spend less time driving.** With gas running \$3-\$4 per gallon, even a few miles of driving can run up the actual cost you pay for things you buy. Fewer miles driving means more money left in your pocket. And less time on the road means more time doing the things you really enjoy—like spending time with friends and family.

In years past, we didn't have nearly as many choices for shopping and dining in Wentzville. Now, however, you can find just about anything you want right here. I invite all of our residents to do themselves a favor this holiday season and shop Wentzville first. And in closing, I want to wish all of our residents a Merry Christmas and a blessed holiday season!



Free Curbside Christmas Tree Recycling

With Wentzville's free, curbside, live-Christmas-tree recycling service, residents can easily dispose of their Christmas trees and know the trees will be recycled into compost or organic mulch. Since the City has gone to a one-day-a-week pickup schedule for solid waste and recycling, residents only need to put their Christmas trees out on the same day they put out the rest of their trash.



The first day Christmas trees can be put at the curbside for pickup will be December 26 and the last day they will be picked up will be January 13. Please be sure to remove the tree stand, tinsel, and lights. Also, trees should not be covered with plastic or any other kind of wrapping material.

Because Christmas trees will only be picked up in Wentzville neighborhoods on regularly-scheduled, trash-pickup days, residents should only put the trees out at the same time they put out the rest of their trash and recyclables. And over the holidays, don't forget to recycle non-foil gift boxes and wrapping paper with regular curbside recycling. Don't include bows or ribbons with your recycling, however.

If residents have questions about the Christmas-tree recycling or recycling of other materials, they can call (636) 327-5102.

From the Board: City's Audit of DMV Records Finds Nearly \$100,000 Due to Wentzville

As most of you know, when Missouri residents purchase motor vehicles, the sales tax is paid when the vehicles are licensed with the Missouri Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). The amount of sales tax charged is based on the resident's address, and the DMV must distribute the correct portion of the collected tax to the state, county and city in which the resident lives. The sales-tax amount on vehicles can be quite significant, which makes it important that the funds are distributed correctly. Unfortunately, sometimes errors occur in identifying or inputting the correct municipality in which a resident lives, which results in a misdirection of sales-tax revenue.

Several cities in St. Charles County recently audited DMV sales-tax records and their audits revealed some funds that should have gone to those cities had been incorrectly paid to Wentzville. These results also made it apparent there were most likely funds paid to other cities that belonged to Wentzville.

As Wentzville's elected officials, we wanted to make sure our City received its rightful amount of revenue from this important sales tax, so we directed City staff to conduct an audit of DMV sales tax records from March 2008 through February 2011. Once completed, our audit revealed hundreds of errors that had resulted in a substantial amount of sales-tax revenue due to Wentzville. By conducting the audit, the City will be able to recapture nearly \$100,000 that would have otherwise been lost to Wentzville.

A total of \$129,303.02 was due to Wentzville, but there was also \$35,912.74 that had been paid to Wentzville and should have gone to other cities or refunded to taxpayers. This still left \$93,390.28 due to Wentzville. At a time when we are working hard to make every penny count, collecting this nearly \$100,000 will go a long way to ensuring we can continue providing a high standard of services for residents.

The majority of the errors found were the result of homes that were actually within Wentzville City limits being coded as if they were in St. Charles County. In other cases where more tax was due, homes had been taxed a neighboring city's sales-tax rate rather than Wentzville's sales-tax rate. In the cases where people were charged an incorrect amount of sales tax, the DMV notifies them of the error and either sends them a bill or a refund check, depending on the error. Residents are only asked to pay the additional amount of tax due. No interest or penalties are assessed on this amount.

Once the DMV collects the outstanding amounts, the State of Missouri will distribute these funds as they should have been originally distributed. Of the 712 errors found resulting in additional taxes due to Wentzville, only 52 were for amounts above \$500.

Going forward, the City plans to perform this type of audit annually. In this way, it ensures the City receives its proper sales-tax revenue in a timely fashion, and also reduces the impact on residents in the event an error has been made. As your elected representatives, we promise continued vigilance to ensure City revenues are both collected and utilized in the most effective manner possible.

November Calendar of Events

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

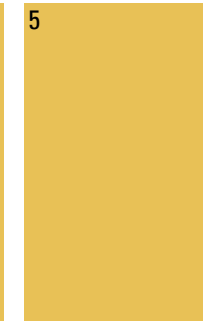
FRIDAY

SATURDAY



2
6:30 p.m.
Board of Aldermen
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

3
6:00 p.m.
Planning & Zoning
310 W. Pearce Blvd.



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Daylight Saving Time Ends**

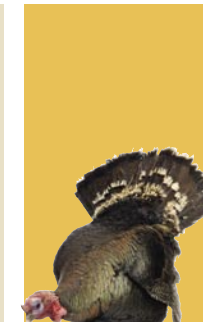


7
7:00 p.m.
Park Board Meeting
310 W. Pearce Blvd.



10
6:30 p.m.
Board of Adjustment
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

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City Offices Closed for Veterans Day**



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

16
6:30 p.m.
Board of Aldermen
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

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



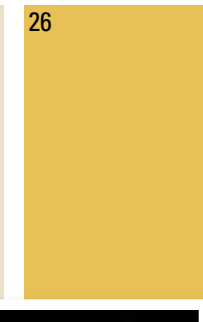
19
8:30 a.m.
Turkey Trot**
Rotary Park

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



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City Offices & Progress Park Recreation Center Closed for Thanksgiving**

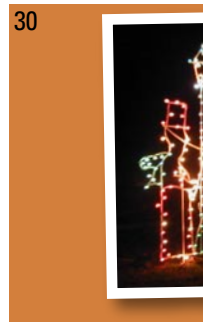
25
6:00-10:00 p.m.
Holiday Night Lights Begins**
Rotary Park
City Offices Closed for Thanksgiving**



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



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



December Calendar of Events

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



4
5:30p.m.
Holiday Tree Lighting and Parade**
Wedge at W. Pearce Blvd. & Luetkenhaus Blvd.

5
7:00 p.m.
Park Board Meeting
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

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8
6:30 p.m.
Board of Adjustment
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

9
6:30 p.m.
80s
Trivia Night**
Progress Park Center



Municipal Court: 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. • Park Board Meetings: 310 W. Pearce Blvd.



12
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Special Walk-Through at Holiday Night Lights**
Rotary Park

13
Municipal Election Candidate Filing Begins**
310 W. Pearce Blvd.
9:30 a.m.
Municipal Court
1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd.

14
6:00 p.m.
Municipal Trials
1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd.
6:30 p.m.
Board of Aldermen
310 W. Pearce Blvd.

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16
7:00-9:00 p.m.
H.O.P.P. Nights
Progress Park Center

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City Offices Closed for Christmas**

24
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Progress Park Recreation Center Open**

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Progress Park Recreation Center Closed for Christmas**

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City Offices Closed for Christmas**

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30
6:00-10:00 p.m.
Holiday Night Lights Ends**
Rotary Park

31
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Progress Park Recreation Center Open**

Jan. 1, 2012
Progress Park Recreation Center Closed for New Year's Day**
Jan. 2, 2012
City Offices Closed for New Year's holiday**



Don't Miss the Eleventh Annual Turkey Trot

The holidays are full of traditions, and in Wentzville one of those traditions is the City's annual Turkey Trot. This family-friendly event with nine age groups and both a 5K run and one-mile walk/run has fitness and age levels for everyone. So, before you gobble up that gobbler and begin eating your way through the holidays, why not kick off the holiday season with Wentzville's annual Turkey Trot?

This year's Turkey Trot will take place at Rotary Park on Saturday, November 19, starting at 8:30 a.m. Entry fee for the Turkey Trot is \$20 per participant if registering by or before November 12, and \$25 per participant after that date. Race-day entries will be accepted if space is still available. The first 150 entrants for the Turkey Trot will receive an official Wentzville Turkey Trot T-shirt, and all entrants will be entered for a chance to win a turkey for their Thanksgiving feast. There is a 50-person minimum and 300-person maximum for this event.

The winners of the 5K run in each of the following age groups will receive awards: 10 and under, 11-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70 and over. The top three overall males and females will also receive awards, but they will not be awarded the plaque for winning their age group.



Holiday Parade *from page 1*

would like to be part of the parade should register by calling Donna Marie at Window Works, at (636) 332-8801. The Wentzville Downtown Business Association will again sponsor prizes for parade entries. Prizes are \$100 for first place, \$50 for second place, and \$25 for third place. The Wentzville Board of Aldermen and their spouses will serve as judges for the parade entries and they will present the prizes to the winning entries at the firehouse, immediately following the parade.

Sponsors for this year's parade are the Wentzville Chamber of Commerce, Wentzville Downtown Business Association, Wentzville Fire Department, and the City of Wentzville.

Test Your **80s** Trivia Skills

Just how much do you know or think you know about the 1980s? On Friday, December 9, adults ages 21 and up can match their wits against each other on the decade of the 80s when the City's Parks and Recreation Department hosts a 1980s Trivia Night at Wentzville's Progress Park Center. The doors for the Trivia Night will open at 6:30 p.m., with trivia rounds beginning at 7:00.

Trivia teams will consist of eight people, and the cost for the evening is \$120 per table. Beverages and a light snack will be included, and tables will be able to purchase "Mulligans." The evening will consist of ten trivia rounds with ten questions in each round. To set the proper mood, teams are invited to decorate their tables in an 80s theme, and the best decorated table will receive a prize. In addition, Hero's and Legends will conduct a silent auction of 1980s sport and movie collectibles that evening.

Space is limited, so be sure to register early. No matter whether the 80s seem like just yesterday to you, or they are dim memories from your childhood, Wentzville's 1980s Trivia Night is sure to be a lot of fun.

EXPERIENCE *Wentzville*

Spirit of Christmas Dinner and Dance

Christmas isn't just for kids. Adults ages 50 and up can also celebrate the holidays in style on Friday, December 2, with Wentzville's Spirit of Christmas Dinner and Dance. This popular event features a delicious sit-down dinner and the opportunity for mature adults to dance the night away, or just relax and enjoy the music and conversation with friends.



The Spirit of Christmas Dinner and Dance will run from 6:00-9:00 p.m., at Wentzville's Progress Park Center. In addition to music, dinner, and dancing, there will be door prizes and even a visit from Santa; because after all, at Christmas everyone's a child at heart.

Ticket prices are \$13 per Wentzville resident and \$17 per nonresident. Registration deadline for the dance is Friday, November 25, or when full; so reserve your tickets right away. You don't want to be left out!

How About Breakfast With Santa?

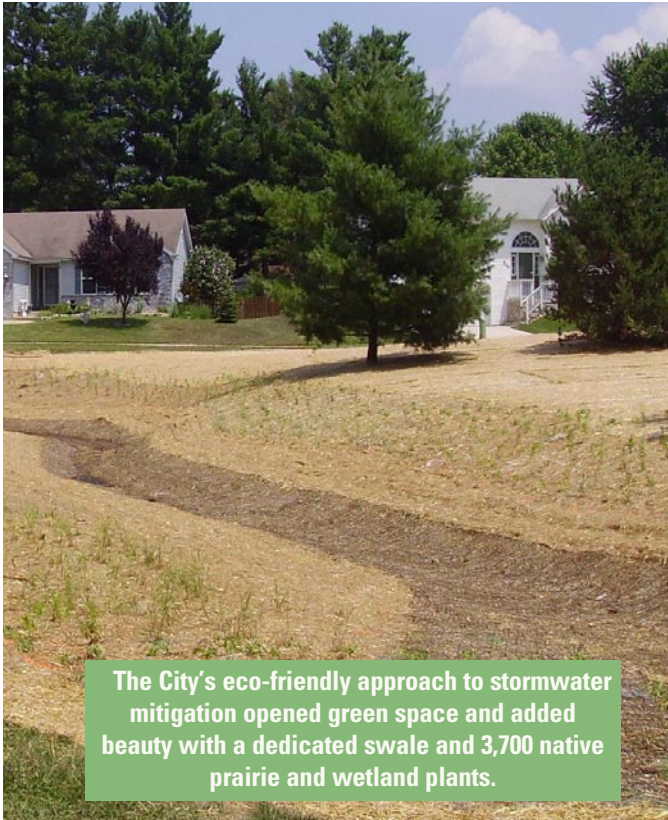


A visit with Santa is great, but sharing breakfast with him is a special treat every kid would love. On Saturday, December 3, from 9:00-10:00 a.m., children from infancy up to age 12 can enjoy a kid-friendly breakfast of doughnuts, milk or juice with Santa at the Progress Park Center. After breakfast there will be holiday crafts and games targeted for kids ages two and up. Children younger than two will need help from Mom, Dad, or grandparents. In addition, every child will have individual time with Santa, so be sure to bring a camera. You'll want to get those special pictures of your little one sitting on Santa's lap.

The cost for Breakfast With Santa is \$8 for resident children ages 2-12, and \$11 for nonresident children ages 2-12. Children under the age of two will be admitted free. Preregistration is required for all children, and the registration deadline is Saturday, November 26.

Residents can call the Parks and Recreation office at (636) 332-9236 to register for any of these programs or for more information.

Filing Opens for Municipal Offices



The City's eco-friendly approach to stormwater mitigation opened green space and added beauty with a dedicated swale and 3,700 native prairie and wetland plants.

Northview Avenue Stormwater Relief Project Completed

The City recently completed the Northview Avenue stormwater project. The eco-friendly way in which the City chose to design the project will not only provide stormwater mitigation, but will also create open green space for public use, and provide an interpretive demonstration area for residents and nearby schools.

The project began with the removal of approximately 200 feet of an aging box culvert. In its place the City added a larger ponding area and dedicated swale to provide more room for water to flow and help decrease flooding threats to nearby homes. The City also installed roughly 3,700 native prairie and wetland plants to help prevent erosion, and soak up rain water.

Residents can find out more about stormwater projects by clicking on the Stormwater Management Projects link under the Public Works section of the City's Web site at www.wentzvillemo.org.

NEW BUSINESSES

Revolution Motors

12526 Veteran's Memorial Parkway

Advance Beauty College

982 Wentzville Parkway

Lesas Home Décor & Antiques

407 East Pearce Boulevard

Beginning Tuesday, December 13, at 8:00 a.m., candidates may begin filing for the elected municipal offices that will appear on the April 2012 ballot. Candidates will need to file at City Hall, 310 West Pearce Boulevard. The filing period will remain open until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 17, 2012.

Positions open for filing are mayor, and one alderman seat from each of the City's three Wards. The mayoral position is for a four-year term. Alderman positions are for two-year terms.

According to City ordinances, candidates running for mayor must be at least 25 years old, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City of Wentzville for at least one year prior to the election. Aldermanic candidates must be at least 21 years old, a citizen of the United States, a resident of the City of Wentzville for at least one year prior to the election, and reside in the Ward for which they are filing.

If residents would like more information about the duties and qualifications for serving in these elected positions, they can call the City Clerk's office at (636) 639-2010.



Dry Branch Watershed Plan Project Kickoff

If you live or travel north of I-70 in Wentzville, chances are you are in the Dry Branch Watershed area, which is all the land that drains north into Dry Branch Creek and then into McCoy Creek. This past spring, the City was awarded \$748,015 through a 319 Grant through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and U.S. EPA Region VII under the Clean Water Act. The purpose of the Grant is to reduce pollutants in the Dry Branch Watershed over the next four years.

The first step in the process is to create a Dry Branch Watershed Management Plan. The Plan will identify watershed issues and conditions, estimate pollutant loads, and include an implementation plan to reduce nonpoint source (NPS) pollution. NPS pollution results from trash, oil, paint and other contaminants that get into water bodies, as opposed to point-source pollution that flows directly from a pipe or readily identifiable location. Because NPS pollution comes from a variety of sources over a large area, preventing it from getting into our waterways can be challenging.

Over the next decade at least ten water-quality improvement projects will be identified and prioritized, with several of the improvements funded by the 319 Grant. Residents are invited to participate in the development of the Plan by sharing their knowledge and opinions online or through a series of interactive public forums and listening sessions. The City will announce these sessions in utility bills and on the City's Web site. Students from Wentzville Middle School will also contribute to the Plan by conducting field assessments near their school and making recommendations through the GM Earth Force GREEN program.

If residents know of any areas of concern or places they feel need protection, the City encourages them to share that information. Residents can find information and provide feedback on the Plan by clicking "Contact Us" at www.wentzvillemo.org/319.aspx.



310 West Pearce Blvd.
Wentzville, MO 63385

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Wentzville, MO
Permit #14

Daylight Saving Time Ends November 6

Don't to forget to set your clocks back one hour when Daylight Saving Time officially ends on Sunday, November 6. At 2:00 a.m. that day the United States and Canada go off Daylight Saving Time and start on Standard Time through the second Sunday in March.



Missouri Municipal League (MML) Awards Wentzville the 2011 INNOVATION AWARD for Safe Drug Disposal Program



At its annual awards ceremony, the Missouri Municipal League awarded its 2011 Innovation Award in the large cities category to Wentzville for its Safe Drug Disposal Program. The program features a secure, drug-drop box, located in the Wentzville Police Department's front lobby at 1019 Schroeder Creek Boulevard. Area residents can drop off any unused prescription or nonprescription medications at the drop box any time, day or night, 365 days a year. Removing expired or unused drugs from home medicine cabinets is an important step in combating prescription drug abuse, especially by adolescents. Also, recent EPA studies have shown that the common practice of flushing expired or unused drugs down the toilet is contaminating water supplies. The drugs collected at the drop box are properly disposed of by incineration.

City Discontinuing Late Hours at City Hall

Beginning in November 2011, Wentzville City Hall will no longer be open late on the second and fourth Wednesday evening of each month. So few residents were utilizing the extended hours, paying City staff to stay later on those evenings wasn't deemed the best use of City funds.

City Offices Holiday Hours

City offices will be closed for the following holidays:

- Veterans Day, November 11
- Thanksgiving, November 24 and 25
- Christmas, December 23 and 26
- New Year's Day, January 2

Progress Park Recreation Center holiday hours are as follows:

- Thanksgiving Day, November 25, Closed
- Christmas Eve, December 24, Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Christmas Day, December 25, Closed
- New Year's Eve, December 31, Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- New Year's Day, January 1, Closed

Holiday Trash-Pickup Schedule

In November, there will be NO change in the pickup schedule the week of Veterans' Day. The week of Thanksgiving, however, Thursday pickups will be moved to Friday and Friday pickups will take place on Saturday. The week following Thanksgiving, trash pickups go back to their normal schedule.

In December and January, because Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Sundays this year, there will be NO change to the trash pickup schedule those weeks.



If residents have any questions about the holiday pickup schedule, they can call the Public Works office at (636) 327-5102.