

The Vision

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**CITY OF
WENTZVILLE**
news & events

Jake's Field of Dreams Opens at Heartland Park

After just a few months of construction and several years of hard-work, including fundraising and planning, Jake's Field of Dreams is now open to the public. This all-inclusive, sports-themed park honors Jake Vollmer, a sports fanatic, who lost his battle with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy in 2012 at age 19. The playground design emphasizes Jake's love of sports. Some of the features include a replica of a baseball field, climbing bars in the shape of a football helmet and a zip line between two football goal posts.

Following an all-star grand opening on Saturday, June 23, the playground is now open at Heartland Park (100 Dierberg Dr). To watch a time-lapse video of the playground's construction, please visit bit.ly/jakestimelapse.



2017 Consumer Confidence Report

The Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report or CCR) is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made to provide safe drinking water to Wentzville residents. For 2017, there were no violations. A copy of the complete 2017 CCR can be found at <http://dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO6010849.pdf>. If Internet access is not available, a hard copy can be requested and mailed to you by contacting the City's Water Division at (636) 639-2062, extension 6.



Community \ Highlights

Wabash Elementary School sixth-grade students took action to better our community with a variety of projects. This Earth Force project-based, student-led learning system developed communication and teamwork skills, as well as encouraged excitement in studies of science, mathematics, engineering and social studies.

The program began last September with data collection, which included a trip to a local stream to study indicators of stream pollution and a community walk-about where the students identified water pollution concerns in our community. From there, each class worked together to identify and select a concern from the data-collection period. The students then formulated an action plan, formed committees and contacted project stakeholders. Finally, the students took action! Below are brief summaries of the projects and the students' results.

Biodiversity

The 2017-2018 school year was Wabash Elementary School's first year open. Although doors opened in August, the school grounds were still being completed.



On their walk-about, the students noticed that the campus was missing the biodiversity that existed on the property before the school was built. To address this, as well as to provide an area for future students to learn about nature, the students built an outdoor classroom. This included two learning spaces and native plants including trees, grasses and flowers.

Quack Packs

Another group of students wanted the teachers and the students to use the outdoor classroom to its fullest potential. To ensure optimum usage, this class created Quack Packs — backpacks equipped with curriculum for teachers to use.



Each pack includes a lesson plan for the teacher, a book, a worksheet and a hands-on activity. More than 25 packs were created. Quack Pack lesson plans range from topics such as mammals or cloud identification to rain gardens. The students presented their project to teachers during a staff meeting and completed live demonstrations for teachers and students at the end of the year.

Park & Lake Habitats

Students recognized that City parks not only provide a place for residents to relax and enjoy the great outdoors, but also provide habitat for local animals and plants.



Realizing that not everyone sees parks as a home for animals and plants, the students took action to teach students and residents about the benefits of park and lake habitats.

Litter Prevention

The fourth group of students took note of the amount of litter in our community. To tackle this issue, students teamed up with Friends of the Wentzville Parks and the City of Wentzville to tackle litter in Wentzville parks by hosting a trash can artwork design contest. Nine trash cans were decorated with 18 different works of art from Wentzville students and residents. The art-clad trash cans are now at home in Wentzville City parks and at Wabash Elementary. To view the contest winners and runners-up, please visit bit.ly/trashcanartwork. This group also taught students, and residents alike, the do's and don'ts of recycling — with the hopes of lowering contamination rates.



Protect Your Pets

I am very passionate about the welfare of our animals. As temperatures creep up, I urge you to be mindful about the time your animals spend outside. The Humane Society offers these tips for protecting your pets during hot summer months.



- **Never leave your pets in a parked car** – not even with the car running and the air conditioner on. On a warm day, temperatures inside a vehicle can rise to rapidly dangerous levels.
- **Watch the humidity.** If the humidity is too high, animals may be unable to cool themselves.
- **Limit exercise on hot days.** On very hot days, limit exercise to early morning or evening hours. Always carry water with you to keep you and your dog from dehydrating.
- **Do not rely on a fan.** Fans don't cool off pets as effectively as they do people.
- **Cool off your pet inside and out** by always providing your pet with water.
- **Watch for signs of heatstroke.** If your pet is suffering, apply ice packs or cold towels; let the pet drink small amounts of cool water or lick ice cubs; and take them to the veterinarian.



Mayor Nick Guccione

Additionally, the City of Wentzville has guidelines in place to protect our furry friends, too. To report complaints of animals at large, dog bites, barking dogs, vicious animals, or for other domesticated animal complaints or questions, please contact the Wentzville Police Department at (636) 327-5105. For more detailed animal-control information, please visit bit.ly/wpd-animalcontrol.

Safety First

Thousands of transactions, facilitated by the multitude of buy-sell-trade sites online, occur in our area every day. Sometimes these meetings can be unsafe. To increase the safety of

these transactions, the Wentzville Police Department has two dedicated parking spaces for you to safely exchange goods when buying, selling or trading. They are located directly in front of the Law Enforcement Center. Please feel free to use

them anytime! By allowing transactions to take place on our property, we hope to reduce the possibility of fraud, robbery and assaults. The Wentzville Police Department is located at 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd., and is open 24/7.

Important Information

Protect Yourself in the Great Outdoors

An increase in outdoor activities during the summer and fall, also means an increased risk for insect bites and exposure to diseases that mosquitoes and ticks may carry.

The most effective ways for minimizing illnesses from insect bites are to use repellent whenever outdoors and to check for bugs after you return home. Insect repellents containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535 or oil of lemon eucalyptus have been proven to provide protection when used according to manufacturer's instructions. Products containing permethrin can be applied to clothing, but should not have direct contact with skin. In addition, those outdoors should wear long-sleeved shirts/jackets, long pants and should tuck pants into socks to minimize exposure. When returning from the outdoors,

check for ticks on your body and your pets, and remove them immediately (use tweezers to ensure you remove the entire creature). Watch for signs of illness such as rash or fever in the days and weeks following a tick bite, and see a health care provider if these develop. Your risk of acquiring a tick-borne illness depends on many factors, including where you live, what type of tick bit you, and how long the tick was attached. If you become ill after a tick bite, see a health care provider. To learn more, please visit the Center for Disease Control online at bit.ly/cdcstopticks.

Mosquito larvae requires seven to 14 days of still water for development, so it's best to take steps to drain areas where water settles, and clean clogged gutters, fountains, ponds and bird baths to help eliminate mosquito breeding grounds. Learn more on the St. Charles County website at bit.ly/StCharlesMosquito.





2018 National Night Out

This August, as part of the National Night Out event, residents from roughly 15,000 communities nationwide will join together to send a message to criminals that they are organized and fighting back against crime.

On that night, Wentzville residents are invited to turn on their porch lights, go outside and join with neighbors in block parties, cookouts, flash-light walks and other activities. Making a point to meet and get to know your neighbors can take a big step toward combating crime.

This year, National Night Out will be celebrated on Tuesday, Aug. 7, from 6 to 9 p.m. During that time, City officials, along with representatives from the Wentzville Police Department and Wentzville Fire Protection District will circulate throughout the community visiting neighborhood National Night Out celebrations. Weather permitting, helicopter flyovers are being planned for our local events.

If your neighborhood would like a visit from City officials, or if you need more information or suggestions about how to plan your own National Night Out activities, please call Officer Mainieri at (636) 639-2171. For more information and ideas, please visit www.NNO.org.

Economic Development

Façade Improvement Grant Update

In February 2016, the Board of Aldermen approved the establishment of a Façade Improvement Grant Program. The purpose of the program is “to permit and encourage the preservation of historic structures and to avoid general neighborhood deterioration through renovation and restoration of commercial and mixed-use structures.” In 2017, the program area was expanded to include properties zoned HD-1, HD-2, and HD-3. These districts are located in Historic Downtown Wentzville.

Since its inception, approximately 15 properties have been approved for program matching funds. Property owners may apply for a grant up to 50 percent of the total investment on the renovation or restoration of the exterior of the

property not-to-exceed a \$10,000 grant for eligible projects. To qualify, the structure must be at least 50-years old.

The first Façade Improvement Grant was awarded to the Tuscany Gallery & Events building located at 6 E. Main St. (pictured). For that particular project, the funds were used for window replacement, tuckpointing and an awning. The current program includes two application periods; April 1-30 and Aug. 1-31. Recently, the Downtown Committee for the City of Wentzville approved several projects at various locations. These locations included the following:

- 910 E. Pearce Blvd.
- 1109 E. Pearce Blvd.
- 300 W. Pearce Blvd.
- 510 W. Pearce Blvd.
- 513-517 W. Pearce Blvd.
- 408 E. Main St.

The approved projects include a variety of different improvements, such items as window and door replacement, new awnings, exterior painting and tuckpointing.

Money for the Façade Improvement Grant program is appropriated annually by the Board of Aldermen, and a total of \$50,000 was set-aside in the 2018 budget to support the program. Be on the lookout this summer and fall for these notable improvements to take place in Historic Downtown Wentzville!



Business Spotlight

WestInn Kennels • 522 Swantnerville Dr.

Business Owners: Sharon and Kevin West (pictured)

What year did you open? 1997 (Wentzville location 2004)

What influenced you to locate your business in Wentzville? Growth in the community, location and the availability of a suitable building.

What do you feel you bring to Wentzville by having your business here? Full-service benefits for pets.

What products/services do you offer? Pet daycare, boarding, training and pet products (sold at retail).

What's your favorite thing about Wentzville? The amenities and ease of access to our customers.

What's next for your business? We hope to increase our daycare facilities with our recent building expansion.

What is your hope for Wentzville five years from now? More growth south of I-70.

Any other comments you'd like to share? We also offer various classes, seminars and shows at our facility.

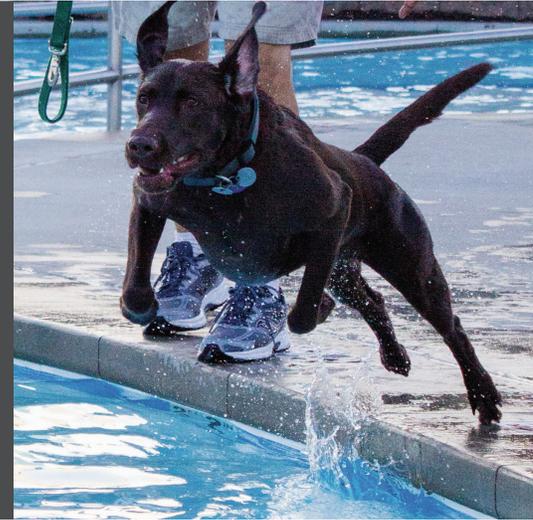


Pooch Plunge

It's that time of the year again! One night each year, you and your furry best friend can hang out together at the pool. On Tuesday, Sept. 4, at 5 p.m. bring your dog to Splash Station Aquatic Center at 1141 Peine Rd. During this event, your canine can enjoy the pool like the rest of Wentzville's residents.

The cost is \$8 for residents and \$11 for nonresidents. You must show proof of vaccination at the time of registration. Paid registration includes a snack for each dog and the chance to win door prizes.

Please note: on the event day, the cost will be \$15 per dog and a snack is not guaranteed. All dogs must be leashed while out of the water. In the event of cancellation due to inclement weather, Pooch Plunge will be made up on Sept. 5 at 5:30 p.m.



Upcoming Events

There are several meetings and events taking place in the next few weeks. Here are a few dates to remember:

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION OPEN HOUSE

The City will host an Open House workshop for its Downtown Revitalization Preliminary Design on Monday, July 16 from 1-6 p.m. in the Board Chambers at Wentzville City Hall (1001 Schroeder Creek Blvd.).

Currently, the City is nearing completion of the feasibility portion of the project. Proposed improvements will be on display during the workshop. This event is open to the public to seek comments and feedback that will be used to finalize the selection of alternatives to bring forward to design. If you have any questions, please contact Senior Civil Engineer Gregory Wallace at (636) 639-2050.

MULTIGENERATIONAL FACILITY INFORMATIONAL SESSION/OPEN HOUSE

The City will also host its Multigenerational Facility Informational Session on Wednesday, July 18 from 5-8 p.m. at Wentzville City Hall (1001 Schroeder Creek Blvd.). A presentation will be shared during this meeting; however, residents may drop by any time between 5 and 8 p.m.

ST. CHARLES COUNTY FAIR

Don't miss the St. Charles County Fair on July 24-28 at Rotary Park. For more information about this annual event, please visit www.stcharlescofair.org.

ROD RUN

The Rod Run is presented by Harris Automotive and Tire and sponsored by the City of Wentzville. The Rod Run is a summer car cruise that benefits the D.A.R.E. program in Missouri. The final Rod Run of the summer will be held on Friday, Aug. 3.

With a \$10 donation, car enthusiasts can cruise down West Pearce Boulevard. Registration takes place near Pearce Hall (317 W. Pearce Blvd.). For more information, please call Harris Automotive at (636) 327-4042.

Mark Your
Calendar!

Electronics Recycling and Shredding Event

Were you unable to attend the last Electronics Recycling Event? Or maybe you did some spring cleaning and found more obsolete items! You can recycle about 60 different items FREE during our second Electronics Recycling Event of the year. This time, we are also including secure document shredding. This drive-thru and drop-off event is open to everyone and will be held at Heartland Park (100 William Dierberg Dr.), on Saturday, Aug. 25 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The company we're using to collect and recycle the electronics has a zero landfill policy, with the exception of wood from console televisions and big screen TVs.

Below is a list of accepted items. Please note: smoke detectors and alkaline batteries will not be accepted.

For a more complete list, and information on the six types of items that require a fee, please visit bit.ly/electronicrecyclingevent. Accepted items and fees are subject to change. For questions, please call City Hall at (636) 327-5101.

- Computers
- Servers
- Laptops
- Macs
- Tablets
- Keyboards
- Computer Mice
- Speakers
- LCD Computer Monitors
- Modems
- Routers
- Cables
- Photo/Video Equipment
- Blu-ray Players
- DVD Players
- Laserdisc Players
- Betamax & VCRs
- DVRs
- Satellite Dishes
- Cameras
- AV Equipment
- Receivers/Amps
- Speakers
- MP3 Players
- CD Players
- Cassette Decks
- Turntables
- 8-Track Players
- Boomboxes
- Microphones
- Mixers
- Printers
- Copiers
- Scanners
- Fax Machines
- Ink & Toner Cartridges
- Shredders
- Gaming Consoles
- Cell Phones & Batteries
- All Phones
- Cables/Power Cords
- Lead-Acid Batteries
- Rechargeable Batteries
- GPS Systems
- Microwaves
- Dryers & Washing Machines
- Dish Washers
- Stoves & Ovens
- Blenders
- Coffee Makers
- Toasters



News and Reminders



Trash and Recycling Reminders

The City contracts residential solid waste, recycling and yard-waste collection through Meridian Waste Solutions, Inc. This contract provides a high-level of service for all single-family households at low rates. To ensure efficient trash, recycling and yard-waste collection, please keep these tips in mind.

1. To ensure that it's picked up, your trash, recycling and yard waste must be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. on your scheduled collection day. This helps keep our hauler on schedule and ensures no one's carts are missed.

2. Carts should be placed at the corner of your driveway, on the side opposite of the mailbox, with the hinges facing the house. (See photo). This placement results in fewer incidents of dropped trash carts and typically ensures a closed lid on an emptied cart.
3. As we move toward more automated trucks in Wentzville, we can reduce the amount of dropped and windblown trash by placing all trash inside closed trash bags.
4. As a recycling reminder, plastic trash bags and grocery sacks cannot be recycled. All recycled items must be placed loose inside the cart. Plastic bags can be recycled at bag-collection sites in town, including sites at Dierbergs and Walmart.



Summer is here and the pools are open!
For pool hours and locations, please visit
bit.ly/wentzvillebeattheheat!

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

The average home stores nearly 100 pounds of hazardous materials, including cleaning supplies, paints, lawn-care products and pesticides. Improper disposal of these products — pouring down a drain, tossing in unacceptable trash receptacles, emptying into storm sewers or dumping on the ground — poses a health risk to our community.

Did you know that St. Charles County residents can easily dispose of their Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) through our local

Recycle Works location? Residents can drop off items at the Wentzville Recycle Works location (2110 E. Pitman Ave.) Tuesdays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on the last Saturday of each month between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Recycle Works collects HHW items such as chemicals, auto fluids, pesticides and oil-based paints (no latex paints). No appointment is necessary, but a \$15 fee applies for loads up to 50 pounds (+\$1 per pound over 50). Details and a list of accepted items can be found at www.sccmo.org/RecycleWorks or residents may call (636) 949-1800.



New Businesses



The Town Square Antique Mall
15362 Veterans Memorial Pkwy.

Misfitz Salon
508 E. Pearce Blvd.

Stover Diagnostics Laboratories
1776 Crosswinds Dr.

Marco's Pizza
1000 Quartz Canyon Dr.

Stay True Boutique
1002 Quartz Canyon Dr.

The Prime Meat Company
1004 Quartz Canyon Dr.

Starcrest Cleaners
1006 Quartz Canyon Dr.

Redwing Shoe Store
1121 W. Pearce Blvd.

World of Communications (Boost)
1123 W. Pearce Blvd.

Swift Counseling
508B W. Pearce Blvd.

Natural Charm General Store
628 E. Pearce Blvd.

Friedrichs Physical Therapy
1015 Meyer Rd.

Vapor 100
1201 Wentzville Pkwy.

Hometown Bakery
714 W. Pearce Blvd.

Detox Yoga
1155 Wentzville Pkwy.

Credit Information Corp.
408 E. Pearce Blvd.

Major Project Updates

Continued growth in Wentzville has meant a conscious effort on the part of the City and the Board of Aldermen to focus and invest in infrastructure and transportation needs. Typically, major projects happen in three phases over a three-year period: 1) Design, 2) Right-of-way Acquisition and, finally, 3) Construction. Here's a brief overview including highlights of the major projects happening (or about to happen) in Wentzville.

WENTZVILLE PARKWAY TURN LANE

Phase 2

This project consists of adding a center turn lane, ADA compliant sidewalks/trails, upgraded stormwater system and associated utility relocations on Wentzville Parkway between Schroeder Creek Boulevard and Meyer Road.

- Design is about 85 percent complete.
- Right-of-Way acquisition has begun with the anticipated completion in 2018.
- Utility relocation coordination has started, but minor relocations will be required prior to project start.
- Construction is expected to be ready for bid late this winter with a notice to proceed for construction in spring 2019.

DAVID HOEKEL PARKWAY

Phase 1

This phase is the Peine/P/Highway 61 interchange, which is currently under construction with Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) as the project lead and the City and St. Charles County as funding partners.

- MoDOT's contractor has completed pouring the bridge deck, and has begun paving the roundabout. These projects appear on schedule for substantial completion in late 2018.

DAVID HOEKEL PARKWAY CONTINUED

Phase 2

This phase includes the new I-70 interchange, the realigned North Outer Road and the DHP extension to Goodfellow Road.

- The City completed right-of-way acquisition for the interchange and realigned the Outer Road in early June. Once the right of way is cleared by MoDOT for the Federal Highway Administration, the project is on schedule to bid the preliminary grading package later this year.
- Full interchange and bridge work are anticipated to begin in late 2019.

WENTZVILLE PARKWAY SOUTH

Phase 1

In the future, this project — which is designated as Wentzville Parkway South — will provide a new connection between Interstate 70 and Highway N.

- The City completed a majority of the right-of-way acquisition necessary for the construction of the interchange and Veterans Memorial Parkway improvements in June.
- Applications have been prepared and approved by the Board of Aldermen for submittal to both St. Charles County and East-West Gateway for funding assistance in completing the design and construction of this project.

Phase 2

- A large segment of right of way was secured with the acquisition of the former Super 8 Motel. This structure will be demolished/removed this summer. An application has been sent to St. Charles County for funding assistance in design and construction to extend Wentzville Parkway south, via a grade-separated bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railroad to connect with Interstate Drive.



Peine Road/Route P/ Highway 61 Interchange

2018 SLAB REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

In response to resident input, the Board has once again focused our attention on the annual street maintenance program.

The City annually reviews all City streets and develops a cost-efficient schedule designed specifically to replace deteriorated concrete slabs based upon individual concrete slab condition.

To equitably select these slabs, City staff performs field inspections and uses GPS equipment to identify the street segments that are in the worst overall condition within the City. This information is processed with in-house engineering staff to cost-effectively prepare the annual slab replacement program.

The City recognizes the inconvenience experienced by residents during road construction and attempts to expedite the process in the safest and most timely manner possible. We greatly appreciate your patience. For a list of 2018 projects, please visit bit.ly/slabreplacementprogram.

SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS

The Board of Aldermen continues to be in constant contact with the Wentzville School District Board of Education, in order to coordinate planning efforts and best manage the growth in this area. A joint work session was held in May and future meetings are planned in the coming months.

Save the Date

Make plans to attend one of these upcoming City meetings!

Parks and Recreation Board
6:30 P.M. | JULY 2 & AUG. 6

Planning & Zoning
6 P.M. | JULY 3 & AUG. 1

Friends of the Wentzville Parks
5:30 P.M. | NO JULY MEETING & AUG. 2

Board of Aldermen
6 P.M. | JULY 11 & 25 AND AUG. 8 & 22

Board of Adjustment
6 P.M. | JULY 12 & AUG. 9

Parks and Rec Board Tree Committee*
6:30 P.M. | JULY 19 & AUG. 16

Downtown Committee
6 P.M. | JULY 24 & AUG. 28

Stormwater Committee
7 P.M. | AUG. 23

Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held at City Hall (1001 Schroeder Creek Blvd.). Meeting dates are subject to change.

*The Tree Committee meetings take place at Progress Park (968 Meyer Rd.). For up-to-date calendar items, please visit the City's website at www.wentzvillemo.org.



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Independence Day Reminders

Trash, recycling and yard-waste collection for the week of Independence Day is as follows: Monday and Tuesday pickups will remain the same, Wednesday pickups will move to Thursday, Thursday pickups will move to Friday and Friday pickups will take place on Saturday, July 7.

City offices will also be closed for Independence Day on Wednesday, July 4. The indoor facilities at Progress Park will also be closed on July 4; however, both aquatic facilities will be open. Please note: Wentzville Parks and Recreation will host FREE swimming at Progress Park Pool on July 4 from noon-5 p.m.; however, paid admission will be required at Splash Station Aquatic Center on that day.

The July 4th parade starts at 10 a.m. and travels down Pearce Boulevard from Campus Drive to Luetkenhaus Boulevard. Following the parade, join us at Progress Park for a day full of free, fun activities. To learn more, please visit bit.ly/ParksSpecialEvents.

Fireworks Reminders

City ordinance allows fireworks to be discharged ONLY on July 3 and July 4, between the hours of noon and 11 p.m. each day. Outside the allowed time frame, a summons may be issued and fireworks may be confiscated.

Please note, fireworks are not allowed to be set off on any property owned by the City, including any streets and cul-de-sacs or any park within the City at any time. Also of note, fireworks stands within city limits were approved by the Board of Aldermen in 2017. By ordinance, a maximum of five stands will be allowed within city limits each year.

Please take precautions when shooting off fireworks and be mindful and courteous of your neighbors. To report illegal fireworks use, please call the Police Department at (636) 327-5105. To read the ordinance in its entirety, *including the types of fireworks permitted to be discharged only on July 3 and July 4, please visit bit.ly/fireworks-ordinance.

FIREWORKS IN WENTZVILLE

ONLY ALLOWED BETWEEN
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ON JULY 3 AND JULY 4

Report Illegal Fireworks: (636) 327-5105



Water Division Awards Three Scholarships

Each year, seniors in the Wentzville School District compete for scholarships from the City of Wentzville's Water Division. This year, three \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to students from Holt, Liberty and Timberland high schools.

As one of the only fine-arts related scholarships in the area, students paint fire hydrants in celebration of National Drinking Water Week. First-place winners from each school were then selected to each receive a scholarship. This year's first-place winners include seniors Emily Griesenauer (Holt), Cassidee Wakefield (Timberland) and Juhaina Aarda (Liberty). Congratulations to these talented students!

These fire hydrants are now located in various places throughout Historic Downtown Wentzville. Spend some time exploring as you search the area for 12 artistic fire hydrants. The fire hydrants will be in place through late fall. To access the scavenger-hunt map, please visit bit.ly/fhscavengerhunt. Happy hunting! Please post photos of the fire hydrants you find on Instagram or Twitter and tag @wentzvillemo #wentzvilleart.

