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Neighborhood Meeting October 16 November 20 2832 Arsenal - 7p

# The Porch Review

Benton Park West

BUILDING ON THE PAST, WELCOMING THE FUTURE

## 20 15 Board Nominations Benton Park West

By Bill Byrd

T's that time of year when fall and Board elections come for BPW Neighborhood Association.

You, the residents, tell us what you wish to see or done and the board focuses on what is heard. In previous years focus has been on safety, beautifications, kids events and housing.

Nominations were in September, this months meeting are elections for the 2015 board. This year the nominees for the elected board are:

President - Linda Hennigh

Vice-President - Becky Martinez

Secretary - Scott McIntosh

Treasurer - Shelley Henderson

Member(s) at Large -

Rosalyn Ball

Gwendolyn Staples-Bey

#### **BPW Events**

Oct 7: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting 7p, Five Star Senior Ctr

Oct 10: Newsletter Deadline

Oct 13: Bulk pickup week

Oct 16: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting 7p, Five Star Senior Ctr

Oct 26: Trunk or Treat

**Nov 4: BPWNA Board Mtg** 6:30p 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Ctr

**Nov 7: Newsletter Deadline** 

Nov 10: Bulk Trash Pickup

Oct 20: BPWNA Meeting Annual Holiday Potluck 7p, 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Ctr Mayor's Luncheon

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#### The President's Corner...



Linda Hennigh

Linda Hennigh

activities hosted by the neighborhood and other non-profits supporting residents.

s 2014 winds down,

BPW still has many

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Look through this edition of the newsletter and find all of the wonderful activities.

I am happy to highlight the Silent Auction fundraiser at the November Potluck. There are many nice items we have for a silent auction specifically from The Looking Glass.

"Splendor in the Glass" events from past years provided these items. YOU who shopped during Splendor in the Glass helped provide the items for the silent auction. Come and help continue the fundraising by bidding and buying the great items.

See you at the meeting on October 16th.

Linda Hennigh President

St. Louis Metropolitan Police
Department, District 3
Weed & Seed Graduated
Neighborhoods & Community
Outreach Meeting
Next Meeting - December 11,
Holiday Pot Luck

## "The Porch Review" Editor Position Available

The position of Editor for The Porch Review is available. Our long-time Editor, Bill Byrd, wishes to focus on other areas.

The Editor is responsible for the creation (and coordination of distribution) of a newsletter to keep residents of BPW informed of activities, issues and happenings. The Editor is also informed and mindful of the Mission of Benton Park West Neighborhood Association, as well as Association Bylaws.

Contact Linda Hennigh if you are interested in being the newsletter editor. For questions, contact Bill Byrd at 314-602-0392.

## NOVEMBER MEETING NEWS

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

November 20th will find Benton Park West having the annual Holiday Potluck!

The neighborhood provides fried chicken, drinks and paper goods.

Bring your favorite holiday side dish, salad or dessert on Nov  $20^{\rm th}, 7p-2832$  Arsenal (Five Star Senior Center).

After the potluck we will have a brief neighborhood meeting.

Then we will have a *NEW feature* for this friendly gathering of residents, businesses and friends with be a \*Silent Auction. Bring cash, checkbooks or Credit Cards and bid HIGH at this fundraiser!

\*To donate new items for the auction, call Linda Hennigh at 314-771-2161

#### 2014 Board

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Bring box tops (trimmed) to any BPW neighborhood meeting.



## **BPW October** Neighborhood Meeting

Thursday, October 16, 2014, 7:00 PM Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal Street

oin to hear the neighborhood **J** news and interact with your neighbors, 3rd District police, aldermen and NSO. We will review events and activities.

The annual elections for the BPWNA board positions will be held. The elected officers will serve the residents for 2015.

There are always committee chair positions available. If you are interested in being part of the neighborhood association as a committee chair, contact Linda Hennigh.

The monthly meeting is an opportunity to bring your problem properties and nuisance issues with you. During the social hour we will have designated PARK-ING LOT so you can speak one on one with your alderman, police representative and NSO.

Attendance prizes, 50/50 and snacks are always a part of the meetings. We make an attempt to keep the meeting at one hour. and have a social hour afterward with refreshments (beer/wine, soda, snacks).

All residents, business men and women, developers, landlords and other friends are welcome.

## Mayor's Luncheon salutes St. Louis businesses

ecently, the Mayor's Business Celebration Luncheon announced five businesses named as Businesses of the Year for 2014. This annual event salutes businesses for their commitment to the city of Saint Louis.

Businesses recognized were based upon overall businesses, Neighborhood businesses, and Developments.

Congratulations to Jefferson Tent & Awning for being selected as the neighborhood business for Ward 9.

Jefferson Tent & Awning Co was founded in 1911, and is located at 2930 Gravois Ave in the Benton Park West neighborhood, Saint Louis, Missouri. It employs 18 employees and is one of the many anchor businesses in the neighborhood.

Can't work? Buy from us!

We'll be located in the mid-

dle of the festival tents/

booth right on 7th Street,

between Geyer and Lafa-

yette, near the sidewalk

across from the market.



Additional information is available by contacting this business at (314) 776-0162 or online at http:// www.jeffersontentandawning.com



all is here, as is Soulard Oktoberfest on October 10th, 11th and 12th.

Come to Soulard and find St. Louis hosting one of the largest Oktoberfests in the area; possibly in the region!

BPW is hosting a beer both at this THREE DAY event. We are partnering with Marine Villa and each neighborhood is supplying 1/2 of the volunteers at one of the SCHLAFLY beer booths.

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For more information http://www.witsinc.org or call 314-382-1650 ext 38.



## Women's Auxiliary Garage Sale

Saturday, October 25 9:00 am-4:00 pm

2740 Arsenal. Louis, MO | 314-771-3460

Come join in our Garage Sale Fundraiser. For \$10.00 you can purchase a table/space to sell your items.





## BPWNA 2014 Calendar

#### October

- BPWNA Board Elections (10/16)
- Trunk or Treat (10/26)

#### November

Potluck at Membership Meeting (11/20)

#### December

2015 Planning Meeting (12/02)

Have an idea for an activity or event? Bring on Octobewr 16th!

## Committees in Benton Park West 2015

oard elections will be held on Oct 16th at the neighborhood meeting. Your board is a group of elected and nominated individuals who are constantly working to make YOUR neighborhood better. In addition to organizing fundraisers and free events, this dedicated group of individuals are your eyes and ears of the City and the Alderman.

The Benton Park West Neighborhood Board consists of six elected positions and a variety of Committee Chairs. The six elected offices are: President. Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Member-at-Large positions.

There is a LOT of work going on; it takes more than a handful of people to do the work. The work may seem large and looming, but with many working together, the effort will seem small when sharing in responsibility.

The committees are selected by nomination and also serve for one year terms. More detailed descriptions can be found on the BPWNA website

(www.bentonparkwest.org) or by contacting any board mem-

The committees are:

**Beautification Committee** works to improve the appearance of the neighborhood.

Block Link - a connection point between the residents and the neighborhood association.

**Communications** – Includes: The newsletter-The Porch Review giving information in and around Benton Park West; The website-providing information about BPW on the web; Public Relations/Marketingsharing with BPW and the world about the things that make BPW a wonderful place to live.

Community Garden - a variety of gardens are scattered throughout the neighborhood bringing beauty and product to residents. You are welcome to volunteer or relax in the gardens!

**Dog Park** – providing a fenced, off-leash recreation space in which owners and dogs can safely interact and socialize.

Facilities – providing support by setting up meeting space, maintaining the neighborhood office and physical assets owned by BPWNA.

Finance/Fundraising - coordinates the budget, planning for income to support the work of BPWNA.

**Membership** – maintains and grows the association membership, organizes various events and supports fundraising.

Safety and Quality of Life concerned with trash/trashcans, drug sales, guns, burned out streetlights, overgrown grass, quality housing for residents, new developments, and making BPW safe and comfortable. The new COP (Citizen's on Patrol) team is under this committee.

Youth Outreach - develops projects that specifically target the neighborhood youth and coordinates ways to include youth in regular neighborhood activities.

Remember only YOU make your neighborhood a place YOU want to live.



## formed, to solve problems, to share resources and improve

Nextdoor St. Louis'

1st Anniversary

ctober 16th marks the first anniversary of the City of St. Louis officially adopting Nextdoor as a means of improving communication among neighbors and between City Hall and residents. In this short time enrollment has grown tremendously and today we have nearly 13,000 users in the City of St. Louis! That's something we should all be proud of!

On October 16th the City of St. Louis will honor neighbors and City employees who are using Nextdoor as a tool to build community, as a platform for keeping residents inquality of life in neighborhoods.

WHAT: Nextdoor 1st Anniversary Awards Reception

WHERE: Cabanne House in Forest Park 5300 Lindell (at Union)

WHEN: Thursday, October 16th 6:00 - 8:00p

Drinks and appetizers will be provided. Representatives from Nextdoor will participate in the awards ceremony, which will start at 6:45 following the reception / meet and greet.

Please join us as well say THANK YOU to the Nextdoor Heroes who are making St. Louis neighborhoods stronger!

For more information, call our office at 314-622-4114.

~ Lewis Reed

## Don't Forget to Vote on November 4th ~ Mid-Term Elections ~

## Fall is here!

Know of an alley that needs to cleaned? Call Linda Hennigh at 771-2161

If you see issues in the park - Benton Park - use the address 3100 South Jefferson when calling out for service for anything related to Benton Park, (THE **PARK)** not the neighborhood of Benton Park.

> \*\*This will help when running calls for service related to the park.\*\*



Operation Weed & Seed is a community based effort sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice. BPWNA participates in the regular meetings with city and law enforcement officials at 2832 Arsenal.

## The next meeting is in December 11th.

Emergency help: 9-1-1

Non-emergency: 314.231.1212

"PEOPLE AREN'T SUSPICIOUS, BEHAVIOR IS!"



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Citizen Service Bureau 622-4800

Refuse Department

353-8877 Alley Lights (AmUE) 342-1000

Street Lights (CSB) 622-4800

## Be part of the Court Watch Program!

To volunteer call the neighborhood office at 314-771-0308.

JENNIFER M. JOYCE CARNAHAN COURTHOUSE

1114 Market St. Room 401 St. Louis, Missouri 63101 (314) 622-4941



# ONLINE SHOPPING AND COUNTERFEIT GOODS

oliday buying opportunities are coming up quickly. The "Operation In Our Sites" taskforce was formed to successfully seize and shut down websites (domain names) "engaged in the illegal sale and distribution of counterfeit goods and copyrighted works."

Beginning in 2010, the taskforce members made undercover online purchases of an array of items, including professional sports jerseys, golf equipment, DVD's, shoes, handbags and sunglasses that represented a variety of trademarks and brands. The legitimate trademark holders then determined the purchased items were fakes. These counterfeit goods are usually made outside the United States, mainly in China and Southeast Asia. The businesses are unregulated, can employ children, often utilize inferior materials, and may pose health hazards.

The Justice Department report says these counterfeit goods cost the United States countless jobs while legitimate businesses lose profits. In return, the American consumer receives a substandard product. Additionally, profits from these sales "often fuel other kinds of organized crime," including gangs and drugs.

OnGuardOnline.gov and the AARP give this advice for shopping online:

 Know who you're dealing with. Shop with known, legitimate retailers. Beware of copycat websites and unfamiliar companies. For example, a recent Google search of a popular brand of athletic shoes returned over 17 million hits. Look for misspelled names, missing letters, and other tweaks of the real company's name. Confirm their physical address and phone number. Beware of pop-up messages seeking financial information.

- Know what you're buying. Closely read the description of the product. Look for words like "refurbished," "vintage," or close-out" that indicate lower quality. Bargain prices can be the sign of counterfeiting.
- Know what it will cost. Comparison shop to make sure that you are getting the right product at the intended price. Never pay with cash or money transfer.
- Check out the terms of the deal, like refund policies and delivery dates.
- Understand the terms of the purchase and refund policies.
- Pay by a credit card. Credit cards offer better protections under the Fair Credit Billing Act.
- Keep records. Print or save records of all online transactions.
- Use a secure website. The URL in the address bar should start with "https." A padlock might also be in the lower right corner of the webpage.

For more information or assistance, contact the Fraud Assistance Hotline at (314) 612-1412.

## Saint Louis Police Department on Facebook

The Saint Louis Police Department (STLPD) is on Facebook. Like the page! Search for

"St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department (OFFICIAL)"

You can find information about our Saint Louis City police department as well as information which WE can use to HELP our officers. However, remember, Facebook is not an appropriate place to post crime information or to ask for police assistance. Always use 911 (emergency) or 231-1212 (non-emergency) numbers for immediate contact.

Your neighborhood meetings and the quarterly 3<sup>rd</sup> District Outreach meetings are opportunities to speak directly to an officer.

DIAL 9-1-1 FOR EMERGEN-CIES OR IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF POLICE SERVICES. CrimeStoppers (Anonymous Tips): 1-866-371- TIPS(8477)

Wonder what the police department is about?

#### Mission

The mission of the Metropolitan Police Department, City of St.

Louis is to protect, serve and assist citizens when conditions arise that may affect the well-being of the individual or the community.

Cooperating with others in the community, officers will work to prevent and detect crime, protect life and property, and achieve a peaceful society, free from the fear of crime and disorder. Members of the Department will strive continually for excellence and maintain the peace through service, integrity, leadership and fair treatment to all.

BPWNA Members 2014

All residents, whether homeowners or renters, have a place in BPWNA.

Businesses are also encouraged to become members of BPWNA!

APPLICATION ON BACK PAGE!



#### Membership Needs YOU!

Call 771.0803 for more info.

See page 12 for an application

#### **Business Members**

Auto Bargain Center Chunky Boy Bar & Grill Clowder House

Curby Presbyterian Church

EZ Storage

Five Star Senior Ctr Grand Furniture Hampton Day Care Lafayette Park UMC LosPunk

Melt

Nader & Sons Rob Rumble - Tudor SLPD 3D Partnership

The Salvation Army-Temple Corps

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#### Gold

Linda Hennigh

#### Platinum

Bill Byrd

Shelley Henderson

#### Friend

John Doggette Jennifer Florida Pat Ortmann Connie Petty Shirley Wallace

Your name could ALSO be on this list!

#### City, State and Federal officials, Friends of BPWNA

Craig Schmid - Alderman, 20th Ward Dena Hibbard - NSO\*

\*Neighborhood Stabilization Officer

Ken Ortman - Alderman, 9th Ward Barb Potts - NSO\*



#### The CITY is here for YOU!

Citizen's Service Bureau is for issues/concerns. Request City services: 314-622-4800 or online:

http://stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/public-safety/neighborhood-stabilization-office/citizens-service-bureau/csb-request-submit.cfm

Our NSOs (Neighborhood Stablization Officer) are always there for YOU!

Barb Potts - 314 - 397 - 1091 (c) pottsb@stlouis-mo.gov Dena Hibbard - 314-657-1359 (w) hibbardd@stlouis-mo.gov

## Nader and Sons, Inc.

Repairs American and Foreign Cars and Body Shop

Maroun Eddie Monir 2863 S. Jefferson Phone: 771-9141 St. Louis MO. 63118 Phone: 773-1776



Sunday November 16th

11:00 5:00

Five Star Senior Center 2832 Arsenal

1/2 Chicken, 2 Sides, Dessert, & Drink

Adults \$9.00

Children 12 \$4.50

or

For More Information Call

## Cherokee in October

#### **Cherokee Nights second Thursday**

Art, Music, Food, Discounts, Buskers, Shopping, Entertainment, Dancing, and CHEROKEE STREET!

#### 5pm to 10pm

Join us each month for this free showcase of Cherokee during the evening hours. Galleries, retailers, restaurants, and bars offer art, music, and discounts from 5 - 10pm. Explore Cherokee Street, pick up dinner, do some shopping and grab a drink! This free event occurs year round, rain or shine, and is family friendly!

#### Fort Gondo Poetry - Fall 2014 Reading

Readings take place on **Fridays**, at **7p** and are **free** and open to the public.

October 17:November 14:Alex DimitrovCorina CoppDorothea LaskyKarla Kelsey

This season's series is funded in part by the Dedalus Fundation and the Regional Arts Commission of St. Louis; and is sponsored by yellow bear projects, who creates unique hand-printed broadsides for each poet.

\*The series is co-curated by Ted Mathys, Paul Legault and Jessica Baran.

fort gondo compound for the arts is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts forum founded in 2002.

All events are free and open to the public.







1 Mile Walk



#### to benefit....

## **Peter & Paul Community Services**

## Saturday November 8, 2014

"ChipTiming" provided by:

## **Big River Running Company**

9:00 a.m. 5K Run & 10K Run 9:30 a.m. 1 Mile Walk 10:00 a.m. Refreshment

Location:

## **Tower Grove Park**

Sons of Rest Shelter
Use East Gate Grand Avenue Park Entrance

#### Registration:

\$20.00 per person

- Register by October 16, 2014-guaranteed Race t-shirt
- Register after October 16, 2014-t-shirts while supplies last
- Day of Registration: \$21.00
- Family Registration: \$50.00 for immediate family up to 4 people (not available on race day)
- Children under 10 are free

To register contact Peter & Paul Community Services at 314.338.8189 or on the web at <a href="https://www.raceforhome.org">www.raceforhome.org</a>

#### Pre-Event Packet Pick up:

Thursday November 6, 2014 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Big River Running Company

5532 Devonshire St. Louis, MO 63109

Peter & Paul Community Services, an ecumenical agency providing housing and supportive services to persons who are homeless, especially those who experience mental illness or live with HIV.

# What's happening in Benton Park West

#### October

- 7 BPWNA Board Meeting - 6:30p - 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Center
- 10 Newsletter Deadline
- 13 BULK TRASH. Must be out by 10p Sun
- 16 BPWNA Membership Meeting, 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Center, 7p.
- **16** Trunk or Treat, 4-6p. Car setup 3-3:45p.

Support
local
businesses
and
products

## OCTOBER 2014

| Sun                      | Mon     | Tue                            | Wed | Thu                                | Fri                          | Sat           |
|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
|                          |         |                                | 1   | 2                                  | 3                            | 4             |
| 5                        | 6       | <b>7</b><br>BPWNA<br>Board mtg | 8   | 9                                  | 10<br>Newsletter<br>Deadline | 11            |
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| 19                       | 20      | 21                             | 22  | 23                                 | 24                           | 25            |
| 26<br>Trunk or<br>Treat  | 27      | 28                             | 29  | 30                                 | 31 <b>8</b>                  | <b>K 50</b> 1 |

#### November 2014 Events

November 3 - BPW Board Meeting - 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

November 20 - BPW Neighborhood Meeting - Annual Potluck - 7p, Five Star

November 27 - Happy Thanksgiving

## All residents and businesses are invited to the monthly Benton Park West Board meetings

Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal

Generally the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm, with rare exception

Remember, these meetings are open to all residents, property owners and businesses! It is a way to hear the details of all committee activities and have input to board decisions concerning your neighborhood. Please join us and help brainstorm ways to help Benton Park West move forward in the new year.

## Safety/Security Products

M-F 9-4p @ 2832 Arsenal - cash only.

- license plate fasteners, \$3 per set
- gun security boxes, \$20ea.
- license plate clear covers, \$5 per pair
  - steering wheel locks (car clubs) \$13 ea.



314.771.6358 (MELT)

## Food Pantries in 63118

Guardian Angel at Hosea House Social Services 2635 Gravois Ave. St. Louis, MO 63118 314-773-9027

Joint Neighborhood ministry, McNair 2911 McNair Ave. St. Louis, MO 63118 314-771-3987

Metro Christian Worship Center Brothers Keepers Benevolence 3452 Potomac St. St. Louis, MO 63118 314-772-8444

St. Wenceslaus Pantry 3014 Oregon Ave. St. Louis MO 63118 314-865-1020

The Salvation Army
Temple Corps Worship &
Community Center
2740 Arsenal St. St. Louis,
MO 63118 314-771-3460
Thursdays 3-5pm

## SHOP and SEARCH to help BPW!

Join now at www.iGive.com/BPWNA

Shop online or do searches for FREE and fundraise for BPW.

# Last Neighborhood meeting for 2014

## November 20th

The last Benton Park West neighborhood meeting will be November 20<sup>th</sup>. We will celebrate the holidays with the annual potluck dinner with a short meeting.

A highlight of the evening will be a silent auction as a fundraiser for

the neighborhood. These are new items which range from gifts, personal use items, and even home improvement will be available. Plan on this as one of your "holiday gift" buying opportunities. ALL sales go to the neighborhood association.

- · Bring a dish
- · Visit with friends and neighbors
- Leave with gifts for others (or yourself)
   November 20<sup>th</sup> 2832 Arsenal

## **Annual Trunk or Treat Event October 26th - 4p**

Benton Park West will hold its annual Trunk or Treat, a safe Halloween trick or treating for kids. Children ages 14 and younger are welcome! Each child must be accompanied by an adult. There will be candy and fun for all 4-6p!

Activities include:

- Safe trick or treating
- Chalk art
- Face tattoos
- Costume contest
- Scary pictures (\$1 each)

 Additional fun games and crafts for kids.

The event will take place in the parking lot of the Salvation Army (2720 Arsenal).

If you'd like to have your vehicle included as a candy stop, please call Pam Welsh at 314-406-2026 or sign up at Sign Up Genius http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4daaab22a0f49-trunk1.

Vehicle setup is between 3-3:45p.



#### Lafayette Park United Methodist Church

2300 Lafayette Avenue Saint Louis, MO 63104

Worship

9:30a - Service - Fellowship at 10:30

⇒ Resale Boutique
Wed 9a-Noon; Sundays 11a-Noon

Vision – "Lafayette Park United Methodist Church will be a church without walls, creating a visible sign of Christ's presence in our urban community and beyond"

Shop Locally!
support
local owners
and products

## Fall Gardening and Home Maintenance Suggestions

## Making Your Home Safer

In thinking of home maintenance, another area to think about is safety inside our homes. Here are a few simple and inexpensive solutions to making our homes safer:

- Arrange furniture for a clear pathway.
- Place a lamp, telephone or flashlight near your bed.
- Install a night light between your bedroom and the bathroom.
- Keep electric, appliance and telephone cords out

of walkways, but do not put cords under a rug.



- Secure loose area rugs with double-stick tapeor slip-resistant backing.
- Repair loose stairway carpeting or wooden boards immediately.
- Put a bright-colored stripe of tape on front edge of each stair to see them better.
- Place a slip-resistant rug next to the bathtub.

## Home Maintenance Seasonal Guide

all is a great time to make sure you've "plugged" any leaks that could cost you extra mon-

- Check your attic for holes or thin spots in the insulation. Attics should be only 5°-10° warmer than the outside air; any hotter could cause ice dams on your roof, causing water leaks.
- Also, a well-insulated attic, ceilings, and walls can lower your energy bills by 30%.
- Make sure the caulking around doors and windows doesn't leak.
- Change furnace filters and have a checkup of your system.
- Make sure furniture

- or drapes are not in front of heat vents or radiators.
- Clean under, back and around radiators to ensure optimum efficiency.
- If you use space heaters, make sure the circuit vou use won't be overloaded by adding the heater.
- Clean and check dryer vents to ensure there is no back up of lint.
- Take down garden hoses, drain and store, and put insulation around spouts.
- Check and clean gutters to keep them free of de-

Checking on items now will save you money all year, as well as, save calling a repairman on a COLD day.

## October Gardening Calendar

#### **Ornamentals**

Weeks 1-4: Continue watering, especially evergreens if dry soil. Container grown and B & B trees and shrubs can be planted. Loosen soil in an area 5 times the diameter of the root ball before planting. Mulch well after watering.

Plant spring bulbs among hostas, ferns, daylilies or ground covers.

Weeks 1-2: For best bloom later this winter, Christmas cactus, potted azaleas and kalanchoe may be left outdoors until night temperatures drop to about 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

Weeks 2-4: Spring bulbs for forcing can be potted up now and stored in a cool, frost-free place until it is time to bring indoors, usually 12 to 15 weeks.

Weeks 2-3: Cannas and dahlias can be dug when frost nips their foliage. Allow the plants to dry under cover in an airy, frost-free place before storage.

Weeks 3-4: Transplant deciduous trees once they have dropped their leaves.

Week 4: Plant tulips now. Trees may be fertilized now.

#### Lawns

Weeks 1-2: Finish seeding by October 15.

Weeks 2-3: Broadleaf herbicides can be applied now to control cool season weeds.

Weeks 3-4: Continue mowing lawns until growth stops.

Keep leaves raked off lawns to prevent smothering grass.

Week 4: Winterize lawn mowers before storage.

## New ideas and activities are always welcome!

2015 can be the year YOU tell us what vou want in BPW!

Call 314-771-0803



314-865-1211

#### AUTO BARGAIN CENTER USED CARS AND TRUCKS

**BOB QUINN** 

2700 Gravois

Owner

St. Louis MO 63118

## ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2014 NOON - 9 PM

**NOON - 7 PM KITCHEN OPEN** 

FRIED CHICKEN & ROAST BEEF DINNERS, HOMEMADE DESSERTS
REFRESHMENTS

3 - 3:30 PM MEET FREDBIRD

4 PM CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS IN THE CHURCH







5 - 9 PM LIVE MUSIC

RAFFLES, CHRISTMAS BOOTH, SILENT AUCTIONS, LOLLIPOP PULL, TOY BOOTH, CHERRY TREE, ROLL DOWN, COUNTRY STORE, RING TOSS & MUCH MORE!

3022 OREGON AVENUE at ARSENAL
SECURE / AMPLE PARKING AVAILABLE
DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM KUTIS FUNERAL HOME
HANDICAP PARKING BETWEEN ST. FRANCES CABRINI ACADEMY AND THE CHURCH

Only a Few Hours of Your Time Each Month is needed to help a non-profit, church or other community organization.

Pay forward what you've received or still to receive.



#### Math problems? Find solutions.

Tutoring available for BASIC MATH · PRE-ALGEBRA · ALGEBRA GEOMETRY · ALGEBRA 2 · TRIGONOMETRY PRE-GALCULUS · CALCULUS · SAT/ACT PREP

Reasonable rates and tutoring for students of all ages.



your 2nd tutoring session is FREE!

Contact Rob Rumble at 314 326-7170 or rr.tutorstl@gmail.com

## **Public Library Info**



Barr - 1701 South Jefferson Avenue (314) 771-7040

9am - 6pm Monday 12n - 7pm Tuesday-Thursday 11am - 6pm Friday 9am - 6pm Saturday

#### Carpenter - 3309 South Grand Blvd. (314) 772-6586

9am - 9pm Monday-Thursday

9am - 6pm Friday and Saturday 1 - 5pm Sunday



## Nextdoor Benton ParkWest

What a great way to keep up with neighborhood news/safety issues. Need a sitter or report strange behavior, this is the place. ONLY BPW members can see, or send to surrounding neighborhoods as well.



TO JOIN VISIT:

nextdoor.com/join/NMEMMK

### Luminary Fall Exhibitions + Events

#### The Luminary - Upcoming Concerts

10.10.14: Ought

10.11.14: Merchandise with Lower and Demonlover

10.13.14: Bit Brigade with Thor Axe

10.15.14: Sharon Van Etten with Tiny Ruins

10.27.14. Mutual Benefit



## BPW Dog Park

3300 Nebraska

## Let your dogs enjoy their own space!

1. Submit application.

2. Your pet must have been neutered or spayed

3. Your pet has all immunizations; rabies, distemper, and bordetella.

#### Application online at www.bentonparkwest.org

REMEMBER - BPW Dog Park is open to furry friends from Benton Park, Fox Park, Gravois Park, Marine Villa, McKinley Heights, and Tower Grove Fast

#### **Contact Numbers** Crime Prevention and **Quality of Life**

Emergency/Drug Activity Non-Emergency 231-1212 Drug/Gang Hotline 241-COPS Chief Dotson 444-5624 Major Caruso 444-2585 3rd Dist Capt Mary Warnecke 444-2597 Joe Calabro -3rd Dist PA Officer 444-2564

3rd Dist Nuisance Officers: PO Daphne Allen 444-2563 PO Erin Hine 444-2564 PO Samantha Edwards 444-2572 Citizen Ser Bureau 622-4800

Alderman: Ken Ortmann

776-0161 (h)

#### Neighborhood Stabilization Officers:

Barb Potts, 314-657-1370 (w)

314-397-1091 (c)

pottsb@stlouis-mo.gov

Dena Hibbard, 314-657-1359 (w) hibbardd@stlouis-mo.gov

#### MISC:

Pothole Department 768-2805 Refuse/Recycle Dept. 353-8877

Illegal Dumping Then call CSB 622-4800

#### Lights:

Alley Lights (AmUE) 342-1000 Street Lights (CSB) 622-4800

Water:

Open Hydrant 771-4880

#### Additional Numbers

**Animal Abuse Hotline** 647-4400 Child Abuse Hotline 800-392-3738

EnergyCare 773-5900 Five Star Senior Center 664-1008

Operation Brightside 772-4646

Parents Anonymous

647-HELP or 866-492-0843

Parental Stress **b**800-367-3543

Free 2-1-1 Service 800-427-4626 or (314) 421-4636

2015 Membership Application Benton Park West

Name:

Phone:

E-mail Mail to: BPWNA Membership

Address:

Board

PO Box 18671

Saint Louis MO 63118

Level of Membership:

\_\_Bronze - \$ 10 per person

\_\_Senior - \$ 5 per person

\_\_Silver - \$ 25 per person

\_\_Gold - \$ 50 per person

Platinum - \$ 100 per person

General Membership (Scholarship)

\_\_Friend (non-BPW) - \$ 20 per person

\_\_Gift/Donation \_

Safety/Quality of Life

#### I would like to be involved with (circle choices):

Beautification Dog Park Youth Garden **Publications** Block Link Membership **Facilities** PR/Marketing

## Annual Pumpkin Patch

Find pumpkins of all sizes from cute table decorations, to baseball size... all the way UP to the BIG size for carving or drawing and putting on your front porch.

## Open NOW until Oct 31st - 2300 Lafavette

(at Jefferson and Lafayette, a mile north)



#### Benton Park West

Neighborhood Association P.O. 18671 Saint Louis, MO 63118









On the Web www.bentonparkwest.org