



**Neighborhood
Meeting**
September 18
October 16
2832 Arsenal - 7p

September 2014

The Porch Review

BUILDING ON THE PAST, WELCOMING THE FUTURE



Benton Park West Nominations and Elections 2015

By Bill Byrd

Board nominations and elections were announced at the August 21st 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.

The duties as outlined in the by-laws and the list of committees who work in Benton Park West are listed below. For more detail descriptions of the committee work check the website or ask any board member.

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~Results~
Keep
America
Beautiful

Several hundred volunteers turned out Saturday, August 9th, for *Keep America Beautiful* and Anheuser-Busch's "Do Good. Have Fun." volunteer day.

Benton Park West would like to say a special 'thank you' to

all who turned out that day. If it weren't for those volunteers, none of it would have been possible. **THANK YOU!**

In Benton Park West, we had stencil designs by local artists Casey Conroy and

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Cherokee Neighborhoods Happy Hour

Various neighborhoods around Cherokee street, termed *Cherokee Neighborhoods* are hosting monthly happy hours..

The joint effort with Marine Villa, Benton Park West, Gra-

vois Park, and Benton Park focuses on celebrating the prospering shared border of Cherokee street. The monthly Happy Hour occurs near the end of each month. Watch for date info on

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BPW Events

Sept 2: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting 7p, Five Star Senior Ctr

Sept 8: Bulk pickup week

Sept 12: Newsletter Deadline

Sept 18: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting 7p, Five Star Senior Ctr

Oct 5: Newsletter Deadline

Oct 7: BPWNA Board Mtg 6:30p
2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Ctr

Oct 13: Bulk Trash Pickup

Oct 16: BPWNA Meeting 7p, 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Ctr

Oct 18: OZ the GREAT - Gravois Park

Oct 26: Trunk or Treat

**Make
Your
neighborhood
better!**

**Doesn't feel
"right"?**

**Call 911 or
231-1212**

TRUNK OR TREAT Halloween Party for the Children

OCTOBER 26, 2014

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Salvation Army Parking Lot at
Iowa & Arsenal (2720 Arsenal)

Come join us for a great time!!!

Candy & Fun for All

Chalk Art & Face Tattoos

Scary Pictures: \$1.00

(setup for vehicles 3:00 p.m to 3:45 p.m.)

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The President's Corner...



Linda Hennigh

Believe it or not, the Benton Park West Neighborhood Association elections for the 2015 year are coming up in October. We need your help! The more individuals that are involved, the more wonderful ideas are presented for improving our neighborhood.

Nominations for board positions will take place at the September 18, 2014 meeting and will also be accepted by phone and email. In order to be eligible to vote at the October meeting, a person must be in "Good Standing" (i.e. dues have been paid) by the September meeting.

Please consider the following:

1. If you have not paid your dues for this year

Welcome to 2014 Good Activities Keep Happening!

(see the list in this issue), please fill out the application and send with your dues to the address below.

Bronze membership is only \$10 and a Senior Membership is \$5.

2. Think about running for a position on the Board and give me a call or, at the very least, think about who would make a good Board member and talk to them about running.

3. Mark your calendars for the September and October Neighborhood Association meetings (September 18th and October 16th) and make every effort to attend.

4. Don't want to run in an election? Consider chairing a committee. We have lots to choose from and every committee makes a difference in our

neighborhood!

Every vote counts! Your input is vitally important to the sustainability and the quality of life in BPW. Just fill out the application in this newsletter and send to:

Benton Park West Neighborhood Association
Membership Committee
P.O. Box 18671
St. Louis, MO 63118

If you aren't on our list -serve, send your email address to communications@bentonparkwest.org or call 314.771.0803 and leave a message. Also, check out our new website at www.bentonparkwest.org!

Thanks and have a WONDERFUL September!

Linda Hennigh,
President

2014 Board

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St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department, District 3 Weed & Seed Graduated Neighborhoods & Community Outreach Meeting

Next Meeting - December 11, Holiday Pot Luck Meet & Greet



Help Schools

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

Five Star Senior Center

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2832 Arsenal St. Louis, MO 63118-2317
Michael W. Howard Executive Director

Meals-Transportation
Social Activities
Mon.-Fri. 9:00-3:00

Healthy Corner Stores Go International

by Anne McCullough

The Healthy Corner Store (HCS) Project in St. Louis hit a new milestone with the inclusion of its first Hispanic store. El Torito Supermercado on Cherokee Street joins Shaw Market, Manchester Market and Regal III as a healthy corner store.

When it comes to health, one of the goals of the Healthy Corner Store Project is to ensure access to healthy, affordable foods for all. To do that, it is important to ensure our health messages have broad reach within the population.

Unfortunately, language barriers may limit how well some area residents can access healthy messages. Gaining El Torito as a healthy corner store helps to remedy that problem, especially for the growing, local Hispanic population.

El Torito currently serves a

predominantly Hispanic population. In fact, people travel from as far away as St. Charles County and Illinois to shop at this super-market.

When you visit, you understand why. Voted the best Mexican Supermarket in 2011 by the Riverfront Times, El Torito currently stocks a wide variety of traditional Mexican foods and many healthy options. His store attracts the population, but they still aren't getting the health messages to promote making the best choices given their available options.

In order to get the desired health messages to the population, the healthy corner store materials needed a few adjustments from the usual implementation. All healthy corner store signage was made bilingual so that it was informative for the majority Hispanic customer

base as well as the minority non-Hispanic customers. In-store tastings incorporated recipes with traditional Hispanic foods as key ingredients.

Recipes were dual-sided with one side in Spanish and the other in English. Elizabeth Warner from the University of Missouri Extension was on-site at each tasting to provide translation services for the Hispanic customers. To continue the healthy corner store messaging, the store owner was provided with reusable HCS grocery bags to give away to his customers.



All these changes were designed to promote healthy eating to a population that is sometimes missed by health messaging due to language barriers. Through these changes and continued healthy corner store activity by the store owner, we can impact this population in a positive way. Hopefully we can also begin to reduce some of the diet-related, health disparities experienced within our Hispanic community.

BPW September Neighborhood Meeting

Thursday, September 18, 2014, 7:00 PM
Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal Street

Join us to hear the neighborhood news and have a chance to interact with your neighbors, 3rd District police, aldermen and NSO. We will review upcoming events and activities.

Nominations are due for 2015 BPWNA board positions. If you are interested in running for a position or would like to nominate a resident for a position, please attend this meeting.

Also, bring your problem properties and nuisance issues with you. During the social hour we will have designated PARKING LOT so you can speak one on one with your alderman, police representative and NSO.

Attendance prizes and 50/50 can send you home with some goodies. As usual, we will make a valiant attempt to keep the meeting at one hour and have a social hour afterward with refreshments (beer/wine, soda, snacks).

BPWNA 2014 Calendar

September

- Call for and Acceptance of nominations to BPWNA Board (9/25)
- Taste of St. Louis (9/26-9/28)

October

- Movie in the Park - OZ the GREAT - (10/18) - Gravois Park.
- 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 September 18th!

**Watch for info about BPW
hosting an Oktoberfest booth!**

Nominations and Elections 2015 (Continued from page 1)

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.

Be a voice for your block while helping the entire neighborhood.

Nominations will be taken until 10 days past the September 18th neighborhood meeting. If you would like to help make Benton Park West a great place, then step up. You can nominate yourself, or if there is someone you feel would do a great job, nominate them. To nominate, come to the September meeting or contact Linda Hennigh, President, at linda_hennigh@yahoo.com.

Be part of your neighborhood and have a voice in who is elected for the neighborhood board by attending the October neighborhood meeting.

2015 BPW Board Elections

October 16, 7p - 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Center

Duties of the six elected Board members, as outlined in the by-laws, are as follows:

President - preside at all meetings of the Corporation (Neighborhood Association) and of the Board of Directors at which he/she may be present; will perform such other duties as may be prescribed in these bylaws or assigned to him/her by the Corporation or by the Board of Directors. He/she will coordinate the work of the officers and committees of the Corporation in order that the purposes may be promoted. As well, he/she will keep and maintain all legal documents.

Vice-President - act as an aid

to the President and perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of that officer to act. He/she will also perform other duties assigned by the board; as well as submit a monthly report to the board of directors when necessary.

Secretary - record the minutes of all meetings of the Corporation and Board of Directors meetings. Also, this person will maintain all correspondence of the corporation.

Treasurer - custody of all the funds of the Corporation; will keep a full and accurate account of receipts and expenditures; and will make disbursements as authorized by the Corporation's Board of Directors. The Treasurer will be responsible for the maintenance of the financial records of the Corporation as conforming to the bylaws of the Corporation. He/she will also submit a monthly accounting of the finances to the board of directors.

Member-at-Large - providing an additional voice for the members of the Corporation..

Additional Duties are outlined in the by-laws.

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 member.

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/Marketing**—sharing 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 garden!

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 Benton Park West Neighborhood Association.

Membership - maintains and grows the association member-

ship, 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 organized 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.**

**Call Linda Hennigh at
771-2161 with nominations or questions!**

Fall is here!
Know of an alley that needs to be cleaned?
Call Linda Hennigh at 771-2161

Shop Locally!
support local owners

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.****

Weed & Seed

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 September 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.

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Potential Scammers Target Your Generosity

Potential scammers are targeting the generosity of citizens near the St. Louis area. Multiple news stories from our area have recently detailed charges against people who allegedly created false charities for their own personal gain.

Innocent and well-intentioned people who were looking to help others have found they were seriously taken advantage of instead. Often, the "charities" appear to be for a legitimate cause benefiting someone who seems to need help. But be aware or you could find yourself without some of your hard-earned cash.

The Federal Trade Commission has provided tips for avoiding these types of scams. When choosing to donate to a charity, be wary of organizations or individuals that do the following:

- Will not provide proof that the contribution is tax deductible. To check if an organization is tax deductible, search on this site: <http://apps.irs.gov/app/eos/>

- Will not provide details about the organization or cause including how the funds will be used.
- Use high pressure tactics to get you to donate.

Portray themselves with a name resembling a better-known, reputable organization. How can you make sure that your contributions are going toward a good cause?

- Check the legitimacy of the organization through the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance: <http://www.bbb.org/us/charity>.
- Research the organization or individual by searching the name of the organization on the internet and including search terms like "scam" or "fraud."
- Write a check. Avoid cash donations or donations that must be made by giving credit card information over the phone.

Did you know? Police Explorers

You might have already seen or met an Explorer at many of the neighborhood events; generally the Explorers are always in action at Five Star Senior Center during a fundraising event.

The St. Louis Police Explorers Unit educates young adults on the purpose, mission and objectives of law enforcement agencies. Police Explorers have the opportunity to gain practical experiences while also serving the community. The Explorers program strives for participants to become better citizens and community members while promoting high standards of scholarship, character development and physical fitness.

The Police Explorers program offers an excellent opportunity for those interested in learning more about a career in law enforcement.

Participants in the program will learn about First aid and CPR, traffic control, radio procedures, self-defense, fingerprinting, conflict resolution and crime scene analysis. The Explorers curriculum often mirrors that of the St. Louis Police Academy. Explorers also have the opportunity to learn more about the justice system, local laws and department procedures.

In addition to weekly meetings, participants have the opportunity to attend both local and national conferences, seminars and academies.

These events offer Explorers to learn more about themselves through challenging team building activities and learn more about local and national law enforcement practices. St. Louis Police Explorers also serve the community when needed. During the annual parades in St. Louis, Explorers assist with directing traffic and crowd control and also represent their group by marching in the parades.

Meetings are held on Wednesdays at the Five Star Center, 2832 Arsenal.

For more info, contact the Program Coordinator at 314-444-5463 or check online at policeexplorers@slmpd.org.



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

Businesses are also encouraged to become members of BPWNA!

APPLICATION ON BACK PAGE!

Don't wait another day!



Membership Needs YOU!

Call 771.0803 for more info.

See page 12 for an application

Business Members

Auto Bargain Center

Cabrini Academy

Clowder House - Diane Hurwitz

Curby Presbyterian Church

EZ Storage

Five Star Senior Center

Grand Furniture

Lafayette Park UMC

LosPunk - Brian Thomas

Melt

Nader & Sons

Rob Rumble - Tudor

SLPD 3D Partnership

The Salvation Army-Temple Corps

Bronze

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Karen Becker

Graham Browne

Barbara Christ

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Steven Guthier

Gary Hinds

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Diane Hurwitz

Sarah Johnson

Natasha Lockridge

Whitney Mathison

Graham McKinney

Stephanie McKinney

Cindy Monti

Gerry Monti

Andre Montjoy

Fawn Montjoy

Amanda Oncken

Christian Oncken

Paul Pagano

Brittany Picker

Bill Russell

Leland Russell

Nancy Seymore

Carrie Sleep

Dwayne Tiggs

Aaron Weil

Senior

Shirley Bonner

Ana Pierce

Jerry Pierce

Silver

Paula Cooper

Ashli England

Brennan England

Suzy Hennigh

Bruce Levine

Marlene Levine

Mandy Mankin

Rebecca Martinez

Chris Schmidt

Cletus Terrell

Pamela Welsh

Gold

Linda Hennigh

Platinum

Bill Byrd

Friend

John Doggette

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 Stabilization 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

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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.



Cherokee is Hoppin' in September

Cherokee Nights

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 on the second Thursday of every month, year
round, rain or shine, and is family friendly!



space is created and allocated, and how to improve the
quality of urban human habitat... at least until the meter
runs out!

Fort Gondo Poetry Fall 2014 Reading

September 19:

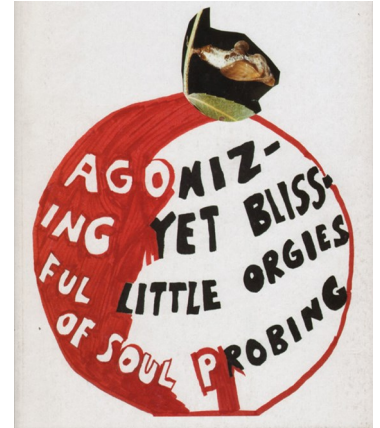
Adam Clay
Ada Limon
Philip Matthews

October 17:

Alex Dimitrov
Dorothea Lasky

November 14:

Corina Copp
Karla Kelsey



PARK(ing) Day on Cherokee

Friday September 19th

10am to 7pm

At various locations on Cherokee Street

The goal of PARK(ing) Day is to draw attention to how we
use public space and explore new ways of interacting with
our city. The event calls attention to the need for more ur-
ban open space, generates critical debate around how public

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

This season's series is funded in part by the Dedalus Foundation
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.*

Opening next week:

Stefanie Schlaifer & Cheryl Wassanaar

Cleavemark Dr.

Sept 6 – Oct 4 ;

Opening reception Sat, Sept 6, 7-10p fort gondo

Joseph Cassan & Mike Schuh

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Sept 6 – Oct 4, ;

Opening reception Sat, Sept, 7-10p beverly

fort gondo compound for the arts is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit
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Cherokee street businesses!**

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Cherokee Events, checkout
www.cherokeestreetnews.org**

What's happening in Benton Park West

September

2 - BPWNA Board Meeting - 6:30p - 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Center

8 - BULK TRASH. Must be out by 10p Sun

12 - Newsletter Deadline

18 - BPWNA Membership Meeting, 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Center, 7p.

SEPTEMBER 2014

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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**Support
local
businesses
and
products**

October 2014 Events

October 7 - BPW Board Meeting - 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

October 16 - BPW Neighborhood Meeting - Board Elections - 7p, Five Star

October 18 - **Movie in the Park** - OZ the GREAT - Gravois Park

October 26 - Trunk or Treat - 4-6p - 2720 Arsenal

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Safety/Security Products

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

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- license plate clear covers, \$5 per pair
- steering wheel locks (car clubs) \$13 ea.

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63118 314-773-9027

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

Metro Christian Worship Cen-
ter Brothers Keepers Benevo-
lence
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!

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www.iGive.com/BPWNA

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

CITY MUNICIPAL COURT WARRANT FORGIVENESS PROGRAM

Individuals can come to St. Louis City Municipal Court at 1520 Market Street
[use the 16th Street entrance] from Monday, September 22nd through
Friday, September 26th, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to cancel warrants
and get a new Court date.

For \$35, warrants will be cancelled and a new Court date issued – No matter the
age of the warrant(s) or the number of warrants, **the total cost is \$35.**

PLEASE NOTE: IF THE CASE(S) ARE ASSESSED

FINES AND/OR COURT COSTS,

A MINIMUM PAYMENT OF \$100 WILL BE DUE ON THE RETURN COURT DATE.

Exceptions to the Forgiveness Program Include

- DWI/DUI charges are exempt
- Leaving the scene charges are exempt

Charges covered by a bond may have a reduced bond rate

ALL BONDS ARE CASH ONLY

Inquiries can be made at the City Court web page. If you wish to see if you are in
warrant status you can go to www.stlouiscitycourt.org and look it up by name,
date of birth and zip code.

Benton Park Concerts

The concerts and events in Benton
Park continue. Events in the park
make the park “awesome” as residents
and others see the beauty of the park,
within walking distance of virtually any
home in the area.

Bring your blankets, chairs and dancing
shoes and enjoy the fun with food and
drinks at all of the FREE concert in
beautiful Benton Park. It's family/kid-
friendly, and all proceeds (from food,
drinks and merchandise) go to the Ben-
ton Park Neighborhood Association. It's
a win-win for all.

Mark your calendars for the remaining
dates:

- Last Sunday Afternoon Lakeside
concert on September 14th with
Sarah Jane & The Blue Notes
- October 4th: Taste of Benton Park,
Concert & Chalk Art



Lafayette Park United Methodist Church

2300 Lafayette Avenue Saint Louis, MO 63104

Worship

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

⇒ Contemporary Music -
fourth Sunday

⇒ 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”

Keep America Beautiful..

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Peat Wallaeger painted on the concrete barriers along the community garden at Jefferson and Arsenal. We also had mulch burms created along the verbinum bushes. Lastly, there were additional raised-bed wood frames built to add more gardeners next year.

Mayor Slay attended the lunch around 12:30 pm and congratulated the volunteers for their work.

AB provided lunch for all the volunteers as well as a few AB products. Check out the photos.

Thanks to local artists for creating the "frame" around the project.

Checkout the local artists at:

Casey Conroy:
<http://www.caseyconroy.com/>

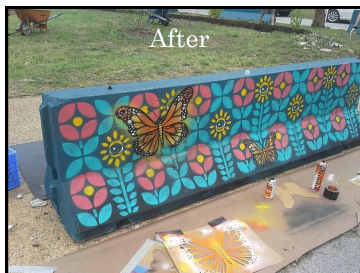
Peat Wallaeger:
<http://www.eyezbrand.com/>



The larger group celebrating at the end of the day.



Before



After

(upper and right) The former white barriers went through a transformation bringing beauty to the garden.

(right) Mayor Slay joined in the celebration and took a moment to pose with a few of the volunteers.



The Monarch Garden was created in only a few hours. Mayor Slay has committed to creating Monarch Gardens as part of the City's 260th birthday. The City is planting 50 monarch gardens with the hope that communities will plant an additional 200 gardens.

Benton Park is one of the 200, targeting the total of 250 gardens.



Thanks to neighborhood organizers Dan Gunther and Linda Hennigh

Tell us what you want in BPW!

Call 314-771-0803

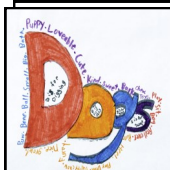


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Owner

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St. Louis MO 63118



BPW Dog Park

3300 Nebraska

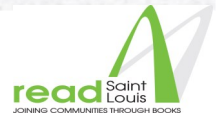
Let your dogs enjoy their own space!

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 East

Public Library Events



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

Don't miss visiting your local branches of the Saint Louis Public Library. Checking out a book, video or other resources available is as easy as opening a library membership.

Any librarian will be more than happy to help you find what you need.

FREE CONCERT
Central Library's Auditorium

Thursday | 9/18 | 7:00 pm

Dawn Weber
(Trumpeter and Vocalist)

START YOUR EVENING WITH URBAN EATS 6-7 p.m. Central Library's Auditorium Lobby

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Luminary Fall Exhibitions + Events

The Luminary will have of two new exhibitions in the main and entry gallery on Friday, Sept 19th, 7-10p.

Featuring work from Julie Bena, Jesse Darling, Carson Fisk-Vittori, Mia Goyette and Christopher Thompson.

Upcoming Concerts

9.22.14: How to Dress Well with Nite Jewel
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

*Concerts sponsored in part by Urban Chestnut Brewing Company.



The Library is proud to host **FREE** movies in Central's intimate and acoustically excellent **Auditorium** on **Thursday nights** (except the third Thursday) at **6:30 p.m.**

September's theme is "Order in the Court!" The line-up includes:

- 4 **To Kill a Mockingbird** (1962)
- 11 **My Cousin Vinny** (1992)
- 25 **Philadelphia** (1993)

For more information, call 314.539.0395.

Better Choices, Better Health® - Diabetes

Seven-week workshops for adults with Type 2 diabetes.
FREE! | July through November

Learn more

The Library and OASIS will offer "**Better Choices, Better Health® - Diabetes**" workshops for adults with Type 2 diabetes.

These workshops are held at the **Baden, Buder, Cabanne, Carpenter, Julia Davis, and Schlafly Branches** and will help ou:

- Monitor and manage your [blood sugar levels](#)
- Start or maintain an [exercise program](#)
- Design a self-management program that allows you to participate in your favorite activities

For details or [to register](#), call toll-free at

1-855-805-6168 or

call a participating Branch.

- Understand dietary limitations while still enjoying delicious meals

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

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

Emergency/Drug Activity 911
 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 911
 Then call CSB 622-4800

Lights:

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

Water:

Open Hydrant 771-4880

Additional Numbers

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 EnergyCare 773-5900
 Five Star Senior Center 664-1008
 Operation Brightside 772-4646
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 647-HELP or 866-492-0843
 Parental Stress b800-367-3543
 Free 2-1-1 Service 800-427-4626
 or (314) 421-4636

**2015 Membership Application
Benton Park West**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Mail to: BPWNA Membership**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 _____

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

Beautification

Dog Park

Youth

Garden

Facilities

Publications

Block Link

Membership

Board

PR/Marketing

Safety/Quality of Life

Cherokee Happy Hours

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Facebook or neighborhood websites. These happy hours showcase our neighborhoods amazing drinking establishments. Last month was at Venice Cafe.

September's happy hour gathering is planned for The Fortune Teller Bar at 2634 Cherokee, 6p on September 25th.

Get to know your neighbors beyond the traditional neighborhood association meetings.

We're looking forward to getting neighbors to talk to each other beyond arbitrary boundary lines and forming stronger relationships with the businesses in our neighborhoods!

Various locations on Cherokee Street

**PARK(ing) Day**
**Friday September 19th
10a-7p**

The goal of PARK (ing) Day is to draw attention to how we use public space and explore new ways of interacting with our city. The event calls attention to the need for more urban open space, generates critical debate around how public space is created and allocated, and how to improve the quality of urban human habitat... at least until the

meter runs out! Invented in 2005 by Rebar, a San Francisco – based art and design studio, PARK(ing) Day invites people to rethink the way streets are used and promotes discussion around the need for broad - based changes to urban infrastructure. "Urban inhabitants worldwide recognize the need for new approaches to making cities."

**THE Fortune
Teller Bar**
**2634
Chero-
kee
Street
6p
September
25th**
**September
Cherokee Neighborhoods
Happy Hour Event**
Benton Park West

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



On the Web
www.bentonparkwest.org