



Neighborhood Meeting
October 20
2832 Arsenal

The Porch Review

DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS, UNIQUE PATHS, ONE WIN - PEOPLE OF BPW



Toy Town - Christmas Sign up

The Salvation Army is having it's annual sign-up for Christmas gifts.

The sign-up starts on Oct 10th and ends Nov 10th, Mon-Thurs at 9a-2p. Zip codes served are 63101, 63102, 63103, 63104, 63109, 63110, 63111, 63116, 63118, and 63139.

Kids – Birth to 16; toys
Adults – vouchers

EACH person signed up needs the following:

- Picture ID of Adult
- SS Cards for every one in family
- Proof of Income
- Proof of Address

Appts will be made at sign-up for pickup on December 14 and 15.

Benton Park West Neighborhood Association's Annual

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 30th 4-6 pm



Join your neighbors and friends in this FUN and exciting time for kids.

From costumes & decorating and games, fun is had by all.

WHAT: Trunk or Treat **WHEN: Sunday, Oct 30th**

TIME: 4-6 pm Setup for vehicles - 3-4p.

WHERE: 2720 Arsenal - The Salvation Army Parking Lot

Pictures of costumed kids, \$ 1 each.

For more information call Pam at 314-406-2026

Redistricting Key to Keeping Democracy Healthy

Redistricting happens every 10 years. Many people don't realize its importance.

Like everything else in life, democracy needs an occasional checkup to make sure

it's working the way we need it to. One of the key parts of healthy democracy is getting a sprucing up right now, and it involves you.

The health check is called

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Children 14 and under, must be accompanied by an adult

Trunk or Treat is a Halloween youth event sponsored by Benton Park West Neighborhood Association. Residents and friends gather and park their cars in The Salvation Army Parking lot located at 2740 Arsenal. With open trunks or backs of vehicles, decorations for the "holiday" dress each vehicle. As kids go around to the different vehicles, candy and treats are passed out from the trunks.

The event provides a safe family environment for trick or treaters.

For those choosing to pass out candy and treats, simply decorating your vehicle is the fun and easy part. Just like decorating for Halloween, decorate using pumpkins, spider webbing, spiders, brooms, bats, cauldrons, scary stuff, or even dressing up in non-scary items is always a good idea.



Events

Oct 4: BPWNA Board Mtg
6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

Oct 7,8 & 9: Oktoberfest

Oct 9: Bulk Trash Pickup Week

Oct 13: Weed & Seed (6:30) Five Star, (7p) 3rd District Outreach

Oct 20: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting - 7p, Five Star Senior Center **BOARD ELECTIONS!**

Oct 30: Trunk or Treat, 4-6p.
3-4p vehicle setup

Nov 1: BPWNA Board Mtg
6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

Nov 10: Weed & Seed (6:30) Five Star, (7p) 3rd District Outreach

Nov 13: Bulk Trash Pickup Week

Project BUD - collabARTive

Project BUD: seeding a culture of BUD-ding ideas in St.Louis [home of BUD-weiser beer] and Dublin City [airport code DUB] through an international cultural arts exchange interested in where and how people live. Phase

Dressel's Pub Above [Euclid in the CWE]

October 11 Tuesday 6-8 p.m.

Join us in welcoming Jean Bates and Eleanor Phillips!

I happened in Ireland in June/July 2011. Its focus was re-Generation in fragile communities with

two U.S. artists and art process. Phase II will bring two Irish artists to re-Search St. Louis' di-

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The Presidents Corner...



Linda Hennigh

Welcome to 2011 Elections and Membership

Ahhh...pleasant days and cool evenings have finally arrived after a seemingly never-ending hot, dry summer. Time for us to think about all the celebrations that fall brings us and getting ready for winter. Kind of like squirrels storing nuts for the winter, let's store up the good memories, like maybe a month of low electric and gas bills, sitting outside and enjoying the day instead of melting in the sun.

I would like to take this time to thank everyone that has volunteered to help out with neighborhood functions on Cherokee Street and throughout Benton Park West. I would also like to encourage YOU...if you haven't been called on and have considered getting

involved that there are still some fun events coming up, both this year and next. Whether you have just been in BPW for a few months many years, I have a way for you to meet more people than you ever thought possible...Oktoberfest, Trunk or Treat, Holiday Bazaars and the 2012 Board elections coming up at the Oct 10th neighborhood meeting just to name a few. Not a lot of work, just a lot of fun with folks like you that love their city.

Don't be shy. Just call me at 314.771.2161 or any of the board members. "BPW NEEDS YOU"! Thanks and have a WONDERFUL October!

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Volunteer Opportunities

Neighborhood Meeting on Oct 20th, Election of 2012 BPWNA Officers. Come and hear thoughts from the leadership. 2832 Arsenal, (Five Star Senior Center) 7p.

Trunk or Treat on Oct 30th - Bring your vehicle 3-4p with candy for the kids and watch the faces light up as the event is from 4-6p.

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KaBoom! Playground at The Salvation Army

KaBOOM! Playground project, at The Salvation Army, was voted the Best Public Works Project for 2011. Check it out!

Playgrounds often serve as keystones for a community. A good, safe playground enhances the social and physical development of a community's children. A lack of good, safe playgrounds means a community of kids with idle hands and nowhere to go — which is far too often the case in St. Louis. But the tide is starting to turn, thanks to KaBOOM!, a nonprofit organization in Washington, D.C., that rallies

residents and other volunteers to build new playgrounds. In April, with funding from Energizer and support from local volunteers, KaBOOM! was able to build a new playground at the Salvation Army Corps Community Center in south city. The long-term benefits are just as fulfilling: Every kid who grows up in a playground is a kid who doesn't grow up in the streets.



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Juan Montana with Cherokee Street News ...

The Saint Louis Curio Shoppe

Hear the murmur of our city. Hear the hammers, and the scissors, hear the wheels that turn the strings. Hear the artists hard at work as they cut, saw, and sew; hear them thread, hear them pull, and hear them glue.

The sheer size and power of this magical activity, a league of artists churning out unique, lovely artifacts, would be lost to

our eyes were it not for this amazing place.

The St Louis Curio Shoppe stores, collects and trades these wonderful creations. Curated and created by Kristin Gassel, every little thing is either made by Saint Louis' hands or explicitly celebrates our city.

So, if you are shopping for a gift, or just looking for something that is truly local and

unique, this is the place you want to see.

You will find the rarest jewelry and the finest soaps; you'll find books, photos, and post cards; you'll find images, and games; you'll find clothes. Everything is made by expert hands: the duct tape flowers from a girl around the corner; the wash clothes from a lady way up north; the t-shirts and the bracelets from somewhere behind a hill.

Of course, the same goes if you are the maker of truly

singular objects. With lots and lots of visitors from Saint Louis and out of town alike, the Curio Shoppe is the place where your craft comes to see the light. Talk to Kristin and show her what you do. Chances are there is a space for you amongst these marvelous creations.

The Saint Louis Curio Shoppe is located at 2301 Cherokee Street. They are open Tuesday thru Sunday 12 to 5. Pass by and take a look, or check their website at www.stlcurioshoppe.com/



Just a small amount of the items available for gifts to friends, neighbors or just yourself.



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Save the Date: Dutchtown Harvest Festival is scheduled for Sunday, October 23 (11a-5p) in Marquette Park (Compton & Gasconade). Tentatively scheduled are food tents, live music, cooking demonstrations, kid zone, farmers market, cooking contests, nutritional education, hayride, and more

Neighborhood Book Club

October 24th-The Elegance of the Hedgehog by Muriel Barbery

November 28th- The Thrill Is Gone by Walter Mosley

December 19th- Pride and Prejudice and Zombies: The Classic Regency Romance - Now with Ultraviolent Zombie Mayhem!
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January 30th- Embassytown by China Mieville

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Community Information Corner

Save the Date: Benton Park West Trunk or Treat is coming up on October 30th from 4-6p. If you're bringing your vehicle and giving out candy, setup is from 3-4p. Join your community at 2720 Arsenal (Salvation Army parking lot) from 4-6p.

Save the Date: The South Side "Pumpkin Patch" is back. Don't miss getting your pumpkin from 2700 Lafayette, just east of Jefferson. This is a two-fold fundraiser; the pumpkins are purchased from the Navaho Indian tribe from New Mexico, then the sales benefit

restoration of stained glass at Lafayette Park United Methodist Church.

Clean-up at Roosevelt High on Oct 22nd, 8a-1p. It's time to do fall cleaning and clean for new uses of space. Old electronics will be disposed of. Your help is needed! Breakfast and lunch provided.

Ladies of Mary (St. Wenceslaus) will host a chili dinner on Saturday Oct 22nd, 11a-6p in the Parish Hall located at 3022 Oregon.

Mark your Calendar for the annual St. Wenceslaus Fall Festival to be held on Saturday **Nov 5th** in the Parish Hall, 3022 Oregon. Always fun & lots of stuff.

Food Pantries in 63118

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

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Movie and a Bite *Born into Brothels* and Holiday Bazaar

by RJ Johnson, The Porch Reviewer

Movie . . . *Born into Brothels*.

Born into Brothels is an eye opening documentary about the life of children born into the brothels of Calcutta, India. Western photographer, Zana Briski (Briski) travels to India where she lives in the red-light district of Calcutta and mentors a small group of children in the art of photography. Her mentees are the sons and daughters of the red-light district and their lives are dreadfully predestined. Solely based on their lineage, these talented young people have slim odds against accomplishing any achievements which extend beyond the brothel environment.

The documentary also chroni-

cles Briski's efforts to get her mentees enrolled in school. Education is one of the few mechanisms children can utilize to escape a life-time sentence in the red-light district. Yet numerous road blocks, including the bureaucratic and antiquated system of acquiring official documents, often impedes any progress. Additionally, the children must deal with family members who refuse to allow them to attend school, and instead force the children to work, force them "in line" (into prostitution) or force them to marry.

As the camera lens is focused on the mentees, a glimpse of their daily lives is revealed. The children are bright, funny

and spirited. However the reality of their lives is very humbling. The children are often tasked with menial household chores and frequently subjected to very harsh verbal attacks. The ever-present aura of despair and sadness is evident not only in their eyes but also in their thoughts. One young girl stated "One has to except life being sad and painful". Photographer Briski's efforts to help these children were selfless and nothing short of amazing. *Born into Brothels* is a remarkable and bitter-sweet story. It leaves you feeling thankful to God for your good fortune of birth and also questioning your own purpose

on this planet. What else could you do in this world to make it a better place? Put this movie in your Netflix queue.

And after the movie . . . some SHOPPING!!

BPW 1st Annual Holiday Shopping Bazaar!!

When: Saturday, November 12th, 2011 Time: 10:a - 4p.

Location: Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal Ave.

Mark your Calendars! BPW Neighborhood Association (BPWNA) is pleased to announce it is hosting its 1st Annual Holiday Shopping Bazaar, just in time for the holiday season.

BPW Real Estate - BPW



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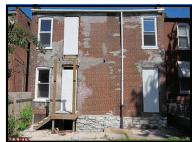
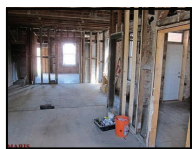
Door to Door “Home Security”

The Fraud Prevention Taskforce has been alerted of a door-to-door salespersons who are alleged representatives of “Platinum Security.” The claim the company offers “free service” to home owners willing to put a “Platinum Security” sign in their yard. Home owners were contacted later by additional company representatives to determine their eligibility for other services. Vague, high-pressure tactics are used and they do not provide any documents or business cards. Additionally there is a refusal to take “No” for an answer.

Before contracting to do business with home security companies, the FTC recommends these useful tips:

- **Get references.** Find out how the equipment and services have performed for others.

- **Obtain written estimates** from several companies. Ask questions about who will install the system and how it will function. Be sure you know who will monitor the system, how much it will cost, and how often you will be billed.
- **Read the fine print.** Make sure the written contract includes all oral promises made by the salesperson.
- **Ask your police and fire departments** if you need to register your system, and if there are fines for responding to false alarms.
- **You can cancel the deal.** The FTC’s Cooling-Off Rule gives you three business days to cancel if you sign a contract in your home or anywhere that is not the seller’s permanent place of business — even if the system has already been installed. You don’t have to give a reason for canceling.



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If Yes, please include your name and phone number:

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Bring to the Weed & Seed meeting each second Thursday at 6:30p to Weed & Seed - 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Center

Mail to: BPWNA, PO Box 18671, St. Louis MO 63118

Project BUD - collabARTive

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verse ecology and nurture cultural connections i.e. visual art, story, memory and mapmaking, photographic processes. We will ask participants in the neighborhood, the residents of a homeless shelter, artists, business owners etc. to: First, find old pictures of how 'it was'. Next, take new pictures of how it is, what is important, interesting, invaluable. Third, place them side by side. Take portraits of each other. Include these image on a re-created map that re-imagines the US. We intend to collect, fertilize, propagate seeds of culture. Our goals are to refocus and revalue.

The harvest will be a re-emerging community. This project will be based in a neighborhood in South St. Louis that has parallel experiences to cities all over the world. St. Louis in general and this neighborhood in particular is restoring itself, literally and physically with new businesses, rehabs, new neighbors, new diversity. It will revisit/revalue the past, name the present, and plan for the future.

Project BUD is an exciting new artists' exchange and residency program between the Dublin, Ireland, community arts agency Blue Drum Arts and the community col-

labARTive, an arts training organization for the clients in the Transitional Housing Program, a program operated by Peter & Paul Community Services to assist formerly homeless men to become self supporting, productive citizens.

Two Irish artists, Eleanor Phillips and Jean Bates are now in St. Louis working with the community collabARTive to investigate and visualize regeneration in the Benton Park/Benton Park West neighborhoods as Peter & Paul prepares to move its' headquarters and a new supportive housing program in BPW.

Redistricting...

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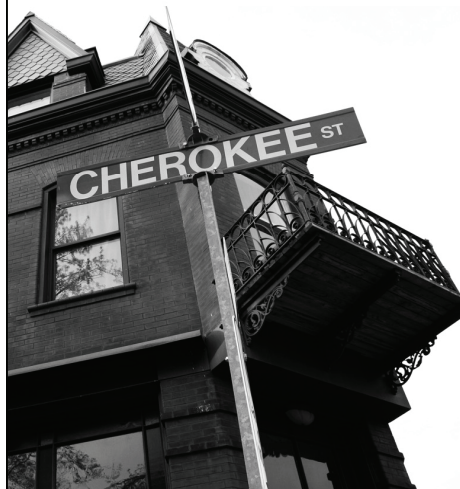
"redistricting," it happens nationwide, and starts with taking a look at population change over time. Using the U.S. Census, which happens every 10 years, to measure this change. Next comes the critical part. The U.S. Constitution requires that each

state must go through redistricting, a process of readjusting the boundaries of legislative and congressional voting districts to make sure everyone is equally represented in government.



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The Cherokee Station Business Association includes over 50 independently owned and operated businesses over seven blocks on Cherokee Street. Surrounded by a dense and active residential community, these businesses serve those within walking distance as well as attracting customers from all over the St. Louis area looking for a unique shopping experience.

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, on the 2nd Thursday of every month - 6:30p.

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8 More Things your burglar won't tell you!

Editors Note: This is the second installment of a series to help you be aware of items that burglars or car thieves look to give them an idea of how easy it would be to take what is not theirs!

1. Sometimes, I carry a clipboard. Sometimes, I dress like a lawn guy and carry a rake. I do my best to never, ever look like a crook.

2. The two things I hate most: loud dogs and nosy neighbors.

3. I'll break a window to get in, even if it makes a little noise. If your neighbor hears one loud sound, he'll stop what he's doing and wait to hear it again. If he doesn't hear it again, he'll just go back to what he was doing. It's human nature.

4. I'm not complaining, but why would you pay all that money for a fancy alarm system and leave your house without setting it?

5. I love looking in your windows. I'm looking for signs that you're home, and for flat screen TVs or gaming systems I'd like. I'll drive or

walk through your neighborhood at night, before you close the blinds, just to pick my targets.

6. Avoid announcing your vacation on your Facebook page. It's easier than you think to look up your address.

7. To you, leaving that window open just a crack during the day is a way to let in a little fresh air. To me, it's an invitation.

8. If you don't answer when I knock, I try the door. Occasionally, I hit the jackpot and walk right in.

Sources: Convicted burglars in North Carolina, Oregon, California, and Kentucky; security consultant Chris McGoe, who runs <http://www.crimedocter.com/> and Richard T. Wright, a criminology professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, who interviewed 105 burglars for his book *Burglars on the Job*.

Join us again for the
3rd District Outreach meeting on Oct 13, 2011 at 7p
Guest Speaker from S.L.M.P.D. Communications
2832 Arsenal (Five Star Senior Center.
Weed & Seed meetings continue at 6:30p.

**Mark your Calendar for Nov10th - Speaker will be
Jack Huelsmann, Imposter Burlaries & Diversion Thefts**

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What's happening in Benton Park West

OCTOBER 2011

October

4 - BPWNA Board Meeting - 6:30p

5 - Newsletter Deadline
bpwnapub@yahoo.com

7, 8 & 9 - Oktoberfest

9 - PUT OUT YOUR BULK TRASH. Must be out by 10p Sun.

13 - W&S Advisory (6:30) Five Star 3rd District meeting

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

Elections for the 2012 Board!

30 - Trunk or Treat 4-6p, Setup Cars 3-4p

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 BPWNA Board mtg 6:30p,	5 Newsletter Deadline	6	7 Octoberfest	8 Octoberfest
9 Bulk Trash week Octoberfest	10	11	12	13 W&S 6:30p, Five Star	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 BPWNA mtg 7p, Five Star	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Trunk or Treat 4-6p	31					

November Events

Nov 1: Board Mtg, 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal

Nov 10: Weed & Seed, 6:30p, Five Star, 3rd District Outreach, 7p

Nov 12 - Holiday Shopping Bazaar, 2832 Arsenal

Nov 17: Neighborhood Mtg, - 7p, 2832 Arsenal, Meet your New Board!

Be involved in 2011

Be part of Benton Park West

Contact Linda Hennigh at 314.771-2161, neighborhood office at 314-771-0803 or any Board member.

Lafayette Park United Methodist Church

2300 Lafayette Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63118

Worship

- 9:30a - Service; Fellowship 10:30
- Children's services and childcare provided.

Pumpkin Patch Oct 8 - 30th

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Mike's Pumpkin Soup

Yummy treat anytime during the fall season.

Prep time: 45 min **Makes:** 10 servings
Cook Time: 80 min **Start to Finish:** 125 min

Ingredients for pumpkin base:

- 1 large pumpkin
- 5 tbs butter
- 3 sprigs thyme
- 2 tsp sea salt
- 2 tsp pepper
- 1 sm onion (chopped)
- 4 cloves of garlic
- 2 tbs oil

Prep for pumpkin base:

- Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees
- Cut off top of pumpkin
- Scoop out and remove seeds
- Mix above ingredients with content of pumpkin
- Place mixture back into the pumpkin
- Bake all for one hour
- Scoop all out and set aside the pumpkin flesh

Ingredients for Soup:

- 6 cups Pumpkin Flesh (see above)
- 32 oz broth (chicken or vegetable)
- ¾ tsp Laureys seasons
- ½ tsp cayenne pepper
- ¼ tsp cinnamon
- ¼ tsp chili powder
- 1/8 tsp nutmeg
- 1/8 tsp powder ginger
- Salt to taste
- 1 cup heavy cream

Prep:

- Add ingredients for the soup to stockpot
- Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer for 20 minutes
- Puree soup in blender
- Warm the heavy cream slightly; be careful to not boil
- Before serving, stir in the cream into the entire mixture
- Garnish with cinnamon right before serving

Nutrition Information: Per Serving: Calories 141, Total Fat 15.6g, Chol 39.7mg, Sodium 179.3 mg, Carbs 2.4g, Fiber .36g, Protein 2.5g.

Library Corner - Erin Guss

Download Your Library

St Louis Public Library is pleased to offer several ways to get books, audiobooks, and movies to its patrons, and the GetItNow service on the library's website (www.slpl.org) just got easier to use:

1. Amazon is now allowing Kindle devices to download ebooks from the library!
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Another new and exciting feature on our website is Freegal, where you can download MP3s from the Sony Music catalog (which includes labels such as Columbia and RCA) that you keep. No special software is needed on your computer or MP3 player, and you can download three songs per week!

Check out the October issue of Check it Out! for more information, and happy reading, viewing, and listening!

Library Calendar October 2011

Wednesday, Oct 5 4-6p
Got Game? Play Nintendo Wii & Xbox 360. Grd 6-12.

***Thursday, Oct 6 4:30-5:30 p**
Paper Plate Masks; Scare the pants off your friends! Grd 2-5.

***Monday, Oct 10 11-11:30a**
Storytime: Toddler/Preschool.

Tuesday, Oct 11 4:30-5:30p
Shrunken Apple Heads; Creepy Halloween Decorations Grd 6-12.

***Thursday, Oct 13 4-5p**
Dia de los Muertos; Celebrate the Mexican Day of the Dead by decorating sugar skulls. Grd 6-12.

***Monday, Oct 24 11-11:30a**
Storytime: Toddler/Preschool.

***Monday, Oct 31 3-6p**
Creepy Crafts, ghoulish games, and scary stories. Families

*For groups larger than 5, please register in advance.

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 Non-Emergency 231-1212
 Drug/Gang Hotline 241-COPS
 Joe Calabro -
 3rd Dist PA Officer 444-0169
 Dave Krapf -
 3rd Dist Prob Prop 444-0185
 Citizen Ser Bureau 622-4800

Alderman:

Ken Ortmann 622-3287 (w)
 776-0161 (h)

Neighborhood Stabilization Officers:

Barb Potts, 314-657-1370 (w)
 314-397-1091 (c)

pottsb@stlouiscity.com

Dena Hibbard, 314-657-1359 (w)
 hibbardd@stlouiscity.com

Judy Lane 314-657-1365 (w)
 lanej@stlouiscity.com

MISC:

Pothole Department 768-2805
 Refuse Department 353-8877
 Five Star Center 664-1008
 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

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 800-367-3543
 Free 2-1-1 Service 800-427-4626
 or (314) 421-4636

**2011 Membership Application
Benton Park West - 2011**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Mail to: **BPWNA Membership**

**PO Box 18671
 Saint Louis MO 63118**

Level of Membership:

___ General - \$ 10 per person
 ___ Senior - \$ 6 per person
 ___ Supporter - \$ 25 per person
 ___ Patron - \$ 50 per person
 ___ Sponsor - \$ 100 per person
 ___ Friend - \$ 20 per person
 ___ General Membership -
 Scholarship

I would like to be involved with:

___ Beautification ___ Dog Park ___ Youth ___ Garden
 ___ Facilities ___ Publications ___ Quality of Life/Safety
 ___ Board ___ PR/Marketing ___ Block Link ___ Membership

Benton Park West

Holiday Shopping Bazaar

When: Saturday, November 12, 2011

Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm

**Where: Five Star Senior Center
 2832 Arsenal St., STL, 63118.**

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✉ Email: bpwbeautification@yahoo.com

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