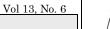
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The Porch Review

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Oz the Great and Powerful Aug 31st in Gravois Park starting at dusk (8:30p).

Watch BPW-Talk listserve, website, facebook page and newsletter for more info!

SLPS HS Student films

On July 14th at 12pm, eleven St. Louis Public School students will have their moment in the spotlight as film directors when their short documentaries play at the Tivoli's Main theater as part of the St. Louis Filmmakers Showcase. This is a free event to the public thanks to Cinema Saint Louis and the Pentimento - St. Louis Story Mapping Project, and we are calling on everyone in support of St. Louis Public Schools to make it out to this celebratory event.

This past school year, 13 students from Roosevelt & Clyde C Miller Career Academy created 9 diverse

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BPW Events

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Aug 6: National Night out at Minnesota Market, 3301 Minnesota

Aug 15 : BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting, 7p, Five Star Senior Ctr.



Has Rehabbing returned to Benton Park West?

You Bet! Look around and check out what is going on around us!





Lo-Fi Cherokee 2013

Lo-Fi Cherokee is a completely unique event conceived in 2012, a hybrid event that brings music,

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video, social media and St. Louis city culture together. 16 local (Continued on page

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project so be sure to stop

by Tuesday, August 6th

Have a wonderful July

and August and if you

haven't had a chance to

visit on of our neighbor-

join us on the 3rd Thurs-

(except December). Hear

from your local officials

opening in BPW and en-

great properties available

in the neighborhood. Go

to our website and see a

list of available proper-

www.bentonparkwest.com.

Linda Hennigh,

President

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day of every month

and new businesses

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social hour!

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The President's Corner...



Welcome to 2013 WHAT'S MORE FUN THAN SUMMER EVENTS!

S ummer is finally here in all its glory! What a beautiful spring we

Linda Hennigh

had. We were able to save time and energy watering as almost regularly scheduled rainfalls did the work for us and gardens and yards are thriving. The weather was perfect for 4th of July celebrations also. Hopefully you got the word that fireworks are illegal in the city and county. Our 3rd District police were diligently keeping our children from injury and our houses from accidental fires.

Have you walked down Cherokee Street lately and noticed the new restaurants that have opened or are soon to open in and near our neighborhood? If you haven't been to Melt (in the old Proper Shoe Building) stop in for breakfast, lunch or dinner. The interior is a work of art and very casual and the food (served on waffles, sweet or savory) is yummy. A wood-fired pizza place will be opening soon and be sure to try Smoking Barrels on Kingshighway. Their barbeque is heaven-

What do you

want to see

in BPW?

Call

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ly. I understand that the proprietor is a former restaurant owner on Cherokee so let's make him so busy he has to open a second place in Benton Park West!

The BPW booth at Fair St. Louis was a HUGE success thanks to all the fantastic volunteers that gave up their holiday to "tend bar" and "sell" our neighborhood. If we didn't contact you to help, please send your email address to communications@bentonparkwe st.org or call 14.771.0803 and leave a message so we can add you to our list serve. That way we can update you when something exciting is happening in the neighborhood.

August will bring National Night Out, a time for neighbors to have their street blocked off free of charge and celebrate a night that neighbors bond together to show they will not stand for crime and drugs on their block! Register at this website by Friday, July 19 and receive a free permit to

close your block and cele-



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Cherokee is Hoppin'

by Anne McCullough

Interested in **Burlesque?**

Come learn the art of tease, get fit the fun and flirty way & much more at Van Ella Studios! Saint Louis' home of burlesque, vaudeville, and variety education & entertainment at 2646 Cherokee! For more information and to register, please visit www.vanellastudios.com.

Help clean YOUR **Cherokee Street**!

The Fresh City Project is focused on rehabilitating and creating commerce within the historic state streets of

St. Louis Missouri. Targeting the Cherokee business district in South St. Louis we seek to clean and reconstruct the physical area while recharging the entrepreneurial spirit and empowering individuals to make positive changes in their lives.

Fresh City Project, Sunday, July 14 10:00am -1:00pm & Sunday, August 25

The Cherokee Farmers Market is now open at 2647



2013 Summer **Event Series in** Historic Benton Park

Grab your blankets, picnic baskets and boogie on down to Benton Park to sit back, relax and enjoy the local blues, jazz and swing'n sounds of these bands. Don't forget to mark your calendars and bring a friend, or two, or many!

SUNDAY • August 11, 2013 Lakeside Jazz Picnic (3pm - 6pm) Bands: Bosch and Victoria Melange

SATURDAY • October 5, 2013 Concert + Taste of Benton Park + Art Festival (1pm - 6pm) Bands: Jake's Leg and Swing Set

Cherokee on Fridays from 4-7pm! The Cherokee Street Farmers Market is an outdoor farmers market. This unique farmers market provides fresh, affordable and culturally unique produce. The Cherokee Farmers Market has a special emphasis on farm produce grown locally by immigrant farmers and a neighborhood youth farmers. The Cherokee Street Farmers Market will sell a vast array of vegetables and products with some unique ones with an international flair!

InFest Stl #3 @ 2720 Cherokee Performing Arts Center July 26th- 28th. Get your \$5 weekend passes now to this 3 Day Indoor Festival. Lineups will be released 7/1 and 3 day passes will be \$10.

Flowers & Weeds: Floral Design & Garden Boutique Now Open at 2118 Cherokee.

Floral design, houseplants and garden wonders. Seeds from Baker Creek and Seed Savers will give you the most interesting garden on the block! House plants, terrariums, succulents and cacti potted in upcycled or vintage containers. We have big dreams for our garden space. A sustainable cutting garden for floral design purposes, as well as gift baskets of fresh veggies and herbs. Our courtyard come spring will be the perfect place to turn your outdoor space into a lush and colorful escape. We have potted annual combinations that will blow your mind. Succulents and tropicals too! Always offering the best of the seasons.



Lo-Fi Cherokee 2013

bands and solo acts from new unknowns to veterans of the scene set up shop in various locales up and down Cherokee Street, one of the primary arteries of the independent art and music scene here in St Louis, and play stripped-down versions of their songs. Bill Streeter and a series of production crews moved from one location to the next, capturing immaculate audio and video of the performances in the span of a single day.

Visit Lo-Fi St. Louis to view all videos from 2012 and 2013. These videos showcase a sample of the diversity of talent of the STL music scene and also reflects the energy of one of St. Louis' most dynamic commercial districts- Cherokee Street. Bill Streeter and Eleven Magazine have partnered to bring Loot Rock Gang, Trigger 5, Jack Grelle, Tommy Halloran, Troubadour Dali, Bob Reuter's Alley Ghost, Hobosexuals, The Little Big Bangs, Picture Day, CaveofSwordS, Old Lights, Bible Belt Sinners, Trophy Mules, Brothers Lazaroff, The

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Blind Eyes and Sleepy Kitty to Cherokee Street. All Lo-Fi Cherokee performances are free and open to the public. A map and schedule of the event can be found on **here**.

Of course this project would not have been possible without the contributions of a quite a few people. Among them:

Audio Engineers

- Matt Giant
- Stephen Oppenheim
- Aaron Ruby
- Cameras
- Bill Streeter
- Bowls MacLean
- Trent Hover
- Kat Touschner

Production Assistants

- F Matthew Frederick
- Andy Crossett

Audio Assistants

- Duane Perry
- Eric Roy
- David Mayhew

Editing and Production

Bill Streeter

Know of a horrible alley that needs cleaning?

Our NSO (Neighborhood Stabilization Officer) has offered to give a list to Probation and Parole; who will be cleaning alleys.

Please email the alley location and the alley will be added to the list!

Linda Hennigh, President, BPWNA linda_hennigh@yahoo.com

13 Easy Ways to Find Comfort In Your Day

from psychcentral.com

Whenever you're anxious, sad or overwhelmed or simply need some soothing, it helps to have a collection of comforting — and healthy tools to turn to. But some calming activities don't work for everyone.

For instance, some people are allergic to bath salts, while others can't drink herbal tea because of possible drug interactions (e.g., blood thinners). Many of us also can't afford manicures or trips away from work. And most of us are pressed for time. So we asked three experts for their take on how readers can truly soothe their minds and bodies without needing more money, time or anything else, for that matter. Below are 13 strategies anyone can use to comfort themselves when they're having a bad day.

- 1. Stretch!
- 2. Take a shower

3. Visualize a peaceful scene while breathing deeply.

4. Speak compassionately to yourself.

5. Reach out to people who trust and support you.

6. Ground yourself to the Earth.

7. Listen to soothing music.

8. Practice mindfulness.

9. Move your body in a positive way - go on a walk or quick jog.

10. Picture a positive outcome.

11. Zoom out and view the situation from a bigger perspective.

12. Practice alternate nostril breathing. Let yourself feel bad, acknowledge and honor your crappy day.

Checkout Indigo Massage at www.indigomassagetherapy.com

located at the corner of Arsenal and

The next W&S and Community Outreach meeting will be held September 12 6:30p (W&S), 7p (Outreach) 2832 Arsenal - Five Star Senior Center

Donation Update, THANK YOUs Resources for Community

by Anne McCullough

There was an unfortunate shooting at the Cherokee Place Business Incubator located on the 2700 block of Cherokee around one afternoon. Determined as an attack targeted at one specific business inside of the incubator, the event created a time where community came together.

Thanks so much to everyone who donated, came, volunteered and participated in the fundraiser and BBQ on Friday night. The community really came together. We raised over \$4,200 on Friday night. All donations will be split up evenly and distributed through the International Institute and Cherokee Station Business Association to the victim's families. Resources were available in the community for anyone who needed to speak about the event, provided by the Behavioral Health Response clinic.

Special THANK YOU to everyone who donated or volunteered during the BBO & Fundraiser:

Whole Foods Market, Schlafly, 4 Hands, Civil Life, The Factory, Nebula Coworking, Don Carlos La Carniceria, Novation Church, Eleven Magazine, International Institute, 3rd District Police, Billy Goat Chips, Benton Park West Neighborhood Association, Benton Park Neighborhood Association, Fortune Teller Bar, Sam Coffey, Ryan Reed, Lauren Karasek, Rachel Britton, Jason Deem, Will Liebermann, Johnny Vegas, Carlos Dominguez and Bill Byrd.



The weather has warming up and summer is officially in full swing with Memorial Day weekend and the Fourth of July. The weather finds us grilling out and spending more time outside.

Don't forget to plan on recycling the paper/plastic/glass products you might use while outside, in your own backyard, neighbors or camping.

Alleys in the neighborhoods have blue 480-gal recycling bins. Materials accepted signage is posted on the front of each bin.

When planning to grill out, plan on using the bins!

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

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Check out Contemporary Music on June 9th

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"

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

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Call 771.0803 for more info. See page 12 for an application

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SLPS HS Student films

and compelling documentaries dealing with issues facing the City of St. Louis as part of the Pentimento - St. Louis Story Mapping Project. As part of the program, students brainstormed, developed, shot, edited and eventually premiered the films to friends and family. They fielded questions from the audience and were able to share their vision for the film and what they learned. One interesting portion of the project is that it is a job for the student, and each student is paid

for their finished films. The program not only teaches video production skills, but also assists students with money management, mentoring, and problem solving skills.

This program was ran by the Midwest Center for Media Literacy (MCML) and funded by the Missouri Arts Council, Regional Arts Commission and the Missouri Humanities Council. As they approach the third year of this program, MCML is applying and looking for funding again this year in hopes of expanding their program into more St. Louis Public Schools.



Check out the...

by Anne McCullough

There are two new ways to find out about businesses and activities happening on and around Cherokee.

Local Business Promotions

The first promotion will be distributed door-to-door on Monday, July 8th. The distribution will be covering neighborhoods bordering South Jefferson Avenue, between Gravois Avenue and Miami Street — FREE OF CHARGE.

Promotion of local business's: Event Calendar, Weekly Specials, One-Time Sales Event, Coupon Offer, Range of Services, and Basic Information will be included.

The BUSINESS INFOR-MATION DISTRIBUTION is a yearly event sponsored by Novation Church—a local church that strives to serve the community in as many ways as possible. For more information, contact David at 314.398.6333 or David@NovationChurch.com

The second and larger distributed directory is the 2013 Cherokee Street Business Directory, produced by Mira Publishing. The directory will spotlight over 12 blocks of independently owned and operated specialty shops, art galleries, restaurants and cafes. Cherokee Street is a vibrant center for commerce, culture and creativity, bringing together contemporary art, architecture and culture, all within a historical district. Mira Publishing is proud to add Cherokee to its family of neighborhood directories, which give advertisers a way to stay visible all year long at a reasonable price. You can

Safety/Security Products Available

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.



BPW Dog Park

3300 Nebraska

Join NOW - let your dog 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.

Find the application online at www.bentonparkwest.org and send to: BPWNA, PO Box 18671, St. Louis, MO 63118

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



be a part of this annual directory by advertising in this booklet, which will be distributed to businesses and households in the area in partnership with the Cherokee Station Business Association. 3000 copies will be printed. As an added value, the booklet will also be viewable online at the neighborhood's websites. Plus readers will be able to download it on their own computer or mobile phone! All businesses on Cherokee Street will be listed in the Directory.

Contact any neighborhood association or Cherokee Street Business Association for information on receiving your own 2013 Cherokee Community Directory.

Shop Locally support local owners and products



NIP Form

Nuisance Identification

Program form

Date: ____

Address: —

Problems:

- ____ Drugs ____ Prostitution
- _____ Gangs _____ Firearms Theft _____ Assault
- _____ Theft _____ Assault _____ Abuse _____ Vandalism
- _____ Noise _____ Loitering
- _____ Drinking _____ Traffic
- _____ Graffiti _____Lighting
- _____ Overcrowding
- _____ Trash/illegal Dumping
- _____ Building Violations
- _____ Unsecured Abandoned Building
- _____ Overgrown Weeds/Grass/Shrubs

Other problem areas or people:

Do you wish to have an officer contact you? YES NO

If Yes, please include your name and phone number:

Return by any of the following:

Bring to the Weed & Seed meeting quarter - Next meeting is September 12nd at 6:30p to Weed & Seed - 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Center

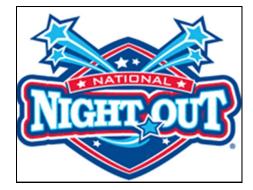
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A Few Hours of Your Time Each Month is All...

elp wanted! Bring your talents to Benton Park West. And help build our community. Contact Linda Hennigh at 771-2161.

- Do you get a newsletter each month? If not, we need YOU to deliver to your block!
- Do you get a newsletter but know someone who doesn't? We need a Block Link Recruiter!
- Flowers your love? We need someone to inventory the corner planters, plant them and find a close neighbor to adopt it and water.
- Like to plan parties? We have some great bars and restaurants. Wouldn't it be fun to help them out and have some meet and greets?
- Do you love making friends on the phone? We have several events during the year and lots of people just waiting for someone to invite them to help.
- Is safety your thing? Our Neighborhood Ownership Model needs court advocates to attend hearings and show judges we care. Also needed are caring people to help to be the support system for victims.
- Safety is your thing but no time to spare during day hours? Occasionally victims need a support system and to understand the importance of testifying. A caring person to talk to can make a world of difference.

Check out the new businesses on Cherokee!



JOIN US FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT!!!!

 DATE:
 AUGUST 6, 2013

 TIME:
 6:00 P.M.

 PLACE:
 3100 BLOCK

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(By the Minnesota Market/Penny Saver)

Enjoy the night out with the whole family.

Get together with friends, family and Neighbors.

Fun Food Games



SHOP and SEARCH to help BPW!

Join now at www.iGive.com/BPWNA

Help BPW do fundraising.

Shop online or do searches on the computer for FREE and help fundraise for Benton Park West.



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.

Emergency help: 9-1-1

Non-emergency: 314.231.1212

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Craigslist Rental Scam Resurfaces in South St. Louis



A caller to the Fraud Prevention Taskforce Hotline (314-612-1412) informed the Fraud Prevention Office that her home was being used in a Craigslist rental scam. The caller stated that she had listed her single family home in the Southampton neighborhood for sale with a real estate company.

Over the Memorial Day weekend, the caller was at home alone when she heard a knock at her door and observed a man standing at the door. Fearing for her safety, she decided not to answer the door. The man (Mr. X) walked to the rear of her house, opened a door to the porch and attempted to open the locked rear door. When she confronted the man, he told her he was considering renting the house from a Craigslist advertisement. Police were called to the scene, and Mr. X waited for their arrival.

Mr. X told police officers he had been communicating by email with whom he believed to be the husband of the homeowner. The emails, which he was able to produce on his smartphone, verified the owner's husband's name and indicated the owners were pediatric surgeons who had moved to Africa suddenly. He had been instructed to wire \$500 to Nigeria, at which time the keys would be mailed to him.

Subsequent investigation showed that at least one woman had actually wired the money. Numerous other inquiries were made regarding renting the home through the listing real estate agent. Each of those persons had been told the same story about pediatric surgeons moving to Africa and to wire transfer \$500 to Nigeria.

Other variations of this scam involve stories of military personnel or missionaries suddenly reassigned overseas. To avoid becoming a victim of this type of scam, remember the following:

• Never put down money on a rental unit until you have walked through the unit for inspection with an authorized agent of the owner and have been handed the keys.

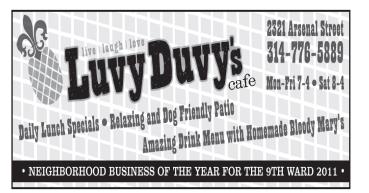
• Never wire transfer any money. Any such request is a sure sign of a scam.

• When listing items for sale on Craigslist, never agree to meet a buyer at his home or your home. Meet in a public place such as your bank, police or fire station lobby. Never go to such a meeting alone.

Additional Considerations:

• When home alone, never pretend not to be home. Go to the door with your cell or portable phone in hand to call 911 if necessary. Speak through the door or window and ask the individual's business.

• The owners of the home had their identities stolen during the Schnucks credit card incident. The possibility exists that this Craigslist scam could be a direct result of criminals from the Schnucks incident selling the owner's information to other criminals. Once you have been the victim of identity theft, you must always be on guard against further criminal activity directly targeting you.



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August Events

August 6 - National Night Out - 3301 Minnesota - Minnesota Market, X:XXp,

August X - BPW Board Meeting - 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

August 18 - BPW Neighborhood Meeting - 7p, Five Star Senior Center

August 31 - FREE Movie - Qz the Great and Powerful, Starts at dusk (8:30p) Gravois Park

BLAST our neighbors about Benton Park West Properties!

What better way of telling others about how great of a place we find Benton Park West, than promoting our homes for sale. In 2013, weekly emails are sent out promoting different properties.

Check on the website for the NEWEST BLAST at www.bentonparkwest.org. Just click on the link for the BLAST!

Remember - The CITY is here for YOU!

Citizen's Service Bureau is your contact for issues/concerns to request City services: 314-622-4800 or online: <u>http://stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/public-</u> safety/neighborhood-stabilization-office/citizens-service-bureau/csb-request-submit.cfm

July

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

4 - Happy Fourth of July

4 - BPWNA Beer booth at Fair St. Louis

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

13 - Newsletter Deadline for June

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



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***Tuesday,** July 16 5:30-8:30p, Family Fun Night at The Magic House: Exploration and play for Summer Reading Club. Free. Children must be accomp. by an adult. Families.

Wednesday, Jul;y 17 4-6p, DDR: Dance your heart out Gr 6-12.

***Thursday,** July 18 4-6p, Family Move: *Field of Dreams*. Families

*Monday, July 22 11-11:45a Sensory Exploration: Emotions, Preschool

***Tuesday,** July 23 4-5p, Creative Kids: Dream Jar, Gr K-5.

Thursday, July 25 2-3p, Nitro Joe: It's a Gas Bubbles, explosions and

12n - 7pm Tuesday-Thursday 9am - 6pm Saturday

creeping fog. Families

Wednesday, Aug 7 4-6p, Got Game? Wii and Xbox 360. Gr 6-12.

***Monday**, Aug 12 11-11:30a, Storytime. Toddler/Preschool.

***Tuesday,** Aug 13 4-5p, Creative Kids: Back to School Creations. Gr K-5.

*Please call for groups of 5 or more.

ADULTS

Tuesday, July 16 12:15-1:15p, ST. Louis Area Agency on Aging Ages 18-59 with disabilities.

Tuesday, Aug 20 12:15-1:15p, ST. Louis Area Agency on Aging Ages 18-59 with disabilities.



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

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

Monday, July 15 3-5p Play Super Smash Bros. Arrive by 3p to compete. Gr G-12

Tuesday, July 16 6-7p, Make a vision board to make your dreams a reality. Gr 6-12.

Wednesday, July 17 6-8p, PJs Movie Night: *Princess and the Frog*. Dress in your favorite PJ's. Families

*Thursday, July 18 5:30-8:30p, Family Fun Night at The Magic House: Exploration and play for Summer Reading Club. Free. Children must be accomp. by an adult. Families.

***Wednesday**, July 24 10-10:30a, Storytime. Birth - 30 months

Thursday, July 25 10:30-11:30a, Nitro Joe: It's a Gas Bubbles, explosions and creeping fog. Families

Thursday, Aug 1 2-3p, Water Bombs: Beat the heat with unique water tosy. Gr K-5.

Monday, Aug 5, 6-7p, Poetry Circle: Express Yourself. Gr 6-12.

Tuesday, Aug 6, 6-8p, Family Game Night Uno, checkers, Old Maid, etc. Families.

*Wednesday, Aug 7 10-10:30a, Storytime. Toddler/Preschool.



Wednesday, Aug 7 6-8p, PJs Movie Night: *Transformers*. Dress in your favorite PJ's. Families

Tuesday, Aug 13 5:30-7p, Teen Urban Lit Book Club. The Battle of Jericho Gr 9-12.

*Wednesday, Aug 14 10-10:30a, Storytime. Birth - 30 months.

*Please call for groups of 5 or more.

ADULTS

Tuesday, Jul 16 10-11:30a, Beginner Crochet. Classes will advanve to level 2 and 3. Each level comprised of three classes. Classes are free but, bring your own needles and yarn. Call 772-6586 to reserve your place.

Tuesday, Jul 16, 23, 30, Aug 6, 13 7-8p, ESL Practice..

Thursday, Jul 18, 25, Aug 1, 8 7-8p, ESL Practice.

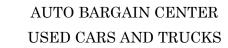
Wednesday, Jul 17 7-8p, Urban Book Discussion - "The Union" by Tramayne Johnson.

Thursday, Jul 18, 25, Aug 1, 8 11a-1p, GED Connection Video Study Group.

Monday, Jul 22 1:30-2:30p Community Health in Parnership Services. Free Health screenings.

Thursday, Jul 25 11a-1p, Basic Percussion Session. Ages 17 & up.

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Contact Numbers

Crime Prevention and Quality of Life

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Emergency/Drug	Activity	911
Non-Emergency		231-1212
Drug/Gang Hotli	ne 2	41-COPS
Joe Calabro - 3rd Dist PA Offic	er	444-0169
Dave Krapf - 3rd Dist Prob Pro	qq	444-0185
Citizen Ser Bure	au	622-4800
Alderman:		
Ken Ortmann	776	-0161 (h)
Neighborhood Officers:	Stabiliz	ation
Barb Potts,		-1370 (w)
		-1091 (c)
pottsb@stlouis-m	o.gov	
Dena Hibbard, hibbardd@stlouis		
MISC:		
Pothole Departm	ent	768-2805
Refuse/Recycle D	epartme	ent 353-8877
Five Star Center		664-1008
Illegal Dumping Then ca	all CSB	$911 \\ 622-4800$
Lights:		
Alley Lights (Am	UE)	342-1000
Street Lights (CS	SB)	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 b800-367-3543
Free 2-1-1 Service 800-427-4626 or (314) 421-4636

2013 Membership Application Level of Membership: Benton Park West __Bronze - \$ 10 per person Name: Senior - \$ 5 per person Address: __Silver - \$ 25 per person Phone: _____ __Gold - \$ 50 per person E-mail _____ Platinum - \$ 100 per person Mail to: BPWNA Membership __General Membership (Scholarship) PO Box 18671 __Friend (non-BPW) - \$ 20 per person Saint Louis MO 63118 __Gift/Donation _____ I would like to be involved with: Beautification Dog Park Youth Garden Publications Safety/Quality of Life Facilities

MELT on Cherokee

Board

PR/Marketing

M id June found the newest restaurant on Cherokee celebrating a SOFT Opening, MELT, featuring everything waffles.

Stop in and find out what terrific food items they offer. Along with the food, check out the pinball machines and other games.

They serve everything on or with WAFFLES. Yes, waffles; from brunch type selections to lunch and dinner options are offered on the menu.

Ever thought that a waffle could be part of the traditional South City Slinger? Well, the South City Slinger has been paired up with a waffle.

Two other notable items are the Blue Ox: slow-roasted brisket, blue cheese, caramelized onions and a



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bourbon lime sauce, the second is the Wake & Bake: Sausage or Bacon (you can do 50/50 also), egg of choice and cheese. Both include WAFFLES.

Find them at 2712 Cherokee Street. Expect big things in the very near future.

Watch for the Grand Opening, including being able to serve beer.



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