

CITYVIEWS

Deteriorating Facility Creates Challenges for Clayton Police

City searches for site for new police station

Clayton's Police Department has occupied the building at 227 S. Central since it was built in 1962. Originally, it housed both the Clayton Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department. The St. Louis County Police Department outgrew its space and moved to renovated facilities on Forsyth.

Over the past 47 years, the Police Department's operations have expanded. Now the facility accommodates the Clayton Police Department as well as two other law enforcement entities and the City's IT Department. In addition to being overcrowded, the Police Department's existing space has developed significant infrastructure issues that have become more prevalent over the past several years. The building is environmentally inefficient and has a variety of electrical, plumbing, and asbestos problems.

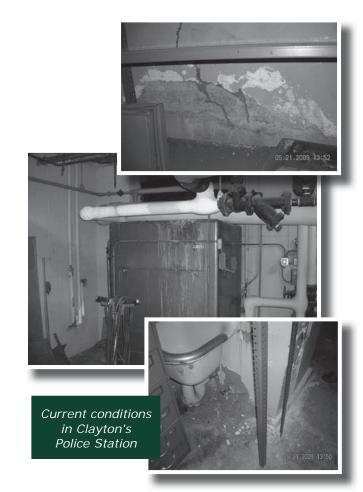
In 2007, the Board of Aldermen authorized hiring the architectural firm, Arcturis, to conduct a space and needs analysis. The study confirmed that the building is deteriorating. It did not recommend renovation because of the building's design and poor construction and encouraged the City to obtain a new site and construct a new facility.

The issues that exist in the current police facility present significant challenges in the daily operation of the Department. "In addition to the recommendation from Arcturis, we are becoming increasingly concerned that the environment could compromise the Department's ability to provide high-quality law enforcement to the community," said Police Chief Tom Bryne.

The search for a possible site for the new police facility is being conducted. The City

is also exploring various financial options in order to acquire property and to cover the cost of the project, which is estimated to be approximately \$15 million.

In the last several years, the cities of Brentwood, Richmond Heights, Ladue, and Maryland Heights have constructed new police buildings, and University City, Webster Groves and Maplewood have renovated or are in the process of renovating their police facilities. The replacement of Clayton's facility is long overdue. It is hoped that the residents recognize the significance of the problems that exist in the current police facility and will support this project as it moves forward.





Clayton continues to set the pace and the trend. The City leads economically and environmentally.

ECONOMICALLY

The Board of Aldermen recently approved the FY2010 Operating and Capital Improvements Budget. When some cities are unfortunately teetering on economic collapse, Clayton continues to maintain its financial stability. With revenue sources flattening, City staff implemented conservative work routines and practices, in order to provide a balanced budget, and should be commended for their focus on creating the best budget strategy for the next three years.

Mayor Linda Goldstein

The City's economic strength is further emphasized by the activities at the intersection of Forsyth Boulevard and Hanley Road. One of the few development projects underway just about anywhere is happening right here in Clayton. The expansion of Centene Corporation's headquarters is moving along at a rapid pace. It is expected that the 17 story office building, the first phase of the project, will be completed by summer 2010. Not only will approximately 800 new jobs be created with this expansion, the developers have pledged to build the project according to LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) standards.

Confidence in Clayton's economic viability was confirmed with the recent expansion of Husch, Blackwell, Sanders' offices at the Plaza in Clayton and the addition of approximately 200 new employees. The Centene project and major office expansions attest to Clayton's appeal as a business location. To complement this ongoing private investment, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to update the Central Business District (CBD) portion of the City's sixteen year old Business District Master Plan. The RFP included a request for a retail-marketing study and action plan. The recommendations from this study will guide the future of the retail component of the Central Business District. We were impressed by the response to the RFP. Twenty-seven nationally and internationally recognized firms responded; eight were interviewed by a panel comprised of City staff, elected officials and principals from the City Plan Commission and Economic Development Advisory Committee. It is expected that the project will be awarded this month.

ENVIRONMENTALLY

The City set another trend in motion with the recent adoption of an ordinance that prohibits smoking in all enclosed public places. Clayton once again became a standard bearer by urging others to address this important public health issue.

In addition to being smoke free and encouraging sustainable building practices in commercial and residential developments, the City implements a variety of internal practices that enhance its conservation efforts. The PlanIt! Green Team, a committee made up of City personnel, addresses various aspects of environmental responsibilities. The Green Team encourages City departments to maintain sensitivity to the environment and has subsequently added a Green procurement program to the City's Purchasing Policy and increased the use of Green products. Among the many other environmental programs, it has implemented a facilities-wide recycling program and expanded its hybrid vehicle fleet. Further demonstrating its commitment to conservation, the City added a Sustainability Coordinator position to the recently adopted FY2010 City budget.

Clayton's strength and stability are maintained through the dedication and commitment of City officials, resident advisory groups and staff. I am confident in this City's future, and know that Clayton will continue to set the pace and the trend.

October Meeting Schedule

The following list contains all regularly scheduled public meetings of the City of Clayton. Meetings may be added, canceled or rescheduled, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as the need arises.

- Oct. 1 Board of Adjustment City Hall - 5 p.m.
- Oct. 5 Plan Commission/ARB City Hall - 5:30 p.m.
- Oct. 5 Parks & Recreation The Center - 7 p.m.
- Oct. 12 Art Commission City Hall - 6 p.m.
- Oct. 13 Board of Aldermen City Hall - 7 p.m.
- Oct. 19 Plan Commission/ARB City Hall - 5:30 p.m.
- Oct. 22 Ecology & Environ. City Hall - 5 p.m.
- Oct. 23 C.R.S.W.C. The Center - 8 a.m.
- Oct. 27 Board of Aldermen City Hall - 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY NEWS

News from Ward III



Alderman Alex Berger III

Clayton is a happening place! After a delightful summer, our City is looking forward to a very bright Fall.

The Centene Plaza is rising very quickly. Clayton is very fortunate to have this major corporate headquarters project. Soon the outside window treatment will be installed and the building's unique and special qualities will be apparent.

Kudos to the City's Parks and Recreation Department staff for receiving a favorable first evaluation on the City's grant application for an inclusive playground project in Shaw Park. Citizen input is welcomed as we work to define, develop and build this important asset for kids.



Alderman Steve Lichtenfeld

Special thanks to the residents of Davis Place for their patience as the challenging street resurfacing project is nearing completion. The staff and contractors continue to work hard to bring this project to a positive outcome. Thanks to Meramec School's staff for supporting the communication to ensure the safety of the students.

The City's new revised smoking ban ordinance is a positive action for our community. Additional revisions will be assessed prior to the implementation date of July 2010. Special recognition goes to City Coffee for their decision to maintain a no smoking policy in their outdoor dining area.

The City is conducting interviews to identify the best firm to develop a revision to our present Central Business District Master Plan. The present plan served the city very well since its unveiling in 1993. It's now time for an update as the City looks forward to how the CBD should look in the future.

Thanks to Cindy Lerick and the staff of the Cultural Festivals staff for their continued excellent work in making the Saint Louis Art Fair a nationally recognized event.

As our City continues to evolve, we rely on our City staff to contribute significantly. We recognize and thank the staff for their efforts in the delivery of services and assistance to all citizens and stakeholders of our community.

Enjoy the changing seasons.

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School District Seeks Public Input



Wydown Tomorrow is a group of parents and community members that has been appointed by the School District of Clayton Board of Education. Wydown Tomorrow has been asked to develop options and direction for addressing facility needs at Wydown Middle School. They are gathering feedback and addressing concerns in order to develop options that reflect what our community wants. The Clayton community is invited to Middle School Mondays at 7 p.m. on Oct. 5 and Nov. 9. Those attending will tour the school and provide input on how to best improve the facility. Wydown Tomorrow will present its findings to the Board of Education on November 18, giving the Board adequate time to study the results and give sufficient consideration to placing a zero-tax-rate increase bond issue to improve our middle school on the April 2010 ballot. Learn more online at www. wydowntomorrow.org.

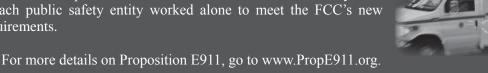
Countywide Emergency Communications System

Local government officials recognize that emergencies often require mutual aid from multiple jurisdictions, and that local governments in St. Louis must work together to prepare for the types of large scale disasters experienced in recent years, such as Hurricane Katrina, the bridge collapse in Minneapolis, and terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, DC. Currently, the emergency communications systems in St. Louis County are largely based on World War II technology and are department-independent systems that do not allow police, fire, EMS, trauma centers, and other responders to easily communicate with each other through compatible radio systems. The ability to identify the location of a cell phone 911 call in St. Louis County is also deficient. Additionally, the Federal Communications Commission has mandated a new broadband spectrum for all public safety frequencies by 2013 that will require the replacement of radio and other equipment by many first responder agencies such as municipal and county police and fire departments and districts.

Other counties such as Jefferson County, St. Charles County, others in Missouri, and the City of St. Louis have already authorized funding and are creating countywide systems. On the November 3, 2009 ballot, St. Louis County voters will be asked to authorize funding for a compatible countywide emergency communications system that will provide equipment necessary for responders to communicate with each other, enhance cell phone 911 coverage, and make the siren system functional. The November 3rd ballot measure will read as follows:

Proposition E911: Shall St. Louis County Establish an Emergency Communications System Fund to Establish, Operate and Maintain an Emergency Communication System and for Which St. Louis County Shall Levy a Sales Tax of One-Tenth of One Percent, to be Paid into the Fund for That Purpose?

If passed, Proposition E911 would generate \$16 million annually. These funds would be used to pay off a \$100 million bond issue for system capital costs, plus provide funds for ongoing operations, maintenance and reserves. According to the Emergency Communications Commission's analysis, working countywide will enable these improvements to be made more cost-efficiently than if each public safety entity worked alone to meet the FCC's new requirements.





Protect Your Property From Codents

The number of rodent sightings that have been reported to St. Louis County Vector Control and the City of Clayton's Building Division have increased recently. Aging infrastructure, construction activity and food sources are cited as reasons for an increase in the rodent population throughout the County.

Homeowners should take the following precautions to prevent attracting rodents:

- 1. Keep garbage adequately covered at all times.
- 2. Do not leave dog/cat food or waste in the back yard. Birdfeeders can also attract rodents.
- 3. Stack wood at least twelve (12) inches off the ground.
- 4. Keep property clean from debris during construction activity.
- 5. Rats sighted on your private property should be eradicated by a private exterminating company. Also contact Vector Control at the numbers below. Vector Control can not exterminate on private property but can bait sewers which may help alleviate the problem from becoming worse.

Report rodent sightings to St. Louis County Vector Control at 727.3097 or the City of Clayton at 290.8453.

Board Approves FY2010 City Operating and Capital Improvements Budget



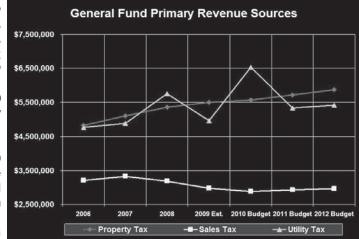
Community input is integral to the City's comprehensive planning processes, which includes budget preparation. In addition to two public workshops and two public hearings on the budget, Clayton citizens were invited to a special community budget forum that was held on August 26. At the budget forum, City Manager Craig Owens gave an overview of revenue and expense projections and highlights of some of the projects being considered for the next three years. Department Directors were on hand to answer questions about operations and receive requests and suggestions related to services the City provides.

In his presentation, the City Manager referred to a reduction in revenue due to the global, national and regional recession. He cited trends in the City's three largest sources of revenue: Property Tax, Sales Tax and Utility Tax. The

presentation showed that although FY2009

sales tax revenue is estimated to decrease by 13.6% compared to FY2008, it is expected to increase by 9.0% over FY2009. Over the next three years, property tax revenue is projected to increase by 6.9% over FY2009 revenue. Due to a one-time legal settlement with AT&T, the City will receive a payment in FY2010 of \$1,238,000 and will increase projected revenue from utility tax by approximately \$150,000 per year for 2011 and 2012.

Flattening of the revenue projections for 2010 through 2012 presents challenges for the City to continue providing the current high service levels. Unanticipated increases in pension funding, which correlates with the recession and decline in value of pension assets, is adding to demands on the budget. In addition to a \$650,000 per year increase in the City pension fund

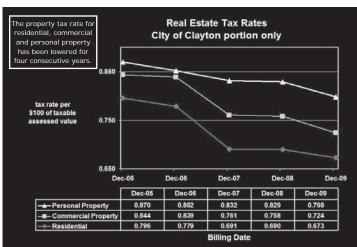


contribution, the contract for solid waste collection will increase by \$150,000 in 2010 over the current year and is projected to increase by 7% in 2011 and 2012. The budget also includes a 3% salary increase for each year 2010 through 2012, which is consistent with the overall increases recently adopted by several area municipalities. The City compensated for these increases by cutting back in all other expense line items and by employing more conservative practices. Utilizing quarterly budget adjustments, it is estimated that the City will close FY2009 with the surplus of \$600,925 contributed to fund balance. The only way to make more substantial reductions in expenditures is through impacts on staffing levels. A reduction in service levels is not part of the FY2010 budget. However, the City will continue to carefully monitor revenue trends which may require a strategic modification of either service levels or revenue enhancements or both in the next two years.

Despite challenges of decreasing revenue and increasing expenses, property taxes have been reduced for the past four years. While continuing to provide the same high level of service, the City has managed to build and maintain balances in all major operating funds, which currently exceed the minimum policy balance requirements. Fund balances will be utilized to assist in balancing the budgets for FY2010-2012.

In addition to working to balance the budget, staff has restructured portions of the budget instrument, creating a more streamlined and comprehensive approach to management of operations, capital and debt.

Clayton officials and staff take the City's mission of fiscal responsibility very seriously and have created a strong and viable budget strategy for the next three years.



City Department Highlight

Public Works

Clayton's Public Works Department has had a very busy year. The downturn in the economy has decreased the overall number of projects in the metro-area, so the City of Clayton has benefited from more competitive bidding and lower prices. Thirteen capital improvement projects were completed this year.

- CBD Streetscape Sidewalk Caulking Project
- Bus Stop Improvement Project (Community Development Block Grant)
- Roadway Crack Sealing Project
- Sidewalk Replacement Project
- Cecil Avenue Reconstruction
- Curb and Gutter Replacement Project
- The Brentwood / Maryland / Wydown Microsurfacing Project (80% Federally-Funded)
- Residential Microsurfacing (The Moorlands)
- Davis Place Resurfacing Project
- Alley Replacement Project ("Concordia Alley")
- Wydown Parkway Irrigation Project (Westwood Drive to West Brentmoor)
- Parks Pavement Restoration Project
- Oak Knoll Park Walking Path Replacement Project

The Public Works Department continues to take great strides in keeping residents, businesses and property owners advised of current and upcoming projects through the *CityViews*, letters, door hang tags, project signage and the City's website. For more information on this year's projects and future projects, please visit the City's website at www.ci.clayton.mo.us and follow the links to the Capital Improvement Projects (City Hall » City Departments/Offices » Public Works » Capital Improvement Projects).





Staff Highlight

Director of Parks & Recreation Patty DeForrest



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Patty DeForrest has been with Clayton's Parks & Recreation Department for 10 years. She worked as Aquatics Supervisor for 4 years and has been Director since 2003. She leads a team of 27 full-time and over 300 part-time employees.

In 2006, Patty was inducted into the University of Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Hall of Fame for her swimming accomplishments. She was a two-time All-American, and one of the most decorated swimmers in Mizzou women's history, winning 14 Big Eight Conference championships, where she held the Big Eight record for most career points scored in conference championships.

Patty's competitive drive carries over to her work with the City. She and her staff are dedicated to improving the quality of life for Clayton citizens by providing leisure services and recreational opportunities to individuals of all ages, abilities

and interests in a safe, healthy and pleasant environment. "The results of the 2009 citizen survey confirmed that my dedicated staff provides the community the best parks, programming, recreational facilities and customer service possible," Patty said. "Although our rankings are high, we intend to continue to make improvements wherever possible."

Clayton Serves As A Model For Environmental Conservation

. . . and continues to reduce its carbon footprint.

Clayton's impressive history as a leader in the environmental movement started with its residential recycling program approximately 15 years ago. A citizen advisory group, the Ecology and Environmental Awareness Committee, was established in 1997 to provide recommendations about support and development of ecologically sound programs and practices within Clayton's municipal government and the Clayton community. The City was one of the first St. Louis County municipalities to implement single-stream recycling and now sets a standard by recycling 30% of its total refuse collection compared to an average of 14% for cities nationwide.

SMOKE FREE

In July, Clayton became only the second of St. Louis County's 91 municipalities to adopt a citywide ban on smoking in public places. The City hoped that by adopting the ordinance, other municipalities, the County and the State would be encouraged to address this critical public health issue. The new ordinance will take effect July 1, 2010. Ballwin also bans smoking in public places.

From smoke free to online and paperless, Clayton implements a versatile approach to its environmental efforts.

GREEN ARCHITECTURE

As a leader in sustainable building practices, Clayton was the first of two Missouri cities to implement the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification program that was created by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). Clayton and Kansas City were the first municipalities in the State to adopt an



ordinance calling for LEED certification. One of the few development projects underway anywhere right now is Centene Plaza. The developers continue to move forward with the expansion of Centene Corporation's headquarters in downtown Clayton and pledge to build the project according to LEED standards.

INTERNAL EFFORTS

In addition to encouraging Green practices in Clayton's private sector, City staff makes environmental matters integral to daily operations in all City-run facilities.

Decisions regarding sustainability play a major role in the City's internal functions. This year a committee, the PlanIt! Green Team comprised of personnel

from each City department, was formed to address various aspects of environmental responsibility, including the City's internal procedures. The PlanIt! Green Team works with City departments to maintain a sensitivity



to environmental issues while it executes its Green procurement program; increases the use of Green products; implements, among others, its facilities-wide recycling program; and expands the City hybrid vehicle fleet.

Green Products

The availability of ecologically safe products continues to grow. The City's Building Supervisor studied the benefits of Green building maintenance products. As a result of the research, 100% of the cleaning solutions and lavatory paper products used in City-run facilities are Green products.

In addition to Green cleaning solutions and paper products, the Parks and Recreation Department uses organic pesticides and fertilizers to maintain turf and landscaping in City parks. Furnishings made of high-density polyethylene material, a 90% recycled product made of post-consumer bottle waste, replace existing park benches, tables and trash cans.

Energy Conservation

The IT Department conserves energy by making energy-saving features such as hibernation and sleep settings available on all PCs Citywide. The department instructs employees to turn off computers at the end of

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Clayton Salutes . . . Ann Gallardo

Ann Gallardo has owned and operated City Coffee House & Creperie for 14 years. "I fell in love with Clayton while spending time here with my husband, Ray, when he opened Ramon's Jalapeno." When she found herself ready to embark on her own adventure, she decided on Clayton. With its small town hustle and bustle, she considered it the perfect place to showcase her love of French sidewalk cafes. In 1995, she opened the doors at 36 North Brentwood Boulevard for business. City Coffee House & Creperie offers authentic French crepes, quality coffees and teas in a welcoming, Paris-like setting for meeting friends and business associates — a place that feels like a second home.

"I am blessed with a great staff that contributes to the success of City Coffeehouse & Creperie. I hired Michael True to be my right hand man, and he's been just that throughout the last 15 years." Mike brings an artistic flair to the coffee house with his delightful chalkboard menus and delectable recipes.



With the restaurant flourishing, Ann realized that she would save time and tension if she could reduce the distance between work to home. She and Ray were thrilled to find a townhouse adjacent to beautiful Shaw Park ten years ago. "Now we have the convenience of living near the restaurant, and we truly enjoy living in Clayton." Although most St. Louisans think "business" when they think of Clayton, the Gallardo's think of it as a neighborhood where people live within walking distance of casual to fine dining, churches, grocery stores, pharmacies, banks and shops. They appreciate that the City maintains such high standards, which separates Clayton from other communities. They value the safety, cleanliness and attractiveness. "Clayton affords those of us who live and work here a sense of pride, and I'm proud to be a part of this great community."

Parks Foundation and Scout Troop Collaborate on Park Beautification

The Clayton Parks Foundation was formed in 1992 to guide and facilitate the full development of the Clayton parks system. The foundation cooperates with the City of Clayton and the Department of Parks and Recreation to provide private funding for conservation, recreation and relaxation activities and projects, and to

enhance the City's parks and recreation system.

The Foundation has supported projects that include Wydown Park Acorn sculpture, pool accessories, bicycles, trees, benches, picnic tables, keyless lockers and aquarium for The Center of Clayton, financial assistance for Clayton students to enroll in Parks and Recreation programs and the Musical Nights in Oak Knoll Park.



Volunteers from Boy Scout Troop 21

Recently, the Foundation funded the installation of botanical tree signs in Oak Knoll Park. A total of 17 volunteers helped with various aspects of the project, which was lead by Boy Scout Troop 21. Brett Rapponotti of Boy Scout Troop 21 planned and supervised the installation of the signs, the building of the brochure boxes and designed the brochure as his Eagle leadership project.

In addition to supporting smaller projects, the Foundation board members are exploring the development of a large scale venture such as the installation of a rain garden in Shaw Park. The Clayton Parks Foundation continues to support projects that provide a margin of excellence to the parks system and to the community.



2009 LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The following is the 2009 Leaf Collection Program schedule. Listed are the weeks and days of collection for each street and subdivision in Clayton. NO LEAF COLLECTION THANKSGIVING WEEK – November 24 - 28.

WEEK OF:

October 5 - 9 October 19 - 23 November 2 - 6 November 16 – 20 December 7 - 11 December 21 - 25

<u>Monday</u>

8100 Blk Stratford* Clayton Gardens Subdivision Polo Subdivision Country Club Court 7700 Blk Walinca Terrace 7700 Blk Shirley Drive

<u>Tuesday</u>

8100 Blk Stratford* Hillcrest Subdivision Ellenwood Subdivision Tuscany Park Subdivision

Wednesday

Carrswold Subdivision Southmoor Subdivision Forest Ridge Subdivision

Thursday

E. Brentmoor Subdivision W. Brentmoor Subdivision



WEEK OF:



October 12 - 16October 26 - 30November 9 - 13

December 14 - 18 December 28 - January 1

November 30 - 4

Tuesday

Bemiston Subdivision(Old Town)*
Maryland Terrace Subdivision(7400 Blk Maryland)*
Hanley Place Subdivision(7500/7600 Blks Westmoreland)*
Parkside Subdivision(10 Blks Brighton & Topton Way)*
Northmoor Subdivision(Bland Ave.)
7400 Blks Moorlands Subdivision
7500 Blks Moorlands Subdivision*

Monday

Bemiston Subdivision(Old Town)*
Maryland Terrace Subdivision(7400 Blk Maryland)*
Hanley Place Subdivision(7500/7600 Blks Westmoreland)*
Parkside Subdivision(10 Blks Brighton & Topton Way)*
Skinker Heights Subdivision
Wydown Terrace Subdivision
Hi-Pointe Subdivision*

<u>Wednesday</u>

Forest Court*

Claverach Park Subdivision Clayshire Subdivision Clayshire Ridge Subdivision Haddington Court Wenneker Drive

Thursday

Wydown Forest Subdivision* Hi-Pointe Subdivision* 6300/6400 Blks Forsyth

<u>Friday</u>

Davis Place Subdivision*
7500 Blks Moorlands Subdivision*
Forest Court*

*Denotes restricted parking for street sweeping. Please keep this schedule for future reference.

DO's & DON'T's

- Rake leaves to curb. No plastic bags, limbs or brush yard debris will be picked up during regular yard waste pickups.
- Obey the street sweeping signs on the scheduled leaf collection day.
- Leaves will be collected from all streets on the scheduled day or the following workday, rain or shine.
- When a collection day falls on a holiday, leaves will be collected the day before or the next non-holiday work day.
- In case of inclement weather (heavy rain, snow or ice), the leaf collection schedule will be modified or reduced. Please call Public Works at 290.8540 for a revised schedule.
- Leaves from islands, parkways and common areas will be picked up as time permits. These areas may be skipped in order to maintain the residential leaf pickup schedule.
- Do not rake the leaves onto islands, parkways or common areas.
- Alley pickup is not available.

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each day; encourages network printing, which reduces the resources used by printers; and promotes participation in a toner cartridge recycling program.

In addition, the City uses virtualization technology to reduce the physical number of servers in the data center. Virtualization replaces physical servers with virtual machines, thereby reducing the required resources (space, power, cooling) and limiting the amount of hardware eventually sent to the landfill. Plans are underway to develop a new high-efficiency data center and expand the server virtualization process to desktops. This will extend the life of desktop hardware. Eventually, desktop hardware will be replaced with low energy consumption thin client computers instead of full desktop computers. Thin clients depend primarily on a central server. All processing activities are sent to and occur on the server, which eliminates the energy necessary to run multiple PCs.

Reduced Emission

In an effort to further reduce its carbon footprint, the City will increase its hybrid fleet in 2010 from six to eight vehicles; and increase the number of fleet vehicles adapted to use alternative fuels from 83 to 101. According to the Center for Performance Measurement (CPM), a program that tracks the performance of 250 professionally managed cities from across the country, 40.7% of City of Clayton vehicles use alternative fuels versus 7.3% by other cities participating in the CPM program. Additionally, all products, from oil to tires, used to run City vehicles are recycled.



INTERGOVERNMENTAL EFFORTS

A cooperative purchase by seven St. Louis County municipalities helps preserve the environment and capitalizes on economies of scale. The group recently issued an invitation for bids to jointly purchase recycled, multi-purpose paper. Participating with Clayton in the cooperative purchase are Creve Coeur, Ferguson, Maryland Heights, Olivette, Richmond Heights and University City.

ALTERNATIVE MODES OF TRAVEL

The City also concentrates on travel as a means for environmental change.

Clayton prides itself on being part of the Bike St. Louis system, which includes multiple "Share the Road" trails and dedicated bike lanes recently installed on Wydown Boulevard. These trails interconnect Shaw Park, the Central



Business District, MetroLink and the City of St. Louis. Clayton's commitment to developing a joint bicycle and pedestrian master plan with adjacent communities is an acknowledgement of the many benefits of a more bicycle and pedestrian friendly environment for residents, workers and visitors.

FUTURE EFFORTS

To set benchmarks for future improvements, the City recently joined ICLEI—Local Governments for Sustainability, an international association of over 1,090 local and regional governments committed to sustainable development. As an ICLEI member, the City must develop a Greenhouse Gas Inventory of its operations and the City as a whole. In addition to the Greenhouse Gas Inventory, an energy audit of City facilities is being explored. An energy audit identifies measures that will make City facilities more energy efficient.

Knowing how important ecological conservation is to the Clayton community, efforts to encourage preservation of the environment continue. "While maintaining an impressive workload and providing Clayton's renowned quality of life, City staff makes protecting the environment an integral part of daily operations," said Mayor Linda Goldstein. "We are all proud of these achievements in preserving the environment that are enriched by the support of the Board of Aldermen, our citizen advisory committees, the PlanIt! Green Team and our dedicated City staff."

To help educate others about the benefits of Green practices, the City maintains a comprehensive Green section on its website. To read about all of Clayton's recent conservation efforts, visit www.ci.clayton.mo.us and click Ecology in the left menu bar. The City of Clayton encourages everyone to participate in the preservation of the environment . . . REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE.

CLAYTON FARMERS' MARKET

Saturdays through October 31

8:30 - noon

Straub's west parking lot

Clayton's weekly Farmers' Market supports local farmers, spotlights organic items and unique, seasonal specialties and educates the public about the preparation of local, seasonal products. For more information, visit www.claytonfarmersmarket.com.



Saturday, October 3

9 to 11 a.m.

Tour will meet at City Hall (Bemiston and Forsyth)

With artist, writer Barbara Decker-Franklin, learn the history behind this diverse array of art. Explore how public art creates new connections in a changing city landscape. Registration fee is \$5. For details and to register, call 314.290.8500



Saturday, October 10

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Clayton High School (Mark Twain Circle and Topton Way)

Bookmark your calendar for an extraordinary event that will celebrate authors and promote literacy. The Big Read will feature authors, costumed characters, interactive projects, panel discussions and book signings. For details, call: 314.863.0278

CLAYTON TRIANGLE - Jaguar exhibit

Saturday, October 10

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Brentwood Boulevard between Maryland Avenue and Forsyth Boulevard

The Clayton Triangle presents the Jaguar Clubs of North America's Concorde d'elegance, a nationally sanctioned show, where up to eighty Jaguars will be officially judged for trophies awarded and points. For details, call: 314.727.2020

HISTORIC HANLEY HOUSE FALL FESTIVAL AND HOPPIN' FUNDRAISER

Saturday, October 10

noon to 6 p.m.

Hanley Park, 7600 Westmoreland Avenue

Activities at the 2nd annual Fall Festival will include demonstrations of spinning and blacksmithing, view a Civil War camp and listen to storytellers. Enjoy traditional games, crafts, and caramel apples and a presentation on the history of beer by the authors of St. Louis Brews: 200 Years of Brewing in St. Louis, 1809-2009. Hoppin' Fundraiser ticket holders aged 21 and older can sample hand crafted beer and Michelob craft beer. Tickets for the beer tasting are \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door. For details, call: 314.226.9893 or visit www.HanleyHouse.org

PARTY IN THE PATCH

Friday, October 16

6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Clayton Shaw Park

Take a hayride, jump in the bounce house, play fun carnival games, hunt for candy and more! 12 & under: \$7 (includes hotdog, chips and drink), 13 & over: Free (may purchase food at event). Day of event: \$10. Special thanks to Enterprise and Commerce for their support! For more information, please contact Janet at 314.802.7763

HOLIDAY CHAMPAGNE STROLL (17th annual)

Sunday, November 22

Noon to 5 p.m.

Clayton Road from Brentwood Boulevard to Hanley Road

The chic boutiques and antique shops of The Shops of Clayton Row are gaily decorated and filled to the brim with unique gift-giving ideas for the holidays. Guests can expect warm holiday greetings, refreshments and special activities as they stroll this charming holiday setting. For details, call: 314.725.2622









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STATEMENT OF ACCESSIBILITY TO ALL CITIZENS

It is the City of Clayton's goal to make programs and facilities accessible to all individuals. If you or someone you know has a disabling condition and would like more information and support for accessibility of all programs and facilities, please contact us at 290.8501(V). Sign interpreters may be scheduled upon request. Suggestions for future programs are welcomed.

Q & A

Q. Does Clayton have information about resources for senior citizens?

A. The City of Clayton is working with OASIS to develop a Clayton Senior Resource Directory. The goal is to provide our residents and their families with information about resources that would help them Age in Place. Persons interested in assisting in this effort, please contact City Clerk June Waters at jwaters@ci.clayton. mo.us or at 314.290.8469.

What would you like to know? Clayton citizens are invited to ask questions of their City officials. Forward your questions to: City of Clayton, ATTN: Judy Kekich, 10 North Bemiston, Clayton, MO 63105; Fax them to 314/863-0295; E-mail them to: jakekich@ci.clayton.mo.us

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

In Case of Emergency	911
City Manager	290.8400
Community Outreach	290.8473
Customer Service	290.8441
Finance	290.8446
Fire (non-emergency)	290.8485
Planning and Development	
Mayor/Board of Aldermen/City Clerk	290.8469
Parks and Recreation	290.8500
Human Resources	290.8448
Police (non-emergency)	645.3000
Public Works	
TDD	290.8435