

Special Olympics Half Marathon

The Clayton Police Department (CPD) will partner again with the St. Louis Track Club to host the 17th Annual Joint St. Louis Half Marathon and 5K Run. This event began in 2001 and was the CPD's effort to join other participating police departments in the Law Enforcement Torch Run to benefit Special Olympics. It is put on with the help of the Clayton Parks and the Public Works Departments, respectively.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) began in 1981, in Wichita, Kansas, and is now a staple in all 50 states and 45 foreign countries. To date, the LETR has raised over \$620,000,000 for Special Olympics, now bringing in approximately \$55,000,000 annually and involving 90,000 police officers worldwide.



Over the past 17 years, CPD has raised over \$300,000 for Special Olympics Missouri, in recent years adding both the Polar Plunge and Tip-a-Cop programs to our fundraising effort.

If you would like to participate in the run, which starts and ends at the Center of Clayton, please visit **stlouistrackclub.com** or **somo.org**. The run will take place on Sunday, November 5 at 7:30am, and there will be an EXPO on Saturday at the Center of Clayton. If you would like to make a donation on behalf of the CPD, please contact Corporal Jenny Schwartz at (314) 290-8460, Lieutenant Al Thuet at (314) 290-8405, or Chief Kevin Murphy at (314) 290-8401 for additional information.







MAYOR'S MESSAGEMayor Harold J. Sanger

Depending on your point of view, it may seem that the world is on fire. Wars, famine and natural disasters are raging around the globe. An unstable dictator in North Korea has his hand on "the button," terrorists are raining violence seemingly at will, and domestic terror groups are spewing

hatred and bigotry while claiming tacit approval from the White House. Add to that our political climate where every headline reads like another made-for-television series. Where is West Wing President Jed Bartlet when we need him?

All of this is intensified by our internet immersed/instant communication world with talking heads on every channel giving their "professional" opinion of every news flash. Finding the right balance of information vs. saturation can make all the difference in our level of stress each day.

And what does all of this mean to us in our little corner of the universe? Although this is written well in advance of printing, I suspect that the sun has continued to rise and set on Clayton every single day with the diversion of the Great American Eclipse on August 21.

Be assured that whether you live, work, or just visit here, that every effort is made to achieve the highest possible level of safety and security for everyone in our community. That the services provided are of the highest possible quality, that the streets are plowed when there is snow and that they are repaved when they get old. That if we experience a weather produced natural disaster or if you have a personal emergency, our first responders are well trained and capable to efficiently and effectively handle your emergency.

The events that unfolded in Charlottesville over the summer play heavily on the minds of all of us responsible for the safety of our community. Your City of Clayton elected officials are committed to respecting and protecting everyone's First Amendment rights, but, at the same time, completely and totally denounce the actions of the KKK, White Supremacy groups, Neo-Nazis, and any other group of that ilk that promotes violence and spreads bigotry. Our parents and grandparents fought to eliminate the scourge of these groups and we will not allow them to compromise the rights of all citizens regardless of race, color, sexual orientation, or national origin.



Sunday at Starbucks (Ward II Coffee)

October 1 & November 5 at 4 pm Starbucks (7645 Wydown)

Parks and Recreation Commission

October 2 & November 6 at 7 pm Center of Clayton

Planning Commission/ Architectural Review Board

October 2, 16 & November 6, 20 at 5:30 pm City Hall

Ward III Coffee

October 7 at 10 am Starbucks (2 N. Central)

Board of Aldermen

October 10, 24 & November 14, 28 at 7 pm City Hall

Thanksgiving Day

City offices will be closed Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Offices will reopen at 8:00 am on Monday, November 27.

Holiday Refuse Schedule

Monday routes will not be affected.

Tuesday routes will not be affected.

Thursday routes will be picked up **Friday, November 24**.

Friday routes will be picked up Saturday, November 25.

[CITY UPDATE]

Ward I Update

Change happens. Some of us are uncomfortable when our familiar world gets rearranged; some of us celebrate any change as new and novel. With respect to our little community, most of us just want to see changes done well, maintaining the character of our



Joanne Boulton

neighborhood while keeping it livable and attractive.

Opinions may vary on various residences that have been added to our streetscapes over the years, but, in general, the Clayton Architectural Review Board has done a superb job of ensuring our neighborhoods remain as charming as ever. While new houses may not have all the old world details of those they replaced, they do provide a fresh, updated look that adds value to our community, particularly when considering the conditions that some of the properties had fallen into. The new quickly becomes assimilated into our environment, leaving us struggling to recall the details of what was there before.



Rich Lintz

On the other hand, who is going to forget Jimmy's flash fried spinach or Katie's butternut squash pizza? But new memories are formed when change happens. Have you tried Clementine's Chocolate Cabernet?

An update of the DeMun Park playground is well into the planning stage. Thank you to all the residents who participated

in the various community meetings. Your input has shaped the direction and specifics of the soon to be refreshed park. And the new DeMun cut-through bike lanes will keep pedestrians from getting mowed down and bicyclists from getting 'clothes lined' by dog leashes.

Respecting our history while embracing change ... it keeps us young and vibrant!

Warm regards,

Aldermen Joanne Boulton & Rich Lintz



Board of Aldermen Approve Fiscal Year 2018 Budget

In July, City Manager Craig Owens proposed the Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the City of Clayton. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen held several work sessions, meetings and public hearings to review the proposed budget plan and make adjustments prior to final adoption. The budget is guided by the principals of maintaining high levels of service, responsiveness to the needs of residents and businesses, and preserving long-term financial stability through sound fiscal management. The approved budget plan achieves a balanced General Fund budget and ensures a continuation of all City services delivered in the previous year.

Information about the Fiscal Year 2018 budget and supporting details can be found at www.claytonmo.gov/budget.

Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week is October 8 - 14 and this year's theme is "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!" Your Clayton firefighter/ paramedics, along with our mascot, Blaze, will be visiting the area schools during that

week to teach students about fire safety and prevention. This year we are planning to visit in all area elementary, preschools, and nursery schools. These visits include the students talking with firefighters/paramedics about fire safety, seeing a firefighter dressed in all of his/her gear to show that they aren't scary, learning the proper use of 911, and a tour of our fire trucks.



Every Second Counts:
Plan 2 Ways Out!

You can help us at home as well! Pull all matches and lighters away from your children's reach, cover your

electrical outlets, change smoke alarm batteries every daylight savings change, talk to your children about a meeting place outside the house if there is an emergency, and help them memorize their address and phone number.

For questions, please contact our Fire Department at (314) 290-8485.

[CITY UPDATE]

Fall Leaf Collection Program



Listed are the weeks and days of collection for each street and subdivision in Clayton. If scheduled collection day is on a holiday, streets will be cleaned the day before or the following non-holiday business day. Leaves will not be collected the week of Thanksgiving (November 20-24).

Bring Conservation Home

Clayton residents can get help to save money, improve water quality and provide habitat for birds and butterflies all within their own landscapes. The St. Louis Audubon Society's Bring Conservation Home Program provides at-home consultations by Habitat Advisors trained in native landscaping and other conservation practices for suburban landscapes. The program fee is just \$25 for Clayton residential property owners, courtesy of an endorsement by the City.

After application to the program and scheduling, a team of Habitat Advisors will meet with you to discuss your use of and goals for your landscape, survey your grounds, offer immediate feedback and then provide detailed, written recommendations on how to improve the landscape as habitat and meet your goals. An optional second visit is included in the initial fee for your use at any time; there is no expiration on that visit.

Now is a great time to make plans. Program advisors work year-round and are able to accommodate most any schedule. For detailed info, visit the program website at www.stlouisaudubon.org/BCH/index.php; the consultation request form is on the same page. For other questions or interest in non-residential property types, including commercial sites, please contact Mitch at (314) 599-7390 or mitch@stlouisaudubon.org.

Toys for Tots

We are proud to announce that the City of Clayton will again be participating in Toys for Tots! Donation boxes will be placed at the Clayton Fire and Police Departments as well as the Center of Clayton beginning October 1st. Please help those in need to have a joyous holiday season by donating your toys at these three locations in the boxes provided. Please only donate new toys. Thank you for any donation big or small!



WEEK OF: OCT. 16-20, NOV. 1-7 14-20, DEC. 1-7, 15-21, & JAN. 2-8

- 7500 Blks Moorlands Subdivision*
- Forest Court*

- Hanley Place Subdivision (7500/7600 Blks Westmoreland)
- Parkside Subdivision (10 Blks Brighton & Topton Way)
- Northmoor Subdivision
- Wydown Terrace Subdivision
- DeMun / Hi-Pointe Subdivision*

WEDNESDAY

- Claverach Park Subdivision
- Clayshire Subdivision
- Clayshire Ridge Subdivision
- Wenneker & Louwen Drives

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

- Carrswold Subdivision
- 7500 Blks Moorlands Subdivision*
- Forest Court*

WEEK OF: OCT. 23-26. NOV. 8-13. 27-30, DEC. 11-14, DEC. 26-29**, & JAN. 9-12

MONDAY

- Clayton Gardens Subdivision

- Country Club Court 7700 Blk Walinca Terrace
- 7700 Blk Shirley Drive

TUESDAY

- 8100 Blk Stratford

- Skinker Heights Subdivision • Tuscany Park Subdivision

- Davis Place Subdivision
- Southmoor Subdivision

THURSDAY

- E. Brentmoor SubdivisionW. Brentmoor Subdivision
- Forest Ridge Subdivision
- be cleaned the day before or the following non-holiday work day.

[CITY UPDATE]



Chapman Plaza Ribbon Cutting

The Chapman Plaza Ribbon Cutting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, October 4 at 5:30 pm. Progress on the site continues at a brisk pace, but several key materials have been unexpectedly delayed. While the delay is a disappointment, the rescheduled date will provide work crews with extra time to deliver the most complete site for the event.

The event will begin at the corner of Brentwood and Forsyth with a short ceremony to thank those whose generosity made this project possible — the Clayton Century Foundation, the Chapman Family and Barry-Wehmiller. The Plaza and waterfall will officially open to the public with the cut of a ribbon and attendees will be able to enjoy a walk along the trail, enjoying the many beautiful amenities and light refreshments.

Fire Chief Retirement

On October 25, G. Mark Thorp will hang up his white helmet retiring after 35 years with the Clayton Fire Department, with 16 of those years heading the department as its' Fire Chief. Chief Thorp's career began 40 years ago as a Paramedic and later, becoming a Registered Nurse after starting with Clayton Fire Department.



Mark Thorp

During Chief Thorp's tenure with the City of Clayton, he has been instrumental in spearheading many projects including oversight of the new fire station, expansion of emergency medical equipment and personnel on fire apparatus, community and City AED programs, special teams' development in the fire department as well as Unified Commander for Presidential and Vice-Presidential Debates and Civil Unrest.

Chief Thorp served on many commissions and committees and has received numerous recognitions including life-saving awards and commendations from the Federal, State and County entities.

Fields closed

Shaw Park Fields 5 and 6 are closed for renovation through spring of 2018. The fields will be regraded and will get new turf, fencing, lighting and irrigation. This project was primarily funded through a municipal grant. The fields are expected to reopen for the spring 2018 sports season.

PARTY IN THE PATCH | FRIDAY, OCT. 13 | 6-8:30 PM

Celebrate fall with a candy hunt, hay rides, inflatables and crafts! Hot dog dinner included in child's registration. Adults may purchase additional hot dog meals at time of registration or at concessions.



KIDS 14 & UNDER: \$8 (registration code: 651) DAY OF THE EVENT: \$10





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Celebrate the beginning of hockey season by enjoying free lunch, music, raffle prizes and more at the Blues Home Opener Lunch on October 6th from 11:30am – 1:30pm at Clayton City Hall. Visit our Facebook page for more information!



Support small businesses in Clayton on November 25th during American Express' 7th Annual Small Business Saturday! From 11am – 3pm, you can enjoy activities around town and special promotions at participating retailers. Visit www.shopclaytonmo.gov for more information.



Wednesday, October 18 11 am - 2 pm

Clayton Fire Department 10 N. Bemiston Ave.

All proceeds will benefit the David C. Pratt Cancer Center.