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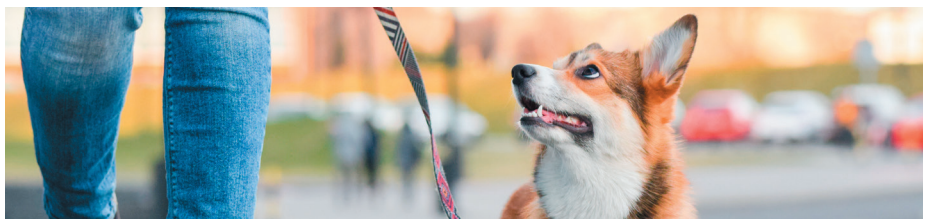
Be a Good Neighbor

Let's continue to work together to build a thriving and kind community.

Whether you've lived here for decades or are new in town, we want to ensure that living in Wentzville is a positive experience for you and your neighbors. Thank you all for being a part of this wonderfully unique community!

When residents become active members of their neighborhoods and work together to be good neighbors, many great things can happen!

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Welcome New Businesses!

CLUB PILATES

1894 Wentzville Pkwy., Suite 104

FEEL GOOD FLOWER TRUCK

13 E. Pearce Blvd.

GLOGEOUS BY REINGA, LLC

215 Creekside Office Dr.

MASTER YOO'S WORLD CHAMPION

1923 Wentzville Pkwy.

TM TRIFECTA

141 Hamilton Industrial

ROOT 66

1163 Wentzville Pkwy.

HAWAIIAN BROS ISLAND GRILL

1991 Wentzville Pkwy.

PRIMROSE MIDWIFERY

1802 Crosswinds Ct.

JTK PERFORMANCE

15286 Veterans Memorial Pkwy.

IRISH EYES PHOTOGRAPHY*

111 W. Allen St., Ste. 102

MANIA WORX2

1201 Wentzville Pkwy.

HEAD 2 TOES SALON AND SPA*

1445 Wentzville Pkwy.

SPA LUMINESCENT LLC

1201 Wentzville Pkwy.

**New Location*



Business Spotlight: Van's Hallmark

From the Happy Shoppe to Van's Hallmark, this Wentzville staple has survived and thrived through parts of five decades!

OWNER: Jim Van Iseghem (pictured below)

WHEN DID YOU OPEN? The store actually was opened as the Happy Shoppe in the 70s and I purchased the store from the previous owner, Charlotte Smith, in 1995. We renamed the store Van's Hallmark in 1998 because we had several locations across the region and it was important that we be able to leverage our brand.

WHAT INFLUENCED YOU TO BRING YOUR BUSINESS TO WENTZVILLE? Wentzville was a growing area in the mid-90s and the opening of the GM plant was sure to attract a new and growing customer base.

WHAT DO YOU BRING TO WENTZVILLE BY HAVING YOUR BUSINESS HERE? I feel we serve a need that the consumer is not able to find anywhere else in the community with our specialized selection of cards and gifts for all occasions.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT WENTZVILLE? It feels like a small town even though the population continues to grow.

WHAT PRODUCTS/SERVICES DOES YOUR BUSINESS OFFER? Hallmark cards and gifts that are not always available at chain drug and mass merchants. We offer specialized niche cards for occasions such as new driver, Eagle Scout and a priest's Silver or Golden Jubilee. We are the only place you can find Hallmark ornaments in the city!

WHAT'S NEXT FOR YOUR BUSINESS? In the next year or two, we hope to be able to do a complete remodel bringing the store up to standard with the latest Hallmark prototype.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE WENTZVILLE WILL EVOLVE INTO IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS? I look for Wentzville to be able to provide additional City services and attract more large employers in order to continue to build the population base.

WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE? I want to give a shout out to the former store owner, Charlotte Smith, for all the help and advice she has given in the 27 years I have owned the store. She has been instrumental in our acceptance and growth in the community.





Mayor Nick Guccione

Message from the Mayor: You Play an Integral Role in Community Safety

SAFER TRANSACTIONS

Thousands of transactions facilitated by the multitude of buy-sell-trade sites online occur in our community every day. Sometimes, these meetings can be unsafe. To elevate the safety of these transactions, the Wentzville Police Department (WPD) has designated parking spots at the Law Enforcement Center entrance. By allowing transactions to take place on our property, we hope to reduce the possibility of fraud, robbery and assaults. The WPD is located at 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd., in Wentzville, and is open 24/7.



The Wentzville Police Department (WPD) does an outstanding job of keeping our community safe. However, as a community member, it's up to you to work side-by-side with your neighbors and WPD to ensure that the safety of the Wentzville community is continually improving. Sometimes, safety is something we all take for granted. I urge you to take extra steps to protect yourselves, your vehicles and your homes.

CRIME TIPS

Have a crime tip to share? To report a tip, please visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/crimetips or call (636) 639-2180. All calls are confidential. This new option provides an additional way for you to be connected to our Police Department and help us solve crimes. Please don't hesitate to contact the emergency number 911 or the nonemergency number (636) 327-5105 to report a crime or suspicious activity. If you have questions or need more information about any of these programs, please call the Wentzville Police Department at (636) 639-2107 or visit the Department's webpage at www.wentzvillemo.gov/pd.

EXTRA PATROL AND VACATION CHECKS

Are you leaving town for a few days? The WPD provides Extra Patrol and Vacation Checks free of charge to residents within Wentzville city limits. To take advantage of this great service, complete the forms at www.wentzvillemo.gov/vacationcheck.

TRAFFIC CONCERNS

Practice driving safety when driving in residential areas. Subdivisions that may be experiencing frequent speeding or reckless drivers can report their traffic concerns to the WPD by emailing TrafficOfficers@wentzvillemo.gov or calling (636) 639-7575.

When sharing your concerns, please include your contact information so that WPD can follow up with you directly. The Wentzville Police Department is excited to work with you to resolve these traffic-related issues in our community!

PREVENT VEHICLE BREAK-INS

The City of Wentzville is a great community, but we are not immune to crime. WPD conducts proactive patrol during the day and overnight hours, but that patrol can't be everywhere all the time. To report suspicious activity, call the WPD non-emergency line at (636) 327-5105. Protect your property with these reminders.

- Please lock your vehicles. EVERY. SINGLE. TIME.
- Remove valuables from sight — this includes laptops, purses, wallets, money, etc.
- Remove firearms from unattended vehicles — even if you have hidden them — or invest in a gun safe for your vehicle.
- Never, ever leave your keys/key fobs in your vehicle. Criminals are actively looking for unlocked cars. Secure your items and remove the opportunity for criminals to break in.

Crime Mapping: A Quick Overview

The Wentzville Police Department (WPD) works hard to keep our community safe. Part of that effort is Crime Mapping, which is the process of logging crimes by location and type to track the frequency of certain crimes in certain areas. In conjunction with St. Charles County regional law enforcement agencies, WPD provides data to the St. Charles County

Regional Crime Map. This map allows residents to check for offenses reported within the county and/or participating cities. New data is uploaded weekly. Users can view offenses within the last 14 or 30 days, or view year-to-date offenses. Reports can be filtered by type of offense and more. View the regional crime map at www.wentzvillemo.gov/crimemap.



Rod Run Recap

This summer's Rod Run events were a success! Family and friends gathered in Downtown Wentzville to view a variety of cars.

This twice-yearly event, which is hosted by Harris Automotive and sponsored by the City of Wentzville, helps to support the local Substance Tobacco Alcohol Resistance Training (S.T.A.R.T.) program. Whether you participated or just enjoyed watching the car cruise — thank you for showing your support for this great community program!



WEST MEYER ROAD NEAR REGENTS PARK AVENUE

West Meyer Road Update

This project includes added lanes, a pedestrian trail, storm drainage upgrades and more!

Phase 3 of West Meyer Road involves the reconstruction of a two-lane asphalt road into a three-lane concrete road section, complete with curb, gutter and storm sewer improvements. This project incorporates safety improvements by reducing sight distance constraints at approaches generally west of Golden Gate Parkway by adjusting the vertical grade of the road.

Roadway Construction Status (as of mid-August)

The new three-lane road section has been constructed west of Golden Gate Parkway. Paving is ongoing between Golden Gate Parkway and North Point Prairie. It is anticipated that two lanes of the new road cross-section in this area will be completed will be completed in September, and West Meyer Road traffic will be shifted from the temporary pavement onto the new pavement. Once this traffic is shifted, the temporary pavement will be removed and the remaining lane will be paved.

New Pedestrian Trail

One major improvement to this section of the West Meyer Road corridor is the addition of a pedestrian trail within the project limits. The pedestrian trail will be constructed on the south side of West Meyer Road between North Point Prairie and the western project limits. Upon completion of the project, Rotary Park will be accessible from this trail at a pedestrian crossing that will be installed near the entrance of the park.

Project Outlook

Road construction has been staged to keep West Meyer Road open to through traffic during the larger traffic-generating events at Rotary Park: Holiday Night Lights, the St. Charles County Fair and the Renaissance Fair. Even though road construction has been prioritized in the project schedule to limit disruptions to vehicle traffic, the pedestrian trail, Rotary Park entrance work and final grading are all currently underway. It is anticipated that all the major construction involved with the project will be completed by the end of the calendar year.





WENTZVILLE'S FALL FESTIVAL



Live Music, Art & Craft Vendors and More!

Friday, Sept. 16

Hours: 6-10:30 p.m.

Band Lineup

Steve Ewing • 6-8 p.m.

My Friend Mike • 8:30-10:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 17

Hours: Noon-10:30 p.m.

Band Lineup

Biscuits & Gravy • Noon-2 p.m.

Fanfare • 3-5 p.m.

On the Fence • 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Silver Bullet • 8:30-10:30 p.m.

**Main Street in
Historic Downtown Wentzville**

Holiday Hours and Collection Changes

City Hall will be closed for Labor Day on Monday, Sept. 5. Trash, recycling and yard-waste collection for the week of Labor Day is as follows: Monday pickups will move to Tuesday; Tuesday pickups will move to Wednesday; and so forth, ending with Friday pickups taking place on Saturday, Sept. 10.



Fall Tree Limb Pickup

Twice each year, the City provides residents a free, convenient way to dispose of small tree limbs. The fall pickup will take place over a three-week period — by ward. If you're not sure which you live in, please visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/wardmap.

The fall 2022 schedule is as follows:

- Ward 1: Week of Oct. 3
- Ward 2: Week of Oct. 10
- Ward 3: Week of Oct. 17

Please have your tree limbs stacked at the curb by 6 a.m. on Monday of your scheduled week. Tree limb pickup is NOT associated with your trash day or with the City's contracted trash hauler. The City of Wentzville's Street Department coordinates the pickup for the Chipper Program. Tree limbs must be less than eight inches in diameter. Tree limbs should not be bundled or placed in bags. Leaves, root balls, decorative grasses, or grass clippings are not included in this collection. If you have questions, please call the Public Works Department at (636) 327-5101, option 1.

Board Update

Be a Good Neighbor: Follow Leash Laws, Pick Up Litter and Look Out for Each Other

Leash Ordinance

The City of Wentzville requires animals to be on a leash as part of the City's animal at-large ordinance (205.545). If your animal is caught running at large, Animal Control will make every attempt to return the animal to the rightful owner. Visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/atlarge to view the complete ordinance.

To identify your animals, you are encouraged to purchase an animal identification tag with the name of your pet and your phone number. If no owner is located or if we are unable to return the animal, the animal will be taken to the St. Charles County Adoption Center.

Pickup After Your Pets

Don't forget to remove pet waste promptly when in a park, on a trail or wherever you walk your pet. Always carry a bag so that you can immediately collect your pet's waste. Please also pick up waste in your own yard regularly. Since many homeowners have furry friends, these simple steps help keep Wentzville safe and clean. Pet waste that is left on the ground can be carried away by stormwater runoff and deposited into nearby creeks and lakes — our sources for drinking water and recreational activities. Keep yourself, your neighbors and your pets safe and healthy by picking up after your animals.

Leave it Better Than You Found It

Whether you are taking an evening walk around your neighborhood, or visiting a Wentzville park, we encourage you to "leave it better than you found it." Picking up litter not only helps to keep our community clean and green, it helps to ensure we are not polluting our stormwater. Litter can easily make its way down storm drains if it's not picked up and properly disposed of.

Litter cleanup is definitely a team effort, and we are thankful to have a community of neighbors that support the City's beautification efforts. Did you know the City has an Adopt-a-Spot program, which is focused on keeping specific areas of town clean? To learn more, please visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/adoptaspot.



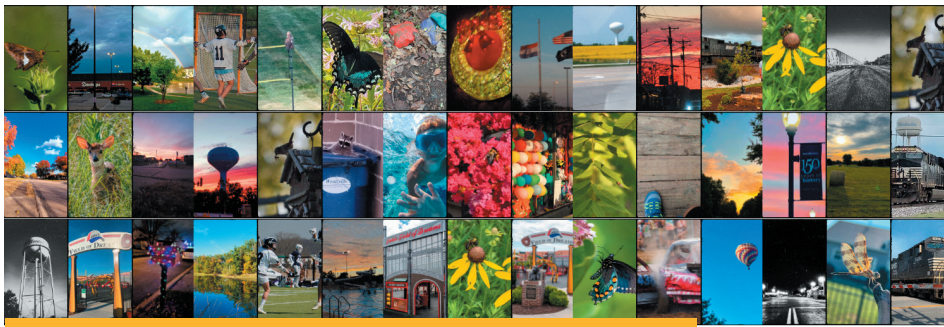
Meet the Board of Aldermen (left to right): Michael Hays, Ward 3; Michael Lovell, Ward 3; Bryan Harr, Ward 1; Mayor Nick Guccione; Tricia Byrnes, Ward 2; Manny Macias, Ward 1; Jeffrey Ottenlips, Ward 2. To contact the Board, please visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/boa.

Report Crimes

Don't forget: if you see something, you should say something. Wentzville is one of the fastest growing cities around. As our community continues to grow, please remember to look out for each other. Don't hesitate to contact the emergency line 911 or non-emergency police line at (636) 327-5105 to report suspicious activity.

In addition, Neighborhood Watch is a vital part of the City of Wentzville's policing efforts. This program enlists the active participation of citizens to reduce crime in neighborhoods. These organized groups act as the "eyes and ears" of the police when they are not present. Residents interested in receiving additional information about the Neighborhood Watch program can contact our Business/Residential Liaison Officer, Ben Childers, by phone at (636) 639-2171 or by emailing Ben.Childers@wentzvillemo.gov.





COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAPTURE WENTZVILLE'S BEAUTY!

2022 Photo Contest Winners

In early July, residents were invited to submit photographs capturing the beauty of Wentzville. Thank you to all of our participants, who submitted almost 50 photos that captured the essence and the beautiful, unique qualities of Wentzville! If you didn't get your photo submitted in time, don't worry! The 2023 photo contest will be back bigger and better than ever. Look for details in late spring.



Congratulations

First Place: Aye Akoda
Second Place: Kim Orf
Third Place: Mark Hanes

Submit Your Citizen of the Year Nomination!

Do you know someone who makes a difference in Wentzville? Nominate them for Wentzville's Citizen of the Year Award!

The Citizen Recognition Program acknowledges outstanding individuals and groups that make a significant contribution, a positive impact or an improvement to the quality of life for citizens in our community.

Nominations are open year-round, but time is running out to nominate someone for the 2022 award. Recognition categories include service, community spirit, volunteerism and more. Nomination forms and eligibility requirements are available by visiting www.wentzvillemo.gov/COTY.

The Board of Aldermen will present the 2022 Citizen of the Year Award during a Board meeting in January 2023.



PICTURED: 2021 Citizen of the Year, Bill Brunner, and Mayor Nick Guccione.



The Wentzville Rec Center (WREC), which is located at 500 Great Oaks Blvd., is opening soon! To learn more, visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/wrec.

Watch for grand-opening announcements, stay up to date on programming and more when you sign up for the eNewsletter and follow Wentzville Parks and Recreation social media. Learn more when you visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/getconnected.



**ECRWSS
Postal Customer**

Nov. 5 • 9-11:30 a.m.

**North Point High School
2255 W. Meyer Rd.**



Electronics Recycling + Document Shredding



This is a FREE* drive-thru and drop-off event, and is open to families and individuals only (no businesses, please). Please note, the event entrance will close at 11:30 a.m. Almost anything with a plug is accepted. However, *some items (such as TVs and items with Freon) will incur a fee. Learn more at www.wentzvillemo.gov/electronicsrecycling or call (636) 327-5101.

**NEW
LOCATION**