



Your Community Newsletter for September 2017

From the Mayor's Pen

Happy September! I try to enjoy every season in its fullest but its hard not to love Fall the most. The cool mornings make for a beautiful day and I like the pumpkin-flavored-everything as much as the next person. Halloween is my favorite holiday- I dress up in at least two costumes (this year- Pikachu on the Saturday before and a black panther on the 31st) and I love passing out candy, or is it that I love eating it?

This article is going to be a bit different from the few I've written in the past because I've been doing a lot of reading and going to conferences referring to a lot of different subjects such as: self-management, being effective and relevant and overall, becoming a more content person in your day-to-day tasks.

I want you to think about the different roles you play as a person: worker, brother, mother, son, friend. It could be something else that you haven't accomplished yet or desire to be: traveler, astronaut, president of the United States. Almost everybody will have several roles they play in one day. Now, I want you to find the common denominator between all of those. I did this exercise and noticed my similar trait is that I care for others. As a mayor, I care about the residents and the town we live in. As a technology specialist at the dealership, I care about people driving more safely. As a "chef" (or my desire to be one), I care about nourishing and feeding others. As a cat mom, I care for my cat (whether she sees it that way or not). See the trend here? It's always fun to see the different hats that one wears and the several roles that one person has.

One of the habits an effective person has is improving continuously. There

are four categories that we focus on in order to stay "in shape". Staying healthy such as staying hydrated, getting enough sleep or exercising. Keeping your mind sharp such as volunteering, shadowing others or just plain learning. Being aware and staying in touch with your emotions such as humor or demonstrating mutual respect. Last, being spiritually fulfilled such as having compassion, the ability to love and forgive, and being joyful.

In the words of Stephen Covey: "We are the creative force of our life, and through our own decisions rather than our conditions, if we carefully learn to do certain things, we can accomplish those goals."

Now, is it too early to decorate for Halloween?

*Sincerely,
Frankie Petty*

Don't Miss The City Picnic Sat. Sept. 16th, 4:00 to 7:00 Good Food, Live Music, Cakewalk and Games

Location. Glenaire Clubhouse parking lot located at 309 Smiley

The Food. The City is furnishing the meat that consists of smoked pork, beef brisket, hot dogs, turkey, chicken wings & spare ribs

Drinks. The City will provide lemonade, ice tea, and water as well as plastic glasses. If you prefer something else to drink, feel free to bring your own.

Covered Dish. Every family is asked to bring a dish of some kind to share. It can be a "from scratch" dish, bought dish, chips, pickles or anything you choose.

The Music. Jim Flack and the Blue Rock Band will be providing the live

entertainment. They play all kinds of music, mostly classic rock.

Cakewalk and Games. The cakewalk goes on throughout the picnic, or until the prizes run out! *Any desserts for prizes are welcome!* Kids and adults will enjoy competing in the beanbag toss, lawn darts and hillbilly/ladder golf.

Tables, Chairs, Plates and Plastic Ware. The City will have tables and chairs set up but you are welcome to bring your own favorite lawn chair if you wish.

Coming together with friends and neighbors is a great way to spend a beautiful fall afternoon and an excellent way to build a stronger community.

Large Item Pick Up

The City Clerk has had a few inquiries about the City having a curbside or drop off for large items. Actually, we will not be having either one because with our single trash hauler contract with Republic Services, each household can have **one (1)** large item picked up weekly **on the regular trash pick up day** at no extra charge. The resident must call a few days ahead of the pick up day to get the item picked up. If the person answering the call tells you there will be a charge, then call Nancy Summers at 816-521-3117 and give the information to her. If you get her voicemail, please leave a message and she will call you back. So far Glenaire is the only city that has this service and it seems that this information has not gotten to everyone who answers their calls. The usual number to call for the large item pick up is 816-254-1470. You will need to call Nancy Summers only if they attempt to charge you.

Curbside Limb and Brush Pick Up

The date of the curbside limb and brush pick up will begin on Wednesday October 11th instead of Monday October 9th this time. Be sure to remember the rules that were adopted by the Board in the City's Ordinance 408. They are printed here for your information and convenience:

Brush must be placed at the curb (roadside if no curb) no earlier than ten days before the scheduled pickup in your area. You must have the brush on the curb *no later than 7:00 a.m. on the day of your designated pickup.*

- ◆ Place butt end of the limb toward the curb.
- ◆ Trunk sizes should be four inches or less in diameter
- ◆ Brush and limb piles should be no wider than twelve (12) feet (street/curb frontage) per residence
- ◆ Brush and limb piles should be no higher than four (4) feet per residence
- ◆ NO bags of any kind
- ◆ NO yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, etc.)
- ◆ NO building materials

- ◆ Brush must be neatly piled (not scattered) at least 2 feet from utility poles, trees, gas and water meters, fire hydrants, fences, mailboxes, sprinkler head, and any other obstacle that would prevent collection.
- ◆ Brush will not be picked up if parked vehicles or other obstructions are present.
- ◆ Brush cannot at any time obstruct any city sidewalk, right-of-way, or view of oncoming traffic.
- ◆ Residents can be fined if

brush is left at the curbside for an extended amount of time.

- ◆ Brush includes tree limbs up to 4 inches in diameter, shrubs, other parts of shrubs and trees.
- ◆ Please note that this program is intended to assist residents with brush and tree limbs and is not intended for the removal of entire large trees which must be done by a contractor at the property owner's/resident's expense
- ◆ Grass clippings, leaves, stumps, root balls, weeds, flowers, wire, fencing, plastic bags, or other foreign materials set out with the brush will *not* be picked up.

The Next Glenaire Luncheon is October 11th

Please note that the Glenaire luncheon's day of the week to meet has changed to the second **Wednesday** of the even months (Feb., April, June, Aug. Oct. & Dec.) instead of the second Thursday. It still begins at 12:00 noon. Please plan to come to the next one. It is a potluck so bring a dish of some sort. Besides catching up on the City news, it is a great time to visit with and get to know your neighbors a little better. The food is always delicious, plus, there are many stories and laughs shared. Mayor Petty was limited on the time she could spend at the luncheon on Thursdays, but is off work on Wednesdays so she can participate more fully. It is great to have the mayor present at the luncheons to hear concerns or answer any questions.

Household Hazardous Waste Program

Do you have some old paint or paint related products, automotive fluids, batteries, lawn and garden chemicals, glues and adhesives, household cleaners, CFL light bulbs and such that you need to throw away? There is more than one solution for Glenaire residents! The Board paid yearly dues to become a member of Mid America Regional Council who operates a collection program for cities and maintains two collection facilities. The most convenient permanent collection facility to the Glenaire residents is at 4707 De-ramus (just south of the Chouteau Bridge in the east river bottoms.) No appointment is required Thursday and Friday from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM or Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Best yet, there is no charge for the service since the City is a member. The other option is to attend a mobile collection event in Liberty on October 28th at the Liberty School Services located at 801 Kent Street in Liberty. The mobile event will run from 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. There is another permanent facility located at 2101 SE Hamblen Rd. (Lee's Summit Resource Recovery Park.) Appointment is required. They are open the third Wed. each month from 2:00 to 6:00 PM or the first Saturday April thru Nov. 7:00 AM to Noon. A brochure with more information is inserted in this newsletter. Be sure to say you are from Glenaire, not Liberty.

A Letter to The Board

The Board of Aldermen received the following letter from a concerned resident who loves living in Glenaire. It was decided it would be good to share it with all residents of the City. (Names and addresses have been omitted to protect everyone's privacy):

"First, may I thank you all for all the hard work and dedication you devote to our city. It is a wonderful place to live.

1. The big "Bag-o-Trash" located on the corner of Bingamans Dr. Even if we would graciously allow for a remodeling project, it has exceeded a grace period as it has been there many months.
2. Many residents are stockpiling their downed limbs and sticks in street view till the next city pick up. A major plus to our city is our old and treasured trees; however, with trees there is always debris. We graciously have access to yard waste pick up on a weekly basis. We all need to keep our property maintained and yard waste picked up or out of sight.
3. The property on Bingamans cul-de-sac backs to the back yards on Adkins Rd. and frankly theirs is a mess & has been for some time. Weeds & plastic bins are/remain as permanent fixtures on the south side of the big out building. A small outbuilding is a prop up for various items that could be housed inside. The yard outside the back door is a constant source of clutter. This prevents those of us who live on Adkins Rd. from being able to enjoy our own backyards.

If the Board agrees with my com-

plaints, I have no doubt they will be addressed. We simply cannot let our standards deteriorate!"

Marshal Shull wrote an article in the July Newsletter about complaints she has to investigate and pass on to the Clay County Sheriff's deputies who patrol in the City. She, the deputies and the Board of Aldermen could use their time for the betterment of the community if they did not have to spend so much time on complaints about properties that are not taken care of properly. Please take time to look around your property and pick up trash and junk that is laying around and continue to do that on a regular basis.

Also, remember that a complaint does not have to be turned in to the City for a citation to be issued. Resolution 2014-1 gives the deputies authority to issue warnings and citation on any ordinance violations they observe while they are patrolling in the area.

As the resident who wrote the letter said, Glenaire is a wonderful little city to live in. Most all residents show their pride of ownership by maintaining their property. The Board of Aldermen, the Marshall and the Mayor thank each of you who continues to make the City that wonderful place to live. We hear over and over from contractors who come into the city and do work about how peaceful and friendly this little town this is. Also, we hear, "This little town is the best kept secret in this area."

Glenaire is known for being a friendly, caring community who "see after one another."

Let's each one do our part to keep it that way!

Meals on Wheels

Glenaire offers Meals on Wheels to any senior or disabled person living within the city limits. The meals are prepared and packaged by Liberty Hospital. They are delivered to the resident's door Monday through Friday. A resident can decide to take one meal up to five meals a week. The meals are delivered by volunteers who also live in Glenaire. The cost of the meal is \$3.50. From what we hear from the five residents who receive Meals on Wheels, the food is good and balanced for good nutrition. Each one has a hot meal, a cold entrée, a dessert and a drink.

If you are interested in receiving Meals on Wheels or if you just want more information, please feel free to call the City office at 816-792-4907 or email her at cityclerk@glenairemo.org. The City Clerk will be glad to speak with you and/or sign you up.

Condolences

It is with sadness that we report that a long time resident Bonnie Simpson was laid to rest in July. Bonnie lived on the corner of Bonnie Lane and Norton for many years. The street of Bonnie Lane was named after her. She was known for her beautiful red hair and her quick wit. Her children no longer live in this area. They live in California, Hawaii and the Philippines.

Another long time resident William "Bill" Crawford passed away August 11th. Our condolences go to his wife Janice, his son Tony & wife Miranda, all whom are Glenaire residents. Also his grandson Matthew who is serving in the Marine Corps. Bill was a veteran Marine, a member of VFW Post 4043 and loved his family and country.



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CITY EVENTS**

- Sept.16 - City Picnic, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd., 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- Sept.19 - City Board Meeting, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 7:00 PM
- Oct. 11 - Curbside Limb and Brush Pick up
- Oct. 11 - Glenaire Luncheon, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 12:00 Noon
- Oct. 7 - City Board Meeting, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 7:00 PM
- Nov. 7 - Public Elections, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd., 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM
- Nov. 21 - City Board Meeting, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 7:00 PM
- Dec. 13 - Glenaire Luncheon, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 12:00 Noon
- Dec. 19 - City Board Meeting, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 7:00 PM

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