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Splash Station to open for 2014 SWIM SEASON



At the end of 2013, Splash Station, Wentzville's new state-of-the-art water park, was in the final stages of construction and expected to be open for public use over the Memorial Day holiday, the start of the 2014 swim season. Prior to its opening, Wentzville will hold a public open house to show off the new, 62,600-square-foot aquatic center.

Splash Station is located on land adjacent to Peine Ridge elementary, and will offer water features in two separate bodies of water and a wet-deck spray ground. One body of water contains a 400-foot lazy river with tubes for people to float, and additional jets installed to add to the excitement of the river. The water park will also feature a 90-foot-long and 24-foot-tall fiberglass water flume with plunge pool, and a 35-foot by 40-foot diving pool with a 3-meter diving platform. Other amenities will be a recreation pool featuring a zero-depth beach entry and shade umbrellas over portions of it, 60-foot

Daily Fees For Splash Station	13 & Under	14 & Over	60 & Over
Resident	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$5.00
Non-Resident	\$7.00	\$8.00	\$7.00
Splash Station 2014 Membership Fees	Nonresident	Resident	Res. Early Bird
Individual	\$150.00	\$112.00	\$ 105.00
Household	\$225.00	\$168.00	\$157.00
Sr. Individual	\$125.00	\$93.00	\$87.00
Sr. Household	\$187.00	\$140.00	\$ 131.00
Sr. Individual	\$125.00	\$93.00	\$87.00

Save 20% When You Bundle a Splash Station Membership With Recreation, Progress Pool or a Trio Membership That Includes All Three! And Residents Can Save More With Early Bird Rates When They Bundle a Splash Station Membership By or Before May 15.

Call Parks and Recreation at (636) 332-9236 for More Information.

Splash Station Savings Bundle	Nonresident Bundle Rate	Resident Bundle Rate	With Resident Early Bird Discount
Splash Station & Recreation Individual	\$225.00	\$168.00	\$157.00
Splash Station & Recreation Household	\$338.00	\$253.00	\$236.00
Splash Station & Recreation Sr. Individual	\$179.00	\$134.00	\$125.00
Splash Station & Recreation Sr. Household	\$268.00	\$201.00	\$187.00
Splash Station & Progress Pool Individual	\$276.00	\$207.00	\$193.00
Splash Station & Progress Pool Household	\$325.00	\$243.00	\$227.00
Splash Station & Progress Pool Sr. Individual	\$170.00	\$127.00	\$119.00
Splash Station & Progress Pool Sr. Household	\$255.00	\$191.00	\$178.00
Trio Membership Individual	\$322.00	\$241.00	\$225.00
Trio Membership Household	\$483.00	\$362.00	\$338.00
Trio Membership Sr. Individual	\$249.00	\$187.00	\$174.00
Trio Membership Sr. Household	\$374.00	\$280.00	\$262.00

lap lanes, water basketball, a therapy seat, water benches, and more. A 5,600-square-foot building with a breezeway entrance to the pools will provide visitors changing rooms, restrooms, and concession areas.

Once Splash Station opens, the City hopes to provide additional opportunities for water programs, such as aqua aerobics, water walking, diving, swim lessons, and other such options. With a second outdoor pool open, the City also hopes to expand programs at its Progress Park Pool through offerings like kayaking and paddle boarding.

The development of Splash Station was made possible through a one-half-cent Parks Sales Tax voters approved in 2010. Wentzville Parks and Recreation Director, Mary Jo Dessieux, thanked voters for passing the sales tax and said, "Without the dedicated funding we have with the Parks Sales Tax, construction of an aquatic park like Splash Station wouldn't be possible at this time." Dessieux acknowledged the sacrifices made to pass the sales tax and said, "I understand how hard it was for elected officials and voters to approve an added sales tax in the middle of a recession, but fortunately they also understood how important it was that Wentzville didn't fall further behind in parks and recreation development for a city of our size."

Candidate Filing Closes January 21

Residents who want to file as candidates for the April 8 election have until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, to file. Candidates will need to file at City Hall, 310 West Pearce Boulevard.

Positions open for filing are one Alderman seat from each of the City's three Wards. All positions are for two-year terms.

Residents who would like information about the duties and qualifications for serving as an Alderman can call the Wentzville City Clerk's office at (636) 639-2010.



Residents Must Move Cars Off Streets When Snow Emergency Is Issued

Whenever five inches or more of snow are predicted, City policy calls for the Mayor to issue a snow emergency. When a snow emergency is issued, all City streets MUST be cleared of all vehicles. Snow emergency announcements will be posted on the City's website as well as the City and the Police Department's Facebook pages, sent out via the W.I.N.D. system, and released to radio and television stations. Cars left parked on the street after a snow emergency has been issued are subject to being ticketed or towed.

Even with lesser snowfalls, it's a good idea to remove all vehicles from the street. Cars parked on streets during and after a snowfall create problems for snowplow crews, especially when two cars are parked across from each other in cul-de-sacs. In some instances, there is not enough room for snowplows to safely navigate and the streets must be left unplowed.

Moving your car off the street anytime snow is predicted will not only help snowplow crews and your neighbors, it will also help you. After all, with your car off the street, you won't need to dig through a snow bank to get to your car.



Like to Stay Up-to-Date? Then Like Us On facebook!

An easy way to stay up-to-date on what's happening in Wentzville is to "Like" us on Facebook. The City of

Wentzville, Wentzville Police Department, and Wentzville Parks and Recreation all have their own Facebook pages that will keep you up-to-date on the information important to you and your family. For the City, enter "Wentzville MO City Government" in the Facebook search field; for the Police Department enter "Wentzville Missouri Police Department," and for Parks and Recreation enter "Wentzville Parks & Recreation." Then just click on the "Like" button. Like us on Facebook, and you'll like how easy it is to stay up-to-date.

Water Quality Improvement Design/Build Is Underway



The City of Wentzville has approved a design-build contract on two key projects that were identified in the Dry Branch Watershed Management Plan. Once completed, these projects will help to clean water, reduce maintenance, and increase public awareness of green alternatives for stormwater management. This is an important step for the community, as technology and planning become a working construction project for achieving stormwater quality goals.

The approved contract involves constructing water-quality retrofits in the Huntsdale Subdivision and at Oasis Kwik Car Wash, which will improve trash and pollutant removal, and further improve aesthetics and water quality of Crossroads Creek and Spring Creek in Wentzville. The design will be completed with public involvement over the winter months, with construction to finish in the summer of 2014. This project is funded by US EPA Region 7 through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (subgrant number G11-NPS-07), under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act. Residents can learn more about this project at www.wentzvillemo.org/319.aspx.

W.I.N.D. Delivers Public Safety Alerts FAST!

When residents sign up for the Wentzville Important Notification Delivery (W.I.N.D.) program, they can have up-to-the-minute notifications of important and emergency announcements delivered directly to their mobile phone, e-mail address, their home phone, or all three. Through the W.I.N.D.

program, public safety officials notify residents about imminent threats to health and safety, send alerts

about severe weather, water outages, traffic issues and critical police activity.

Signing up for the W.I.N.D. program is free for residents, and the information provided will be used for emergency and City announcements. The City will not distribute residents' telephone numbers or e-mail addresses to any vendor or other organization.

To sign up for W.I.N.D., go to the City's website home page at www.wentzvillemo.org. From the home page, place your mouse cursor on the "I Want To" tab. When the drop-down box of choices appears, click on the "Sign up for the W.I.N.D. Program" link near the bottom of the box, then follow the directions from there. In addition to emergency notifications, residents can choose to sign up for designated City announcements.

For more information about W.I.N.D., residents can call City Hall at (636) 327-5101.

MAYOR'S COMMENT: Wentzville Named Third As Best Towns in Missouri for Young Families



Nickolas Guccione

Late in 2013, NerdWallet.com released an article by Mike Anderson that named Wentzville as the third best town in Missouri for young families. I admit I frequently brag on our City as one of the best places families and businesses can locate, but it was exciting to have an outside organization look at what we have to offer and say Wentzville is a great place to live and do business!

To determine which towns were best for young families, NerdWallet asked three guestions. The first was, "Does the town have good public schools?" To answer that question, they

compared the local school system's standardized test scores to the state average. The second question was, "Can you afford to live there?" They looked at median home values in the community, but they also considered other monthly home costs that included mortgage payments, real estate taxes, insurance costs, utilities, fuel, and other household bills. The final question was, "Is the town growing and prospering?" To determine this answer, they looked at the median household income now, and also what the income growth has been over the past decade for families in the com-

After reviewing data on 84 Missouri towns with populations of over 10,000, NerdWallet ranked Wentzville as the third best place for young families to locate. They stated that in addition to being only 45 minutes from St. Louis, Missouri's second-largest city, Wentzville also hosts many recreational events families can enjoy. As the article noted, when families move into a community they consider more than just the home they

are purchasing. They also consider the assets and amenities their family needs or wants, and whether or not the community can provide these things.

The expansion we'll see in 2014 of our Parks and Recreation amenities is a perfect example of how we've worked hard to provide the kind of amenities families want and need. We expect our new, state-of-the-art water park, Splash Station, to be open



Residents who would like to see the full NerdWallet.com article for themselves can find it by entering "best towns in Missouri for young families" in the search engine on their computer. It's an interesting article and exciting to see how we stack up against other dynamic cities in Missouri. Also, residents can keep up on the progress of Splash Station and our two new parks by clicking on the Project Parks link under the News & Events heading on the home page of the City's website at www.wentzvillemo.org.

Development of our third new addition, Perugue Valley Park, is expected

to go out to bid in late 2014, with construction hopefully completed in 2015.



Got a problem with tall grass in the neighborhood? Have questions about your water bill or what you can and can't recycle? Want to know which Ward you live in or who represents you on the City's Board of Aldermen? The numbers below can help you reach the right City department with answers to these and other questions. And remember, you can always call the City's Customer Service Center with your concerns or complaints.

You can also find phone numbers and e-mail addresses for City officials and City department heads online at www.wentzvillemo.org. When you move your mouse cursor across the topic choices directly below the website heading banner, drop-down boxes will appear with department options. Just click on the option that

closest matches your question or concern.

Call the **Customer Service Center** at (636) 639-2121 For issues like:

- Property Maintenance (Tall Grass, Debris, Junk and Nuisances)
- Derelict Vehicles
- Street and Sidewalk Repairs
- · Mud on the Streets
- Code Enforcement

Call the Utility Service Center at (636) 639-2155 For issues like:

- Water-Bill Questions
- Sewer/Water

Call Community Development at (636) 332-5102

For issues like:

- Occupancy Inspections
- Code Compliance Concerns (i.e. Tall Grass, Property Maintenance Issues, etc.)
- Permits (New Structures, Repairs, Pool, Fence, Shed, Finish Basements, etc...)
- Land Use or Zoning Questions, Demographics, Mapping Services
- Planning and Development Related Questions

Call **Public Works** at (636) 639-2049

For issues like:

- Trash Questions and Concerns
- Recycling
- Infrastructure Questions (i.e. Water, Sewer, or Storm-Sewer Utilities)
- Transportation Project Inquiries

Call Parks at (636) 332-9236

For issues like:

- Sports Leagues and Lessons
- Concerts
- . Banquet Hall and Pavilion Rental

For the Activity Hotline call (636) 639-2192

Call City Hall at (636) 327-5101

For all other City-related issues and questions like:

- Finding out Which Ward You Live In
- Who is Your Aldermanic Representative
- How to Get in Touch With One of the City's Elected Representatives

Call **Police** at (636) 327-5105

For non-emergency issues

For emergencies, call 911

January Calendar of Events

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** City Offices & Progress Park Recreation Center Closed for New Year's Day** 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m. 3:00-4:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Municipal Court **Park Board Meeting Board of Aldermen Board of Adjustment** H.O.P.P. Nights Alderman Social 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. 310 W. Pearce Blvd. 310 W. Pearce Blvd. 310 W. Pearce Blvd. **Progress Park** 310 W. Pearce Blvd. 6:00 p.m. Planning & Zoning 310 W. Pearce Blvd. ** See article in this edition of **Vision**. * Call City Hall at (636) 327-5101. 9:00-10:00 a.m. Jump Start Basketball Starts** Progress Park Gym Visit the City's website: www.wentzvillemo.org 23 22 24 25 City Offices Closed for Martin Luther King's Birthday** 6:00 p.m. Board of Aldermen 12:30-2:00 p.m. Municipal Election
Candidate Filing Closes** Coffee Talk With the Mayor 310 W. Pearce Blvd. 310 W. Pearce Blvd. 310 W. Pearce Blvd. 6:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m. Municipal Trials Municipal Court 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. 27 Starts 6:00 p.m. Women's Volleyball League** Progress Park Gym

February Calendar of Events

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** Starts 2:00 p.m. Co-Rec Winter Warm-Up Volleyball Tournament** Progress Park Gym ** See article in this edition of Vision. * Call City Hall at (636) 327-5101. 7 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 6:00-9:00 p.m. 3:00-4:30 p.m. **Municipal Court Park Board Meeting** Daddy's Little Alderman Social 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. 310 W. Pearce Blvd. Sweetheart 310 W. Pearce Blvd. Dinner & Dance* 6:00-9:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Planning & Zoning 310 W. Pearce Blvd. **Progress Park** Daddy's Little Sweetheart Dinner & Dance* Center **Progress Park Center** Youth Baseball & Softball Valentines Day 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Signups End* Board of Aldermen **Board of Adjustment** Bingo & Lunch 310 W. Pearce Blvd. 310 W. Pearce Blvd. Green Lantern Starts 2:00 p.m. BINGO Co-Rec Volleyball League** Progress Park Gym 14 29 38 52 74 18 33 46 62 7 16 🛨 60 71 27 44 51 67 VALENTINE GREETINGS 12 23 35 47 73 16 20 22 10:30 a.m.-Noon City Offices Closed for 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. Starts 8:30 a.m. Girls' Volleyball Clinic** Presidents' Day **Municipal Court Municipal Trials** Girls' Volleyball League** Progress Park Gym 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. 1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd. Progress Park Gym 12:30-2:00 p.m. Coffee Talk With the Mayor 310 W. Pearce Blvd. Visit the City's website: www.wentzvillemo.org 25 6:00-8:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Junior Basket Ball Board of Aldermen Stormwater Committee Starts* Meeting 310 W. Pearce Blvd. Progress Park 310 W. Pearce Blvd. Gym

You Want Volleyball? We've Got Volleyball!

Get ready to polish up your Volleyball skills as Wentzville Parks and Recreation serves up Volleyball Leagues and Clinics for everyone.

Check out the options below.

Girls' Volleyball League At Progress Park Gym Starts February 22 8:30 a.m. Registration Deadline February 9	This game-only league is for girls ages 10-14. Register as a team or individually. Each team will play a minimum of six matches Shirts will be provided for each participant	Fee \$50 for Residents \$60 for Nonresidents		
Girls' Volleyball Clinic At Progress Park Gym February 16 From 10:30 a.mNoon Registration Deadline February 9	New clinic designed to introduce girls ages 8-14 to the basics of volleyball. Girls will learn the funda- mentals of serving, passing, setting and hitting.	Fee \$25 for Residents \$25 for Nonresidents		
Women's Volleyball League At Progress Park Gym Starts January 28 6:00 p.m. Registration Deadline January 21	This League is for women ages 16 and up, of all skill levels. Each team will play a minimum of seven matches along with a single elimina- tion playoff. All teams qualify for the playoff. League winners will receive championship T-shirts.	Fee \$240 per team		
Co-Rec Winter Warm-Up At Progress Park Gym February 1 2:00 p.m. Registration Deadline January 25 All adult Co-Rec Volleyball teams are invited to come out for this preseason warm-up tournament. Teams will be divided into different pools for a round-robin tournament, which will consist of a minimum of three games. Tournament winners will receive championship T-shirts.		Fee \$80 per team		
Co-Rec Volleyball League At Progress Park Gym February 9 2:00 p.m. Registration Deadline February 2	This co-ed volleyball league is for adults ages 16 and up, of all skill levels. Teams will play a minimum of seven matches, followed by a single elimination playoff. Winners of the league will receive championship T-shirts. Rosters are limited to 12 players.	Fee \$240 per team		

Don't Let Your Slugger Be Left Out!

Wentzville's youth baseball/softball leagues are designed for kids ages 5-16, of all abilities, with three levels of play depending on the skills of the child. Practices begin in March with games beginning in April or May, depending on the age level. Trophies will be

awarded for teams finishing first, second or third in each division. Team registration and individual registrations are accepted. All children registering individually will be randomly placed on draft teams. **Registration deadline is February 9 and space is limited.** Once the deadline has passed, kids will be placed on a waiting list with residents receiving first priority.

Check out the options below and sign up right away. These leagues fill up fast!

5 & 6 years old T-Ball (Co-ed) (8 games & everyone receives trophy)

7-8 year-old boys
7-8 year-old girls
9-16 year-old boys
9-16 year-old girls
6-16 year-old girls
7-8 year-old girls
7-9 year-old girls

Fees:

T-Ball (Co-ed) \$75 Per Resident / \$90 Per Nonresident
All other age divisions \$85 Per Resident / \$105 Per Nonresident

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Basketball for Half-Pints

Even half-pints, ages 3-10, can have fun learning the basics and playing basketball. Check out the programs below specially designed for your budding little basketball star.



JUMP START

At Progress Park Gym • 9:00-10:00 a.m. or 10:15-11:15 a.m. Starts January 18 • Registration Deadline January 11 \$50 for Residents • \$55 for Nonresident

This four-week instructional program will teach kids ages 3-5 the basic skills of basketball through interactive instruction and games. Children will work one-on-one with their parent/guardian performing various drills, relays, and games related to basketball. Each child will receive a T-shirt, miniature basketball and healthy snack.

JUNIOR BASKETBALL

At Progress Park Gym • 6:00-8:45 a.m.

Starts February 24 • Registration Deadline February 17

\$50 for Residents • \$60 for Nonresident

Kids ages 6-10 years old can learn the basic skills of basketball and have fun participating in games in this six-week program. Six and seven year olds will play on eight-foot rims. Kids eight to ten years old will play on the nine-foot rims. This program fills fast, so register early!

Daddy's Little Sweetheart Dinner and Dance

Little sweethearts ages 3-12 will have a special night to remember when Wentzville hosts its annual Little Sweetheart's Dinner and Dance. On Friday, February 7, and Saturday, February 8, little sweethearts can share a special night of dinner, dancing and games with Dad or another special man in their life. Escorts for the girls can be their



dad, grandpa, uncle, adult brother, or special family friend. Each couple will receive a photo to remember their evening together.

The Sweetheart Dinner and Dance evenings will be held from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Center. Cost for the evening is \$50 per resident couple, \$62 per nonresident couple, and \$20 for each additional guest (child or adult). Registration deadline for the Sweetheart Dinner and Dance is January 31, or when full. A \$10 late-registration fee will be added for couples registering after the deadline.

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14	29	38	52	74
4	18	33	46	62
7	16	*	60	71
9	27	44	51	67
12	23	35	47	73

BINGO and Lunch, Anyone?

You can enjoy lunch with friends while playing a variety of fun BINGO games on Saturday, February 15, and Saturday, March 29, from 10:00 a.m. to noon, at the Green Lantern. In addition to traditional BINGO, there will be four corners, postage stamp, coverall, and many other versions. Registration is

one week prior to the date you want to attend; but there is a 50-person maximum registration, so register early to make sure you don't miss out. The cost for each BINGO and Lunch event is \$12 per resident and \$15 per nonresident.

For more information or to register for any of these activities and programs, call the Parks and Recreation office at (636) 332-9236.

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FROM THE BOARD: Wentzville Is on the Move

We have much to be thankful for in Wentzville as we enter 2014. Our economic growth outstripped national growth as more businesses invested in our City, more builders announced intentions to construct new homes; and our population grew as the U.S. Bureau of Census reported that by midyear our population had topped 31,000, compared to 29,000 in

And we are a young community. The Census reports that at the end of 2010, 44 percent of our residents were under the age of 18. This is a community that is attracting young families. The website NerdWallet.com rated Wentzville as the third best community in Missouri for young families.

Here is what the website said about its ranking criteria: "When families in Missouri buy a home, they buy more than just a property-they also buy into the community and the opportunities it offers in the job market and at schools." Here are the factors considered by the website researchers:

- Does the town have good public schools?
- Can you afford to live there?
- Is the town growing and prospering?

And here is what the website said about our City: "Wentzville is a 45-minute drive from downtown St. Louis. The city is also the third-fastest growing community in the state, having quadrupled in size between 2000 and 2010. Wentzville hosts many recreational events, too, including concerts and movies in the park, and just 30 minutes away are wineries in the city of Augusta."

We have charts and graphics that illustrate specifics of our growth, and there is more on tap for 2014. Whether it is a new restaurant, small business, national pharmacy chain, new home, a 600-employee call center or national retailer, Wentzville is open for business, and striking a balance between maintaining our community standards and having a businessfriendly environment to attract the investments that keep us growing.

Check out the "2013 Building Division Summary" on this page and you'll see just how much Wentzville has been on the move this past year. Let's prepare for an exciting 2014.

2013 Building Division Summary

Permits Issued:

484 for Single-Family Detached/Attached Homes 1,148 Residential Occupancies

66 Commercial Occupancies

853 Misc. (i.e. Decks, Finished Basements, Fence, Pools, etc.)

New Commercial and Industrial Development Including:

General Motors expansion project for body shop and stamping press, CVS Pharmacy, Green Gables building 3 and 4, Blastco expansion, Wentzville School District concession stand, St. Patrick Church addition, Landmark development, Stacy's Gymnastics addition, Hot Shots Bar & Grill, Ross Dress for Less, Twin Oaks at Stone Ridge Canyon Senior Housing (assisted living facility), Serco (National Healthcare application facility)

48 Commercial Tenant Finish and Improvements Permits Including: McDonalds Restaurant exterior remodel, Bob Evans interior remodel, SSM patient admit remodel, Schnucks remodel, Lindenwood Ice Rink remodel, Palm Beach Vapors, Wentzville Pain Clinic, Imagination Pottery, The Color Room, Admark Screen Printing, Eagle Eye Gun Shop & Range, Little Caesar's Pizza, Sign-a-Rama, Embroid Me

771 Residential Concerns Were Responded to for 2013

423 for Tall Grass and Weeds

Remaining were for Trash and Debris, Overcrowding, Broken Windows, Mud on the Streets, Paint Peeling, Work Being Completed Without Permits, Other miscellaneous concerns

Building Fees Collected for 2013 as of October Were \$539,939.00.





Serco Incorporated

Be Protected, LLC

Chopper's Automotive Repair

104 Mullach Court, Suite 1022

508 East Pearce Boulevard





NEW BUSINESSES

Home Solutions of the Westplex

24 West Main Street, Suite 211 (Powerhouse Total Home Solutions)

Freedom Welding & Fabrication 150 Enterprise Drive, Suite 112

Ross Dress for Less

LSG Fashions & Beauty Supplies 706 East Pearce Boulevard

1275 West Pearce Boulevard

Team J&J Auction House

100 Mall Parkway, Suite 100 (Furniture and household goods) 141-143 Hamilton Industrial Court

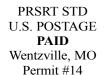
Spartan Holdings, LLC

(Brokerage Office) 2313 Markoe Avenue

Mid-Western, LLC

(Drilling equipment) 1495 East Pearce Boulevard

(Automobile Protection Service Contracts)





YARD-WASTE PICKUP RESUMES

Yard-waste pickup for the City of Wentzville will resume the first full week in March and continue through the last week of December. Residents who have not cancelled the service and were receiving the service when it ended last year will automatically be put back on the list for 2014. Residents who begin the service on March 1 may cancel the service in December of that year. A TEN-MONTH COMMITMENT IS REQUIRED. Residents who receive yard-waste pickups cannot stop it and then start it later in the season.

Now that the City has gone to a five-day-a-week pickup schedule, residents who receive yard-waste pickup service can put their yard

waste out on the same day they put out their trash and recycling. Everything should be placed at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on the appropriate morning.

Residents can place their yard waste in brown recyclable bags or in a trash can. Residents can rent a yard-waste cart for \$3.00 a month, or they can use their own can. If residents use their own can, it must be clearly marked "Yard Waste" on the both sides. To make sure drivers can easily identify their Yard-Waste cans, its best that residents use City-sup-



plied Yard-Waste-Only stickers, which are available at Wentzville's Public Works Building, located at 200 E. Fourth Street.

Yard Waste includes leaves, grass clippings, or limbs and branches. Limbs and branches should not be more than 4 feet long, 18 inches in diameter, or weigh more than 40 pounds. Also, bundles should be tied with a natural twine or other bio-degradable binding material. Yard waste **DOES NOT** include dirt, sod, rock, concrete, asphalt, lumber, tree stumps or logs over 18 inches in diameter.

If residents have questions about fees, recycling, yard waste, or regular sanitation pickup, they can call the Public Works Department at (636) 639-2049. They can also go to the Public Works section of the City's website at www.wentzvillemo.org and click on the Solid Waste and Recycling Quick Link in the right column.

HOLIDAY TRASH-PICKUP SCHEDULE

Since New Year's Day falls on a Wednesday, trash pickup that week will run as follows: Monday and Tuesday pickups will be on their regular sched-



ule. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday pickups will run one day later than normal—Wednesday pickups taking place on Thursday, Thursday pickups on Friday, and Friday trash pickups taking place on Saturday. Beginning January 6, trash pickup schedules go back to normal. No other holidays in January or February will affect the trash-pickup schedule.

If residents have any questions about the holiday pickup schedule, they can call the Public Works office at (636) 639-2049.

FREE CURBSIDE CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

It's not too late to easily banish the ghost of Christmas past with Wentzville's free, curbside Christmas tree recycling service. Through January 11, residents can place their live, evergreen Christmas trees at the curb in front of their house for recycling at the same time they put out their regular household trash.



Residents need to be sure they remove the tree stand, tinsel, lights and plastic bag or tree cover before setting their tree out at the curb. If residents have other questions on how to recycle their Christmas trees, they can call (636) 639-2049.

Holiday Hours

City offices will be closed for the following holidays:

January 1, for New Year's Day holiday January 20, for Martin Luther King Day February 17, for Presidents' Day

Progress Park Recreation Center holiday hours are as follows:

Closed January 1, for New Year's Day

(NOTE: The Recreation Center will close at 5:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve, December 31.)