

The Greater Saint Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau has announced its publication of the 2009 Visitors Guide. This year's guide is a commemorative edition highlighting St. Charles' Bicentennial anniversary. The 2009 guide is a unique edition in that it is printed in a "two-way, flip book" format or as it's called in the printing industry, a coming and going piece. According to CVB Director David Rosenwasser, the book contains the regular line-up of tourism details, including shopping, attractions, wineries, dining and accommodations.

As in year's past," he said, "the guide also highlights sports and recreation facilities as well as meeting and banquet options. In honor of the city's 200th anniversary, the flip side of the book focuses on historical aspects, including photos, a timeline and an introductory letter from Mayor Patti York and Council President Larry Muench."

The 2009 Visitors Guide is available free of charge at the CVB located in the historic district at 230 South Main Street. Individuals may also call the tourism office directly at 636-946-7776 for more information.

## Community Freedom Center - Here's the latest and greatest on our city's future jewel

**IF** you happened by the future site of St. Charles' Community Freedom Center over the course of the Memorial Day weekend, then you no doubt noticed activities underway on the former K-Mart lot. ShowMe Aquatics & Fitness hosted a family-friendly carnival on Veteran's Memorial Parkway between Hwy. 94 and Zumbuhl Road. "It was a terrific way to connect with the community and give this project some local visibility," said Patrick Banger, past Chairman of the ShowMe board of directors. According to Banger there will continue to be a plethora of activity underway as the project is on track with the recent application to the Planning & Zoning Commission. From there, it goes to the City Council for approval. "At this writing," Banger said, "we intend to host a ground-breaking ceremony at 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 10 and all are welcome to attend this momentous occasion."

Mayor Patti York indicated the center's oversight committee comprising members of the St. Charles City Council and ShowMe's Board of Directors continues to meet regularly to further design the facility's footprint, including the interior design. "One new addition to the plan is the inclusion of a party room that can be used for birthdays or simply for parental observation purposes while children are swimming," she said.

The City of St. Charles and ShowMe Aquatics are jointly building and managing the 105,000-square-

foot facility, which will include a fitness center, large warm water pool, lap pool and children's aquatic park. The oversight committee selected McCarthy Building Companies, Inc., as the construction manager and Hastings & Chivetta as architect to carry out the project. The civil engineering firm assigned to the project is Cole & Associates.

### Here's a look at next steps:

- **Thursday, Sept. 10** (10 a.m.) ground-breaking on the project site.
- **Week of Sept. 14** — demolition of the former K-Mart facility begins.
- **September 2009 and beyond** — continued site work and ongoing construction efforts.
- **Spring 2011** — facility opens for the benefit of the community.

Banger estimated the oversight committee will begin identifying membership packages and related usage fees next year. "We're also discussing future amenities which could potentially include a competition swimming pool and a multi-use athletic court to accommodate inline hockey and indoor soccer.

"From the outset," he concluded, "we've made a concerted effort to provide accommodations for specific target groups, especially in the way of locker room facilities. The center's basic amenities place it among the very best our region has to offer, but the overall design will offer a unique combination of additional features not found in any other single facility in the nation."



# FOUR ST. CHARLES AREA BUSINESSES RECEIVE THE 2009 EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR



FRONT ROW (L. TO R.) -- DAVE STRAUTZ, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF FIRST STATE BANK OF ST. CHARLES; PAT BARTEAU OF ST. CHARLES OFFICE FURNITURE; AND ED VAN VOOREN PRESIDENT OF ELTEK LABS.  
BACK ROW (L. TO R.) -- PATTI YORK, MAYOR OF ST. CHARLES; DAN FULLER, PRESIDENT OF EPC, INC; PETE BARTEAU, PRESIDENT OF ST. CHARLES OFFICE FURNITURE; NADINE BOON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR FOR THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES; AND MONA VAN VOOREN.

Mayor Patti York bestowed Employer of the Year honors on four St. Charles area businesses during the May 20 St. Charles Chamber of Commerce general membership meeting at the Saint Charles Convention Center. "We are pleased to recognize local businesses who continue to grow and thrive in our city," said Mayor York. "These companies make a huge investment in our community and as employers provide support and benefits to their staff. St. Charles annually presents the award in the categories of service, manufacturing/industrial and retail; this year the city added a new category entitled the energy efficiency award. The 2009 honorees are:

## **Service - [First State Bank of St. Charles – 206 North Fifth Street \(636-940-5555\)](#)**

A local independent bank serving St. Charles County for over 142 years, First State Bank of St. Charles believes civic involvement and employee participation are important values for any local community bank. First State Bank president and CEO David Strautz credits the 54 full- and part-time bank employees who serve customers at four banking centers in St. Charles County for the bank's longevity and reputation. "This bank's success stems from its ability to build lasting relationships through customer interactions and employee teamwork," Strautz said. "As a local community bank, we are proud to serve the businesses and families of St. Charles County. Our employees live and work in this community, and they truly care about the customers we serve every day."

## **Manufacturing/Industrial - [ELTEK Labs – 248 Hughes Lane \(636-949-5835\)](#)**

ELTEK International Laboratories is founded on a philosophy – developed by the company's founder and president Ed Van Vooren – based upon the 'growth of human capital.' According to general manager Andrea Morse, Mr. Van Vooren believes that to develop professionals you must first begin by developing the person that will become the professional. "Much of the recognition that our employees receive here at ELTEK are founded in this philosophy," Morse said. The employees of ELTEK nominated Mr. Van Vooren for this honor as he is world-renowned for his knowledge and expertise in the electrical testing industry. Ed established ELTEK Labs – an electrical testing laboratory – in 1987. The company currently has 17 employees (including two UMSL/Wash. U. engineering interns) and several external sales reps servicing over 450 customers worldwide.

## **Retail - [St. Charles Office Furniture – 710 Fountain Lakes Blvd. \(636-947-3172\)](#)**

When it comes to surviving the current economic situation, the folks at St. Charles Office Furniture know all too well the value of retaining traditional values and customer service. "Despite the various barriers to doing just that, during today's economic climate the personal attention to detail has never been more important," said Ronald "Pete" Barteau, president. The company has been in existence for 15 years, providing office space planning, new and used office furniture and related accessories. The six employees on staff at St. Charles Office Furniture excel based on the company's practice of providing acknowledgements for a job well-done, including financial bonuses. "From a civic standpoint, we also donate furniture to local churches and schools," added Barteau. "Plus, we discount furniture for local charities and educational institutions." According to Pete and his wife Pat, the company expanded their facility in 2005, providing an additional 7,000 square feet of space.

## **Energy Efficiency - [EPC, Inc. – 3941 Harry S. Truman Blvd. \(636-443-1999\)](#)**

EPC is one of the premier Asset Recovery Solution providers in North America. The company's mission is to provide its customers with the most seamless solutions for maximizing return and minimizing the risks associated with data security and improper handling of end-of-life IT assets. "We are committed to continual improvement," said vice president Dave Beal. EPC's environmental efforts earned the company the St. Louis Business Journal's 2008 Heroes of the Planet Award for the Sustainable Products category. "Our main business," added Beal, "is to refurbish or recycle computer equipment. If the computer/monitor/printer is in working order or needs minor repairs, we refurbish the unit and sell it. If the piece is too old or cannot be repaired, we demanufacture and recycle it." It takes less energy to recycle than to make these materials from scratch." EPC has been in business for 25 years and currently employs 240 people.

# BUSINESS BRIEFS. . .

## Mosquito Spray Schedule

The St. Charles Community Development staff began the 2009 mosquito spray schedule May 11. The city currently operates three fogging machines, to cover the citywide, weekly schedule between the hours of 7 and 10 p.m. as follows:

- ◆ **Mondays** -- Ward 1, Ward 2 and Ward 3
- ◆ **Tuesdays** -- Ward 6\*, Ward 9\* and Ward 10\*
- ◆ **Wednesdays** -- Ward 4, Ward 5 and Ward 8\*
- ◆ **Thursdays** -- Ward 6\*, Ward 7, Ward 8\*, Ward 9\* and Ward 10\*

\* *Denotes partial* -- for questions, call Community Development at 636-949-3222.



## FYI...Do's, Don'ts and Helpful Tips

The city's program to help control the public health annoyance caused by mosquitoes utilizes a product named Evoluer 4 - 4 ULV. This product is applied in each ward of the city once a week using truck mounted sprayers. The product does not pose a health risk to humans or animals; however we recommend you take reasonable steps to avoid the fog when possible. Appropriate steps include the following:

- ✓ Close the windows of your vehicle if you are following a mosquito spraying truck.
- ✓ Keep yourself and children out of the street until the fog settles or dissipates.
- ✓ Wash skin and hands if irritated by direct contact with the chemical.
- ✓ Do not attempt to stop or get the attention of the mosquito truck operator. The trucks are calibrated to distribute the proper chemical amounts.

There are additional steps all residents can take to help prevent mosquitoes from breeding and becoming adults. We ask that everyone follow these guidelines to prevent mosquitoes from becoming a nuisance to you and your neighbors.

- Eliminate all standing water from areas on your property.
- Remove water from tires, buckets, and other items that collect water.
- Don't dump grass clippings, branches or other items in storm drains or ditches.
- Fill holes in trees with sand or mortar.
- Scrub and change the water in bird baths weekly.
- Empty and refill pets' water pans daily.
- Empty any small plastic wading pools weekly. Store indoors when not in use. Properly maintain your swimming pool and keep it covered so as not to collect rain water.
- Contact the City of St. Charles (636-949-3227) if you know of large bodies of stagnant water, this way we can take appropriate steps to eliminate the water.

More information about the mosquito control product, as well as the MSDS that is utilized by the City of St. Charles, can be found online at: <http://www.allprovector.com/evoluer.htm>.

## Historical Trolley Tours

In support of this year's Bicentennial, the city is offering free historical trolley tours developed in conjunction with the CVB, the Bicentennial planning committee and Steve Wiechens of the First Capitol Lions Club. The tour line up to date includes the following:

<i>Tour One:</i>	<b>Old Cemeteries</b>	Friday, July 10	1 to 4:45 p.m.
<i>Tour Two:</i>	<b>Academy of the Sacred Heart</b>	Friday, August 14	1 to 4:45 p.m.
<i>Tour Three:</i>	<b>Frenchtown</b>	Friday, September 11	1 to 4:45 p.m.
<i>Tour Four:</i>	<b>To Be Announced</b>	Sunday, October 11	11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The fourth and final tour will be held in conjunction with the Bicentennial Cultural Heritage Festival; for more specific details, please refer to the city's website at [www.stcharlescivmo.gov](http://www.stcharlescivmo.gov) or the tourism website at [www.historic-stcharles.com](http://www.historic-stcharles.com).



## SUMMER FUN DAY CAMP AT BLANCHETTE & WAPELHORST PARKS

Camp is for children 6-14 years of age. Here are the camp prices for a Week's Worth of FUN!

### DAYCAMP

Resident	\$73
Non-Resident	\$83

### SUNRISE/SUNSET CAMP

Sunrise or Sunset Camp \$21  
Both Sunrise & Sunset Camps \$31  
\*Fees are per child per week. Fees are all inclusive and include all swimming admissions, field trip admissions & materials needed for arts and crafts projects. Children bring their own lunch. Visit [www.stcharlesparks.com](http://www.stcharlesparks.com) for a complete information packet.

Field Trip Schedule:  
Camp/Extreme Camp  
Butterfly House  
Great Skate  
City Museum  
Magic House/Float Trip



## 2009 AQUATIC SCHEDULE AND HOURS OF OPERATION

### WAPELHORST: 936-8118

#### Throughout August 9

Mon-Fr 11A-7P Sat 11A-6P  
Sun 12A-7P

Weekends only Aug 15-16, 22-23,  
29-30 and Sept 5-7

Saturday 11A-7P  
Sunday 12A-7P

Pool is closed Monday/Friday after Aug 9

### BLANCHETTE: 946-2230

#### May 29-August 15

Mon-Sat 11A-6P Sun 12A-6P  
Pool Closes for the Season August 9

### McNAIR: 946-1553

Mon-Sun 12-6PM  
Pool Closes for the Season August 2

## LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

In our Learn to Swim Program we have a staff ratio of one (1) instructor for every six children. Blanchette, McNair and Wapelhorst will offer four (4) sessions for Swim Lessons.

Classes are offered Monday through Thursday for two weeks. Friday will serve as the rain makeup date for sessions.

July 6 - 16 and July 20 - 30

Fees: \$38 for City Residents

\$48 for non-City Residents

Pre-School Swim--Ages 3-5

For child participation without parents in the water. Basic safety and water adjustment skills are presented.

Youth Swim--Ages 6 & Up

Open to children of all skill abilities. Children will be tested and placed in a group most suited to their ability on the first day of lessons.

For a complete listing call 949-3372 or visit [www.stcharlesparks.com](http://www.stcharlesparks.com)



## FLAG FOOTBALL AGES 9-10, 11-12

Learn basic skills, for players with introductory and beginner level skills. Emphasis will be on fun, recreation and physical fitness. Each class will include skill learning/building and small scrimmages. Class for 9-10 and 7-8 years old. Flags, belts, balls are provided.

Location: Wapelhorst Soccer Fields

AGES 9-10

CODE 325641-01

DAY Saturday

DATES 9/12-10/17

TIME 9:00 AM-9:45 AM

AGES 7-8

CODE 325641-02

DAY Saturday

DATES 9/12-10/17

TIME 10:00 AM-10:45 AM

## 2009 HotSHOTS

### HOTSHOTS INTRO

**AGES 4-5 & AGES 6-8 LEARN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF SOCCER AND BASIC GAME PLAY WHILE USING A LOWER NET AND SMALLER BALL. LOCATION:**

**AUDITORIUM AT MEMORIAL HALL \$47 PER PERSON**

### HOTSHOTS INTRO (AGES 4-5)

31020-01 M 9/14-10/19  
5:30-6:15 PM

310201-02 M 11/2-12/7  
5:30-6:15 PM

### HOTSHOTS INTRO (AGES 6-8)

320201-01 M 9/15- 10/19  
5:30-6:15 PM

320201-02 M 11/2-12/7  
5:30-6:15 PM

### HOTSHOTS Plus (AGES 6-8)

**HOSHOTS PLUS PROGRAM IS FOR 6-8 YEAR OLDS FEATURING WEEKLY SCRIMMAGES. PLAYERS MUST HAVE BEEN IN OUR INTRODUCTION HOTSHOTS CLASS. MONDAYS, 6 WEEK PROGRAM.**

**LOCATION: AUDITORIUM AT MEMORIAL HALL**

320211-01 M 9/14-9/19  
7:00-8:00 PM

320201-02 M 11/2-12/7  
5:30-6:15 PM

**\$47 PER PERSON**

## INTRO T-BALL OUTDOOR (AGES 4-5)

Play T-Ball! Learn basic ball handling, hitting, and fielding skills emphasizing teamwork. T-shirts provided. Location: Field #4 at McNair Park

\$47 per person

311241-01 W 8/26-9/30  
5:45-6:30P

## SOCCER - INTRODUCTORY (AGES 4-5)

Learn & develop the fundamentals skills of soccer such as dribbling, passing, shooting & small game scrimmage. Have fun while increasing your physical fitness! Every child will have a ball use.

Location: Wapelhorst Soccer Fields

Fee: \$47 per person

311041-01 S 9/12-10/17  
S 10:30A-11:15P  
311041-02 S 11:15A-12:00P

## BEGINNER T-BALL (AGES 5-7)

Beginner T-Ball is designed to expand your child's individual and game skills learn the basic T-Ball classes. Players are placed on teams with weekly instruction period before game play. All hitting will be from the T-stand. Parent Volunteer Coaches are needed. Location: Fields #1-3 at McNair Park. \$47 per person.

311241-02 W 8/26-9/30  
6:00-7:00PM

## SOCCER - INTRODUCTORY (AGES 6-8)

Learn & develop the fundamentals skills of soccer such as dribbling, passing, shooting & small game scrimmage. Have fun while increasing your physical fitness! Every child will have a ball use. Fee: \$49 per person

Location: Wapelhorst Soccer Fields

321041-01 S 9/12-10/17  
11:15AM-12:00P

## T-BALL PLUS (AGES 6-8)

T-Ball Plus is a program designed to continue expanding individual player and game skills learned in Beginner T-Ball. Players have the opportunity to hit an adult pitched ball. Parent Volunteer Coaches are Needed.

Location: Fields #1-3 at McNair Park.  
311241-03 W 8/26-9/30  
7:00-8:00 PM



**Register online!**

Visit [www.stcharlesparks.com](http://www.stcharlesparks.com)

or call the Parks Office  
at 636-949-3372



## A STAR IS BORN IN SAINT CHARLES

This fall, the St. Charles Bicentennial committee will host the city's very own anniversary version of Saint Charles Star. Patt Holt of the Patt Holt Singers is the managing entity behind the local vocal talent auditions and ensuing competition. The winner in each category will receive a scholarship from Lindenwood University (more details to be unveiled at a later date).

Given this is St. Charles' 200th anniversary celebration, only residents of the city will be eligible to participate. Proof of residency will be required at the time of tryouts. Applicants between the ages of 12 and 15 will compete in the **Junior Star** category, and individuals aged 16 or older will compete in the **Adult Star** category.

Applications for the competition are available online at [www.stcharlescitymo.gov](http://www.stcharlescitymo.gov) (please link to the Bicentennial information as highlighted on the home page of the city's website). All interested parties should submit their completed applications in the Tourism office located at 230 South Main Street on or before Friday, July 24.

The Saint Charles Star schedule is as follows:

**JUNIOR STAR** – tryouts will be held from Noon to 2 p.m. on Sat., Aug. 8 and 5 to 7 p.m. on Tues., Aug. 11

**ADULT STAR** – tryouts will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Sat., Aug. 8 and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Tues., Aug. 11.

**SEMI-FINALS** – follow up competition will be held at on Mon., Sept. 21 at the CVB office; Junior Star from 4 to 6 p.m., and Adult Star from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

**FINALS** – Saint Charles Star winners will be selected during the 2:30 p.m. competition to be held Sunday, October 11 at Wapelhorst Park (1875 Muegge Road).

Anyone with questions related to the tryout procedure should call Patt Holt directly at 636-947-0120. For all other Bicentennial inquiries, please call committee chairperson Karen Godfrey on staff at the Greater Saint Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau at 636-255-6109, or the city's **Bicentennial Hotline** at **636-255-6154**.



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## **Bicentennial Logo Decals**

The St. Charles Bicentennial Committee in conjunction with city staffers has developed a “cling-on” style sticker featuring the city’s 200th anniversary logo. The logo, which commemorates St. Charles incorporation as a village in 1809, is available free of charge to area residents and business owners. While they last, quantities of the Bicentennial logo stickers are available at the following outlets in the City of St. Charles:

- ◆ **St. Charles City Hall**, 200 North Second Street  
(first floor lobby)
- ◆ **St. Charles Parks Department**, 1900 West Randolph
- ◆ **St. Charles Chamber of Commerce**, 2201 First Capitol Dr.
- ◆ **McClay Branch Library**, 2760 McClay Road
- ◆ **Mid-Towne IGA**, 317 Hawthorn Avenue
- ◆ **Greater St. Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau**,  
230 South Main Street
- ◆ **St. Charles Police Department**, 1781 Zumbahl Road
- ◆ **Kathryn Linneman Branch Library**, 2323 Elm Street
- ◆ **Dierbergs**, Bogey Hills Plaza (Zumbahl and I-70)
- ◆ **Schnucks**, 800 South Duchesne

Additional Bicentennial updates can be found via the city’s website at [www.stcharlescitymo.gov](http://www.stcharlescitymo.gov) or you can also access the CVB website at [www.historicstcharles.com](http://www.historicstcharles.com). Information about St. Charles parks can be found at [www.stcharlesparks.com](http://www.stcharlesparks.com). For more specific event details, you can also call the **Bicentennial Hotline** at **636-255-6154**.

## **Bicentennial Gardening Contest**

The St. Charles Beautification Commission in conjunction with the Suburban Journals of St. Charles County is sponsoring a Bicentennial Gardening Contest for residents and business owners within the city limits. Interested parties may pick up applications and native seed packets (including the city flower – the purple Coneflower) at the Information Desk located in the lobby of City Hall; applications and additional details are also available online via the city’s website at [www.stcharlescitymo.gov](http://www.stcharlescitymo.gov). Completed applications are due in Mayor York’s office (4th floor) by 5 p.m. on Friday, July 31, 2009. The contest consists of six categories:

- ◆ Small Residential
- ◆ Small Business
- ◆ Small Community Organization
- ◆ Large Residential
- ◆ Large Business
- ◆ Large Community Organization



## **Kevin Corwin Joins St. Charles Staff as City Engineer**

Kevin Corwin recently joined the St. Charles team as City Engineer in the Department of Public Works. This position replacement reports to Debra Aylsworth, Director of Public Works.

“Kevin has more than a decade of experience in civil engineering,” said Aylsworth. “We are lucky to have Kevin on board as his diversified experience, education and certifications have afforded him opportunities in a variety of areas, including roadway design, storm and sanitary sewer design, hydro-logic and hydraulic analysis/design, environmental permitting, storm water management, potable water system analysis/design, construction administration and land surveying. There’s absolutely no doubt he’s well-qualified for this position!”

Corwin was employed as a civil engineering consultant with GBA in O’Fallon for the last eight years of his career, and prior to that with Metropolitan Engineering and Surveying in Barnhart. During that time, he worked almost exclusively with municipalities, helping them solve problems, find solutions and plan for the future.

“In addition, I’ve worked as a consultant in a combination of roles for municipal engineering, planning and community development, helping various cities complete comprehensive and redevelopment planning,” said Corwin. “I also have expertise in managing new infrastructure and administering municipal codes and ordinances. It is a pleasure to be a part of the city’s Public Works team, and I look forward to providing engineering support going forward.”

According to Corwin, he was located at Cottleville city hall for over two of his eight years with GBA, serving as that community’s consultant city engineer. “Due to rapid growth and the associated influx of development and redevelopment, the city quickly recognized a need for a full-time staff person to develop and oversee their planning and engineering department,” he said. “During my time there, I was especially proud of the groundwork we laid for future city infrastructure, economic development, and revitalization efforts for the city’s historic district.”

Corwin holds a masters of business administration from the University of Missouri-St. Louis, and a bachelor of science in civil engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla. He has numerous professional and civic affiliations, including: American Society of Civil Engineers, American Public Works Association, Association of State Flood Plain Managers, Missouri Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Association, Missouri Association of City Clerks and Finance Officers, Missouri Municipal League, St. Charles County Economic Development Center, St. Charles County Planning Association, The Grant Institute, St. Charles Chamber of Commerce and Dardenne Creek Greenway Technical Advisory.

## CITY COUNCIL HONORS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

On May 12, the St. Charles City Council presented five \$1,000 Scholarships for high school seniors residing in the City of Saint Charles. The scholarships were awarded to one student from each of the four High Schools located in the City of St. Charles. There was also one at-large scholarship awarded to a student residing in the City of St. Charles and attending a private or parochial high school.

The Council awarded the 2009 scholarships based on a written essay of 500–1,000 words addressing the question: "If I Was Mayor" (essays are available for review online at [www.stcharlescitymo.gov](http://www.stcharlescitymo.gov); please refer to News Release section).

The city's eligibility requirements for this scholarship program were as follows:

- High school senior in the 2008-2009 graduating class
- Resident of the City of Saint Charles, Missouri
- Submission of an essay consisting of 500-1,000 words addressing the question: "If I Was Mayor"

**"The city's scholarship program represents an investment in the future leaders of our community."**

Larry Muench, Ward 2  
Council President



St. Charles City Council members took a break during the May 12 meeting for a photo opportunity with the 2009 scholarship winners. Award recipients (front row, pictured l. to r.) are: **John Haehnel**, Orchard Farm; **Neal Mahoney**, St. Charles West High School; **Gregory Katterhenry**, Lutheran High; **Samantha Fix**, St. Charles High School; and **Casey Fancher**, Francis Howell North. Council in attendance were Jerry Reese, Ward 6; Bob Kneemiller, Ward 4; Erv Ermeling, Ward 10; Dave Beckering, Ward 7; President Larry Muench, Ward 2; and Mike Klinghammer, Ward 8.

The St. Charles scholarship program has been in existence since it was passed by the City Council as a resolution on September 2, 2003. The first group of student-recipients were graduating seniors in the 2003-2004 school year.

The City Council allocates \$5,000 to this program annually. To date, some 30 St. Charles city families have benefited from this program, with a collective investment of \$30,000 over the past six years.

"The city's scholarship program represents an investment in the future leaders of our community," said Council President Larry Muench, Ward 2. "We look forward to continuing this opportunity to support the higher education needs of our graduating seniors and encourage people to read this year's award-winning essays on the city's site".

## Kudos to City Staffers

Congratulations to **Jim Dreyer**, Video Producer for the St. Charles Cable Department, Channel 118-20. Jim received a Silver Telly Award for a program he produced, entitled "Beyond the Set: Shadowland." The video presents a behind-the-scenes look at a local production filmed in the city of St. Charles during 2008; the movie, Shadowland, debuted last summer. ([www.shadowlandthemovie.com](http://www.shadowlandthemovie.com)).

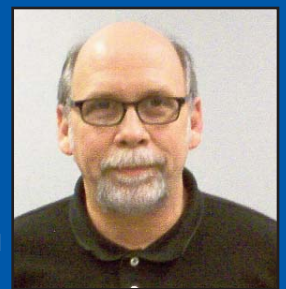
The 30th annual Telly Awards received over 14,000 entries from all 50 states and five continents. Of those entries received, only a small percentage were awarded the Silver Telly, which is the program's highest honor.



Jim Dreyer with Mayor York

**Rick Brown**, Senior Human Resources Generalist for the city has been named President Elect of the Lewis and Clark Chapter of the

Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM).



Rick Brown

This newly established local chapter in St. Charles County recently received its charter from the national office. The group already has some 100 members, and Rick will take the group forward as President in 2010. The goal of the organization is to provide local human resource management professionals with the most essential and comprehensive set of resources available.



**ST. CHARLES'  
BICENTENNIAL  
CELEBRATION  
CONTINUES...**

As you are well aware, the City of St. Charles is completely in the throws of its Bicentennial celebration -- the 200th anniversary of our city's incorporation as a village in 1809. Even though our actual anniversary date isn't until Oct. 13, a committee of volunteers has been busy planning a host of activities that will occur throughout the year. In fact, everyone here in town will continue to personally experience some 200 events in 200 days! That's right -- the Bicentennial serves as the underlying theme that runs through every event taking place in St. Charles throughout 2009.

In case you didn't have the opportunity to attend our kick-off celebration, you may not be aware the city commissioned artist Wayne Trinklein to create the Bicentennial Children's Sculpture. His original art, unveiled at the March 27 event, depicts the Red Bud, the city's official tree, and represents the heart or future of St. Charles -- our youth. In the fall, elementary school children citywide will have the opportunity to support this original work by collecting coins. Those students who submit 200 coins in honor of the city's 200th anniversary, will have their names engraved on a plaque positioned next to

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the Bicentennial statue, which is on display in the lobby of city hall. If you have children or grandchildren, I hope you'll encourage them to participate in this process.



School children from the Academy of the Sacred Heart take an up close and personal look at the Bicentennial sculpture. Pictured from l. to r. are: (back row) Daniel Christopher, Derek Griffiths, and Sam Seiler; (front row) Anna Stewart, Lindsey Griffiths, Molly Christopher, Henry Christopher, Allie Christopher, and Christian Stewart.

You won't want to miss the line up of events and activities taking place in St. Charles over the course of the next several months. A handy insert has been included in this edition that not only provides the rundown for Riverfest but the balance of the summer schedule as well, including the official Bicentennial activities which will occur during the second weekend in October.

As a part of the celebratory festivities to be held in October, we're hosting our very own Bicentennial version of Saint Charles Star on Sun., Oct. 11 at Wapelhorst Park. Patt Holt of the Patt Holt Singers will be the managing entity

behind our vocal talent auditions, including the Semi-Final presentations. Since this is our city's 200th anniversary, only residents of St. Charles will be eligible to participate. Applications are available online at [www.stcharlescitymo.gov](http://www.stcharlescitymo.gov), and are due back at the tourism office on or before Fri., July 24. It will be exciting to witness firsthand and subsequently showcase the homegrown talent available right here in St. Charles.

For specific questions about the Saint Charles Star event, please feel free to call Patt Holt directly at 636-947-0120. If your organization is interested in participating in the Bicentennial celebration in any other capacity, please call committee chair Karen Godfrey in the tourism office at 636-255-6109. At this writing, we're still looking for organizational sponsors at our Frontier Park event on Fri., Oct. 9 and we're hoping everyone will sign up to be in the Bicentennial parade on Sat., Oct. 10.

As you can readily see, there's a host of things happening this year to highlight our anniversary. We hope you'll join us for what will no doubt be a ton of free, family-friendly fun. In any event, we'll give folks something to talk about for the next 200 years!

All the best, have a terrific summer and be safe--

Patti York, Mayor

**Dates to Remember**  
**July 2-4, 2009**  
 —Riverfest in Frontier Park -- [www.stcharlesriverfest.com](http://www.stcharlesriverfest.com)  
**July 12, 2009**  
 —St. Charles Lions Club Car & Truck, Ranger Div., Motorcycle Show -- McNair Park  
**July 15, 2009**  
 —Music On Main 5:00 - 7:30 PM  
 Food, drink & music by Hillbilly Authority  
**July 24, 2009**  
 —Friday Night Flicks in Frenchtown  
 1800 North Second St. -- Music, refreshments at 8pm, movie at dark.  
 —Music on Main  
 100-200 North Main  
**July 25, 2009**  
 —Hot Summer Nights - N. Main

—Check City's website for updates and/or additional information—  
[www.stcharlescitymo.gov](http://www.stcharlescitymo.gov)

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On October 13, 1809, the city of St. Charles became the first village to incorporate in St. Charles County  
City of St. Charles celebrating its Bicentennial with several activities scheduled throughout year:

2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend in October will feature a cultural heritage festival based on a series of parties, parades & concerts in City Parks:

**October 9 – Frontier Park** – an evening of music, entertainment, food & beverages October 10 - **Blanchette Park**– Parade begins at Noon from the Lewis & Clark Boathouse Lot, to Boone's Lick, Right on Main Street, Left on Clark, Right on Kingshighway, Left on Randolph to Park & then an old fashioned picnic from 2-6pm with family-friendly activities planned – Patt Holt Singers performing & 1860's Vintage Base Ball Game will be played at 3:00pm

**October 11 – Wapelhorst Park** – Arts & Cultural event featuring drama and local choir performances – take historical tours aboard the St. Charles Trolley

**October 12** – education day activities in honor of our area schools complete with Flag-Raising Ceremonies

**October 13** – city's actual anniversary date – will be focal point of the regularly scheduled City Council Mtg.

Historical Trolley Tours – July 10 "Old Cemeteries", August 14 "Academy of the Sacred Heart", September 11 "Frenchtown", October 11 TBA – Tours free, limit 20-22 ppl. per tour, 636-255-6154 to reserve space.

\* **St. Charles STAR Competition** – Tryouts held at the CVB August 8 & 11 – Only residents of the City of St. Charles are eligible to participate, call Patt Holt for information 636-947-0120

\* (Some events listed below will incorporate Bicentennial theme or activities into their special event to participate in the City's celebration)

#### JUNE

- 19-20 Olde Tyme Picnic Old Town Park & Lone Wolff Park in St. Peters [www.oldtymepicnic.com](http://www.oldtymepicnic.com)  
22-26 MO DNR Katy Bike Ride 225-miles – Clinton to St. Charles [www.katytrailstatepark.com](http://www.katytrailstatepark.com)  
24 St. Jean Baptiste Day Celebration Frenchtown Picnic style gathering- food, music, games, bonfire 5-10pm  
26 Friday Night Flicks in Frenchtown 1800 North Second St. Music & Refreshments at 8pm, movie at dark  
27 Hot Summer Nights N. Main 2 music stages (Rockin B's & Roomful of Blues) begins 6pm-outdoor dining 5-11pm

#### JULY

- 2-4 Riverfest Frontier Park Celebrate Independence Day with Fireworks July 3-4 at 9:20pm, 2 Music Stages carnival (wrist band night July 2) & parade on July 4 [www.stcharlesriverfest.com](http://www.stcharlesriverfest.com)  
4 Pole Vault Explosion All Day Competition – Professional, H.S. & Collegiate [www.polevaultexplosion.com](http://www.polevaultexplosion.com)  
4 NewTown July 4 Hometown Parade and Celebration Parade 1pm & music by Trilogy from 4-8pm  
11 Town Ball Daniel Boone Home - Defiance Re-enactors play game consider stepping stone to baseball  
12 St. Charles Lions Club Car & Truck Show/Ranger Div. Motorcycle Show McNair Park 949-3372  
12 St. Charles Community Big (Jazz) Band Frontier Park 7:30pm  
Thursday Evenings St. Charles Municipal Band Concerts Frontier Park 8pm [www.stc-muny-band.com](http://www.stc-muny-band.com)  
(No concert on July 2 – it is July 4 @ 5:45pm during Riverfest)  
15 Music on Main 100-200 blocks of North Main 5-7:30pm Food, drink & music by Hillbilly Authority  
19 The Big Shark New Town Triathlon New Town [www.usatriathlon.org](http://www.usatriathlon.org)  
24 Friday Night Flicks in Frenchtown 1800 North Second St. Music & Refreshments at 8pm, movie at dark  
25 Hot Summer Nights N. Main 2 music stages (Ben Lacy & Chris Duarte) beginning 6pm - outdoor dining 5-11pm

#### AUGUST

- 1 Youth-In-Need Benefit Concert Frontier Park  
4-7 Missouri River 340 Bishops Landing Kayak Race from Kansas City to St. Charles [www.rivermiles.com](http://www.rivermiles.com)  
7 BBQ at Boathouse Lewis & Clark Boathouse Plates for sale by the Discovery Corp from 11:30am-4pm  
Thursday Evenings St. Charles Municipal Band Concerts Frontier Park 8pm [www.stc-muny-band.com](http://www.stc-muny-band.com)  
5 The Patt Holt Singers Frontier Park Concert 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM [patholt@yahoo.com](mailto:patholt@yahoo.com)  
9 St. Charles Community Big (Jazz) Band Frontier Park 7:30pm  
9 Tour of the Little Hills Bicycle Ride 7:30am starts at Foundry for experienced cyclists [www.trailnet.org](http://www.trailnet.org)  
10 Statehood Day First MO State Capitol 636-940-3322  
15 NewTown Jazz Festival NewTown Outdoor Amphitheater 6:00 PM  
19 Music on Main 100-200 blocks of N. Main 5-7:30pm Food, drink & music by Rogers, Nienhaus & Crawford  
21-23 Festival of the Little Hills Fri. 4-10pm, Sat. 9:30am-10pm, Sun. 9:30am-5pm [www.festivalofthelittlehills.com](http://www.festivalofthelittlehills.com)  
22 Art of the Motorcycle Foundry Art Centre  
28 Fridays @ Frontier Frontier Park Live Music begins at 7pm — "Radio Rich" & "The Dave Glover Band"  
28 Friday Night Flicks in Frenchtown 1800 North Second St. Music & Refreshments at 8pm, movie at dark  
29 Hot Summer Nights N. Main 2 music stages (Generation Gap & Walter Trout) begins 6pm -outdoor dining 5-11pm  
29 Race for the River and Clean Water Challenge [www.greenwaynetwork.org](http://www.greenwaynetwork.org)

#### SEPTEMBER

- 6 St. Charles Community Big (Jazz) Band Frontier Park 7:30pm  
12 Missouri State HOG Rally Parade 6PM [www.mostatehogrally.com](http://www.mostatehogrally.com)  
12 The Blast at New Town 5K Run/1 mile Walk, music, food, balloon glow, games from 3-9pm 636-946-0633  
12 Quilt Show Katy Depot in Frontier Park  
12-13, 19-20, 26-27 St. Louis Pirate Festival Rotary Park, Wentzville 10am-6pm [www.stlpiratefest.com](http://www.stlpiratefest.com)  
13 Trails for Tails Frontier Park Activities, vendor & info booths [www.stcharleshumanesociety.org](http://www.stcharleshumanesociety.org)  
13 Lewis & Clark Marathon and Half Marathon Frontier Park 7:00am [www.fleetfeetstl.com](http://www.fleetfeetstl.com)  
13-18 St. Charles Fashion Week 636-916-4386  
16 Music on Main 100-200 blocks of North Main 5-7:30pm Food, drink & music by The Arbogast Band  
18-20 Missouri River Irish Fest Frontier Park Irish music, food, traditional crafts [www.moriveririshfest.com](http://www.moriveririshfest.com)  
18-20 Mosaics – Festival for the Arts North Main Artists sell & display art [www.stcharlesmosaics.org](http://www.stcharlesmosaics.org)  
18-20 Gateway Shootout Soccer Tournament St. Charles Soccer Complex 636-949-3372  
18-19 Augusta's Harvest Festival – Swingin' in the Vines 636-228-4005  
19-20 Pioneer Days Boone Home- Defiance 1840s Folkways Festival & Encampment [www.lindenwood.edu/boone](http://www.lindenwood.edu/boone)  
20 Crescendo Concert Academy of Sacred Heart Chanson (acappella male sextet) [www.crescendoconcerts.org](http://www.crescendoconcerts.org)  
23 National Night Out St. Charles Police Department 636-949-3541  
25-27 Oktoberfest Frontier Park Celebration of German heritage [www.saintcharlesoktoberfest.com](http://www.saintcharlesoktoberfest.com)