



# EYE ON KIRKWOOD

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## A Message from the Mayor by Art McDonnell

How have you spent your last 50 years? That was a question I asked of my Kirkwood High School classmates of the graduating class of 1960 as we celebrated at our 50th reunion in September. We met at the Kirkwood Train Station, and many of them were impressed by how

vital downtown Kirkwood has become, while still maintaining its charm. I was impressed by how fruitful the 50 years of my classmates' lives have been.

Speaking of 50th anniversaries, what an exciting 50th birthday celebration last month for the Kirkwood Greentree Festival. The anniversary dance, the crowds packing the parade route, the great floats, and the happy visitors to the park – what a nice tribute to the work of the Greentree committee and all the volunteers over 50 years who have made this event an opportunity not to be missed. Another 50 years well spent.

Coming up in October – the Hands on Kirkwood event, October 9. Everyone is welcome to participate and help others in the community. Call 954-2349 for more information. Another group working together to make Kirkwood better is the citizens' group that wants to from the Taylor Avenue Local Historic District. They are working with the Landmarks Commission to preserve the homes along Taylor, many of which are more than 50 years old.

I hope you enjoy October, cooler weather, good football, the beautiful leaves, warm soups, and those excited Halloween visitors.



The Budweiser Clydesdales marched in the 50th Anniversary Greentree Festival parade. Photos by Scot Smith.

## KIRKWOOD IN BRIEF

### CURBSIDE RECYCLING COMING TO KIRKWOOD

You've heard the rumors, and they're true! The City of Kirkwood will offer single-stream curbside recycling beginning in January. One recycling cart will be delivered to every single-family household in December. Here's what else you need to know:



Kirkwood Living Green won First Place in the marching category in the Greentree Festival parade on September 18 with their efforts to spread the good news about curbside recycling. Photo by Bill Burckhalter.

- On holiday weeks, sanitation pick-up will shift by just one day.
- Paper, glass, plastic, aluminum/steel, newspaper: ALL of these items can be placed together – COMMINGLED – in one recycling cart. **No sorting necessary.**
- Along with your recycling cart, each household will receive (in December) a bag full of information on what can be recycled, how to care for your cart, and other important information.

### HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST FOR 2010 ANNOUNCED

The Kirkwood Human Rights Commission has announced the topic and deadline for the 2010 Essay Contest for high school juniors. The topic this year is: "What do you see as the long- and short-term solutions to the problems with the lack of sensitivity towards diversity in Kirkwood? Please include a specific personal plan of action as to what the essayist is willing to do." The deadline is October 25. Essays should be submitted in hard copy to Michael Brown, City Administrator, City of Kirkwood, 139 S. Kirkwood Road, 63132. Entries must be received by 4:00 p.m. on the 25th, and must include participant's contact information, including name, address, telephone number, age, and high school. For complete details, please visit the Human Rights Commission page on the City Website.

### CORP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

St. Louis County's Older Resident Program (CORP) desperately needs volunteers to provide assistance to area seniors, so they can remain active and independent in their own homes. They need volunteers for the following:

- **Neighbor Driving Neighbor:** Volunteers provide older adults with transportation to and from medical appointments and other essential business.
- **Care Calls:** Volunteers phone or visit homebound older adults to socialize and check on their well-being.
- **Office Assistant:** A volunteer answers phones and provides administrative assistance in a CORP neighborhood office, area center or Clayton.
- For more information, or to volunteer, call 314-615-4516.

### WHAT'S NOT CHANGING:

- There will be NO ADDITIONAL COST to residents.
- Regular household waste will still be placed in plastic bags, and the City will continue to provide and deliver, at no cost, one roll of 50 bags per year to each household (dates to be determined).
- Additional bags will be available for purchase at City Hall.
- Residents will continue to place yard waste in paper bags purchased from the City or tied in bundles, with a yard waste sticker. See Website for complete details.
- The City will modify some existing trucks and purchase new ones.
- The Scheidegger Recycling Depository at 350 S. Taylor will remain open and will receive single-stream items. The depository benefits business owners and apartment dwellers.

### WHAT'S CHANGING:

- Residents will place ALL of their sanitation – trash, recycling, and yard waste – out for pick-up one day per week, on the same day.



## KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### KIRKWOOD AREA ARTS COUNCIL

Call 314-965-7100 for more information

**Art in the Studio**~October 3, 2 to 4 p.m. Features Kirkwood artist Dave Endres. Come watch a local artist in his studio, demonstrating his craft of wood turning, with the added benefit of refreshments, live jazz, door prizes, and more!. Open to the public and free to members. Cost for non-members is \$10 – or Join! and attend for free. Register via email to: [kaacemail@gmail.com](mailto:kaacemail@gmail.com) or by phone: 314-965-7100. Location: Dave Endres' Studio, 404 Gill.



**Art at the Station**~Photographer Richard Buckhold, through October 4 ~ Watercolorist Gretchen Gackstatter October 4-November 1. Opening reception, October 14, 5:30-7 p.m. Kirkwood Train Station, 100 W. Argonne, at Kirkwood Road. Free and open to the public.

**Poets at the Station**~Series of poetry readings. David Clewell, Missouri Poet Laureate (October 12) and Edward Boccia (October 26). Kirkwood Train Station, 7 p.m.

### KIRKWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Call 314-827-5770 for more information

**Cinema KPL**~Tuesday afternoon film series, lower level meeting room. Academy Award Winners from the 1940s, 50s, and 60s: "The Greatest Show on Earth" (Oct. 12), "From Here to Eternity" (Oct. 26). FREE.

**St. Louis: People, Events and Scenes that Made History**~ Featuring local authors: October 16 (Bill Nunes) and November 6 (Thomas Danisi). Lower level meeting room, 10 a.m. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

### KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

Call 314-822-5855 for more information

**Crestwood/Kirkwood Youth Theater Presents: "Hairspray."** All tickets \$7 each and go on sale October 18. Runs December 2 through 5, Robert G. Reim Theater.

**Day Trip: Daniel Boone Home and Winery.** October 21. 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Stops in Defiance and Augusta and ends with a visit to the Mount Pleasant Winery. Tour, lunch, and tasting included in price. Residents, \$60. Non-residents, \$65.

**Extreme Team: Trip to Six Flags Fright Fest.** Teens ages 10-15. Bus leaves at 5:30 p.m. and returns at 11:30 p.m. Fee includes transportation, park entrance fee, and staffing costs. \$52 per person or \$25 with Six Flags' season pass.

### Kirkwood Meetings Calendar

- 10/1 Citizens' Finance, 7 a.m.
- 10/4 Architectural Review, 7 p.m.
- 10/6 Planning/Zoning, 7 p.m.
- 10/7 City Council 7 p.m., WS 6 p.m.
- 10/11 Aquatics, 6:45 p.m., Pool
- 10/11 Board of Adjustment, 7 p.m.
- 10/12 Human Rights, 6:30 p.m.
- 10/13 Landmarks, 6:30 p.m.
- 10/14 Council WS, 7 a.m.
- 10/18 Park Board, 7 p.m., Comm Ctr
- 10/18 Architectural Review, 7 p.m.
- 10/20 Downtown Bus Dist, 7:30 a.m.
- 10/20 Library Board, 5:30 p.m., Library
- 10/20 Planning/Zoning, 7 p.m.
- 10/21 City Council 7 p.m., WS 6 p.m.
- 10/26 Urban Forestry, 7 p.m.

Unless otherwise noted, meetings are typically held at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 S. Kirkwood Road. Please check the Meetings Calendar on the City's Website for agendas, room locations, or any last-minute changes.

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