

# CRESTWOOD NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2019

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

### CAPITAL INVESTMENTS CRITICAL TO CITY OPERATIONS

Over the past five years, Crestwood has spent \$6.7 million on street and sidewalk repairs, \$1.4 million on facility repairs and improvements, and \$1.5 million on vehicles and equipment.

These capital investments are critical to the operation of the City. The funding for capital investments comes almost exclusively from a half-cent dedicated capital improvement sales tax. This year, the City used funds from the capital improvement sales tax to renovate the fire department bunk house which had not been upgraded since the 1970s, replaced worn out roof sections on City Hall, replaced concrete slabs on Dalcrest, Raycrest, Arban, Buxton, and Glencrest, repaired sidewalks, bought a new snow plow, reconstructed Rayburn Park, and bought a new police car, among other matters.

Over the next 4 years, the City anticipates

using revenues from the capital improvement sales tax to repair over \$2 million dollars' worth of City streets, to continue to repair sidewalks, to replace the windows and lighting at City Hall and the Community Center with more energy efficient variants, to make repairs and upgrades to Whitecliff Park and Crestwood Park, and to replace additional older police vehicles, snow plows, and a fire truck.

The capital improvement sales tax was originally approved by Crestwood voters in 1993, and renewed for the first time in 2002. It levies a one-half of one-percent sales tax on all goods sold within the City. That sales tax is due to be renewed soon, and without voter renewal, this funding source would be eliminated in Crestwood.

The City expects to place the renewal of the capital improvement sales tax on the April 2020 ballot. Over the coming months, more information will be coming to residents about this important issue.



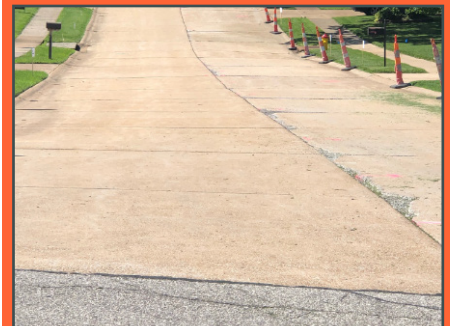
### BEFORE AND AFTER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS



**BEFORE:** *Playground at Rayburn Park*



**AFTER:** *Playground at Rayburn Park*



**BEFORE:** *Raycrest Lane*



**AFTER:** *Raycrest Lane*

# BLURBS

## YARD MAINTENANCE THIS FALL

**TREES:** The best time to prune your trees is between Halloween and President's Day. When pruning, remember to remove dead wood, avoid obstructions, provide clearances, and trim for proper structure. Dead or dying trees should be removed completely.

**LEAVES:** When it comes to leaves, please do not blow or rake leaves off your property. Take extra care to avoid blowing leaves into the street, onto your neighbors property, or down storm drains. Leaves should be collected and bagged for your yard waste pickup. Burning leaves is not permitted in Crestwood or St. Louis County.

## STAYING HOME ALONE

Presented by St. Louis Children's Hospital, Staying Home Alone is a class that will help parents and children determine a child's readiness to stay at home alone. This class will be held at the Crestwood Community Center on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23 from 9-10:30 AM**. Designed for parents and children to attend together, registration is \$25/family. Call (314) 454-5437 to register.

## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

1. Stay in a group and communicate where you will be going.
2. Remember reflective tape for costumes and trick-or-treat bags.
3. When trick-or-treating, bring a flash-light(s) for the group.
4. Remain on well-lit streets and always use the sidewalk.
5. Motorists may have trouble seeing trick-or-treaters, so pedestrians should be extra cautious when walking on the street or crossing the road.

# CRESTWOOD FIREFIGHTERS FINISH MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB

**CRESTWOOD FIREFIGHTERS KEVIN BEUSSINK AND MIKE RICKMAN PARTICIPATED IN THE ANNUAL 9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB.**

On Sunday, September 9, the Clayton Fire Department hosted the annual 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb to benefit the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. Two members of the Crestwood Fire Department, Firefighter/Paramedics Kevin Buessink and Mike Rickman, paid tribute to their fallen brethren by climbing 110 stories in the Pierre Laclède Building.

Wearing full turnout gear, the firefighters carried a photo and biographical sketch of one of the 343 FDNY firefighters lost at the World Trade Center attack on September 11th, 2001.



*"It was a proud moment seeing firefighters Rickman and Buessink complete the 6th Annual 911 Memorial Stair Climb." - Fire Chief Lou Hecht*

# SAPPINGTON HOUSE EVENTS

**SPIRITS OF SAPPINGTON HOUSE TOURS  
FRI. OCT 18 & SAT. OCT 19**

Hear from costumed ghosts in Sappington House's past during an illuminating museum tour. Experience Father Dickson Cemetery by lantern light. Gather around the bonfire and enjoy cider and s'mores while watching macabre 18th century surgeon, Dr. John Murphy, demonstrate authentic colonial medical practices. Tickets cost \$7 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under.

**TRIVIA NIGHT WITH JOHNNY RABBITT  
FRI. NOV 8**

Attend Sappington House's annual trivia night fundraiser at the Crestwood Community Center with emcee Johnny Rabbitt. Doors open at 6 PM and trivia starts at 7 PM. There will be a first and second place prize, along with a silent auction and 50/50 raffle. Bring your own beverages and snacks. Cash bar and desserts available from the Barn Restaurant. Registration is recommended: \$20 per person, \$160 for a table of 8.

**PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS AT THE LOFT GIFT SHOP OR CALL THE SAPPINGTON HOUSE AT (314) 822-8171 FOR MORE INFORMATION**

# EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

## PUMPKIN PIZZAZZ

MONDAY, OCT 14, 1 P.M.

FREE EVENT

Ages 2-6

Paint your masterpiece on the perfect pumpkin for the Pumpkin Painting Pizzazz in Whitecliff Park at Pavilion #3. Part of Oak Bend Library's Stories in the Park: pumpkin edition.

*Registration is required by October 7.*

*For more information, call the Crestwood Community Center at 729-4860.*

## PINT SIZE PARTIES

TUESDAY, OCT 29 & NOV 26 10 A.M.

\$4/RESIDENTS & \$6/NON-RESIDENTS

Ages 2-5

Let's get festive! Let's have a party! Pint Size Parties are held at the Crestwood Community Center and consist of themed arts, crafts, snacks, and free play!

**Halloween Party - Oct 26**

**Thanksgiving Party - Nov 26**

*Registrations are due by 5 PM the Friday before the event. Parent involvement required.*

## ADULT PAINT NIGHT

Thu. Oct 24, 6:30 P.M. to 9 P.M.

\$25/Residents & \$35/Non-Residents

Art supplies will be provided. Bring drinks and snacks. Register by Oct 17.

## MOVIE IN THE PARK

Fri. Oct 18, Dusk

Sanders Park

Grab some popcorn and a blanket for a showing of *Hotel Transylvania 3 Summer Vacation*

## FAMILY NERF WARS

Fri. Nov 15, 6:30 P.M. to 8 P.M.

\$9/Residents & \$11/Non-residents

Grab your Nerf gun and family for the ultimate indoor nerf war. Spots fill up fast. Register before Nov 13.

**DON'T FORGET THAT YOU CAN REGISTER FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS AND EVENTS ONLINE AT: [WWW.CITYOFCRESTWOOD.ORG/REGISTRATION](http://WWW.CITYOFCRESTWOOD.ORG/REGISTRATION)**

## HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN FEST SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26



**IT'S TIME TO GET** out your costumes and join us for Crestwood's annual Halloween Family Fun Fest at Whitecliff Park on Saturday, October 26 from 11 AM to 2 PM.

Guests will enjoy festival games, activities, trunk-or-treat, hayrides, food trucks, and live music from the Highway 21 Band.

Everyone is encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes, and don't forget to bring your own bucket for all that candy! In the case of inclement weather, the event will be moved inside the Crestwood Community Center.



**BOUNCE HOUSE**

**ROCK WALL**

**LIVE MUSIC**

**TRUNK-OR-TREAT**

**GAMES**

**FOOD TRUCKS**

**HAYRIDE**

## CRESTWOOD ANIMAL SHELTER TRIVIA NIGHT

**ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5,** the Crestwood Animal Shelter is hosting their annual Trivia Night Fundraiser. The event will be held at the Crestwood Community Center, located at 9245 Whitecliff Park Lane.

The cost is \$25 per person with up to 8 people at a table. Tickets include beer, soda, and water, and attendees can bring their own food and snacks. Take part in the silent auction, 50/50 Raffle, and Booze Wagon Raffle. Doors open at 6 PM and Trivia starts at 7 PM.

**RESERVE YOUR TABLE IN ADVANCE BY TEXTING LYNN AT (314) 306-1478 OR EMAIL [LYNN.TELLER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LYNN.TELLER@GMAIL.COM)**





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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS**  
7 P.M. OCT 8, OCT 24, NOV 12 & NOV 26

**MOVIE IN THE PARK -  
HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 3**  
7:30 P.M. OCT 18

**HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN FEST**  
11 A.M. OCT 26

**PINT SIZE HALLOWEEN PARTY**  
10 A.M. OCT 29

**PINT SIZE THANKSGIVING PARTY**  
10 A.M. NOV 26

**CITY OFFICES CLOSED**  
NOV 11, NOV 28 & NOV 29

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### GOVERNMENT CENTER

(314) 729-4700  
Fax: (314) 729-4794

### MUNICIPAL COURT

(314) 729-4776  
Fax (314) 729-4882

### POLICE

Emergency: 911  
Non Emergency:  
314-729-4800  
Fax: 314-729-4848

### FIRE

Emergency: 911  
Non Emergency:  
314-729-4742  
Fax: 314-729-4751

### PUBLIC WORKS

Administration  
314-729-4720  
Maintenance  
314-729-4734  
Fax: 314-729-4738

### COMMUNITY CENTER

314-729-4860  
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[cityofcrestwood.org](http://cityofcrestwood.org)

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### MAYOR

Grant Mabie

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN

**WARD 1:**  
Richard Breeding  
Mimi Duncan

**WARD 2:**  
Justin Charboneau  
Mary Stadter

**WARD 3:**  
Greg Hall  
Scott Shipley

**WARD 4:**  
Ismaïne Ayoub  
Tony Kennedy

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