

Little Rome of the West

NORMANDY NEWS

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From

The Normandy Police Department

FROM THE CHIEF - Community Oriented Policing

Greetings Normandy residents,

Summer brings good weather, longer daylight hours, busy summer activity schedules, increased family time, and, unfortunately, increased property crime. Recognizing this, your police department employs a community oriented and problem-solving program called the Area Policing Initiative, or API. Using this program, Normandy Police officers are individually committed to crime reduction, maintaining order and being ambassadors to the citizens of the community.

The API is centered on the SARA model of policing: Scanning, identifying the problem, Analyzing, gathering details and planning a response, Responding, implementing the plan, and Assessing, summarizing the results. Crime reduction is a community effort, with the police department leading the way. The police department leadership practices regular briefings to share information and address areas of concern and a daily roll call to pass information along. Random directed patrol; complete patrol of each street in an officers sector many times during the day or night is another tool we are using to increase presence and awareness.

Citizens can also use a modified SARA model for themselves:

Safety/Security- maintain your safety edge by maintaining your property. Alarms for your house and vehicle are great deterrents to those with theft in mind, especially in the summer when families will be on vacation.

Awareness- Know what is going on around you and your neighborhood. Know whom your children are spending time with, and make sure you approve, and that your children know why you approve or disapprove. Be aware of crime trends by engaging with your neighborhood officers.

Reporting- Community Oriented Policing cannot be done without the community part. We at the police department need you to report ALL suspicious or criminal behavior. We thoroughly understand the need to be anonymous and while we applaud those who take a stand for their neighborhoods without fear, we recognize that there are those whose voices are not so loud but still very important to listen to. Provided below are important contact numbers.

Emergency-911

Dispatch- 889-2341



**Normandy Police Department-
385-3300, “1” for the
police department.**

Tips Line- 385-3300 extension 3099

City of Normandy website-
www.cityofnormandy.gov
(links to the Police Department are
provided on the site)

Actively Engage Your Government. Attend monthly council meetings to be heard by your elected and appointed officials. Get involved in your neighborhood watch program and meet with police officers to share information and devise strategies to positively deal with neighborhood concerns.

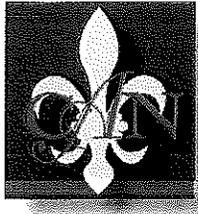
To help assess how well we are doing within the community, we have instituted the **Citizen Contact Program**. Our officers are required to make at least one positive, proactive contact with one or more of the citizens of Normandy and its partnering communities, allowing a positive interaction to build trust and communication. As part of this program, officers are required to give citizens a contact assessment form that is used gauge our level of service. The form comes with a self-addressed stamped envelope and re-

sponses can be completely confidential. However, we hope that citizens use the opportunity for us to continue to build the twin bridges of trust and communication by providing their contact information so we can personally extend our appreciation for their participation.

In closing, I want to convey to all citizens we serve, business owners and other interested parties that nationally and locally, crime rates are down, particularly here in Normandy and the communities we serve. This is because of the partnerships we have built, strive to maintain and the dedication and professionalism of the police officers whom I am honored to lead. These traits have proven themselves in the state accreditation this department was awarded in December of 2014. Follow us on Facebook and on Twitter.

Best wishes to you and your families during this summer of 2015!

Chief Frank A. Mininni



Citizens for the Advancement of Normandy

Normandy Rendezvous

A 200 Year Anniversary Celebration in the Park

Mark your calendar for the Normandy Rendezvous on August 22, 2015 at St. Vincent's Park!

The City of Normandy invites its citizens, families, friends and neighbors to join us on August 22, 2015 at St Vincent's Park (7335 St. Charles Rock Road, 63133) to celebrate 200 years since the founding of Normandy by the Lucas and Hunt Families. In honor of our French heritage this event is being called the Normandy Rendezvous.

This will be a one day family oriented event planned to bring our past and present together for a "homecoming" celebration.

The park will open early for a 5 K walk or run through the St. Vincent Greenway Trail. This is an opportunity to see parts of the park that still look like they must have looked 200 years ago when Normandy was named. Engleholm Creek meanders through the park eventually dumping into the River Des Peres. Placards placed throughout the park tell the history of the area.

The entire park will be available all day from 8 AM to 7 PM including ball diamonds, tennis courts, picnic shelters, and a meeting room in the community center. We are looking for pictures, family histories, and other items to

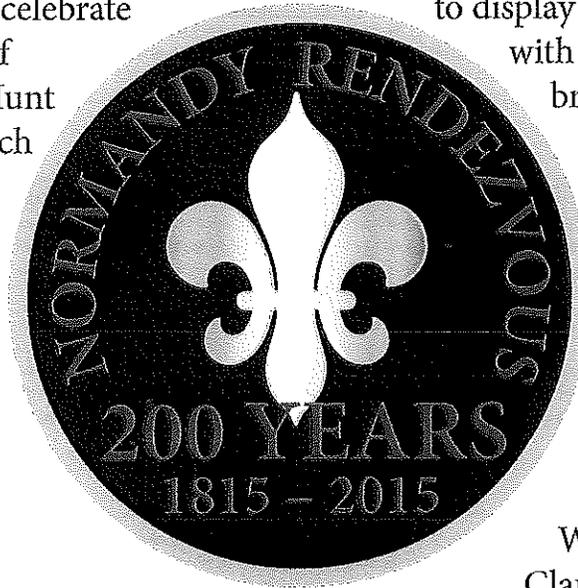
display. We hope to have volunteers that can help people trace their family histories through ancestry.com. We would also like to have volunteers available to record oral histories. Families are encouraged plan their family reunions for that day and to reserve a space for their family to gather. It will be an opportunity to display your family tree and catch up with family and friends. Folks can bring their own picnic or take advantage of the refreshments provided by food trucks.

Children will enjoy the playground, bounce houses, and good old fashioned picnic games; maybe even a petting zoo.

William Clark of the Lewis and Clark expedition was the head of Indian Affairs and lived in Pine Lawn. We are hoping to have some re enactors available to tell the story of those times and perhaps even an Indian Pow-Wow.

Anyone wanting to display their historic or classic car will be given priority parking. If you have a talent, belong to a band, choir, musical group or provide another form of entertainment, we would like to sign you up to perform that day.

Anyone who is interested in helping us plan and implement this event, please contact Terry Gannon, 314-359-0723





Redbird Rookies

Opening Day in Normandy
June 6, 2015

The City of Normandy is proud that we are the largest Cardinals Care Redbird Rookies League in the Metro St. Louis Area.

Redbird Rookies is a baseball league for kids who otherwise might not have the opportunity to play. This special league, sponsored by Cardinals Care, provides kids with uniforms, gloves, bats, balls, and other equipment, as well as extensive off-field support in the areas of health, education, mentoring, and cultural arts. Currently Redbird Rookies has over 20 leagues, serving nearly 4,500 kids in the St. Louis/Metro area, and parts of rural Missouri and Illinois. For more information on the programs contact:

Tony Evans
314-610-8459
cydneydad3@charter.net



Join our Rookies on June 6th for Opening Day events at Hoezel Park. Games will be held continuously starting at 9 AM. Food and beverages will be available at the concession stand. Come on out and support our kids.



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Urgent Care Coming Soon

UMSL broke ground in the fall of 2014 on one of four new building projects for the University. Slated to wrap up construction in 2016 is a 48,000 square foot facility that will house the colleges of Optometry and Nursing. The City of Normandy is working with UMSL to open a full-service Urgent Care Facility the new building. The Urgent Care Facility will be available for UMSL students, faculty and nearby residents.



Streets & Sidewalks and Other Progress

Residents in Ward One will see some improvements this summer. The City will be chip sealing the roads.

FREE TULIP BULBS!

Enjoy a colorful Spring in
your own yard!

Tulip bulbs will be available for
Normandy Residents on

Saturday June 6, 2015

at

City Hall!

Call City Hall for details.



Spring Clean-up Volunteers!

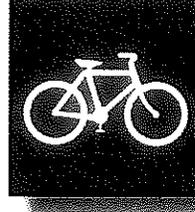


Normandy Volunteers Clean Up Ted Jones Trail

This enthusiastic gang climbed up and down hills and through clumps of bushes and trees to tidy up the Ted Jones Trail from the Florissant Road bridge to north of the Highway 70 tunnel. Many thanks to Jane and Steve Reise, Toby Harris and Brian Quinlisk for hauling away a dozen bags of unsightly debris.



Here is a caring citizen (Eileen Engelmeyer) of Normandy, MO that picks up trash around the neighborhood. It makes a difference to drive down a street and not see all that trash.



St. Vincent Greenway FREE Bike Tour May 30, 2015



Beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, bicyclists will push off from the Ruth Porter Mall Park Station at Delmar and DeBaliviere. The group will pedal their way along the St. Vincent Greenway connecting the two sections with a ride along bike safe streets, ending at Normandy Station on the UMSL Campus. There will be four informative stops along the route. Join in the fun for **FREE** games, food and bike raffles!

Ride day registration will take place at People's Health Center on Delmar. Helmets are required. Pre-registration, questions or alternative transportation, contact Eliza Murray at 314-361-9406 or eliza@slaco-mo.org.

Sponsored by CAN, Great Rivers Greenway, FORUM and Saint Vincent Greenway Inc.



Coming this Summer:
Jazz at Teardrop Park!

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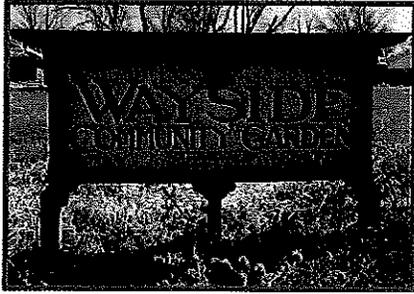
In October

The 2015

Scarecrow Fest and
Jazz Festival!



Wayside Community Garden Here We Grow Again!



Wayside Community Garden opened their 7th season on March 14th. More than 20 gardeners stopped by that day

and signed up for one of the over 90 plots that are available. Plot sizes are 10' x 5' and are at ground level. There are a few that are raised for those needing a higher work area.

Wayside, located at Florissant and Bermuda Roads, has grown to become one of St. Louis' largest community gardens. Participants keep what they sow; however, a dedicated *Row for the Hungry* is maintained to provide produce to local food banks.

If you'd like to join us, stop by on a Saturday morning, or call 236-5124. We're always looking for residents willing to get their hands dirty! Grow your own healthy food! Join Wayside!



Growing Wildflowers is an opportunity to preserve natural history:

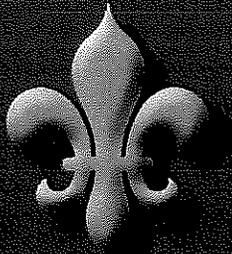
On Saturday, May 9, the dedication of the William Clark Wildflower Garden was one of several events celebrating the Bicentennial of the founding of Normandy, the country estate of Charles Lucas. At that time William Clark owned an adjoining estate, and the wildflower garden is named in his honor because of his pioneering role in identifying hundreds of native plants during the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

"While Clark's estate has since been developed, much of the Lucas estate remains more or less intact in the Normandy area's parks, golf courses and other open spaces," states James Gannon, president of CAN. "And, because Washington Irving, the famed author of 'The Legend of Sleepy Hollow', described Clark's estate in his book, *Western Journals*, we have a fairly clear idea of what the area looked like during the 19th century, some of which is still recognizable today."

CAN wants to promote the restoration of the native prairie that Irving extolled by enlarging its own wildflower garden, as well as encouraging Normandy residents to start their own gardens.

"The Missouri Department of Conservation agent evaluated the soil at Wayside Community Garden and found that it has remained remarkably undisturbed since the times of Clark and Lucas," states CAN member, Jane Reise. "Normandy residents have a unique opportunity to preserve the St. Louis region's natural history by restoring more of its native habitat."

KEEP THIS FOR REFERENCE



City of NORMANDY

Important Information

EMERGENCIES - Dial 911

City Hall	314 385-3300
Public Works	314 385-3300
Police (non-emergency)	314 889-2341
Anonymous Violations	314 385-3300 ext. 3099
Northeast Fire District (non-emergency)	314 382-1501

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

MAYOR

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Delrita Futrell 314 522-0430

WARD 3

Brian Teets 717 891-8376
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WARD 4

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HOUSING CLERK

Kathy Tracy - 314 385-3300 ext. 3016

HOUSING VIOLATIONS SERGEANT

Rodney Jarrett - 314 267-3695

Mosquito/Bug Infestations 314 615-4BUG
(314 615-4284)