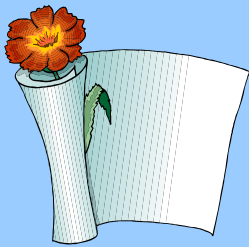




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Volunteer Opportunities St. Louis County Parks GARDENING in your St. Louis County Parks

Gardening enthusiasts, individuals or volunteer groups looking for an opportunity to give back to their community are invited to work in two beautiful west county gardens located in Queeny Park and Faust Historic Village.

Come join us as we do "spring chores"-prepping the soil and planting flowers!

ON-GOING GARDENING OPPORTUNITIES:

The **Queeny Barn Courtyard Garden**, located at the end of the "Lilac Walk," serves as a beautiful backdrop for many wedding photo "shoots." Volunteers will have the opportunity to work with and learn from Master Gardener Ginny McCook and Doug Wolter, Horticulture Manager for St. Louis County Parks. Starting her third year as a County Parks volunteer, Ginny says she "wouldn't miss her Wednesday therapy," which is also part of her physical exercise plan. Queeny gardeners meet every Wednesday from April through October at 8 AM on the Mason Road side of the park.

Volunteers at the **Faust Heirloom Garden** will work with Claire Schuman, founder of this special garden, which celebrates its 11th anniversary this year and includes culinary and medicinal herbs with some ornamentals mixed in for color. Claire started volunteering at Faust eleven years ago, when looking for a garden to tend, after she had moved from her home to a nearby apartment. Claire came from a family of gardeners, pulling weeds as a toddler and graduated to her first "bed" at age 4. Faust gardeners meet every Tuesday and Saturday at 9:30 AM from April through October.

At the Jefferson Barracks **Laborer's House Garden** volunteers meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month starting in April through October at 8:30 AM to work on the garden. For more information, please contact the Affton White-Rodgers Community Center at 314-638-2100.

SPECIAL PROJECTS:

- Queeny Park Gardening Kick Off Day, Wednesday, March 30, 2005 at 9 AM at the Courtyard Garden.
- Faust Garden Project, Saturday, April 2, 2005 at 9 AM.

For more information on these projects, contact **Sue Kuhnert** at 314-638-2100.

Retirement Fund Balance

The Retirement Fund Plan Assets as of January 31, 2006 are \$420 million.



(See next page for answers)

Recipe

Baked French Toast

"A sweet and sumptuous baked French toast recipe, which is prepared the night before and baked in the morning."

Ingredients:

1 pound loaf French bread cut diagonally in 1 inch slices
8 eggs
2 cups milk
1 ½ cups half and half cream
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon
¾ cup butter
1-1/3 cups brown sugar
3 tablespoons light corn syrup

Directions:

Butter a 9 x 13 inch baking dish. Arrange the slices of bread in the bottom. In a large bowl, beat together eggs, milk, cream, vanilla and cinnamon. Pour over bread slices, cover, and refrigerate overnight.

The next morning, preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. In a small saucepan, combine butter, brown sugar and corn syrup; heat until bubbling. Pour over bread and egg mixture.

Bake in preheated oven, uncovered, for 40 minutes.



Trivia 1950 - 1955

1. The infamous Brinks Robbery in 1950 where \$2.8 million was stolen in 17 minutes, occurred in what city?
 - Boston
 - New York
 - Chicago
2. "Old soldiers never die...they just fade away," was said by...
 - Gen. Dwight Eisenhower
 - Gen. Omar Bradley
 - Gen. Douglas MacArthur
3. Catcher in the Rye's portrayal of Holden Caulfield's 16 year old life was a huge success. Who wrote the book?
 - Herman Wouk
 - J.D. Salinger
 - William Faulkner
4. In 1952, the now longest running daytime drama moves from radio to T.V. Which soap?
 - Days of Our Lives
 - General Hospital
 - Guiding Light
5. In 1952 Richard Nixon makes one of what will be many speeches in answer to allegations against him. This one is called the "Checkers" speech, which refers to...
 - A cocker spaniel dog
 - The game of politics
 - A favorite pastime
6. In 1953 Edmund Hilary and Tenzing Norgay become the first humans to...
 - Break the sound barrier
 - Summit Mt. Everest
 - Run a 4 minute mile
7. Francis Watson and James Crick become famous for discovering...
 - The polio vaccine
 - The transistor
 - The "double helix" of DNA
8. In 1954, the landmark case Brown v. Board of Education was about...
 - School segregation
 - School sports
 - Affirmative action
9. Psychologist Joyce Brothers won the \$64,000 Question. What was her topic?
 - Eastern Philosophy
 - American Literature
 - Boxing
10. In 1955, Congress Authorizes all U.S. currency and coins to say...
 - In God We Trust
 - United States of America
 - Liberty



Trivia

Answers

History

1. Boston
2. MacArthur
3. J.D. Salinger
4. Guiding Light
5. Cocker spaniel
6. Summit Mt. Everest
7. The double helix
8. School segregation
9. Boxing
10. In God We Trust

Civilian Retirees

You are invited to our monthly meetings. The Association has a meeting at 1:00 pm on the first Monday of each month at the Thornhill County Library, on the corner of Willowycy Drive and Fee Fee Road.

The meeting for this month is on March 6, 2006. The purpose of these meetings is to be a check and balance on government decisions affecting St. Louis County civilian retirees. If you have any questions, please call 636-256-1728.

**Submitted by:
Joe Passanise**

Recent Retirements Congratulations!

January 2006

Linda Fisher	Health
Rochelle Hammond	Pros. Attys.
Marcus Lipe	Sheriff's
Donald Lippmann	Parks
Pauline Prince	Human Svcs.
Janet Scott	Parks
Ruth Spray	Public Wks.
Tim Stoecklin	Police
Helen Wambach	County Execs.
Roberta Winchell	Admin/Treas.

February 2006

Frank Berra	Admin/Proc.
Johnny Body	Just. Svc.
Art Jackson	Cty. Council
Marta Johanningmeier	Revenue
Gerald Lampe	Public Wks.
Ronny Lucas	Highways
Mary Metzner	Health
Mary Robinson	Just. Svc.
Marshall Stark	Highways
Ezzard Taylor	Just. Svc.
Jeraldine Wickham	Revenue
Donald Hutson	Police
Richard Proffitt	Police
Denny Welling	Police

In Remembrance of Our Friends

Though the voice is quiet, the spirit echoes still.



December 2005

Helen Phillips	12/25/2005	Revenue
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January 2006

Linda Fisher	01/23/2006	Health
Jack Gallai	01/10/2006	Highways
Betty Huelskamp	01/31/2006	Sheriff's Office
William Kenley	01/06/2006	Health
Jane Strole	01/18/2006	Public Works

News From Our Retirees

Constance Newsom recently visited us. She is still doing public service by volunteering her time with a local church.

Other retirees who stopped by in the last month were: Richard Counts, Denny Walsh, Bob Dekas, Carrie Hagler, Leonard Baca and Francis Stoll.

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