



Your Community Newsletter for May 2023

From the Mayor's Desk

Happy Springtime, friends! It's a joy to see everyone emerging from their homes and coming out to play! Take advantage of the weather while we have it, it's beautiful!

The city is excited to announce its official launch of the new website. Please go to the following (either on your desktop or mobile device):

cityofglenaire.org

The site was designed with a modern and intuitive interface to make it easier to find information for residents and visitors. The website features a range of new tools and resources such as an events calendar, online forms, and a new booking platform for the clubhouse. We hope the new website will improve communication and engagement between the community and local government. ClickItSocial is who created it and has been extremely responsive to what we were looking for. They even came out as soon as the trees and grass started turning green to get updated pictures and drone shots of the city park and clubhouse.

The annual city picnic will be held on Saturday, September 9th this year. This is two weeks later than last year and closer to the

timeframe it was held in years before that. This is a beloved tradition for the city and we're happy to continue it! This year, the board is looking for ways to incorporate the city park- perhaps a scavenger hunt of some kind? The board members volunteer a lot of time to this event, and we enjoy it 100x more when more residents come by! If you'd like to help and have any ideas to use the park or other activities, please reach out! We will also need volunteers to make centerpieces for the tables, we usually need 10-12 of these.

As mentioned in the March newsletter, Boy Scout Troop 4228 has a few projects lined up to earn an Eagle badge for a few of their members! Andy Hayes led a group of 22 members to beautify the city park by defining the trails and re-mulching on either side of the walking bridge. They also reinstalled the gate at the entrance. This month, they will have another team of members led by Caleb Hayes come out to replace the traffic signs around the city. They will replace faded signs and signs that are not up to code such as height requirements. We will host a third boy scout project to earn his Eagle badge by repainting the interior of the clubhouse. This will take place in either June or July. Not only does this benefit the community, but also helps them develop important skills and values such as leadership, teamwork, and civic re-

sponsibility. We are so grateful to have found this group of dedicated young men to help our city!

With more people out, please be cautious driving on our roads and watch your speed. The speed limit is 25mph unless posted otherwise. Driving slower can provide more reaction time to avoid accidents, especially when children may be playing or riding bikes. Being cautious and aware of your surroundings can help prevent accidents and promote safety.

Next time you drive by, stop and look at the clubhouse flower beds. The community planting day took place and new plants arrived in their new home!



Street Sign Project

As I write this article, we are preparing to do a street sign upgrade throughout the city. A Boy Scout Troop from Independence 4228 has taken this on as an Eagle Scout Project. They will be installing 29 new street posts with a few new signs. The object of the project is to get our sign heights up to code and increase traffic safety. The project is slated to take place on May 13th so it should be completed by the time you read this article. Thanks to the Boy Scouts for taking this project on. We will be a safer community because of their efforts.

Dale Marcell – Alderman

Johnson Road Bridge

I will try to keep you updated on the progress of the Johnson Road Bridge project as we go. To date, we have advertised for and chosen an engineering firm, Great River Engineering. They have extensive knowledge and experience in bridge building and construction. We have been working with them for the past year and they have been a great help in getting us to this point. Lindsey Chaffin will be the project manager. They estimate the project will take 12 – 14 months and they normally complete in 12 months. The first step is the Environmental Study. Over the next few months, you will see inspection crews, surveyors, and other construction people up and down Johnson Road. When we get to the demolition and construction phases, there may be disruptions to traffic but we will advise as the time draws near.

This is an exciting time in Glenaire. We will have a modern,

state of the art bridge. There will be sidewalks to increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists. This is a project that we can all be proud of. It has been a long and frustrating journey but we can see “light at the end of the tunnel”. We appreciate your patience as we work through this project. More to come!

Dale Marcell – Alderman

City Pet Day Is July 15th

Dr. Larry Kovac’s will be offering his services again this year. He will be at the clubhouse driveway at 10:00 AM to provide rabies vaccinations for your domestic pets. You will come into the clubhouse at 309 Smiley Road and Cathy Aceves, City Clerk, will be available to register any pets that have not already been registered and provide a city tag for each pet. Someone from Dr. Kovac’s office will fill out the paperwork for services rendered along with a vaccination certificate .

Dr. Kovac will only be performing immunizations for this visit.

You are welcome to call Dr. Kovac at 816-616-2349 to set an appointment time ahead in order to keep the flow of treatment for animals at a steady pace and avoid having to wait.

The goal of the City is to make sure all pets are vaccinated for rabies and to be registered with the City in case they get lost or there is a bite or emergency of some sort.

If there are no customers for a 20 minute span of time, the clinic will be closed, so it is important to get the pets in as early as possible.

Meals on Wheels Delivery Volunteer Needed

The City is on the hunt for a few more volunteers to help with our Meals on Wheels program. This program is a simple way to give back to your community and help our senior citizens.

All meals are picked up at Liberty Hospital and delivered to our residents homes that receive the meals. I personally volunteer and think it is a great experience to get to know our residents a little better. It is also a great way to get our children involved with a volunteer program.

Right now we are desperately needing subs more than anything. With this being a volunteer program, we do like to let our volunteers enjoy a vacation every once in a while !!!

Besides the subs, we could use at least one more permanent volunteer to help relieve one volunteer that is currently delivering two days a week. If you are interested in helping, please feel free to reach out to the City Clerk at 816-792-4907 or via email at cityclerk@glenairemo.org.

Vehicle Sales Tax

With my short time here with Glenaire, I have had a handful of calls from residents regarding sales tax on their vehicle. With Glenaire being the hidden gem it is, the employees at the DMV do not always get that we are NOT Liberty. Many residents have told me no matter how much they told the clerk that they did not live in Liberty, but Glenaire, she could not find Glenaire in her computer. This can be a very costly experience

sometimes costing more than \$500, so it was worth fighting the battle to get it straightened out.

The Liberty tax code is 4 and the Glenaire tax code is 28. You will find that code on your Clay County personal property tax statement that you have to have paid to license your vehicle and pay your sales tax. That code is located at the top of your tax statement.

The City of Glenaire *does not* have a sales tax or city personal property tax but residents *do have to pay* Clay County personal property tax.

The supervisor at the Liberty License Office recommend telling the clerk that you do not live in Liberty, and that you live in the county. That way they just charge the Clay County sales tax and State of Missouri sales tax.

City-wide Garage Sale is June 10th!

It's time for the city-wide Garage Sale. This is a good time to finish up your spring cleaning and get rid of things you no longer use. The City will put a large advertisement in the local newspaper that is distributed to Liberty, Kearney, and Gladstone. It will also be put on our Facebook page. The City will put large signs at the main entrances to the City.

The Glenaire Luncheon is Scheduled for June 14th

Mark your calendars to join your neighbors for a potluck luncheon at the Glenaire Clubhouse located at 309 Smiley Road. We gather at 12:00 Noon

with a dish of some sort. It can be a home cooked dish or something bought.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

The City has paid the membership fee to be a member of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program which provides residents with a free of charge place to dispose of all their unwanted household hazardous waste such as paint, insecticides, pesticides, motor oil, etc.

The next scheduled collection is on June 3rd at Jackson County Public Works, 34900 E. Old U.S. 40 highway. The program does also offer permanent collection facilities that do not require an appointment. The closest location for Glenaire residents is at the City of Kansas City 4707 Deramus Kansas City, Missouri (just South of the Chouteau Bridge). If you have any questions please feel free to go to their website RECYCLESPO.TORG or call them at 816-474-8986

If your driver's license says Liberty, be sure to let them know you live in Glenaire, so Glenaire will get the correct reporting data.

Tornado Season is Here

A tornado is arguably one of the most destructive types of storms imaginable. Unlike a hurricane or tropical storm, a tornado may develop almost without warning, appearing within minutes and leaving little time to react. Winds can exceed 200 mph causing enormous damage in its path. The importance of being

prepared cannot be overstated.

The City of Glenaire, through it's Emergency Management Director, Randy More (who is also the City's Marshal), has established a volunteer (CERT) Community Emergency Response Team that is trained and available to respond in emergencies. These volunteers have been trained in first aid, search and rescue and they are Ham radio operators. In an emergency, the Emergency Management Director can call on these CERT members and ask them to assist us. The following is a checklist of activities you can do to prepare for such a disaster.

Before the Tornado

Conduct drills regularly to prepare family members for the real thing.

Prepare emergency kits for cars, home and workplaces, don't forget the pets. They will need help also.

Let the Marshal know if you have a special needs household member, this way they can assure help

During the Tornado

If a Tornado Warning is issued or if threatening severe weather is approaching, make sure household members move to an interior room or hallway on the lowest level of the building and, if possible, get under a heavy piece of furniture. **Always** stay away from windows. Put as many walls as possible between you and the outside. The warning sirens are located at Doniphan School and can readily be heard in Glenaire. Take cover when you hear them sound off!



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**CALENDAR OF
CITY EVENTS**

All events listed below are held at the City Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd
 May 29 - Memorial Day
 June 10 - Citywide Garage Sale
 June 14- Glenaire Luncheon
 June 20 - City Board Meeting, at 7:00 PM
 July. 3,4,5 - Legal Fireworks can be fired **only between 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM**
 July 15. - Pet Day 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
 July 18—City Board Meeting, at 7PM
 September 9th—City Picnic

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Cathy Aceves, City Clerk - <i>Clubhouse Rentals</i>	792-4907, cityclerk@glenairemo.org