



Your Community Newsletter for September 2024

From the Mayor's Desk

Glenaire Holiday Dinner

You're invited to join us for a festive Holiday Dinner on Wednesday, December 11th, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM! Gather with neighbors for a cozy, potluck-style meal where the mayor will provide the main course. Bring your favorite holiday dish to share, and enjoy an evening of community spirit, delicious food, and fun activities. There will be crafts available for all ages, and Santa himself will stop by to take pictures with the little ones (and the young at heart!). We look forward to celebrating the season with you!

Senior Transportation Updates

Exciting developments are on the horizon for senior residents in Glenaire! In 2025, the Liberty Access Bus will offer convenient rides for seniors (age 60 and over) to the local Liberty Silver Center, located inside the Liberty Community Center. This 2025 Pilot Program is part of a joint effort between the cities of Liberty and Glenaire with funding support from Clay County Seniors Services to expand accessible transportation options for our community's senior residents.

The city's ongoing discussions with Clay County Senior Services and Liberty aim to enhance our existing transportation program using grant funding. Currently, Clay County Senior Services of-

fers affordable transportation for seniors, providing rides to medical appointments for just \$7 per trip. By expanding these services to include rides to the Liberty Silver Center we're working to make local travel more accessible and affordable.

The daily (Monday-Friday) route to the Liberty Silver Center starts their pickups at 8:20 a.m. and leave from the Liberty Silver Center after lunch to begin drop offs at 12:20 p.m. Rides will need to be scheduled with the Transportation Coordinator a week in advance by calling 816-439-4397.

What we need from our residents- if you're interested in using the Liberty Access Bus, please call Cathy Aceves at 816-792-4907. We need an accurate number of residents interested in using this starting the 2025 year.

Since the grant money would not cover the entirety of the project cost, Glenaire would be responsible for contributing some funds to this. We do not know how much we can contribute until our December budget meeting. The amount of Glenaire residents that are interested in this service would be a big determining factor. When we originally asked residents if they were interested, we got 4 residents total.

Here is information related to the Clay County Senior Services website that is already available to you:

"We provide transportation for residents of Clay County who are 60 years or older and live in an independent residence for the fol-

lowing circumstances:

- Medically related appointments (doctors, dentists, mental health professionals)
- To perform essential business for legal or tax assistance
- To apply for housing or other essential benefits
- To attend adult day health care

To visit a spouse in a nursing home

Individuals may use this service up to 3 round trips per month.

We use Secure Transport for all our clients' medical and essential business appointments. New and existing clients can call Secure Transport directly to enroll and schedule all appointments. You must schedule your ride by 2:00 pm the business day before your appointment by calling: (913) 262-8600. Pick-up time begins at 6:00 a.m. and rides must be completed by 5:00 p.m.

The cost for transportation is:

- \$7.00 each way if you are ambulatory;

\$10.00 each way if you need a wheelchair lift

Transportation services are provided regardless of income. We will travel anywhere within a 50-mile radius of your home for the above-stated flat fee."

Clear Those Ditches!

As the fall season brings beautiful autumn leaves, it also brings an important re- ➡

sponsibility for our residents—keeping ditches and culverts clear of leaves and debris. Blocked ditches can lead to drainage issues, flooding, and potential damage to properties and streets. When leaves accumulate in these areas, water flow is restricted, and heavy rains can quickly cause backed-up water, creating hazards for both residents and drivers. We kindly ask everyone to ensure their ditches and culverts are regularly checked and kept clear, especially during the fall and winter months. By doing so, you're helping to keep our community safe and reduce the risk of water damage.

For easy and responsible disposal of fallen leaves, there are a few great options. Consider composting leaves in your yard, which provides nutrient-rich soil for gardens and flowerbeds. Taking these steps helps keep our drainage systems working efficiently and our community looking its best! Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our town safe and beautiful.

2025 Election

As we approach the new year, it's hard to believe that we will have another election in less than six months. While this election may not be as widely publicized as the historic one we recently concluded, it is essential for the continued growth and well-being of our community that we remain engaged and proactive.

In April 2025, we will have several key positions on the ballot, including a few of our aldermen, as well as our Mayor and Marshall.

Please note that the deadline to file your candidacy for the upcoming election is December 31st. If you are considering running or want to learn more about the process, I encourage you to reach out to me directly or contact The Clay County Election Office. We are here to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have.

How About Those Chiefs !!!

What a rollercoaster of a game we had against the Broncos on Sunday the 10th! Fans across the nation held their breath as our Kansas City Chiefs pulled off yet another last-second victory, showcasing that classic Mahomes magic. Patrick Mahomes has built a reputation for his nail-biting performances, but it seems that a little of that brilliance has rubbed off on our defensive line, too!!!

With that thrilling win, we're now riding high at 9-0. But did you know this isn't our first rodeo at this record? Flashback to 2003 and 2013—where the Chiefs had a 9-0 record as well. It's incredible to see our team consistently rise to the occasion, but what does the future hold?

Looking ahead, we've got a showdown with the Buffalo Bills scheduled for November 17th. With our current momentum, could we be staring down the possibility of becoming the first

Chiefs squad to hit the dizzying heights of 10-0?

Playoff tickets officially go on sale on November 13th. The energy in Arrowhead is electric, and we can already taste the thrill of the postseason. So let's keep those cheers loud and proud as we support our Chiefs on this incredible journey.

Holiday Shopping and Safety

It is the most wonderful time of the year, well according to Andy Williams at least. But it is definitely the Holiday season no matter who is singing. With that being said a few items to keep in mind especially regarding shopping and outings.

Black Friday is November the 29th. I for one am thankful that most retailers are waiting to open their doors on Friday, so their staff can enjoy Thanksgiving. Another holiday experience is Small Business Saturday(30th). Buying gifts for your loved ones at small local shops will mean the world to so many people, not just your loved one.

In years past Marshal More had offered these helpful tips on how to stay safe while holiday shopping.

- Try to use front pockets for cash and credit cards, also limit the amount of cash you bring, and try to only bring one or two credit cards.

- Try to consolidate your purchases into one or two shopping

bags, it is easier to track one or two than several different sizes. Make them so you can carry them with one arm or hand.

- Never leave your property unattended, not even for a minute, it takes less than that for your property to disappear in a crowded store.

- Try to walk to and from your vehicle with another person. Bring a friend to shop with you, or if you are shopping alone, walk near other shoppers.

- If you are shopping alone and leaving the store at night or feeling uncomfortable, ask the store clerk, or store security to escort you to your vehicle.

- Have a meeting point set up for older children in case you get separated.

- As shopping demand increases, so do crowds. Don't Park in poorly lit areas. Always look for a parking spot that is the closest to the store or the main street with a lot of traffic, and has good lighting, not only around the vehicle but also to and from the store entrance.

- When walking through the parking lots, be sure that you are aware of your surroundings. Avoid texting and playing on your phone. If you expect someone is following you, go back to the store and ask for security.

- Remember where your car is parked. You don't want to be wandering around a parking lot looking for your vehicle, this is what criminals are looking for.

- Have your keys in your hand and ready to unlock your vehicle

as quickly as possible, you don't want to spend a lot of time searching your purse or pockets for keys.

- Keep your vehicle locked at all times.

- If you are going to different stores, place your packages in the trunk- out of sight, out of mind.

- Save your most expensive or large purchases to a one stop shop, then return to your vehicle and return them straight home.

- Avoid the weekend rush of shopping if possible, especially when shopping with children. It is easy to lose children among large crowds, try shopping during the weekdays when it's typically less crowded.

- Always check and recheck when using a credit card that you have been given back your card and a receipt of your purchase.



Santa is Coming to Town

Get ready for some holiday magic because on December 14th, Santa is coming to our lovely city. With the help of our cheerful little helpers, including the amazing Pleasant Valley Fire De-

partment, Santa will be making his way through the streets, spreading joy and cheer!

Our wonderful Mayor Petty will also be joining in on the fun, helping Santa navigate our beautiful town. The fire department is all set to kick off this festive adventure around 9 AM, so make sure you're up and listening for the sound of the fire truck.

We encourage kids of all ages to grab their coats, step outside, and wave hello as Santa rides by. It's going to be a joyous occasion filled with excitement, laughter, and holiday spirit. Don't miss out on this chance to see Santa and enjoy the magic of the season together.

Mark your calendars and let the countdown to Santa's visit begin!

Happy Holiday's from the City of Glenaire !!!



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**CALENDAR OF
CITY EVENTS**

All events listed below are held at the City Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd
Nov. 19th- City Board Meeting, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 7:00 PM
Dec. 10th - First day for 2025 General Election Candidate Filing
Dec. 11th - Glenaire Holiday Party 5:00 PM
Dec. 14th- Santa Will Visit All Streets in Glenaire Beginning at 9:00 AM
Dec. 17th- City Board Meeting, City Hall/Clubhouse, 309 Smiley Rd. at 7:00 PM
Dec. 31st - Last day for 2025 General Election Candidate Filing

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