



Happenings in Belleville 2016

1. Art on the Square is named #1 art show in the U.S. by Art Fair Source Book Magazine.
2. Missionary Ventures, LLC announces \$28 million Hyatt Place hotel and convention center to begin construction spring, 2017.
3. Construction continues on the Hofbrauhaus brewery/restaurant
4. Abraham Lincoln School is named a National School of Character
5. New police station is completed at 720 West Main St.
6. Renovations to City Hall begin, including ADA improvements and an expanded City Council Chamber.
7. Parkway Estates and Business Centre begins construction near Frank Scott Parkway and South 11th St.
8. Belleville named as one of "The 5 Most affordable Cities in Illinois" by livability.com.
9. North Illinois Streetscape is completed between 'A' Street and Douglas Ave.
10. Marketplace Shopping Center at 6401 W. Main St. is revitalized by a local developer.
11. City of Belleville creates new Business District to accommodate the Marketplace Shopping Center revitalization.
12. The EDGE begins expansion to include indoor go-karts, 4-D attraction, bowling lanes, and the remodeling of D.S. Vespers at 701 South Belt West.
13. Belleville Optometry completes expansion at 18 North Jackson St.
14. 4204 Main Street Brewing Company is named among Top 21 Illinois Breweries and continues expansion with new brewing facility.
15. Construction begins on St. Clair County Event Center to host Adam's Auction Service and more.
16. Pro-Pack Testing Laboratory completes expansion in Belle Valley Industrial Park.
17. Chelar Tool & Die completes expansion at their North Florida Ave. facility.
18. City of Belleville continues its \$44,000,000 wastewater treatment plant expansion.
19. Fresenius Dialysis Center breaks ground for new facility at 6525 West Main St.
20. St. Louis Bread Co. opens new restaurant at Belleville Crossing Shopping Center.
21. City issues 80 Commercial Occupancy Permits, including:
 - a. Vertical Performance
 - b. Seafood by Crushed Velvet
 - c. Olive Oil Marketplace
 - d. Roundtable Restaurant
 - e. Demetria's Dancewear
 - f. Special Education Services
 - g. North Belt Automotive
22. City of Belleville receives \$20,000 grant from St. Clair County Parks Grant Commission for Laderman Park Fitness Trail improvements.
23. City of Belleville receives \$2,144 grant from Metro East Park & Recreation District for 18-hole disc golf course at Bicentennial Park.
24. Revitalization of Shopland Plaza Shopping Center at West Main St. & 70th St. is announced.
25. City of Belleville creates new Business District to accommodate the Shopland Plaza Shopping Center revitalization.