



# Celebrating Over 200 Years of History, Tradition and Progress

## A Community of Character

### COMMUNITY OF CHARACTER WORDS OF THE MONTH

January – **Integrity**  
February – **Honesty**  
March – **Perseverance**

### DOWNTOWN EVENTS

#### Ring of the Bells

January 1, 12 Noon  
Public Square

#### Pop-Up Farmers' Market

2 Saturdays per Month  
9 am – 12 Noon

#### Sparkle, Suds & Sweets

February 9, 4-7 pm

#### Divas' Night Out

March 21, 5-8 pm

#### St. Patrick's Day Events

March 16  
Leprechaun 5K, 9 am  
Parade, 11 am  
Block Party, Noon-5 pm

### CITY OFFICES CLOSED

Tues., January 1  
Mon., January 21  
Mon., February 18

### MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year 2019!

As I look back at the past year, it's clear that much was accomplished.

In September, I concluded my one-year term as president of the Illinois Municipal League. I met so many wonderful people who, like our local leaders, enjoy serving and trying to make a difference in their communities.

In October, Villas of Holly Brook broke ground and construction of an assisted living and memory care center at Frank Scott Parkway and South 11th Street began. We also saw the demolition of the dilapidated Rob Nora apartments at 7009 West Main Street and the Forest Hills apartment complex at 8512 West Main Street.

The City celebrated the opening of new businesses. For example, the long-awaited Hofbräuhaus Brewery & Restaurant, and Copper Fire Bar & Eatery opened this past spring. Moto Mart opened a new convenience store along Rt. 161 and Fullerton in December. Main Street has welcomed several new businesses to their family of unique shopping and dining establishments.

Some of our city's destinations became bigger and better. Bicentennial Park dredged its popular lake and provided improved recreational opportunities with a new playground and walking trails. Auffenberg Ford completed major



Mark W. Eckert, Mayor

renovations, and the EDGE's expansion made it all the more fun.

Work is underway on the next streetscape project on West Main Street from 6th Street to 17th Street. City sewer projects will continue throughout Belleville. We apologize for any inconvenience, but all these

improvements are very important and necessary.

This year's tax levy will see a very slight increase of only 0.30% over last year's. We know that future increases may be necessary as we continue to work to meet our obligation for the long unfunded pension liabilities.

I extend my sincere appreciation to Carole Piontkowsky and all the volunteers from this year's Chriskindlmarkt. Once again the Belleville Exchange Club did an excellent job decorating our Veterans Memorial Fountain. Special thanks to our Downtown Belleville Optimist Club for organizing a great Christmas parade, and Santa on the Square. Finally, a big thanks to our Belleville merchants for decorating their shops and adjusting their schedules. All of these wonderful contributions helped make 2018 a successful year.

In closing, thank you to our dedicated city staff and countless volunteers who contribute in so many ways to make Belleville a great place to live. Thanks, too, to everyone who supports our local businesses! I wish all of you a very happy and prosperous 2019.



## Ring in the New Year with the City of Belleville

*Bring your bells... dinner bells, jingle bells, cow bells, hand bells... any bells that ring*

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at Noon**

Belleville Illinois' Public Square at IL 159 and Main Streets in the Northeast Quadrant near Curt's Clock

Everyone is welcome  
Start a new family tradition!

Call (618) 233-6810  
or visit [belleville.net](http://belleville.net) for details

*In case of inclement weather,  
visit [belleville.net](http://belleville.net) for updates*



## CONTACT INFORMATION

**Switchboard**  
233-6810

**Cemetery**  
257-3330

**City Clerk**  
233-6518 x1210

**Community Development**  
233-6518 x2280

**Economic Development, Planning & Zoning**  
233-6518 x1250

**Engineering**  
233-6518 x4272

**Finance**  
233-6518 x1235

**Fire**  
234-2236 non-emergency

**General & Community Assistance**  
212-4379

**Health, Housing & Building**  
233-6817

**Human Resources**  
233-6518 x2280

**Information Technology**  
233-6518 x1730

**Library Downtown**  
234-0441  
West Branch  
233-4366

**Maintenance of City Buildings**  
277-4965

**Marketing**  
233-6518 x1245

**Mayor**  
233-6518 x1239

**Parks & Recreation**  
233-1416  
Nichols Community Center  
277-9785

**Police**  
234-1212  
non-emergency

**Sanitation**  
233-6518 x4217

**Street**  
239-3454

**Treasurer**  
233-6518 x1214

**Wastewater or Sewer**  
233-7146

## YARD WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR 2019

During the months of January 2019 and February 2019, yard waste will only be collected during the 2nd full week of each month (a full week is considered to be Monday – Friday).

- January 2019 - Yard Waste will only be collected **January 14-18**
- February 2019 - Yard Waste will only be collected **February 11-15**
- March – December 2019 - Weekly collection will resume during the 1st full week of March

and will continue through the 2nd full week of December, specifically **March 4, 2019 - December 13, 2019**, weather permitting.

After December 13, 2019, there will be no yard waste collection until the 2nd full week of January, 2020.

For additional collection information, see the side bar on page 5 of this newsletter.

## DISPOSAL OF LEAVES AND GRASS CLIPPINGS



Belleville's City Code of Ordinances provides regulations regarding the disposal of grass clippings and leaves into City streets. Debris of any kind, including leaves and grass clippings, should not be placed, thrown, or blown into the street, ditches, culverts, or upon the banks or sides of any stream, creek, lake, or any other flowing watercourse. Doing so can impede the flow of water, causing backups that may result in major damage due to flooding of streets or homes.

The Sanitation Department provides yard waste collection for all residents with City sanitation services. For questions about yard waste collection, please see the article above, or call the Sanitation office at 618-233-6816.

## SNOW REMOVAL PROCEDURES

The City's Street Department tries to ensure that streets remain clear of ice and snow. Businesses and residents are asked to do their part as well, and to be aware of factors affecting snow removal.

- Streets marked as Snow Routes need to be kept free of parked cars during inclement weather. When a significant accumulation of snow and ice is forecast, cars should be removed from all public streets so the city's snow and ice removal vehicles can maneuver safely. In places where no other parking is available, residents are asked to park on one side of the street. Snow plows require an open path with a minimum width of 12 feet to maneuver safely and effectively.
- Snow should not be transferred to the roadways from private property. This includes snow from parking lots and residential driveways.
- Designated Snow Routes & Primary Routes will be cleared first. These routes include streets leading to hospitals, fire houses, the court house, and the county jail.
- Streets surrounding and leading to schools must be cleared for safety. If schools are cancelled, or inclement weather falls on weekends or holidays, these streets will be cleared in rotation for that region. Residential streets and subdivisions are cleared using a grid pattern.



## 2018 PROPERTY TAX LEVY APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL

A property tax levy was finalized and approved at the City Council meeting on Monday, December 17, 2018. The City's property tax levy only increased 0.3057% from the amount that was extended in the prior year. The City was able to keep this increase as minimal as possible, while still providing the actuarial recommended contributions to the police and fire pension plans. St. Clair County has still not finalized the Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) for property in the City. Actual tax rates for the City's portion of your tax bill, and therefore the total City taxes due on your property tax bill, will depend on the final EAV determined by the County. As always, if you have questions regarding the City portion of your property tax bill, please contact City Hall.

## THANK YOU TROLLEY SPONSORS



During the past 22 years, riding the free, horse-drawn trolley through downtown Belleville has become a tradition for many residents and visitors.

Thank you to the following businesses and organizations who partnered with the City as \$1,000 Trolley Sponsors this past holiday season.

- Downtown Development/Redevelopment Commission
- Greensfelder, Hempker & Gale, P.C.
- Bank of Belleville
- Belleville Main Street Organization

## BELLEVILLE AMERICORPS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Belleville AmeriCorps at Southwestern Illinois College is now accepting applications for the positions of Volunteer Coordinator at Franklin Neighborhood Community Association, and Tutors for Districts 118 and 175!

Tutors provide academic assistance and develop positive educational enrichment activities for K-8th grade youth.

Volunteer Coordinators are AmeriCorps members who are responsible for recruiting and training community residents to serve as volunteers within organizations, neighborhood associations, and schools. The Volunteer Coordinator will support programming for neighborhood residents, develop neighborhood projects, partner with



local volunteer leaders, assess and catalog existing resources, schedule volunteers for projects, provide overall support and training to volunteers, and develop recognition activities and evaluation procedures.

Members earn BOTH a monthly stipend and, if they successfully complete their assignment, an education award. The education award can be applied to student loans or future college tuition. Members over 55 can transfer their education awards to their children, foster children, or grandchildren.

For more information, or to apply online, visit [swic.edu/amicorps](http://swic.edu/amicorps), call 618-235-2700, ext. 5711, or email [amicorps@swic.edu](mailto:amicorps@swic.edu).

## PHASE 4 LONG TERM CONTROL PLAN

Baxmeyer Construction, Inc., was awarded the City's Phase 4 sewer project in December, 2017. They were tasked with constructing a pump station at 23rd and West A St., and an underground force main pipe from the pump station, down West A to 8th St., to a gravity interceptor located behind Belleville's Police Station. Construction also includes a gravity main replacement and new storm sewers along North 8th St. from West A St. to West E St., and down West E St. to the 9th St. intersection.

The pump station consists of three 8,900 gallons-per-minute pumps, two mechanical self cleaning screens, two washer compactors, and a standby generator. Overflow from a combined

sewer discharge at 23rd and West A St. will be pumped to a receiving interceptor for treatment at the wastewater facility.

Construction began on this project in the Spring of 2018 and has an expected completion date of April 2019. Contaminated soil, utility relocations, rock removal, and testing of the force main pipe have caused many unexpected delays. These delays have hindered road replacement on all of the effected roadways. The contractor had hoped to have all road way work done prior to the winter season, but it does not appear to be possible at this time. All areas of construction will be maintained during the winter months. Thank you for your patience. Please call 618-233-7146 with any questions.

# DADDY Daughter DANCE

 March 2, 2019 

It's time again to spend a special night with your little princess. The Belleville Parks and Recreation Department is hosting their 15th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance. Enjoy a delicious pasta dinner while listening and dancing to music. Each couple will receive one free commemorative photo taken by a professional photographer, a rose, prizes/gifts, a dinner, and an evening to cherish forever. Special Guest, Miss Illinois 2018 – Grace Khachaturian, will be attending!

**When:** Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 5–8:30 PM  
**Where:** Belleville West High School  
**Price:** \$35 per couple/\$15 each additional daughter  
**Late Fee:** \$25 per person (begins 2/26/19)

You must pre-register by calling (618) 233-1416 or (618) 277-9785, or by downloading and completing the registration form. No online registration is available. Visit [belleville.net](http://belleville.net) and search for Current Activities. Don't delay; only 500 reservations are accepted.

## LOST PET AND STRAY ANIMAL TIPS

**Follow these tips from the Belleville Area Humane Society on what to do when your pet is missing:**

- 1. Do the following immediately after your pet is missing:**
  - Immediately put out food/water along with your pet's bed or an article of your clothing at the location where animal was last seen.
  - Get the word out by using flyers and signs (like yard sale signs) with a picture of your animal to report your animal missing. Check your phone often! Go door-to-door with your flyers in the neighborhood where your pet was last seen.
  - Contact your local animal shelter, animal control facilities, vet clinics, and police departments to report your missing pet. Fax or e-mail them a photo of your dog and your contact information.
  - Instruct everyone that is helping you to NOT call or chase your pet. This may prolong your search. If they see your pet, ask them to sit or lay down (no eye contact) and gently toss out treats to lure your pet.
- 2. Call to report your lost animal to the following:**
  - St. Clair County Animal Control (618) 235-0585
    - Visit facility at least once a week until your animal is located
  - Belleville Area Humane Society (618) 235-3712
    - While they do not hold stray or lost animals, they do take reports from community and scans animals for micro-chips (PLEASE MICRO-CHIP OR PLACE TAGS ON YOUR PETS)
  - Belleville Police Department Non-Emergency Number (618) 234-1212
    - Belleville Animal Control will be notified if strays are located
  - Your pet's Veterinarian

**3. Use the following Facebook pages to report Lost & Found Animals:**

- Illinois Lost Dogs (Also on Craig's List)
- Illinois Lost Cats
- Lost or Missing Pets of Belleville
- Lost or Missing Dogs of St. Clair County
- St. Clair County Animal Welfare Advocates



**Follow these tips from the Belleville Area Humane Society on what to do when you find a pet:**

- 1. Do the following immediately after finding a missing pet:**
  - Check for a license or ID tag.
  - If a license is located, call St. Clair County Animal Control (618) 235-0585, so they can contact the owners.
  - No tags? Ask around the neighborhood in case pet lives nearby.
  - Visit your local veterinarian or Belleville Area Humane Society to have animal scanned for micro-chip or tattoo.
  - Notify St. Clair County Animal Control, Belleville Area Humane Society, or Belleville Police Department of the pet you have found.
  - Create "found pet" flyers and post around neighborhood and at animal service businesses.
  - If you are unable to keep animal while searching for owner(s), contact Belleville Animal Control (618) 234-1212.

**SAVE THE DATE:**  
19th Annual AMERICAN LEGION-Hilgard Baseball Game and Induction Ceremony

**June 2019**

Whitey Herzog Complex  
112 Barney Elser Drive

Call (618) 233-1416  
for additional information.



**SAVE THE DATE:**  
54th Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

**Wed., February 20, 2019**  
**7:30 – 9:00 AM**

**Scottish Rite**  
1549 Frank Scott Parkway West, Belleville, IL

For additional details, contact  
Erika Eckert at (618) 233-5877 or [EEckert@kaskaskiaeng.com](mailto:EEckert@kaskaskiaeng.com)

**Friends of the  
Belleville Public Library  
TRIVIA NIGHT  
Sat., February 9, 2019**

Proceeds support the Children's  
Summer Reading Program

**MC:** Roger Schlueter

**Place:** Althoff H.S. Heritage Hall  
West Main & Frank Scott Parkway

**Time:** 7:00 pm,  
Doors open at 6:00 pm

**Cost:** \$12/person  
Maximum of 8 per table

**Additional Details:**  
Soda for Sale, No Alcohol for Sale  
Mulligans \$10/10

**Reservations:** 618-234-7169  
or mgmurf@yahoo.com  
Leave name and phone number for  
confirmation



## LIBRARY NEWS

The Belleville Public Library is a traditional institution that is breaking tradition. Books, Magazines, Newspapers, and Storytime will always be a part of the services we offer to the public, but we are so much more than that today. Public Libraries all over the country are stepping up to fill the gaps in service that were once fulfilled by other organizations, or organizations that can not keep up with the demand.



Library Workshops is a partnership with multiple libraries to offer many of the types of community enrichment classes that were traditionally offered at Junior Colleges. You can take classes like Cupcake Decorating, Sauces and Soups, Painting, Marketing, Yoga, and Credit Repair, just to name a few.

Internet access continues to be one of the biggest hindrances to accessing resources for many people in the community, so the library has stepped up in this area, as well. You can come to the library and check out a mobile hot spot and a Chromebook computer so you can have internet access anywhere you want.

The library even has something for all of you international travelers. Now you can come to the library and we will process your documents and submit your passport application; no appointment is needed.

Are you a small business owner wanting to produce some media marketing? Are you a vocal artist wanting to record samples of your work and post to YouTube? Do you want to produce a podcast? Are you a photographer or videographer in need of studio space? Coming in early 2019 to the Belleville Public Library will be "The Creative Success Center"; a collaborative work space and professional grade recording studio able to meet the needs of the novice and professional alike.

Belleville Public Library will celebrate 183 years of service to the community of Belleville in 2019. We will continue to reinvent ourselves to meet the everchanging needs of the community, while respecting the traditional roles of a library.

## YARD WASTE COLLECTION

(Weather Permitting)

**January 2019:**

Jan. 14-18  
(2nd full week, only)

**February 2019:**

Feb. 11-15  
(2nd full week, only)

**March – December 2019:**

Weekly collection  
Mar 4 – Dec 13  
(1st full week of March through  
2nd full week of December)  
A full week = Monday – Friday

## TRASH CANS

Trash should be in tied bags, and bags should be inside trash cans. PLEASE, no loose trash in cans. Trash cans up to 45 gallons in capacity must have handles and detachable lids and weigh no more than 60 pounds when filled.

## TRASH SCHEDULE

The Sanitation Department does not operate on the following holidays:

New Years Day  
M.L. King Day  
Presidents Day  
Memorial Day  
4th of July  
Labor Day  
Veterans Day  
Thanksgiving Day  
Christmas Day

## COLLECTION TIMES

**Winter Schedule**  
October - April, 7 AM - 3:30 PM  
**Summer Schedule**  
May - September, 6 AM - 2:30 PM

**IF YOUR PICK-UP DAY FALLS ON OR AFTER A HOLIDAY, YOUR PICK-UP FOR THAT WEEK WILL BE DELAYED BY ONE (1) DAY.**

The City offers a large item pickup for a minimum fee of \$65 to residents with city trash service. To arrange a pickup, call the Sanitation Department at 233-6816.

## CEMETERY DECORATION REMOVAL



In order to perform the annual cemetery maintenance and clean-up procedures at Belleville's Walnut Hill Cemetery and at Mount Hope Cemetery, the City requires that all gravesite decorations and flowers be removed by March 1, 2019.

Redecorating of gravesites can begin again on March 15, 2019. Thank you for your cooperation.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

If you are planning a Neighborhood Watch meeting and would like City representation from the Police, Fire, or Health & Housing Department, please contact Peggy in the City's Human Resources Department/ Belleville Neighborhood Partnership Program at [peggyh@belleville.net](mailto:peggyh@belleville.net) or 233-6518, x2280



## PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES [WWW.BELLEVILLE.NET](http://WWW.BELLEVILLE.NET) OR VISIT US ON FACEBOOK

The BPRD staff welcomes persons with disabilities in all of our facilities, parks, and programs. Please contact the Director to arrange for reasonable modifications to participate and make the experience safe and enjoyable.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS:**

- Daddy Daughter Dance - March 2
- Easter EGG-stravaganza Egg Hunt - FREE (ages 1-7) - April 13
- Fishing Derby - FREE, May 4
- NEW: Mother & Son Bowling Date - June 29
- Tour de Belleville Info Available - Ride is July 12
- American Legion - Belleville Hilgard GAME & CEREMONY - Summer 2019

### **NOW TAKING REGISTRATION FOR SPRING/SUMMER LEAGUES:**

- Adult Men's & Co-Rec Summer Softball (Citizens Park)
- Girl's ASA Softball (8u-18u) (Laderman/South Side Park, Pleasant Hill)
- Youth Baseball (age 5 through 12th Grade)

### **JANUARY-APRIL PROGRAMS**

#### Early Childhood/Youth:

- Karate Class  
PreK & K, 1st-4th grade, (Sat.) Jan 19, March 16
- Little Dribblers  
4-6 years, (Sat.) Jan. 5, Feb. 2
- Basketball Shooting & Scoring Camp  
2nd - 3rd grade, (Sun.) Jan 6, Feb. 10  
4th - 6th grade, (Sun.) Jan 6, Feb. 10
- Kids in Action  
3-5 years, (Wed.) Jan 9, Feb. 6, March 6
- Sports Night  
6-13 years, (Fri.) Jan 18, Feb. 15, March 22, April 26
- Drawing Class  
8 years and up, (Mon.) Jan 7, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1
- Nerf Nights  
5-13 years, (Fri.) Jan 11, Feb. 1, March 8, April 5
- Camp Quackers - 10 Week Summer Day Camp @ Bellevue Park  
K-6th grade - Brochures available in March
- Kiddie Camp - 6 Week Summer Day Camp @ NCC  
3-5 years, Brochures available in March
- Co-Ed 3 on 3 Basketball League  
1st & 8th grade, Jan-March
- Co-Rec Boys & Girls Volleyball  
5th & 6th grade, March - April
- Little Kickers Soccer  
3-5 years, (Sat.) April 13, 20, 27, May 4 & 11
- Disc Golf Clinic  
9-17 years, (Sat. & Sun.) March-April
- From Tee to Green Golf Lessons  
6-18 years, (Sat.) March-April

### **ADULTS/SENIOR PROGRAMS**

- Zumba (ages 14 & up) - Year Round  
(Mon., Tues., & Wed.) 5:30pm-6:30pm (Sat.) 9:00am - 10:00am
- Senior Chair Aerobics - Year Round  
(Tues. & Thurs.) 8:00am - 9:00am
- Line Dancing - Year Round  
(Mon.) 12pm-2pm
- Pickleball - Dates / Times are subject to change.  
(Mon. & Wed.) 8:30am - 11:00am & (Fri.) 1:00pm - 3:45pm

### **NICHOLS COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRAMS:**

We have highlighted a few of our programs. For more information or to register, please call (618) 277-9785.

### **JR. SPIKERS (INDOOR) VOLLEYBALL**

#### **(1st - 4th Grade)**

#### **\*Program will start early Spring, Dates TBD**

The BPRD is excited to offer this instructional program for athletes at all skill levels. This program will cover passing, setting, and attacking in depth. This is a great program to brush up on your skills and to also learn some new techniques.

### **LITTLE SPIKERS (INDOOR) VOLLEYBALL**

#### **(Ages 4-6)**

#### **\*Program will start early Spring, Dates TBD**

A non-competitive beginners program that will teach safe volleyball. Each player will learn the basic fundamentals of serving, passing, and hitting. Players also learn about core values of respect, responsibility, integrity, sportsmanship, and leadership!

### **NERF NIGHTS (AGES 5 TO 13)**

All Participants must provide Nerf Guns and Ammo for the Nichols Center Nerf Competition nights. (BPRD provides Safety glasses) Pizza and drinks provided. Limited spots available. Come check out our newest inflatable bunker-THE TANK!! Pre-registration is required.

### **SPORTS NIGHTS (AGES 6 TO 13) - NEW PRICE**

#### **\$12.00 PER CHILD**

Held once a month at the NCC and there will be a variety of games that include (basketball, wiffle ball, floor hockey, volleyball, and dodgeball). Playing hard can work up an appetite, so we'll have pizza and soda for you too!

### **NEW! CO-ED 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

#### **(1st - 8th Grade)**

The BPRD and Southern Illinois Storm have partnered up to offer a 3 on 3 basketball league held at the Nichols Community Center. Each team will play 8 games and team shirts. Practices on Sundays, games played on Thursdays. Evaluation day is January 10th, give us a call at (618) 277-9785!

### **ALPHABET ACADEMY (AGES 3-5)**

Alphabet Academy provides a socially rich environment that caters to the needs of children. We strive to promote independence and developmentally appropriate skills that will help to enhance the future of young, growing minds. We focus on the individual needs of your child and create the opportunity to cultivate their learning, enhance character, instill social skills, form friendships, and discover new interests. Come check out our NEW PLAYGROUND!!

**Requirements:** Children must be 3 or 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2018. All children must be toilet trained. The Alphabet Academy offers Military discounts.

Age:	3 year olds
Dates:	September 4, 2018 to May 23, 2019
Day:	Tuesday(s) and Thursday(s)
Time:	9:00am to 1:00pm
Cost:	\$40.00 Registration Fee \$115.00 Monthly Fee
Age:	4 year olds
Dates:	September 5, 2018 to May 24, 2019
Day:	Monday(s), Wednesday(s) and Friday(s)
Time:	9:15am to 12:30pm
Cost:	\$40.00 Registration Fee \$125.00 Monthly Fee

Call (618) 277-9785 to schedule an appointment to view the Nichols Community Center and meet the friendly staff. Send inquiries to [alphabetacademy@hotmail.com](mailto:alphabetacademy@hotmail.com) for more information.

### **FACILITY RENTAL**

#### **NICHOLS COMMUNITY CENTER & CITY PARKS**

**Meeting/Classrooms** COST: \$25/\$30 hour. These rooms can be used for classrooms, birthday parties, conferences, church meetings, baby showers, etc.

**Gymnasium** COST: \$40/hour. Rent out the entire gym to fit your needs. Includes a basketball court, volleyball net, and all the basics of any indoor activity!

**Instructional Room** COST: \$50/hour. Lead a class or activity in this spacious double room. Perfect for most activities from adult aerobics to toddler exercise. This room is also utilized for birthdays, baby showers, and family reunions or meetings.

**Pavilion Rental** COST: \$50 with electric or \$40 without electric. Rent a pavilion at your favorite park for any special occasion. Great sites for Birthday Parties, Graduation Parties, Showers, or Family Reunions.

**Soccer Fields** COST: \$45/hour with lights or \$20/hour without lights.

**Baseball Fields** COST: \$45/hour with lights or \$20/hour without lights.

**Stone Lodge** COST: \$125 (6am - 10pm) & \$50 extra on Premium Dates.

(401 Bellevue Park Drive, Belleville, IL 62226)

The Stone Lodge is the perfect place for Family Reunions,

Receptions, Showers, Meetings or Parties. The facility can accommodate 60 people and has a covered pavilion on each side with additional seating. Approximately 60 chairs, 8 tables, refrigerator, stove, and restrooms are provided.

*This facility is unavailable to rent during the Summer months when Camp Quackers is in session and certain Holidays.*

### **BASEBALL IN BELLEVILLE**

The Belleville Parks & Recreation Department baseball leagues will be taking registrations January through May for T-Ball, Robot (Pitching Machine), Optimist, MERBL Jaycee Jr. Travel, and MERBL Jaycee High School Travel Leagues. Visit [www.belleville.net](http://www.belleville.net) for downloadable registration form or call to register with debit/credit card or call 233-1416 our Main Office for information. Register your entire team, individual player or to be a volunteer coach (Background checks required).

#### **Early Bird Registration Discount (January):**

T-Ball, Robot and Optimist: \$75/MERBL Jaycee Leagues: \$90

#### **Regular Registration Fee (February & March):**

T-Ball, Robot and Optimist: \$85/MERBL Jaycee Leagues: \$100

#### **Late Registration Fee (April & May):**

T-Ball, Robot and Optimist: \$95/MERBL Jaycee Leagues: \$110

### **LEAGUE BIRTH DATES:**

T-Ball League	Sept. 1, 2011 - Dec. 31, 2013
Robot League	Sept. 1, 2009 - Aug. 31, 2011
Optimist League	Sept. 1, 2007 - Aug. 31, 2009
Jr. Jaycee Travel League	Sept. 1, 2004 - Aug. 31, 2007
Jaycee Travel League	High School Freshman - Senior (year 2018-2019)

### **SPRING CO-REC 5TH & 6TH GRADE GIRLS AND BOYS VOLLEYBALL**

Get an early start on learning the basics and fundamentals of volleyball. Players will be on teams grouped as closely as possible by schools. Teams will play five games plus playoffs. Registration is limited to the first 60 participants. We will need volunteer coaches for this league! Parents are encouraged to coach their child's team. Coaches will be reimbursed 50% of registration fee at the end of the season! Season played March thru April at local Belleville District 118 gymnasiums.

Cost: \$50 (before Feb. 15); \$60 (Feb. 16 - March 8)

### **ASA GIRLS SUMMER FASTPITCH SOFTBALL - League begins: April or June**

The BPRD and Illinois Amateur Softball Association has invested in the future of fast pitch softball in the Metro East and the program is steadily growing. Games are played April-June 8U, 10U & 12U divisions. The 14U and High School divisions will be played June-July. This is a 12 game season and games will be played at Laderman, Southside and Pleasant Hill Parks. Call Pat at 618-233-1416 or visit [www.teamsideline.com/belleville](http://www.teamsideline.com/belleville) for more info.

Cost: 8U- \$900/team/ \$300 deposit, 10U, 12U, 14U, HS - \$1,200 per team/ \$300 deposit

Days: 8U (Fridays), 10U (Mon. & Wed.), 12U (Tues. & Thurs.), 14U (Tues. & Thurs.), High School (Mon. & Wed.)

### **2ND ANNUAL MOTHER/SON BOWLING DATE**

Every mom deserves a special night out with their little man! Bel Air Bowl will be catering pizza, pasta, and salad for dinner. Each couple will get to bowl two games with shoes included. Every child will receive game tokens to be used at Bel-Air Bowl and a goody bag to take home. Registration is a first come, first serve basis prior to Deadline Date: June 21st. Limited space available. MUST PRE-REGISTER! NO online registration available.

Ages: Males 13 years and under

Date: Saturday, June 29

Time: 5:00pm - 8:30pm

Cost: \$35 per couple (\$15.00 each additional child)

Site: Bel Air Bowl, 200 S. Belt West, Belleville

## 2019 HOLIDAYS OBSERVED

The following legal holidays will be observed by the City of Belleville during the 2019 calendar year. City offices will be closed on the following dates.

Tuesday, January 1st	New Year's Day
Monday, January 21st	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, February 18th	Presidents Day
Friday, April 19th	Good Friday
Monday, May 27th	Memorial Day
Thursday, July 4th	Independence Day
Monday, September 2nd	Labor Day
Monday, November 11th	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 28th	Thanksgiving
Friday, November 29th	Day-After Thanksgiving
Tuesday, December 24th	Christmas Eve -Closed at Noon
Wednesday, December 25th	Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 31st	New Year's Eve - Closed at Noon



## SAVE THE DATE:

### Belleville Fire Department Open House

Saturday, April 6, 2019  
10 AM – 2 PM

Engine House #4  
1125 S. Illinois St.

## CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

The Parks & Recreation Department will accept “live” Christmas trees from Fri., Dec. 7 through Jan. 31, 2019 at the following locations:

- Laderman Park – 1105 Mascoutah Avenue, Belleville, Illinois
  - Bellevue Park – 401 Bellevue Park Drive, Belleville, Illinois
  - North End Park – 1204 North Douglas, Belleville, Illinois
- No bags, ornaments, lights, artificial trees, or yard waste - RECYCLABLE material ONLY!**



## NEW BUSINESSES

### September:

**Imperium House of Dance, Inc.**  
1909 North Belt East

**Lovely Stylez**  
1909 North Belt East

**St Clair County Dem Central Committee**  
27 East Main

**Midwest Psychic Studio**  
1 Buckingham Road

**Cosmic Comics and Games**  
132 West Main

### October:

**Bank of America**  
5640 Belleville Crossing

**Morrison Management-Memorial Hospital Cafeteria**  
4500 Memorial Dr.\*

**Morrison Management-Memorial Hospital Coffee Shop**  
4500 Memorial Dr.\*

**Skatetech**  
1432 East Main

**American Red Cross**  
2 Elm Drive

**Halo**  
119 East Main

**Hayes Mechanical**  
201 Tower Plaza

**Schnucks**  
800 Carlyle Ave

**Copy N Ship Services**  
1624 Carlyle Ave

**Dogaboni Studios, LLC**  
1537 Donna Drive

**November:**  
**C&R Locksmith**  
302 North Illinois Street

**Allstar Carpet and Upholstery Care**  
1810 West Main

**Beltline Mart**  
1721 South Belt West\*

**Spa Demi**  
1901 West Main, Suite 1

**Heartlands Conservancy**  
3 North High Street

**Team Victory and Cuts**  
9454 West Main Street

**Mueller Furniture (Warehouse)**  
212 West B Street

\*NEW OWNERSHIP

\*\*RELOCATION

\*\*\*EXPANSION

\*\*\*\*NAME CHANGE

**Elected Officials**

Effective May 1, 2017

**MAYOR**

Mark W. Eckert  
233-6518 x1239 (office)

**TREASURER**

Dean Hardt  
233-6518 x1214 (office)

**CITY CLERK**

Jennifer Gain Meyer  
233-6518 x1227 (office)

**WARD 1**

Ken Kinsella  
420-5080  
Joe Hazel  
954-9105

**WARD 2**

Mike Buettner  
444-4692  
Jane Pusa  
795-0833

**WARD 3**

Kent Randle  
239-9227  
Scott Tyler  
531-3287

**WARD 4**

Johnnie Anthony  
825-0660  
Raffi Ovian  
444-5171

**WARD 5**

Ed Dintelman  
277-9454  
Michelle 'Shelly' Schaefer  
660-6295

**WARD 6**

Andy Gaa  
978-9690  
Dr. Mary G. Stiehl  
606-1277

**WARD 7**

Phil Elmore  
363-0016  
Dennis C. Weygandt  
580-3054

**WARD 8**

Roger Wigginton  
581-0429  
Roger Barfield  
791-3368



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