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CONTACT INFORMATION for CITY SERVICES

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Fire (Non-emergency)
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General & Community Assistance
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Health, Housing & Building
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Human Resources
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Information Technology
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Library Downtown
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Maintenance
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Mayor's Office
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Parks & Recreation
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Police (Non-emergency)
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PR/Communications
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Public Works/Streets
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Sanitation
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A Message from the Mayor of the City of Belleville, Patty Gregory

Dear Friends...

Summer has arrived and it's amazing how longer days, and weekends full of sunshine, can brighten everyone's days! And nowhere else can you find more ways to enjoy the laid-back days of summer than in Belleville, Illinois! Whether you are dining alfresco at one of our downtown's fabulous restaurants, walking or riding one of our city's inviting bike trails or enjoying a summer blockbuster film at either our historic Lincoln theatre, the Edge 5 theaters, or our nostalgic Skyview Drive-in, there is always something to see or do. A great place to research what is all happening in our Great. Big. Small Town is to visit our City of Belleville Facebook page @ *Welcome to Belleville, IL*. We have events galore going on, ranging from our Movie in the Park and Summer Concert Series, to a wide arrange of sports activities. We also have Kiddie Camps, Pickleball, Disc Golf and more traditional sports, all sponsored by our wonderful Parks and Recreation Department.

Our Belleville Public Library also hosts a variety of fun events for children including stargazing and storm-spotting opportunities.

Our LIVE MUSIC ROW, sponsored by many of our Downtown establishments, is a fun way to enjoy LIVE music throughout the Summer, while you explore Downtown, and the Belleville Philharmonic presents their summer long "Concerts in the Park" plus "Music in the Neighborhoods" in cooperation with the Belleville Historical Society, and you don't want to miss their upcoming theatrical event at Bellevue Park – *Carnival of Animals*, presented in conjunction with the Belleville School of Ballet, which takes place at 7pm on July 17th, and which I have the honor of narrating! So, whether you are out and about...or just relaxing in your lawn chair at home watching the fireflies...Belleville is the place to spend the Summer!

While many of us enjoy our families and friends, and the lazy days that summer brings our way, our Economic Development and Engineering Departments are hard at work throughout every inch of our city. We have a host of road projects happening, along with a host of new projects on the horizon, including two happenings as we release this newsletter,

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Elected Officials

Effective May 1, 2021

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Schaefer
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WARD 6

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WARD 7

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WARD 8

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WARD 8

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The City of Belleville Offices
are CLOSED
on the following dates throughout 2022

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, January 17th

Presidents Day
Monday, February 21st

Good Friday
Friday, April 15th

Memorial Day
Monday, May 30th

Juneteenth Observed
Monday, June 20th

Independence Day
Monday, July 4th

Labor Day
Monday, September 5th

Veterans Day
Friday, November 11th

Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 24th

Day-After Thanksgiving
Friday, November 25th

Christmas Eve Observed
Closed at Noon Friday, December 23rd

Christmas Day Observed
Monday, December 26th

New Year's Eve Observed
Closed at Noon Friday, December 30th

New Year's Day Observed
Monday, January 2nd, 2023



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with Freddie's restaurant and the Tidal Wave Carwash coming to Belleville Crossing Center. Please follow us on Facebook for up-to-the-minute updates on all our new projects around town!

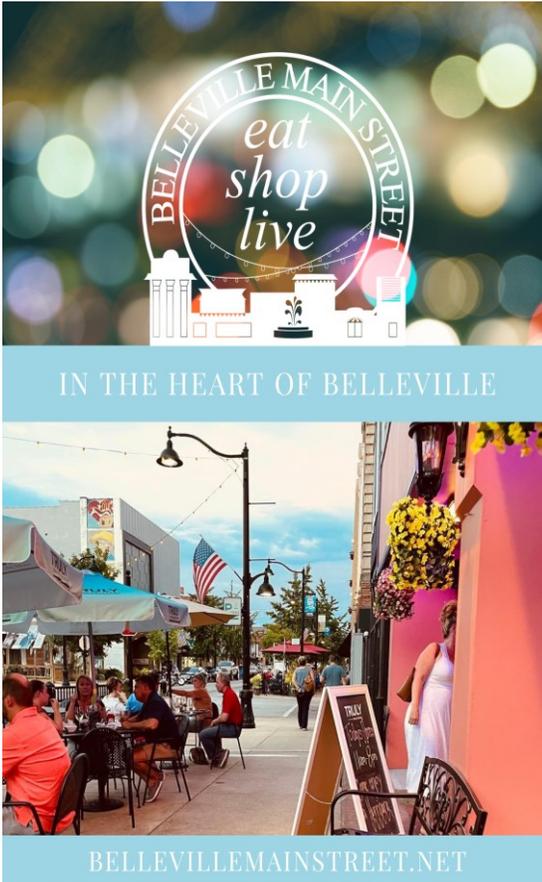
In closing, sometimes in our hurry to move to the next big thing, like Oktoberfest and Chili Cook-off, we forget to savor...and to relish...the day we have right before us. And yet that is what summer teaches us. It teaches us to savor those times: days bright with sunshine; nights with lightning streaking against a dark summer, late evening sky; or the riot of color in daylilies along the road, as we stroll by. Take a moment, and breathe it all in. And as Helen Keller so wisely reminds us, "keep your face to the sunshine and you will never see shadows." Thank you all so much for the opportunity to serve as YOUR Mayor, and to move our city forward...



Mayor Patty

The City of Belleville Sewer Department would like to remind you about our **DIRECT DEBIT** option to pay your Sewer Bill!

Avoid late penalties and make bill pay easy and convenient by signing up for direct debit at www.belleville.net or by emailing sewerbilling@belleville.net for the form.



You also don't want to miss any of the excitement happening in Downtown Belleville through the **Belleville Main Street Organization**

Diva Nights
3rd Thursday of the Month
April-Dec
5-8pm

Old Town Farmers' Market
Saturdays 7:30 am to Noon
May – November
1st block of South Charles
(Between East Main & East Washington Streets)



BELLEVILLE PARKS & RECREATION'S 2022

SUMMER into FALL ACTIVITIES

CAMP REC DAY CAMP

Grades (incoming) 1st-6th.
Summer Camp at the NCC! Camp ends Aug. 12th. Weeks fill up fast, don't delay.

FREE MOVIE IN THE PARK EVENT

Join us for an interactive movie experience! July 15 we'll be watching "The Sandlot" at Whitey Herzog Baseball Field.

NFL FLAG FOOTBALL

Ages 6-11 years.
This league teaches basic skills and concepts of the game of football. Begins in September.

BELLEVILLE KICKERS

Ages 3 - 13. BPRD will partner with Elite FT to teach soccer skills while building self-confidence. Begins in September.

5TH & 6TH GR. CO-REC VOLLEYBALL

Grades 5th & 6th.
Boys & Girls can learn the basics of volleyball in a pressure-free environment. Begins in September.

ALPHABET ACADEMY

Ages 3 & 4.
Early Childhood Development program designed to promote independence & everyday skills for a child's young growing mind.

 BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE REMAINING DATES AT OUR FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES TOO!

 **HEY PARENTS, we have Softball & Volleyball Leagues for you too!** 

ABOVE ARE JUST SOME OF THE SEASONAL ACTIVITIES BEGINNING. VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO SEE ALL OUR CURRENT ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH, ADULTS, & SENIORS!

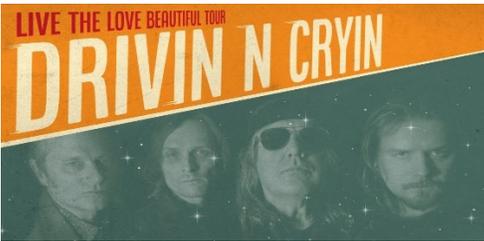
www.Belleville.net/CurrentActivities

**MORE EXCITING THINGS
TO DO AROUND OUR
Great. Big.
Small Town.**

**CONCERTS at the Historic
LINCOLN THEATRE**



**A NIGHT OF KSHE 95
Saturday July 23rd @ 6pm**



**DRIVIN N CRYIN
Wednesday August 10 @ 7:30pm**



Jo Dee Messina
special guest
Madeline Kohlbrecher

**JODEE MESSINA
Friday August 26 @ 8pm**

SANITATION DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

During the Months of January and February each year, Yard Waste will be collected during the second full week of each month.

March – December -
Weekly collection will resume during the first full week of March and will continue through the 2nd full week of December, weather permitting.



HOLIDAY COLLECTION DATES FOR the CITY OF BELLEVILLE

Remember that if a Holiday falls on your regular pick-up day, your trash will be picked up the following day. Please have your refuse out by 6am on the day of pick-up.

These are the dates our Sanitation Department observes each year:

New Year's Day
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Presidents Day
Memorial Day
Juneteenth
Independence Day
Labor Day
Veterans Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING & ZONING NEWS

Belleville Begins First Stages of Strategic Development Plan

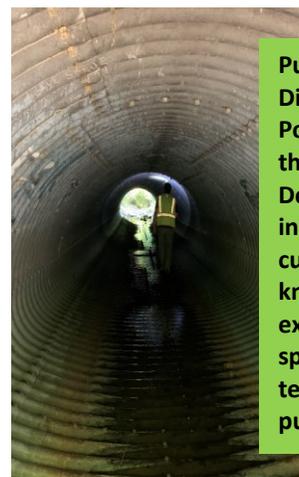
The Department of Economic Development, Planning & Zoning has begun the initial phase of moving our City forward in a planned and strategic way, with their request to obtain consultations to develop a strategic plan for sustainable development and growth within our city. The five-year plan that will be put into place, once the selection process has been completed, will guide the economic vision that reflects the motto of the City, "Great. Big. Small Town." This plan will provide informed decisions which are made through data collection, the use of focus groups and committees, and continued outside consultation to guide the process. Throughout this plan, city planners will be able to identify goals for growth, target areas for business expansion, form strategic partnerships, identify challenges, and initiate a concrete plan to rectify them. With this strategic plan in place, the ability of the City to have a focus on economic growth that is diverse and sustainable in its practices, will make the City of Belleville a desirable city for developers that will spark growth and new development.

Belleville Crossing Continues to Expand

As a result of the efforts of the Economic and Development, Planning & Zoning Department, in conjunction with our city government, new enterprises continue to express interest in the Belleville Crossing Center. Recently, two new businesses have initiated development: Freddie's and Tidal Wave Carwash. This new growth shows a renewed interest in the area and its potential for businesses to thrive within our city. Additionally, as the City moves forward with its Strategic Plan, identifying the right mix of residential and innovative commercial properties which will fit the needs of the local community, will continue a planned focus for development of our Rt 15 Corridor.

Important News from our
Engineering Department: Projects
are taking place all over our city, and
will continue throughout the year...

An examination of the public record of our City Council agenda will quickly tell you we have approved dozens of projects that are currently in design, are going into construction, or are awaiting engineering proposals to be viewed and placed before council for deliberation. Projects include the resurfacing of Mascoutah Avenue and the 6th Street plan between West Main and Centreville Ave. We are also starting an engineering study for the mitigation of flooding at Cool Valley, a substantial problem that directly impacts our resident's lives. Another project we are working diligently on has nothing to do with casting concrete or laying asphalt, but rather a five-year effort that maps our city infrastructure conditions of all of our roads, and what is underneath them. This will guide our decisions moving forward, based on methodical engineering procedures, driven by the numbers, not a random strike of fancy. We are particularly appreciative of the Streets and Grades Committee, and also our City Council members, for their unanimous support on nearly every one of the infrastructure projects we have placed before them. Our Engineering Department sees limitless possibilities for how to add wealth to our community, through mitigation of our infrastructure problems and enhancing the geometric design of our roads.



**Public Works
Director Jason
Poole is helping
the Engineering
Department by
inspecting a large
culvert. Jason is
known for
exemplifying the
spirit of
teamwork as a
public servant"**



Opening in the FALL OF 2022 – Belleville High School District #201

Current Program Offerings:

- Culinary Arts
- Metal Work / Machining
- Welding
- Automotive
- Carpentry / Construction Trades

Coming in the Fall of 2023 at The CAVE:

- Advanced Technology Including Coding and Robotics
- Early Childhood / Education
- E Sports

Future Expansion in the Areas of:

- Cosmetology
- Physical Education
- Health Trades

Alternative High School

Over 30,000 Square Feet of Athletic / Extracurricular Space:

- 18,000 Square Feet of Turf
- 2 Multi Use Courts / Indoor Tennis
- Golf Simulator
- Dance Studio
- Pool
- Computer / E Sports Lab



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Our Careers
Our Choice

Truly God's People Getting College and Career Ready

Powerful Christian Curriculum
On-site Career Development Advisor
16 Career Pathways
43 Career Specific Courses
International Students Welcome
Low-Income Scholarships Available

OPEN FOR REGISTRATION NOW

PRE-K - 12TH GRADE
2022-2023

Scan or Press the QR Code for more information:



www.bcsedu.org

1901 Mascoutah Ave
Belleville, IL 62226
618-416-0335



Open House: July 15, 2022
Time: 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Lots of work is going on at THE CAVE



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS,
CHILI COOK-OFF IS 85
DAYS AWAY!!!**

WWW. BELLEVILLECHILI.COM

PRESENTED BY: CARDINAL
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YOUR CHILDREN WON'T WANT TO MISS ANY OF THE PROGRAMS HAPPENING AT OUR
BELLEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

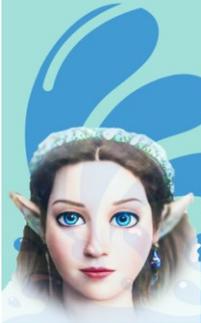
Fairy Tales with the Fae

Ages 3-8

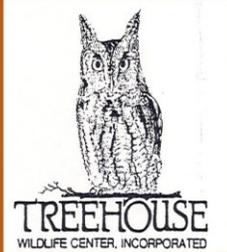


July 14th at 10 AM
121 E Washington

Call 618-234-0441 to register



Let's Talk About Wildlife Animal Rehabilitation with Treehouse Wildlife Center!



July 18th, 11:00 AM
ALL AGES
121 East Washington Street
Belleville, IL

Registration is not necessary. Call 618-234-0441 for details.



Flower Tiara

Ages 6-12

July 20th; Noon-2
121 E Washington

Registration Required: (618)-234-0441



Boondoggle

AGES 13-19

JULY 25TH; 5:00
121 E WASHINGTON ST; BELLEVILLE, IL



REGISTRATION REQUIRED
(618)-234-0441



COME JOIN KEVIN DEITSCH FROM NOAA FOR A CLASS ON

STORM SPOTTING
ADULTS AND CHILDREN 12+

JULY 30TH; 10-NOON
121 E WASHINGTON

REGISTRATION REQUIRED; CALL: 618-234-0441

Youth who attend and are registered for Summer Reading will qualify for a raffle for a \$10 Barnes and Noble gift card.



APPLY

NAVIGATING FAFSA
ASK QUESTIONS, GET INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER 28TH
6:00-7:00
121 E WASHINGTON

PUT ON BY SWIC'S FINANCIAL AID OFFICE
REGISTRATION REQUIRED: (618)-234-0441





▷ **TALENTED?**
WE NEED YOU.

▷ **SMART?**
WE WANT YOU.

▷ **CARING?**
WE'VE GOT TO HAVE YOU!

Share your skills with the community!
Earn a living allowance, plus college money
for yourself or for a child or grandchild!

Now accepting
applications for

- Summer Counselors
- Fall Tutors
- Coordinators



For more information or to apply,
call 618-235-2700, ext. 5711 or visit
swic.edu/ameriCorps.



September
16th & 17th

SPONSOR

BUD LIGHT

Enjoy Responsibly



*Stein Holding
Competition*

July 16th, Aug 20th
& Sept 10th

\$500 Grand Prize!

Top five finalists from each date are entered for a chance to win \$500 on September 17th.

BUD LIGHT SPATEN **Oktoberfest** GOLDEN ROAD

PLEASE JOIN US ON SEPTEMBER 11th, 2022



9/11 Moment of Remembrance
"Honoring those who died, those who came to aid, and
those who survived"

Sunday, September 11, 2022
11:30 am

On site of Belleville's 9/11 Memorial
In front of Fire House #4 – IL Rt 159 & St Rt 15

For more information, visit www.belleville.net/911
or call 618-233-6810

HEY RUNNERS



Chili Chase 5k & Kids Pepper Dash
Registration **OPEN!!**

October 8, 2022
Downtown Belleville | Open to all ages!
Course Briefing - 8:45a.m. | Race Starts - 9a.m.

WWW.BELLEVILLECHILI.COM



**Christmas
in July**

**Diva's...
NIGHT
Out!**



Thursday July 21st
5-8pm

HOST: LOCAL LUGY'S
CHARITY OF CHOICE: EDEN'S ARMY / HEART 2 HEART



BELLEVILLE MAIN STREET MARATHON

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

PLEASE CONSIDER HOW YOU
OR YOUR GROUP OR
ORGANIZATION CAN HELP

SEPTEMBER 24, 2022
RACE BEGINS AT 7AM

Volunteer Time Slots available 5am – 3pm

Race proceeds benefit Belleville Parks and Recreation Department

Please contact Jenny and Joni at volunteer@bellevillemarathon.com for more information on how to get your organization involved!



**START
EXPLORING
TOGETHER
TODAY!**

The Belleville/Swansea Girl Scouts Welcomes 5 to 18 year old girls And adult volunteers over 18 years. We have troops throughout our Community and new troops forming. Membership is \$25 per person. What a buy! It's the best quality time You'll spend with your daughter. Visit us at Belleville Old Town Market August 27th and September 10th.

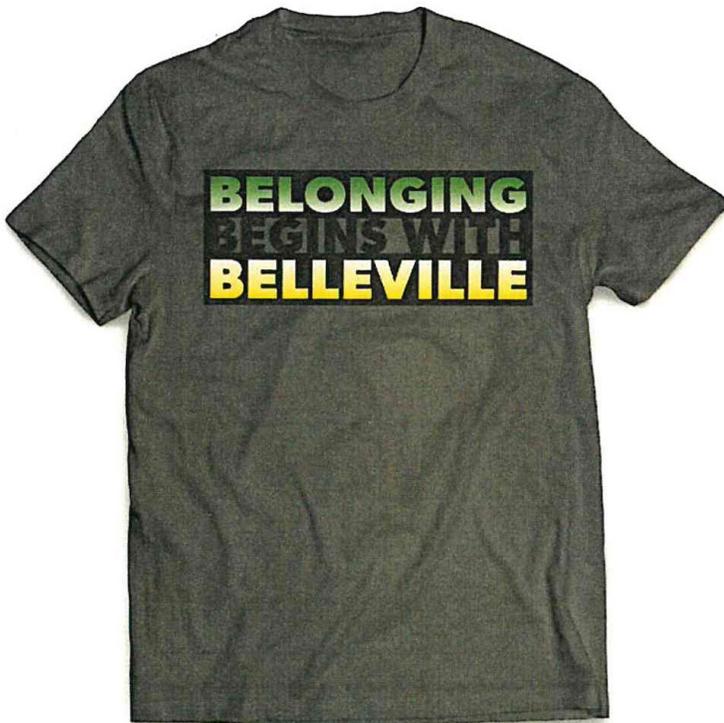
With Girl Scouts, you and your girl can:

- Practice making the world a better place through community service projects
- Try coding and cybersecurity activities
- Learn how to design a robot or a roller coaster
- Enjoy camping, and find out how to protect animals and the environment
- Gain business smarts through the Girl Scout Cookie Program
- Build your Girl Scout troop by asking friends to join the fun, too
- And so much more!



JOIN NOW AT www.gssofsi.org or 800-345-6858

*Girl Scout Membership must be renewed annually. Membership year is October 1-September 30.



Belleville School District #118 focuses on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion each and every day!

Starting in August of the 2022/ 2023 school year, District #118's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee is launching a new initiative, highlighting the City of Belleville's flag colors, while promoting DEI all throughout our city!

The district will be providing a shirt for every student & staff member at the beginning of the year and will designate a day each month for everyone to wear their shirt.

District #118 would also like to offer these shirts to families, residents and businesses who want to join us in helping everyone feel like they belong in our Great. Big. Small Town!

If you or your business would like to purchase a shirt, please contact Kelly Harter at Franklin School @ kharter@belleville118.org or by calling 618-233-2413.



The Philharmonic Society of Belleville
Summer Intergenerational Orchestra

Concert in the Park

CAMILLE SAINT SAËNS

CARNIVAL OF THE ANIMALS

AND OTHER POPULAR FAVORITES

Leon Burke III & Robert Hart Baker,
conductors

WITH DANCERS FROM THE
BELLEVILLE SCHOOL OF BALLET

MAYOR PATTY GREGORY,
NARRATOR

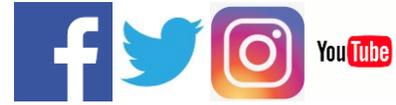
Bellevue Park Bandshell,
401 Bellevue Park Drive, Belleville
July 17, 2022 7:00 PM

Bring a lawn chair; come early to enjoy food,
face painting, balloons, etc.

 This program is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

 This project is supported in part by an award from the National Endowment for the Arts.

www.bellevillephilharmonic.org



FREE EVENT

MOVIE IN THE PARK

AT WHITEY HERZOG FIELD

IN CITIZEN'S PARK, BELLEVILLE

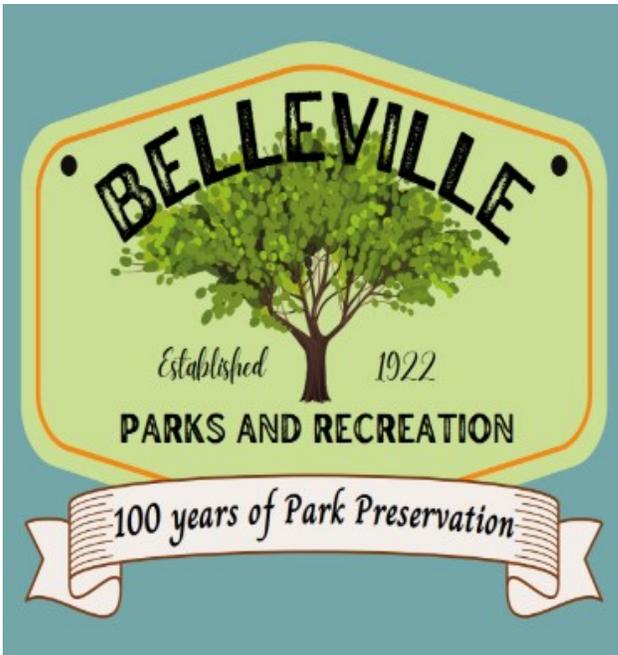
"The SANDLOT"

JULY 15

FUN BEGINS AT 8PM
MOVIE BEGINS AT DUSK

CONCESSION STAND WILL BE OPEN FOR PURCHASES

- COSTUME CONTEST
- INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCE
- RUNNING OF THE BASES
- TAKING FIELDING PRACTICE



Join our Belleville Parks and Recreation Department
in Celebrating 100 years of Park Preservation
throughout our Community

BELLEVILLE PARKS & RECREATION

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

beginning in June!

BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS & SNACKS, THEN SETTLE IN FOR SOME GREAT MUSIC OUTDOORS IN DOWNTOWN BELLEVILLE OR AT OUR HISTORIC BELLEVUE PARK. EVERY EVENING ARE DIFFERENT BANDS TO ENTERTAIN THE PUBLIC FOR **FREE!**

MONDAYS IN DOWNTOWN BELLEVILLE 19 PUBLIC SQUARE	THURSDAYS AT BELLEVUE PARK 341 BELLEVUE PARK DR.
JUNE 6: TOMMY TUNES	JUNE 9: MAGNIFICATZ
JUNE 13: SHORTMIST	JUNE 16: SCOTT & MECHELLE
JUNE 20: GEORGE PORTZ	JUNE 23: WATERLOO GERMAN BAND
JUNE 27: MAKESHIFT	JUNE 30: VINCE K
JULY 4: HOLIDAY (CLOSED)	JULY 7: TOMMY TUNES
JULY 11: FRANKIE & THE HOUSESHAKERS	JULY 14: MAGNIFICATZ
JULY 18: SHORTMIST	JULY 21: -NO CONCERT-
JULY 25: TOMMY TUNES	JULY 28: THE CASUALS
AUGUST 1: SCOTT & MECHELLE	

Bands begin at 7pm