

CITY OF

Belleville

NEWSLETTER



LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES

National Cinema Day celebrates the theatre experience

THE BAND MARCHES ON

The Belleville District 118 Band celebrates a stellar year and looks towards the next.

YOUR FALL BUCKET LIST

Pumpkins, haunted tours and more you don't want to miss this season



myBelleville is designed to provide our residents, businesses, and visitors the ability to report concerns to City staff, 24-hours a day, 7-days a week, using a mobile app, web portal, phone, or text. myBelleville can be used to **report a concern** by pinpointing a location using GPS, attaching a photo with your comments, and receiving status updates and resolution notifications. City staff monitor concerns during business hours (M-F; 8am – 5pm).

We are here to serve you!



IMPORTANT NOTE:

Concerns are addressed during business hours, NOT on a 24/7 basis.

If you have an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

To report lost or stolen property please contact the Belleville Police Department at 618 234-1212.

All information submitted to the City of Belleville is considered a public record and subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Dear friends & Neighbors,

As summer winds down, we look forward to an autumn filled with promise and excitement. I invite you to mark your calendars for all the fun events coming up this fall. With school back in session, I wish all students, teachers, school administrators, and staff a rewarding and successful 2025-2026 school year!



To enhance our sense of community and provide easier access to information, the City created New Business and New Resident packets. These packets are available on www.belleville.net and at City offices.

We are actively recruiting a Director of Economic Development to support our City's advancement and growth in all areas of the city. Meanwhile, new ownership at Belleville Crossing is bringing new life to the shopping complex off Route 15.

We warmly welcome Courtney Adams, our new Tourism Coordinator, who is working to expand our marketing and tourism efforts. She began by creating the first phase of Explore Belleville, which will be rolling out soon! The goals of the Explore Belleville project are designed to foster connections throughout our community for residents and visitors while celebrating the community spirit that makes Belleville shine. By enhancing walkability and discovery, we aim to unlock the full potential of our City, empowering local businesses and organizations to thrive.

We recognize that numerous streets within our City need repair. Our objective is to devise a strategic plan that encompasses all roads and drainage areas city-wide and establishes a comprehensive maintenance schedule for the long term. In the upcoming months, the City will begin an extensive project to oil and chip over 80 miles of alleyways.

The City is moving forward with a Mow-to-Own Program, providing an opportunity for property owners to acquire adjacent City-owned property that is unnecessary for City use by demonstrating a willingness to maintain such property on terms/conditions approved by the City, while reducing the City's expense and liability associated with such properties. The City shall designate such properties that are eligible under the Mow-to-Own Program.

We are working on gathering information to build a network of compassionate volunteers, churches, and civic organizations to create a program called Neighbors Helping Neighbors. This volunteer initiative is intended to give a helping hand to those in need, whether it is cutting grass, trimming bushes, or tackling other small tasks, promoting connection and care throughout Belleville.

As your Mayor, I am dedicated to serving you. Please feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Jenny

LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 1ST

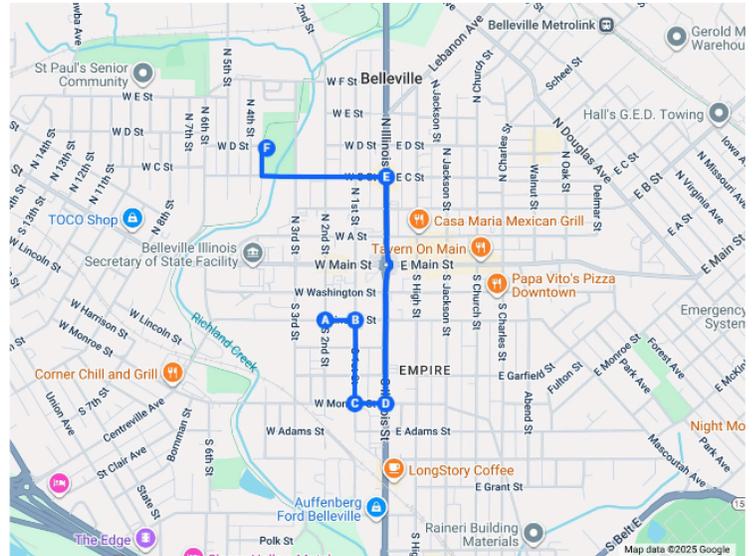
Labor Day pays tribute to the contributions and achievements of American workers. The City of Belleville has nine Unions, and Belleville is home to many more. We thank our city workers for their hard work and dedication to our City.

- Firefighters Local No. 53, IAFF
- Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council Police Officers and Sergeants
- Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council Telecommunicators and Secretaries
- Labors Local 459
- Library (AFSCME) Local 1765
- Operating Engineers Local 148
- Service Employees Local 116
- Teamster Clerical Local 50
- Teamster Drivers Local 50



The Southwestern Illinois Central Labor Council will host the annual Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 1, 2025, at 10 AM in downtown Belleville.

[View Map on Google](#)



Join us for a

Moment of Remembrance

September 11 Memorial Walkway of Southern Illinois

Thursday, September 11, 2025
11:30 AM

With Guest Speaker:

Fire House #4
1125 S. Illinois St. Belleville, IL

Ceremony will be held outside, weather permitting.



For more information, visit www.Belleville.net/911Memorial
Co-hosted by the September 11 Memorial Walkway Committee and the City of Belleville



The **September 11 Memorial Walkway of Southern Illinois** (the Memorial) is dedicated to the victims of the vicious attacks on America's freedom and ideals on September 11, 2001. It also recognizes the thousands who survived, and the remarkable compassion displayed in the aftermath, and still today.

[Learn More & Explore the Memorial](#)

RECENT HAPPENINGS



WELCOME, MAYOR JENNY

The Honorable Judge Chris Kolker administered the oath of office to the following individuals, who will assume their duties on May 1, 2025: Mayor Jenny Gain Meyer, City Clerk Shelly Schaefer, City Treasurer Sarah Biermann, Ward 1 Alderperson Bryan Whitaker, Ward 2 Alderperson Gigi Dowling Urban, Ward 3 Alderperson Kent Randle, Ward 4 Alderperson Johnnie Anthony, Ward 5 Alderperson Kathy Kaiser, Ward 6 Alderperson Dr. Mary Stiehl, Ward 7 Alderperson Dennis Weygandt, and Ward 8 Alderperson Nora Sullivan.



SENIOR CELEBRATION

The City of Belleville celebrated the remarkable seniors in our community at the Programs and Services for Older Persons (PSOP) Senior Celebration, a heartwarming tribute.



KEEP BELLEVILLE BEAUTIFUL

We're deeply grateful for our amazing volunteers, who made the Keep Belleville Beautiful event possible. THANK YOU to everyone who joined us today! Your commitment to our community is truly inspiring!



WOOFSTOCK

Thank you Belleville Parks and Recreation for organizing a fantastic Woofstock event!



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & CEREMONY

Thank you to all of the participants and attendees of this year's Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony for your support.



ST. TERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Students of St. Teresa Catholic School had the opportunity to meet with Mayor Jenny Gain Meyer to learn more about the City of Belleville and local government.



SUMMER VOLUNTEER HOURS BEGIN

The Belleville Heart Garden kicked off their Summer volunteer hours with many new faces.



MAIN STREET SENIOR DAY

Area seniors gathered at PSOP for a day of exploring Downtown Belleville Main Street.



SHRINERS PARADE

We extend our sincere appreciation to the Ainad Shriners for organizing another fantastic parade!

RECENT HAPPENINGS



RUSSEL K. SCOTT

Russel K. Scott recognized for 29 years of dedicated service to our Board of Fire and Police Commission.



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Hosted by Belleville Parks and Recreation, the Summer Concert Series was music to our ears each week at Bellevue Park and the Downtown Public Square.



MAIN STREET MARATHON

The Belleville Main Street Marathon Committee presented their \$5000 donation to the Belleville Parks and Recreation Dept. Look for a future trail improvement as a result of their generosity.



CHANGE OF COMMAND

Congratulations and welcome Col. Matthew Collins and Chief Master Sgt. Quentin Davis as the new Commander and Command Chief of the 375th Air Mobility Wing. We bid farewell to Col. John Poole and Chief Master Sgt. Shawn Andrews. Thank you for your service.



MIDWEST CHAMPIONSHIP

Ehtar Belleville F.C. represented Belleville in the Midwest Soccer Championship in Omaha, Nebraska.



BATTLE OF THE BADGES

Belleville West High School made a generous donation in the amount of \$8,000 to Special Olympics from their Battle of the Badges fundraiser.



PADERBORN YOUTH EXCHANGE

Nine students from Paderborn and chaperones Sophie Lemmen and Bastian Timmermann spent two weeks with host families in Belleville while exploring and learning more about their Sister City.



375TH AIR MOBILITY WING

EvCongratulations to the 375th Air Mobility Wing graduates and award winners from the Airman Leadership School Class 25-Foxtrot! Thank you for your service



BEST BBQ IN ILLINOIS

David Sandusky and BEAST Craft BBQ Co. Food & Wine and Mashed named their BBQ the best in all of Illinois!

FALL INTO FUN



PUMPKINS, PARADES, AND ALL THE TREATS THIS SEASON IN BELLEVILLE. **YOUR FALL BUCKET LIST**



September 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28

Eckert's Applefest - *Eckert's Belleville Farm*

Fun for the entire family! Enjoy apple-picking, entertainment, children's activities and more at their Belleville Farm. [More info](#)

September 13-14

Craft & Vendor Show - *Belle Clair Fairgrounds Park*

Presented by Kay Weber, the Craft and Vendor show features over 200 crafters and vendors under one roof for a special shopping experience. [More Info](#)

September 20

Paint Historic Belleville Art Auction

Historic Garfield Street Saloon

Hosted by the Belleville Historical Society, view paintings of local sites of significance painted by our own local talent. Enjoy the art displayed, meet the artists, and check out photographs of past paintings located inside the saloon. All proceeds go towards their mission of maintaining and preserving local architecture and stories. [More Info](#)

September 19-21

44th Annual Oktoberfest - *Downtown Public Square*

Belleville's annual German heritage festival held in downtown Belleville featuring live music, the famous wiener dog race, car show and more. [More Info](#)

September 27

Belleville Main Street Marathon & Half Marathon

Downtown Belleville

Run the full or half marathon on America's longest Main Street. The full marathon is Boston Marathon -Qualifying, bringing running enthusiasts from all over. [More Info](#)

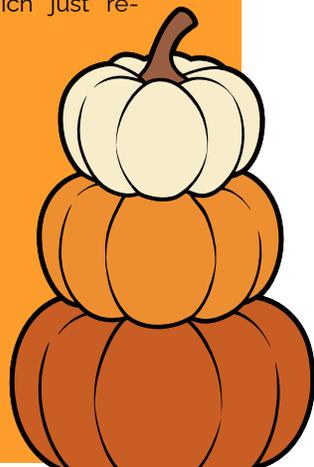
FLEA MARKET FALL DATES

Over 400 vendors sell antiques, collectibles, and old/new merchandise each month at the Belle Clair Fairgrounds Park. Be sure to visit the vendors in the Market Barns which just re-opened this Summer.

SEPTEMBER 20-21

OCTOBER 18-19

NOVEMBER 15-16





FALL BUCKET LIST

October 4

Metro East Pride Fest - Downtown Public Square
Family-friendly festival celebrating the LGBTQIA+ Community. Food, music, booths, Kid Zone, Teen Pride, High Heel Drag Race, and Drag Show. [More Info](#)

October 10 & 11

Annual Chili Cook-Off - Downtown Belleville
Hosted by the Greater Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, the Chili Cook-Off is home to more than 60 food vendors and live entertainment. [More Info](#)

October 11

Chili Chase 5K & Kids Pepper Dash
Church St. & E Main
The Chili Chase in Belleville, IL is a family-friendly 5K run and a Kids Pepper Dash held in conjunction with the Annual Belleville Chili Cook-off. The event raises funds for scholarships for the Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce Leadership Belleville program. [More Info](#)

October 16

Downtown Belleville Witches Brew Walk
Downtown Belleville
The cauldron starts bubbling at 4 PM, and the witching hour lasts 'til the businesses close their crypts. [More Info](#)



October 24th Downtown Belleville Halloween Trick-Or-Treat

The City of Belleville invites our younger citizens for an evening of trick-or-treating, fun, and entertainment in Downtown Belleville. For more information, visit Belleville.net.

Belleville
2nd Annual


Fall festival



Craft Fair & Kid's Market

FREE
ENTRY!


Whether you're getting a jump on holiday shopping or just love browsing beautiful, creative work, the 2nd Annual Belleville Fall Festival is the place to be. Admission is free — bring your friends and family!

SATURDAY, SEPT. 13 2025

9 AM - 1 PM

Located in beautiful Bellevue Park!
401 Bellevue Park Dr. Belleville, IL

Shop one-of-a-kind, handcrafted items from local artisans and makers — from seasonal home décor and unique gifts to candles, jewelry, woodwork, and more!

Don't Miss the Kid's Market!

This special area will feature vendors aged 5-17 with a small business! Teaching kids about entrepreneurship, the booth must be run by the child business owner with parent supervision. Stop by and support their ambitions!



FOR QUESTIONS CALL 618-233-1416




Belleville
Great. Big. Small Town.™
Parks & Recreation

HOWLIN' HAYRIDE &



Moonlight Movie

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

LADERMAN PARK

FUN BEGINS 5:30PM

MOVIE STARTS 7:15PM

1105 MASCOUTAH AVE. BELLEVILLE, IL

\$10 PER PERSON

DON'T MISS THE MEMORIES!

SCAN TO REGISTER!



- ✦ Scavenger Hunt Hayride through Walnut Hill Cemetery!
- ✦ Halloween themed games & activities
- ✦ S'mores firepit!
- ✦ Cozy up & watch a movie under the stars!

Movie Rated PG

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

Concession stand will be open for purchases!
 Bring chairs or blankets for movie!
 Alcohol Prohibited.



Pre-Registration is required.
 Last minute registrations will not be taken on-site.

Call 618-233-1416 for more information!

BELLEVILLE PARKS & RECREATION'S

BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGES & SNACKS!

puzzle PALOOZA!

SPOOKTACULAR SCRAMBLE

Oct. 17, 2025

6:30pm - 8:00pm

WEAR YOUR COSTUMES!



*Doors open at 6:00 PM—bring your own snacks and drinks and get ready for a spooky night of puzzles! Teams can include 2, 3, or 4 people, but must have at least one adult. Each team will receive the same 500-piece puzzle and compete to see who can finish the fastest to win a prize. Fun costumes are highly encouraged to add to the Halloween spirit! **BYO snacks & drinks!** Held at The Arena Gym, 2300 W. Main St., Belleville.*

PUZZLE SWAP!

Bring your old puzzles (with all pieces accounted for) and swap them for new-to-you puzzles!

BIG, BRIGHT LOCATION!



PRIZES FOR BEST GROUP & INDIVIDUAL COSTUMES!

\$10

per person



Register here! 

or call 618-233-1416!

REGISTER BY: 10/8/25

***Child participants must be at least 6 yrs & up!**

103 YEARS + COUNTING



CELEBRATING 30 YEARS IN 2025

NATIONAL CINEMA DAY

LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES

You can smell the popcorn already, can't you? October 4th is National Cinema Day. Created by The Cinema Foundation, an arm of the National Association of Theatre Owners, in 2022 to boost attendance and commemorate the re-opening of theatres after the COVID-19 pandemic.

Reminding the world how fun it is to "go to" the movies, National Cinema Day brings along with it promotions, deals and more.

Belleville is home to three movie theatre locations, including the #1 Drive-In in the country, Skyview Drive-In*

**Per USA Today poll 05/21/2025*

75 YEARS + COUNTING



THE LINCOLN THEATRE 1
LINCOLNTHEATRE-BELLEVILLE.COM

EDGE 5 THEATRES 2
EDGE618.COM

SKYVIEW DRIVE-IN 3
SKYVIEW-DRIVE-IN.COM

BELLEVILLE CINEMAS OF DAYS GONE BY

1966-2000 BAC CINEMA / QUAD CINEMA (5700 N. BELT WEST)

1929-1997 THE MIDWAY THEATRE/ RITZ THEATRE (403 E. MAIN STREET)

1924-1953 REX THEATRE (1313 W. MAIN STREET)

1922-? DREAMLAND THEATRE (17 N. 2ND STREET)

1915-? COZY THEATRE AND AIRDOME (23 W. MAIN STREET)

1913-1955 THE WASHINGTON THEATRE / ILLINOIS THEATRE (214 W. MAIN STREET)

1911-1912 GEM THEATRE AND CANDY KITCHEN -NICKELODEON (215 E. MAIN STREET)

1906-? LYRIC THEATRE (W. MAIN STREET + N. ILLINOIS STREET)



COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

BELLEVILLE DASHERS ON THE MOVE

In 2018, Chanae Powell and her husband, Damarquo Sanders, founded Saving Next Generation, a nonprofit organization committed to the social-emotional development and overall well-being of youth. In 2024, Dashers Track and Sports Organization (founded in 1984 by John Davis) and Saving Next Generation merged to maximize their impact on the Belleville, Illinois Community.

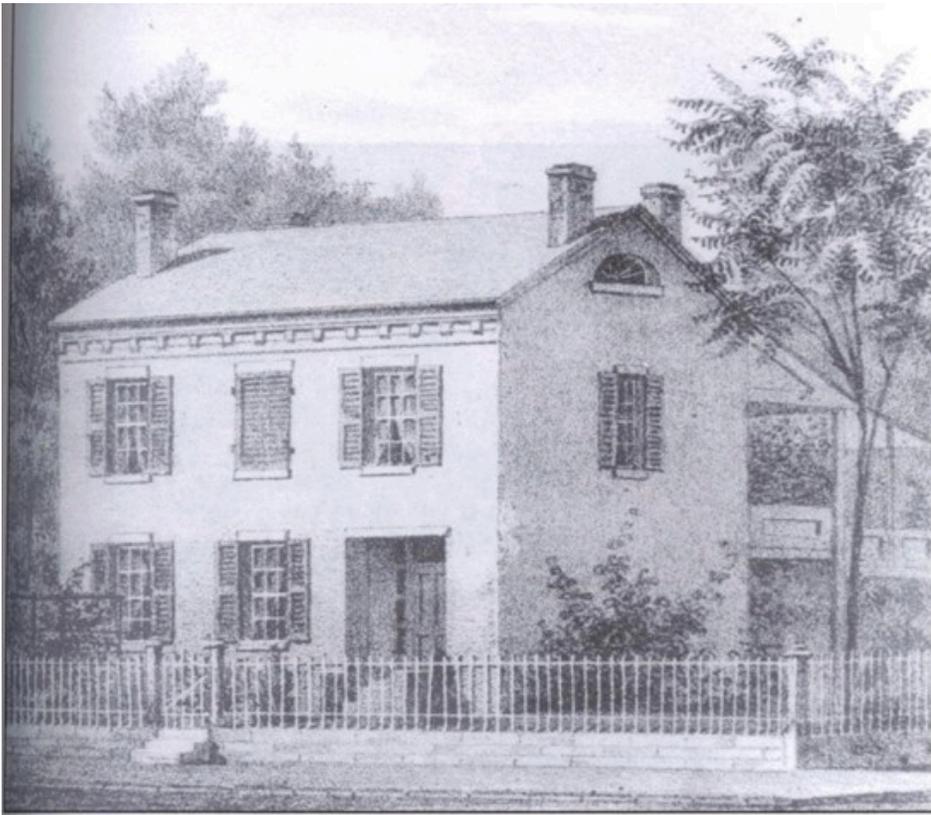
Together, they provide a comprehensive program that combines athletic training, mental fortitude, mentorship, community service and financial support through grants and donations. Today, the program serves over 150 children, with demand continuing to grow- highlighting the organization's critical role in the community.

Dashers athletic programming expands beyond track and field, but the Dashers track stars celebrated some BIG victories this Summer at the Junior Olympics. Visit [their Facebook page](#) for the list of all their trips to the podium in Savannah, GA.

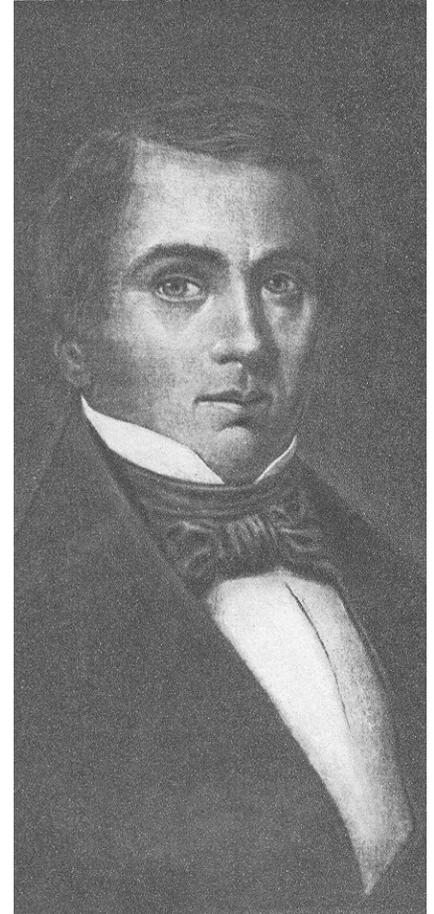
TO LEARN MORE ABOUT DASHERS SPORTS PROGRAMMING VISIT THEIR [WEBSITE](#).

Gustave Koerner House Committee

COMMITTEE
UPDATE



200 Abend, 1867



GUSTAVE PHILLIP KOERNER

Koerner was an ardent anti-slavery proponent and, as a German emigre, played a key role in allying western America's German population with the Union cause.

THE GUSTAVE KOERNER HOUSE COMMITTEE IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PRESERVING BELLEVILLE'S PREMIER HISTORIC PROPERTY AT 200 ABEND STREET.

Koerner, pictured here in 1836, was a personal, professional and political associate of Abraham Lincoln. To learn more about Koerner or to make a donation to the rehabilitation of his home, search gustavekoerner.org and click on the Paypal button. **For more information about the committee or fundraising call 618 235 6471.**

**VISIT THE GUSTAVE
KOERNER HOUSE
RESTORATION WEBSITE FOR
MORE INFORMATION.**

GUSTAVEKOERNER.ORG



BELLEVILLE DISTRICT 118'S BAND PROGRAM MARCHES FORWARD

WRITTEN BY MR. D, DIRECTOR OF BANDS, BELLEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT 118

The Belleville District 118 Band program had an amazing 204-2025! The 4th -8th grade band program serves our district and community in a variety of ways. Veteran's Day Celebrations, Holiday Concerts, Recitals, and Festivals keep our students serving and most importantly learning to love music!



For the first time in its history, the 118 Jazz Ensemble competed in the Jazz in the Meadows Competition outside of Chicago and received 4th place in one of the biggest festivals in the midwest.

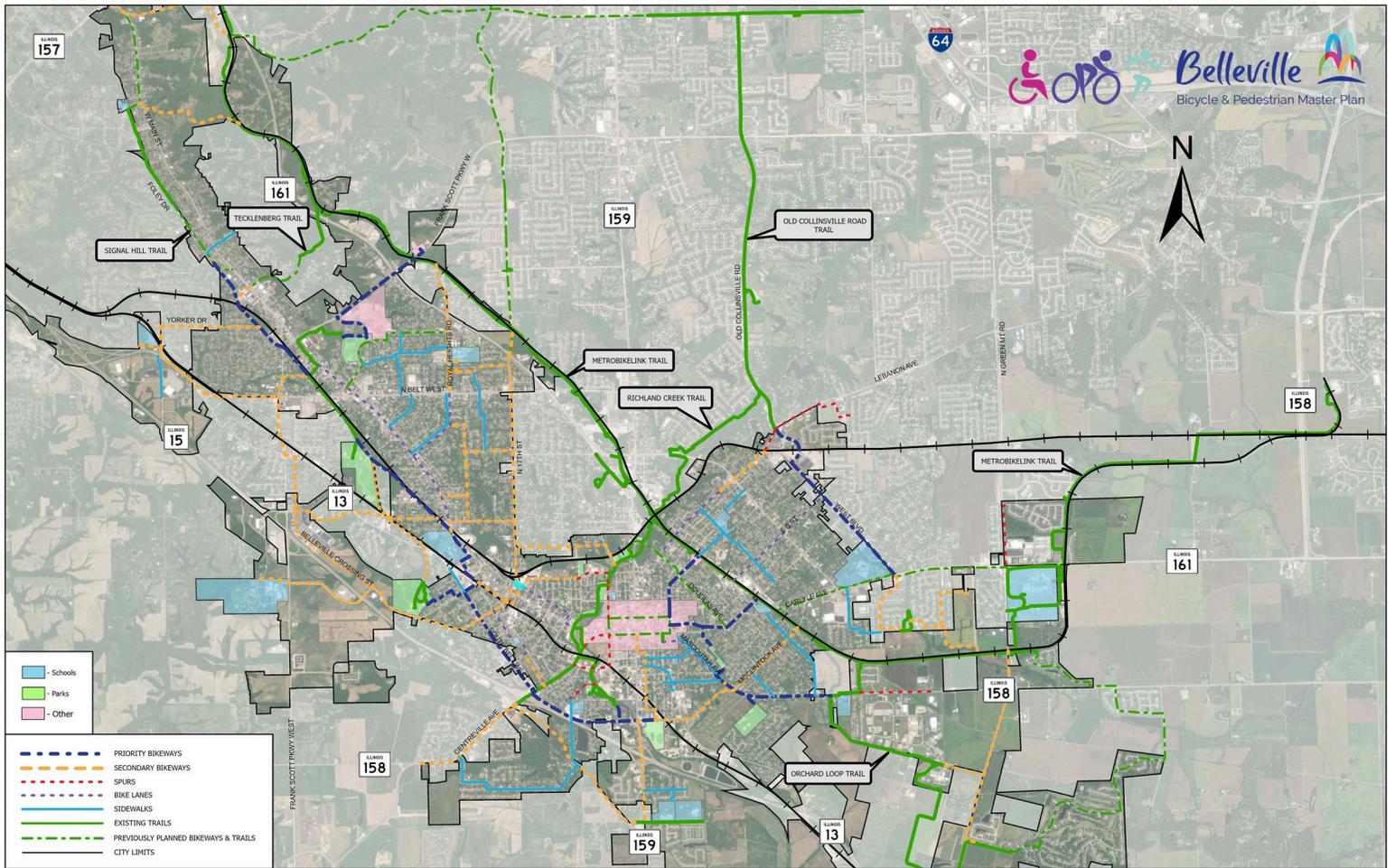
-MR. D

The 118 Jazz Ensemble began the year with an appearance on News Channel 5's morning show. The 118 Wind Ensemble was featured in many Veterans Day programs around Belleville and had a special guest appearance at the spring concert by none other than R2-D2!

The band saw many members selected to the Illinois Music Education Association All State band and jazz bands in late November. For the first time in its history, the 118 Jazz Ensemble competed in the Jazz in the Meadows Competition outside of Chicago and received 4th place in one of the biggest festivals in the midwest. The 118 Jazz Combo placed 4th in the high school division at the same festival; quite a feat for a junior high group.

At the Illinois State Jazz Invitational the band was .33 points away from first and the combo received first place. The Band finished the year in the Belleville Memorial and Shriners' parades with the largest band we have assembled in the last 30 years. We are excited for what this year holds for this outstanding group of kids!!





ENJOY THE SCENERY

With updates and upgrades along Belleville bike/walking trails, your next next adventure is ready.

If you enjoy biking, walking, jogging, or roller blading, there are an estimated 28.5 miles of beautiful trails throughout Belleville and surrounding communities for you to enjoy.

The Belleville Community Parks and Trail Map shows the local trails and their proximity to Belleville's beautiful parks and convenient Metrolink stations. The Trail Guidelines describe the individual sections of trails and the guidelines that help to keep the trails safe and fun for everyone.

To view the trail map visit belleville.net/590/Biking-Walking-Trails



In pursuit of a more walkable and bikeable community, The City of Belleville created a Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. This plan was created for the City of Belleville by Oates Associates in partnership with Heartlands Conservancy. Work for the Plan took place between 2023 and 2024 and was funded through City funds and the Metro East Parks and Recreation Community Planning Grant program.

Belleville Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan 2025

DEPARTMENT NEWS & UPDATES

ENGINEERING DEPT

The city's engineering department has recently awarded contracts for our FY 2025-2026 MFT/TIF projects through IDOT. The contracts include: Sidewalk replacement, Traffic signal maintenance, General Infrastructure repairs, Ditching, Concrete Patching and Oil/Chip Seal.

The TIF 12 Alleyway reconstruction project and West Washington St repaving project are expected to begin in August.

Several other projects are expected to be awarded soon. They include, Asphalt Patching, Belle Valley/Cool Valley drainage improvements and the N 28th St culvert replacement project.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPT

Thank you to **IMPACT Strategies** for the generous donation of the Hophornbeam Trees, which will undoubtedly enhance the West Main streetscape.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT NEW EMPLOYEES

MD Ikramul Haque – Engineer Intern
Subash Poudel – Engineer Intern
Brady Nowak – Firefighter
Mathew Lorton – Firefighter
Kaysia Dean - Police Officer
Ofc. Wilkerson -Police Officer
Courtney Adams - Tourism Coordinator
Cami Cook - Custodian
Macy Copeland - Parks Secretary
Tina Lake-Hopper - Recreation Office Clerk
Matthew Nance - Asst. Head Maintenance
Wastewater Division
Donald Eubank – Laborer Floater awarded bid for Teamster Sewer Department

DEPARTMENT NEWS & UPDATES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT



SKYVIEW DRIVE-IN

Congratulations to Skyview Drive-In for once again being voted the best Drive-In in the nation by USA Today!



CELESTIAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

We welcomed Celestial Health & Wellness LLC at their ribbon cutting hosted by the Greater Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce



THE LONDON TEA MERCHANT

Welcome to The London Tea Merchant, located at 122 Iowa Ave, Belleville. Don't miss out on their tea brewed by their certified Tea Sommelier.



THE CANDY BAR

Congratulations to The Candy Bar in Downtown Belleville on their Grand Opening and ribbon cutting with the Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce.



HAIR CUREOLOGY SALON & SPA

We welcomed another great new business to Main Street at the ribbon cutting hosted by the Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce.



SAVE THE GIRLS

Congratulations to Save the Girls STG. Located at 9300 West Main in Belleville, Save the Girls is a women-owned brand that has a truly inspiring story.



LA FIESTA MEXICAN RESTAURANT

Congratulations to La Fiesta Mexican restaurant, Belleville on their ribbon cutting and grand opening with the Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce



MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Congratulations to Memorial Hospital Belleville on the opening of their new state-of-the-art Intensive Care Unit.



BELLEVILLE CROSSING

Belleville Crossing is buzzing with activity and continued progress! A Target remodel is taking shape. Discount Tire and Plaza Tire are under construction. Verizon, Bath & Body Works, Smoke World Vape, Images Beauty Supply, and a Ross Store will soon join the Belleville community.

DEPARTMENT NEWS & UPDATES

FIRE DEPARTMENT



May 7th, the Belleville Fire Department's Technical Rescue Team put their skills to the test during their quarterly training.



Firefighter Matt Houghtlin has officially hung up his helmet after 26 years of serving Belleville. Congratulations on your retirement.



Captain Michelle Bode and her three incredible working dogs recently deployed with Alabama Task Force 1 to Texas, assisting with search, rescue, and recovery efforts after the devastating flooding..



We welcomed our new probationary firefighters.



Congratulations to Fire Chief Stephanie Mills on her retirement, effective August 20th. We are grateful for your service!

DEPARTMENT NEWS & UPDATES

POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Belleville PD took part in the 2025 Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics



Promotions within the Belleville Police Department: Lieutenant Robert Thomason to Captain, Master Sergeant Tim Crimm to Lieutenant, and Detective Angelque Shields to Sergeant.



BPD swore in Ofc. Wilkerson as a lateral transfer.



ROCK THE BLUE raised over \$23K+ for injured Fairview Heights Police Officers.

DEPARTMENT NEWS & UPDATES

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT



A huge THANK YOU to everyone who joined us for our End of Summer Celebration! From our incredible sponsors to our amazing vendors, we couldn't have done it without you.

BELLEVILLE PARKS & RECREATION



Check out more of our fall sports and programs on our website!



Belleville Kickers

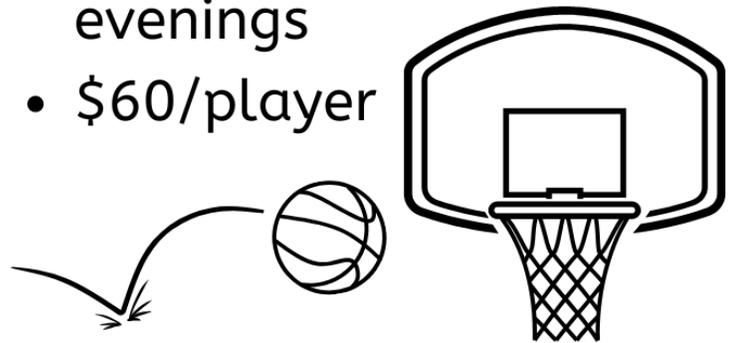


- K-8th grade leagues
- \$95/player
- Saturday mornings

REGISTRATION DEADLINE SEP 5

LITTLE DRIBBLERS

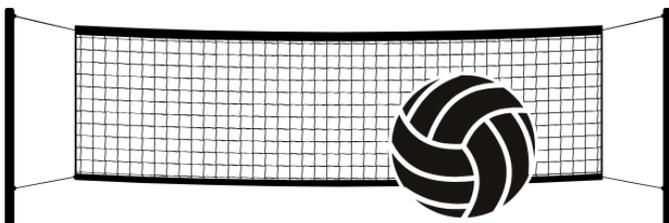
- Ages 4-7 years old
- Wednesday evenings
- \$60/player



REGISTRATION DEADLINE OCT 1

BELLEVILLE SPIKERS VOLLEYBALL

- Ages 8-11 years old
- \$80/player
- Tuesday evenings



REGISTRATION DEADLINE SEP 16



3x3 Basketball League

- 3rd-4th grade league
- 5th-6th grade league
- \$80/player
- Thursday & Tuesday evenings

REGISTRATION DEADLINE SEP 23



Celebrate NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS DAY! with Belleville Parks & Rec

FREE

Join us for a fun-filled day designed just for seniors! Explore a variety of helpful local services at our Senior Resource Fair, get moving with mobility-friendly sports like aerobics, pickleball, and badminton—and don't miss everyone's favorite: free **BINGO** with prizes! Grab a snack at local food trucks, enjoy giveaways, and skills demonstrations. Whether you're here to learn, play, or connect, there's something for everyone!

WHEN

August 21, 2025

8:00 am - 3:00 pm

WHERE

The Campus Arena Gyms
at 2300 W Main St.
Belleville, IL

Activities Include:

8:30 - 12:30 Senior Services Fair

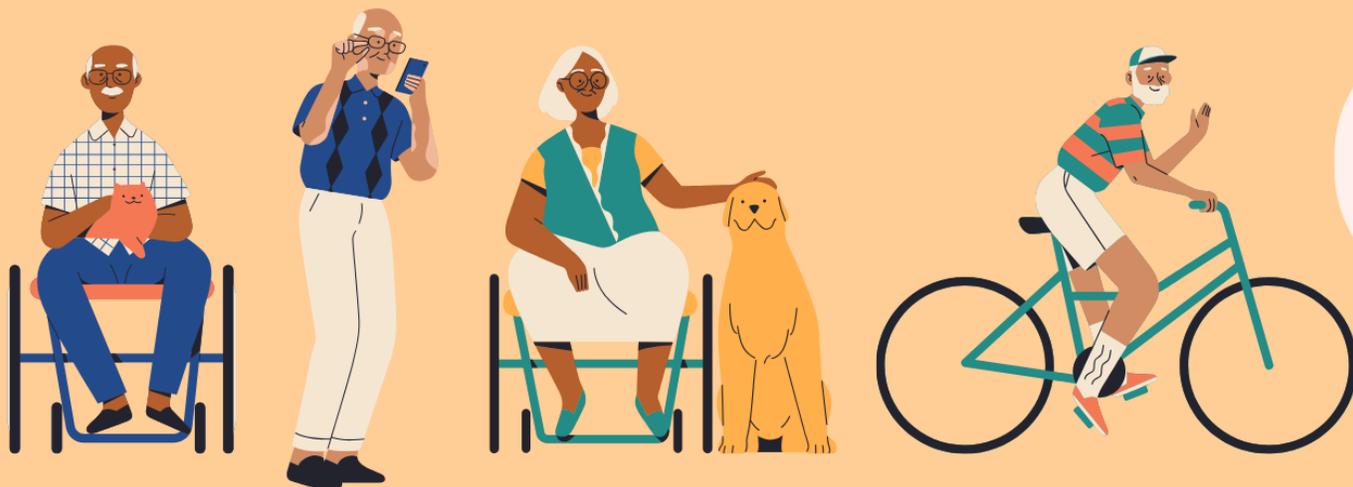
9:00 - 11:00 Badminton

8:00 - 9:00 Senior Aerobics Class

11:00 - 12:30 Ping Pong & Bridge

8:00 - 3:00 Pickleball Lessons & Open Play

1:00 Bingo!



Come
join the
fun!

DEPARTMENT NEWS & UPDATES

WASTEWATER DIVISION



The City of Belleville honored Randy Smith, Sr. for his remarkable 36 years of service with our Wastewater Division and outstanding leadership as Director for the past 5 years.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations and deepest appreciation for Randy's tireless dedication and wish him a well-deserved retirement.

BELLEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Join the IHLS Library Crawl of 2025

Discover the many great resources available to you with a
library card!

Oct 1-31, 2025

Register at your home library!

The Annual Library Crawl is a unique event organized by the public libraries of Illinois Heartland Library System as a fun way to introduce patrons to the other libraries of the IHLS service area. Patrons visit area libraries throughout the month of the crawl and get a passport stamp at each library they visit.



MONTHLY
Teen
DIY Den
 FOR AGES 13 - 18

EVERY 2ND MONDAY
4PM - 6PM
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Join Ms. Audrey once a month for a different DIY craft!
 Inquire about registration at the children's desk

Belleville Public Library
 121 East Washington St.
 (618) 234-0441

SUSPECTS
 Identify individuals and their motives.

SCENE INVESTIGATION
 Observe for key evidence.

CLUES
 Collect and analyze clues.

WITNESSES
 Gather statements for insights.

CONCLUSION
 Connect findings to solve the mystery.

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 121 EAST WASHINGTON STREET
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When
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Time
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At Illinois American Water, we want to help keep life flowing to our customers. We know that when finances are stretched thin, it can be hard to get back on track once an account falls behind. If you're experiencing financial hardship, please reach out to us. We may be able to assist. Please visit illinoisamwater.com > Customer Service & Billing > Customer Assistance Program.



INCOME-BASED DISCOUNT PROGRAM

Illinois American Water has partnered with Dollar Energy to launch the Income-Based Discount Program. Eligible customers will receive a monthly discount on their water and/or wastewater bill. For more information, please visit illinoisamwater.com > **Customer Service & Billing > Customer Assistance Program.**



H2O HELP TO OTHERS PROGRAM™

H2O Help to Others is a customer assistance program created by Illinois American Water and Illinois' Salvation Army agencies. The program helps provide supplemental funding to residential customers who would otherwise have trouble paying their bills. For more information, please visit illinoisamwater.com > **Customer Service & Billing > Customer Assistance Program.**



PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

If you cannot pay your bill by the due date, please contact our Customer Service Center immediately, before the due date at **800-422-2782**. Our team will work with you on a plan to pay the balance of your bill over time. Both residential and Commercial/Industrial customers can enroll in a payment plan.



BUDGET BILLING

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2025 Events Calendar

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September

- 1 Labor Day Parade**
City of Belleville, 618.233.6810
- 6 Hard Pressed Cider Fest**
Eckert's Farms, 618.222.0513
- 6,7,13,14,20,21,27,28 AppleFest**
Eckert's Farms, 618.233.0513
- 11 September 11th Moment of Remembrance**
Belleville Fire House #4, 618.233.6810
- 13&14 Craft & Vendor Show**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 19&20 44th Annual Oktoberfest**
Belleville Main Street, 618.398.8560
- TBA Paint History Belleville Art Auction**
Blazier House, bellevillehistoricalsociety.org
- 20 Children's Entrepreneur Market**
Eckert's Farms, 618.233.0513
- 20&21 Flea Market**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 27 Belleville Main Street Marathon & Half Marathon**
Bellevillemarathon.com, 618.628.9898
- 28 Ainad Shriners Sportsman Raffle Belle**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 30&31 AppleFest**
Eckert's Farms, 618.233.0513

October

- 4 Metro East Pride Fest**
Belleville Main Street, metroeastpride.org
- 4 National Cinema Day Specials**
The Edge, 618.236.2101; Lincoln Theatre, 618.233.0123
- 4,5,11,12,18,19,25,26 Ecktober Fest**
Eckert's Farms, 618.233.0513
- 10&11 41st Annual Chili Cook-Off (Oct. 11-Chili Chase)**
Belleville Chamber, 618.233.2015
- 12 Pumpkin Decorating**
The Edge, 618.236.2101
- 12 Motorcycle Swap Meet**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052

- TBA Haunted Belleville Walking Tours**
St. Clair Co. Historical Soc., 618.234.0600
- 17 Main Street Senior Day**
Belleville Main Street, 618.233.2015
- 18&19 Flea Market**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- TBA How'oween Pet Parade & Block Party**
Belleville Area Humane Society, 618.235.3712
- TBA Adult Pumpkin Hunt**
The Weingarten, 618.257.9463
- 24 Halloween Trick-or-Treat**
Belleville's Main Street, 618.233.6810
- 26 Keyboard Praise Concert**
St. Matthew UMC, 618.397.5994

November

- 1 SICW Wrestling**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 1&2 Homegrown Holiday Vendor Fair**
Eckert's, 618.233.0513
- 8 Art & Wine Walk**
Belleville Main Street, 618.233.2015
- 8 Brewery Bottle & Jar Show**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 9 Auto Swap Meet**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 11 Veterans Day Ceremony**
Public Square, 618.233.6810
- 15&16 Flea Market**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 16 Winter Market**
The Weingarten, 618.257.9463
- 21 Annual Friendsgiving Trivia**
The Weingarten, 618.257.9463
- 21 56th Annual Way of Lights Christmas Display**
National Shrine, 618.397.6700
- 22 Cut Your Own Christmas Tree Opens**
Eckert's Farms, 618.233.0513
- 22-23 Nutcracker Ballet & Concert Belleville Philharmonic**
Belleville Philharmonic, 618.277.1373
- 22,12,28,29 Santa Breakfast, Stories & Cookie Decorating**
Eckert's Farms, 618.233.0513
- 26-Jan. 2 Gingerbread Walk Display**
Belleville Parks & Rec., 618.233.1416
- 27 Thanksgiving 5K Turkey Chase**
Belleville Hockey Club, itsyourrace.com
- 28 Santa Parade**
Belleville Main Street, BellevilleOptimist.org
- 28 Community Lighting of the Fountain**
Public Square, 618.233.6810
- 28-30 Fall/Holiday Craft Show**
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Park, 618.233.0052
- 28-30 Belleville Christkindmarkt**
Public Square, bellevillechristkindmarkt.com
- 28-30 Ainad Shriners FEZtival of Trees**
Public Square, 618.874.1870
- 28-Dec. 24 Belleville Santa House**
Public Square, BellevilleOptimist.org
- 29 Small Business Saturday**
Belleville Chamber, 618.233.2015

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DEPARTMENTS

Economic Dev., x 1250

Engineering, x 4272

Finance, x 1233

Human Resources, x 2280

Info. Tech (IT), x 1254

Mayor, x 1207

Police (Non-Emergency)

618-234-1212

Fire (Non-Emergency)

618-234-2236

General & Community Asst.

618-212-4379

Health, Housing & Building

618-233-6817

Library (Main Branch)

618-234-0441

Library (West Branch)

618-233-4366

Parks & Recreation

618-233-1416

Nichols Center

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Public Works / Streets

618-239-3454

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618-233-7146

Tourism

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