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## Police Department News

The City of Ste. Genevieve recently adopted an ordinance pertaining to dangerous animals. The ordinance gives the city the ability to limit freedom of dangerous animals to inflict injury to the citizens of Ste. Genevieve. Under the ordinance, once an animal has been declared dangerous, there will be a series of precautionary steps that must be followed by the animal owner to

ensure the animal is securely contained. This ordinance is in response to numerous complaints of vicious dogs. For more information, please see Ordinance number 3981 of the Ste. Genevieve Municipal Code at [stegenevieve.org](http://stegenevieve.org)



## Street Department



The street department had a busy summer with all the rain which led to a lot of mowing. We are back up to a full staff again and are currently patching holes and trying to keep up with every day operations. We will be getting in the snow mode before long, getting the equipment and trucks ready for when

needed. Even though it is getting cooler, mosquitoes are still out getting their last meal, so keep emptying water bowls and anything that holds water. No water no mosquitoes.

## Carbon Monoxide Safety

Although the popularity of carbon monoxide (CO) alarms has been growing in recent years, it cannot be assumed that everyone is familiar with the hazards of carbon monoxide poisoning in the home.

Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel are potential sources of carbon monoxide. Vehicles or generators running in an attached garage can also produce dangerous levels of carbon monoxide.

### Facts & figures

The dangers of CO exposure depend on a number of variables, including the victim's health and activity level. Infants, pregnant women, and people with physical conditions that limit their body's ability to use oxygen (i.e. emphysema, asthma, heart disease) can be more severely affected by lower concentrations of CO than healthy adults would be.

A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of

time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.

### CO ALARMS

1. CO alarms should be installed outside each sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home. It is best to use interconnected alarms. When one sounds, all CO alarms in the home sound.
2. Follow the instructions on the package to properly install the CO alarm.
3. Test CO alarms at least once a month.
4. Replace CO alarms according to the instructions on the package. CO detectors & Smoke detectors have an average life span of 7 years. Check Manufactures instructions.
5. Know the sounds the CO alarm makes. It will sound if CO is detected. It will make a different sound if the battery is low or if it is time to get a new CO alarm.
6. If the battery is low, replace it.
7. If the CO alarm sounds, you must get fresh air. Move outdoors, by an open window or near an open door. Make sure everyone in the home gets to fresh air. Call the fire department from a fresh air location. Stay there until help arrives.

8. Most CO alarms have a cumulative sensor. Little bits of CO build up taking less to set of detector. Most manufacturers suggest "airing out" on a regular basis. Follow manufacturer's recommendations.

### PREVENT CO POISONING

1. When warming a vehicle, move it out of the garage. Do not run a fueled engine indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not blocked.
2. During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
3. Clear all debris from dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace vents.
4. A generator should be used outdoors. Use in a well-ventilated location away from windows, doors, and vent openings.
5. Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO. Only use them outside.
6. Have heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in.
7. Open the damper when using a fireplace for adequate ventilation.
8. Never use your oven or stove to heat your home.

## Water Hydrant Flushing

Why are hydrants flushed?

October 12-16 you will see Ste. Genevieve water department personnel releasing water from hydrants. Hydrant flushing is necessary to verify adequate flow and pressure is available. Flushing is also done to remove sediment from the pipes in order to maintain water clarity and quality in the distribution pipes.



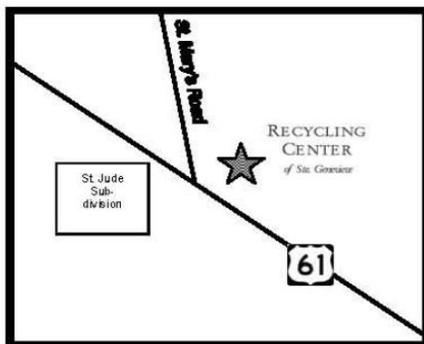
Is my water safe to drink after flushing?

Your water is safe to drink although water in the system may become temporarily discolored while hydrant flushing. This is due to the increase in water flow from normal that is being used as a tool to carry and clear any sediment that may have settled in the distribution system. If this happens, run your cold water tap for a few minutes until the water clears. If it doesn't clear the first time, wait a few minutes and run the water again. You should avoid washing clothes until the water clears.

# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Ste. Genevieve County Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Recycling Day

Sponsored by:  Holcim

**Saturday, October 10, 2015, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.**



RECYCLING CENTER  
of Ste. Genevieve

17690 U.S. Highway 61  
Ste. Genevieve, MO

### Acceptable Items:

Acids	Brake Fluid	Furniture Polish	Lubricants	Turpentine
Adhesives	Cleaning fluids	Herbicides	Moth Balls	Used Motor Oil
Aerosols	Corrosives	Hobby Chemicals	Paints, Thinners, Removers	Varnish/Stain/Lacquers
Antifreeze	Disinfectants	Inks	Photo Chemicals	Waste Fuels
Batteries	Fluorescent Bulbs	Insecticides / Pesticides	Pool Chemicals	Wood Preservatives
Anything with a cord or a battery. (Computers, appliances, etc.)				

### Do Not Bring the Following Unacceptable Materials:

Asbestos Material	Biological/ Pathological Waste (Syringes/Sharps)	Explosives	Glass Lamps	Radioactives – including Smoke Detectors	Tires
Ammunition	<b>Commercial / Industrial Wastes</b>	Fireworks	PCB Wastes	Propane Tanks	

For further information contact Holcim @ (636) 524-8426 or SteGenHHWday@gmail.com

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## The City Needs your Help Documenting Your Historic House



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The beautiful thing about the 20th Century is that we have amazing technology at our finger tips and it is technology that even preservationists can appreciate. It is amazing but until now the City did not even have a good map of itself—that is: no current zoning map, no map of our historic districts, no maps of the locations of our infrastructure features, etc. Now through the Geographic Information Systems, “GIS” as it is known, we can literally map anything. Besides streets, we can create maps that show all the historic houses, or historic houses that were built before 1800, or historic houses that have standing seam roofs, or historic houses that have limestone foundations. We can click on a property on our computer system and learn about the property’s past and see photos of the house say from 1970 or read an article written about the house in 1945. We can create a map that tells us where every rental property is located or where building permits were issued. Any physical attribute that can be identified and loaded into the computer can be used to create a map! Roads, streets, water lines, sewer lines, crime data, signs, and anything about those can be mapped. It is an amazing resource that can dramatically impact policy decisions

and capital planning for the City. City employees were quite anxious to get the system because of all the information it could reveal to us.

Last fall the City applied for and received a historic preservation grant to assist it in installing a GIS system. The grant is to pay for research assistants who will collect information on the all the historic houses and record the current appearance of the structures. To do this, the assistants will come to each property and photograph the front and sides of the houses. They will ask permission to photograph the rear of the house. They will also ask residents if there are any old photos of the structures that we could copy for our records. We also would like any information about the house that residents know through the home’s oral history. The idea is that for each historic property, our GIS will have detailed information that can be accessed by staff or by citizens or by prospective buyers. We want GIS to be our electronic file cabinet and a central depository of historic information as of 2015.

Our new research assistants are Ed Moore and Scott Bates. Both are avid preservationists and are very excited about documenting our historic properties. They have begun collecting data and will shortly be introducing themselves to you. We hope you will allow them to photograph the rear of your property. This is will serve as a record of what the property looked like in 2015. We also hope you will share any stories you have about the house or events that may have taken place there or even famous persons who may have lived or visited your house. And, if you

have any old photos of your house, from any time period, we would love to copy them for our records. Photos of the house during or before any of the significant floods would be terrific. If you have photos from when the house was first built would be amazing!

You will receive a brochure with information about our request and the research assistant that will be studying your property. We also guarantee that we will take good care of your photos and return them to you within 3 business days. We will only copy them. Any information about the house should be shared, especially the address and where we should return them.

This community project is to help us document our beautiful homes for future generations. Thank you for any help you can provide.



Scott Bates



Ed Moore

## Check Out the New Businesses in Town

**Chaumette, Inc.**  
351 St. Marys Road

**Merchant Street Tobacco**  
291 Merchant Street

**Ste. Gen Vapor, LLC**  
718 Ste. Genevieve Drive

**Eden Farms Creations**  
173 N. Main Street

**Rustik Sand Kandles, LLC**  
252 Merchant Street

**Tractor Supply Co.**  
20 Plaza Drive

## A National Park Site in Ste. Genevieve?



Have you heard the news? Ste. Genevieve has been suggested as a possible National Park Site. In 2006, the United States Congress commissioned the National Parks Service (NPS) to conduct a 'Special Resource Study' to assess the historic buildings and landscapes of Ste. Genevieve to determine the area would be feasible for inclusion in the National Park Site

system. That report was finally released in August, shortly before the 2015 Jour de Fete, but it was worth waiting for!

The Ste. Genevieve Draft Special Resource Study and Environmental Assessment found that Ste. Genevieve's historic sites met all the criteria to be considered eligible as a future NPS site. The NPS study criteria included:

- Nationally significant
- Suitable
- Feasible, and
- Have a need for NPS resources

The NPS report included detailed maps of the National Historic Landmark district, Ste. Genevieve's historic resource sites, flood zones and easements, and Alternatives B and C. Overall, the report was very positive,

stating "Ste Genevieve stands alone in terms of the character, quality, quantity, and rarity of its resources... This study concludes that Ste. Genevieve meets the criteria for inclusion."

The NPS and the City of Ste. Genevieve hosted a meeting on September 10th to encourage public comment on the draft report, and comments were accepted online through September 25th. The next step is for the National Park Service to consider the comments made at the public meeting and through the internet and then to forward their final recommendation to the United States Congress.

If you would like to read the contents of the NPS report, just go to the website [www.VisitSteGen.com](http://www.VisitSteGen.com) and click on the NPS report logo for a direct link.

## Moving to Ste. Genevieve and Need to Set Up Utilities?

### Water / Sewer Service

City of Ste. Genevieve  
165 S. Fourth Street  
Ste. Genevieve, MO 63670  
573-883-5400  
573-883-8105 (fax)  
[www.stegenevieve.org](http://www.stegenevieve.org)

### Electric Service

Citizens Electric Corporation  
P.O. Box 368  
1500 Rand Ave.  
Perryville, MO 63775  
877-876-3511  
[www.cecmo.com](http://www.cecmo.com)

### Natural Gas Service

Missouri Natural Gas Company  
700 Market Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
St. Louis, MO 63101  
314-621-6960  
[www.lacledegas.com](http://www.lacledegas.com)

### Trash Service

Republic Services  
12561 State Route A  
Ste. Genevieve, MO 63670  
877-631-1156  
[www.republicservices.com](http://www.republicservices.com)

Waste Management, Inc.  
3902 Athena School Road  
DeSoto, MO 63020  
800-989-2783  
[www.wm.com](http://www.wm.com)

Freedom Waste, LLC  
P.O. Box 543  
Farmington, MO 63640  
573-747-0550  
[www.freedomwasteonline.com](http://www.freedomwasteonline.com)

# Scarecrow Spectacular Winners.....



Thank you to everyone who participated in the 12th Annual Scarecrow Spectacular! This year's winners are... 1st Place—Ste. Genevieve Group Home, 2nd Place—Eric Scott, 3rd Place—Bolduc House, 4th Place—Downtown Renewal Group, and Honorable Mention—Stella & Me.

Enjoy these creative displays throughout downtown for the remainder of the month! Happy Fall Y'all!

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**Recycling Center of Ste. Genevieve**  
17690 U.S. Highway 61  
1<sup>st</sup> bldg. south of St. Mary Road on left

**Hours of Operation**  
**Monday – Friday: 8 am – 5 pm**  
**Saturday: 8 am – 12 noon**

Items accepted at the center include paper, cardboard, paperboard, steel and aluminum cans, plastic, glass (clear & colored), batteries, clothing, shoes and linens.



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