



# Talk of the Township

*Your St. Charles Township Newsletter  
Exclusively for Township Residents*

## Your Tax Bill and How Funds are Distributed

**by Ronald C. Johnson, Township Supervisor**

You will notice on your tax bill that 2.6 percent of your taxes paid goes to your Township government.

“What does St. Charles Township do for me,” you ask?

***We have three mandated functions by state legislature:***

1. The Township is made up of a Town Board that includes a Supervisor, four Trustees and a Town Clerk. These elected Officials audit all monies spent in the Township.

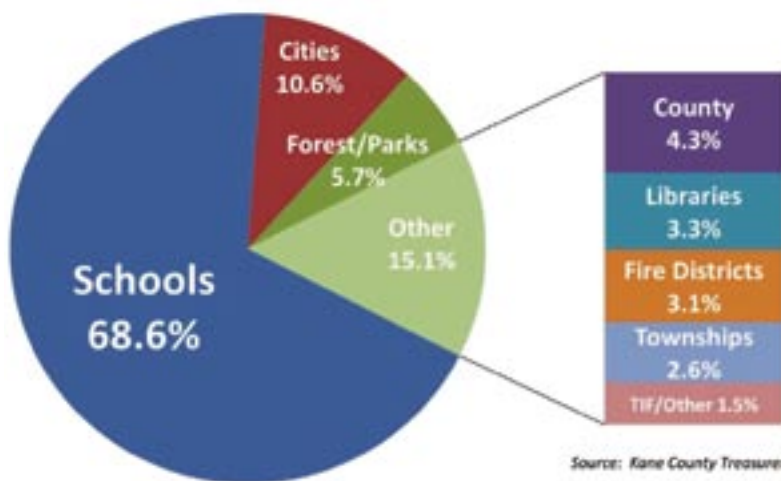
**General Assistance** is handled thru the Supervisor’s office. The Illinois State Statutes dictates a very strict set of rules on qualifications and how monies are distributed.

2. The Assessor assesses properties in the Township. St. Charles Township has more than 22,000 parcels to assess and to make sure everyone pays their fair share of taxes.

3. The third, but not least, is the maintenance of Township roads and bridges. Your St. Charles Township Road District, which consists of the Highway Commissioner, six-person crew and an Office Manager maintain 90 miles of roads in the unincorporated area of St Charles Township. Other than the most noticeable duties, like resurfacing of roads and snow plowing, the Road District also provides a **Brush Pickup** program April through October. Other Township duties include approximately 3,000 street signs on the roadways and 300 street lights to maintain. All this is accomplished on 1 percent of the 2.6 percent taxed. Also, approximately 50 percent of the general road tax levy is paid back to three villages: Wayne, Campton Hills, South Elgin, and the city of St Charles which is to be used on their roads.

A fourth function the Township fulfills, which is not mandated, is the **Cemetery District**. St. Charles Township Cemetery District maintains six historic cemeteries four of which are currently active. The cemetery crew oversees all burials, which average approximately 80 per year. They also maintain the grounds in all cemeteries.

In a nut shell, this is what your St. Charles Township does for you.



## St. Charles Township Website

Visit our website at [www.stcharlestownship.org](http://www.stcharlestownship.org). It contains information on all services that your Township offers you: from highway facts to the

assessing of your property, to general assistance. It also has updates on meeting dates and times.



**1725 Dean Street  
St. Charles, IL 60174**

[www.stcharlestownship.org](http://www.stcharlestownship.org)

**Supervisor's Office: 630-584-9342**

Supervisor's Fax: 630-584-7082

**Assessor's Office: 630-584-2040**

Assessor's Fax: 630-584-7963

**Road District Office: 630-584-3496**

Road District Fax: 630-762-0861

**Cemetery Office: 630-584-8699**

Cemetery Fax: 630-584-4301

### **Elected Officials**

**Ronald C. Johnson,**

Supervisor ..... 630-584-9342

**Terry Cross,**

Clerk ..... 630-584-9342

**Steve Frohling,**

Highway Commissioner ..... 630-584-3496

**Diane Hemmingsen,**

Assessor ..... 630-584-2040

### **Township Trustees**

Jeff Jerdee

Jerry Swanson

Mary Lynn Swanson

Todd Wallace

### **Township Office Hours**

*Supervisor's Office*

8am to 3:30pm • Monday through Friday

*Road District Office*

8am to 3pm • Monday through Friday

*Assessor's Office*

8am to 3:30pm • Monday through Friday

### **Kane County Sheriff**

Non-emergency: 630-232-6840

EMERGENCY: 911

### **Kane County Animal Control**

630-232-3555

### **Kane County Environmental**

630-208-3841

### **Fox River & Countryside Fire/Rescue District**

630-584-3473

## **Township Board Meetings**

All Town Board meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month and begin at 7pm at the Township Offices in the Donald E. Scheib Hall.

The Cemetery Board of Trustee Meetings are held quarterly on the 1st Wednesday of the month for March, June, September and December.

### **APRIL**

**9 @ 7pm – Annual Town Meeting**

10 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

**19.....Closed 1/2 Day – Spring Holiday**

### **MAY**

8 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

**27.....Closed – Memorial Day**

### **JUNE**

5 @ 7pm – Cemetery Board Meeting

12 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

### **JULY**

**4.....Closed – Independence Day**

10 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

### **AUGUST**

14 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

### **SEPTEMBER**

**2.....Closed – Labor Day**

4 @ 7pm – Cemetery Board Meeting

11 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

### **OCTOBER**

9 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

**14....Closed – Columbus Day**

### **NOVEMBER**

3..... Daylight Saving Time Ends (Fall back 1 hr.)

11 ....Closed – Veterans Day

13 @ 6:30pm – Public Hearing/Adopt Levies

13 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

**28-29.....Closed – Thanksgiving**

### **DECEMBER**

4 @ 7pm – Cemetery Board Meeting

11 @ 7pm – Town Board Meeting

**24-26.....Closed – Winter Holiday**

**31.....Closed: 1/2 Day – New Years Eve**

# An Important Message from your St. Charles Township Assessor

Diane Hemmingsen

The St. Charles Township Assessor's Office is currently revaluing properties for the 2019 General Assessment Year. This means that all properties will be reviewed and reassessed, based on arms-length sales\* that have occurred in 2016, 2017 and 2018.

We anticipate that assessments will be published in August by the Kane County Supervisor of Assessments. In addition to sales affecting the value of a property, some improvements can also affect assessments. Several examples might be an addition, new garage, finished basement, additional bathrooms, decks, patios, or sheds. These items would be eligible for a 4-year Home Improvement Exemption, meaning you would not pay taxes on the increase in value for those improvements — up to \$75,000 in market value — for 4 years after completion. General maintenance items are not included in this category. General maintenance would be a new roof, windows, siding and similar items. These items are considered upkeep that help to maintain the current value of your home.

*\* The concept of an arms-length transaction assures that both parties in the deal are acting in their own self interest, such as a willing buyer and seller, and parties are not subject to any pressure or duress to buy or sell.*

In response to feedback from many people in St. Charles Township regarding the Parcel Information displayed on the Assessor's Website, we are in the process of redesigning the property record card shown on the website. Our aim is to make it easier to read and understand. We anticipate this newly designed property information sheet will be available within the next couple of months.

As always, we hope that if you have any questions regarding the assessment of your property, you will contact our office. We can be reached at 630-584-2040, Monday-Friday from 8am to 3:30pm.

## Meeting Space is Available

The Donald E. Scheib Town Meeting Hall is available to local, not-for-profit, non-political groups and organizational meetings at nominal rates.

For more info, contact  
Sharon Bober at 630-584-9342.

## Strengthening People — Building Community

TriCity Family Services offers family based counseling for children, teens, adults, and seniors for many of the issues faced throughout the family life-cycle. In addition, they provide a variety of service options to meet specific needs, including individual, couples, and family counseling; case management; psychiatric services; and urgent assessments.

The organization is committed to providing compassionate and confidential services that empower individuals and promote family wellness.

### Children & Teens Counseling:

- Anger Management & Family Conflict
- Anxiety, Phobias & Depression
- Behavior & Communication Problems
- Crisis Intervention & Grief
- Eating Disorders
- Isolation, Loneliness & Thoughts of Suicide



**1120 Randall Court, Geneva**

**630-232-1070**

[www.tricityfamilyservices.org](http://www.tricityfamilyservices.org)

### ADULTS & SENIORS Counseling:

- Anger & Stress Management
- Anxiety & Phobias
- Communication Problems
- Depression & Grief
- Isolation & Loneliness
- Marital Discord & Parenting Issues
- Post-Divorce Conflict



# St. Charles Township Road District News

*Steve Frohling, Highway Commissioner*

Winter started out mild, but is ending with a roar with all the bitter cold, ice and snow accumulations. Winter just doesn't want to let go! But soon, we will be into that next season in Illinois and that is "Construction" season. With the county and state having projects going on all the time, we can always expect some kind of traffic detours, so be careful.

With the costs of blacktop at about \$75 per ton, we are only able to resurface about 3 to 5 miles out of the total 90 miles of Township roads each year. In the past, we were able to resurface about 10 miles of road.

When determining what roads to resurface each year, I always look at how long it has been since that road was resurfaced last and what condition it is in. Therefore, roads in the worse condition and the longest time since resurfaced will come first. All the roads being resurfaced average

anywhere from 15 to 20 years since they were last resurfaced. We try to patch as quickly as we can the other roads to help with their longevity.

Spring rains will be here soon. Just a reminder to those of who may have any trouble with flooding, if you need immediate assistance, first please call **Kane County Office of Emergency Management, Don Bryant at 630-232-5985**. Then call the Township for sand bags or sand if during regular office hours 630-584-3496 or the Sheriff's Department if after hours 630-232-6840. In an emergency, they can get a hold of us. Remember, we can't help if we are not contacted.

In closing, I would just like to say that I look forward to working for you, the taxpayers, for many years to come. Also, I want to thank you in advance for your support and if you have any questions or problems please don't hesitate to call me at my office.

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## *Homeowner's Association Information*

The Township is seeking homeowner's association information for subdivisions that are in our unincorporated area. We want to keep you informed of any road improvements that may be happening in your subdivision, such as blacktopping or road closures.

Please call the Road District at 630-584-3496 to leave any info. If you call after hours, please leave a message and we'll call back if needed. Thanks in advance for all your help and to those who have already called to keep us up to date.

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## **2019 Resurfacing Projects**

We are currently waiting on our bids to go out with Kane County's bids. We obtain better prices by joining forces with the County.

We will post on our website the streets that will be resurfaced this summer as soon as we know how the bids come out sometime in April.



# Brush Pickup for Unincorporated Township: NOT City of St. Charles

2019 Pickup Begins April 22

St. Charles Township Road District has contracted with Trees 'R Us, Inc. to pick up brush in unincorporated St. Charles Township this year.

The following procedures must be followed to ensure your brush being picked up:

- Brush/limbs are to be out by the road, **not in the road**, no later than 7am on the Monday of the scheduled week pick up
- **Max diameter** is 12 inches; Max length is 12 feet
- Stack brush in **large piles** with cut ends facing the road keeping away from mailboxes, utility poles/boxes, hydrants and parked cars
- Brush should be placed in the front or side parkway: it will not be picked up from vacant lots
- Do not tie or bundle brush/limbs or put brush/limbs in containers or bags
- **Do not place** stumps, roots, landscape material, lumber, firewood, or foreign objects in piles
- This program is strictly for residentially generated brush; **NOT FOR CONTRACTOR REMOVALS OR TRIMMINGS**
- If you hire a tree service, **they are responsible for taking away all logs and brush**
- We do not pick up after any lot clearings
- Limbs/brush exceeding the requirements for the Residential Brush Pickup Program can hire a private service to have them removed at the resident's expense
- If your brush was out at 7am on Monday of the scheduled pickup week and **NOT** collected by the end of the workday on Friday, please notify the Road District no later than the following Monday. For calls on missed brush received **after** that Monday, the brush will be picked up on the next scheduled pickup

**2019 Brush Pickup starts on the 4th Monday of each month, April thru October:**

- April 22 • May 28 (due to Memorial Day)
- June 24 • July 22 • August 26 • September 23
- The last pickup is October 28

Questions? Please contact us at 630-584-3496.

## Regulations & Restrictions for "Brush Only" Burning

Kane County has a burn ordinance that prohibits the burning of "landscape waste," which means all accumulations of grass cuttings, shrubbery cuttings, leaves, flowers and weeds. Residents may, however, still burn "brush" as long as they follow the Standard Restrictions.

### **Standard Restrictions:**

- Only on the property where the landscape brush was generated;
- Only on sunny days from 10am to 3pm;
- Not when wind exceeds 10 mph;
- Not within 20 feet of any building, structure or property line;
- Not during announced inversion conditions or ozone alerts

Any burning must be supervised until the fire is extinguished; a fire extinguisher, garden hose or water source must be available at the burning site.

### **Exemptions:**

- Any property zoned or used for agricultural purposes.
  - Burning for prairie restoration or firefighter training.
  - Burning of brush for recreational fires, but the fire cannot be larger than 3 ft. x 3 ft. x 3 ft.
  - Ceremonial fires for a scheduled public or private event.
- Notice must be given to the local Fire Department, and a permit obtained from the Kane County Health Dept. at 630-208-3801.*

### **Penalties:**

- Any person who violates any provision shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$100 for a first offense and a fine of \$500 for subsequent offenses.

### **Complaints:**

- Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm, please call the Kane County Health Department at **630-208-3801**.

All other days/hours, please call the Kane County Sheriff's Office at **630-232-6840**. More Information is available from the Kane County Department of Environmental Management, **630-208-3841**.

## A Few Words About Yard Waste



First and foremost, St. Charles Township **Does Not** provide yard waste service.

Residents in unincorporated areas who would like yard waste pickup service (**NOT** brush pickup) should contact their refuse hauler for details. Many contracted waste haulers offer this option.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE** *Digging, Building and/or Planting in the Road* *Right-of-Way*

The road right-of-way is the area usually 33 feet from the center of the road (some roads vary). That area (33 feet from the center of the road) belongs to the Road District. You must get permission from the Highway Commissioner to do anything in that easement area. Boulders, underground fencing and sprinkler systems must be kept out of the road right-of-way. Stay within your property line when installing these items.

Also, MONUMENT MAILBOXES on road right-of-ways are illegal and not safe to the motoring public. Mailboxes must not be bigger than a 4x4 post per USPS Regulations. When these regulations are not followed properly and objects are built or planted in the road right-of-way, it cost the taxpayer because your Township is forced to pay legal fees to have these situations remedied. Contact us before putting anything in the easement (right-of-way) in front of your house.



**Know What's Below!**  
**Call J.U.L.I.E.**

**800-892-0123 or 811**  
**or [www.illinoiscall.com](http://www.illinoiscall.com)**

**REMEMBER: Call J.U.L.I.E. Before** you dig. If you are having a **Contractor** performing the work, **They** must call, not you. Please do not dig without marks unless a utility has indicated there are no facilities in the dig area.

### ***When you call for Service, provide:***

- Your name, address, and telephone number
- County and city or unincorporated township
- Location of the dig site
- Extent of the work involved (reason for dig)
- Date work will begin
- Permit number (if applicable)
- Section and quarter section numbers (if available)

Did you know ... that J.U.L.I.E. stands for **Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators**.

## **SUMMER CONSTRUCTION & SAFETY**

Please be aware and watch for construction workers on the roads. Their safety is in your hands. Whether it's Township, County, State, Municipality, Utility, or Blacktop Crews - they all should be obeyed. Please reduce your speed, stop talking or texting on your cells and pay attention to the road signs and the Flaggers!

### ***Speed Limits & Signage***

Kane County Division of Transportation passed authorization for us to put up Speed Limit signs in subdivisions. This will greatly reduce the amount of signs needed to be posted within a subdivision and save the township monies.

You may have also noticed on some of the main roads in the townships that we have gone to a larger street sign. This is in compliance with MUTCD laws.

With the expansion of the sign shop in our garage, we are able to make our own signs. The sign shop enables us, with the help of computer software and a new cutting machine, to make new signs at a cost saving so we are starting to update all the signs to meet with MUTCD laws

## **No one wants to look at JUNK CARS**



If you have a problem with vehicle parking, please call the Sheriff's Office first. If you have a problem with junk cars that are abandoned in your neighborhood, please call the Kane County Health Department at 630-208-3801.

No one wants to have this view out their window. Junk cars don't have to be a problem. You can even turn rust into cash. Just Google: *Junk car buyers Chicago*, and a list of options are available to owners.

## **Soliciting Guidelines**

Anyone soliciting in unincorporated St. Charles Township must register with the Kane County Sheriff's Office at 37W755 Route 38, St. Charles, IL.



## DOING THE MOST GOOD®

1710 S. 7th Avenue • St. Charles • 630-377-2769

Emergencies happen all the time: cars need repairs, kids get sick, and employers lay off workers. In a best case scenario, a family utilizes savings from an emergency fund to cover the cost of the emergency until it's over: the worker finds a new job, the illness passes, the car gets fixed.

But what happens when the family has no savings to fall back on? While it may not be immediately evident, many residents in The Salvation Army Tri-City Corps service area of Batavia, Geneva, St. Charles, and Central Kane County struggle to make ends meet.

To provide a helping hand up to neighbors in need, The Salvation Army provides emergency assistance in multiple forms.

**Financial Assistance:** The Salvation Army helps its neighbors pay for utility bills, mortgage or rent payments, and prescriptions. Families also receive assistance applying for utility affordable payment programs, a time-consuming and intensive process.

**Food Distribution:** Qualifying households can receive groceries once every month through The Salvation Army's food pantry. People not only receive bags of groceries, but are also connected to all the ministries The Salvation Army has to offer. The Salvation Army also distributes bread and other fresh items from local retailers, farmers, and bakeries in the community twice a week.

**Clothing & Furniture:** The Salvation Army distributes vouchers for community thrift stores to help individuals and families get back on their feet. This is especially common after a family experiences a theft or fire. The Salvation Army also organizes a coat drive for kids every winter to keep them safe and warm.

These are just a few of the services The Salvation Army Tri-City Corps provides to offer hope and strength to the underserved. Dedicated donors and volunteers who give the gift of generosity and time make these programs a reality.

We invite you to attend the Spring For Good Civic Dinner to celebrate the commitment of our donors and volunteers to The Salvation Army's mission of "meeting human needs whatever they may be without discrimination in His name." See below for more information.

To RSVP, call **630-377-2769** or email: **leora\_conway@usc.salvationarmy.org** for the complimentary dinner.



The Salvation Army Tri-City Corps  
Joe K. Anderson Community Center

*would like to cordially invite you to*

## SPRING FOR GOOD

Annual Donor & Volunteer Appreciation Civic Dinner

**Friday April 12th, 2019**

The Salvation Army  
1710 S. 7th Avenue  
St. Charles, IL 60174

**Reception 6:00PM • Dinner 6:30PM**

Keynote Speaker: Nathan Kinzinger  
Entrepreneur, Jesus Lover  
and Non-Profit Advocate

Please RSVP for the complimentary dinner by April 1st.

**(630) 377-2769 • leora\_conway@usc.salvationarmy.org**  
[www.satricity.org](http://www.satricity.org)

*We, and those we serve, would like to thank you  
for your generous support!*

# Facts About the Upcoming Fox River & Countyside Fire District Referendum



On the April 2, 2019 election ballot, the Fox River and Countyside Fire Rescue District is requesting an increase to their current rate. The Fire District has never had an increase in their tax rate.

This request will **not** increase your entire tax bill by 63 percent. The request is **strictly** for the Fire Department portion of your bill. A home with a fair market value of \$300,000 currently pays approximately \$90 per year for Fire and Medical services. The requested increased amount is \$56.00 per \$100,000 of assessed value per year. Assessed value is roughly one-third of the fair market value.

The Fox River and Countyside Fire Rescue District is asking for this increase to provide for programs to fund much needed vehicle and equipment replacement costs. In addition, they are asking for funding to .

- The District covers a sprawling 38 square miles of service area, protecting 26,000 residents.
- The area continues to experience a high demand for emergency services. Last year Fox River personnel responded to almost 1,400 emergencies. About 20 percent of the time, both ambulances are busy on calls, leaving only 3 or 4 staff on duty to cover.
- The fire and medical tax rate has remained unchanged for decades, yet operating expenses have increased every year. An aging fleet and equipment that is at end of life are real challenges.
- The District needs to restore previously reduced staffing levels to ensure YOUR safety and meet NFPA standards. In 2015, the District was forced to cut 9 full time positions.
- Vehicle maintenance and equipment replacement programs are essential to delivering efficient service to taxpayers.

Even with the requested increase, our tax rate will be significantly lower than our neighboring fire districts. Property taxes and fees from Ambulance and Rescue calls are the only sources of income for the District.

Please take time to Vote on Tuesday, April 2.

## RIDE IN KANE

Currently residents of unincorporated St. Charles Township are sponsored for 2 round trip rides (or 4 one way) per week for medical visits, employment, school and to the Elderday Center in Batavia. For any questions, please call 630-584-9342.

## Home Repair Help Line 630-375-7227

If you are on a limited or fixed income, in need of minor household repairs and can't afford to hire a commercial service contractor, help is near.

Health, safety and quality of life repairs are provided to homeowners in the Tri-City school boundary areas.

Labor is FREE and work is provided by a group of trustworthy volunteers experienced in plumbing, electrical, carpentry and other types of repairs. All volunteers are insured. Charges for materials will vary according to need and project. Depending on circumstances, materials may be free to low-income homeowners.

A volunteer will set up a meeting to assess your needs. Work is then scheduled based on those needs, repairs are evaluated and materials are assembled.

### Home Repair Assistance services include:

- Handicap ramps • Railings and grab bars
- Stairs and steps • Light switches and light bulbs
- Plumbing fixtures/drains • Doors and windows
- Furnace filters • Shower stalls • Smoke detectors

If you are a trades person and would like to volunteer or donate, meetings are held on the second Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at the Congregational Church of Batavia, 21 S. Batavia Ave.





Lazarus House provides safe shelter, food and a range of support services for men, women and children in need of help. We serve people who are connected to St. Charles, Geneva, Batavia and western rural Kane County by address, employment, school district or immediate family member.

214 Walnut Street • St. Charles • [www.lazarushouse.net](http://www.lazarushouse.net)

What do you think of when you hear the word “homeless?” One definition is: an individual without permanent housing who may live on the streets; stay in a shelter, abandoned building or vehicle. But, the reality is ... it could be any one of us, our neighbors, our friends, or the clerk at your favorite grocery store. Homelessness has no face, no gender, no age. Every individual and family wants to keep a roof over their heads, food on their tables and a job that pays enough to afford their bills. Unfortunately this is not always possible for a variety of reasons and circumstances.

That is why Lazarus House, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, strives to provide services to men, women, and children who are in need of shelter, food, homeless prevention services and resources within central and rural Kane County. It is a great privilege to be able to lend support to neighbors in one of the most frightening times of their lives and often witness their amazing transformation from despair to hope. We wish to thank you, the community, for being an integral part of this change. Through the time, talent and donations of so many, we can attempt to meet the needs of each individual or family no matter what circumstances bring them to our door. YOU create change in our community!

If you know someone who needs shelter, rental or utility assistance, information on area resources or warm meals, encourage them to call us at 630-587-2144. If you are in a position to help, please consider a donation of an item on our needs list or attending one of our volunteer orientations. For both options, visit: [www.lazarushouse.net](http://www.lazarushouse.net) for more information.

Speaking of information, our BIG news is that renovations of the 214 Walnut building are in full swing. Our newly acquired space will allow Lazarus House to move all its programs and services under one roof, create a new **Women and Children's Day Center**, help keep families together, and add much needed space for operational efficiency. Construction is expected to be complete by June 2019. Thanks to all who have given and prayed in support of this mission. Want to know more about this exciting change? Call us about attending one of our reception and tour events that will be happening in the coming months.

Lazarus House has some great special events coming up. Plan to start your **July 4th** off with a bang at our annual **Great Western Freedom 4 Run and Walk**. This event offers a competitive 4-mile run, a 2-mile scenic walk suitable for all age groups and a fun Kids' Dash.

Come fall, enjoy a round of golf to benefit Lazarus House on **Friday, September 14 at Prairie Landing Golf Club**. This will be our first annual golf outing and many exciting plans are underway! Details about all of these events and how to donate or volunteer are on our website.



Today's tough economic conditions are having an impact on all of us. Many families are finding it difficult to make ends meet, and some are even facing the prospect of home foreclosure. This website is designed to link you to the many resources available to Kane County homeowners, from home rehabilitation assistance and property tax exemptions, to property tax freeze options, and foreclosure prevention counseling. Please don't hesitate to contact the agencies listed for more information.

[www.countyofkane.org/Pages/hfh.aspx](http://www.countyofkane.org/Pages/hfh.aspx)

Find links to the following and **more**:

- Foreclosure Prevention
- Illinois Foreclosure Prevention Network
- Residential Foreclosure Mediation Program
- Community Contacts
- HUD Consumer Website
- Illinois Attorney General Help for Homeowners
- Illinois Department on Aging
- Prairie State Legal Services
- Housing Rehabilitation Program
- Home Improvement Exemption
- Senior Citizen Exemption



215 E. Main Street

Open Tuesday — Saturday: 11am - 4pm

630-584-6967 • [www.stcmuseum.org](http://www.stcmuseum.org)

## Upcoming Events:

Join us at Pheasant Run Resort for this Murder Mystery fundraising event to benefit the St Charles History Museum. Vero Voce will present ***Murder on the Bayou***, an original murder mystery interactive event written exclusively for this event and set in 1920s New Orleans! This event kicks off NoLA-style on St Charles' very own version of Bourbon Street in the heart of Pheasant Run Resort. Come dressed for the 1920's New Orleans-themed event because there will be a costume contest prize awarded at the end of the evening.

***Friday, April 12 • 6-8pm***

***Pheasant Run Resort***

***4051 E. Main Street • St. Charles***

### Tickets Include:

- 2 drinks per person (beer, wine, or signature cocktail)
- A appetizers, three-course meal and desserts
- Interactive Entertainment by Vero Voce Theater Company

Tickets are \$75 per person. To purchase, go directly to:  
[www.pheasantrun.com/murder-mystery-event](http://www.pheasantrun.com/murder-mystery-event).

Since 1834 St. Charles has been the Pride of the Fox. Through exhibits, educational programs, articles, and social media we strive to share the important stories and fun facts about St. Charles' rich history.



### **This Old House: A Presentation by Dr. Steve Smunt**

Join Dr. Steven Smunt of the St. Charles Historic Preservation Commission for an exploration of historic homes around St. Charles.

St. Charles contains an excellent collection of historic houses from the 19th and early 20th centuries. Buildings in the historic districts are known for their quality of construction & craftsmanship.

Many are over 100 years old and if properly maintained will last indefinitely. Dr. Steve Smunt will share his experiences in preservation, including the historic preservation movement in St. Charles.

Thursday, May 2 • 7-8pm  
St Charles Public Library  
Carnegie Community Room  
1 South 6th Avenue

To register, go directly to the Library website:  
[www.scpld.org](http://www.scpld.org)



**630-377-9277**

**318 Walnut Street, St. Charles**

**[www.tchpfreeclinic.org](http://www.tchpfreeclinic.org)**

Tri City Health Partnership provides a wide range of high-quality medical care to individuals in Central Kane County. At our clinic in St. Charles, we treat all patients with dignity and respect, and they receive quality health care from qualified volunteer specialists. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding our treatment or the requirements necessary to receive free care.

# The Columbaria at Union Cemetery

The newest addition to St. Charles Township Cemeteries is the Columbarium at Union Cemetery, 1206 N. 5th Avenue. Please feel free to stop by and view a beautiful picturesque setting for the interment of cremains.

There is a one-time charge for the niche and opening/closing to intern up to 2 urns. The only other cost will be for the engraving of the marble front.

Please contact the cemetery office for a brochure, more information or to purchase a niche at 630-584-8699. For a brochure and price list, you may also stop by the Township Office at 1725 Dean Street, St. Charles.



<i>Cemetery</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Founded</i>	<i>Township Owned &amp; Maintained Since</i>
North	North 5th Ave	1840	1945
South	South 7th Ave	1815	1945
Little Woods	Dunham Road	1856	1951
Union	North 5th Ave	1900	1972
Prairie	Crane Road	1849	1957
Round Grove	Mosley Lane	1849	1997

Of interesting note: The City of St. Charles was founded in 1834. The cemetery at 7th Avenue predates the establishment of our city.

Please feel free to visit our public cemeteries. We kindly ask that you help us maintain the dignity so greatly earned by respecting the sites and graves. Your St. Charles Township.

## ***Cemetery Notification:***

Cement flower pots that are not maintained for a summer season will be moved to the Cemetery Office at Union Cemetery, 1206 N. 5th Avenue. Contact the Cemetery Office for more information at 630-584-8699.