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for and about Clarksville*

What's Happening in Town

It certainly does feel as if spring is here, even if not yet officially. The weather has been great for outdoor activities. Meteorologists are not predicting flooding this year, but are suggesting we may be in for a bad year of tornadoes. Can't remember the last time we had them in February. Be sure to take seriously tornado and storm warnings and take the appropriate action.

Because of a continuing problem with animals running free in town, the Board of Alderman have contracted with an animal control company. If you are having problems with dogs/cats in your trash, in your yard, or bothering you or your family when you are outdoors, please report it to City Hall. And, if you have a pet, please keep it contained in your yard or on a leash. With all of us working together, we can resolve this problem.

March 24th and 25th is the 50 Miles of Art Studio Tours, starting in Clarksville, moving to Louisiana, and ending in Hannibal. There will be artist demos, snacks, specials and an excellent opportunity to visit with local artisans. Three historic river towns, dozens of working artists - one fun weekend.

April 28th will be the second annual Diva Day in Clarksville. Gather your best girlfriends, your sisters, your Mom and head to Clarksville, Missouri's DIVA DAY! The first 100 Divas get a free "Diva Bag" embellished by Clarksville Artists. Stay the weekend, shop, get free handmade goodies from selected stores. There will be a special wine and chocolate tasting event on Saturday especially for participants. Visit www.clarksvillemo.us or call Trish at 573-242-3353 for more information.

If you would like us to e-mail this monthly newsletter to you, please send your e-mail address to cccoc@clarksvillemo.us. Thanks!

Upcoming Events:

50 Miles of Art Studio Tours

March 24th and March 25th

Diva Day

Saturday, April 28th

Resident Of the Month



Caron Quick is a member of the Clarksville Chamber of Commerce, representing The Windsor Chair Shop. She was born and raised in Southern California and met her husband, Ralph, when he was on vacation there. Ralph convinced her to come to Missouri, enticing her to leave the ocean for the Mississippi River.

They moved to O'Fallon in 1989 and visited Clarksville – rode the skylift – that same year. At that time, Caron fell in love with Clarksville and told Ralph that they would be living here and did move here 13 years later.

They will have lived in Clarksville for 12 years this October. Ralph and Caron already had friends in town who were fellow reenactors. She also is Mrs. Clause at Christmas. Caron loves music but admits to not being able to sing; loves plants and flowers and takes care of all the planters in town; loves horseback riding and “dearly loves” antiquing.

She is the Treasurer of the Artist Guild and Secretary of the Clarksville Chamber of Commerce. She is also running for South Ward Alderman and wants to see the town continue to be enhanced.

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The Settlement of Clarksville



100 mile BICYCLE RACE CLARKSVILLE in 1887



FARMERS HOUSE (1893) on hwy 79 where the Bank now stands.

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Clubs and Organizations

The Clarksville Garden Club, whose main mission is to beautify its community, was founded in 1948 and has been in continuous service since then. Several years ago they gifted Clarksville with the two planters that flank the Riverfront Park entrance as well as planting a swamp white oak tree in the park. It is the Garden Club that sponsors the "Garden of the Month" in Clarksville.

Their second goal is to bring more environmental awareness to the community. Through the efforts of Linda Harmon, a recycle program of "lids only" has been implemented in the Clarksville area. Plastic lids, which are not accepted through regular recycling programs, may be recycled through the Garden Club. Lids may be collected and given to a Garden Club member. The club has also been active in litter pickup along Highway 79 south of town for many years.

In addition to community service, members enjoy programs about the many aspects of gardening at their monthly meetings. The President for 2012 is Val Concannon. The Garden Club always accepts anyone interested in joining; there is no age limit and men are encouraged to join. The meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Mayor's Message

The promise of Spring includes plans for outdoor events and activities. This time also highlights the needs for 'clean-up' and 'repair'. The City streets and storm water project left several unfinished areas which will receive attention as soon as the asphalt plants re-open mid to late April. The park committee is directing attention to Park areas and we await the word from the Department of Conservation as to when the new surfacing of the Parking Lot in the Park is to begin.

45 days vs. 3 or 4 months for Hiway 79 closure is encouraging. Postponing the closing date to July 15th leaves the road open for Memorial Day and July 4, 2012 traffic. Re-opening October 1, 2012 is the projected date but is accompanied with an incentive for each day of early completion. New design plans for the Elsberry bridge in 2013 includes a closure period of only 30 days. Recognizing that these projects and the resultant road closings will be a negative effect on the economy of the communities along Hiway 79, it is also important to understand the long term positive effect of new and safer bridges. The effort and additional expense involved in reducing the number of days closed is a result of the voiced concerns of those who will be impacted.

Jo Anne Smiley, Mayor



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Business of the Month



The Windsor Chair Shop began as a project to furnish Caron and Ralph Quick's home to satisfy Caron's love of all things Windsor. After making several, they discovered they had a talent for chair making. To hone their skills they attended the Windsor Institute in New Hampshire where they learned how to make the many styles of Windsors.

In 2002 they opened The Windsor Chair Shop. Today they make fourteen styles of eighteenth century reproduction Windsor chairs and a baby's cradle as well. Staying true to period, the chairs are finished with milk paint, and all are custom finished.

Caron includes an array of decorating items in the gallery including lamps, candleboxes and peg racks.

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