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 Dec 16 Night in Bethlehem Family Event 6-8pm at St. Paul UCC
- Dec 17 Santa Float Begins See information at right.
- Dec 19 **HNS Sharing Cupboard** Cooking Class 5-7pm at the Beacon
- Dec 21 **Color & Coffee** 9-11:30am at Morrison Talbott Library

Dec 23-26 Merry Christmas! City Hall will be Closed

- Dec 24 **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** 7pm at Concord Presbyterian Church
- Dec 30-New Year's Holiday City Hall will be Closed starting at Noon Jan 2

Visit the City's website for details and contact info.



Merry Christmas!

The Mayor, City Council and staff at City Hall would like to wish each of you a joyous holiday season and a healthy and happy new year. Thank you for everything you do throughout the year to make Waterloo such a great place to live.

Congratulations

Three of our local businesses were featured in regional publications!! Stubborn German had an article written about the brewery in the December 2016 issue of St. Louis Magazine's "Craft Brews & Booze" feature article and Gallagher's Restaurant and J. Fires' Market Bistro were listed in St. Louis Magazine 2016 Dining Guide!



Welcome

The City would like to welcome the following new business to our community:

Laux Grafix & Signs (formerly Action Graphics) 511 Park Street

Marilyn's Wine Time 742 N Market Street

Remember to support local businesses and shop Monroe County first.

Newsletter Courtesy of your Mayor and City Council

Santa Float

The Waterloo German Band, Sister Cities-Portaloo, Waterloo Chamber of Commerce and City of Waterloo are teaming up again to spread holiday cheer. Check out the schedule below to find out when Santa and his elves will be in your neighborhood. The float heads out at 5pm each evening. The float will be led by a City of Waterloo vehicle with red and green flashing lights and a loudspeaker, so you know Santa is close by. Santa has a treat for all who come out to see him!

December 17th (Saturday) and December 21st (Wednesday)

Stoney Creek, West Lake Estates, Sunset Acres, Lou-Del, Rose Meadows, Silver Creek Crossing, Lakeview Estates, Sterritt's Run, Dannehold Farms, Westview Acres, The Meadows

December 18th (Sunday) and December 22nd (Thursday)

Paulter Heights, VFW area, Leland Terrace, North Winds, Gibault CHS area, Downtown, Springview Acres, Garden Place

December 19th (Monday) and December 23rd (Friday)

Market Street East, Morrison Avenue, Hardy Acres, Vandebrook, Sandalwood, Bellefontaine Heights, Greenfield Manor, Stonefield, Southview Villas, Oak Valley

December 20th (*Tuesday*) and December 24th (*Saturday*)

Villas at Bradford, Remlok, The Ridge, Oak Hill, Marneys Clearing, East Ridge, Parkwood, Legacy Place, Bradford Estates, Quail Ridge, Country Lakes

Country Club Hills will be the first stop on December 24th starting at 4pm.

Kaskaskia-Cahokia Trail Wins Regional Award



Congratulations to the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition were selected to receive the 2016 East West Gateway Outstanding Local Government Achievement Award for Exemplary Intergovernmental Collaboration in recognition of their efforts to identify, designate and promote the historic 60-mile-long trail. Visit www.kctrailillinois.org to see what it's all about!

Be a Savvy Senior

Were you the victim of a home repair scam? Don't let it happen again!

- Get estimates before doing home renovations and do not pay for work in advance.
- Never do business without checking references.
 - Don't be afraid to call the police and have them check out the credentials of someone who is working in your area.

Or were you the victim of elder financial abuse? Don't let it happen again!

- If someone close to you has taken control of your finances against your will, talk to someone about it!
- If someone close to you has used your credit card, checking account or ATM information without your permission, talk to someone about it!
- If someone close to you has encouraged you to sign a power of attorney or a document that allows the person to act on your behalf, and you don't understand the actions he or she can take using your name & assets, talk to someone about it!
- Always use good financial practices. Use direct deposit. Do not sign blank checks and never leave money laying around.

For more resources, contact the IL Department on Aging: 1-866-800-1409 www.illinois.gov/aging

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