



**Neighborhood
Meeting
April 19
2832 Arsenal**

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BPWNA Board Information 2012

We continue to introduce you to your 2012 board for Benton Park West. March brings us **Linda Hennigh, President-**

For those of you who do not know me, I would like to tell you a bit about my background. I was born in California near Camp Pendleton (my father was a Marine) and at the age of almost two we came back to Illinois. I grew up in Chicago (near north side) and then we "migrated" down to Paxton (high school), Champaign (where got married) and then Fisher (where my two children were born). After almost 10

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Spring is BLOOMING!

Take a look around you! Trees, flowers, corners being planted...mother nature is call-out early this year.

The Annual **Easter Eggstravaganza** was on April 7th, 10a-Noon, at 3200 Potomac (Gravois Park). Much fun was had with the Easter Bunny, snacks, egg hunt, pictures with the Easter Bunny.

Garden Opening was on April 5th. This was just the opening day, but if you would like to be a fellow gardener, contact Linda Hennigh at 314-771-2161.

*NOTE: Workdays are shifting from Saturdays to a weekday afternoon/evening in hopes that more people can join each month!

Recycling emphasis is here with all alleys now having single-stream recycling dumpsters. Not sure what a recycling dumpster is? Walk out to your alley and look for the BLUE dumpsters. These are for you to help reduce the amount of

trash going into landfills. Most plastics, cardboard, boxes (from packages of food), cans, soda cans, etc. can be safely placed in these dumpsters. If in doubt call 314-353-8877 to ask or checkout <http://stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/street/refuse/recycle/materialsaccepted.cfm>.

**Target sending more to recycle than to the green trash dumpsters!*

Spring/Summer Activities: Watch for more information about concerts in the park, movies, neighborhood yard sales, etc. Have an idea for an activity? Call the neighborhood office at 314-771-0803, or email info@bentonparkwest.org.

The Bard comes to Cherokee – The outdoor neighborhood-inspired show represents the largest programming expansion since the founding of Shakespeare Festival St. Louis in 2001. The

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Events

Apr 7: Easter Eggstravaganza - 10a-Noon, Gravois Park

Apr 3: BPWNA Board Mtg 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

Apr 8: Bulk Trash Pickup Week

Apr 12: Weed & Seed (6:30) Five Star, (7p) 3rd District Outreach

Apr 19: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting - 7p, Five Star Senior Center

May 1: BPWNA Board Mtg 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center

May 10: Weed & Seed (6:30) Five Star, (7p) 3rd District Outreach

May 17: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting - 7p, Five Star



Benton Park West - April 28-29

Project Blitz, Brightside's annual campaign to clean up city neighborhoods is a great time to join your neighbors to clean up the streets, alleys and vacant lots in the city.

Team up to clean up St. Louis!

Don't have a Brightside captain on your block? Organize your neighbors! Just ask to see who is available; have them bring trash bags, gloves, brooms (large are good), rakes and shovels. Have limbs or brush in your alley? Now is the time to get out and clean up!

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The Presidents Corner...



Linda Hennigh

Welcome to 2012

Happy April Neighbors!

The combination of daylight savings time and extremely warm weather are catching many of us off guard this year. We bought ice scrapers and ice melt and now find we should have been getting our mower blades sharpened.

We planned on getting our warm weather clothes out of the attic in May and needed them in March.

Our catalog order for seeds and plant hasn't been filled out and the weather makes us feel they should have

been planted already! Fear not, it is never too late.

Mark your Calendar for next weekend. The annual Easter Egg-stravaganza is April 7th in Gravois park...maybe the little ones won't shiver in their spring clothes.

The Dog Park at Utah and Nebraska will be having an official opening to be announced soon but is ready and waiting for new applications now.

The Community Vegetable Garden at Ohio and Crittenden will be sched-

uling their first workday this month but is looking for *new gardeners now.*

BPW COP program. With the latest training, we now have enough residents to have an official program. Would YOU be willing to head up this group?

Watch for more information soon. If you aren't on our list-serve, send your email address to communications@bentonparkwest.org or call 314.771.0803 and leave a message.

Linda Hennigh,
President

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FYI!

Don't forget the upcoming NEIGHBORHOODWIDE GARAGE SALE

When: Sat, June 2, 2012.

Time: 8:00a -Noon

Who can participate?
EVERYONE!

Put out your goods at your own home and make a little pocket change.

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On March 8 the Missouri Senate voted 23-8 to grant final passage to House Bill 1219 that would make it easier and less expensive for employers to escape legal responsibility for engaging in workplace discrimination. The vote was along straight party lines with Republicans in support and Democrats opposed. Because the House of Representatives had already passed the bill last month, HB 1219 then moved to the desk of Gov. Jay Nixon, who had vetoed similar legislation last year.

Gov. Nixon again stood firm, vetoing the bill on March 16. In doing so, he said: "House Bill 1219 is nearly identical to a bill I vetoed last year because it would undermine the Missouri Human Rights Act and decades of progress on civil rights. This bill contains those same fundamental flaws. Rather than making it easier to discriminate

against people with disabilities or cancer, or against women, older workers and minorities, we need to keep our focus on the economic policies that are moving us forward, such as the Missouri Works initiative."

HB 1219 would substantially raise the legal bar for bringing claims of unlawful workplace discrimination based on race, gender, age, disability or religion. For cases that still manage to make to court, the bill would severely limit the amount of damages victims could recover. Weakening Missouri's workplace discrimination laws is a top priority for the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry and other groups that purport to represent major businesses. (I still do not believe this legislation matches the wishes of the majority of Missouri employers.)

Also on March 16, Gov. Nixon vetoed a change to workers' compensation laws in Senate Bill 572. Gov. Nixon said, "We also should not take a step back in protecting workers who are afflicted with serious or deadly diseases, as a result of their workplaces. Unfortunately, this bill weakens the important workplace protections that are part of our laws and regulations....This bill moves us backward on protecting Missouri's productive workers."

All members of the Missouri House and Senate from St. Louis City have vowed to stand behind the governor's veto of both bills. The Majority Party is likely to only call a vote to overturn the veto if at least four members of the Minority Party can be convinced to support the override.

In what can only be called News of the Weird: On the same day that the General Assembly endorsed making it easier to discriminate based on race, gender, age, disability or religion, the House voted 188-37 in favor of a separate bill that would make concealed gun permit holders a protected class against whom workplace discrimination would be illegal. The sponsor, Rep. Wanda Brown (R-Lincoln) had no compelling evidence that such discrimination is occurring in Missouri but wished to fire a preemptive strike just in case. That bill, HB 1621, now goes to the Senate. Hopefully some of my Senate colleagues will take their vitamins and a big cup of coffee and prepare to filibuster this totally needless bill if that's what it takes to kill it.

THURSDAY APRIL 12th - 2832 Arsenal

Weed & Seed meeting at 6:30p.

3rd District Outreach meeting at 7p

2832 Arsenal (Five Star Senior Center).



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SouthSide Early Childhood Center provides education and healthy development of at-risk children and families. With the help of friends and community partners, SouthSide Early Childhood Center helps children learn in a nurturing and safe environment, preparing them for success in school and in life.

Enjoy a delicious dinner, an auction full of fabulous items, and entertainment from Jive & Wail Du-



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Honorary Chairs: Tom and Carol Voss;
Presenting Sponsor: Ameren Missouri

WHEN: Saturday, April 14, 2012; 6:30pm

WHERE: Chase Park Plaza Khorassan Ballroom
212 N. Kingshighway, St. Louis, MO 63108

<http://www.chaseparkplaza.com/map-directions/index.cfm>

COST: Tickets: \$125/adult; \$75 for Young Professionals, age 21-35

For more information: <http://southside-ecc.org/>

Spring is Blooming...

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hour long play will be performed at 8p, April 27-29 on Cherokee Street at California. *This is a great addition to the fabric of both Gravois Park and Benton Park West Neighborhoods. All three performances are FREE.*

Benton Park West Dog Park: Calling all furry pet owners! Don't forget the pet friendly park right in the middle of Benton Park West. Join us o May 12, 10a-2p for the 2012 opening! Get an application in the box outside the park or online at: http://www.bentonparkwest.org/UpcomingEvents/Events_Projects/BPW_DP_Application_Final.pdf Fill out and provide the information from your veterinarian. **DON'T FORGET - Dog Park membership extends to Benton Park, Fox Park, McKinley Heights, Marine Villa, Gravois Park, and Tower Grove East.**

Nuisance Issues also come about in the spring. It's time to keep our eyes out. Remember to call the police **EACH AND EVERY TIME** you observe bad behavior:

1. Dial 911 in emergency or 231-1212 for a non-emergency.
2. Say "THIS IS A NUISANCE PROPERTY" and give the address of the property you are reporting – not your own address.
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Community Information Corner

newsletter about our OWN neighborhood festival!

EASTER celebration isn't just about collecting eggs. Hop down to 3202 Cherokee Street for Easter Bunny Photos: Thursday April 5, 4-7p, Friday April 6, 4-7p., and Saturday April 7,

10a-6 p.m. First print is \$10 and each additional print is \$5, and a CD for \$20.

CASALOMA continues to celebrate 85 years. Call 314-664-8000 or check out: <http://www.casalomaballroom.com/calendar/> for all of the exciting events at your own neighborhood ballroom dancing activities.

Delve deeper into CasaLoma Ballroom by checking out the website, <http://www.casalomaballroom.com/index.htm>, to find they've been host to MANY popular bands and singers that have molded our American culture.

Don't forget: The "We Can Do It!" concert, presented by CHARIS - on stage April 20th and 21st, 8p, 2300 Lafayette, 63104.

For ticket info e-mail info@charischorus.org or call (314) 664-9340

Food Pantries in 63118

Guardian Angel at Hosea House Social Services 2635 Gravois Ave. St. Louis, MO 63118 314-773-9027

Joint Neighborhood ministry, McNair 2911 McNair Ave. St. Louis, MO 63118 314-771-3987

Metro Christian Worship Center Brothers Keepers Benevolence 3452 Potomac St. St. Louis, MO 63118 314-772-8444

The Salvation Army Temple Corps Worship & Community Center 2740 Arsenal St. St. Louis, MO 63118 314-771-3460

Neighborhood Advisory Board

Third District Community Outreach

The Next Meeting Will Be Held At
The Five Star Senior Center
2832 Arsenal

Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
Join us to discuss issues in your neighborhood.
Invite a neighbor as well.

Presentation by guest speakers: Honorable Judge Michael Stelzer St. Louis City 22nd Judicial Circuit Court, Div. #26 & Circuit Attorney Jennifer Joyce

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Call 771.0803 for more info.

See page 12 for an application

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2012 Calendar of Events

January 12 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Jan 19 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

February 9 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Feb 16 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

Feb 18 Mardi Gras Booth in Soulard

March 8 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Mar 15 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

April 7 Easter Eggstravaganza – 10a-12p - Gravois Park – 3200 Gravois

Apr 12 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Apr 19 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

May 10 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

May 17 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

June 2 BPWNA Neighborhood Wide Yard Sale – 7a-??

Jun 2 BPWNA Annual Rummage/Garage/Yard Sale – 7a-1p – 3136-8 Gravois

Jun 21 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

July 19 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

Jul 21 Movie in Benton Park, part of the Benton Park Concert and Events schedule – Benton Park – 8:30p – Movie TBD

August 7, National Night Out

Aug 16 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

Aug 11 OR 18 Back to School Festival – 11a-1p – 2752 Arsenal, Salvation Army

Aug 25 BPWNA Annual Rummage/Garage/Yard Sale – 7a-1p – 2832 Arsenal

September 2, Movie in Benton Park, part of the Benton Park Gateway Bike Race sched-

ule – Benton Park – 8:30p – Movie TBD

Sept 13 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Sept 20 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal – Board Nominations

October 11 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Oct 18 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal – Board Elections

Oct 28 Trunk or Treat - 4p-6p - 2720 Arsenal, Salvation Army parking lot

November 8 Weed & Seed Law Enforcement Meeting – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Nov 10 Second Annual Holiday Bazaar – 10a-4p – 2832 Arsenal

Nov 15 BPWNA Membership Meeting – 7p – 2832 Arsenal

December 6 Third Annual Splendor in the Glass – 7p-10p – Looking Glass Designs, 1917 Park Avenue

Dec 13 Weed & Seed Holiday Gathering – 6:30p – 2832 Arsenal

Dec BPWNA Membership Meeting – Not held, Happy Holidays

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The kids appreciate *any amount!!*

New T-Shirts coming to Benton Park West

Watch for upcoming information of NEW T-Shirt/sport shirts with the BPW Logo and FUN design.

The Communications committee is working to craft a plan for a CONTEST to solicit designs for a design to represent Benton Park West in 2012!

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Bring to the Weed & Seed meeting each second Thursday at 6:30p to Weed & Seed - 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Senior Center

Mail to: BPWNA, PO Box 18671, St. Louis MO 63118

BPWNA Board Info 2012 - Linda Hennigh

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years we sadly divorced, I went back to school and got my degree in what was called Data Processing, the age of computers was just dawning (I had a Commodore 64).

I moved to St. Louis and worked at the Special School District for about five years and then went to my present job at Safety National Casualty, an excess workers compensation insurance carrier in Westport Plaza, where I have been for almost 23 years.

I have lived in West County and South County (boring!) and now have lived in the 3100 block of Oregon for almost nine years. I have been involved in the Neighborhood Association for almost nine years, three years as Treasurer and Co-Chair of the Community Gar-

den, two years as Block Link committee chair and I am honored to say that this is my third year as President. From the city streets of Chicago to the city streets of St. Louis, I couldn't have picked a better neighborhood or better friends and neighbors than I have found in Benton Park West!

Watch for next months installment when Bill Byrd, Chair of Communications and Facilities shares.

For more information about being a part of making BPW great, contact Linda Hennigh at 771-2161 or the neighborhood office at 771-0803.

**Be part of your
neighborhood and join the FUN!**



BPW Dog Park 3300 Nebraska

Join NOW - let your dog enjoy their own space!

1. Submit application.
2. Your pet must have been neutered or spayed
3. Your pet has all immunizations; rabies, distemper, and bordetella.

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REMEMBER - BPW Dog Park is open to furry friends from Benton Park, Fox Park, Gravois Park, Marine Villa, McKinley Heights, and Tower Grove East

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Saturday May 19th, 2012

5 Star Senior Center

2832 Arsenal

Doors open at 6:30PM

Questions start at 7:00PM

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The 3rd District Police Partnership needs your help!

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What's happening in Benton Park West

APRIL 2012

April

3 - BPWNA Board Meeting - 6:30p

5 - Newsletter Deadline communications
@bentonparkwest.org

12 - W&S Advisory (6:30) Five Star 3rd District meeting

8 - PUT OUT YOUR BULK TRASH. Must be out by 10p Sun.

19 - BPWNA Membership Meeting, 2832 Arsenal, Five Star Center, 7p. 2832 Arsenal

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 BPWNA Board mtg 6:30p, Five Star	4	5 Newsletter Deadline for May	6	7 Easter Egg Hunt 10a-Noon Gravois Park
8 Bulk Trash week	9	10	11	12 W&S 6:30p, Five Star	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 BPWNA mtg 7p, Five Star	20	21
22 EARTH Day	23	24	25	26 Admin Prof Day	27 Arbor Day	28
29	30					

May Events

May 1: Board Mtg, 6:30p, Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal

May 10: Weed & Seed, 6:30p, 3rd Dist Outreach, 7p, Five Star

May 17: BPWNA Neighborhood Meeting, 7p, 2832 Arsenal - Five Star

Be involved in 2012

Be part of Benton Park West

Contact Linda Hennigh at 314.771-2161, neighborhood office at 314-771-0803 or any Board member.

Lafayette Park United Methodist Church

2300 Lafayette Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63118
314-771-9214 www.lp-umc.org

Worship

- 9:30a - Service; Fellowship 10:30
- Children's services and childcare provided.

Vision – "Lafayette Park United Methodist Church will be a church without walls, creating a visible sign of Christ's presence in our urban community and beyond"



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Library Calendar March 2012

Barr - 1701 South Jefferson Avenue
(314) 771-7040

9am - 6pm Monday
12n - 7pm Tuesday-Thursday
11am - 6pm Friday
9am - 6pm Saturday

Wednesday, Apr 11 4:30-5:30p Nat Poetry Month Movie Night: Magnetic Poetry Grd 6-12

Thursday, Apr 19 4-6p Earbud Holders: Use recycled materials to protect headphones. Grd 6-12

***Monday, Apr 23 11-11:30a** Storytime: Toddler/babies.

Wednesday, Apr 25 4:30-5:30p Make a flower bouquet Grd K-6.

***Monday, Apr 26 4-6p** Movie: Tron Legacy. Families.

Wednesday, Apr 18 5-6:45p National Poetry Movie Night: Louder than a Bomb Adult.

*For grps larger than 5, register in advance.

Carpenter - 3309 South Grand Blvd. (314) 772-6586

9am - 9pm Monday-Thursday
9am - 6pm Friday and Saturday
1 - 5pm Sunday

Tuesday, Apr 10 4:30-5:30p Paws for Reading. Dog and volunteer visit with children reading to the dog. Call 314-206-6779 for more info.

Tuesday, Apr 10 6-7p Got Game? Grd K-5

Tuesday, Apr 10 7-8p Got Game? Grd 6-12

Wednesday, Apr 11 10-10:30a Storytime: Toddler/babies.

Thursday, Apr 12 7-8p Drop Everything and Read. Celebrate National D.E.A.R. day. Families.

Saturday, Apr 14 1-3p YU GI OH & Pokemon Club. TEENS.

Monday, Apr 16 6-8p Movie: Toy Story 3. Families.

Tuesday, Apr 17 20 4:30-5:30p Paws for Reading. Dog and volunteer visit with children reading to the dog. Call 314-206-6779 for more info.

Thursday, Apr 19 3:30-4:30p Coffee Filter Art. Families

Saturday, Apr 21 10-11a Money Smart Kids READ. Berenstain Bears story-time program. Preschool-Grd 5.

Saturday, Apr 21 1-3p YU GI OH & Pokemon Club. Grd 6-12.

Monday, Apr 23 4-5p Learn a New Magic Trick. Grd 6-12.

Tuesday, Apr 24 4-5p Anime Otaku. Grd 4-12.

Tuesday, Apr 24 4:30-5:30p Paws for Reading. Dog and volunteer visit with children reading to the dog. Call 314-206-6779 for more info.

Wednesday, Apr 24 10-10:30a Storytime: Toddler/babies.

Saturday, Apr 28 1-3p YU GI OH & Pokemon Club. TEENS.

Saturday, Apr 28 2-2:30p El Dia de los Ninos/El Dia los Libros Storytime. Families.



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Contact Numbers**Crime Prevention and Quality of Life**

Emergency/Drug Activity 911
 Non-Emergency 231-1212
 Drug/Gang Hotline 241-COPS
 Joe Calabro - 3rd Dist PA Officer 444-0169
 Dave Krapf - 3rd Dist Prob Prop 444-0185
 Citizen Ser Bureau 622-4800

Alderman:

Ken Ortmann 622-3287 (w)
 776-0161 (h)

Neighborhood Stabilization Officers:

Barb Potts, 314-657-1370 (w)
 314-397-1091 (c)
 pottsb@stlouiscity.com

Dena Hibbard, 314-657-1359 (w)
 hibbardd@stlouiscity.com

MISC:

Pothole Department 768-2805
 Refuse/Recycle Department 353-8877
 Five Star Center 664-1008
 Illegal Dumping 911
 Then call CSB 622-4800

Lights:

Alley Lights (AmUE) 342-1000
 Street Lights (CSB) 622-4800

Water:

Open Hydrant 771-4880

Additional Numbers

Animal Abuse Hotline 647-4400
 Child Abuse Hotline 800-392-3738
 EnergyCare 773-5900
 Five Star Senior Center 664-1008
 Operation Brightside 772-4646
 Parents Anonymous 647-HELP or 866-492-0843
 Parental Stress b800-367-3543
 Free 2-1-1 Service 800-427-4626
 or (314) 421-4636

2012 Membership Application**Benton Park West**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Mail to: BPWNA Membership

PO Box 18671

Saint Louis MO 63118

Level of Membership:

___ Bronze - \$ 10 per person

___ Senior - \$ 5 per person

___ Silver - \$ 25 per person

___ Gold - \$ 50 per person

___ Platinum - \$ 100 per person

___ General Membership (Scholarship)

___ Friend (non-BPW) - \$ 20 per person

___ Gift/Donation _____

I would like to be involved with:

___ Beautification ___ Dog Park

___ Youth ___ Garden

___ Facilities ___ Publications

___ Safety/Quality of Life

___ Board ___ PR/Marketing

___ Block Link ___ Membership

The Bard Comes to Cherokee

The old world comes to the new world!

"The New World" will be performed April 27-29 at the intersection of Cherokee Avenue and California Street in the Gravois Park Neighborhood, right on the border of Benton Park West.

Of the cast of 19 actors, only three are professionals. The rest are amateurs, most of whom live in the neighborhood. They lend authenticity to a play intended to reflect Cherokee Street with its varied ethnic groups and one-of-kind shops.

The play is very loosely based on William Shakespeare's "The Tempest," which is set on a remote island dominated by magic. Cherokee

street will be brought into the production as actors will refer to different Cherokee Street landmarks and familiar points.

In "The New World," the main characters are Pros-

pero, an exiled duke, and his daughter, Miranda. Antonio is the duke's brother who usurped his power 12 years earlier. Since that time, Prospero and Miranda have lived on an island with their spirit helper, Ariel, and a library of books of magic. They are the source of Prospero's power. A shipwreck lands Antonio's son, Ferdinand, on the same island and he ends up falling in love with Miranda. It is Prospero's fortune to right relationships with everyone on this island.

Shakespeare Festival St. Louis is presenting "The New World" with the assistance of PNC Arts Alive and the National Endowment of the Arts.

The word "bard" is an ancient Gaelic term meaning "poet." In medieval England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, bards were traveling poets who performed stories in exchange for money. Shakespeare is called The Bard because he is considered the greatest poet the world has ever known.

**Don't Miss Upcoming Information for
 FREE Concerts and Movies in
 Benton Park!**

Benton Park West

Neighborhood Association
 P.O. 18671
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