



# Resident Update

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## Going **Green** Efforts Continue

We continue to do what we can to conserve our natural resources and help our tenants save money. Many units have been fitted with the water saver faucets, water saver shower heads, and energy saving fluorescent light bulbs. We are currently installing exterior light fixtures with energy saving fluorescent bulbs. This program only applies to complexes with four or more units. We hope that these changes will translate into savings on your utility bill. We also hope this promotes keeping your front door light on longer during the night. The brighter the exterior of a complex is, the safer.

## Power Smart Pricing Saves You Money

Power Smart Pricing from Ameren saves you money on your utility bill. Recently a parent from my daughter's class told me how low their home electric bill was. It turns out that Ameren has a new program you can sign up for by calling (877) 655-6028 or visiting the website at <http://powersmartpricing.com/>. Basically, electric is most expensive to use from noon to 5 p.m. and currently you are paying a flat rate for you electric usage about 6 cents per kilowatt hour. In this program, a new electric meter is installed and you will be paying about 3.5 cents per kilowatt hour other than the noon to 5 p.m. time frame. Apparently 99% experience savings on their Ameren bill. This is a one year contract but renters are not penalized if they move before the year is over. Please give my name as a reference and have your account number ready.

## Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Our next Neighborhood Watch Meeting will be: Thursday, April 5 at 6 p.m.

Where: 2707 West Blvd.

The Sheriff's Department will be bringing one of their new K-9 units to do a demonstration. We will also have a general meeting to openly discuss how to improve the safety of our neighborhoods. Please try to attend, even if you do not live in the West Blvd. area. Call my cell at 618-410-1047 if you need a ride. I am very proud of the new K-9 units since we helped to organize the fundraising for three new police dogs. The St. Clair County Sheriff recently presented Kevin with a "Citizen of the Year Award" at a luncheon. They thanked Kevin for his time and efforts to keep our neighborhoods safe.

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## Charter Cable TV and Satellite Dish Reminder

Charter Cable TV reminder: Very few of you responded to our request to identify your satellite dish that is either hanging on the exterior of the building or on a poll in the ground. We will be removing the rest of the unclaimed dishes. Please let us know ASAP if one of these are yours. All residents will need to switch to Charter Cable once your satellite contract is up. You can contact our Charter representative, Helen Davidson at 618-779-4145. She will be happy to assist you with Charter services and will be able to offer special promotions to you.

## Free Donuts for “A”s

Recently, for my son’s birthday, we decided to buy Krispy Kreme donuts for his class. My son still had his report in his backpack. The lady behind the counter asked if he made any “A’s” on it. They rewarded him with one free donut per “A”. The limit is 6 donuts per student, and my son was well under that limit!

## Tenant Spotlight

Many of you already know Jared who performs maintenance. He has worked hard to keep the buildings in good repair for 3 years now. Jared is on call Monday – Thursday. He also makes it part of his job to spot and address preventive maintenance issues. Many of you do not know that our apartments are cleaned by his wife, Ashley. They are also residents who live in one of our upscale duplexes in Belleville. Not only does Ashley clean up after Jared at home, but also after he remodels apartments. They both share all the lawn care needs. You see them whizzing around on the large red mower. We are very blessed to have such dedication with the care in our properties.

***Thanks for your time and cooperation.  
Have a Blessed day,  
Kevin Bouse, Michele Fiudo, Jeff Fiudo***