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Monthly Reminder:

**Protect your skin
with sunblock
when outdoors**

From the comptroller's desk

Summer ritual showcases department's skill

Every year at this time, some of our employees are called upon to go above and beyond the call of duty. Without this extraordinary extra effort, city government would be unable to function normally, potentially causing numerous problems.



Of course I am speaking about those in the accounting section who tackle, successfully, the challenge of the fiscal year change over. This is a monumental task of clearing out accounts and creating new ones to reflect available funds for the new fiscal year.

Along with the many departments de-

livering a multitude of services, city government pays thousands of vendors and contractors to do work on behalf of the taxpayers. I am constantly impressed with the dedicated Comptroller's Office employees who ensure all the accounts are maintained and payments are made with virtually no disruption in services.

I commend and thank everyone who plays a role in this annual summer ritual. I certainly value your skill and dedication, and I know the departments, vendors, contractors and taxpayers appreciate your efforts each and every seamless fiscal year transition.

Much of the work our office does is behind the scenes and is only noticed when there is a problem. This is a testament to your professionalism and a high form of praise from our customers. Congratulations and keep up the good work!

Comptroller's June employee of the month



Congratulations to **Doris Hamilton** for earning the June Employee of the Month Award. Hamilton is a clerk typist III in the control section.

She was nominated for stepping in and assisting the manager while the control section supervisor position remains vacant. She also was commended for her work ethic and consideration for her co-workers.

Hamilton was on vacation at press time, so there is no information on what she chose as her EOM reward.

Office News

A Green Tree Academy graduates second class

The A Green Tree Academy wrapped up its second class recently. Ten students participated in the tree care training program started by Comptroller Darlene Green to provide job training to inner city adults through classroom, field and life skills education. One of the highlights of this year’s class was the community service project. This was a partnership with the city’s forestry division and AmerenUE to implement the utility’s “Right Tree, Right Place” program and give the Academy students realistic work experience.

This year, Academy partners included St. Louis Community College and the Missouri Botanical Garden are helping graduates apply for full-ride scholarships to the Meramec campus’ Horticulture program. Congratulations to the graduates.



The 2008 graduating class is pictured from left to right, back: Carl Williams, Michael Walker, David Misiaszek, Darryl Shaw, Chat Jefferson; middle: Durreil Marshall, Darnell Rusan, Aquiescence Orr, Donnell Crigler; front: LaToya Wells and Comptroller Darlene Green.



Office News

New GTC workers on the job



From left to right are our new transportation center operations specialists Jose Quiroz, John Smagacz, and Marice Blair. Welcome aboard everyone!

New edition

Congratulations to new grand mother **Angela Johnson** on the birth of her grand daughter Caziah Cain-Peppers. Caziah was born June 27 weighing 6lbs., 8oz.



Test your knowledge with the Trivia Challenge

This month:
Summertime Trivia



Congratulations to Christopher Greenfield for correctly answering the June Father's Day trivia.

1. What was the highest summer temperature ever recorded in the United States?
2. When does summer officially start in the Northern Hemisphere?
3. Where does the phrase the "dog days of summer" come from?
4. When the thermometer reads 100 degrees Fahrenheit, and the humidity stands at 60%, how hot do you really feel, according to the National Weather Service's heat index?
5. This classic thriller, first shown in the summer of 1975, made people very afraid of the ocean.
6. When The Lovin' Spoonful sings of a "Summer in the City," what body part is "getting dirty and gritty?"
7. What parade takes over Tower Grove Park for one weekend each summer to commemorate the Stone-wall Rebellion of 1969?

Submit your answers to John Farrell at farrellj@stlouiscity.com. The first to reply with the correct answers wins one hour comptime.

News & Notes

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Our condolences

The entire Comptroller's Office sends their prayers to **Sandra Keys** and her family on the passing of her mother, Joyce Cook.

Promotions

Congratulations to **LaTaunia Wilder** on her promotion to accounting manager II in the federal grants section.

July Birthdays

Lillie Green	3
Jeremy Holtzman	8
Jamalia Lott	8
LaTaunia Wilder	11
Anchaleeya Thompson	19
Carlotta Blair	20
Don Curby	20
John DiLiberto	29

Continuous Service Anniversaries

None this month

Congratulations

On June 21, our own **Marty Deiters** married Terri Leistner at St. George Church in Afton. They had a reception at Royale Orleans in Mehlville then went to Maui for their honeymoon. The newlyweds enjoyed snorkeling, luaus and hiking and are now settling in their new home with their critters.

Stork delivery

Eunetter Steele is the proud grandmother of Olivia Lauryn Tucker born July 2 and weighing 5lbs., 11 oz.



June Trivia Quiz answers

1. Sonora Louise Smart Dodd
2. June 19, 1910 in Spokane, WA
3. Lyndon Johnson
4. Cecil and Prince Fielder
5. Father Knows Best
6. Charles Darwin
7. Hugh Beaumont
8. Neck tie