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Quote of the Month:

**“All men having power
ought to be distrusted
to a certain degree.”**

James Madison 1787

2009 A Green Tree Academy

Urban forestry classes teach useful skills



Students from the 2009 A Green Tree Academy class gathered after felling a dead white pine tree in Forest Park. The urban forestry students used chain saws, pole saws and a chipper to safely and professionally take the 80 ft. tree down, removing a safety hazard from the park. Comptroller Green started the academy in 2007. The students are (top row) Marcel Jones, (middle row L to R) Greg Hooks, Dwayne Hagens, Greg Mann, (front row) Charles Brooks, Steven Mann and Diedra Johnson.



Comptroller's June Employee of the Month

Congratulations to **Shalonda Covington** for earning the June Employee of the Month Award. Covington is a payroll specialist in the payroll section. She was nominated for going above and beyond to help customers and for her willing spirit to train payroll clerks. Covington chose eight hours of comptime as her EOM reward.

Office News

GTC manager hosts Leadership Missouri tour



Transportation Center Manager Robin Jones speaks to Leadership Missouri members during their recent tour of the new multimodal facility.

Gateway Transportation Center Manager **Robin Jones** recently hosted a group of 30 business professionals from Leadership Missouri to and gave them a tour of the city’s new multimodal facility.

Leadership Missouri was founded in 1990 to identify leaders throughout Missouri, enhance their leadership skills and deepen their knowledge of the challenges and opportunities facing our state. They meet monthly for seven segments in different parts of the state to learn about current and emerging issues for local communities, the state and the nation.

The theme for their June study was “Getting From Here to There—Missouri’s Transportation System. The GTC was the perfect venue to showcase the future of transportation in Missouri.

Each participant said they were impressed with the tour and the facility. Many questions were asked and answered about the importance and impact the station has had on transportation and the travel industry in St. Louis and the entire region.

Test your knowledge with the Trivia Challenge

This month:
Founding fathers trivia



Congratulations to Carlotta Blair for earning one hour comptime for correctly answering the June city budget trivia.

1. In the famous “Federalist #10,” James Madison argues against what form of government?
2. What was the original intent of the “Monroe Doctrine,” authored primarily by John Quincy Adams?
3. How long into his term as president did William Henry Harrison die?
4. Abraham Lincoln nearly ruined his political career in the 1840’s with his vocal opposition to what?
5. During the Constitutional Convention what founder of our country ran up a wine bill of more than \$10,000?
6. Who founded what would become the New York Post?
7. Which founding father was famous for being a hypochondriac and predicting his early death?

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

News & Notes

As the comptroller's office turns...

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New employees



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Summertime fun

Summer is in full swing here in St. Louis and July offers some great events and activities for you and your family to enjoy. First, of course, is the All-Star Week events.

FanFest is running now and through Tuesday at America's Center. There are free concerts over the weekend at the Arch and a parade downtown on Tuesday. And, of course, there is the big game and the Homerun Derby. Another event is the "Pride and Passion: The African-American Baseball Experience" exhibit at the Central Library downtown. If you come to any of these downtown events, don't forget to check out the new Citygarden sculpture park.

Finally, don't forget to check into all your local events like free concerts and movie showings at your neighborhood parks.

Here's to having a wonderful summer.

July Birthdays

Lillie Green	3
Jeremy Holtzman	8
Jamalia Lott	8
LaTaunia Wilder	11
Anchaleeya Thompson	19
Carlotta Blair	20
Don Curby	20
Kenneth Stone	25
John DiLiberto	29

Continuous Service Anniversaries

Mike Cook	30 years
Roland Comfort	10 years

June Trivia Quiz answers

1. Lower
2. \$3.4 million
3. Paul Payne
4. June 30
5. Aldermen
6. False
7. Earnings tax
8. Airport and water dept.