



Happenings in Belleville 2011

1. Belleville receives the All America City Award from the National Civic League.
2. Art on the Square is chosen as the #1 art show in the U.S. by Art Fair Sourcebook.
3. Belleville Neighborhood Partnership is established to give residents a greater voice in what happens in their neighborhood.
4. Belleville Public Library celebrates its 175th anniversary.
5. Lincoln Theater completes renovations including digital projection and expanded concessions.
6. The EDGE begins expansion to include movie theaters and interior renovations at 701 South Belt West.
7. Lindenwood University continues expansion of Belleville campus.
8. \$35 million State Police Crime Lab breaks ground, to be completed in 2013.
9. Wastewater Treatment Plant begins \$44 million Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) that includes Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) removal, plant expansion and Belle Valley non-combined sewer separation.
10. Memorial Hospital completes its Orthopedic & Neurosciences building.
11. City of Belleville, in conjunction with the Village of Swansea, was chosen as a Community Planning Area for the Regional Plan for Sustainable Development.
12. Belleville fitness events, Law Day Run, Gingerbread Run & Tour de Belleville have largest number of participants in their respective histories.
13. Eckert's Orchard completes \$6 million expansion with the opening of a new country store and expanded restaurant.
14. Labor & Industry Museum continues expansion to house additional exhibits.
15. South 17th Street widening completed from West Main Street to South Belt West.
16. Target completes \$750,000 renovations to include fresh groceries at Belleville Crossing.

17. South 21st Street improvements, including driving surface, are completed with CDBG funds.
18. Bellevue Park Retaining wall is completed.
19. Belleville receives a piece of the World Trade Center twin towers for a sculpture as part of the September 11th Memorial Walkway of Southern Illinois in conjunction with the 10th anniversary of the September 11th attacks.
20. City receives \$400,000 grant from the Kimball Foundation for Kimball Plaza located at Bicentennial Park.
21. Lindenwood University receives St. Louis Commerce Magazine's Top 50 Award.
22. City of Belleville receives \$15,000 grant from St. Clair County Parks Grant Commission for parks & recreation equipment.
23. Papa Vito's re-opens at 318 East Washington Street.
24. Numerous new businesses open throughout Belleville:
 - a. All Paws In Pet Resort & Daycare- 1900 Lebanon Avenue
 - b. Holistic Journey- 106 East Main Street
 - c. Silver Creek Saloon- 2520 Mascoutah Avenue
 - d. Grappa Growlers- 1501 N. Belt West
 - e. Weingarten- 1780 East State Route 15
 - f. Peachy Yogurt- East Main Street