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Art Exposed '90 Is October 21



Texas Bruce, Star of the Wrangler's Club, is one of the judges at the Edible Art Competition at Art Exposed '90.

It's out of the gallery and off the coffee table. It's jumped its frame and skipped the museum. Art will take to the streets for you and the kids at *Art Exposed '90*. The West End Arts Council once again turns art loose on Sunday, October 21 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Four Corners Plaza, Kingsbury at Des Peres. *Art Exposed '90* will feature the third annual Edible Art Competition, open artists' studios, a neighborhood artists' exhibit, live outdoor entertainment, hands-on art for children, and a special guest appearance of Bill Christman's creation, Chef Mick de Bitzko.

Art Exposed brings together many of St. Louis' best loved artists who live and work in the West End neighborhood. Opening their plaza studios and greeting visitors this year will be Kate Anderson and Ken Anderson, Bill Christman, Andy Erickson, Ted Ferdinand, Jean Vogel, Jennifer Wiggs, and Jerry Witter.

The 3rd Annual Edible Art Competition will be judged by Fio La Fourchette's distinguished Fio Antignini, Blueberry Hill's creative Linda Edwards, and Texas Bruce of the "Texas Bruce Wrangler's Club" which aired on Channel 5 until 1963. This will be Texas Bruce's first public appearance since the show ended 27 years ago. Contest winners will be announced at 1:00 p.m.

The group art exhibit will feature West End artists Alan Arpadi, Andy Cross, Michael Eastman, Gene Hoefel, Duane Jarrett, Virginia Leguey-Feilleux, David Lobbig, Bob Moskowitz, Marjorie Moskowitz, Tom Rassieur, John Rozelle, Paul Schlueter, Bob Smith, Ernest Stix, and Lea Von Kanel.

Live entertainment will be offered throughout the festivities beginning at 12:30 with the "New City School Express." The "Express" is led by Diane Davenport and features New City School students. St. Louis' own "Mojo Syndrome" will perform from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The "St. Louis Arches" Circus Flora's children's troupe, will perform between sets at about 1:45 p.m. At 3:00 p.m. Glynis Brooks will spellbind children and adults with Afri-



Art Exposed '90 and the 3rd Annual Edible Art Competition come to Four Corners on Sunday, October 21.

Phase II Away At DeBaliviere Place West

More than 100 people cheered as a pair of 50-balloon bouquets drifted skyward Thursday, August 9th at DeBaliviere Place West in the Central West End. Westminster Company, the developer of the complex of comprehensively renovated condominiums, hosted a picnic to celebrate the launch of Phase II, which is comprised of 50 units pre-opening priced from \$82,500. Buyers can receive up to \$5,000 from the St. Louis City FSIP program to buy down mortgage rates and pay closing costs. DeBaliviere Place West is located at Nina Place and Waterman, three blocks east of Skinker. The sales office is open daily from noon to 6 p.m.

Halloween Party Coming

All neighborhood children are invited to the Rosedale Neighborhood Association's annual Halloween Party on:
Wednesday, October 31
5:30-6:30 p.m.
St. Roch's School Gym
6040 Waterman

Prizes will be awarded for best costumes and entertainment will be provided. Art Santen has organized this party for RNA for over twenty years. It is free and open to all neighborhood children.

Safety Tips For Halloween

- Adults—get out of the house! Sit on the front porch or front steps, or, if you live on a 6000-6100 block, take up a watchful post on the Rosedale barricades.
- Children's costumes should be fire proof.
- Costume hem-lines should clear street curbs.
- Dark costumes should be highlighted with reflective tape.
- Costume masks should not restrict vision.
- Children under 12 should be accompanied by an adult.
- All children should carry a flashlight.
- Trick-or-treating is scheduled from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Turn off your porchlight when the trick-or-treating is over.

can folk tales. Ms. Brooks is a St. Louis based performing artist who has appeared with the Black Repertory Company, Young Audiences, Imaginary Theater, and the Theater Project Company. In addition to live entertainment for children, *Art Exposed '90* will offer hands-on art projects for children. Kay Knight will do two sessions where children manipulate materials

and explore their natural creativity. For those who want to spend the day with *Art Exposed '90* on the plaza, a wide assortment of food will be available from "Voo Doo Chili Dogs" and barbecue to sorbet.

There is no charge for *Art Exposed*. Proceeds from concessions are used by the West End Arts Council to enliven the neighborhood spirit through the Arts.

"Delmar Link: Edges and Connections" Design Charrette, Oct. 27-28

The St. Louis Chapter of the American Institute of Architects will sponsor a design charrette, "Delmar Link: Edges and Connections" on October 27 & 28, 1990.

On Saturday, October 27, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., approximately 20 design teams of three or four persons each will "brainstorm" and develop design solutions for Delmar Boulevard, generally from DeBaliviere to the City Limits, primarily from the railroad right-of-way (site of the planned Metro Link station) to Skinker. On Sunday, October 28, a panel of distinguished judges will critique the entries, and a public forum will be held at 2 p.m. All of the design solutions will be on display at the forum and the judges will review and discuss selected entries. Past charrettes have generated as many as 35 design solutions for their respective project areas which have included Forest Park, "The Riverfront Connection," Grand Center and "Chouteau's Landing," among others.

Participants in the charrette needn't be architects, planners or designers by profession. The sponsors hope, in fact, that a neighborhood-based team will enter. If you are interested in doing this and want help putting together a team, please call the SDCC, 862-5122.

Members of the Charrette Committee of the St. Louis Chapter of the AIA are all volunteers, and they have devoted many hours to this project. It is to their credit that Skinker DeBaliviere, and the City, have this exciting opportunity to focus positive attention on Delmar, on the Metro Link station and on the surrounding neighborhoods. The charrette will certainly generate discussion and ideas for the future of this area.

This is an important, exciting event, even if you don't participate as an entrant, plan to attend the Public Forum at 2 p.m. Sunday, and stop by Saturday afternoon and watch the design teams at work.

Letter To The Editor

September 24, 1990
To the Editor:

Well another beginning of autumn, another changing of season, another marker of a year gone by. Another year of life in the Rosedale neighborhood. Many changes have occurred, we have lost friends and acquainted new ones, good neighbors have left and some have returned. We bid farewell to those who have moved on and welcome openly those who have moved in.

With the many changes that occur in the fall, one notices those things that remain the same. And in the Rosedale neighborhood those constants are good and bad. The annual Rags to Riches is one constant we all seem to look forward to, experience and participate in. As a service to the overall Skinker DeBaliviere neighborhood we see this constant as an advantage. Unfortunately it has its disadvantages. Disadvantages such as some neighbors who believe they have a right to cheat the neighborhood and in so doing cheating their neighbors, cheating them of benefits of being in this neighborhood that most of us enjoy and respect.

As president of the Rosedale Neighborhood Association I wish not only to condemn those who cheat their neighbors, and those who refuse to lend a hand to the Association in its efforts to provide a service to its neighbors, but also to commend those reliable members of the neighborhood who helped make Rags to Riches as successful as it was. Those wonderful people who help by offering baked goods, help by having yard sales, help by manning our sale booth, help by lending us the usage of their property, help by passing out our fliers, help by looking over a hot barbecue pit and those ever reliable members of the Board who help by setting up and taking down our booth. Thank you to all of you who helped and always seem to be there when the neighborhood needs you.

B. Roy Roncal
President
Rosedale Neighborhood Association

Rosedale Neighbors Meeting On October 11

On Thursday evening, October 11 at 6:30 p.m., the Rosedale Neighborhood Association (RNA) will hold a general meeting at the SDCC office, 6010 Kingsbury. All neighbors within the 6000 and 6100 blocks of Pershing, Waterman, McPherson, Kingsbury, Westminster, and Washington are part of the Rosedale neighborhood and are encouraged to attend. All others interested in the program are also welcome.

RNA's special guest at this meeting will be the Hon. Tom Villa, President of the Board of Aldermen. Another special guest, Alderman Dan McGuire, will speak on and answer questions about the proposed housing conservation district. Also scheduled is a presentation on the proposed 1/2 half cent sales tax.

Other issues to be discussed are the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Skinker DeBaliviere Community Council, and forms of fund raising for the Association. Come and discuss upcoming events—the redistribution of the representation on the SDCC Board, the annual Halloween party and other ongoing events.

As a special bonus for those who may not have time for dinner before the meeting, RNA will offer for all who wish, at a special price, a salsiccia dinner, consisting of salsiccia, salad, chips and dessert. Refreshments will be offered separately. So join your neighbors at the SDCC office on October 11 at 6:30 p.m.

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October Calendar

Continuing

Exhibition of works by artist Bill Kohn will be held at Randall Gallery, 999 N. 13th St. through October 27. See related article.

October

- 5 The West End Players Guild proudly presents "The Company Of Wayward Saints": WEPG Theatre, 733 Union; 8 pm evenings; 2 pm. matinees. For reservations call 367-0025. Through October 14.
- 8 CASA's special event—Keyboard Conversations with Jeffrey Siegel—"Brahms: The Passionate Classicist." 8 pm; general admission \$9; Students and Senior Citizens \$6.
- 11 General meeting of the Rosedale Neighborhood Association. SDCC office, 6010 Kingsbury, 6:30 pm. See related article.
- 12 Craft Alliance's "Uptown in the Country" will be held at Royal Oak Ranch, 17843 Wild Horse Creek Rd., Chesterfield from 7 pm to midnight. Call 725-1177 for more information.
Fred Garbo has performed around the world creating unparalleled hilarity with his creation "Fred Zeppelin"—The Inflatable Man. Great family fun at COCA, 524 Trinity. 5-7 pm
Major Barbara (film), George Bernard Shaw's story starring Rex Harrison and Wendy Hiller. Art Museum, 1:30, 7:00, 9:15 pm. \$3.
- 13 A Fury in the Earth: Earthquakes and the New Madrid Fault. Michael Fix, geologist, discussed eye-witness accounts of the 1811-12 New Madrid earthquake. History Museum, 10:00 am to noon. \$10.
Quake!—Children's program shows effect of New Madrid earthquake of 1811 compared to recent San Francisco quakes. History Museum, 11:00 am to noon.
Wine Auction & Party "You Go To My Head IV"—with music by Galaxy. Sponsored by the CASA Auxillary. Adam's Mark Hotel, 4th & Chestnut. 6:00 pm Call: JoAnne Parrish, 534-3523.
Craft Fair at University United Methodist Church, 6901 Washington, 10 am-4 pm.
- 16 Parkview Neighborhood Crime Watch meeting. Grace United Methodist Church, 7:00 pm.
- 17 The Performing Arts Department at Washington University hosts an Ernest Hemingway Festival, October 17-19. For information concerning these events call 889-5251.
- 19 "Tap The Loop II"—part of the Loop in Motion Arts Festival, sponsored by the University City Community Foundation. Children's matinee at 1:00 pm. COCA, 524 Trinity.
Hemingway's "The Fifth Column," presented by Wash. U's Performing Arts Dept. Oct. 19 & 20-8 pm and Oct. 21 at 2 pm. Call 889-5251 for ticket information.
Michael Eastman, Richard Bozman, David Hockney and Richard Diebenkorn present exhibitions at Elliot Smith Gallery, 360 N. Skinker. Call 726-1170 for more information.
- 20 "Tap The Loop II"—part of the Loop in Motion Arts Festival, sponsored by the University City Community Foundation. COCA, 524 Trinity, 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$7.50 and \$5.00.
CWE Kids' Tour—A look at the neighborhood near the Jefferson Memorial Building. History Museum, 11:00 am to noon.
One night only! Paul Winter Consort; Edison Theatre, Washington University. Performance at 8 pm; \$18 general public, \$14 senior citizens & faculty; \$9 students. Call 889-6543.
- 21 Art Exposed '90 and the 3rd Annual Edible Art Competition at Four Corners, Kingsbury at Des Peres. 12:30 to 4:30. See front page story.
Artist Christopher Parkening appearing at CASA; 8:00 pm. Ticket information: Guitar Society, 725-0739.
- 24 Earthquake Preparedness Meeting will cover home preparation and insurance. SDCC, 6010 Kingsbury, 7:00 pm.
- 26 "Playboy of the Western World"—performed by The Abbey, The National Theatre of Ireland. Wash. U's Edison Theatre; 8:00 pm. Saturday's performance at 2:00 pm and again at 8:00 pm.
- 27 Jazz Concert featuring Todd Williams on saxophone held at CASA, 560 Trinity. 8:00 pm. Call Joann Collins, 367-7275, for more information.
Build Your Own Hysterical/Historical Costumes—slides and scary stories inspire creative costume-making. Costume parade through Jefferson Memorial Bldg. Contest to guess the weight of the "Great Pumpkin" and win a prize. History Museum, 10:00 am to 11:30 am.
- 30 Music by Slovak Chamber Orchestra—part of the Great Artists Series held at CASA. 8:00 pm. Single tickets: \$25, \$21, \$17, \$12, \$10, \$8.

November

- 1 Artist Sandi Shapiro exhibit titled "Wire Mania"—at Componere Gallery. Reception from 6-9 pm Nov. 2. Exhibit will be on display through November.
- 2 Growing up in Public—An Evening With Lucas Hoving, will be presented at Edison Theatre, Wash. U.; 8 pm. Call 889-5251 for more information. \$10; \$8 and \$6.
- 9 The Performing Arts Dept. at Washington U. presents "A Flea In Her Ear"; 8 pm. For information on other performances, times and ticket prices call 889-6543.
- 10 St. Roch's 7th Annual Christmas Bazaar will be Saturday from 9 am to 4 pm and Sunday from 10 am to 3 pm.

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Quake! Says Who?

Depending on which scientists are quoted, St. Louis and the entire 4-state region has a 33% to 50% chance of experiencing a quake of about 7.0 on the Richter scale *in the next 10 years.*

Most scientists are more cautious than New Mexico consultant to business, Iben Browning, who recently predicted a 50-50 chance of a serious quake *two months from now.* (See box at left.)

The Red Cross, taking a very conservative approach, warns that a 6-7.6 earthquake will happen within the lifetimes of our children.

Regardless of exactly when the "big one" comes, the point of these widely varying predictions should be to move us to *prepare ourselves* while we still have time.

We cannot prevent it from happening, but we can prevent it from being a major disaster. All of us—individual residents, businesses and schools, and neighborhood organizations can and must help prepare our community.

The purpose of this special insert is to suggest ways that we can prepare ourselves, physically and emotionally for this region's next damaging earthquake.

New Madrid: Everyone's Fault, No One's to Blame

The New Madrid Fault System, according to a Red Cross publication, is a "complex zone of seismically active fractures in bedrock several thousand feet beneath the Mississippi River's sands and muds. It runs 120 miles from southern Illinois, southwest, to northern Arkansas. It is the only place in the Eastern U.S. capable of quakes measuring 6.0 or greater.

The fault has more than 200 shocks (1.0 or greater) each year, about 20 per month. Large tremors (2.5-3.0) are felt annually. Shocks of 5.0 or more occur about once in 10 years.

A damaging quake (6.0 or more) reoccurs in this area about every 80 years. Five earthquakes over 8.0, out of a total of 2000 shocks, erupted in the disastrous winter of 1811-12. Eighteen of these rang church bells on the Eastern seaboard. Because the New Madrid Fault involves bedrock, the shock will travel much farther than a similar quake in the muddy earth of California's San Andreas Fault.

Iben Browning's Forecast

Here, according to the Post-Dispatch, is Iben Browning' prediction for an earthquake in our area:

"Within 48 hours on either side of Dec. 3, an earthquake measuring 7.0 or greater on the Richter scale has a 50-50 chance of erupting somewhere in the New Madrid Fault.... That means it could happen any time from Dec. 1, a Saturday, through Dec. 5, a Wednesday."

Browning also said that "precursor quakes may occur on or about Oct. 9 and Nov. 6.... If the Dec. 3 quake occurs, Dec. 31 and Jan. 28 are likely aftershock dates...."

Browning added that the 50-50 chance is like the weather forecaster saying there's a 50-50 chance of rain... "Maybe, but maybe not."

If you read nothing else, read this:

We who live on the New Madrid Fault are hearing a lot about "the big one." The odds of survival are greatly in our favor, *if we are prepared.* The following tips will help.

Before an Earthquake:

- Family members separated during the day need to plan what they will do, where and how to meet. Mental preparedness is part of good preparation.

- Assemble in an accessible place what you need to live for up to two weeks without gas, electricity, water, sewer, phone. Camping equipment makes a good start.

- Prepare your home to sustain damage: Place loose, heavy objects near floor or tie to wall. Secure or frame in your hot water heater, best source of drinking water, so it can't fall over. Install plywood in attic beneath chimney to catch falling bricks. Make copies of important documents.

- Keep a supply of cash on hand in case banks are closed for a time.

- Keep additional supplies at work and in your car(s).

During an Earthquake:

- Keep calm, so you can think clearly. Quakes can take from a few seconds to minutes. Aftershocks are common.

- Get under a sturdy table, desk or interior doorway. Watch for falling debris and breaking glass.

- Outdoors, watch for falling pieces of building, trees and power lines.

- In your car? Stay there! Drive away from large collapsible structures.

After the Earthquake:

- Wear sturdy shoes; check for injuries, apply first aid.

- Check for damage to gas, water, electrical and sewage lines. Smell gas? Turn it off at main line, and open windows. Know how to turn off electricity and water, too.

- Do not go sightseeing. Instead, turn on your battery radio for public safety instructions.

- If faucets still work, disinfect water.

- Get to your supplies; if power is off, use refrigerated food before it spoils.

Suggested Supplies

(H-Home; C-Car; W-Work)

H,C,W Batteries (store in refrigerator)

H,C Flashlights, portable radios,

blankets, medications

H,C Fire extinguisher, first aid kit

H Pipe wrench; misc. tools

H,C,W Food (dry and canned)

H,C,W Water (bottled) 4-7 gals. per

person and bleach

H Can opener, disposable plates,

utensils

H,C Large trash bags (for garbage

and waste)

H,C,W Emergency phone numbers

C,W Extra clothing, shoes

Of course an earthquake can be devastating, but its effect on us or our families' need not be. Let's work together on being prepared.

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Food for a Disaster

(from material prepared by the Red Cross)

If an earthquake is sizeable enough to disrupt deliveries to grocery stores for a time, you will need a supply on hand. How much? The Red Cross (assuming the worst case, apparently) recommends having at least enough water, food, medicine and other "consumable items" to last two weeks.

Here are suggested sorts of canned or dry foods. These are listed by how often you will need to replace them with fresh supplies, since packaged foods have a useful "lifespan."

Shelf Life of Foods

Use within 6 months:

- Evaporated Milk
- Dried fruit in metal containers
- Dry crackers in metal containers

Use within 1 year:

- Nonfat dry or whole milk in metal containers
- Canned meat, poultry, fish.
- Mixtures of meat, vegetables, and cereal products in sealed cans or jars.
- Canned condensed meat & vegetable soups.
- Dehydrated soups in metal containers.
- Canned fruits, fruit juices & vegetables
- Cereal:

Ready to eat cereals in metal containers. Uncooked cereal (quick cooking or instant) in metal containers.

- Hydrogenated fats, vegetable oils.
- Sweets and nuts: Hard candy, nuts (canned), instant puddings.
- Miscellaneous: Coffee, tea, cocoa (instant). Dry cream products.

Bouillon products. Kool-Aid and soda.

May be stored indefinitely:

- Sugar, salt

Cooking

In a disaster situation there may be no electricity or gas for cooking. For emergency cooking you can use a charcoal grill, hibachi or camp stove (propane or gas), but outdoors only! You can also heat food with candle warmers, chafing dishes and fondue pots. Canned food can be heated in the can, but remove the paper label and open the can first.

If the Electricity is Off

First: Use perishable food and foods from the refrigerator. Open the door as few times as possible.

Second: Use foods from the freezer. Frozen food will not begin to thaw for several days, if the door is kept closed. Usually there will still be ice crystals in the center of the foods (meaning they are safe to eat) for at least 3 days after a power failure. Keep a list of freezer contents on the outside, so you can cut down on opening the door.

Third: Begin to use non-perishable foods.

STORING EMERGENCY SUPPLIES

IN THE GARAGE

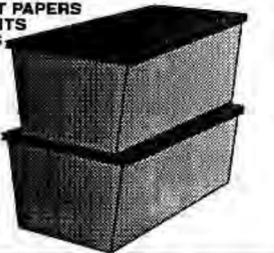
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DRY FOOD SUPPLIES
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TENT & OTHER CAMPING EQUIPMENT
ETC.



32 GALLON TRASH CANS

IN THE HOME

IMPORTANT PAPERS
FLASHLIGHTS
BATTERIES
WATER
FOOD
FIRST AID KIT
ETC.



STACKING STORAGE BOXES

Safe Drinking Water

In the event of a damaging earthquake, water mains may be broken and the drinking water coming into your home may be contaminated. But even dirty water can be purified for drinking. It could be worse; public water supplies could be interrupted altogether. In that case, you will be glad that you stockpiled drinking water.

People can survive without food for several days but only for a short time without water. Store a 2 week supply of water for each member of your household.

How Much Do I Need?

In moderate weather a normally active person needs at least 1/2 gallon of water a day for drinking and food preparation. Some of our need for liquids could be met by using the juices from canned fruits and vegetables. And don't forget the water needed for bathing, brushing teeth and dishwashing.)

How Do I Store It?

Get gallon jugs (like milk jugs) or 5 gallon jugs available from camping supply stores. Mark these containers with the date filled and plan to use or discard the water within one year. Store in a cool, dark location. It's all right if they freeze.

What to Do with Human Waste

Let's face it. In a disaster plumbing may not be useable due to broken sewer lines, broken water lines, a broken toilet, flooding or freezing. In such a case it is especially important to dispose of human waste in a sanitary manner to avoid sepsis and spread of disease.

If the water lines to, or sewer lines from, your toilet are broken, flooded or frozen but the toilet itself is useable, the toilet bowl may be lined with a plastic bag to collect waste and the toilet used. But do not flush! Following the use, a small amount of disinfectant (see below) should be added to the bag and the bag sealed and placed in a tightly covered container, preferably away from people and pets.

If the toilet is unusable, a plastic bag in a bucket may be substituted.

Disinfectant

Four types of disinfectant are easy and efficient for home use.

- 1 part liquid chlorine bleach to 10 parts water.
- HTH (calcium hypochlorite) is available in swimming pool supply stores.
- Portable toilet chemicals, liquid or dry, are available at recreational vehicle supply stores.
- Powdered, chlorinated lime (not quick lime) is available at some building supply stores. Caution! Chlorinated products for use mixed with water can be hazardous if used dry.

Other Emergency Sources of Water

- Ice cubes.
- Your hot water tank. To get a free flow of water from the tank, it is sometimes necessary to open the valve at the top of the tank as well as the faucet at the bottom of the tank. The flow of water from the tank will be increased if any hot water faucet in the home is also turned first. Be sure to turn off the gas or electricity to the hot water heater before draining off much water for emergency use.

• Your toilet tank (not the bowl). But you won't be able to drink from the tank; if you use chemical disinfectant there.

To Purify Water

Strain through a cloth, if necessary. Boil vigorously for 1 to 3 minutes. To improve taste, pour from one container to another several times.

• Use purification tablets (available from drug store).

• Use household liquid bleach containing hypochlorite, preferably 5.25%, and without other additives can be used as shown below:

Amt Water	If Clear Water	If Cloudy
1 quart	2 drops	4 drops
1 gallon	8 drops	16 dps
5 gallons	1/2 tsp.	1 tsp.

Home Hazard Hunt

(prepared by the American Red Cross)

Anything that can move, fall, or break when your home starts to shake is a home earthquake hazard.

Falling objects and debris are the most common causes of injury during an earthquake. You and your family can reduce the risk of being injured in your home by reducing earthquake hazards. A Home Hazard Hunt will help you identify potential hazards that be reduced or eliminated with little effort and little or no cost.

In an earthquake, the first thing you may notice is the swaying of hanging plants or light fixtures, or you may hear the sound of objects wobbling on shelves.

As the shaking grows stronger, hanging plants may swing free of their hooks, bang against walls or windows, or crash to the floor. Objects will fall from shelves, furniture will move about or topple over, ceiling plaster may fall and windows (particularly large window panes and glass doors) may shatter.

During a moderate shake, objects may topple from shelves and fall in a vertical path. During a violent shake, heavy objects may be propelled to fall in a diagonal path.

The Home Hazard Hunt

All family members should participate in the Hunt. Foresight and common sense are all that's required as you go from room to room

and imagine what would happen when the earth and house start shaking.

Look for potential hazards in each room and discuss how you can reduce or eliminate these hazards.

- Do any rooms contain tall bookcases or bookshelves?
- How many things are likely to fall?
- Which items are heavy enough to cause injury?

What Should You Do?

• Anchor bookcases and other top heavy furniture to wall studs using metal angle braces and lag screws. Be sure that shelf brackets are fixed to the shelves. Additional safety measures include applying strips along the front edge of shelves to hold light weight objects in place. The easiest thing to do is remove all heavy objects from shelves above the head level of the shortest family member.

• How are hanging plants or hanging light fixtures fastened? Could they swing loose or hit a window? As a minimum precaution, transfer hanging plants from heavy clay pots to lighter plastic ones and used closed hooks on all hanging items.

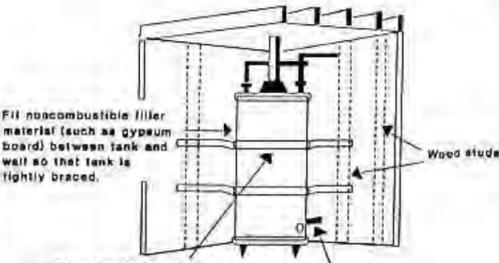
• Is there a heavy picture frame or bookshelf over your bed or next to that favorite chair? Do a little rearranging to ensure your safety.

• Consider replacing magnetic latches on kitchen cabinets with ones that will hold the cabinet door shut during an earthquake.

• Replace glass bottles in your medicine cabinet or above or around your tub with plastic

containers or relocate to low cabinets (use child-proof latches if toddlers are about.)

Don't rely on pipe lines to support hot water heaters. These appliances must be strapped to a solid wall to restrict their movement in an earthquake. Even a moderate earthquake could cause sufficient movement to rupture gas or electrical lines and topple heaters.



Fill noncombustible filler material (such as gypsum board) between tank and wall so that tank is tightly braced.

Wrap plumber's tape (perforated metal strapping) around water heater, circle cross tape in front of heater, and attach tape directly to studs with large screws (such as 1/4" diameter lag screws) penetrating several inches into stud.

Have plumber replace rigid gas line with flexible connection.

For concrete walls, substitute 1/4" expansion bolts for screws.

Now Is the Time to Buy Insurance

Earthquake preparedness takes many forms. This article covers financial preparedness—how to insure your home and your belongings so that an earthquake doesn't bring all your financial security to an end.

Earthquake insurance is an endorsement on your regular policy that you must buy. Don Bacon, a Farmer's Insurance agent in St. Louis, supplied the following information about earthquake insurance. Talk to your own insurer about any details specific to your own company's policies. And contact your agent soon. It will take time to put your earthquake insurance in force.

What's Covered?

Earthquake insurance is necessary to cover any damage to your dwelling or contents caused by an earthquake. A regular homeowner's or renter's policy will not cover damage such as falling chimneys and the things that it breaks, objects broken from being shaken out of a china cabinet or off walls, or damage from a collapsing ceiling.

Your homeowner's policy would cover a situation such as an earthquake-caused broken gas line that started a fire or a busted water pipe that caused water damage.

Renters need earthquake insurance for the same reasons they need a regular renter's policy. The landlord's policy only covers damage to the building and will not cover any of the renter's belongings.

Instructions for Gas, Electric and Water

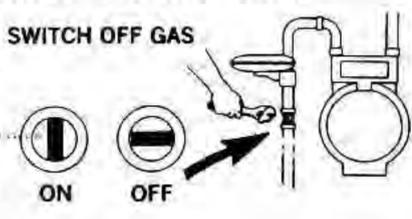
All of us homeowners with natural gas will want to learn how to shut off our gas, electricity and water, if it becomes necessary. Leaking gas or water pipes in the house or broken and sputtering electric wires will mean finding and shutting off these utilities. Teach responsible members of the household how to do it, too; they may be at home alone during a disaster.

Gas

Practice, but don't actually cut off the gas—it will shut down your hot water heater and furnace.

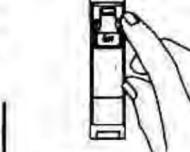
• The main shut-off valve is located next to your meter on the inlet pipe.

• You will need a wrench (store one near the meter) to give the valve a one-quarter turn in either direction, so that it runs crosswise on the pipe, shutting off the gas.



Electricity

Your main circuit box may have fuses (screw-in or pull-out cartridges) or a set of circuit breakers which must be removed or switched to the off position.



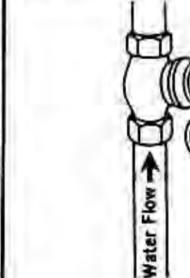
CIRCUIT BREAKER



PULL-OUT CARTRIDGE FUSES

Water

Your water shut-off valve is found where the water pipe enters the house or apartment. Take a look around and find it. You may want to mark the faucet and label the direction to turn for on and off.



HOME EMERGENCY SUPPLIES

A Quick Guide

The list consists of items usually available in a home and used regularly. It is designed to help your family identify and organize them for any emergency.

Quantities of emergency supplies should be adequate for at least 48 hours. A 2 week supply is recommended as a minimum reserve of water, food, medicine and other consumable items.

SURVIVAL

- Water - 2 quarts to 1 gallon per person per day.
- First aid kit - ample and freshly stocked.
- First aid book - know how to use it.
- Essential medication and glasses - as required.
- Smoke detector.
- Fire extinguisher - dry chemical, type ABC.
- Flashlight - fresh and spare batteries and bulb.
- Escape ladder for second story bedrooms.
- Whistle - on your key chain.
- Radio - portable, battery operated.
- Spare batteries.
- Food - canned or pre-cooked and requiring minimum heat and water. Consider special diets, such as for infants and elderly.
- Can opener.
- Food for pets.
- Blankets - or sleeping bag for each member of family.
- Money.
- Watch or clock - battery or spring wound.

SANITATION SUPPLIES

- Large plastic trash bags - for trash, waste, water protection, ground cloth.
- Large trash cans.
- Hand soap.
- Liquid detergent.
- Toothpaste and toothbrush.
- Deodorant.
- Dentures.
- Feminine supplies.
- Infant supplies.
- Toilet paper.
- Household bleach.
- Newspapers - to wrap garbage and waste. Can also be used for warmth.

SAFETY

- Heavy shoes - for every family member.
- Heavy gloves - for every person clearing debris.
- Candles.
- Matches - dipped in wax and kept in waterproof container.
- Clothes - complete change kept dry.
- Sharp knife or razor blades.
- Garden hose - for siphoning and fire fighting.
- Hat or cap - protection from sun, rain & cold.

COOKING

- Barbecue - hibachi, camp stove, or sterno stove.
- Fuel for cooking equipment - charcoal, lighter fluid, sterno.
- Pots and heavy duty aluminum foil.
- Paper plates.
- Plastic knives, forks, spoons.
- Paper towels.

TOOLS

- Crescent wrench - for turning off gas main.
- Axe, shovel, broom.
- Screw driver, pliers, hammer.
- Coil of 1/2" rope.
- Coil of baling wire.
- Plastic tape.
- Pen and paper.

CAR MINI-SURVIVAL KIT

- Sturdy shoes.
- Extra clothes - jeans, sweater.
- Local maps.
- Bottled water.
- First aid kit and book.
- Essential medications.
- Fire extinguisher.
- Flares.
- Flashlight - with spare batteries and bulbs.
- Tools - screw driver, pliers, wire knife.
- Short rubber hose - for siphoning.
- Non-perishable food - store in empty coffee cans.
- Blanket or sleeping bag.
- Sealable plastic bags.
- Small package of tissue.
- Pre-moistened towelettes.

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Community Council to Offer Earthquake Preparedness Seminar Oct. 24

On Wednesday, October 24, at 7 P.M. the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council, in cooperation with the Times, will offer an Earthquake Preparedness seminar for our community. Experts will be present to offer suggestions and helpful literature, as well as to answer your questions about earthquake insurance, home preparation and surviving a damaging earthquake.

See you there!

Family Earthquake Drill

(prepared by the American Red Cross)

The most frightening thing about an earthquake is not knowing what to do.

The next frightening thing is to believe there is nothing you can do.

It is normal and natural to be afraid of earthquakes. However, fears and anxieties can be lessened by planning and practicing what to do BEFORE an earthquake occurs. You and your household CAN learn to react correctly and automatically when the first jolt or shaking is felt.

Family Earthquake Drill

Where will you go for protection when your house starts to shake and you're in the living room, the bedroom, the bath, or the kitchen? What if you're in one part of the house and other family members are in another? During a violent earthquake, you won't have time or steady legs to reach them. Will they know what to do to protect themselves? Will you?

Because earthquakes occur without warning, it's important that you and your family learn to take appropriate actions at the first sign of ground shaking. You won't have time to think; you'll only have time to REACT.

In a major earthquake, you may experience a shaking that starts out to be gentle and within a second or two grows violent and knocks you off your feet.

You may be jarred first by a violent jolt—similar to a sonic boom. Or, you may hear a low (and perhaps very loud) rumbling noise. A second or two later you'll feel the shaking; and, as in the first example, you'll find it very difficult (if not impossible) to move from one room to another.

You and your family may have only one or two seconds to take safe shelter INSIDE your home.

Earthquake Drills will help you and your household plan and remember where to seek shelter and how to protect yourselves.

1. Identify safe spots in each room. (Do this at work, too.)

The first step is to acquaint each family member with safe places in each room of your home.

- Under a sturdy table, desk, kitchen counter, or wood-framed doorway.

- Against an inside corner or wall. Take extra covering your head with your arms or with whatever is handy (e.g., pillow, sofa cushion).

FAMILY CHECK LIST

1. Identify safe spots in each room
2. Beware of danger zones.
3. Practice quake-safe actions
4. Discuss what to expect following a quake

Practice by physically placing yourselves in these locations. This is very important for children. Acting out what they have been taught will help them remember what to do in case you are not beside them at the critical time.

2. Beware of danger zones.

Next, identify danger zones in each room. During an earthquake, stay clear of:

- Windows that may shatter.
- Heating units, stove, fireplace, and areas where bricks from the chimney may fall.
- Bookcases, cabinets and furnishings that may topple.

3. Practice quake-safe actions.

Hold surprise earthquake drills in the days that follow your first practice. Call out "Earthquake" from wherever you may be in the house. Each family member should respond immediately by moving to the nearest safe place.

Once a month (for a few months, at least) let a child call a surprise earthquake drill. Test each other. Let everyone evaluate what others did.

4. Discuss what to expect following a damaging earthquake.

- Be prepared to take care of injuries. Emergency personnel may not be able to respond to individual calls for help for several hours or even days.

- Be prepared to check for gas leaks and other problems.

- Be prepared for aftershocks that may be nearly as strong as the first quake. Do not remain in or near a building that may be further damaged by aftershocks.

- Be prepared to deal with the emotional needs of family members.

- Remember to stay close enough to touch and comfort each other.

- Remember to talk about what happened and be sure to encourage children to talk about how they felt—how afraid and how brave they were.

Checklist for Businesses

(prepared by the American Red Cross)

Before an Earthquake

— Prepare a company earthquake preparedness plan....

— List for employees the possible means of taking shelter during a quake and hold occasional drills.... Tell them not to leave the building during the quake.

— Have available, for immediate use, the telephone numbers of and alternative means of communication for public safety agencies, including police, fire, medical and utilities. Develop with the assistance of these agencies preparedness plans and drills.

— Check all offices, storage areas, manufacturing areas and other work locations for earthquake hazards.

— Brace or anchor high or top-heavy shelves, machinery or any other equipment which could fall during a tremor.

— Bolt down or provide strong support for water heaters and other gas appliances on the premises....

— Consider all possibilities should destruction occur. What if those on upper floors cannot descend to the ground floor? What if employees are trapped in the basement?

— Appoint at least two persons in each department or on each floor who will assume leadership roles after the quake has occurred and be sure they are properly trained.

— Consider the possibility that employees may not be able to leave the premises and keep supplies on hand.... These include one or more battery-powered radio and extra batteries, flashlights and extra batteries, at least a 72 hour supply of food and water for each employee, blankets and adequate first aid supplies. Encourage employees to keep a few personal toilet articles on hand at work....

— Plan assistance for physically handicapped employees....

— Designate areas of the firm which may be suitable as shelter areas should employees be required to stay there after the quake.

— Be sure fire extinguishers are kept in good working order and that several employees in each work area now how to operate them.

— If your building is windowless, consider alternate means of ventilation and lighting if power is off.

— Encourage all employees to enroll in Red Cross First Aid courses....

— Urge employees to have a plan for reunification of their families should they be unable to leave the premises to return home immediately.

— Plan for the immediate disposition of the dead after the quake.

— Develop contingency plans for continued operation of your company/plant based on total and/or partial shut downs due to building/utility/communication/transportation failures. Include key personnel, communications systems, utilities and other support needed for 24 hours, 72 hours, one week and one month.

— discuss and distribute the company earthquake plan with employees and be sure each one understands all phases.

After an Earthquake

— Employees should immediately check for injuries among fellow workers and render first aid as needed. Seriously injured persons should not be moved unless they are in danger of further injury.

— Check for fires and fire hazards, especially for gas leaks and damaged electrical wiring. See that these are turned off at main valves and switches, if required.

— Check for building damage and move employees to safe areas.

— Do not permit employees to use elevators or to run into the street.

— Flashlights should be used of power if off, since sparks from a match or light switch could ignite leaking gas.

— Immediately clean up dangerous spills.

— Do not use telephones for outside calls except in genuine emergencies. Use battery-powered radios for damage reports and information from public safety agencies.

— Designated leaders should immediately organize those employees for whom they are responsible and determine what steps are to be taken in accord with the company's earthquake plan.

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Vicissitudes

by Terry Vanicelli

Let's start this whole thing off with the last barbecue tip you'll get this season. Ever try barbecued pineapple? It's ridiculously easy to make. Slice a fresh pineapple into steaks at least a half-inch thick. Remove skin and core. Grill over a hot fire until they either brown or start to blacken slightly. If the grill isn't set up, try the broiler. Don't add any spices or condiments; the cooking sweetens the fruit up fine all by itself. Goes great with BBQ ribs.

Speaking of cooking, Nancy De Betten-court of 62XX Washington has become a Pampered Chef representative. Pampered Chef is a line of cooking items offered in a home show format. Most of the items are little gadgets that simplify cooking, but the line includes baking stones, woks, etc. as well. I attended Nancy's first show and was impressed with the merchandise and her presentation. If you would like more info, call her at 725-1264.

This spring was really frustrating, because the slow real estate market was depriving us of new neighbors. Well, we got a bunch of them during the summer. Here's a partial list.

Keith and Linda Arnold have moved from Virginia to 63XX Washington. Keith is in charge of the St. Louis Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Leslie and Michael O'Leary will be living for a year at 62XX Washington. Mike, who's in the Navy, is doing a surgery fellowship at Wash U. Med Center.

Other new arrivals:
Tom and Elizabeth Tipton, 61XX Westminister

Kaye Scott, to 62XX Washington
Dan and Mary Cullen, 63XX Pershing
Linda and Stanley Safron, 62XX McPherson

Constance Saville, 62XX Westminister
Lynne Rieger, 6306 Pershing
John and Stephanie Garganigno, 63XX Waterman

Lockwell and Madelyn Gray 4XX Westgate
Tim Loyet, 61XX Westminister
Cecilia Madel, 61XX Westminister
Monte Bordeau, 61XX Westminister

Paul and Katie Kurtz have moved to 61XX Kingsbury with their two boys.

Whatever happened to those wonderful folks who brought you the Masks of the Caribbean exhibit? Well, the Nunleys have not disappeared. They are in Trinidad on a sabbatical for ten months or so.

Norbury Wayman of 57XX Kingsbury has been seriously ill and is now recovering at St. John's Mercy Skilled Nursing Center, 615 South New Ballas Road, 63141. Mr. Wayman is the author of "Life on The River" and "St. Louis Union Station and Its Railroads." We wish him a speedy recovery.

Steve Brammeier dropped a note to many neighborhood residents that he will be handling his practice alone for a while as he searches for a new associate.

Delmar Transmission has moved from the U City loop to the building that used to house the used car department at the late Fox Ford complex on Delmar. I went over there to see him about a safety inspection. Alas, this is one of the few things that he doesn't do for cars anymore. It seems that the gummint, in order to tighten up on vehicle emissions, is requiring inspection stations to install special computerized analysis equipment that hooks up directly to central computers in Jeff City or wherever. These critters cost about \$15,000

apiece and have to be in place by October 1. So the chances are that your friendly local garage isn't in the inspection business any more. Inspection stations will be harder to find and the inspection itself will take more time. Fudging the test may become impossible. Eventually, the test will cost a whole bunch more. I suspect that those of us who put off this chore until the end of the month will find ourselves in long lines.

Greg Schweitzer's Camerata Chorus is back in action. The group will present its annual Christmas Concert at Saint Roch and has already been invited by Union Station to carol there. Remember, these concerts are free and open to everybody in the neighborhood. Your neighbors are welcome to join this nondenominational group as well. It rehearses at Bishop DuBourg High School every Tuesday night. For more info and car pooling call me at 727-0839.

A whole bunch of people ganged up on me to remind me to wish Norni (Normyan Rosenthal) a Happy Birthday.

Christine Smith (58XX Pershing) sent this news for us:

Bruce and I went to our almost-annual visit to the Cherokee National Holiday (Bruce's tribe) in Tahlequah, OK. We camped at Lake Tenkiller, where fishing was somewhat down due to 104 degrees temps--but the skipper of the cruise boat Cherokee Princess was feeding multitudes of small perch, 18" carp and a blue heron. We saw cattle egrets, bluebirds (rare in MO) in great numbers, and three young foxes. That's in addition to the usual deer, armadillo, jays and hawks-n-vultures (who ballet in the air wonderfully over the lake.)

The rarest we met: a True Artisan, up-but-from-one camp from ours. By 40-hrs-weekly, he is "construction man." By "hobby," a partly self-taught, partly taught by his "Indian Friend"—a cutler! Part smith, part machinist, much artist, he makes beautiful show-knives, handsome hunting knives, and eminently useful kitchen tools that gleam like chrome (but don't peel or print, due to this forge-and-quench artistry).

Besides which, we took the kitten Flyff-nyr (Fife). She traveled well, liked the birds and rodeo, and was most pleased to be home again, as were the elder cats to welcome us back.

Otties's Corner

I gotta run Terry in one of these days. He blew his deadline for the last issue and cut me out, as well. That's mental cruelty and

Kohn Exhibition Held



Skinker DeBalviere resident Bill Kohn has an exhibition at the Randall Gallery. Pictured is "O'Neill Butte/Grand Canyon", acrylic on canvas, 1989.

A one person exhibition of works by artist Bill Kohn will be held September 15 through October 27 at Randall Gallery. The show is entitled "Rim to River" with the inspiration for these dynamic paintings and watercolors coming from Bill's repeated backpacking trips in the Grand Canyon.

Bill Kohn is a native of St. Louis and is currently a Professor of Fine Art at Washington University. Mr. Kohn is best

known for his cityscapes of St. Louis, Guadalajara, Mexico; Andalusia, Spain and Chicago. His works are included in numerous important public and private collections, including the permanent collection of the St. Louis Art Museum.

Randall Gallery is located at 999 N. 13th Street, St. Louis, MO, 63106. Gallery hours are Tuesday thru Saturday, 10 to 5.

I'll see that he pays for it. Boyoboyoboy, just let me catch him jaywalking!

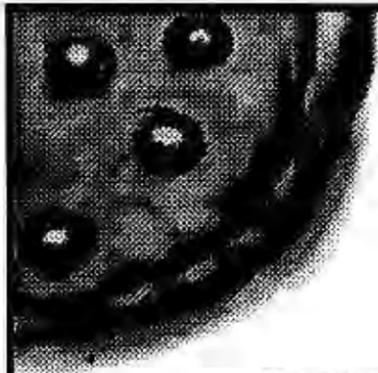
On October 16, we'll be having a Crime-watch meeting at Grace United Methodist Church. I hope all of you will be able to join me there.

I had some good experiences and some bad experiences with the local children this summer that I thought you'd like to hear about. One of the nicest things that happened was the bicycle safety seminar we had at Four Corners. We checked out a fair number of bikes, discussed both bicycle and skateboard safety, then watched some of the team skaters from Altered Skates do their tricks. We've been trying to set up this event for some time now and I'm glad to see that it finally came off. I would like to thank a lot of people who made it possible. Alan from Delmar Transmission helped check out the bikes and tweak them when they needed it. Milt Woods from

MW Fina provided soda and more help on the checkout line. Nancy Farmer from SDCC did publicity, organization, etc., etc., etc., and made everything possible. Finally, I'd like to thank the kids and the parents who came for their time and attention. Let's do it again sometime.



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