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## Quote of the Month:

"Sun is shining.  
Weather is sweet.  
Make you wanna move  
your dancing feet."  
*Bob Marley*

## **Comptroller shines at finance conference** **Staff wows students at Harvard government school**

Comptroller Darlene Green gave remarks and participated in a panel discussion about best practices in investor relations May 3 at the Midwest Regional Public Finance Conference in Chicago. Green explained she increased investor outreach and created an investor relations website, buySTLbonds.com, after the nation's financial crisis in response to increased competition and investor scrutiny in the municipal bond market.

In addition, deputy comptroller Ivy-Neyland Pinkston and Candice Gordon, recently presented similar information to the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government. The two discussed, via Skype, their investor relations website and investor outreach initiatives with 35 graduate students studying public policy at the prestigious Ivy League school.

Class lecturer Shelby Chodos said in a letter that Green's staff "did a wonderful job" and cited the city of St. Louis as an example of best practices in the area of debt management.



## **Comptroller's Office May Employee of the Month**

Congratulations to **Scott King**, payroll specialist II in the payroll section, for earning the May Employee of the Month Award. King was nominated for being very helpful and knowledgeable when assisting all payroll section customers. King chose eight hours comptime as his award.

## Trivia Challenge

### Test your knowledge with the Trivia Challenge

The St. Louis Zoo is one of our city's great treasures and a favorite summertime destination for many of us. Let's see if you can name the zoo animals in the photo.



*Congratulations to Michele Graham for earning one hour comptime for correctly answering the May spring flower trivia.*

*Submit your answers to John Farrell at [farrellj@stlouiscity.com](mailto:farrellj@stlouiscity.com). The first to reply with the correct answers wins one hour comptime.*

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## As the comptroller's office turns...

### Spring graduations

Congratulations to **Antionette Thomas'** son, **Thomas Dickens**, who graduated in May with a bachelor's of science degree in computer games and internet technology from Elmhurst College outside of Chicago. He plans on attending graduate school at the University of Connecticut.

Congratulations to **Kyle Dixon**, **Sandra Mantia's** son, who graduated from St. Mary's High School in May 19. Kyle will attend Forest Park Community College in the fall and was also accepted into the EMT/Paramedic Certification Program.

### Graham update

**Michele Graham's** daughter, **Briana**, was accepted into the year-round College Bound program and is receiving a full scholarship to attend The Academy, a week-long academic institute at Whitfield School in Creve Coeur. Briana will also attend a two day workshop in August presented by Microsoft, called Microsoft DigiGirlz, for girls interested in science, math, technology and engineering at the St. Louis Science Center.

### Stork delivery

**Charron Ford** celebrated the birth of her nephew, **Kingston James Ward**, on May 19. He is the son of her sister, **Kelly Ford**.



### June Birthdays

Olena Opachevsky	1
Lolita Versey	9
Karl Hlavaty	15
Charles Franz	20

### Continuous Service Anniversaries

None this month

### May Trivia Quiz answers

1. Azalea
2. Naked Lady
3. Cherry Blossom
4. Corn Flower
5. Daffodil
6. Geranium
7. Impatiens
8. Lilacs
9. Magnolia