

Residents celebrate 1st Street progress



Luke Fletcher pretends he is driving a steam shovel.

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The Downtown St. Charles Partnership hosted a block party on Sept. 29 to celebrate the re-opening of 1st Street and the completion of Phase 2 construction in the 1st Street redevelopment project.

There were activities for all ages; the River 95.9 broadcasted live from 1st Street, tours of the 1st Street redevelopment project and the new Milestone Row building were offered, and Charles T. Fox was there to greet all the merchants and guests who attended.

The "Taste of St. Charles" tent offered specialties from local restaurants. A Business Spotlight Booth featured

local business and retailers. Children enjoyed having their faces painted, climbing on some of the construction equipment, and receiving a balloon.

The Downtown St. Charles Partnership encourages any and all community members, business or property owners and merchants to get involved in the revitalization of the city's downtown.

The Downtown St. Charles Partnership is a not-for-profit, volunteer-based organization dedicated to the preservation and revitalization of the downtown area.

For more information on the redevelopment project, visit on the Web at www.dtown.org.

