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It's that time again! Spring Clean Up will be Saturday, April 13 from 7am - 3pm at Public Works (950 N Fifth St). Waste Connections is asking everyone to please bring non perishable food and personal hygiene items that will be donated to the Ozark Food Pantry. Residents may bring trash, yard waste (no cut up or whole trees and no plastic bags), or anything with a cord (Limit of one tv per household.). No hazardous materials, building materials, or tires will be accepted. Appliances with refrigerant must have certification that refrigerant has been removed or they will not be accepted. A very limited amount of household construction debris will be allowed, but all nails/screws must be removed.

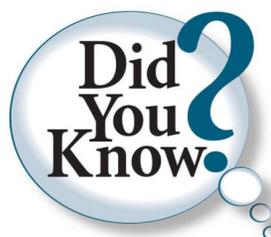


Floodplain Public Meeting

The city has received the preliminary floodplain maps from FEMA and will soon be adopting the new maps per ordinances. Before these maps can be adopted and ordinances passed a public meeting will be held to allow residents to ask questions and speak with representatives from the city, but also from FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Association), SEMA (State Emergency Management Assoc.), NFIP (National Flood Insurance Program), Jefferson County, and the firm who produced the new flood maps. This meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 5th at the Jefferson College Theater (1000 Viking Dr., Hillsboro) at 11am and 6pm. Each meeting should take roughly two hours. Residents do not need to attend both meetings. Copies of the current preliminary maps are available for viewing at Public Works (950 N Fifth St) during normal business hours (Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 4:30pm).



- ⇒ Did you know that all pets residing inside the city limits must have a pet tag? Tags are available at Public Works. They cost \$7 each and are good for the life of the pet. This tag will help the Animal Control Officer get your pet back home if they escape the yard, house, or while out on a walk. Paperwork showing proof of a current rabies vaccination is needed to get tag.
- ⇒ Did you know that all pets in the city limits are to be on a leash if off their owner's property?
- ⇒ Did you know that there is a limit to the number of pets that may occupy a household? Four pets are allowed, but no more than 3 of one type. For example: 3 dogs and 1 cat or 2 dogs and 2 cats are allowed, but 4 dogs or 4 cats are not. Call our ACO with questions 933-3619.



Irish Blessing

May your troubles be less,
your blessings be more,
and nothing but happiness
come through your door.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

- Council Meeting:** March 13 and 27 at 7pm
- Park Board:** March 21 at 6pm
- P & Z Meeting:** March 21 at 6:30pm
- Library Board:** March 7 at 6pm
- Court in Session:** March 5 and 26 at 6pm
- Board of Adjustment:** March 11 at 7pm

The Dirty Dozen Mud Run

Who's ready to get muddy? The Dirty Dozen mud run is back for its second year on Saturday, May 4. This event will take place over a 2 mile course with 13 obstacles through West City Park. Early registrants who pay \$40 by April 5 will receive their event t-shirt and beverage token. Registrations received after April 5 will still receive their event t-shirt and beverage token, but will pay \$50. Participants must be at least 13 years old and those 13-18 years old must be accompanied by a participating adult. The course has changed and obstacles have been added! We are planning ways to provide more mud, deeper mud, slicker hills, colder water, more obstacles, and more fun! The fire department is taking a more active role this year so who knows where they will pop up! Concessions will be available for purchase so come hungry! More information and the registration form is available on our website (CityofFestus.org) under the "Around Town" button or in the event page on our Facebook page. Thanks to the Festus Tourism Commission for supporting this event!



Happening at the Library

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

We are excited to launch 1000 Books Before Kindergarten! Set your child up for success by reading every day. 1000 books may sound like a lot, but repeat readings of favorite books count, books heard during story time and lap time count, and if you read just 3 books a day, you can finish the program in under a year. Ask at the library for a folder today and we'll get you started.

Beginning Yoga - Thursdays @ 1:30 pm

Every Thursday at 1:30 pm, join certified instructor Eddy Dow for an introduction to yoga. This free class is suitable for all ages, including seniors. Mats are provided, but feel free to bring your own equipment.

Baby Lap Time - Sat., March 16 @ 9:30 am

It's never too early to present early literacy skills to your baby! Babies aged 0-24 months and their caregivers will bond with stories and simple activities. The program is designed to last about 20 minutes, and caregivers are welcome to stick around to socialize and play with their babies afterwards.

Paws for Reading - Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm

Each Tuesday, join Charley the Dog for Paws for Reading! This is a great way to encourage a new reader to practice reading out loud. Dogs are the best listeners and children enjoy reading to them.

Story Time - Thursdays @ 10:30 am

Join us every Thursday morning for stories, songs, and rhymes perfect for teaching children ages 2 and up the joy of reading!

Adult Coloring - Thurs., Mar. 28 @ 12:00 pm

We'll provide coloring sheets, pencils, and markers for an afternoon of relaxing, stress-relieving coloring. Feel free to bring your own supplies as well! This program is intended for adults over 18; no registration is necessary.