

# **KIRKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

## ***NEWSLETTER . . .***

Mari E. Macomber, City Manager  
November 5, 2011

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### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

11/7 – Budget Meeting @ 4:00 pm Second Floor Conference Room  
11/7 – City Council Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers  
11/8 – 15 – Remembering our Fallen Exhibit at the Kirksville Arts Center  
11/8 - KREDI Meeting @ 4:00 pm  
11/8 – Budget Meeting @ 4:00 pm Second Floor Conference Room  
11/9 – Planning and Zoning Meeting @ 7:00 pm  
11/10 – LMC @ 9:00 am Fire Station  
11/11 – Veterans Day – City Hall Closed  
11/11 – Veterans Day Celebration – Ruth Towne Museum @ 11:00 am  
11/14 – KDIC Annual Meeting @ 5:30 pm Sweet Expressions  
11/15 – Citizen Police Academy Grad. @ 6:30 pm - Mehegan Hall, Gutensohn Clinic  
11/20 – Make a Splash Sunday at the Aquatic Center – 1:00 pm  
11/21 – City Council Study Session @ 4:30 pm  
11/21 – City Council Meeting @ 6:00 pm  
11/22 – Council on the Radio  
11/24 and 11/25 – Thanksgiving Holiday – City Hall Closed  
12/2 - 3 – Livestock Symposium

### **COUNCIL PROCEDURES**

Since you will have a long evening on Monday, we will adjourn the study session portion until Tuesday, November 8 at 4:00 pm. This will need to be noted before you leave the Study Session on Monday evening.

### **BUDGET MEETING**

We will review the proposed 2012 budget document starting on Monday, November 7 at 4:00 pm. Please note the time change. Some cuts were needed prior to submitting it to the City Council. I am pleased with the document and look forward to reviewing it with the City Council.

### **MONDAY'S AGENDA**

On your agenda for Monday evening, there are resolutions for support for three housing projects. During your tour of Preferred Family Healthcare (PFH), it was stated that the funds being applied for by PFH were different than those for the housing rehabilitation projects. The other two projects are for renovations to existing facilities. Neither of these facilities serves the population group that PFH has targeted. This information was confirmed again on Friday morning to make sure that the support of the City Council for all three did not diminish the support for the PFH application.

### **FINANCE DIRECTOR**

We completed interviews for Finance Director, interviewing candidates who had municipal experience with either CPA certification and/or years of experience as a Finance Director. Though we had several exceptional candidates, we were unable to complete the process due to our wages. I have discussed the qualifications with our auditor. He has stated that the individual should have an accounting degree and municipal experience. We did have some local candidates with degrees, none of which had ever worked for a City. With our financial system, it is complicated for someone with limited experience. We have made contact with the State Government Finance Officers Association and are awaiting a response. We may do a direct mail to cities across the state and surrounding Illinois and Iowa to find someone.

### **CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY GRADUATION**

In mid-summer, the Kirksville Police Department began advertizing its first Citizens Police Academy. Students participated in a 13-week course to give participants a taste of what it takes to be a member of law enforcement from ride-alongs to active shooter training. The classes were held every Tuesday evening beginning in August. The students participated in classroom instruction, real-world scenario training, and toured jail, the police station and the E911 center. The goal of the academy is to provide cooperative understanding through education. The graduation for this event will take place on Tuesday, November 15 in Mehegan Hall in the Gutensohn Clinic starting at 6:30 pm. Members of the City Council are invited to attend.

### **TOURISM BUDGET**

Included with this Newsletter is a copy of the proposed 2012 Tourism Budget. The budget was approved by Tourism Advisory Board on October 5<sup>th</sup> and approved by the Chamber board on Oct 16<sup>th</sup>. The bylaws require that it be submitted to the City Council

by November 1<sup>st</sup> each year. Also, both the tourism advisory board and the Chamber board gave approval to use \$3,620 of unrestricted reserves for the 2012 budget. The Advisory Board developed a reserve policy that requires an amount equal to the previous year's budget be set aside and not used. The balance of the funds can be used but must be budgeted. As of the end of September the Tourism Fund had over \$250,000 available. The use of the reserve funds, as outlined in the policy needs to be approved by the City Council.

### **VETERANS DAY CEREMONY**

Included with this Newsletter is an article from the Truman website on Jedh Barker, who had attended Truman State University, and then served in Vietnam receiving the Medal of Honor. His bravery will be remembered on Veteran's Day in a ceremony that will take place at the Ruth Towne Museum and Visitor Center at 11:00 am.

### **REMEMBERING OUR FALLEN**

The exhibit is set to arrive next Monday, November 7. It will be open to the public from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm each weekday and Saturday and Sunday 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The exhibit will take place at the Kirksville Arts Center. The event is intended to honor those individuals who served in Iraq and Afghanistan wars.

### **ANIMAL CONTROL**

Animal Control Officer, Bob Mills and Chief Hughes met with me a few weeks ago to discuss an animal control issue concerning possums and raccoons. Bob is called out regularly to assist property owners in removing these animals from their properties. He uses traps to capture them. We have learned, through training that Bob has taken, and in conversations with Missouri Department of Conservation staff that trapping these animals and then relocating them to other areas (we will drop them off at our landfill) is not the best practice. The first issue is the difference in the animals found in town versus those found in the country in terms of disease and tolerance to conditions. The second is that some animals, regardless of the time in the cage, are negatively affected and may cause further damage. Finally, the animals come back. The department would like to develop a practice that would allow them to permanently dispose of the animals in a humane way. If the City Council is interested in learning more about this issue, we could schedule a Study Session before any changes were made.

### **STATE OF THE CITY**

The Chamber's TGIF series are held in the morning and are intended to get information out to the public about the current state of affairs for various public sector areas. There are several events - State of District, State of the Judiciary, State of the County, State of Education, and State of the City. There has been some concern regarding the turn out to these events. The question that has been posed to the City is whether we would want to try an evening or late afternoon time, as opposed to the current time slot of 8:00 am. Feedback on this would be appreciated.

### **USE OF SIDEWALKS**

We met with the owner of Sweet Expressions and discussed the equipment that is used to make the ice cream and the kettle corn. There are moving parts on the ice cream machine and the owner was told that she needs to remain in sight of the machine to prevent some curious child from touching the machine. The owner stated she had a screen for the kettle corn equipment. We discussed the amount of sidewalk that could be occupied by the equipment and screen. Upon checking the operations days later, I found that the screen took up too much sidewalk blocking pedestrian access. The owner stated that she would fix the matter. We had requested the owner name the City as an additional insured on the business insurance policy to minimize the City's liability.

### **COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Staff has been working with members of the Center for Applied Statics and Evaluation (CASE) to start the process of conducting a needs assessment related to the development of a community center for Kirksville and Adair County. CASE has conducted focus groups with citizens that represent four different user groups/concepts including Recreation Center, Senior Center, Conference Center and Community Partners. The information gathered from these groups will be used to develop a survey instrument that will be distributed to the general public. The survey should be ready for publication in early December; we hope to include information regarding the survey in the December Kirksville Connection. Surveys will be accepted until February and a final report should be available by mid-April 2012.

### **HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL**

The Parks and Recreation Department and the Adair County YMCA sponsored the annual Children's Halloween Carnival on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm at the YMCA. There were 361 children in attendance and approximately another 150 parents. A great community event!

### **NUTRITION EDUCATOR'S CONFERENCE**

University of Missouri Extension office in Kirksville is offering a free Nutrition Educators Conference here in Kirksville on December 2 at the former TCRC building. The conference will feature national and international experts on multiple food topics including nutrition education, food safety, the food we eat and human health considerations. City Staff will be assisting during the conference to help facilitate ITV broadcasting of the conference to other locations around the state.

### **HIGHWAY 63**

During the meeting with the County Commissioners, there was some discussion regarding the development of land around the new roadway. Since that meeting, there have been a few concerns expressed about the conversation that took place between the City Council and the County Commissioners. The Planning and Zoning Commission met and discussed the creation of a CP3 zone. The Council will be discussing this in the near future. The development of this is an important issue to the future success of our community. I would encourage the Council to discuss this thoroughly before changes in zoning are made. Also, work continues on finalizing the roadway, and some additional improvements have been made to improve safety. It is unfortunate that an accident

occurred within hours of its opening. That individual ran the stop sign. Since then the biggest issue has been deer. This is not an uncommon issue along any portion of Highway 63 from here to Columbia and north into Iowa; people need to watch for deer. Also, we received a call from Senator Munslinger's office concerning the speed of this roadway. This is a state highway with limited access.

## **CAPITAL EVENTS**

The Kirksville Day at the Capital event has been scheduled for February 22. This is the annual event used to promote Kirksville. It is a partnership with the Chamber of Commerce, ATSU, TSU, KREDI, MREIC, County and City. This event costs the City approximately \$500 in cash contribution, plus time for those individuals who attend. In the past, it has been members of the City Council and the City Manager. In addition to this event, a group of individuals representing Northeast Missouri have been working on organizing a Northeast Missouri Day at the State Capital. The event will take place on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, where the communities of Northeast Missouri will join together in a regional effort to present the issues and concerns of our area. Kirksville is being asked to participate in this event. The cost of sponsorship is \$300 to the event fund. This will give us a booth at the evening event to showcase our community. The committee is also asking that we have someone staff the booth to allow for interaction with legislators and staff. They have suggested that we have 250 gift items to use as prizes/giveaways.

### Attachments

- Building Permits for October
- Tourism Budget
- Veteran's Day Celebration – honoring Jedh Colby Barker
- Northeast Missouri Day at the State Capital
- Kirk\$ville Ca\$h
- Representative Wyatt's Ribbon Cutting Event
- Website Analytics
- Kirksville Connection

## **NEW CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR OCTOBER**

The following is a listing of new construction in Kirksville for the period October 1, 2011 through October 31, 2011:

Date: October 14, 2011  
Owner: Pat Foglesong  
Use: Single Family  
Address: 306 Cape Coral Circle  
Permit No.: 7551  
Const. Co.: John Boyer Construction

Date: October 31, 2011  
Owner: High Hope Employ Serv.  
Use: Commercial - Addition  
Address: 906 E. Shepherd Ave.  
Permit No.: 7561  
Const. Co.: Marc Curtis

## 2012 Tourism Budget

2012 Estimated Income = \$147,670.00

Interest Income = \$ 1,600.00  
Total Income \$149.270.00

2012 Estimated Operating Budget = \$137,890.00

Salary	\$40,000.00	
Payroll Taxes	\$4000.00	
Health Insurance	\$3600.00	
Chamber Support Staff	\$9755.00	(20 hours per week)
Accounting Services	\$1620.00	
Small Equipment	\$750.00	
Miscellaneous	\$1000.00	
Cell Phone Reimburse.	\$ 540.00	
Website	\$ 1100.00	
Trade Shows	\$7500.00	
Advertising/ Mktg	\$33,000.00	
Meetings/Travel Conf.	\$ 5000.00	
Mileage Reimburse.	\$2500.00	
Office Supplies	\$1000.00	
Rent	\$4800.00	33% of Office Rent
Postage	\$800.00	
Office Phone	\$1100.00	33% of office phone
Utilities	\$1000.00	33% of office utilities
Janitorial Services	\$ 360.00	33% of office janitor services
Copy Machine	\$665.00	33% of office copy machine
Dues and Subscriptions	\$2000.00	
Hospitality/Entertain.	\$1500.00	
Other Insurance	\$1300.00	(workers comp, event and furniture)
Advertising Partnership	\$13,000.00	

2012 Capital Budget \$15,000.00

Infrastructure (welcome signs at the north and south ends of the alternate route)

Total Budget \$152,890.00

Source: <http://giving.truman.edu/News/MedalOfHonor.asp>. Retrieved 11/06/11.

## Honoring Exceptional Valor

**Oct. 2011**—Jedh Colby Barker, a brave young man from Park Ridge, N.J., who holds a distinguished place in American history, will be honored at the Veterans Day Ceremony being held at the Ruth W. Towne Museum and Visitors Center at 11 a.m. on the Truman State University campus on Nov. 11, 2011.

At the age of 22, Jedh Colby Barker gave his last full measure of devotion as a Marine when he sacrificed his own life to save his fellow Marines during the Vietnam War. In 1969, two years after his death, Jedh was recognized as a true American hero when he was named as a recipient of the Medal of Honor, the highest award that can be bestowed upon a United States citizen. To date, only 3,458 recipients have been awarded the Medal of Honor, and Jedh is the only former Truman student named among the venerable list. A new bronze statue entitled “The Purple Heart” will be unveiled at the Veteran’s Day Ceremony to commemorate Jedh and all the other former students who are serving or have served in the military.



Medal of Honor Recipient  
Jedh Barker

Born in Franklin, N.H., in 1945, Jedh attended high school in Park Ridge, N.J., where he excelled in sports and served as captain of the football and baseball teams. In the mid-1960s, he attended Fairleigh Dickinson University and Truman State University. While attending Truman, Jedh, who has been described as a fun-loving person with an infectious laugh, was a member of the Bulldog football team led by Coach Maurice “Red” Wade, one of the school’s legendary coaches. The team photo in the 1966 Echo yearbook shows Jedh as a determined-looking young man in jersey number nine who looks like he’s ready to take on the world.

By May of 1966, the year Jedh left Truman to enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, the spirit of Semper Paratus was firmly embedded in the Barker family. Both Jedh’s father, George C. Barker, and Jedh’s brother Warren were proud to wear the Marine uniform, and each had made the Marines a career. Even the unique spelling of Jedh’s name symbolizes the Marines as each letter represents the first name of four fellow Marines that his father had served with in World II—John, Ezekial, Donald and Herbert.

Jedh became a member of the Special Volunteer Reserve, 1st Marine Corps District, New York, New York, until discharged to enlist in the regular Marine Corps. He arrived in South Vietnam in March of 1967, and having been promoted to the rank of lance corporal, was serving as a machine gunner with Company F, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 3rd Marine Division. It was during a reconnaissance operation in September 1967, near Con Thien that Jedh demonstrated exceptional valor that went far above and beyond the call of duty when his squad was attacked by the enemy. Jedh’s immense courage and sacrifice are described in the citation for his Medal of Honor:

Although wounded by the initial burst of fire, Corporal Barker boldly remained in the open, delivering a devastating volume of accurate fire on the numerically superior force. The enemy was intent upon annihilating the small Marine force and, realizing that Corporal Barker was a threat to their position, directed the preponderance of their fire on his position. He was again wounded, this time in the right hand, which prevented him from operating his vitally needed machine gun. Suddenly, and without warning, an enemy grenade landed in the midst of the few surviving Marines. Unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, Corporal Barker threw himself upon the deadly

grenade, absorbing with his own body the full and tremendous force of the explosion. In a final act of bravery, he crawled to the side of a wounded comrade and administered first aid before succumbing to his grievous wounds.

In 1969 in a White House ceremony, the Barker family was presented with Jedh's Medal of Honor creating a legacy for Jedh's courage and patriotism. In addition to the distinguished Medal of Honor, a number of memorials served as a tribute to Jedh's memory. After his death, the then-Pascack Valley American Legion Post 153 in Park Ridge renamed the post to the Cpl. Jedh C. Barker Memorial American Legion Post 153, and a street in Park Ridge is named after him. Jedh's name is also found among those engraved on the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington, D.C., and on the New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Holmdel. Jedh's name also appears on a bronze plaque on the Truman campus that lists former students of the University who gave their lives in the Vietnam War. In 1976, the Marine Corps named a new building located at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va., in Jedh's honor, and today, Barker Hall stands as yet another noble reminder of the courageous Marine who gave his life for his country.

Jedh Barker's life may have been short, but the heroism of this outstanding Marine will always hold a place of honor in our nation's history.

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DATE: October, 2011

TO: Community Leaders

FROM: Denise Bennett, President NMDP

RE: Fall in Love with Northeast Missouri Day at the Capitol

Greetings,

On Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, the communities of Northeast Missouri will join together in a regional effort to present the issues and concerns of our area. Your involvement, input and participation is vital to a successful event! On behalf of the volunteers that coordinate the event, thank you for your involved leadership and support – please make the Northeast Missouri presence felt at the Capitol!

**Fall in Love with Northeast Missouri Day will include:**

- **RECEPTION & COMMUNITY EXHIBITS**—Connect with Legislators from across the state. In a unique format focused on individual communities with a common message, this event is designed to be both fun and professional and one that Legislators will want to attend each year. Community and/or County participants can have a booth to showcase their community allowing Legislators and guests the opportunity to learn about our Northeast Region.
- **INTRODUCTION TO THE HOUSE AND SENATE FROM THE GALLERY –** Tuesday, February 4, 2012. We will meet on the south side of the Rotunda, near staircase.

In order to maintain the quality of the program and to build on our growing reputation as a cooperative, cohesive regional force, your assistance is needed. Please give careful consideration to becoming a sponsoring community. This event needs your support!

*Fall in Love with Northeast Missouri Day at the Capitol* is a new event and one we hope to make a tremendous success. We encourage you to participate in this regional effort by submitting timely legislative issues facing your community to your County Coordinator. These issues will be gathered to create a regional message.

## **The IMPORTANCE of LMN Day at the Capitol**

*Fall in Love with Northeast Missouri Day at the Capitol* is a way to promote AWARENESS.....through unifying and working together. The communities of Northeast Missouri find this a great opportunity to present issues to State Legislators and officials. It is a regional effort to influence legislation that will benefit all of Northeast Missouri and the state as a whole.

### **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

- Opportunity to meet face to face with our Legislators.
- Opportunity to present key issues for the Northeast Missouri area.
- Create a stronger working relationship with our state government.

### **OUR INSPIRATION**

We would be terribly remiss not to give much credit and appreciation to The Great Northwest Day at the Capitol planning committee and members. Their proven success year after year, gave us the motivation to tackle this type of event. Thanks to all that helped with our planning and preparation and especially for the on-going support. You certainly set the standard and we hope to someday reach GNW Days level of achievement!



## LNM COMMUNITY ISSUES FORM – 2012

Dear Community Leader:

The cornerstone of the *Fall in Love with Northeast Missouri (LNM) Day at the Capitol* event is our ability to have a clear and concise message to send to our Legislators. This means identifying legislative issues that are important, specific and significant to Northeast Missouri.

Please use this form to take part in the process by identifying those issues that CAN BE LEGISLATIVELY IMPACTED, are important to your community and can have a regional influence or impact. Be concise and to the point. For each issue, please submit a self-explanatory title and one or two sentences that define the issue as well as a suggested action to address the issue.

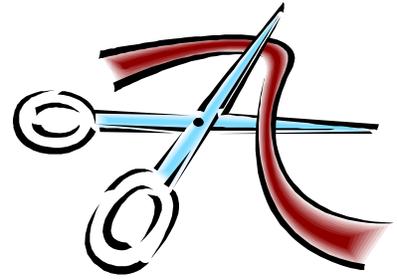
The Legislative Priority process will be as follows:

- Community Coordinators will ask for your help in defining and identifying legislative issues that you see are significant to the region.
- The LNM Issues Committee will gather the legislative issues from the 14 participating counties and compile similar or like-minded results.
- Once compiled, that compiled list with the top eight items will be returned to your Community Coordinator for distribution so that you may provide feedback on what legislative items capture the top three/four issues of concern.
- The prioritized list will be turned in to the Issues Committee and confirmed for final approval.
- The Issues Committee will consult with those having expertise in that particular field to confirm the language, relevance and message for the event.
- The Community Coordinator will provide participants with those issues along with talking points in preparation the region's annual visit to Jefferson City on February 13<sup>th</sup> during the *Fall in Love with Northeast Missouri Day at the Capitol*.

Please accept our apologies in advance; not every issue will be a "priority". Because LNM begins this process in October and legislation is filed in December, with legislators in office by early January, sometimes there is an emergent issue that may require consideration as a priority. As the final message to take to Jefferson City is being confirmed, the steering committee of LNM will strive to be representative of the Region and to assist your community in making Northeast Missouri's voice heard!

Thank you for taking your time to work within the northeast Missouri community to help us define and refine your message. Your interest and active participation is greatly appreciated!

October 31, 2011



Board of Directors, Ambassadors,  
and Community Supporters:

*Please join us for a ribbon cutting to  
celebrate the opening of*

**Representative Zach  
Wyatt's District Office  
119 E Washington  
Kirksville, MO 63501  
November 10, 2011  
5 pm**

Join Representative Wyatt and  
Congressman Blaine Luetkemeyer in  
celebration of the opening of Wyatt's  
local district office.



## *You've received the gift of choice!*

Kirk\$ville Ca\$h is the gift check program offered exclusively by the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce. As a recipient of this check, you've been given the gift of choice! This check works as a gift card would, but allows you to spend the money as you please. Enclosed you will find a list of Chamber Business, each of which accept Kirk\$ville Ca\$h as a form of payment. With members offering utilities, groceries, medical care, services and so much more, your options are limitless.

***Best of all – know that when you spend this gift check, you are playing a direct part in supporting our community's economy by keeping those dollars local.***

These checks are not intended to be written out toward individuals and cannot be redeemed for cash. When spending Kirk\$ville Ca\$h, please fill out the name of the business where the check is spent in the "Pay to the Order of" line. This helps the Chamber track the true benefit of these checks, by making record of where they are utilized. Please make note that these checks expire after 180 days.

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce is proud to offer this service to you as a consumer and to our member businesses. We encourage you to promote this program within the community by spending these checks. If at any time you have questions about using the program or would like to purchase additional gift checks, please contact our office at 660-665-3766.

## WEBSITE ANALYTICS – for month of October

### 11,768 visits came from 49 countries/territories

Site Usage						
Visits	Pages/Visit	Avg. Time on Site	% New Visits	Bounce Rate		
<b>11,768</b> % of Site Total: 100.00%	<b>1.73</b> Site Avg: 1.73 (0.00%)	<b>00:01:38</b> Site Avg: 00:01:38 (0.00%)	<b>37.20%</b> Site Avg: 37.19% (0.02%)	<b>67.20%</b> Site Avg: 67.20% (0.00%)		
Country/Territory	Visits	Pages/Visit	Avg. Time on Site	% New Visits	Bounce Rate	
United States	<b>11,587</b>	1.73	00:01:39	36.51%	67.20%	
India	<b>35</b>	1.43	00:01:13	65.71%	68.57%	
Canada	<b>17</b>	2.18	00:01:14	82.35%	58.82%	
France	<b>14</b>	1.50	00:01:21	92.86%	71.43%	
Germany	<b>10</b>	2.20	00:00:44	90.00%	40.00%	
United Kingdom	<b>9</b>	1.78	00:00:58	100.00%	66.67%	
Philippines	<b>7</b>	1.43	00:00:23	71.43%	71.43%	
Japan	<b>6</b>	1.67	00:00:20	83.33%	66.67%	
(not set)	<b>6</b>	2.67	00:00:04	100.00%	66.67%	
Vietnam	<b>6</b>	1.33	00:00:17	100.00%	66.67%	
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## KIRKSVILLE RECEIVES AWARD AT COMMUNITY BETTERMENT BANQUET



The Kirksville community received the 2nd place award in their population category at the Missouri Community Betterment (MCB) Awards Banquet held in Jefferson City, Missouri on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Kirksville received the award based on the volunteer spirit and self-help attitude of the community. Projects that were featured in the competition application were the ATSU Dental School Campaign, I Think I Can Foundation, Truman State University's The Big Event, NEMO Heart Health Organization, and the Forest Lake Area Trail System.

Kirksville Community Betterment, a committee of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce, was able to demonstrate exceptional cooperation among the City of Kirksville, Truman State University, A.T. Still University of Health, the Chamber of Commerce and many local volunteer and service groups. This cooperation illustrates what we have always known here in Kirksville—The success of any community starts with the people and their involvement, and Kirksville is truly a community where, "People Make the Difference."

The Missouri Community Betterment (MCB) Program is designed to help Missouri communities enhance their life through overall community development, planning and implementation. The MCB Program is sponsored by the Missouri Community Betterment Educational Fund, Inc. (MCBEF), a private, not-for-profit corporation made up of businesses, public utilities, community representatives, federal and state agencies and individuals.

## TROUT FISHING SEASON OPENS



Spur Pond will again be restocked with trout in preparation of the Catch and Release Season in Missouri which runs from November 1st to January 31st. Please keep the following information in mind when heading out to fish: Trout must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught; only flies, artificial and soft plastic baits (unscented) may be used for all species of fish; a Fishing Permit is required, but a Trout Permit is *not required* during the catch and release season. Most importantly—Have Fun!

*For more information regarding fishing regulations, please visit the Missouri Department of Conservation's website at [www.mdc.mo.gov](http://www.mdc.mo.gov), or call 785-2420.*

## FALL APPLIANCE PICKUP SCHEDULED

The City of Kirksville is offering the opportunity for residents to dispose of household appliances, free of charge, regardless of whether it contains Freon. The actual pick up of appliances will be done by Perfect Metals USA LLC during the week of November 7-11. Household appliances that will be eligible for pickup include: Refrigerators, Freezers, Stoves, Ovens, Air Conditioning Units, Washers, Dryers, Dishwashers, Furnaces, Hot Water Heaters and Space Heaters.

Citizens should call Jared at Perfect Metals USA LLC at 660-665-8000 to schedule a pickup for their appliances during the week of November 7-11.

### Let us serve you:

Airport	665-5020
Aquatic Center	627-7665
Business Licenses	627-1251
City Manager	627-1225
Codes/Inspections	627-1272
Community Service Dir	627-1224
Economic Development	627-1224
Engineering	627-1272
Fire Department	665-3734
Municipal Court	627-1237
Parks & Recreation	627-1485
Police Department	785-6945
Public Works	627-1291
Water/Sewer Bills	627-1251
Veolia Trash Service	800-778-7652

## WINTER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

As winter approaches, the Public Works Department prepares for snow and ice control. Typically, the first winter storms severe enough to impact traffic occur in late November or early December. For snow removal, the City is divided into six areas. Each area is assigned to one plow truck and operator team. Crews will operate on 12-hour shifts, when required. Streets are divided into priority one and priority two groups. A city map illustrating the snow removal areas and the priority streets can be found on the City's web site, [www.kirksvillecity.com](http://www.kirksvillecity.com), or call City Hall at 660-627-1224 and one can be mailed to you.

Crews will apply salt brine, salt, sand, or a combination, as required, up to the point where snow accumulation has reached two inches. Snow plowing will begin at two inches of accumulation. Only priority one streets will be cleaned to bare pavement.

In the downtown area, snow is removed from the streets and on street parking areas. Crews load and haul the snow to an open lot near the Forest-Llewellyn cemetery. The crews try to do this work during the early morning hours, before the business day, but when the work is completed depends on what time the snow stops falling and just how much snow there is to remove.

Snow plowing is serious business. The drivers' visibility is often limited by falling snow and by the spray of snow and ice kicked up by the plow. Other drivers should give them plenty of room, and be aware that there is an 11-foot wide plow on the front of the truck coming toward them. Stay at least 50 feet behind a plow and spreader. The salt/sand mix is spread by a "spinner" and can damage paint and windshields of vehicles that get too close. Do not pass a snowplow.

Snow plow drivers do not clear the windrows left by the plow from driveways. Many citizens will clear their drives before the plow reaches their street. The nuisance of snow plowed back into drives can be reduced if snow from drives is piled on the right side of the drive, with traffic flow. That way the plow will not pick up the snow pile and push it back into the drive. Do not push snow from driveways into the street.

The city has over 800 tons of salt on hand, drivers are ready, equipment has been checked, and plows and spreaders will be mounted soon. Crews will do everything they can to ensure that the citizens of Kirksville can get where they need to go with a minimum of inconvenience regardless of what Mother Nature brings.



### Things to remember:

- Windrows are not removed.
- The City is not responsible for damage to roadside objects located within the City's right-of-way.
- Mailboxes will be repaired or replaced only when actually struck by snowplows.
- City crews will not haul snow from private parking lots in the downtown area.
- Do not pass a snowplow.

## AQUATIC CENTER OFFERS BIRTHDAY PARTY PACKAGES



Cooler weather is here again and parents are asking themselves, "Where are we going to hold our child's Birthday Party?" Look to the Kirksville Aquatic Center for all your birthday party needs! The Aquatic Center offers three different packages to fit everyone's special birthday wishes. These packages will include admission, invitations, party favors and even food if you choose! For more information give us a call at 627-POOL (7665) or visit the website at [www.kirksvillecity.com](http://www.kirksvillecity.com)!

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