

# Kirksville Connection

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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.kirksvillemo.gov](http://www.kirksvillemo.gov), 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.kirksvillemo.gov](http://www.kirksvillemo.gov)!

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