

# Sugar Creek Sweet Talk

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## SUGAR CREEK ELECTED OFFICIALS

### Mayor

Matt Mallinson

### Aldermen

Stanley J. Sagehorn  
Joseph D. Kenney  
Lorcan Doyle  
Robert Ray

### City Marshal

Herbert M. Soule

### City Administrator

Ron Martinovich

### City Clerk

Jana Olivarez-Dickerson

### City Treasurer

Linda Martinovich

### Building Official

Paul Loving

### Director of Public Works

Ed Layton

### City Attorney

C. Robert Buckley

### Municipal Judge

Garry L. Helm

### Municipal Court Clerk

Cassie Williams

## Police Chief Soule Is Honored By The City

Sugar Creek Police Chief Herb Soule is the recipient of two honors by the City.

He is the Truman Heartland Citizen of the Year for 2014 as well as the 2014 MML West Gate Division Civic Leadership Award honoree.

He is being recognized for both awards for his 47 years of service to the City of Sugar Creek.

The Civic Leadership Award was presented July 17.

The Citizen of the Year Award will be presented September 6.

Soule says he is surprised and humbled to receive these awards. He is "a little self-conscious" about receiving awards for doing what he loves to do.

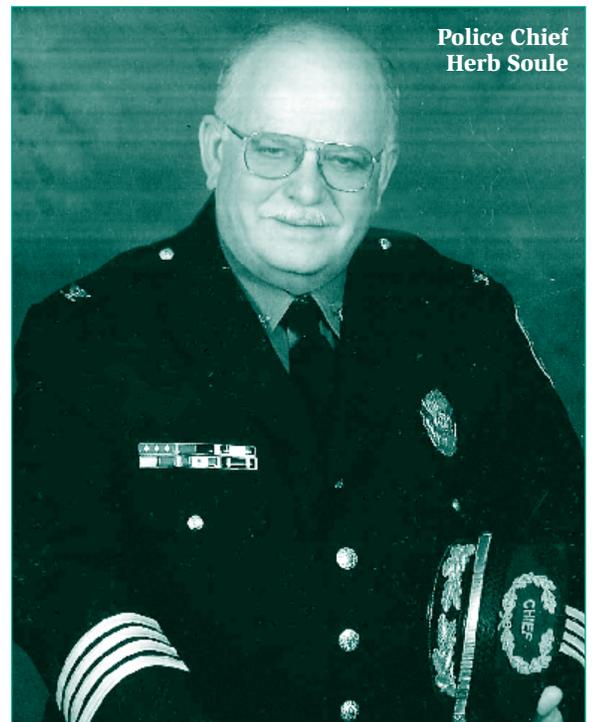
"If I had it to do over again," he said of his career with Sugar Creek, "I would do it all the same."

Chief Soule began his service to the City of Sugar Creek in 1967 as a Patrolman and became a Sergeant in 1977; he advanced to Captain in 1996 and was elected City Marshal/Chief of Police/Fire in 2001.

Soule is a lifelong resident of Sugar Creek and takes great pride in his community.

He attended Sugar Creek Elementary School and graduated from Van Horn High School. He earned a degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City in the

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Police Chief  
Herb Soule

## Salva Named Miss Czech-Slovak Missouri

Gabrielle "Gaby" Salva, Sugar Creek, is the recipient of the 2014 Miss Czech-Slovak Missouri title and will compete in the Miss Czech-Slovak US pageant in 2015.

This first annual Miss Czech-Slovak Missouri Pageant was held on June 7 in Sugar Creek in conjunction with the Sugar Creek Slavic Festival. Young women between 16 and 25 from throughout the state of Missouri – not just Sugar Creek – were invited to participate if they had a Czech or Slovak lineage. They competed for cash awards up to \$800 and other awards.

The pageant is a joint effort between organizations



Anna O'Renick (left), Gaby Salva (center),  
and Olivia Kalbac (right).

across the state and is one of nine state pageants held across the country. It is affiliated with the Miss Czech-Slovak United States Pageant, which is held every year in Wilber, Neb.

First Runner-up this year was Anna O'Renick, Sugar Creek. Anna's parents Mark and Debbie O'Renick and Grandparents Jack and Beverly O'Renick all reside in Sugar Creek. Second Runner-up was Olivia Kalbac of St.

Louis.

Gaby's cousin, Jennifer Salva, was the Miss Czech-Slovak US for 2012.

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# MAYOR MATT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

June, July and August are full months for Sugar Creek.

The Slavic Festival was well organized and attended again this year.

year.

The year 2014 marked the 75th. anniversary of our 4th of July Parade, yielding an hour and a half of entertaining entries. Some of the entries were horse drawn wagons, Smokey and the Bandit big rig, Van Horn ROTC members, of course The Shriners, John Deere and FarmAll tractor clubs, Corvettes, Mustangs and other car clubs, family entries, politicians, and many more.

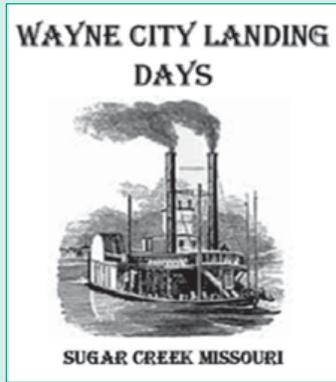
The fireworks were well attended and appreciated this year as well. Thanks go to all departments, groups, and individual

volunteers that made these events successful. Facebook has many pictures.

Our next major city event will be Wayne City Landing Days on August 7th, 8th and 9th. This consists of The Pride of Texas Carnival, food vendors, crafters, re-inactors

(both mid 1800's settlers as well as Early America Indians), and Educational Alley. Live entertainment is provided in the evenings by Delisa Dawn, Outlaw Jim and the Whiskey Benders and Phil Vandel for the Wounded Warriors event. There will also be a variety of community contests such as pie making contest, cow patty throwing contest,

quilting competitions, gardening produce and other events that are considered time relevant, including an outhouse race. This promises to be a very fun and well attended event! Check it out on our web site



[www.WayneCityLandingDays.com](http://www.WayneCityLandingDays.com).

City Hall is constantly looking for ways to meet the needs of our citizens. To do so, we must determine what the needs are. By analyzing many types of data such as below, City Hall is evaluating the best ways to help our City grow and prosper.

Female.....	52%
Male.....	48%
Over age 65 .....	13%
Age 36-64 .....	40%
Below age 35 .....	47%

In fact, 61% of our population is below the age of 44.

Sugar Creek is fortunate to have a major community event for each of the summer months that school is out. An active community is a strong community is a successful community.

Another 'coming soon' weekly event will be a farmer's market. Be sure to watch the city's website or Facebook for additional information.

*Thank you,  
Mayor Matt Mallinson*

## Eagle/Central Plains Take First in Annual Parade



Eagle/Central Plains Won 1st Place in Commercial Group in the 75th anniversary of our Parade!

Central Plains Cement is a locally managed and operated subsidiary of Eagle Materials Inc. Eagle Materials is one of the largest American owned suppliers of materials for residential, commercial, institutional and public works construction in the United States.

Our ability to positively contribute to the community in which our employees work and live is another measure of our goal to be good neighbors. This is our home too.

Our products are the literal building blocks of a strong, vibrant economic future. We are especially proud to be one of the few American-owned cement companies. Providing good paying jobs, using local suppliers, contributing our share of local taxes, being actively involved in the community is part of our corporate responsibility.

## City Community Garden!



Sugar Creek now has a community garden on Kentucky Avenue across from City Hall. The city has generously donated the use of the lot for the garden, which is a Go Sugar Creek project. Go Sugar Creek is a community organization of volunteers dedicated to positive changes within the community.

The community garden is a group effort to grow vegetables and fruit organically and in harmony with nature. The gardeners are learning from each other and from Kansas City Community Gardens.

There are 14 plots which are rented for this growing season. Gardeners are responsible for the care of their plots as well as maintaining the lot. All produce from the garden belongs only to the gardeners for their own purposes.

If you are interested in reserving a 5' X 10' plot for next year, visit the website at [gosugarcreek.com](http://gosugarcreek.com) or call Sandy Mikulich at 461-3528. Come grow with us!

— Sandy Mikulich

# NEWS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

## Public Works

**REFUSE**– During the summer, drivers may vary as well as time schedules due to work responsibilities, heat, vacation days and volume. Remember, all refuse is due out by 7:00 a.m. on your designated pick up date.

Please remember if a major holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday the Public Works department will be closed on the day closest to the holiday and the routes could be changed.

**REMINDER**– CITY ORDINANCE CHAPTER 14, Sec 14-25 Prohibited practices; To place or permit to be placed any solid waste container in a place where it can be seen from the public right-of-way, except when it is set out for pickup, but in such case no sooner than sunset on the day before pickup and no later than sunrise on the day after pickup.

**CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE, SEPT. 5 & 6, 2014**– Residents will be able to hold a garage sale at their homes without a permit for these dates only, all other garage sales will need to have a permit issued from City Hall.

— Sue Mikula,

Public Works Administrative Assistant/Special Events Coordinator

## Parks & Recreation

**COMMUNITY POTLUCK**– The Parks and Recreation Department will hold its annual Community Potluck on August 12. We will provide hamburgers & brats; please bring a side dish or desert, and enjoy visiting with your community. The potluck will be held at Mike Onka Hall, lunch will begin at 12:00pm.

**CASINO DAY TRIP**– The Casino day trip will be held on August 1. Call to register and for time/location information.

**INSTRUCTIONAL YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL**– These will be for ages 4 up to 10 years old or grades Kindergarten through 4th grade. If you have children interested in joining, we will have registrations available at City Hall for the Youth Sports programs.

**BOB ROSS OIL PAINTING CLASSES**– Classes will be on September 20, for a fee of \$35.00. You will be instructed by certified Bob Ross instructor Jean Libby, and you will be able to take home your finished painting at the end of the class. These classes will be every other month on the third Saturday

**STARLIGHT THEATER & DINNER ON THE TOWN**– We will have tickets for the September 13 production of the Blue Man Group. Cost is \$8.00 per person; price includes transportation and ticket to show. Dinner will be on your own. Limited tickets available

**NEW DINNER THEATER**– August 20, \$38.00 per person. Price includes transportation, lunch, and the production of *Smokey Joe's Café: The songs of Lieber & Stoller*. We have a limited amount of reserved seats. You must have pre-registered for this by July 18.

**SUGAR CREEK SHOCKERS FOOTBALL**– August 2, 9, and 16. Come out and join in the fun and support your home town team. Home games will be at Kaw Field and start at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$7.00 per person and children 13 and under are free.

**CHRISTMAS IN BRANSON**– Sign up today to travel with Sugar Creek Parks and Recreation to Branson, MO, the “Live Music Show” Capital of the World! We will visit Silver Dollar City, and celebrate the true meaning of this magical season amidst the glow of more than 5 million dazzling lights, 1,000 decorated Christmas Trees, two Broadway-style productions and a 5-story special effects Christmas Tree. Plus, a NEW Holly Jolly Christmas Light Parade featuring Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer & Friends and a lake cruise on the Branson Belle! You'll take home beautiful holiday memories destined to last a lifetime. Pre -register by October 13, 2014.

**MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE IN ILLINOIS**– September 24-26, 2014. During our trip, we will take a 3-hour Captains Lunch cruise that will include music, and a lunch buffet. Other sites we will visit will be the town of La Claire village, the home of the *American Pickers* TV show. We will also be touring The John Deer Museum, and The Iowa 80 Trucking Museum. Pre-register by August 22, 2014.

— Connie Dickinson, Parks and Recreation Supervisor

## SOULE RECEIVES HONOR FROM CITY

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administration of criminal justice. He also attended Central Missouri State University.

Soule is a veteran of the United States Army, having served for a year in Viet Nam in the Criminal Investigation Division.

He founded Sugar Creek Police and Fire Explorer Post 2. He pioneered Child Video Printing in the Metro Area and was instrumental in the development of the Homeland Security Program for the State of Missouri. During his tenure Soule has received the Award for Valor for Heroism in Line of Duty, received both Kiwanas and Optimist Officer of the year awards; and the American Legion Missouri State Police Officer for the year.

Soule has a passion for keeping the City of Sugar Creek involved with various area organizations. He served on the Midwest Public Risk

Board from 2006-2012. Since 1986 he has been an active member of the Jackson County Drug Task Force, serving on the executive board and since 1989 has been served on the COMBAT Board.

Soule has been a member of the American Legion Post 340 in Sugar Creek and was Commander for three years; a member of the Sugar Creek Economic Development Council for eight years as well as a member of the Sugar Creek Business and Civic Club and was President for three years.

He has served as a member of the Board of Advisors for Continuing Education at the Western Missouri Regional Police Academy and a member of both the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the Kansas City Metro Chiefs and Sheriffs Association.

Herb is married to his wife Jen. He has three sons and a daughter and is the proud grandfather of 11 grandchildren

and three great-grandchildren.

The Mayor, the Board of Aldermen, and the residents of Sugar Creek are proud to have Chief Herb Soule as a premiere citizen of the City of Sugar Creek.

**“If I had it to do over again, I would do it all the same.”**

*Sugar Creek Police Chief Herb Soule talking about his career with the City*

## SALVA NAMED MISS CZECH-SLOVAK

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Morgan McMichen, the 2013 Miss Czech-Slovak Missouri, has strong family ties to Sugar Creek and grew up here. She will represent the Missouri Pageant at the competition in Wilber, Neb., Aug. 2-3. More than \$10,000 in prizes will be awarded at the national pageant, including a trip to the Czech and Slovak Republics.

Gaby is the daughter of Douglas M. Salva, the late Jennifer Oakes Salva, and a granddaughter of Stan and Barbara Salva. She will be a senior in the fall at William Chrisman High School in Independence. She is on the volleyball team, plays bass in the Symphonic Orchestra, is a member of the French Club, National Honor Society and participates in the Kaufman Foundation 20/20 Leadership program. She is a

McCoy Award recipient, was also in the National Junior Honor Society and received first place in a writing competition for the United States and Canada.

She plans to study either sports psychology or forensics psychology at college as well as travel internationally, especially to Slovakia.

Gaby has a strong Slovak heritage on her father's side of the family, and is a fourth-generation descendent from Slovakia and attends St. Cyril's Church, the same one her great-great-grandparents attended when they emigrated from Slovakia.

Gaby said, "I want to be Miss Czech-Slovak Missouri because it is an opportunity for me to further my knowledge about the customs and traditions of the Czech and Slovak people, which will in turn allow me to also share my knowledge with others."

She also said, "I feel that I have been blessed to have such a strong connection to my Slovak ancestry. I come from a family of hard working people who embrace the customs and values of their heritage."

# Wayne City Landing Days

AUG. 7<sup>TH</sup> 8<sup>TH</sup> 9<sup>TH</sup>  
SUGAR CREEK, MISSOURI



Free Family Fun & Entertainment  
Carnival Rides and Games  
Food and Craft Vendors  
Historical Re-enactors  
Live Music  
Shuttle bus to Wayne City Landing

Entertainment by:  
Delisa Dawn & Route 66  
Honkytonk Renovators  
Phil Vandel Band  
Outlaw Jim &  
the Whisky Benders  
Selle Brothers

Saturday's concert's to promote  
The Wounded Warrior Project.



/waynecitylandingsdays

For a vendor booth or questions contact the City of Sugar Creek  
816-252-4400 or 816-252-4413



# NEIGHBORLY NEWS

## Life of Jasso Remembered



Anthony Steve "Tony" Jasso, 92, Sugar Creek, Mo., concluded the celebration of his life peacefully on Sunday, July 6, 2014.

Tony was born May 14, 1922, to immigrant parents in Sugar Creek, Mo. Steve Thomas and Theresa (Zilinec) Jasso immigrated from Czechoslovakia. Tony was a devout Catholic. He was a member of St. Ann's Parish. He married his high school sweetheart, Virginia Boosinger, on June 11, 1942. They were married sixty-nine and one-half years. He served his country in the U.S. Navy for five years in the South Pacific Theater during WWII. He was a custom home builder and real estate developer in Jackson County for over thirty years. The last twelve years of his career were spent as Public Works Administrator for the city of Sugar Creek. He was a Sugar Creek City Council member for twenty-seven years, served on the Board of Directors of Standard State Bank, St. Mary's High School School Board, Boy Scout Leader, sponsored and supported baseball teams, past Vice President of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and many more civic organizations. One of his greatest pleasures was spending time with his family - especially his grandchildren. He loved fishing and spending time at his weekend home at Lake Lotawana and traveling the world.

Tony was preceded in death by his wife Virginia Jasso; infant son Joseph; daughter Theresa Holland and granddaughter Jennifer Frank. He is survived by his children Toni Anne Holmes and husband Michael, Michael Jasso and wife Linda; Nina Sue Mills; son-in-law Earl Holland; grandchildren Brett Holland, Adam Holmes, Zachary Hagan, Melissa Oxley, Eric Jasso, Ryan Holland and Andrew Jasso; great-grandchildren Blake, Ella, Evan, Kate, Brooks, Brady, Hannah, Abe, Joshua, Mary Alice, Amelia and Liam.

## FIRETRUCK FOR SALE



1980 Duplex, National Foam, Squire Fire Truck, Vin: 3018-79- 5775 miles, 4088.9 engine hours.

This truck will be sold as is; this truck was originally bought by Amoco Oil in 1980, and then donated to the City of Sugar Creek in 1985. Amoco Oil never titled this

truck; there is no title for this truck. To get this truck titled you will need to fill out an application for new a title with Missouri Department of Revenue and verified through the Missouri Highway Patrol, there will be a bill of sale supplied with this fire truck.

Sealed bids will be accepted at City Hall office of City Clerk until August 19, 2014 at 5 PM. This will be a closed bid, the City of Sugar Creek does have the right to accept or refuse all bids. Minimum bid is \$5,000.00. Pictures of this fire truck can be viewed at the Sugar Creek Fire Department Facebook page or emailed. If you need more information please contact: Patrick Casey, Fire Chief, at 816-252-7058 or email at pcasey@sugar-creek.mo.us.



## At the library... AUGUST 2014

### ■ computer classes

**Computer Basics**– Tuesday, August 5 at 11:00 a.m. Learn more about getting around on your computer in this class, which offers insights into hardware and software components.

**Internet Basics**– Tuesday, August 12 at 11:00 a.m. Learn what the Internet and your Internet browser can do for you! This class concentrates on the basics of online searches.

**E-Mail Basics**– Tuesday, August 19 at 11:00 a.m. Sign up for a free e-mail account and follow along this tutorial teaches the ins and outs of sending and receiving email, as well as how to organize your messages.

**Facebook Basics**– Tuesday, August 26 at 11:00 a.m. What on earth is a Facebook and what am I supposed to do with it? Come to this class and find out! Facebook is a popular social networking site that allows you to connect with everyone. Join us and see if it is right for you.

### ■ crafts

**Quilting For The People**– Saturdays, August 2, August 16 and August 30 at 1:00 p.m. This bi-weekly class at Sugar Creek offers many options for all levels of quilters. Bring a project, start a project, or come to learn something new. Class is every other Saturday at the Sugar Creek Library. Call Nancy at 816-252-3344 for more information.

### ■ activities

**Family Story Time**– Wednesdays, August 13 and August 27 at 5:30 p.m. Join us for our Family Story Time, bring a friend, listen to a few stories, and make a craft.

### ■ book clubs

**After Lunch Book Club**– Thursdays, August 14 and August 28 at 1:30 p.m. Join us for an After Lunch Book Club as we read and discuss great books. We will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at the Sugar Creek Branch Library.

**Fairmount Community Center Book Group**– Wednesdays August 13 and August 27 at 12:15 p.m. Join us on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at the Fairmount Community Center, located at 217 S. Cedar Ave in Independence, MO 64053. Books provided by the Sugar Creek Branch Library, with discussions moderated by Mary Roberson.

**LIBRARY HOURS OF OPERATION**  
12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday  
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday  
CLOSED SUNDAYS

# Sweet Talk

## August 2014 Calendar

City Hall Offices  
Public Works  
Parks & Recreation

252-4400  
252-4413  
252-4400, ext. 137

Police or Fire Emergencies  
Non Emergencies  
[www.sugar-creek.mo.us/City\\_News.html](http://www.sugar-creek.mo.us/City_News.html)

911  
252-7058

sunday    monday    tuesday    wednesday    thursday    friday    saturday

**RESIDENTS, BE SURE TO REMEMBER...**  
*CLUB WALK: Every Monday through Friday from 9-10 a.m. at the Mike Onka Building*  
*ZUMBA FITNESS CLASS: Every Monday & Wednesday from 6-7 p.m. at Mike Onka Hall - \$5.00 per class*

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2 ★ ELECTION DAY ★	Refuse Route 3	Yardwaste Pickup	Casino Day Trip	5K Run 7:00 p.m. Sugar Creek Shockers Football – Kaw Field
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2 Community Potluck Mike Onka Bldg. 5:30 p.m. Municipal Court Police/Fire Building	Refuse Route 3	Yardwaste Pickup	7:00 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission Mtg. – City Hall	7:00 p.m. Sugar Creek Shockers Football – Kaw Field
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 3 New Dinner Theater	Yardwaste Pickup		
	<i>Delinquent date for utilities</i>					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 3	Yardwaste Pickup		
31	6:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting					
	5:30 p.m. Municipal Court Police/Fire Building					
	<i>Past due notification date</i>					

WAYNE CITY LANDING DAYS FESTIVAL