

Sugar Creek Sweet Talk

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Lorcan Doyle
Robert Ray

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Jana Olivarez-Dickerson

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Fire Chief

Patrick Casey

City Treasurer

Linda Martinovich

Building Official

Paul Loving

Director of Public Works

Ed Layton

City Attorney

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Municipal Judge

Garry L. Helm

Municipal Court Clerk

Cassie Williams

Public Safety Fleet Adds Two New Vehicles

The City of Sugar Creek has added two new vehicles to its public safety fleet.

On August 5th the Sugar Creek Police Department received a Humvee from the Law Enforcement Support Office, a division of the Department of Defense. This vehicle was no cost to the city and the Humvee was received with only 300 original miles on it.

The Humvee will be used in response to:

- Active shooter events (there are two elementary schools within the City limits)
- Barricaded subjects (there was one event in March of 2015 within the City where shots had been fired)
- Response
- First responder
- Natural disaster
- Homeland security (in defense of the Water Treatment Facility and Buckeye Fuel Terminal)
- Aid in the deployment of the City of Sugar Creeks Water Rescue Boat onto the Missouri River (we are the only municipality on the western side of Missouri with approximately 12 miles jurisdiction on the Missouri River).

The vehicles will also be used to build positive citizen interactions. The vehicles would also be used for search and rescue operations, and high-risk warrant service.

"In the past few months the police department has strived to improve the quality of life for the residents of Sugar Creek," said Chief Christopher Soule. "We have identified numerous problem residences and have served them, along with their landlords, letters letting them know that anytime they cause prob-



lems or disturb the peace of others they will be served a summons for court. So far this has been successful and the number of calls has dropped dramatically at these residences."

In mid-August the Fire Department added a 2015 Toyne pumper truck.

The Department's Capt. Adam Kelsey, said they had saved for five years to acquire the truck and needed only a little financing for the \$380,000 truck. It replaces a 15 year-old 2000 E-One pumper, that is now

held for backup.

The truck has an onboard tank capacity of 750 gallons of water, a 1,300-foot large diameter hose that can hook with a hydrant, a 500 foot attack line, and a 125 gallon-per-minute pump. The truck is designed to carry four passengers - including the driver.

This brings the fire department fleet to three pumpers, a rescue truck, a brush truck and a rescue boat.



MAYOR MATT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

First, congratulations to Valerie Soule. It is our honor to have her represent us as Truman Heartland's Citizen of the Year. I am pleased that she finally accepted my nomination. At first, as is her style, she did not want the spotlight. She is a giving person to our community. Thank you Valerie.

Next, it seems I am always at a meeting somewhere. I look at the calendar each evening to plan the next day. Where, when, why, and with whom. If I am not familiar with the topic or people, I research it and them. I take notes, make phone calls, and evaluate what I feel I want the outcome to be. How can this meeting help Sugar Creek, our employees, or our community? Will this be beneficial to us financially? Socially? Historically?

When I am prepared, I attend the designated meeting(s). Often times the meetings will be cyclic, that is, the end result of one will benefit the next, and so on. These are

like pieces of a jig saw puzzles. The longer one works on it, the more pieces that eventually get pieced together. A five thousand piece puzzle does not go together all at once. It requires many people many hours to make the final picture a reality. And so it is with our city projects.

I had a citizen tell me the other day that since they had not heard anything about our solar project for awhile they assumed it was abandoned. I assured that person that it is indeed still alive. Our 24 highway

and Sterling project is still in the works. Our downtown project is inhaling new breath deeply. We have enough interest in an historical district that we are moving forward with plans on how to make it happen. The National Parks System is anxious to help our national trails projects move forward. The old Piggly Wiggly store is poised for it's new life. We are making progress on many of our projects. I admit, I am not very patient when it comes to progress, but like everyone else, I must learn to be. We will get there, just one piece at a time.

We have pieced enough puzzle pieces together that we are now beginning to see the overall picture. By looking at the box top, one can piece more of a puzzle together. By talking to our citizens, I am able to visualize what the end result needs to be. I must tell you, it is very pleasing.

Sugar Creek is going places!

*Thank you,
Mayor Matt Mallinson*



KnowHowe Salon Provides Back-To-School Haircuts

KnowHowe Salon formerly Christine's at 518 N. Sterling was recognized at a recent Council Meeting for giving free back to school haircuts to children on August 4, 2015.

Mary Howe (pictured at left with Sugar Creek Mayor Matt Mallinson) owner of the salon said they had over 100 families in the salon on that day and many of the families had several children, over 300 free haircuts were given on that day.

Mary will be offering a Homecoming special and other exciting events in the near future. You can visit KnowHowe Salon on the internet at www.knowhowesalon.com or by e-mail knowhowesalon@gmail.com or (816) 252-0383.

The City of Sugar Creek thanks Mary Howe for the service she provides to our community.



NEWS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

Public Works

REFUSE– PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ALL REFUSE, AND YARDWASTE MUST BE PLACED ALONG THE STREET CURB FOR CREWS TO PICK UP BY 7:00 A.M. ON YOUR REFUSE DAY.

ALL TRASH CANS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A LID. At times our refuse crews come upon homes that have had their trash strew on the ground. Most generally this is done by wild animals and in a few cases, domesticated animals. It is important that the lids are properly secured to the trash cans so animals will not get into your trash.

EXTRA BULKY REFUSE PICKUP– The final bulky item pick-up for 2015 will begin on Monday October 5.

Refuse must be out by 7:00 a.m., but not more than 72 hours prior to that date.

Extra refuse is defined as items of refuse which are not banned from landfills, and are too large to be loaded in the solid waste collection vehicles.

RECYCLING– Curbside recycling is now available. If you are in need of a recycling bin, please call Public Works at (816)252-4413.

YARD WASTE– Yard waste is considered as an organic matter. Which includes, grass clippings, tree limbs, and leaves. Please consult the calendar and web site for additional information of yardwaste. In November the dates for pick up are

Thursday yard waste procedures:

- Place items in containers not weighing more than 65 lbs. or
- Use Kraft brown paper bags - NO PLASTIC BAGS.
- Cut, tie, and bundle all brush, in 4 ft. lengths.
- Do not use wire to tie brush.
- Do not mix household refuse with yard waste.
- Bundles, Containers & contents, or paper bag contents must not weigh over 65 lb.

Yard waste cannot be included in regular household refuse. If yard waste is detected in regular solid waste, it will not be picked up.

DATES FOR YARDWASTE COLLECTION: Yardwaste MUST be set out by 7 a.m. on Thursday. It generally takes our crews 2 working days to collect all yardwaste.

- November 5, 12, and 19
- December 3rd and 17th
- Christmas Tree pickup - January 7

— Sue Mikula, Public Works Administrative Assistant

Parks & Recreation

COMMUNITY POTLUCK– The Parks and Recreation Department will hold its annual Community Potluck on October 13; We will provide fried chicken; please bring a side dish or desert. The potluck will be held at Mike Onka Hall, and lunch will begin at 12:00 pm.

INSTRUCTIONAL YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL– These will be for ages 4 up to 10 years old or grades Kindergarten through the 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– Next class will be held November 21. For a fee of \$35.00 you will be instructed by certified Bob Ross instructor Jean Libby. You will be able to take home your finished painting at the end of the class.

NEW DINNER THEATER– October 21, 2015. \$40.00 per person, price includes transportation, lunch, and production. We have limited amount of reserved seats you must pre register for this.

YOUTH OF THE MONTH– Open to all youth residents of Sugar

Creek ages kindergarten-18. Nomination forms can be picked up at City Hall.

FREE FAMILY FALL FEST– The Sugar Creek Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will again be hosting the Family Fall Fest on Saturday, October 31. The festival will be held at Mike Onka Memorial Hall from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is a safe trick or treating event for the youth of the community.

FALL CRAFT FAIR– This event will be held at the Sugar Creek Gym, 11232 Chicago, on November 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you have a craft item and would like to sell your products, contact the Parks and Recreation Department for more information.

YARD BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM– The purpose of the of the Yard Beautification Program is to maintain and improve the appearance of our community by promoting well-manicured yards. The winners will receive a YARD BEAUTIFICATION sign to display in their yard for two weeks. A picture of the winning yard will be posted on the City website and an award will be presented to the winner at a city council meeting. Winners will also be posted on the City's FaceBook page. Every effort will be made to rotate the winners among the entire city. All homeowners and renters are invited to participate. There will also be a second and third place winner, and they will be eligible to receive the first place award at a later time. The beautification first place award can only be won once a year.

— Connie Dickinson, Parks and Recreation Supervisor

Fire Department

NEW FIRETRUCK– As we enter a new fiscal year the fire department has gained a large boost with the arrival of our new 2015 Toyne Fire Truck, this has been a much needed tool over the past several years. Our department will be able to deliver a high quality of service with the new equipment. Our new pumper took over 9 months to build and \$385,000.00, so this is very special to the department.

The City of Sugar Creek, the Citizens of Sugar Creek and I the Fire Chief are very fortunate to have a very great bunch of folks on our fire department. Our Firefighters are highly committed, no matter what the circumstance. During the course of the day they stay active in training, commercial inspection, residential inspections, fire hydrant inspections & flushing hydrants, along with the daily chores that they have during the course of their shift.

Also a few of the fire fighters go to both elementary schools and read to students, eat lunch with the students or just go for recess to exercise with the students which includes an afterhours running program.

In 2014 there were a total of 612 calls for service, this ranging from medicals, fires, citizen assist, or mutual aid to other departments. Again I want to stress that our citizens have the best firefighters in the business. If you should need anything or information from the department do not hesitate to call 816-252-7058.

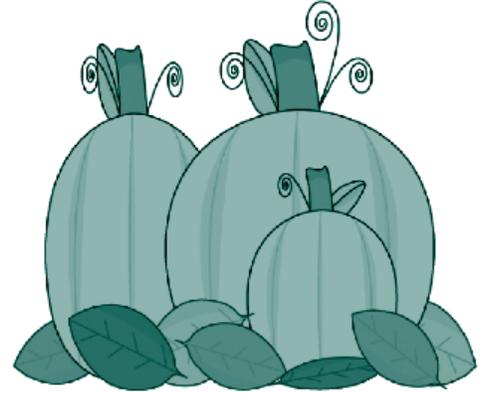
— Patrick Casey, Sugar Creek Fire Chief



Sugar Creek Parks & Recreation's

Annual Family Fall Festival

Saturday, October 31, 2015
11am - 2pm



- Safe Trick or Treat
- Games from Local Businesses
- Costume Contest
- Pie Eating Contest
- Pony Rides

Free hot dog, chips, popcorn and water for each individual provided by **Inter-City Sugar Creek Optimist Club**

Join us for a fun filled afternoon at **Mike Onka Hall**
11520 Putnam St. • Sugar Creek, MO 64054

For more information contact: Connie at 816-252-4400 ext. 137

Costume Contest Hours



Infant—3yrs	11:30am
4yrs—7yrs	12:00pm
8yrs—12yrs	12:30pm
13yrs & up	1:00pm

*Registration for each age group will close 5 minutes before start time.

Pre-Registration for Costume Contest

Bring this portion with you!

Child's First & Last Name

Age Category

(Please circle one)

Infant—3yrs 4yrs—7yrs 8yrs—12yrs 13yrs & Up



To be completed day of event

Contestant # _____



Abraham Mallinson Elementary

At Abraham Mallinson Elementary School, we strive to provide a safe, learning community for our students that will inspire them to reach their full potential.

It is through positive relationships that our students are empowered to achieve their lifelong goals.

We at Abraham Mallinson Elementary School recognize how vital community involvement is in the success of our students.

When our community comes together to place importance on education our students stand to benefit more—as we can work together to accomplish goals and remove obstacles.

The Abraham Mallinson PTA would like to invite you to help us help our students! We need your unique skills and ideas.

Our PTA meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at 709 N. Forest St, Sugar Creek, MO.

You do not need to be a PTA member to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!



At the library... OCTOBER 2015

■ computer classes

Computer Basics— Tuesday, October 6 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, October 13 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, October 20 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.

Google Docs— Tuesday, October 27 at 11:00 a.m. Stop relying on email attachments and multiple documents! Discover Google Docs and how it can help you and your colleagues collaborate, share, and store multiple documents in one convenient place.

■ crafts

Quilting For The People— Saturdays, October 10 and October 24 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.

■ teen activities

Teen Creek After Hours— Friday, October 2 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Be creative. Be loud. Be here! The Sugar Creek Library stays open late for teens only. Come and hang out – play on the computers, watch a movie, or just meet up with friends. Food and noise allowed!

■ book clubs

After Lunch Book Club— Thursdays, October 8 and October 22 at 1:30 p.m. Join us for an After Lunch Book Club at the Sugar Creek Branch Library as we read and discuss great books. Discussions moderated by Christy Tapko.

Fairmount Community Center Book Group— Wednesday, October 28 at 12:15 p.m. Join us at the Fairmount Community Center. Books are provided by the Sugar Creek Branch Library. Discussions moderated by Mary Roberson.

LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Friday and Saturday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday..... Closed

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October 2015 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

911
252-7058

sunday monday tuesday wednesday thursday friday saturday

BE SURE TO REMEMBER...
CLUB WALK: Monday-Friday, 9-10 a.m. at the Sugar Creek Gym
ZUMBA CLASS: Every Mon. & Wed., 6-7 p.m. at the Sugar Creek Gym. - \$5.00/class

4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Refuse Route 1 Large Item Pickup	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 3	Yardwaste Pickup 7:00 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission Mtg. - City Hall	1	2	3
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2 Community Podluck 5:30 p.m. Municipal Court Police and Fire Bldg.	Refuse Route 3	Yardwaste Pickup	Yardwaste Pickup	Yardwaste Pickup	Yardwaste Pickup
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 3 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Sugar Creek United Methodist Church Ham & Bean Dinner	Yardwaste Pickup	Yardwaste Pickup	Yardwaste Pickup
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1 <i>Delinquent date for utilities</i>	Refuse Route 2 5:30 p.m. Municipal Court Police and Fire Bldg.	Refuse Route 3	<i>Past due notification date</i>	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 1 6:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Family Fall Fun Fest