

Sugar Creek Sweet Talk

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A Thank You To Our Business Community

Several weeks ago, the Independence Examiner newspaper included an article thanking a new business for being the first new business in Sugar Creek during the past 3 decades.

While the Sugar Creek leadership is very excited and proud to be the new home for Dollar General they wanted to also thank the many other businesses that chose Sugar Creek for the location to operate their business. It is very rare for the city staff to receive a request from one of our businesses and yet a very large percent of the city's daily operation and service provided to our residents is dependent upon the revenue generated by the numerous business operations in Sugar Creek.

The Mayor and Board of Alderman on behalf of the City Staff and residents would like to express our thanks and appreciation to each and every business for everything they do to make the quality of life in Sugar Creek a step above surrounding locations.

We continue to work on new business projects and whether you need a dog kennel, garage door service, construction materials, auto parts, a haircut, food supplies a large tenderloin sandwich or simply want to sit down for a cold beer, we encourage you to make the businesses listed below your first choice.

Thank you again to our business community for making Sugar Creek stand tall with the best of the best.

ACTIVE CARE CHIROPRACTIC
AIR MASTER HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING
AL-HAM HEATING & COOLING
ALLIED WASTE REPUBLIC SERVICES
ANNETTE MARIE MITCHELL
APAC KANSAS CITY
AUDUBON MATERIALS
AUDUBON READY MIX LLC
AV HEATING & COOLING
BEST BUY CAR CO. LLC
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ELF MACHINE WORKS INC.
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INTERCITY S.C. OPTIMIST CLUB
JAMES SMITH DDS
JEL ENTERPRISE
KANSAS CITY AGGREGATES
KANSAS CITY FLY ASH
KC LIBRARY
KEVIN ONKA PAINTING
KJ REMODELING LLC
KNIGHT RIDER ENTERTAINMENT
KNOW HOWE SALON LLS
KROSS RESTAURANT & LOUNGE
LANARD HALL
LANARD TOYS INC.
LARSON'S LAWN SERVICE
LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE LODGE
LS COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE
MAE ENTERPRISES
MALLINSON MANOR INC.
MENCO ROYAL INC.
MID WEST MATERIAL MANAGEMENT
MIDWEST WAREHOUSING
MORGAN JACOBS LLC
M-PRINTS INC.
NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET
NORTHERN SAFETY CO INC.
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC.
PAUL J WRABEC CO. INC. SC LICENSE OFFICE
PAUL J. WRABEC CO. INC. VINOGRAD WINERY
PEKING EXPRESS
PRO BUILT PRODUCTS
RICHARDSON HAULING INC.
ROB'S MUSIC
ROXY'S COFFEE SHOP
SAMANTHA'S SEATING & DESIGN
SEGER LAWN & GARDEN
SIDESHOW TATTOO
SK COOPER CONSTRUCTION
SLAVIC FESTIVAL BOARD
SMITKA LAWN SERVICE
STERLING BOWL INC.
STICKS & STONES BAR & GRILL
STYLEWORKS HAIR DESIGN
SUGAR CREEK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
SUGAR CREEK CONOCO
TACO BELL
TALON CONCRETE
THE KOBE HOUSE
TOP-HAT-THE GALLERY
TRANSWOOD INC.
VALARIES PLACE
VFW SUGAR CREEK MEMORIAL
WASTE MANAGEMENT OF MISSOURI
WIL-PAV INC.
XPRESS MART

Please note that we are not perfect and if we have left off any businesses, we apologize. It was certainly not intentional. Feel free to contact City Hall and let us know if your business was left off or needs a correction and we will make sure there is a correction in an upcoming newsletter.



MAYOR MATT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

The National Parks Service (NPS) is 100 years old this year. What does one do for a hundredth anniversary? We celebrate as a nation, and in particular for the Partnership for the National Historic Trails (a division of the NPS), a convention. As many of you know, the NPS has announced that the approximately 45 mile long trail (sidewalk) that will run from Wayne City Landing in Sugar Creek to Gardner, Kansas is their number one priority nationwide to complete. They have already sent \$60K to MARC to design this trail. So, it makes sense to have the convention in the area that is the number one priority. June 6-10th marked the National Historic Trails Workshop, in Independence.

This convention was attended by approximately 80 people representing many historic trails organizations nationwide, many being the actual heads of their departments. Organizations such as Bureau of Land Management, Oregon California Trails Association, Partnership for the National

trails System, Overmountain Victory Trail Association, NPS Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, Santa Fe Trail Association, Nez Perce Trail Foundation, Board Builders, Partnership for the National Trails System, Santa Fe Trails Association, Trail of Tears Association, Kansas City Area Historic Trails Association, National Frontier Trails Museum, Federal Highway Administration, El Camino Real de los Tejas NHT Association, NPS-Ala Kahakai NHT, Old Spanish Trails Association, Ice Age Trails Alliance, National Pony Express, Cave Springs, Federal Highway Administration, and others were in attendance. Please note that it requires the cooperation of many federal, state, regional and local organizations to create this multi-jurisdictional project.

While they were in town, the Power Mill Bridge over I-435 at Bannister that is part of this 45 mile long trail was dedicated. This is the first pedestrian bridge of this sort in the nation.

Also dedicated, the Fairbanks bronze medallion that was placed on the Jackson County Court House lawn, which included

our own Van Horn High School Choir, the special needs playground in the historic McCoy park, as well as tours at Wayne City Landing with local high school actors followed by a dinner and living historians representing our trail days history from Wayne City Landing to Independence at Mallinson Hall. This trail is the first multi-jurisdictional trail of this sort in the nation. The Powder Mill Bridge is the first of this sort in the nation, with another one over I-70 to follow. There are many firsts for this whole project. We in Sugar Creek are honored that it will start in our town. We were the beginning for thousands who were part of the largest volunteer mass migration in history. We are honored that all these National Historic Trail Attendees visited and toured our town.

Our next project? How about a trail along the Missouri River from Fort Osage to Sugar Creek? We are already visiting with the managers of The Lewis and Clark National Historic Trails. Sugar Creek is going places!

*Thank you,
Mayor Matt Mallinson*

D.A.R.E. Community Education Program

**TO RESIST DRUGS
AND VIOLENCE.**

Hosted by the Sugar Creek Police Department

Instructed by SRO Molly Brackeen

The D.A.R.E. Community Program consists of four (4) different lessons that are designed to address specific needs of local D.A.R.E. Communities. This program is for **adults only**. Lessons will address current trends in drug use, methamphetamine in our community, inhalants, the heroin epidemic, bullying, and internet safety.

***To register for this program, call the Police/Fire non-emergency line 816-252-7058**

or e-mail mbrackeen@sugar-creek.mo.us

When:

Thursday July 14 6pm-7pm
Thursday July 21 6pm-7:30pm
Thursday July 28 6pm-7:30pm
Thursday August 4 6pm-7:30pm

Where:

Police Headquarters Training Room
1001 Heroes Way Sugar Creek, MO 64054



Jackson County
COMBAT

Save a life. Save a neighborhood.

This is a FREE program sponsored by The Sugar Creek Police Department and Jackson County COMBAT.

NEWS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

Public Works

2015 ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT– The 2015 Consumer Confidence - Annual Water Quality Report for the City of Sugar Creek will NOT be mailed to each individual customer but is available online at <http://www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO1010773.pdf>.

A copy of the report can be requested at City Hall and Public Works building. This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made to provide safe drinking water.

If there are any questions regarding this report please feel free to contact Public Works 252-4413

LANDFILL PERMITS– All residents MUST show proof of residency when obtaining a landfill permit from Public Works. A copy of your most current City utility bill can be obtained from City Hall.

STREET LIGHTS– Report a street light that is not working. Please have the pole numbers that are on the pole and approximate address of the pole. Call Public Works at 252-4413.

MOSQUITOES– Mosquitoes are an all too familiar summer nuisance. They are not only annoying, but they represent potential health hazards. There are positive steps that you can take to reduce this menace, since many generations of mosquitoes can breed right in your yard, you can help eliminate the potential breeding grounds around your home. If there are any places around your property where water collects, such as water-holding containers, house drains, and ornamental ponds. CHECK YOUR YARD & HOME...old tires, tin cans, bottles, jars, buckets, and other containers. Repair leaky pipes, outside faucets, clean clogged roof gutters and drain flat roofs.

— Sue Mikula, Public Works Administrative Assistant

Parks & Recreation

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

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE– The parade will take place on Monday, July 4. Start time will be 11:00 a.m. at Sterling and 24 Hwy., and will end at Mike Onka Parking Lot. If you would like to participate, please contact Connie Dickinson to register. Categories for the parade will be: Auto, Youth, Commercial, Non Commercial, Marching, Judges Special, Family.

FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS DISPLAY– The City of Sugar Creek, Missouri announces the annual 4th of July Fireworks Display to be held on Monday, July 4th. The fun will begin at 9:00 p.m. or at dark. The fireworks will be at Kaw Park, 11520 Putnam. Shuttle service will be available from Sterling and Elizabeth Street starting at 7:00 p.m. The July 4th fireworks are the highlight of this festive holiday, to commemorate the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Grab your blanket, pack some snacks, and arrive early to get a good spot on the lawn for watching the annual fireworks display on America's birthday! Refreshments will be for sale. The Citizens Civic Relief Commission (CCRC) will be accepting donations of canned or dry food products during the activities.

BOB ROSS OIL PAINTING CLASSES– Next class will be held July 17. 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. These classes held on the third

Saturday of every other month.

NEW DINNER THEATER– August 17, 2016. \$40.00 per person, price includes transportation, lunch, and production. We have limited amount of reserved seats you must pre-register for this event.

YOUTH OF THE MONTH– Open to all youth residents of Sugar Creek ages K-18. Nomination forms can be picked up at City Hall.

CLUB WALK– Club Walk is held at the Sugar Creek gym, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. For those interested in walking to stay in shape, keep exercising even during inclement weather. Eighteen times around the gym equals one mile! Periodically we will have rehab facilities attend to enhance our walking program.

ZUMBA CLASS– Held Monday and Wednesday, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the Mike Onka Building. Cost of class \$5.00 Please wear comfortable shoes and don't forget to bring water. Certified licensed instructor Krystal Thompson, krystalthompson300@msn.com.

GARDEN CLUB– We will hold our next meeting July 21. Call for more information about the location.

STARLIGHT THEATER & DINNER ON THE TOWN– We will have tickets for July 13 and July 27. Cost is \$8.00 per person, and price includes transportation and ticket to show. Dinner will be on your own. Limited Tickets available.

SUGAR CREEK SHOCKERS FOOTBALL– On July 9 come out and join in the fun and support your home town team! Home games are held at Kaw Field and start at 7:00 p.m. Admission is just \$7.00 per person and children 13 and under are admitted for free.

SUGAR CREEK HARVEST MARKET– The Sugar Creek Harvest Market operates every Thursday from March through October. The market is held in the lot at 606 N. Sterling. Hours are 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Harvest Market is open to the general public. Vendor's are required to have a permit to set up a booth. This consists of a 10' x 10' space. Contact Connie Dickinson for booth permit.

— Connie Dickinson, Parks and Recreation Supervisor

DUMPSTER RENTAL

PLEASE REMEMBER... In order to place a dumpster on your property you MUST obtain a permit from the Sugar Creek Police Department. Once the permit is obtained, a dumpster can then be rented from Allied Waste (Republic) for a fee of \$130.00. Allied is located at 1220 E. Brookside in Independence MO 64052. Their phone number is 816-254-1470. You may use a different company, the rules still apply for any other refuse hauling company.

When the container is full, come to the Sugar Creek Public Works Department and obtain a permit for the landfill to furnish for your hauling company in order for them to take the dumpster to the landfill.

Sugar Creek Public Works hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Courtney Ridge Landfill hours are 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Truman Cup Cycling Race Slated For July 22-24, 2016

The 3rd Annual Truman Cup, a three-day cycling race in Eastern Jackson County, is scheduled to take place July 22-24, 2016.

This USA Cycling-sanctioned event includes three separate races and begins with the Cement City Time Trial taking place in Sugar Creek on Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. The racers will take off in 30-second intervals in this "race against the clock" over a flat and fast 10k distance along Cement City Road. Next up will be the Sugar Creek Circuit Race which is on Saturday beginning at 9:00 a.m. and starts/finishes near Mike Onka Hall. This race features multiple 4-mile laps around town, including the challenging 1.5 mile climb up Kentucky Rd. Finally, the Square Criterium takes place on Sunday beginning at 9:00 a.m. near the historic courthouse and features short laps and fast racing around the Independence Square.



Based on our success over the first two years of this event, we anticipate over 500 racers to participate throughout the weekend from numerous states and ranging from 8 to over 65 years of age for this sporting event. Cycling fans and local residents may attend and watch the races free of charge.

The racers will compete for medals and a total cash purse of approximately \$7,500

thanks to the generosity of the following local corporate and civic sponsors:

Alloy Wheel Repair Specialists; City of Independence Tourism; Up Dog; Ophelia's; Square Pizza; Bike Stop Bicycle Stores; Republic Services; Quicksilver Readymix; Terra Health & Wellness Market; Waddel & Reed Financial Advisor Randen Schleiden; Cable-Dahmer Chevrolet; and Corporate Copy

Print.

More information about the event may be found at our Facebook page under "Truman Cup" and our team page "Jacombo Racing."

Should you have any questions or wish to talk with me further, feel free to call my cell number at (816)914-2990.

– Jason Rew, Race Director



HEY! SUGAR CREEK RESIDENTS!

Borda Productions is excited to deliver one of the best country music experiences in the country - right here in beautiful Sugar Creek.

Tumbleweed Country Music and Camping festival is an unforgettable country experience with \$25 helicopter rides, zip lines, archery, guided canoe trips, hot air balloons, mechanical bull rides, country boutiques, wine tasting, camping, hiking, fishing and amazing music.

This Labor Day weekend (Sept 3rd & 4th), we invite you to have the best weekend of your life. Borda Productions is offering an exclusive discount to Sugar Creek residents: 40% off. For just \$59, you can experience all of Tumbleweed over two days and nights.

When purchasing tickets, enter promo code SUGAR for the promotional special. This special Sugar Creek discount ends on July 17th!

Thank you, see y'all in September!

Doug Bordegon

TumbleweedCountry.com

Questions? tumbleweed@bordaproductions.com

NEIGHBORLY NEWS

Life of Phillips Remembered

Kenneth "Topper" Phillips, 80, of Sugar Creek, Mo. passed away March 25, 2016.

Visitation and service was held March 31, at the Carson-Speaks Chapel; Burial was at Mound Grove Cemetery.

Betz Will Be Missed

Gerald W. Betz, 78, of Sugar Creek, Mo., passed away April 4, 2016.

Gerald was born July 2, 1937, in Kansas City, Mo., to William and Phyllis (Jones) Betz. He grew up in the Kansas City area where he attended James Elementary and graduated from Northeast High School. Gerald was a proud veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving in Okinawa. He held a number of elected and appointed offices and leadership roles in Jackson County, including Past President of Steelworkers Local 4803; Past President and Vice-President of Sugar Creek Business and Civic Club; former member of the Sugar Creek Planning and Zoning Committee; and past member of the Executive Board of Moose Lodge #10. In 1999, he retired from the City of Sugar Creek. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Richard Betz; and son-in-law, Robert Heishman.

Gerald is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Suzanne (Hammond) Betz; five daughters, Cindy Drinkard (Dennis), Cheri Long (Rick), Joy Scribner (Jim), Jill Heishman, Geri Ford (Daniel); eleven grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren



THE CITY OF SUGAR CREEK

Fourth of JULY

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For more information, please contact...

Connie Dickinson
Parks and Recreation Director
816-252-4400 ext. 1137
cdickinson@sugar-creek.mo.us



At the library... JULY 2016

computer classes

Computer Basics– Tuesday, July 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, July 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, July 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.

Computer Basics– Tuesday, July 26 at 11:00 a.m. Learn more about getting around on your computer in this class, which offers insights into hardware and software components.

crafts

Quilting For The People– Saturday, July 9 and Saturday, July 23 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.

book clubs

After Lunch Book Club– Thursday, July 14 and Thursday, July 28 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, July 27 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.

activities

Mine Craft– Tuesday, July 5 at 4:00 p.m. Pixel Art Competition - You will be designated an area for your creations that can be a maximum of three rows thick and as wide as you need. Every week will feature a different mystery challenge to focus your energies. Will you be challenged to build a superhero themed character or your favorite snack item? Come and find out.

Mine Craft– Tuesday, July 12 at 4:00 p.m. Coliseum of MOB Slaying - Your monster slaying abilities will be put to the ultimate test, as you attempt to fight your way to earn fame. In doing so, you will have to decide: Do you want a Saddle? Will you craft or buy your items? These decisions are yours to make, so choose wisely and get ready to shoot, chop and slice your way through to THE END. May the odds be ever in your favor.

Kid's Craft/Activity– Thursday, July 7 and Thursday, July 21 at 4:00 p.m. Ready, Set, Read Summer Reading program craft and activity on Thursday afternoons. Contact the Sugar Creek Branch for more information at 816-701-3489.

PLEASE NOTE: The Sugar Creek Branch Library will be CLOSED Monday, July 4th for the Independence Day Holiday.

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July 2016 Calendar

City Hall Offices
Public Works
Parks & Recreation

252-4400
252-4413
252-4400, ext. 1137

Police or Fire Emergencies
Non Emergencies
www.sugar-creek.mo.us/City_News.html

911
252-7058

sunday monday tuesday wednesday thursday friday saturday

SUGAR CREEK JULY 4TH CELEBRATION!
The annual 4th of July Parade begins at 11:00 a.m.
★ Fireworks display at 9:00 p.m. (or dark) at Kaw Park ★

3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	FOURTH OF JULY City Hall and Public Works Offices Closed 11:00 a.m. Parade 9:00 p.m. Fireworks	Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 3	Yardwaste Pickup	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 12:00 p.m. Community Pot Luck – Mike Onka Bldg. 5:30 p.m. Municipal Court Police and Fire Building	Refuse Route 3 Starlight Theater and Dinner	Yardwaste Pickup 7:00 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission Mtg. – City Hall		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1 <i>Delinquent date for utilities</i>	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 3	Yardwaste Pickup Garden Club Meeting		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 1	Refuse Route 2	Refuse Route 3 Starlight Theater and Dinner	Yardwaste Pickup <i>Past due notification date</i>		
31						
6:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting		5:30 p.m. Municipal Court Police and Fire Building				