

CITY OF
EUREKA

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2021

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INVASION OF THE SCARECROWS

The City of Eureka will once again come alive from September 28th through the end of October with the Eureka Scarecrow Festival featuring creative and whimsical scarecrows posing regally in front of businesses, churches and schools. Whether you visit uptown Eureka, along Fifth Street, running parallel to I-44, or stroll down Central Avenue in Old Town Eureka, you will experience a fun and festive feast for the eyes. For information regarding voting for your favorite scarecrow and upcoming activities visit www.eurekascarecrowfestival.com

GO! ST. LOUIS HALLOWEEN RACE

The Great GO! St. Louis Halloween Race will take place on Sunday, October 17th at 7:00 a.m. The course begins at the starting line in Lions Park and finishes on South Central Avenue. The Halloween fun starts with the Trick-or-Treat 5K which will be lined with not only your usual water stops but also candy stops for you to trick-or-treat along the way. The 10K has some added adventure as well. For more information, please visit www.gostlouis.org/halloween

HARVEST MOON RUN

The 10th Annual Harvest Moon Run will take place in Route 66 State Park on Saturday, October 23rd. It will feature the Mini Moon Dash and Moonie Mile for kids ages 10 and under and a 5K Night Run/Walk. The cost is \$37.00 for the 5K, \$35.00 per participant for teams of six (6) or more and Free for the Mini Moon Dash and Moonie Mile for kids ages 10 and under. Proceeds will benefit the Eureka Food Pantry and the Eureka-Pacific Elks Lodge Weekend Backpack Food Program. For additional information or to register to participate visit www.harvestmoonrun.org

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

The Eureka Police Department and Eureka Fire Protection District would like to remind you that September is National Preparedness Month. There are a number of severe weather hazards that affect Missouri, including thunderstorms, tornadoes, lightning, floods and flash floods, damaging winds and large hail, snow and ice. Severe weather hazards have the potential to cause extensive property damage, injury and/or death. The National Weather Service and the American Red Cross have developed Emergency Preparedness Guides, which contain information about winter weather terms and tips for staying safe at home, in the car and at work or school.

Emergency preparedness is no longer the sole concern of earthquake prone Californians and those who live in the part of the country known as "Tornado Alley". Knowing what to do during an emergency is an important part of being prepared and may make all the difference when seconds count. Go to www.ready.gov for preparedness tips. For additional information, please contact Police Chief Michael Wiegand at 938-6600 or the Fire Protection District at 938-5505.

WATCH FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Just a reminder, please observe speed limits and watch for school children. State law and City ordinances require drivers to STOP when school buses load and unload and when pedestrians are using crosswalks. The 20 MPH school speed zones will be enforced during school hours.

SANITARY SEWER BACKUP INSURANCE

For protection against sanitary sewer backups, check with your insurance carrier to see if a rider is required for home and property damage coverage. The City is not liable for these occurrences; therefore, individual coverage is needed.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN ACTION

Adopted the following by Ordinance:

- Authorizing Renewing Existing Franchise and Granting for a period of twenty (20) years to Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, it's Successors and Assigns.
- Authorizing to Readopt a Procedure to Disclose Potential Conflicts of Interest and Substantial Interests for Certain Officials.
- Amending the Municipal Code to provide for Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Regulations.
- Authorizing Entering into an Agreement with the Special School District to participate in their Community Based Vocational Instruction Program.

CodeRED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The CodeRED emergency notification system is a communication service available for emergency notifications such as a missing child, evacuation, bomb threat, hostage situation, natural disaster, terrorism threat, chemical spill or other emergency incidents where rapid and accurate notification is essential for safety, plus severe weather alerts if you so choose. CodeRED can employ mapping capable of geographic targeting of calls, coupled with a telephone calling system capable of delivering a pre-recorded message at a rate of up to 60,000 calls per hour. You may select which type of warning you wish to receive and/or choose to receive alerts at multiple phone numbers. CodeRED can reach Eureka residents by residential phone, business phone or cell phone. The system will make three (3) attempts to contact citizens and will leave messages in voicemail and on answering machines. The system can also send e-mails and text messages if desired.

The only way to ensure that your information is entered into the CodeRED system is to sign up for the notifications. You will be asked to provide your phone number and home address so that notifications made only to selected neighborhoods will be accurate. To register or if you have questions regarding the CodeRED service, you may access the CodeRED website via the City's website at www.eureka.mo.us or contact the Eureka Police Department at 938-6600. The service is free for Eureka residents.

SANITARY SEWER BLOCKAGES

We occasionally encounter problems with grease deposits causing blockages in our sanitary sewer system and would like to remind you to dispose of grease properly and avoid pouring it down the drain as it hardens over time and becomes lodged in the line causing backups and problems at the treatment facility. Used grease may be disposed of by pouring it into a metal can with a plastic lid. Vegetable shortening cans will not work since they are foil lined and cannot withstand the heat. Once it has cooled and solidified it can be disposed of in the trash can. Oils that do not solidify can be saved and reused as long as they are strained, refrigerated and used within a few weeks. Small amounts of oil can be used to lubricate squeaky hinges, wheelbarrow and wagon wheels, pruners, loppers and garden scissors. It can also be applied to garden shovels and spades to prevent them from rusting. A thin coating can be applied to a snow shovel to prevent the snow from sticking. If these options won't work for you, to help solidify this type of kitchen oil try mixing it with bark chips, kitty litter or sand and then disposing of it with your normal household waste.

COMMUNITY EVENT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND - ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST

The Eureka Masons host a breakfast the first Saturday of each month from 6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge (across from Farmers and Merchants Bank). Adults are \$9.00 and children are \$4.00 (ages 5 and under are free). Eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast, a variety of pancakes, home fries and biscuits & gravy will be served. Proceeds from the breakfasts are used for Eureka High School Scholarships and Shriners Hospital.