

# CITY OF FENTON—NEWS & VIEWS

SEPTEMBER—OCTOBER 2014



## MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

In mid-August we said farewell to a long-time Fenton resident, Guy Youngman. Youngman served as Chief of Police for Fenton for decades.

He saw our City grow and change from a quiet suburb of Saint Louis into a vibrant City. During that growth, his title changed from “Marshal” to “Chief of Police”. No matter the title, Youngman was greatly respected by those who served under him as well as by those whom he served. His service extended beyond his time with us in Fenton. He was also a decorated Veteran of World War II. On behalf of the City of Fenton, I extend our condolences to his wife, Betty; their children; grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

September 2014 is a momentous month in the history of our United States. Both of these events mark an anniversary associated with a war.

First, we are celebrating the 200th anniversary of the penning of “The Star Spangled Banner”, our National Anthem. It was written by Francis Scott Key while he was held prisoner on the HMS Tonnant, a British War Ship. On September 3, 1814, Key and his friend, John Stuart Skinner, had been sent by President James Madison on a humanitarian mission to learn the conditions of Americans held prisoner onboard. Key and Skinner inadvertently heard the battle plans to attack Baltimore and Fort McHenry and were themselves taken prisoner because of this knowledge. It was from that vantage point on the water one night in mid-September during the battle that Key witnessed the numerous “rockets” and “bombs” that filled the evening sky with such dense smoke it caused Key to wonder whether or not the flag would still be flying “when the smoke cleared” the next morning. It wasn’t meant to be a song, but rather a poem that Key entitled “Defence of Fort McHenry”. It was written when both our country and our flag were young. Our flag had, at that time, 15 stars for 15 states – and 15 stripes, as well. But no matter how many times the composition of our Flag changed, it stood, and continues to stand, for every American.

One hundred years later, in 1914, the United States braced itself for news of the war that was raging in Europe. It had started on July 28, 1914. And, less than two months later, this war was revving up rather than cooling down. By September, it was clear that the war was global. It would be about three years before the United States entered the war, known then as The Great War, and to us, in hindsight, as World War I. Nearly 117,000 Americans lost their lives in that war.

I wanted to personally do something to honor the veterans in Fenton. This is a personal event, and not one held by the City of Fenton. Delmar Gardens of Meramec Valley has graciously stepped up to hold the event at their facility. Thanks to the generosity of many Veteran groups and other area groups, we have come up with a spectacular morning to show area Veterans and others our thanks.

This is what is planned: On Tuesday, November 11 (Veterans’ Day), there will be a Veterans’ Day event at Delmar Gardens of Meramec Valley. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. and a buffet-style breakfast will be served until 9:30 a.m. Veteran-related organizations will be on hand to answer questions. At 9:30 a.m. the program honoring our Veterans will begin. The program will include recognition of the Veterans present; a ‘Missing Man’ ceremony; and a short, flag retirement ceremony will be conducted outside. There is no cost for the festivities, but reservations are required. The receptionist at Delmar Gardens of Meramec Valley will take your reservations from 6:30 a.m. – 10:30 p.m. at 636-343-0016 or you may send an email reservation to [mmeyer@delmargardens.com](mailto:mmeyer@delmargardens.com). Valet parking will be available that day. Please consider joining us as we celebrate our Veterans.

Your friend, Mayor Mike

## LEAF PICKUP PROGRAM



The City’s Fall Leaf Pickup Program will begin the week of October 20. Leaf pick up will begin at 7:00 a.m. on Mondays and should take two to five days depending on the amount of leaves being removed. Leaf pickup will run through the week of December 15.

**PLEASE DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET.** Leaves should be raked to the back of curbs as leaves in the gutter could wash into and ultimately clog the storm system during heavy rains.

Leaf piles containing debris or items other than leaves will be left and removed the following week if the unacceptable material has been removed. This includes, but is not limited to, animal feces, lawn clippings, limbs, bottles, newspapers, scrap lumber or metal, bricks or cinder blocks.

If you have questions, please contact Public Works at (636) 349-8155.

## PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

On **Tuesday, October 7, 2014**, the Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at **7:00 p.m.** during their regularly scheduled meeting at City Hall to consider the following:

### OLD BUSINESS:

None.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- A Petition by Stock & Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc., representing Fenton Logistics Park, LLC, to amend the “PID” zoning for 1050 Dodge Drive, 2295 Hitzert Court and 2300 Hitzert Court, as approved under Ordinances 3081 and 3445, for a development known as “Fenton Logistics Park”, as follows: 1) Re-zone two parcels addressed as 2295 and 2300 Hitzert Court from “PID” to “IP-1”; 2) Revise the Concept Plan (s) for the development; and 3) Provide for alternative street, sidewalk and drainage standards.
- A Petition by QuikTrip Corporation for a Special Use Permit to locate a temporary modular/prefabricated store at 1923 Bowles Avenue. The parcel is zoned “HP -1” Hospitality Park – Hotel, Restaurant, Entertainment Business Park District.
- A Petition by John A. Drury of Midamerica Hotels Corporation to amend Section 467.020(G) of the Zoning Code to include, “Exterior finishes or logos deemed prototypical in building design that must be maintained uniformly for corporate or market identity” as an allowable exterior building material in the “C-2” Neighborhood Commercial District.

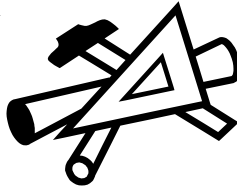
### SITE PLAN REVIEW:

- A Petition by Gravois Bluffs East 8-A, LLC, for Site Plan Review of a proposed exterior building modification at 639 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard. The parcel is addressed as 645 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard and is zoned “OT-3” Olde Towne Mixed Use Zone District.
- A Petition by John A. Drury for Site Plan Review of a proposed exterior building remodel to an existing Burger King restaurant at 1036 Bowles Avenue. The parcel is zoned “C-2” Neighborhood Commercial District.

For more information, please call Community Development at (636) 349-8110.

## JOHN FABICK COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

See page 3 for more information



## NEW BUSINESS CORNER

The following businesses have applied for an Occupancy Permit and are planning on calling Fenton “home”:

**NEW**

### **Here Today**

772 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard (*retail sales*)

### **Menneke Carpet & Floors**

1832 Fenpark Drive (*showroom and warehouse for retail flooring, carpet and supplies*)

### **Refuse Specialists**

1732 Gilsinn Lane (*waste management broker*)

### **Spirit Halloween**

72 Fenton Plaza (*Halloween retail*)

### **Yo Fresh Yogurt Café**

699 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard, Suite F (*sales of frozen yogurt, smoothies, tarts and soda drinks*)

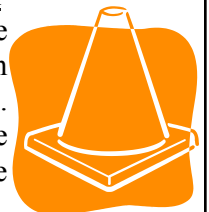
## UPDATES: LOCAL CONSTRUCTION

### MSD PROJECT

Ferry Street at Water Street is closed in order for the MSD contractor to continue with the tunneling operations under Ferry Street. This closure is expected to be anywhere from 30-60 days. A detour route is in place to help motorists around the construction. Please use caution while traveling through the work zone.

### STREET SLAB / SIDEWALK REPAIR

The Contractor is continuing to replace residential sidewalks around the City. San Simeon Subdivision is almost complete. The contractor will continue into Bent Tree Subdivision and Courtney Estates by the end of September.



## MSD HOTLINE—OLDE TOWNE TREATMENT PLANT

MSD has recently created a “hotline” number for Fenton residents to call when they have complaints about the odor emanating from the Fenton Wastewater Treatment Plant located in Olde Towne. This number bypasses the standard customer service line and connects directly to the staff at the local plant. **The “hotline” number is (636) 861-6767.**

Please remember that this phone number has been provided as a courtesy to our residents and that all other emergency, customer service or billing issues should be directed to the number on your monthly MSD bill.

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE—FENTON PRECINCT**



**FENTON’S NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

It’s time for National Night Out! This year it will take place on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at Fenton’s City Park Shelter #1 starting at 6:00 pm. The Fenton Precinct, St. Louis County Police officers will supply Bar-B-Q, chips, drinks and frozen custard. Feel free to bring a side dish to add if you like. Everyone is welcome! The Officers will be taking this opportunity to get to know the Fenton residents. The shelter has only 10 picnic tables, so lawn chairs are a good idea. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

**Neighborhood Policing Officer: Officer Aaron Dilks**  
**(636) 349-8120, ext. 1123**  
**Precinct Phone (636) 349-8120**

**FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL**

September 6 – what a wonderful day for a party. Beginning with the parade and ending with fantastic fireworks, it couldn’t have been better. For all who visited the Fenton Historical Society Museum as part of the day’s activities we send you a big THANK YOU.

The museum is free and open to the public Wednesday and Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Private tours are also available. Our monthly meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at #1 Church Street – you do not have to be a member to attend. Join us. The welcome mat is always out. Visit our website at call us:

**www.fentonhistory.com**  
**(636) 326-0808**

**NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR JOHN FABICK COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**

Mayor Mike Polizzi and the Board of Aldermen are officially requesting nominations for the annual “John Fabick Community Service Award”. This award was named in memory of Mr. Fabick for his dedication to our community and his corporate leadership.



The City of Fenton recognizes that many of its residents, businesses and civic organizations contribute in a significant manner to the City each day, without reward or recognition. These include those that have brought honor upon themselves and the community through some outstanding accomplishment as well as service-minded volunteers who simply want to be involved in the community by serving on a City Board or Commission.

To that end, the City has established a process that will allow for appropriate recognition of an individual, business or civic group, Board or Commission that has contributed a significant and useful service to the community.

Actions being recognized must benefit the City of Fenton or its residents in some manner. The individual must live or be employed within the Fenton City limits and the business or civic group must be located within the City limits.

Nomination forms are now available. To obtain a nominating form, contact City Clerk/Manager Diane Monteleone at (636) 343-2080. All nominations must be forwarded to the City Clerk/Manager at City Hall by September 30, 2014. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen will meet to review all nominations for a final decision. The award will be presented at the November Board of Aldermen Meeting.

**SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR AUGUST 2014**

“A” Sales Tax Summary		“B” (Pool) Sales Tax Summary		Combined Sales Tax Summary	
Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed
\$286,484	\$147,291 (51.4%)	\$196,641	\$192,276 (97.8%)	\$483,125	\$339,567 (70.3%)

The above chart shows the amount of sales tax redistributed back to St. Louis County for the month of August 2014. The total amount redistributed for 2014 is \$2,410,093 (65.6%).

## PARKS & RECREATION HAPPENINGS



For more information on any of the events/classes listed below, please call **RiverChase at (636) 343-0067** or visit our website, [www.fentonmo.org](http://www.fentonmo.org).

### MEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE

This six game league plays under the lights at Fenton City Park. Top two teams advance to playoffs. All games are played on Sunday nights. League champions receive championship t-shirts. League starts October 12; registration deadline is October 5. Fee: \$150 per team.



### HIGH INTENSITY CIRCUIT TRAINING

Quick and effective cardio workout that utilizes interval stations and only takes 30 minutes. Tuesday evenings 6:15-6:45 p.m. November 4 to December 16. Fee: \$22 Residents/Members or \$26 Non-Members.

### SENIOR STRAUSSFEST

A German celebration with live music by the Button Box Club, dancing and delicious German food. A performance by German Dancers concludes the evening. Friday, October 24 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Fee: \$12 per person or \$20 per couples. Pre-registration required.



### D.I.P. (DROP IN PICKLEBALL)

Take advantage of this drop in rate to play one of the fastest growing sports in the United States! Pickleball is a sport that is easy to learn and fun to play! Drop in fee does not include use of other RiverChase amenities. Pickleballs will be provided. Games held in the RiverChase gymnasium and runs **October 2 to April 30 on Tuesday and Thursdays**, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. for beginners and 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for advanced. Fee: \$3.00 per day.

### TURKEY SHOOTOUT

This 3-on-3 basketball tournament is double elimination and participants must be 18 years or older. Teams will play half court in RiverChase's gymnasium. Rules will be provided. All MSHSAA regulations apply. Champions will receive t-shirts. November 15 from 9:00 a.m. – TBD. Fee: \$60 per team.

### HOT MAMA'S IN TRAINING

One hour boot camp style stroller workout with your children. Class runs November 13 to December 18, NO class November 27. Fees: \$44 Members and Residents / \$48 Non-Members.



## FALL/WINTER OPEN SWIM HOURS

New Open Swim hours for Fall/Winter began September 2:

Mon/Wed/Fri	3:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Tues/Thurs	6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	Noon to 6:30 p.m.
Sunday	Noon to 5:30 p.m.

## YOUTH BASKETBALL

### YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUES

This seven (7) game recreational league for school grades 1st to 3rd is designed to teach participants the fundamentals of basketball. The league will meet on Saturday mornings starting December 6 in the RiverChase gymnasium. Games will start at 9:00 a.m. Volunteer coaches are needed and will receive a free registration credit at the end of the season. Registration Deadline is November 7. Fees: \$50 Resident Member / \$55 Resident or Non-Resident Member / \$60 Non-Resident. Coaches Meeting on November 22 at 7:00 p.m. at RiverChase.

### INTRO TO BASKETBALL

Young athletes (ages 3 to 5) will learn basic skills to help develop coordination and other skills necessary to play basketball. This 45-minute class in RiverChase's gymnasium relies heavily on parental involvement and a parent or other adult is required to attend. Intro to Basketball will meet Saturday mornings starting October 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Fee: \$31 Resident Member / \$34 Resident or Non-Resident Member / \$37 Non-Resident.

### INSTRUCTIONAL BASKETBALL

This clinic is designed for beginners (ages 6 to 9) entering our 2014 Basketball League. This class held in RiverChase's gymnasium will teach participants the fundamentals that will help them progress through our league. This 4-week class meets on Saturdays beginning October 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Fee: \$31 Resident Member / \$34 Resident or Non-Resident Member / \$37 Non-Resident.

## MORE RIVERCHASE



*“Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.”*

- Albert Camus

## DECISIONS FROM THE AUGUST 28, 2014 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

### DECISIONS

- ✓ Approved the reappointment of Linda Nelson and Rick Mayhew to the Planning & Zoning Commission with a term expiring August 2018.
- ✓ Approved including “Citizens’ Comments” as the first item on Committee Meeting Agendas.
- ✓ Approved the 2015 Capital Plan.
- ✓ Denied request from resident on Montevale Court to allow his contractor to access the rear of his property via the park property.
- ✓ Approved seeking bids for a fifteen-foot wing mower.
- ✓ Approved seeking bids for a crack sealing tar kettle.
- ✓ Approved amending the Employee Evaluation Forms as submitted.



### ORDINANCES

- ✓ **#3451** Ord. approving a Final Plat to subdivide a 30.8-acre lot at 2171 Hitzert Court into two (2) separate lots.
- ✓ **Bill 14-77** Ord. amending Section 445.040, “Other Exceptions and Rules”, of the Municipal Code to allow for above-grade dwelling spaces to project into the required yard area. **Bill failed, 0-6.**
- ✓ **#3452** Ord. approving a contract with HR Green, Inc. for Engineering Services to assist the City on an on-call basis.
- ✓ **#3453** Ord. approving a contract with Holloran Contracting, Inc. for the Asphalt Paver Box/Operator to construct the Meramec Greenway Trail Extension.
- ✓ **#3454** Ord. approving a contract with PR Fitness Equipment, Inc. for the purchase of fitness equipment.
- ✓ **#3455** Ord. approving a contract with Foremost Fitness Group, LLC for the purchase of fitness equipment.
- ✓ **#3456** Ord. approving a contract with Advanced Exercise Equipment, LLC for the purchase of fitness equipment.
- ✓ **#3457** Ord. terminating Tax Increment Financing within Redevelopment Project Area 1 of the Olde Towne Redevelopment Area; dissolving the account of the Special Allocation Fund related thereto; and authorizing certain actions relating thereto.
- ✓ **#3458** Ord. amending the 2014 approved Budget.
- ✓ **#3459** Ord. amending Section 215.010, “Nuisances Affecting Health”, and Chapter 210, “Dog and Cat Regulations” of the Municipal Code relating to allowing the keeping of chickens and ducks on property being used as a single-family dwelling. **Approved 5-0-1 with Alderman Mauller abstaining.**

## MORE RIVERCHASE

### SENIOR LUNCH & BINGO

Wednesday, October 8 at 10:30 a.m. at RiverChase. Price is \$6.50 per person. Lunch will be Polish Sausage and Sauerkraut.

### TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us at RiverChase for Trunk or Treat on **Saturday, October 25 at 6:30 p.m.** We will have the Teckno Bubble Bus, music, balloon artist, concessions, costume contest and more! To participate as a vehicle in the event, please call (636) 343-0067.



### COED INDOOR VOLLEYBALL

Session II of this 7-game league (plus playoffs) begins the week of November 17. Recreational play on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. Competitive play on Thursday. Registration is now open. Session III begins the week after session II ends. Updated schedules are posted at [www.fentonmo.org](http://www.fentonmo.org). Fee: \$174 per team.

### FENTON FARMERS MARKET

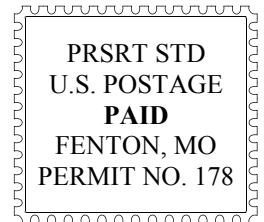
Don't forget! The Farmers Market runs through the month of October at the Olde Towne Fenton Pavilion at 200 Gravois Road. Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



### **YARD WASTE AND TRASH OVERFLOW STICKERS**

Many Fenton residents still have not picked up their FREE Yard Waste and Trash Overflow Stickers for 2014! Stop by City Hall during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have already picked up your free stickers, but need more, they can be purchased at City Hall or RiverChase for \$1.00 each (cash or check only.)

**CITY OF FENTON**  
**625 NEW SMIZER MILL ROAD**  
**FENTON, MO 63026**



**Deliver by Tuesday, September 23, 2014**

## OCTOBER

Thur	Oct 2	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meetings
Thur	Oct 2	7:00 PM	Historical Society/Swantner House (#1 Church Street)
Mon	Oct 6	6:30 PM	Park Board (City Hall)
Tues	Oct 7	7:00 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission
Thur	Oct 9	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meetings
Mon	Oct 13	5:30 PM	Municipal Court – Plea Date
Tue	Oct 21	7:00 PM	Board of Adjustment
Thur	Oct 23	7:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
Mon	Oct 27	5:30 PM	Municipal Court – Trial Date

All meetings of the Board and Commissions in the City of Fenton are open to the public. The City will provide reasonable accommodations for any meeting when requested to do so 48 hours in advance. To request assistance contact:  
636-343-2080 (VOICE)  
or Relay Missouri 1-800-735-2966 (TDD).

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