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From The Mayor's Desk



Lawrence "Butch" Besmer

- Currently we are 1 – 2 months away from completion of our New Community Center. After the construction is completed we will have a period of time that will deal with final inspections. We anticipate that we will be open but probably not be up and running 100% until sometime after the New Year.
- We appreciate everyone's patience with us during the Construction period.
- When we are ready there will be an open house for all the residents to come and look at the Center. Please keep an eye on our revolving sign in front of City Hall for this information.
- We will be paving the road to the Community Center after all of the construction is finished. We cannot open until that road is completed and inspected. The Board decided to go with the bid for full concrete which will last much longer than blacktop.
- We have several interesting possibilities on the Business front. More info to come later.
- Derelict property is a problem for every city, and we fight it the best we can. Banks that take over homes do not always maintain the home. This is aggravating for neighbors and cities alike. Jefferson City has passed laws on court practices that also effect code enforcement. There are more steps being added in getting these deficient properties to court. We will still be doing our due diligence to keep the property maintenance initiative and fence row project in place, it just may take more time
- Please take the time when the opportunity presents itself to recognize or speak with our Police Officers and let them know how much you appreciate them.
- We also have a small Public Works (6 full time men) who really do an outstanding job keeping our city and parks looking good.
- Contrary to the rumor mill our city is solvent and in very good shape.

Lawrence P. Besmer
Lawrence "Butch" Besmer

From The Chief

SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION

Help us keep our children safe by not only obeying the traffic regulations but also reporting any suspicious vehicles, people or activity that might affect those who walk to and from school.

We now have a medication and prescription drug disposal container located in lobby of your Police Department. Feel free to drop any unwanted medications in the container during weekday office hours.

There are some restrictions on what can be placed in there which are outlined on the container. If you have any questions please call Fran at 314-427-5858.

The Woodson Terrace Police Department will be participating in the WARNERS WARM-UP annual coat drive. We will have a collection point in our lobby, as well as City Hall. Donations can be made between November 1-14, 2016. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

Be safe and enjoy the upcoming holiday season,

Chief C.V. "Butch" Mayberry
CMayberry@woodsonterrace.net

From Captain Halstead

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Halloween can be very dangerous, but not necessarily for the reasons most people think.

Halloween has the highest rate of child related pedestrian injuries, in fact according to Safe Kids Worldwide, children are four times more likely to suffer a pedestrian related injury on Halloween than on any other night of the year.

The excitement of children and adults on Halloween sometimes makes them forget to be careful. Simple common sense can do a lot to stop any tragedies from happening. In an effort to keep children safe while "trick-or-treating," The Woodson Terrace Police Department urges motorists to



slow down and obey the speed limits and watch for children walking along the roadway.

Parents are urged to always accompany their children and remind them to pay attention to their surrounding and the dangers that traffic may present. We want to make sure that you and your child's Halloween experience is not only fun and exciting but safe as well. We will have Officers handing out popcorn and we ask that parents and children wait till the officers stop before approaching their cars.

We wish parents, children and motorists alike, a happy and safe Halloween!

Captain Randy Halstead
rhalstead@woodsonterrace.net



POLICE BEAT

Detective Lt. Hunter

From the Detective Bureau and Patrol Division

With winter fast approaching, we'd like to offer a gentle reminder to not leave your car running unattended. This is the time of year that car thieves love because a car left running with keys in it is a gift. No one thinks about it, but you're also gifting them the contents of your house if your key is on the ring. It also makes things harder for us, because keys often imply ownership, or at the very least, permission.

A reminder, if you see something "suspicious" and something just doesn't seem "right" do not ever hesitate to call the Police Department. You ALL are our eyes and ears in our city. Let us check it out, and if nothing comes of it even better. Better to be safe than sorry.

Respectfully,
Det. Lt. Dan Hunter
dhunter@woodsonterrace.net



There is a surplus property sale until October 7,2016 at 10:00am. Late bids will not be accepted.

Deliver bids by mail or in person to Woodson Terrace City Hall. One item number per bid. No limit on number of items bid.

Sealed bids shall contain: name, address, phone, item number, brief description, and amount of bid, and total bids in dollars and cents. All items sold AS IS. The City will notify individuals of bid awards by October 10,2016 by 4:30PM.

City Clerk will accept payment in full, cash or check, in the amount of the highest bid, for each item.

Items can be viewed at the rear of 4323 Woodson Road from dawn to dusk. Awarded items must be removed from city property by October 14,2016.

Items available are:

Item 1: 2001 Ford Crown Vic 4dr 2FAP73WX1X206708, 81k, V-8,Auto, Gold, Drivable

Item 2: 1994 Dodge Ram 1500 P/U, 1B7HC1625RS672336, 74k, V-8,auto, 2wd, Green, drivable

Item 3: Swenson SS Spreader, Hydraulic, 2 yard capacity,8 feet long, used last year on 2010 Ford 350

Item 4:Buyers Snow Dogg, EX75,7ft 6 in blade, SS moldboard, deflector, mounting hardware, used last year on '08 Silverado

Item 5: Over the tire steel tracks for New Holland LS -160, skid steer, or unit with 10.00 x16.5 tires



Parks and Special Projects



We hope everyone is settled in after the summer activities in our town, archery, summer camp, pool and other events. Our successful senior and craft programs continue year round. Look in the newsletter for more information on these activities.

Different holidays will be here in the next couple of months. Enjoy them all with family and friends. Join us for our Children's Halloween party Oct. 29, and our Meet Santa Holiday Party December 17. These parties are from 12-2pm and are for ages 10 and under. Call City Hall for more information.

We are thinking about different activities to have in our new community center and at the park. After the holidays if you would like to get in shape before summer give us ideas on what type of classes you would be interested in. We are also open to ideas on events in the park, movie night, chili cook off, concert in the park, family night or anything else.

The playground at the park had to be taken down for the community center but we will be looking into building a new one.

Thank you to the residents who accepted our beautification awards for the summer, also for taking care of your home. There are other homes we picked but could not get hold of the residents. If you do not have a landline phone please call city hall and give them your cell phone number. The winners are on our webpage. Our annual Christmas decorating contest will be in December. If you would like to nominate your home or a neighbor, call city hall or someone on the committee. We will need phone numbers to ask permission to put a sign in the yard. The only way you can win is to call in as a nomination. We will pick 4 homes and a grand prize winner. They will be picked by Dec. 19th. Winners receive a gift certificate to a local business.

We have a power crisis list for residents who are on oxygen or have other medical issues that they would need help with if the electricity goes out from storms. If you would like to be on this list please call city hall.

Please contact the parks committee if you have any suggestions for classes, ideas or Christmas decoration nomination.

jwilley@woodsonterrace.net





Home Pool Safety from:
Chief Chuck Coyne
Community Fire Protection District

Maintaining a Safe Environment Around Your Home Swimming Pool

Millions of us enjoy warm weather every year by swimming in our backyard pools and relaxing in hot tubs. Tragically though, over 200 young children drown in backyard swimming pools each year. The American Red Cross suggests owners make pool safety their priority by following these guidelines:

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- Secure your pool with appropriate barriers. Completely surround your pool with a 4-foot high fence or barrier with a self-closing, self-latching gate. Place a safety cover on the pool or hot tub when not in use and remove any ladders or steps used for access. Consider installing a pool alarm that goes off if anyone enters the pool.
- Keep children under active supervision at all times. Stay in arm's reach of young kids. Designate a responsible person to watch the water when people are in the pool, never allow anyone to swim alone. Have young or inexperienced swimmers wear a life jacket.
- Ensure everyone in the home knows how to swim well by enrolling them in age-appropriate water orientation and learn-to-swim courses.
- Keep your pool or hot tub water clean and clear. Maintain proper chemical levels, circulation and filtration. Regularly test and adjust the chemical levels to minimize the risk of earaches, rashes or more serious diseases.
- Establish and enforce rules and safe behaviors, such as "no diving," "stay away from drain covers," "swim with a buddy" and "walk please."
- Ensure everyone in the home knows how to respond to aquatic emergencies by having appropriate safety equipment and taking water safety, first aid and CPR courses.

Community Fire Protection District currently employs more paramedics than ever before. (Thirty-eight) 38. All three of our ambulances now staff two medics on each ambulance around the clock twenty four hours a day seven days a week. We also respond everyday with two rescue pumpers and a ladder truck.

For any questions or concerns contact Chief Coyne at 314-428-1128

Public Works



- We urge everyone to maintain their properties as we slide into fall. The normal Thursday chipping schedule will resume October 6. Please clear your fence lines of vines, trees and other vegetation, this open space prevents damaged fences, and disputes. It also provides the utilities access to reconnect downed lines. All properties should be maintained in like new condition, this should be the norm not the exception.

- If you intend to improve your property it is your responsibility to obtain building permits before doing the work, call Public Works at City Hall with questions.

- If you need to hire a tree contractor encourage them to get a permit from City Hall, the no cost permit per ORD. 1715, Sec. 605.220, requires the Business name, a copy of their insurance, the site address etc. Be suspicious of tree contractors that do not have the proper insurance, skills, equipment, and personnel; to safely and responsibly do this dangerous work on your property.

- The two MSD projects in the works these past months have been completed, the ditch improvement behind Herbert Avenue and the Storm-water Project near Stansberry and Boswell. These completed projects should benefit the area by improving where the storm water flows.

- Another project yet to be completed is Kratz Walkway; AT&T has to relocate some of their equipment for the project to move forward.

- A reminder bulk trash pickup is your last pickup date of each month. Bulk items that will not fit in the tote can be placed at the curb the night before your scheduled pickup. Please do not put these items out a week before.

- Even if Snow is the last thing on our minds I would appreciate everyone's help by removing vehicles from the streets during snow storms this winter.



I can be reached for questions or comments at
314-427-2600 or dzaiz@woodsonterrace.net

Doug Zaiz
Director Public Works



Woodson Terrace Neighborhood Watch



WHAT IS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH??

This is a good time to explain what Woodson Terrace Neighborhood Watch Is and Is Not. We are expanding and would like to welcome two members from our own Woodson Terrace Police in joining us. We are also looking forward to having our own website in the near future. We would like you to become involved and be a member of our Woodson Terrace Neighborhood Watch. Please contact me to join. We are always happy to welcome members. Your involvement shows you care. Help yourself and your neighbors' in our great City of Woodson Terrace. Get involved. Thank you!!

CRIME or the **FEAR of CRIME:** Provides the motivation for residents to become better informed on how to protect themselves and their property and helps to discourage crime and reduce fear in their neighborhood. Woodson Terrace Neighborhood Watch Program instructs you on basic crime prevention measures to safeguard you, your home and valuables and in being vigilant and in recognizing suspicious activity. It helps neighbors to allow for a more timely exchange of their information.

OLD ADAGE of **"BROTHER'S KEEPERS":** Getting back to this old adage of being our "Brother's keepers"; means neighbors watching out for their own neighbors. Neighbors are asked to be the eyes and ears in helping our Woodson Terrace Police in apprehending criminals who come into their neighborhoods to perform any kind of crime or to make anyone feel unsafe. Crime Watch is not designed to substitute for Police protection. Rather it is an extension in assisting our Woodson Terrace Police in making neighborhoods safe for all of our residents.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: Is a Community Policing Partnership Program and operates under two (2) principles. 1st. When our neighbors get to know and watch out for each other, they watch out for each other's property as though it was their own. 2nd. Neighborhood Watch helps to create an identity within the Woodson Terrace neighborhood in which they each live. In turn this builds their own sense of pride and belonging for participants and neighbors. It forges bonds among residents and improves residents and Police relations. It can address other issues and concerns like child safety, youth development, senior resident's welfare, and their quality of life.

The **MEMBERS** and **PARTICIPANTS:** Make their Woodson Terrace neighborhood a safer place to live by adopting a more observant and active attitude and, as a result, they become more aware of strange cars, persons, or circumstances. This helps our neighborhood to be a safer environment. This usually will not take a lot of time and soon will develop into a daily habit of becoming more aware of what is going on in our neighborhood. Woodson Terrace Police do an outstanding job and with our help they are encouraged that our residents are helping them.

WHAT are the **LIMITATIONS** on **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH?**

WHAT are the **THINGS** that our **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM IS NOT?**

It **IS NOT** a vigilante force or an organization that works outside the structure of the Woodson Terrace Police Department.

It **IS NOT** a program where members take personal risk to deter crime. Members report crimes in progress, they **NEVER INTERVENE.**

The program **DOES NOT** guarantee that crime will never happen in your neighborhood.

It does help to deter it, if the program is worked as a community resident and police partnership correctly.

IDENTIFICATION TOOL: Reminder: If you would like to check out our Neighborhood Watch Metal Pen I.D. Tool for identifying any personal items you may have with your own unique I.D., please contact me at the phone number below. It is **"FREE"**, but you have to return it. It is checked out similar to a library. You check it out for a period of time; then you return it in the same condition as you borrowed it. Some people use it to I.D. their electronic equipment, lawnmowers, bicycles, tools, etc..

Caroline Martin,
Woodson Terrace Neighborhood Watch Coordinator
Phone: (314) 324-6883



*******Woodson Terrace Craft Club*******
CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

If you knit, crochet, embroider or do any kind of crafting, this is for you!

You are invited to come join us for an informal fun filled afternoon of crafting. Bring your project(s) with you to work on, share your knowledge and your love of crafting with other crafters.

We meet twice a month, on the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 1:00-4:00 pm, at the Woodson Terrace Community Center

(The yellow building directly behind the 7-11)

9351 Guthrie, Woodson Terrace, Missouri.

We look forward to seeing you and your project at our next meeting.

Please come join us and bring a friend.

A hot beverage and a light snack will be provided.

For more information call:

Jean Stevens @ 314-423-0126 or Donna Conlon @ 314-428-8562

*******Woodson Terrace Craft Club*******

The Woodson Terrace Craft Club

Is hosting their



4th Annual Holiday Sale



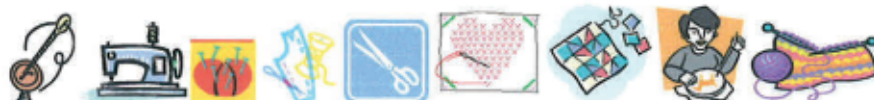
Saturday, November 12, 2016, 9am - 3pm



At the Woodson Terrace Community Center

9351 Guthrie (The yellow building directly behind 7-11 at Woodson Road and Guthrie)

Woodson Terrace, Missouri



**Display tables are set up inside the Community Center for you to browse.
Hand crafted items make wonderful gifts and are available for purchase!!!**

Christmas Gifts



Birthday Gifts



Special Occasion Gifts



'Remembrance' Gift for that Special friend!



Many items to choose from!!

Find that special Christmas Gift!!!!





Welcome to the "Fall Publication" of the Woodson Terrace Newsletter you are about to embark on what's going on with the Woodson Terrace Seniors Group. I use the word "embark" as the WT Seniors annual motor coach "day trip" is quickly approaching November 10th.

As I begin, allow me to again say "I am so honored & proud to oversee this wonderful group". We're into our 6th year & in this time many friendships have evolved, rejuvenated, etc. plus I think I'm safe in saying with the attendance I see every month that "everyone is having a good time @ the monthly WT Senior Activities"! And as Mayor Besmer says "way too much fun"! And as I say "that's awesome"!

We've seen several new faces join us since last newsletter & for those not familiar with the WT Seniors Group, we always meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM @ the WT Community Center (9351 Guthrie Avenue) except for the month of November when the Seniors do a day trip via Mid American Motor Coach including having lunch during the "outing". Lunch is provided free of charge to WT Resident Seniors age 60+ for not only the annual "outing" but @ the monthly "Senior Activities" as well. The only requirement is an RSVP to WT City Hall (314/427-2600) by 3:45 PM the Monday before the Thursday meeting so I have an accurate count for ordering lunch. Lunch is ordered from a WT restaurant/business (Home Style Catering). Monthly meeting activities include acknowledging & "gifting" that month's birthdays, 6 attendance prizes, a short business meeting along with input of events, etc. the Seniors may wish to share, & a member of the WT Police Dept. updating the Seniors on a variety of subjects as well as answering questions and/or concerns of the Seniors. Some months we play BINGO w/prizes awarded to the winners, speakers addressing subjects related to & for Seniors, etc., & periodically I'll throw in a quiz (related to Seniors) again with prizes awarded. A flyer detailing the upcoming month's program/activity is distributed at the meeting, is available at City Hall, & is posted on the City's web site (www.woodsonterrace.net). Please don't forget to RSVP though to WT City Hall or if you wish, you may call me & my home phone # is listed along with the other WT City Officials. One last thing & that's a Thank You to WT Resident Senior Fran Carney who call's BINGO ... Fran does an outstanding job @ this & she keeps everyone in "stitches" as she exemplifies her wit & charm in keeping our listening ears open. Thank You Fran for all you do! Fran, as well as Ward 1 Aldermen Donna Conlon, along with Joan Murnan, come @ 9:30 AM on our meeting days & help me set up & this is no small task. Thank You Ladies!

Thank You to WT Resident Seniors Linda & Rich Lefebvre for the many "freebies" they continue to accrue & donate items such as night lights, book lights, cleaning clothes, small storage bowls, oven liners, etc., etc., just to name a few. Thank You also to WT Resident Senior Joyce Earl for the large coffee cups/soup mugs she gave to each of the Seniors @ the July 14th Activities.

And now to catch you up since last newsletter beginning with MARCH 10th of which the Seniors had their 3rd annual hosting of Cindy's Adult

Day Care (located in Woodson Terrace) for games of BINGO following lunch. I baked lots of cookies & our guests enjoyed cookies & beverages with us as we played BINGO w/prizes to the winners each of our visitors also received a complimentary gift bag of goodies. On APRIL 14th TRACY HARDGROVE (Vice President of Operations & Administration of the Better Business Bureau) was our guest speaker & her topics included an Overview of the BBB & Consumer Information, Scams Targeted Towards Seniors, & various Senior related topics. MAY 12th Rich Krueger from Community Action Agency of St. Louis County spoke on energy efficient tips/hints, etc. JUNE 9th was devoted to BINGO, & on JUNE 18th, all spaces were filled for the WT Seniors 3rd annual garage sale. JULY 14th was our 3rd annual visit of the WT Day Campers, following the Seniors having lunch. The "campers" served & also enjoyed cookies from Subway located in Woodson Terrace. The "campers" had prepared skits, songs, etc. & we finished by playing lots of BINGO w/ gifts awarded to the winning Seniors each "Camper" was given a box of "theatre candy" upon leaving. A huge "thank you" to their leader (Pam King-Meyer) & her team for again providing such a fun filled program & we hope to see you on July 13th, 2017. On AUGUST 11th, Sheryl Trask, MSW, LCSW, Supervisor @ the North County Location of the St. Louis County Older Resident Program was our guest speaker. Sheryl's topics included an overview of the St. Louis County Older Resident Program, Stress & Wellness Relating to Seniors, & Scams Targeted Towards Seniors. SEPTEMBER 8th program will be orchestrated by several volunteers from the WT Seniors Group & this year Joyce Earl has arranged for Dianne Peters, Director of Education of C.H.A.M.P. Assistance Dogs to come. Dianne will be bringing a dog with her & will share suggestions and/or tips in their obedience & educating. Following lunch arranged by Mary Carroll with Home Style Catering located in Woodson Terrace, Julia Rice will finish out the meeting with TRIVIA & an abundance of prizes to the winners donated by Linda & Rich Lefebvre all WT Resident Seniors. OCTOBER 13th is BINGO, NOVEMBER 10th is our "day trip" via Mid American Motor Coach where we will rest & shop @ Russell Stover's Candies in Fairview Heights, IL, followed by lunch @ Ravanelli's Restaurant in Collinsville, IL, along with some sightseeing on our journey to & from. On DECEMBER 8th, we will close 2016 with our Christmas Party & in keeping with past tradition, I'll be inviting WT City Officials & members of the Police Dept. to join us. I've already started working on 2017 "activities" & I'll address those in the next newsletter.

As our attendance continues to grow, the invitation is always open for WT Resident Seniors age 60+ to come join us you read earlier in this article of the "RSVP Requirement"; however for the November 10th "Motor Coach Outing", an RSVP is required to myself (Rita Martin) the sign up sheet began @ the August 11th Meeting, & those interested who have not already signed up can reach me in several ways via Email rmartin@woodsonterrace.net, call WT City Hall (314-427-2600) & leave a message for me to call you, or my personal contact info. is listed along with the other WT City Officials @ the end of this newsletter.

Please feel free to call me with any questions and/or comments!

Our Vietnam Experience

The sent us to a strange land to fight in an even stranger war, one we weren't quite prepared to wage. But, like all warriors who preceded us, we quickly learned the hard lessons, too often at a costly price. After all the blood, sweat and tears, and before the conflict ended, we were abandoned by our politicians and scorned by our fellow Americans. Nonetheless, we stayed the course and this is our legacy that can be dimmed by neither time nor man. To all my fellow veterans of all wars, this is for you. God Bless

No rifles, crack, no cannons roar,
No jets scream overhead,
The silence is now deafening,
Mute tribute to honored dead.

Across the pond the foe returns,
To his own native shore,
To face a friendly enemy,
And wage a strange new war.

For the mission they were tasked, A
simple "Thanks" or "Job Well Done"
Was more than most had asked.

Trails once contested on tired soles,
and heavy booted feet,
Lead once again to market place,
And quiet village street.

No hero's welcome was his lot,
No parades for valiant deeds,
Contempt & rejection was all he got,
Disregard for all his needs.

An ebon polished granite Wall,
To those who stood the test,
None present here "aye" this roll call,
For they sleep the warrior's rest.

Jungle paths now overgrown,
Terrifying tales could tell,
Of ordinary, yet gallant youth,
Who came of age in hell.

Ungrateful fellow countrymen,
"Make love, not war" was their call,
They turned their backs, took not our
stand,
While better men than they did fall.

We who survived, but shared the cost,
With every setting sun,
Hold high our heads in proud salute,
"thanks for a job well done.

Green jungle vine and lotus leaf,
Once splattered bright with red ,
Washed clean afresh by monsoon rain,
No hint of ambush dread.

The widows and orphans,
Knew naught of their kin,
Like grandpa's son, what was he like?
Save the family tales they'd spin.

In ceremonies tribute,
We hope and pray, perhaps,
Their gallant deed will ne'er recede,
With the fading note of Taps

In paddies worked and tilled anew,
Now green and lush with rice, No signs
of those who fought and bled, and paid
the highest price.

They sought no hero's accolade,

**By SgtMaj Mac McGee
USMC (Ret.)**

***This poem is locate in the Memorial
Garden in Jacksonville S.C. outside the
front gate of Camp Lejune***

Woodson Terrace Veterans Committee

Rita and Carl Martin (Co-Chairmen)

GREETINGS EVERYONE FROM YOUR WOODSON TERRACE VETERANS COMMITTEE!

The Veterans Committee & its Members, each with a "slate" of activities/organizations, etc. all are involved in & with, continue to keep quite busy ... we immensely enjoy what we do & in this article I will try to enlighten you on what's transpired since last newsletter ...

MARCH, APRIL, JUNE, & AUGUST were Committee Meetings @ Woodson Terrace City Hall... the Committee meets the 1st Tuesday of the month @ 7:00 PM (WT City Hall); we welcome visitors; however if you plan to attend please check the bulletin board outside of WT City Hall as there are times military related projects, programs, organizations, etc. conflict with the 1st Tuesday of the month.

MAY 3rd the Committee met @ the Robert J. Madden

Veterans Monument for the Committee's 1st of 2 Flag Retirement Ceremonies for 2016 ... the 2nd is scheduled @ November's Meeting on November 1st @ 6:00 PM. MAY30th (Memorial Day) was the Committee's Memorial Day Ceremony & included the "Bell Ceremony". Committee Members Mayor Besmer & Rick Rutledge alternated in reading the names of the 68 WT Veterans the Committee has been given along with a brief synopsis of each ... Committee Co-Chairman Carl Martin rang the bell following each Veteran's name & info. The Memorial Day Program followed it's past protocol & we could not do this without the commitment & participation of members of American Legion Post #143 along with their Commander (John Conlon) for their Honor Guard in "Posting the Colors", "Gun Salute", "TAPS", & "Retiring the Colors" ... thank you gentlemen for your past & continued participation. Sheryl Gerrein returned to lead in patriotic hymns & the "Salute to the Armed Forces". And thank you to our

Military Service Representatives who take part in the Memorial Day & Veterans Day Ceremony's ... Richard Lefebvre (Marines), Raymond Valli (Army) & Stephen Bira (Coast Guard). Thank You Sheryl & Gentlemen!

JULY 16th, was the Committee's 4th annual "Trivia Night Fund Raiser" @ Wild Acres Banquet Hall in Overland & we appreciate those who supported the Committee in purchasing tickets along with the 50/50 & Silent Auction purchases. The evening consisted of a variety of 10 trivia games of 10 questions each along with lots of fellowship & camaraderie. Thank You to Overland Mayor Michael Schneider for donating use of Wild Acres Banquet Hall to the Committee again this year & to Erin Willey, Overland's Parks & Recreation Director, for her assistance in "making it happen" with set up, etc., etc. The annual "Trivia Night Fund Raiser" is very important to the Committee; all proceeds (100%) raised are used for supporting Military & Veterans related programs ... a major recipient being the Missouri Veterans Home on Lewis & Clark Blvd. of which the Committee periodically makes donations in addition to an annual bar-b-que in October. Your Woodson Terrace Veterans Committee is self funded & relies on donations & the annual "Trivia Night Fund Raiser" to continue in this & other Veterans related endeavors.

SEPTEMBER ... the Committee will not meet.

October's meeting will be OCTOBER 6th @ the Missouri Veterans Home. This will be the Committee's 3rd annual bar-b-que for the 300+ resident Veterans along with the Staff & Volunteers; the Committee will purchase the burgers & brats along with the buns, chips, soft drinks, & dessert & prepare lunch ... we always enjoy circulating, mingling, & socializing with the Veterans & listening to the stories they share with us. I know I speak for everyone on the Committee when I say that as we walk out the doors that day, we take with us the gratification & delight brought to us by these men & women. Their "stories" are phenomenal!

NOVEMBER 1st the Committee will meet @ the Robert J. Madden Veterans Monument for the Committee's 2nd of 2 Flag Retirement Ceremonies for 2016. And on NOVEMBER 5th (Saturday prior to Veterans Day) is the Veterans Day Ceremony. The Veterans Day Ceremony will begin @ 9:30 AM & is held @ the Robert J. Madden Veterans Monument located in the parameters of John

L. Brown Park @ the corner of Stansberry & Calvert Avenues in Woodson Terrace.

Duration of the Ceremony is approx. 45 minutes & seating is available with an overhang.

DECEMBER 6th is a Committee Meeting @ WT City Hall. The agenda for the meeting has been prepared & is posted on the bulletin board outside of WT City Hall. DECEMBER is also the Marine Corps annual Toys for Tots collection of toys & Committee Member Caroline Martin continues to orchestrate this for the Committee. Info. will be on the marquee @ Woodson & Guthrie as the time gets closer.

You may have noticed that the 2 "collection containers" for used and/or tattered flags have been removed ... several reasons compelled the Committee to do this; however the Committee will continue to collect used and/or tattered flags from Woodson Terrace residents & you will need to either contact someone on the Veterans Committee or you can call WT City Hall & leave a message for myself or a Committee Member to contact you & arrangements will be made to pick up the flag/flags. Most Committee Members (Mayor Besmer, John Conlon, & myself) have their contact info. on the last page of the newsletter or you can Email me @ rmartin@woodsonterrace.net.

Woodson Terrace residents can be quite proud of this Committee; its members are devoted & supportive of not just WT Veterans but all Veterans & realize the many sacrifices he/she made for the freedom we have. On behalf of everyone on the Woodson Terrace Veterans Committee, we appreciate the many kind words of gratitude we receive from you. We do keep busy with the affiliations, programs, organizations, etc. each member is involved in & with. Please feel free to contact me via Email @ rmartin@woodsonterrace.net or call City Hall (314-427-2600) & leave a message for me to call you.



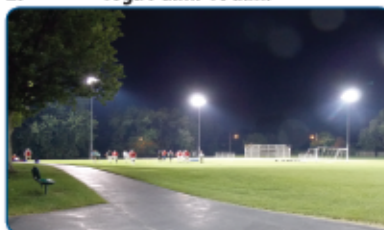
City Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2016

- 4 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 4 Craft Club 1 p.m.-4 p.m.
- 4 Veterans Committee 7 p.m.
- 5 Municipal Court 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 13 Senior Luncheon
11 a.m.-2 p.m. –
registration required
- 13 Budget Committee 7 p.m.
- 18 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 18 Planning & Zoning
Committee 7 p.m.
(As needed)
- 20 Public Works Committee
6:45-7 p.m.
- 20 Board of Aldermen 7 p.m.
- 25 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 27 Park Board/Special Projects
7 p.m. (As needed)
- 29 Halloween Party 12-2 p.m.
Tickets required

NOVEMBER 2016

- 1 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 1 Craft Club 1 p.m.-4 p.m.
- 1 Veterans Committee 7 p.m.
- 2 Municipal Court 6:30 p.m.
- 8 Presidential Election; No Yoga
- 10 Senior Luncheon 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Registration required
- 10 Budget Committee 7 p.m.
- 15 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 15 Planning & Zoning
Committee 7 p.m. (As needed)
- 17 Public Works Committee
6:45-7 p.m.
- 17 Board of Aldermen 7 p.m.
- 22 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 24 Thanksgiving
City Offices Closed
- 25 City Offices Closed
- 29 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.



DECEMBER 2016

- 6 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 6 Craft Club 1 p.m.-4 p.m.
- 6 Veterans Committee 7 p.m.
- 7 Municipal Court 6:30 p.m.
- 8 Senior Luncheon
11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Registration required
- 8 Budget Committee 7 p.m.
- 13 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 15 Public Works Committee
6:45-7 p.m.
- 15 Board of Aldermen 7 p.m.
- 17 Children's Christmas Party
Tickets required 12-2p.m.
- 20 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
- 20 Planning & Zoning
Committee 7 p.m.
(As needed)
- 22 Park Board/Special Projects
7 p.m. (As needed)
- 23 City Offices Closed
- 26 City Offices Closed
- 27 Yoga 9 a.m.-10 a.m.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PLANNING & ZONING
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS ARE
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Poison Control

St. Louis County Health Department

Allied Waste

Ameren

Laclede

Mo-American Water

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BI-STATE WILD LIFE HOTLINE

314-615-0680

314-772-5200

314-615-6500

636-947-5959

314-342-1000

314-621-6960

866-430-0820

314-768-6200

636-492-1610

Please keep an eye on the marquee sign in front of the new government center for information on classes, chipping, plowing, meetings and other city news.



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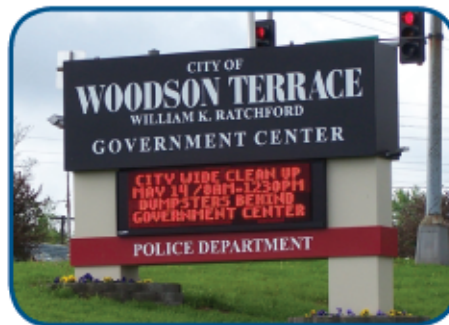
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BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS 3RD THURSDAY OF
EACH MONTH – 7:00 P.M.