Sunset Hills HORIZON

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Sunset Hills Historical Society calendar of events

Mark your calendars for May 17 at 1:00 p.m. The MINNIE HA HA DEDICATION will take place at MINNIE HA HA PARK in Sunset Hills.

The event will dedicate the monument to mark The HISTORIC INDIAN LANDING SITE on the banks of the Meramec.

A Native American--Silver Otter- and family will be present to honor his ancestors with Indian displays. He his wife and son will appear in native dress.

Another special attraction will be an authentic 36 star flag that once belonged to General Sterling Price -ex governor of Missouri.

May 18, 2009 7:00 p.m. Sunset Hills Historical Society regular meeting, City Hall.

Program Open and discuss German Fest Activities Welcome and get to know all members and guest.

June 13, 2009 5:00 P.M. Sunset Hills Historical Society and Parks Department German Fest

Program Herb Eberle Band
Food Served
Can bring coolers and chairs, but no glass.
Bus available

You won't want to miss these events.
Questions-president Butch Thomas
849-2234

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Results from the April 7, 2009 election:

Alderman Ward 1
Douglas J. McGuire, Jr.
46 votes

William J. (Bill) Nolan, Jr.
164 votes

Alderman Ward 2
John W. Littlefield
148 votes

Scott Haggerty
260 votes

Alderman Ward 3
Jan Hoffmann
248 votes

Write-In
5 votes

Alderman Ward 4
Patricia Fribis
221 votes

Stephen C. Shady
96 votes

Write-In
1 votes

Art Fair at Laumeier
Mother's Day weekend
May 8, 9 & 10, 2009

Featuring the
Sunset Hills Jazz Festival
Saturday, May 9, 3-8 pm

3:00 Dizzy Atmosphere
4:45 Valerie Tichachek Sextet
6:30 Teddy Presberg

Sunset Hills residents, use your free admission ticket!

Sponsored by
Sunset Hills

Laumeier Sculpture Park 12580 Rott Road, Sunset Hills 314.821.1209 www.laumeier.org

FREE ADMISSION

One *free* adult admission ($8 value) per Sunset Hills household *with this ticket*

VALID SATURDAY, MAY 9 *ONLY* BEGINNING AT 2 PM

Free admission courtesy of
Sunset Hills

ALDERMANIC REPORT

The following business was conducted at the March 24th Board of Aldermen meeting:

March 24th Meeting Results

The Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law for a Conditional use permit submitted by City of Sunset Hills Parks and Recreation Department to construct a new pool/aquatic center for the property located at 12512 W. Watson Road. **Approved.**

The Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law for a Conditional use permit submitted by City of Sunset Hills Parks and Recreation Department to construct a new Community Center for the property located at 3939 S. Lindbergh Blvd. **Approved.**

April 14th Board of Aldermen meeting not held due to Certification of Election Results.

The next Scheduled meeting is April 24th. Agenda and results will be in next Newsletter.

Any new business and/or PUBLIC HEARINGS to be brought before the Board will be dependent on action taken by the Planning and Zoning Commission at its meeting. Please see the Planning and Zoning agenda article for further information.

For any of our residents who may in the past have wished to attend a City meeting but have not done so because of a special need, i.e. hearing, sight impairment, etc., the City is pleased to announce that, with proper notice, we will make arrangements to accommodate your needs. In general we will need at least ten days notice prior to the meeting date. (So that we may contact an interpreter, etc.) Please call City Hall at 849-3400.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

No Meeting was held on April 1, 2009.

May 6th, 2009 Agenda

P-6-09 – Petition for a Boundary Adjustment submitted by the Sunset Hills Parks & Recreation Department to convey approximately 15,678 sf of property from Lot 3 of Sunset Park to Lot 1 of Sunset Park for the purpose of constructing a recreation complex on the property at 12450 W. Watson Road.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

No Meeting was held on March 26th, 2009.

No Meeting was held on April 23rd, 2009.

Fenton Fire Protection District
845 Gregory Lane
Fenton, MO 63026

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

Doug Evrard, Firefighter (ext. 218)

Jeff Heidbreder, Deputy Chief/EMS (ext. 215)

Business: 636-343-4188

Fax: 636-343-4451

Fenton Fire Protection District EMS OPEN HOUSE

On Saturday, May 16, 2009, the Fenton Fire Protection District will host its' annual Open House in recognition of Emergency Medical Services Week. The open house will be held at Engine House #1, located at 845 Gregory Lane. The day's festivities will run from 12:00 noon until 3:00 PM. Come join us for the afternoon to take engine house and equipment tours, see Flashy the talking fire dog, and enjoy a variety of refreshments which include: hot dogs, soda, popcorn, prizes and much more. There will also be representatives from local emergency services. Please come visit for the activities or to just say "Hi". Look forward to seeing you there.

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

In February 2008, the Board of Aldermen approved a Stream Buffer Protection Ordinance. The Ordinance was enacted in order to create buffer zones along the streams of the City for the protection of water resources and to minimize land development or land disturbance within such buffers by establishing buffer zone requirements and by requiring authorization for such activities.

This ordinance applies to all land developments or disturbance activity on property containing a stream protection area. Permit applications are necessary for property requiring buffers and setbacks under this ordinance. All land development or disturbance activity shall meet various requirements.

The Board of Aldermen has determined that buffers adjacent to streams provide numerous benefits such as:

1.) Protecting, restoring and maintaining the chemical, physical and biological integrity of streams.

2.) Removing pollutants delivered in urban stormwater

3.) Reducing erosion and controlling sedimentation

4.) Protecting and stabilizing stream banks

5.) Providing for infiltration of stormwater runoff

These are just a few benefits that we would enjoy by enacting the stream buffer ordinance. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at City Hall, 3939 S. Lindbergh Blvd. or on our website at www.sunset-hills.com.

Did you know that?

Placing grass clippings or tree limbs along creek banks actually can cause damage! These materials "starve" the vegetation below. Once the vegetation dies, erosion occurs. Banks widen and property owners actually loose more of their yard as the sediment travels into the creek. Please dispose of yard waste properly.

The City of Sunset Hills Parks & Recreation Department & the Sunset Hills Garden Club have partnered with WITS to host a Computer/Electronics Recycling Collection Event.

On June 27th from 8am – 12 noon, residents can drop off their old equipment to be recycled. **Drop off at Sunset Hills City Hall parking lot.** Below is a list of items that can be dropped off:

- Computers and/or Monitors ($5 fee), printers, cables and peripherals (keyboards and mice, etc).
- Office equipment, business equipment and machinery including most furniture and operations equipment.
- Networking equipment, server, telecommunications, phones, cell phones, clocks, etc.
- TVs ($10 or $15 based on size), VCRs, stereos and like audio and video equipment including cable/satellite.
- Home electronics, blenders, toasters, irons etc and most home furniture (please call).
- White Goods: washers, dryers, dishwashers, furnaces, etc ($5 fee).
- Medical Equipment and all types of diagnostic equipment.
- Electrical, cabling and communication machinery.
- Industrial machinery and equipment including power and gas equipment. Lawn equipment, tools, old mowers, tillers, etc.
- Air conditioners, refrigerators, humidifier and other Freon containing devices ($5 fee).
- Old Motors, transformers and other electrical equipment.
- Car and lead–containing batteries.
- CDs, VHS tapes, DVDs, Cassettes, DAT and all other types of data tapes.

**WITS guarantees secure NIST Destruction of all data on re-useable computers. Non working will be destroyed as per DOD standards. WITS also guarantee that all non re-useable items will be de-manufactured, and not put into the landfill.*

WITS collects for costs to appropriately handle items with hazards in them. All fees and donation items are tax deductible.

The City of Sunset Hills and the Sunset Hills Garden Club encourage and welcome anyone that would like to volunteer for the day. If you bring four additional people to help volunteer – you are entitled a free computer from WITS.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to contact WITS directly at 314.382.1650 or visit http://witsinc.org

Cash for Trash

On **May 2nd from 9am till 12pm** you can bring your aluminum cans and unwanted clothing up to the City Hall parking lot. All items will be weighed and then converted into a dollar amount. You can either: 1. Receive this amount 2. Deduct amount from Season Pass 3. Receive in one day passes.

This is the last day to purchase season pool passes at the discounted rate!

Fishing Derby

On **May 7th from 6:00-7:30pm** anglers of all ages may compete for trophies awarded for the smallest, largest, and most fish caught. Fishing is done at the lake in Watson Trail Park.

Tree Care Workshop

The City of Sunset Hills Parks and Recreation Department and Bruce Vawter, a Consulting Forester and Certified Arborist, will be conducting a Tree Care Workshop. There will be demonstrations and handouts. The workshop will cover proper tree pruning techniques and tools, plant selection and location guidelines, details for correct planting of trees and shrubs and general plant maintenance needs including: fertilizing, watering, mulching; insect and disease concerns.

May 9th 10:00am

FREE Watson Trail Park

Mole Class

Do you have moles in your yard? Jeff Holper, of Holper's Pest and Animal Solutions, will be conducting a one hour seminar and Power Point presentation with valuable information and tips on how to remove moles from your yard. Please call the park office to register. Space is limited

May 13th 7:00pm FREE

Six Flags

The Parks & Recreation Department will be selling discounted admission tickets or season passes that can be used any day this season. $27.00 for the daily passes and $62.00 for season passes to Six Flags.

Neighboring Communities

The City of Sunset Hills in cooperation with other municipalities will bring back the pool pass package for our residents. If you purchase a season pass you will be entitled to purchase daily passes for Crestwood, Kirkwood and Fenton for $3.00 each. For more information please contact the Parks & Recreation Office.

Introduction to Bird Watching

May 16th 7:30am FREE Minnie Ha Ha Park

If you enjoy watching birds in your backyard, you'll love the opportunity to learn a little more about identifying certain common species. Meet at the overlook pavilion, bring binoculars if you have them. Space is limited to 10 students.

Minnie Ha Ha Indian Landing Site Dedication

May 17th 1pm A granite monument will be placed at the park in honor of the many Indian tribes that frequented the area. Come out and enjoy the celebration.

Bridge Club

The Drop in Bridge Club meets every Monday and Thursday from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. in the Activity Center in Watson Trail Park, 12450 W. Watson. **New members are welcome.**

Chess Club

The Chess Club meets in the Watson Trail Park Activity Center on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. – Noon. Beginner or advanced, players are invited to join the fun.

2009 Summer Jobs

The City of Sunset Hills Parks and Recreation Department is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Lifeguards

Applicants must be 16 years old. Applications are available in the Park Office located in the Activity Center in Watson Trail Park.

Lunch and Bingo

May 7, 2009

11:30am – 1:30pm

Fee: $5.00

Register with Webster Groves at least one week in advance (314) 963-5600

Day Camp Registration

The Sunset Hills Parks and Recreation Department offers a fun, safe, and enjoyable experience for children 5 – 12 years old. Exciting field trips, swimming, sports, organized games, and arts and crafts are just some of the many activities your child will enjoy. Hurry in! Space is limited.

Camp runs Monday thru Friday from

9am – 3pm June 1st – July 31st

Sunrise Adventure Camp: is from 8-9am

Res: $20/week Non Res: $25/week

Sunset Adventure Camp: is from 3-5pm

Res: $30/week Non Res: $40/week

THERE WILL BE NO DAY CAMP THE WEEK OF JUNE 29TH.

$80/week for Residents $120/week for Non-Residents

Every child registering in 3 week increments, will receive a discount of $5.00 per week.

You must sign up by the Wednesday prior to the week you are wanting to come to camp. Otherwise there will be a $25 late fee charge.

Please know the weeks you are wanting to come. There will be a $5 charge for each change that has to be made to your registration after payment is made.

Registration for residents begins **April 6th**. Non-residents may begin registering **April 13th**

Registration is on a first come first serve basis and must be made in person.

CRESTWOOD SUNSET-HILLS AREA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Chamber of Commerce asks you to support the businesses that support this community.

Please visit the Chamber website at www.ourchamber.com to see a list of member businesses. Thank you!

Let's get Energized

Improve your flexibility and stamina! Come and try our two new classes, Yoga and Pilates. These wonderful mind and body classes will change your body and leave you relaxed and energized! Classes taught by Artie Heizer, National Certified Personal Trainer, Yoga and Pilates Instructor. Join us at Watson Trail Park Activity Center 12450 W. Watson.

Yoga Mondays: 10:15am – 11:15am

Pilates Wednesday: 10:00am – 11:00am

Outdoor Exercise Tuesday & Thursday: 8:15am-9:15am

Purchase a punch card for any 10 classes

Location: Watson Trail Park

Cards are $100.00

Classes begin April 14th for the Outdoor exercise and meet on the basketball court in the park.

For more info call Artie Heizer at 314-581-0092.

Junior Olympics

The U.S. Jr. Olympic Skills Competition provides kids across the country an opportunity to participate in an exciting multi-sport skills competition. This national initiative gives 8-13 year olds the chance to showcase their athletic talents. On April 30th at 6:30pm we will be holding tennis and basketball competitions. Please call the Parks and Recreation Department for more details.

Swim Team Sign Up

The Sunset Hills Swim Team utilizes the Sunset Hills swimming pool for practices.

Residents: $95
Non-Residents:$145

Additional family members will be $85

A $20 late fee will be charged to those registering after May 2nd.

Participants from last year's team can register at City Hall on April 22nd from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Others may register at City Hall on Saturday, May 2nd from 9:30am – 11am

2009 Co-Ed Kickball League

The City of Sunset Hills will be offering a Co-Ed kickball league ages 18 years or older. Registration begins March 23rd and the 2009 season will start on Thursday May 21st.. The fields are located at 13555 W. Watson. The cost is $400.00 per team for 12 games plus single elimination playoffs. The registration fee of $400.00 is due at the time of registration, no exceptions. For more information visit our Park website www.sunset-hills.com or contact Victor Vigil by phone at (314) 842-7265 or email at vvigil@sunset-hills.com.

HONORS

The City of Sunset Hills is honored to be excepting it's 2nd year as a Tree City U.S.A. The City was also honored to receive the Distinguished "ARBOR Award" of Excellence this year.

Crestwood-Sunset Hills Kiwanis Club13th Annual Charity Golf Tournament

Crescent Farms Golf Club (formerly Players Club) Monday, May 4, 2009

The Kiwanis Club invites you to support our annual charity golf tournament. Proceeds from this event go to benefit youth programs in our community. Our programs include youth community service clubs in the Lindbergh School District, scholarships, Kiwanis Camp Wyman, student leadership, Angels Arms, Ronald McDonald House and many others. Your support will be appreciated. You can help by playing in the tournament, becoming a sponsor, providing raffle items and attendance prizes. This is a great way to have fun and to support your local youth programs.

For information contact: Mike Raeber at 314-503-8440

Visit our websites at:
www.moarkkiwanis.org/golftournaments/csshgolf.html or
ww.moarkkwanis.org/announcement.html

Pool Opening

The Sunset Hills Swimming Pool is located at 12512 W. Watson, opens May 23rd (weather permitting). The hours for public swimming are:

Monday – Thursday	**12:30 – 9:00pm**
Friday	**12:30 – 7:00pm**
Saturday	**11:00 – 7:00pm**
Sunday**	**11:00 – 7:00pm**

**Pool will be open until 9:00pm if there is not a private party scheduled that evening

Admission requires daily admission fee OR a season pass

The pool phone number is:
314-842-SWIM (7946)

Season Pool Pass Purchased after May 2nd

Residents

Family: $155.00 Adult (16+): $85.00 Child/Senior: $75.00

Non-Residents

Family: $245.00

Adult (16+): $150.00

Child/Senior: $105.00

Daily Admission Fees

Residents

Adult: $4 Child/Senior: $3

Non-Residents

Adult: $8 Child/Senior: $6

Private Pool Parties

For a unique entertaining idea, rent the pool for your family, school, church, or business party. Information on fees and reservations may be obtained by calling the Parks office.

Employees of Sunset Hills

This month we would like to introduce you to Officer Mathew Scott. Matt has been an Officer with the City since September 2004.

One of the things Matt enjoys most about working for the City;

"I enjoy working for Sunset Hills because it allows me the opportunity to interact with a diverse group of people.

Whether they are working, living, or visiting in the city. The citizens of Sunset Hills are very appreciative and supportive of the police department and I enjoy being able to assist them when they call us for help."

When Matt is not working he enjoys spending time with his family, friends and two dogs.

If you have any questions for the Sunset Hills Police Department please contact them at 314-849-4400.

HORIZON

3939 South Lindbergh
Sunset Hills, Missouri 63127

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CALENDAR

May

5 May – Public Works Committee – 7:00 p.m. – Public Works Conference Room

6 May – Planning & Zoning Commission – 7:30 p.m. – Assembly Room

12 May – Board of Aldermen – 7:00 pm – Assembly Room

18 May – Pool Advisory Board – 7:00 p.m. – Park Activity Center

18 May – Advisory Tree Board – 7:00 p.m. – Public Works Conference Room

25 May – Historical Society – 7:00 p.m. – Assembly Room

26 May – Board of Aldermen – 7:00 p.m. – Assembly Room (If required)

28 May – Board of Adjustment – 7:00 pm – Assembly Room

Aldermen Directory

Mayor
Mike Svoboda 842-2021

Ward I
Frank Hardy 965-3762
Bill Nolan. 966-0504

Ward II
Scott Haggerty. 842-2121
Tom Hrastich 849-5497

Ward III
Jan Hoffmann 842-5866
Stephen Webb 843-9263

Ward IV
Frank Gregory 842-7549
Patricia Fribis. 849-2022

Important Numbers

City Hall. 849-3400
Watson Trail Park 842-7265
Pool 842-SWIM
Emergency
Police 911
Fire 911
Ambulance 911
Police Information. 849-4400
Vacation Watch 849-7867