

Mayor Schneider Honored with 2017 Westfall Award

Florissant Mayor Thomas P. Schneider was honored by the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis with its 2017 Buzz Westfall Award for Excellence in Local Government at the organization's sixth annual MUNI Awards on Wednesday.

In presenting the award to Mayor Schneider, Municipal League Past President and Creve Coeur Mayor Barry Glantz said that "Serving our constituents effectively through local government takes a willingness to learn, to listen, to collaborate, to plan, to be thoughtful, and above all to care about our communities.

He added "This year's recipient embodies these characteristics. Tom has a lifetime of service to the City of Florissant and St. Louis County. He was first hired as City Engineer in 1976. In 1979 he was elected to the City Council in Ward 3 and served for 32 years until being elected mayor in 2011."

Mayor Glantz, on behalf of the league singled out Schneider's leadership of the out-of-state auto sales tax ballot issue in 2016 "Mayor Schneider led one of the most remarkable election campaigns we have ever seen. Tom worked with the Auto Dealers Association to produce thou-

sands of signs supporting the proposal. Due to Tom's efforts voters in EACH of the 43 cities voted to approve retention of the tax. This was an unprecedented level of cooperation that preserved an important revenue stream



Pictured (I-r) is Ward 2 Councilman Tim Jones, Ward 7 Council President Jackie Pagano, Ward 8 Councilman Robert Parson, Mayor Thomas Schneider, Ward 5 Councilman Keith Schildroth and Ward 4 Councilman Jeff Caputa

Every year the Municipal League honors an individual who is recognized for exceptional leadership and contributions to the betterment of local government with the Westfall Award. Schneider has been an active member of the MML and was elected President of the County League in 2012. He has served as a member of the Board since 2008.

"I am honored and humbled to accept this award," said Mayor Schneider. "I believe strongly in the mission of the Municipal League and am grateful for the ongoing work and dedication of the League and its municipal members, who work tirelessly to make St. Louis County such a great place to live, work and raise a family. I encourage every elected municipal official to be of service to the league to advocate for local governance with State and Federal leaders."

The Westfall Award and MUNI awards for municipal excellence in innovation and collaboration were made at the annual Municipal League of Metro St. Louis MUNI Award and Officer Installation Dinner which honor municipalities across St. Louis County.

For more information, visit the Municipal League's web site at www.stlmuni.org.

Florissant Kicks-off Summer Concert Series with July 4th Concert

There's nothing more magical than a night of "Music Under the Stars"!

2017 Summer Concert Series

Free outdoor concerts proudly presented by the City of Florissant

Tuesday, July 4 – Northwinds Concert Band - Independence Day Concert (precedes the Independence Day fireworks) - This annual concert features patriotic marches and hits from Broadway and film - in the Florissant Valley Park by the James J. Eagan Center

Saturday, July 15 – Rockin' Chair - Performing selections from a great era of music featuring Crosby Stills & Nash, The Eagles, Jackson Browne, Poco and Loggins & Messina and more.

Saturday, July 22 – SSJ Band - Pop/Rock, Oldies, Country, Motown and Dance Party

Saturday, July 29 – Butch Wax & The Hollywoods with Theo Peoples from The Four Tops - One of the hottest shows in town, songs of the 50s, 60s & 70s, Motown, R & B and Rock 'N' Roll

Saturday, August 5 – SmashBand Superhits with Smash live on Stage - Ten-piece band plays hits of the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s & 90s

Saturday, August 12 – Billy Peek Band - Rock & Blues guitarist most noted for playing seven years with Rod Stewart

Saturday, August 19 - Fanfare Band featuring Kittie Moller - Taking you all over the sound spectrum - Motown, R & B, Pop, Country and Standards, plus Jazz and Big Band

Saturday, August 26 – Boeing Employees Concert Band

Sunday, October 8 – Bob Kuban Brass - *Performing at the Fall Festival in the 100 block of Rue St. Francois



SSJ Rock & Roll Show Band



Boeing Employees Concert Band



Rockin'

Chair **Band**

Butch Wax & the Hollywoods

The Smash Superhits Band

Bob Kuban Brass











9 Great Free Concerts!

Funding for the "Music Under the Stars"



Performers and locations are listed below. All concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. except July 4th at 7:30 p.m. and Bob Kuban Brass* on Oct. 8th will be at 1:00 & 3:00 p.m. All performances take place at St. Ferdinand Park by the lake except as noted. Weather updates call: 314-921-4466



Ward 1 - William Busby - 1400 Madison Ln.



Ward 2 - Brian & Karen McNatt - 21 Hammes Dr.



Ward 3 - Lawrence & Christine McCullough - 145 Albert Dr.



Ward 5 - Cleve & Carol Tegtmeyer - 4 Fountain Ct.



Ward 7 - Peggy & James Ragland - 1415 Acredale



Ward 9 - James & Barb Herschbach - 3655 Meserta Ln.



Ward 4 - Nancy Martin - 532 Rancho Ln.



Ward 6 - Michele & Steve Arthur - 1295 Fox Run Dr.



Ward 8 - McKinley & Latanya Smith - 3755 Estates Dr.

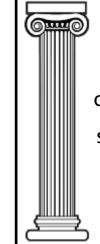


Mayor's Choice Ward 9 - Doug & Marlo Stuart - 12 Club Grounds Dr. N.

Congratulations to ALL of the participants and winners. Thank You for taking pride in your homes and our City!



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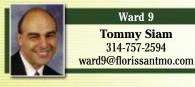














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Greetings Everyone,

I am looking forward to seeing everyone as we enjoy the summer. We enjoyed having three picture perfect days for the Valley of Flowers and the Queen's crowning. We had a tremendous turn out for the Knights of Columbus grounds and James J. Eagan for all the wonderful events which made for a great festival. The City of Florissant has many fun and exciting events and activities planned for enjoyment this summer. This edition of the focus newspaper has information to help you enjoy what is happening in our beautiful city. You can also visit our website at www.florissantmo.com or call 314-921-5700 for more information.

This summer the City of Florissant has some exciting events coming up: Wednesday Night Out (WNO) is sponsored by Old Town Partners and the City of Florissant. Each event will start at 6:00 p.m. and end at 9:00 p.m. There will be adult beverages, food and soft drinks and our warm Florissant fellowship which makes everyone feel welcome. Wednesday, May 31st was the first (WNO) that was added to the schedule this year. The theme was "Proud To Be An American". I would like to thank the members of the VFW Post 4105 for hosting the event. The rest of (WNO) schedule is as follows:

- Wednesday, June 28th Korte's Custom Framing & Antiques will be hosting the event which is called "Hat Party" featuring live music by The Doo Wop Band located in the 600 block of rue St. Francois.
- Wednesday, July 26th "Movie Night" at the Old St. Ferdinand Shrine located at #1 rue St. Francois. • Wednesday, August 30th extending from Stems Florist, Bunkers and Husband Agency will be a Tropical Street Party with an island beach party type theme featuring live music. • Wednesday, September 27th enjoy an evening of light jazz on St. Denis between Hendel's Restaurant and Sacred Heart.

Before the start of the second (WNO) on June 28th we had a plaque dedication ceremony in honor of the late Patrick G. Click, Sr. this was the 29th Walk Through History plaque. Before the start of the July 26th (WNO) the city will be dedicating a Walk Through History plaque in honor of the late Gretchen Crank. In August we will be dedicating another Walk Through History plaque in honor of the late Ken Otto and to close out the final (WNO) of the year we will be dedicating our last plaque in honor of President Thomas Jefferson, author of the Louisiana Purchase which brought Florissant into the United States.

The second Florissant Food Truck Knight was held on Friday, June 16th sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the City with future food truck nights scheduled for August 18th and October 13th. There were barrels to collect non-perishable canned and dry food for the nearby TEAM food pantry and proceeds from the event will benefit Knight's sponsored charities including TEAM.

The Fiesta in Florissant, which is sponsored by the Hispanic Festival, Inc. of Greater St. Louis, was a two day event held on June 24th and June 25th and featured entertainment with live Latin bands and Folk dancers from various Latin American countries. The funds raised are used to fund scholarships distributed to college bound students and underprivileged children.

The July 4th celebration is on a Tuesday this year and starts at 7:30 p.m. with a concert performed by the Northwinds Concert Band in front of the James J. Eagan Center followed by our exciting annual Fireworks display.

The MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

CONCERT SERIES is a series of FREE outdoor concerts sponsored by the City of Florissant and the Florissant Fine Arts Council. Bring your favorite lawn chair and your favorite person to share these delightful evenings.

Bring some food and beverages or buy them in the park. These concerts will be held at St. Ferdinand Park by the Lake and will start at 7:00 p.m. every Saturday evening from July 9 to August 27. Please see the schedule in this latest issue of the Focus to get details for each performance.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run which benefits the Missouri Special Olympics came through the City of Florissant again this year on Thursday, May 25th. Selected runners from the police department received the torch from officers from the St. Louis County Police Department. The runners from Florissant headed south on 67 until reaching the city limits of Hazelwood where the torch was handed off to runners with the Hazelwood Police Department

The Florissant Fish Swim Team's season is underway as they seek to win the North County Swim League Championship for the 7th straight year and remain undefeated in my tenure. I would like to wish all of the coaches and swimmers the best of luck and hope they and their many fans have another great and enjoyable season. Go Fish!

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Street Work: - The Public Works Department is preparing to do \$3,350,000 in street work this year 2017 which includes \$927,000 in slurry seal resurfacing work on 130+ different streets throughout the City, \$589,000 in concrete pavement replacement and repairs on 34+ streets, and \$1,834,000 in major street repairs with an asphalt over lay on 13+ different streets. Major street repairs have begun with the completion of major repairs, new curbing and an asphalt overlay on Keeven Lane.

Thanks to the passage of Prop S last November 2015 Florissant has the

street maintenance funds available to keep up with our 167 miles of streets and to begin a program of restoration. These funds will be used this year to make improvements to 11 different streets plus major improvements to Keven Lane (completed) and St. Marie Street which will include all new curbs, gutters, and asphalt overly and other needed improvements.

St. Louis County continues to make progress on the Shackelford Road Improvements and have just begun making much needed improvements to Washington Street.

The Public Works Department has three grant projects in progress this year that are funded at 80 percent by a federal grants received in 2014 & 2015. • Design work is nearing completion for the replacement of St. Anthony Lane Bridge over Fountain Creek a \$550,000 project which will be constructed later this summer.

- Design work and pre-construction work continues for the North Lafayette Reconstruction project which will include repaving the street, installing storm sewers, and adding ADA-compliant sidewalk and bicycle facilities from North Highway 67 to Washington Street with a total estimated budget of approximately \$2.7 million. Construction is scheduled for 2018.
- Design work and pre-construction work continues for the Replacement of the Pedestrian Signal on Derhake Rd. at Robinwood Elementary. This project will replace the aging signal and bring the crossing into compliance with ADA requirements. It has a budget of approximately \$140,000 and will be complete in 2018.

The City has partnered with MODOT and has been awarded another 80 percent federally funded reimbursement grant to make improvements to the intersection of St. Ferdinand St. and N. Highway 67 ... the main entrance to our St. Ferdinand Park ... primarily to ease congestion entering and exiting St. Ferdinand Park and to improve safety and pedestrian access. Currently, we are in the preliminary stages of design.

We have had robust Economic **Development** success which continued in 2017. Economic development continues to be strong and very active. Companies of all sizes that include National brands and Developers' are proving that they believe in the future of Florissant. Here is a list of s some of the businesses and companies:

- Total Urgent Care on Lindbergh at St. Jean will be having their grand opening and ribbon cutting on July
- First Collinsville Bank will soon open a new facility in the former Bloomer's Florist on New Halls Ferry. • Jewel Banquet Center (the former Yac's restaurant) has opened with

great success.

- Regions Bank is building a new facility on Lindbergh near Dierbergs. • Mc Allister's Deli will open a new restaurant in the former Bob Evans in mid-July.
- Signature Sandwich, affiliated with Max's Meats, has opened in the Train Depo on St. Catherinet.
- Raising Canes will build a new

FCTV On Demand: To find The City's

restaurant on Lindbergh. Demolition starts in June. Estimated opening in mid-November.

- D'Vita Dialysis will open a new facility in the former Beauty Brands location in Cross Keys.
- U-HAUL under construction on Lindbergh. Estimated opening
- October 2017. • POPEYE'S CHICKEN starting con-

struction mid-summer. There are other exciting projects that are in the Due Diligence and Planning Phase that we are working with Developers to help them assemble the property to locate even more exciting new venues to the Beautiful

Since March 2017... 13 New Commercial businesses & 6 Residential **Businesses** have opened.

The Mayor's Town Hall Meeting for Senior Citizens. Seniors are invited to enjoy a complimentary breakfast with me on Thursday, September 14, 2017 from 9:00am -11:00am at the James J. Eagan Center. Don't miss this important event where I will address the Senior Citizens of Florissant. All City of Florissant Department Heads will be present as well to answer any questions you may have. A delicious full breakfast, provided by The Bridge At Florissant, will be served at 9:00 a.m.

Also at this event, pick up valuable information from organizations such as Mid East Area Agency on Aging, Chamber of Commerce, St. Louis County Library, Center for Hearing & Speech, Florissant Valley Fire Protection District, The County Older Resident Program, AARP, Christian Hospital, Oasis and the Veterans Administration. Please call the Senior Office at 839-7605, starting August 21st to make reservations for the FREE breakfast.

There is so much going on in our beautiful city and I hope that you will take the time to enjoy everything we have to offer because this is a great place to be!

Sincerely yours, Thomas P. Schneider Mayor, City of Florissant



FCTV - City of Florissant Television and Media

FCTV's informational, educational and entertainment programming is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

FCTV's electronic bulletin board provides local news, sports, weather, and information for the City of Florissant and St. Louis County. Also provided are national news, sports, weather, and information via an RSS (Really Simple Syndication) feed.

FCTV - programming can be found on Charter Cable-992, AT&T U-verse 99, On Demand via our website, www.florissantmo.com and on YouTube as "FCTV-Florissant City Media". As of now we are NOT available on Direct-TV.

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AT&T Uverse: Using your AT&T remote tune to Channel 99. There you will see: government, education & public TV, choose "OK". You will then be prompted to "Please select a city from the list below." Find Florissant Missouri City Television, choose "OK". Our programming will appear in a small box, Choose "OK" again to go full screen.

website on your computer, or mobile device enter www.florissantmo.com in the address bar. Once there, on the right side of the home page find and click on "Florissant City TV", this takes you to FCTV's home page. In the upper left side of FCTV's home page you will see the "Show Search" bar. Type in all or part of the name of the program you would like to see and click on "Go". All On Demand Programs, from your choice, will appear. Find the particular show you want to watch and click (View), within a few seconds your show will begin playing.

Live Streaming: Go to "FCTV's home page.". In the upper right of the home page choose "Watch Live" and current programming will begin playing. Shows currently running can be seen On

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If you need more information please call Kerry Luster at 314-839-7635 or Email at kluster@florissantmo.com.

Two Florissant Police Officers at National Police Week

Officers Ryan Kiefer and Steven Michael represented the Florissant Police Department at National Police Week in Washington DC.

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls, as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962. National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others. The event honors all the nations police officers who were killed in the line of duty.

Officers Kiefer and Michael trailered the department's two motorcycles to Washington DC where they participated in the escort of family members of fallen police officers to different events throughout the week. The events included the National Peace Officers Memorial service at the

United States Capital where the President of The United States gave an address to the families of officers killed in the line of duty.

While there, they not only had distinct privilege to escort hundreds of families of fallen officers from all over the country, but also the families of officers from St. Louis County and St. Louis City.

Saturday May 13th, the officers attended a candlelight vigil and on Monday May 15th they attended the National Peace Officers Memorial service on the Capital lawn.

The officers also visited the National Peace Officer Memorial Wall where two of our own Florissant Police Officers names are inscribed, Marion D. Reiff and Glennon R. Fernau.



The Florissant Focus





Police K9s Hugo & Tyson Receive Body Armor

Florissant Police Department K9's Hugo & Tyson have received bullet and stab protective vests thanks to a charitable donation from non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. The K9's vests are sponsored by Back the Blue BBQ and Trivia hosted by Sara Carlson of MO. K9 Hugo's vest is embroidered with the sentiment "Honoring those who served and sacrificed". K9 Tyson's vest is embroidered with the sentiment "In honor of all my fallen brothers, sisters and K9s".

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501c (3) charity located in East Taunton, MA whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law

enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. The non-profit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially lifesaving body armor for their four-legged K9 officers. Since its inception, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. has provided over 2,400 protective vests, in 50 states, through private and corporate donations, at a cost of over 1.9 million dollars. All vests are custom made in the USA by Armor Express in Central Lake, MI.

The program is open to dogs actively employed in the U.S. with law enforcement or related agencies who are certified and at least 20 months of age. New K9 graduates, as



well as K9s with expired vests, are eligible to participate.

The donation to provide one protective vest for a law enforcement K9 is \$1.050.00. Each vest has a value between \$1.795 - \$2.234 and a fiveyear warranty, and an average weight of 4-5 lbs. There is an estimated 30,000 law enforcement K9s through-

out the United States. For more information or to learn about volunteer opportunities, please call 508-824-6978. Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provides information, lists events, and accepts tax-deductible donations of any denomination at www.vik9s.org or mailed to P.O. Box 9 East Taunton, MA 02718.



SPECIAL NOTICE:

Florissant Court Sessions for June and July Will be Held at Cross Keys Middle School, 14205 Cougar Dr., Florissant, Mo. 63033

Officers Receive VFW National **Public Service Award**

Mayor Thomas P. Schneider is pleased to announce that the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4105 have honored two Florissant Police Officers, Kimberly Berry and Freddie Lee, before the start of the May 22nd City Council meeting. VFW 12th District Commander Ken Allison presented the National Public Service Award to the officers.

July 2017

Officer Lee and Officer Berry, both veterans of our Armed Forces, are two of the department's School Resource Officers (SROs) assigned to schools within the Ferguson-Florissant School District. After recognizing the need for at risk youth to have more positive interactions with law enforcement, both officers met with the principal of Combs School and proposed a mentoring program they had created. The proposed program called for the school to identify approximately 12 "at risk" students (Kindergarten thru 6th grade) and Officers Lee and Berry met with the kids for the length of the school year for one hour a week. The program was capped off with a field trip to the police station and a "pizza party"

thrown by Officers Lee and Berry. Both officers donated their own time to mentor the kids and money to purchase snacks for the kids each week and the end of year pizza party. The 2015-2016 school year was the first year that the officers instituted the program and it was a tremendous success. The Combs School faculty also reported the mentored students' behavior at school had improved greatly and they looked forward to their weekly meetings.

With the help of Police Chief Timothy Lowery, the Florissant VFW Post 4105 had entered these Police Officers for a National VFW Public Service Award. Officer Lee and Officer Berry finished in the top two for the State of Missouri. The State Department of the VFW forwarded their bios to The National Headquarters where they were both awarded The National Public Service Award signed by The Veterans of Foreign Wars National Commander in Chief. Brian Duffy. The awards will be presented by the VFW 12th District Commander Ken Allison at the city council meeting.









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Fireworks are Prohibited in Florissant

The Police Department would like to remind our residents that the Discharge and Possession of Fireworks are illegal in St. Louis County as well as the City of Florissant. There are many dangers that come with fireworks not being properly discharged that include bodily injury as well as extensive property damage if they are not closely monitored by responsible adults. Please leave the fireworks to the professionals and come enjoy the city's free fireworks display at the James J. Eagan center on July 4th 2016 at dusk. The Police Department will be strictly enforcing the fireworks ordinances which can carry up to \$1000 fine if a summons is issued to offenders.

Is Your Air Conditioning Ready for the Heat of Summer?

With the beginning of summer heat, homeowners are turning on their air conditioning after the outside unit has set idle and exposed to the elements for over a half year. A system check-up before it is forced into heavy duty work mode can save money on energy costs and also the stress of dealing with a repair at a time when you really need the cooling..

Steps You Can Take

- Clean or change the air filter monthly. A clean filter can lower your air conditioner's energy consumption by up to 15%.
- Keep the area around the outdoor unit clear of vegetation and debris. With two feet of space around the unit it is easier to pull in air. It increases efficiency and helps avoid maintenance issues.

Call A Professional

- A thorough annual check-up requires disassembling an AC unit which should be performed by a professional service technician. The technician will:
- Clear the condensate drain. A clogged
 Set the thermostat to a comfortable temperdrain can cause the system to work harder, ature but not any colder. Setting it to a colderenergy costs.
- Clean the outdoor and indoor units. The technician can throughly clean the internal the temperature setting for 8 hours can save parts of the inside and outside units and increase efficiency and also reduce noise.

Other Steps Can Save On Energy Costs To get the most bang from your HVAC buck, use these general energy-saving tips. They'll help you support your system and save energy around the house.

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JULY

Missouri Pageant Alumnae Club Presents:

Ms. Missouri Senior America Pageant

July 9 - 2:00 p.m.

Lovely ladies will compete for the title of Ms. Missouri Senior America. The four areas of competition are a personal interview before the pageant, a talent presentation on stage, poise in an evening gown and her philosophy of life.

ADMISSION: \$15.00 in advance; \$17.00 at door; Group rates available Information and reservations 314-921-5678 or www.FlorissantMO.com

Hawthorne Players Present:

Once Upon A Mattress

July 28 – 7:30 p.m. July 29 – 7:30 p.m.

Aug 4 - 7:30 p.m. Aug 5 - 7:30 p.m.

Due to an unhappy curse, King Sextimus is unable to speak. Meanwhile, his terror-of-a-wife, Queen Aggravain, has taken over control of the kingdom. In an attempt to keep Prince Dauntless single, she has decreed that only the princess that can pass her test may marry her son. Luckily, Sir Harry is able to find an amazing princess who instantly catches the attention of Prince Dauntless. In the end, Winnifred is able to pass the Queen's impassable sensitivity test.

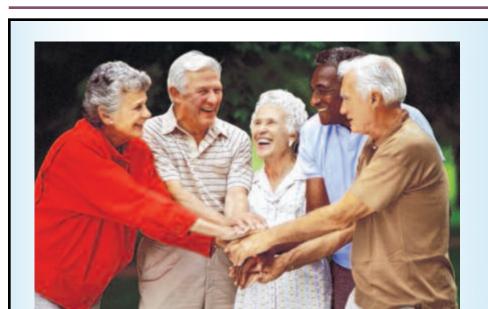
ADMISSION: \$20.00 Adults; \$18.00 Seniors/Students; Group rates available Information and reservations: 314-921-5678 or www.FlorissantMO.com

Hawthorne Players Auditions:

Spitfire Grill July 30

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AUGUST

Miss Metro St. Louis/Miss River City Pageant

days prior to the opening of any production.

Aug 12 – 3:30 – Junior Pageant 7:00 p.m. – Teen/Miss Pageant

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The Miss Metro St Louis/ Miss River City pageants are preliminary pageants to the Miss America Pageant. The Miss America Scholarship Pageant is the largest scholarship provider for women in America. It's provided over 45 million dollars in scholarships annually.

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Next Generation Theatre Company Presents:

The Hunchback of Notre Dame

Aug 25 - 7:00 p.m. Aug 26 - 2:00 p.m. Aug 26 - 7:00 p.m. Sept 1 – 7:00 p.m. Sept 2 – 2:00 p.m.

Sept 2 – 7:00 p.m.



Based on the Victor Hugo book with songs from the Disney film.

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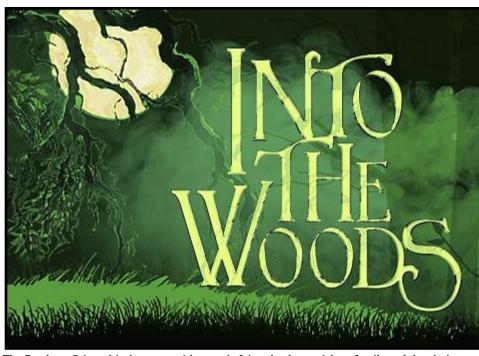
OCTOBER

Alpha Players Present:

Into the Woods

Oct 6 – 7:30 p.m. Oct 7 – 7:30 p.m.

Oct 13 – 7:30 p.m. Oct 14 – 7:30 p.m. Oct 15 – 2:00 p.m.



The Brothers Grimm hit the stage with an epic fairytale about wishes, family and the choices we make. The story follows the Baker and his wife, who wish to have a child; Cinderella, who wishes to attend the King's festival; and Jack, who wishes his cow would give milk. When the Baker and his wife learn that they cannot have a child because of a Witch's curse, the two set off on a journey into the woods to break the curse. Everyone's wish is granted, but the consequences of their actions return to haunt them later with unexpected results.

ADMISSION: \$20.00 Adults; \$18.00 Seniors/Students; \$12.00 Children 12 & under; Group rates available

Phone information and reservations 314-921-5678 or www.FlorissantMO.com



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4th of July Fireworks and Concert

Florissant's proud tradition of celebrating the 4th of July Independence Day will continue this year on the grounds of the James J. Eagan Center at Florissant Valley Park. Festivities begin with an outdoor concert performance by Northwinds Concert Band at 7:30 pm. Following the concert, the City of Florissant is sponsoring its renowned Fireworks Display at 9:15 PM.

This year's extravaganza features a dazzling fireworks presentation combining brilliant shells, color sequencing, dimensional frontage, and low and high level aerial combinations. It will be an evening filled with great music and stupendous fireworks! Bring your blankets and your lawn chairs to enjoy this top-notch, FREE entertainment for the entire family.

Spirits of Florissant Seeking Stories



In the early 2000's the Florissant Media Department told the stories of several haunted homes and buildings in Florissant. It's now 2017 and we would like to hear the stories of your uninvited visitors. If you, or if you know of a local resident, business person or realtor

that has experienced strange or paranormal activity in or around the home, properties or businesses we'd love to hear about it. Please send your stories to

Kerry Luster at

kluster@florissantmo.com. If you don't have access to a computer, please send a short story about the activity to

Kerry Luster Media Department

1055 St. Francois Florissant Missouri. 63031.

Please remember to include your contact information. We will keep all information confi-

dential unless noted otherwise.

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A View of the Shrine... **Amazing History in Your Neighborhood**



St. Ferdinand Shrine has places where St. Philippine walked, windows she gazed out, places where she lived and prayed. By preserving the Shrine, we strive to keep her spirit alive. Visiting the Shrine will give you a glimpse into the interesting life of St. Philippine. You can visit the Convent where she lived and conducted school.

Walk through the Church and chapel where she prayed or see her special prayer room under the stairs that is still kept in its original condition. See where she and the other sisters ate their meals and slept. See the office she used as Mother Superior. There is also a dormitory that was used by the schoolgirls.

This museum also shows the Cope of Father De Smet, the long cloak made by St. Philippine. The museum has many other items from the beginning of St. Ferdinand Parish as well as other numerous historically significant relics and artifacts.

In addition to the many interesting exhibits of the Shrine and museum, there is a Book Store which is open on Sat. mornings from 9am-Noon and a Gift Shop open Mon. thru Sat. 9am-Noon. The original schoolhouse has a hall which can be rented for hosting parties and other events.

Visit the Shrine and learn about the amazing history. For info call 314-837-2110. - Office hours – Mon-Sat.9am-Noon email: oldstferdinandshrine@gmail.com www.stferdinandshrine.com

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a major car repair or a large medical bill.

Ideally, you should keep this money in a liq-

uid, low-risk account, so vou can access the

funds quickly and without penalty. Aside

from possibly helping you control your debts,

an emergency fund also may enable you to

avoid dipping into your long-term invest-

Thus far, we've only discussed achieving

your financial freedom through methods of

saving and investing. But you also need to

consider your protection needs, too. If you

were to become ill or suffer a serious

injury, and you could not work for a while

your financial security could be jeopard-

ized. Your employer might offer you dis-

ability insurance as an employee benefit,

but it may not be enough for your needs, so

you might need to purchase some addition-

al coverage on your own. And to help

ensure your family's financial security,

You also might want to protect yourself from

the catastrophic costs of long-term care,

such as an extended nursing home stay. The

average annual cost for a private room in a

nursing home is more than \$92,000, accord-

ing to the 2016 Cost of Care Study issued by

the insurance company Genworth. And

Medicare generally covers only a small per-

centage of these expenses. You may want to

consult with a financial professional to learn

about ways you can protect yourself from the

By following these suggestions, you can

go a long way toward declaring your own

financial independence. Consider taking

vou'll also need sufficient life insurance.

ments to pay for short-term needs.

Declare Your Financial Independence Day

We're getting close to the Fourth of July, when we celebrate the freedoms we enjoy in this country. The U.S. constitution grants us many of these liberties, but we have to earn others - such as our financial freedom. What steps can you take to achieve the financial independence you need to reach your long-term goals?

For starters, always work to build your resources. Contribute as much as you can afford to your IRA and your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan. At a minimum, put in enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered. If you don't take advantage of this match, you are essentially leaving money on the table

While how much you invest is an essential factor in gaining your financial freedom, how you invest your money is equally important. So make sure you have sufficient growth potential in all your accounts. While growth-oriented investments, such as stocks and stock-based vehicles, carry investment risk, you can help moderate this risk by also including other investments, such as bonds

Another way to gain your financial independence is to liberate yourself from the shackles of debt. This isn't always easy, of course – most of us have experienced times when our cash flow simply wasn't sufficient to meet our expenses, so we had to take on some type of debt, either through a credit card or a loan. But the more you can control your debts, the more money you'll have to save and invest for your future.

One way to manage your debt load is to build an emergency fund, containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, which

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Senior Citizen Parties!

Senior Citizen Summertime Party! dren ranging in age from 8 -20 years old from the Patt Holt Singers will perform their adorable "Broadway for Kids" Show and a "Tribute to Disney". Don't miss this outstanding performance! We'll serve a delicious summertime lunch of BBQ hamburgers, potato



salad, corn, salad, watermelon and ice cream & cookie for dessert. There will be attendance prizes, Bingo and chances to win a Pot of Gold & Gift Baskets!

WHEN: Thursday, July 27, 2017

TIME: 10:00am - 2:00pm

WHERE: JFK COMMUNITY CENTER IN KOCH PARK

COST: \$10.00 residents and \$15.00 non-residents

TICKETS: Tickets go on sale Monday, June 26 for residents only with a current resident card. If there are tickets remaining, on Monday, July 17 through Monday July 24, tickets will go on sale for residents and non-residents. Call the Senior Office, 839-7605, for ticket availability or more information.

Multi-City Big Band Event 17th Annual North County Gala!



The dress-up event of the year! The cities of Florissant, Ferguson, St Ann, Hazelwood, Bridgeton and Maryland Heights plan this wonderful event for North County Senior Citizens! Dance to, or sit and listen to, the beautiful sounds of the Best Big Band in St. Louis, the 18-piece Sentimental Journey Dance Band! Fantastic attendance prizes will be given away, delicious hors d'oeuvres will be served, and dance angels will be available.

WHEN: Friday Night, August 18, 2017 TIME: 7:00pm - 10:00pm

WHERE: James J. Eagan Community Center

COST: \$15.00 each

TICKETS: Tickets can be purchased at any of the participating cities as well as the Florissant Senior Office beginning July 24th through August 15th. Call the Florissant Senior Office, 839-7605, for more information.

SENIORS EVENTS SCHEDULE

JULY

- 4 City Hall Offices Closed Independence Day
- 13 Silver Words Club Mtg: Senior Dining Center, 1:30, Bingo, ticket sales begin for Blues Museum & Spaghetti Factory
- 24 Ticket sales begin in Senior Office for the North County Gala
- 27 SUMMERTIME PARTY & BINGO, JFK Community Center, 10-
- 2 Lunch Attendance Prizes, Bingo & the Patt Holt **Children Singers**

AUGUST

- 8 Ticket sales begin in Senior Office for Paddlewheel Cruise Trip
- 10 Silver Words Trip: Blues Museum & Spaghetti Factory
- 18 NORTH COUNTY GALA! Outstanding Multi-City Dress-up Big Band Event, Sentimental Journey 18-piece band, Eagan Center, 7 – 10pm
- 22 Speaker Series: Sunset Park Nature Lodge, 1:00pm, "The St. Louis Crime Story"
- 28 Ticket sales begin for the Germanfest (9-29)

SEPTEMBER

- 4 City Hall Offices closed in observance of Labor Day
- 5 Ticket Sales begin in Senior Office for Friday the 13th Halloween Trip (Oct 13)
- 7 Silver Words Mtg. JFK, 1:30, Gary Bennett will entertain, Ticket Sales begin for Grafton Winery (the Vineyards)
- 14 MAYOR'S TOWN HALL MEETING, Eagan Ctr. Breakfast with the Mayor, 9:00am
- 20 TRIP: Paddlewheel Cruise & Josephine's Tea Room
- 29 Senior Citizen GERMANFEST Dinner/Dance, Friday Night, Eagan Center, 5-9pm

Senior Citizen Speaker Series "The St. Louis Crime Story"

Presented by Historian, Adam Kloppe from the Missouri History Museum Speaker's Bureau. St. Louisans are fascinated by the mafia and our City of St. Louis has a gangland history all its own! Hear exciting stories full of colorful characters on both sides of the law on this tour of the under-



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world of the past! Meet notorious mobsters, learn about the street battles & shady deals & hear how law enforcement attempted to clean it up. Come hear this fascinating speaker, Adam Kloppe!

DATE: Tuesday, August 22, 2017

TIME: 1:00pm

PLACE: Sunset Park Nature Lodge

COST: FREE

This is a FREE speaking event but you must make reservations by calling the Senior Office, 839-7605, starting Monday, August 7, 2017. Refreshments will be served. Seating is limited!

The Mayor's Town Hall Meeting **For Senior Citizens**

Have breakfast with the Mayor! Mayor Thomas P. Schneider will address the Senior Citizens of Florissant at this event. All City Department Heads will be present to answer any questions or address your concerns. Senior Citizen focused organizations will also be present to give out valuable information. A full breakfast will be provided by The Bridge At Florissant, the beautiful independent and assisted living community in the City of Florissant.

WHEN: Thursday, September 14, 2017

TIME: 9:00am – 11:00am

WHERE: James J. Eagan Center

COST: This is a FREE event for Florissant Residents only, but you must call the Senior Office, 839-7605, starting on Monday, August 21 to make reservations for the breakfast.

Senior Citizen Germanfest Dinner/Dance

Polkas, Waltzes & all the Traditional German Music will be performed by The Larry Hallar German Band. A delicious German dinner of Kielbasa & Sauerkraut, potatoes, green mashed beans, salad & German chocolate cake will be served! Light snacks will be provided and beer, wine & soda will be available for purchase.



WHEN: Friday evening, September 29, 2017 TIME: 5:00pm - 9:00pm, dinner served at 5:30pm **WHERE: James J Eagan Community Center** COST: Residents: \$12.00, Non-residents: \$15.00

TICKETS: Tickets go on sale starting Monday August 28 and continue through Tuesday, September 26 to residents and non-residents in the Senior Office in Florissant City Hall. There will be no ticket sales at the door. Call the Senior Office, 839-7605, for more information.

Learn NOT to Fall

About one third of the elder population over the age of 65 falls each year. and the risk of falls increases proportionately with age. At 80 years, over half of all seniors fall annually. As alarming as these figures are, these documented statistics fall short of the actual number since many incidents are unreported by seniors and unrecognized by family members or caregivers. Those who fall are two to three times more likely to fall again.

Take action! Sign up for the OASIS Class called "A MATTER OF BALANCE". Learn factors that can lead to a fall & practical tips to keep yourself on your feet. Improve flexibility and range of motion with stretches and light movements. Participants receive a free workbook to keep. There are eight classes, each 2 hours long, and the classes are held at the James J. Eagan Center. Light refreshments will be served.



CLASS: OASIS "A MATTER OF BALANCE" WHEN: Tuesdays, October 3 - November 21 TIME: 10:00am - 12:00noon WHERE: James J. Eagan Center

COST: Classes are FREE, but you must register REGISTER: Registration begins on August 9. Call OASIS at 314-747-9355.

There is limited enrollment.

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Senior Citizen Trips

Blues Museum and the Spaghetti Factory



Take a guided tour through the only museum dedicated exclusively to preserving & honoring the national & international story of the Blues & its impact on the American Culture - the National Blues Museum! After this fascinating tour, we'll enjoy the ever-popular Old Spaghetti Factory where guests feel as though they're stepping into another world- a world adorned with antique lighting and intricate stained glass displays.

WHEN: Thursday, August 10, 2017

TIME: 9:15am - 2:30pm

COST: \$37.00 residents, \$39.00 non-residents; includes transportation, tour & admission to the Blues Museum and lunch at the Old Spaghetti Factory. TICKETS: This is a Silver Words Trip. Tickets go on sale to Silver Words Club Members only at the Silver Words Club Meeting on July 13. If there are tickets remaining, tickets will go on sale in the Senior Office in Florissant City Hall on July 14 to residents and non-residents. Call the Senior Office, 839-7605, for ticket availability or more information.

Paddlewheel Riverboat Cruise and Lunch at Josephine's



We'll step back in time as we board the "Spirit of Peoria" Paddlewheel Riverboat to enjoy a scenic sightseeing cruise down the Mississippi River. We will dock in Grafton and head to Josephine's Tea Room & Gift Shops in Godfrey where we'll enjoy a delicious lunch, browse through the many shops or relax in their beautifully landscaped gardens.

WHEN: Wednesday, September 20, 2017

TIME: 8:15am - 2:30pm

COST: \$52.00 residents, \$54.00 non-residents; includes transportation, Riverboat Cruise and lunch at Josephine's

TICKETS: Ticket Sales begin on Tuesday August 8 to residents with a current resident card in the Senior Office in Florissant City Hall. If there are tickets remaining, on Wednesday, August 9th, tickets will be sold to residents and nonresidents in the Senior Office in Florissant City Hall. Call the Senior Office, 839-7605, for ticket availability or more information.

Friday the 13th Halloween Trip

Senior Citizens Beware of the City of Florissant Friday the 13th Halloween Trip! Come see how the events of the past have created the hauntings of what is now called "one of the most haunted small towns in America - Alton." The Haunted Alton Tour is an entertaining, often spine-tingling trip back into the history & hauntings of the city. If you survive the tour, we will enjoy a fantastic lunch at Tony's



WHEN: Friday the 13th, October 13, 2017

TIME: 9:30am - 3:30pm

Restaurant in Alton.

COST: \$48.00 residents, \$50.00 non-residents, includes transportation, tour of Alton & lunch at Tony's

TICKETS: Ticket sales begin on Tuesday, September 5 to residents only with a current resident card in the Senior Office in Florissant City Hall. If there are tickets remaining, on Wednesday, September 6, tickets will be sold to residents and non-residents in the Senior Office in Florissant City Hall. Call the Senior Office at 839-7605 for more information.

Grafton Winery/The Vineyards



Enjoy a delicious lunch overlooking the beautiful lake & 4 acres of vineyards right across from Eckert's Orchard in Grafton!

WHEN: Thursday, October 5, 2017

TIME: 10:15am - 3:15pm

COST: \$30.00 residents; \$32.00 non-residents, includes transportation & lunch TICKETS: This is a Silver Words Trip. Tickets go on sale to Silver Words Club Members only at the Silver Words Club Meeting on Thursday, September 7. If there are tickets remaining, tickets will go on sale in the Senior Office in Florissant City Hall on Friday, September 8 for residents and non-residents. Call the Senior Office, 839-7605, for ticket availability or more information.



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Mosquito Season is Upon Us



Here come the pesky mosquitos again with a potential concern of carrying Zika Virus. The City of Florissant is already taking measures to control mosquito populations. We will continue to do so, but our residents need to assist us by using these helpful tips:

• Get rid of old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles or any water holding containers.



- Fill in or drain any low places (puddles, ruts) in yard.
- Keep drains, ditches and culverts clean of weeds and trash so water will drain properly.
- Cover trash containers to keep out rainwater.
- Repair leaky pipes and outside faucets.

• Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store it indoors when not in use.

• Make sure your backyard pool is properly cared for while on vacation. • Fill in tree root holes and hollow stumps that hold water with sand or concrete.

• Make sure gutters and downspouts are free of debris to allow water to flow properly.

• Change water in bird baths and plant pots or drip trays at least once

• Keep grass cut and shrubbery welltrimmed around the house to reduce the places for mosquitos to hide. Products can be purchased through a hardware store that can help treat yards and plants to help deter mosquito populations. Also remember to use repellent products with DEET during peak mosquito times.

Several websites have information on the Zika virus but here are the best two sites we have found:

www.cdc.gov/zika/ and www.clarke.com/blog/zika-react/ This website has helpful and interesting information about mosquitoes: www.mosquitoworld.net

Remember that the actions we take as residents are the best defense against mosquitoes.



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Now that those long days of warm weather are here, remember that summer in the city can be hazardous for your pet if you are not careful.

A routine romp in the sun, for example, can throw your dog into shock if proper caution is not exercised. Likewise, a window left carelessly open in your home can mean tragedy if your cat falls out of it. Please remember the following twelve tips from the City of Florissant Health Department to keep your pets safe during another long, hot summer.

1. Never leave your pet in a car. An automobile can quickly turn into an oven for a dog or a cat, even with the windows open and the car parked in the shade. Open windows do not provide enough ventilation and the shade shifts along with the sun as the day progresses.

2. Always provide plenty of cool, clean water for your pet. When traveling, carry a gallon thermos filled with cool water.



3. Never let your dog or cat out to run loose. Pets can get stolen, injured and even killed while running loose. In particular, be careful with your cat. Make sure there are no open windows in your home for your cat to jump through. 4. Always keep a current Florissant

City Pet Tag and current rabies vaccination tag on your pet in case **vour pet would get lost.** Those tags do not do any good at home in your

5. Never give your pet forced exercise after feeding, especially in very hot, humid weather.

6. Always exercise your pet in the

cool of the day. Early morning and early evening are optimal times to exercise your pet.

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7. Never tether or cage your pet outside in the summer heat for long periods of time without shelter, food and water. Bring your pet inside during the heat of day.

8. Always keep your pet well groomed. Do not shave off your pet's coat because it gives them protection against heat and insects. Your pet's coat also holds cool water after a refreshing swim or wetting with a hose. You may comb your pet to remove excess undercoat. Keep the coat free of mats by brushing regularly. A clean coat also helps to prevent summer skin problems.

9. Never go on vacation and leave your pet shut in an empty house or tied up outside. Be sure to plan for someone to provide for your pet when you plan your summer trip.

10. Always watch for fleas and ticks that may infest your pet. Bring your pet to your veterinarian for a thorough summer check up, including a test for heart worm. Ask your vet if they can recommend a good flea and tick repellent for your pet.

11. Never walk your pet in areas that you suspect have been sprayed by insecticides or other chemicals. Dog poisoning, in particular, always increases considerably during the summer when gardens, lawns and trees are usually sprayed for control of weeds, insects and pests. Many of these chemicals can sicken or even kill your pet. Keep your pet away from these areas, observe it closely and call your veterinarian if your pet begins to act suspiciously.

12. Lastly, if in spite of your care, the hot days of summer cause your pet to twitch, pant rapidly, bark, or have a wild "staring" expression, call your veterinarian immediately. Quick cooling may save your pets life. Immerse your pet in water, spray it down with a hose or pack ice packs around its head, stomach and groin.

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5th Annual Disc Golf Tournament Coming in September

The 5th Annual Dunegant Dash Disc Golf Tournament will be held at Dunegant Park. 50% proceeds will go to TEAM - The Emergency Assistance Ministry. Registration fee includes a custom stamped Dunegant Park disc. This is a one day, 27 hole tournament. For more information about the tournament, contact Brendan Kane @ 314-921-4466 / bkane@florissantmo.com. The tournament will be held in early September, with registration at 8:30 a.m. and players meeting at 9 a.m., cost is \$15 per person.



Fall Softball and Volleyball



Don't forget to sign your team up for our Fall Softball and Volleyball leagues. All games will be played at St. Ferdinand Park. League fees per team for Softball are \$225 for single games and \$450 for double headers. Fees for Volleyball are \$175 per team. Spaces fill quickly so sign up today. Please check the city's website at www.florissantmo.com to find complete information on registration. For more info contact Brendan Kane at 839-7670.

Pom Pom Camp



The Parks & Recreation Department will be offering a Pom Pom Camp new this year. Come learn the turns, leaps, kicks and other precision movements needed to be a valued member of a dance or cheer team. Dancers will learn how to count music, synchronize movements, dance and perform as a team. Basic cheer skills will be incorporated. Participants should wear form fitted clothing and jazz or tennis shoes. The last hour on Friday will be a performance. All participants will receive a t-shirt. Camp is for children ages 8-12, July 17-21, 9:00 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the JFK Center. Cost for the camp is \$36 for residents and \$41 for non-residents

Kickstarters Soccer Youth Soccer Program

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es, ranging from swimming lessons, water aerobics, water walking, painting, dance, strength and fitness.

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Please check the city's website for our current brochure to see what might be of interest to you. You can register at the James J. Eagan Center

or the JFK Center, Monday - Friday 8

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teachers who relate well to the players. They are organized, motivating, and expectant of players. Registration begins 8/14 for residents and 8/21 for non-

7 year olds

Summer Soccer Camp

Florissant Parks & Recreation Department will again be offering a Soccer Camp for youths 3 – 16 years of age. Camp will be held July 24-28 at Koch Park.

Age divisions are as follows:

• First Kicks - 3-5 yrs. - 8:15 – 9:15 AM - \$97

 Half Day - 6-16 yrs. - 9:30AM-12:30 PM - \$150

• Golden Goal* - 7-16 yrs. - 1:00-3:00PM - \$52

*Golden Goal runs Monday through Thursday. It is not a "goalie" camp and only available to half-day AM campers only. It includes supervised lunch break at 2:00 p.m.

A \$10 late fee will apply to all registration received after July 13th. Applications can be mailed to: JFK



Center, 315 Howdershell Rd. Florissant, MO. 63031. Checks payable to Challenger Sports. For further information or questions please contact Janice e Steib at 314-921-4250 or jsteib@florissantmo.com

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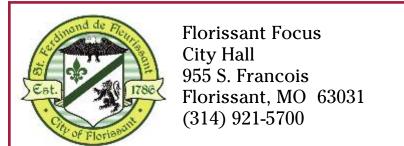
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