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A PLAQUE DEDICATION FOR THE LATE GRETCHEN CRANK HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH ON rue ST. FRANCOIS WEST OF ST. CHARLES STREET BEFORE THE START OF THE LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT FESTIVITIES WHICH WILL BE HOSTED BY HENDEL'S CAFÉ.

Mayor Thomas P. Schneider is pleased to announce that the City along with Old Town Partners will be hosting a dedication to unveil a plaque in honor of the late Gretchen Crank (which was rescheduled due to the hot weather in July). The Walk through History plaques honor those who have made a valuable contribution to the City of Florissant.

The ceremony will be held on Wednesday, September 27th at 5:45 p.m. on rue St. Francois just west of St. Charles Street on the south side before the Old St. Ferdinand Shrine. The plaque dedication will take place before the start of the last Wednesday Night Out festivities at Hendel's Restaurant which is sponsored by the City of Florissant and Old Town Partners and is being hosted by Hendel's proprietors Nathan and Christina Bennett located at 599 St. Denis Street. The festivities will start at 6:00 p.m. so come out and enjoy a night of live music, dinner and drinks.

Florissant history was Gretchen's passion. She helped save the Myers House from demolition when Highway 170 was built and later became President of Historic Florissant Inc. Gretchen was extremely dedicated to preserving the Gettemeier House. She served on the Old Town Commission, Friends of Old St. Ferdinand, Florissant Landmark Commission and St. Louis County Historic Building Commission. She wrote and published "Reflections of the Florissant Valley." She loved her family, traveling and life in Florissant.