

# Bellefontaine News

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## From The Office Of The Mayor.....



### Robert J. Doerr

Winter is still with us, and with that comes the possibility of snow. As a reminder, please remove your vehicles from the street when snow is predicted. For those who live on a designated snow route, your vehicle is subject to towing if not removed (see page 7) during times when plowing is required.

involved with your community and become part of the solution. I am always looking for volunteers to come forward and help us shape the future of our City. Your voice will be heard, but only if you want it to be heard. Volunteer today and help shape our community into the future.

I ask that you save pages 11 and 12 of this newsletter for future reference when you might need an emergency number or need to contact one of your officials.

The Urban League has developed a new program directed towards jobless or underemployed North St. Louis County men. This program is called "Save Our Sons". The mission of this program is to give young men training on how to land a job, keep it, and get promoted. Contact The Urban League at (314) 679-3500.

I want to congratulate two of our residents: Alease Dailes volunteered to join the Youth Commission. Alease had served on the Parks & Recreation Board for many years and asked to transfer to the Youth Commission where she can be more active. Also Dave McWilliams (see page 5) who won the Single Style Home Brew Award from Anheuser-Busch. Congratulations to both of these residents!

There are many different events coming this spring that you may want to participate in, such as: the Housing Fair on April 1, The Memorial Day Program on May 25, the Electronic Recycling event on May 30, and many others (see page 9). The Mayor's Annual Golf Tournament will be held on April 11 at Eagle Springs Golf Course at the St. Louis County Recreation Center. Contact Mark Dickerson, at our Recreation Center, for more information, 867-0070.

This April 7, 2015, is Election Day. I encourage you to exercise your right to vote and have your voice be heard as is your constitutional right. Too many of us take our elected officials for granted and only raise our voice at a time when we are dissatisfied with a single issue. We then become silent when it comes time to voting and may later regret not having gone to the polls to cast our vote for the candidate whom we think would do the best job. Now is the time to get

*Robert J. Doerr*

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# Understanding Municipal Court Costs And Fines

## Alderman John Jordan



Lately there has been much discussion about the court systems, especially those in North County. Missouri revised statute 302.341.2 requires less than 30% of the general fund be revenue from the court fines, court costs and bond forfeitures for traffic violations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, The City of BN had a percentage of 22.3% of the general fund which is the largest it has ever been. In 2014 the traffic division was formed to reduce speed on the highways, which has increased the amount of tickets written. Although The City of BN keeps the fines, \$12.50 of the court cost are sent to the state by law.

## Court Costs & Fines

Court Costs are the total of fees and surcharges imposed in each case. Fees are the amount charged for services to be performed by the Municipal Court. Court Costs: \$12.00. Surcharges are mandated by Missouri Statutes for specific purposes including: \$7.50 Crime Victims Compensation Fund, \$1.00 Peace Officer Standards and Training Fund (POST Fund), \$2.00 Police Training Fund, and \$2.00 Domestic Violence Shelter Fund. (Total \$24.50)

Court appearance is required for: Speeding 21 miles or more over the posted speed limit, involved in an accident, speeding in school zone, no insurance, and no driver's license. Otherwise, most court fines can be paid in person at city hall, by mail, on the internet via [www.ipaycourt.com](http://www.ipaycourt.com), [www.cityofbn.com](http://www.cityofbn.com), or the drop box in front of city hall. The courts are willing to work out a payment plan for fines, and will work with you to remove warrants issued by The City of BN.

If you receive a summons to appear in court, it is important that you show up. If you do not have the money to pay your fine, show up. If you feel you are innocent, show up. Failure to appear on your first court appearance will result in a summons being mailed to you. Failure to appear to the second court date results in a warrant being issued. By showing up and working with the court system to get a resolution, you will avoid having a warrant issued and a possible arrest.

Court Fines are determined at the discretion of the Judge; who has the authority to fine the defendant up to \$1000 on most charges. The standard fines imposed by the court are much less and can be viewed on the city web page: [www.cityofbn.com](http://www.cityofbn.com)

Below is a partial list of violations, court costs and fines. Please check our web site for additional information: [www.cityofbn.com](http://www.cityofbn.com) or call the court at 867-0076.

Violation	Fine	Cost	Total
Speeding under 20 MPH	\$7.50 per mile	\$24.50	
Speeding over 20 MPH	Court Appearance		
Failure to show proof of insurance			
With proof at time of stop	Dismissed by Court		
Without proof	Court Appearance		
Fail to obey electric signal	\$75.50	\$24.50	\$100.00
Fail to yield	\$75.50	\$24.50	\$100.00
Following too closely	\$75.50	\$24.50	\$100.00
Failure to obey stop sign	\$75.50	\$24.50	\$100.00
Fail to signal	\$25.50	\$24.50	\$50.00
Fail to keep right	\$25.50	\$24.50	\$50.00
Improper lane use/passing	\$75.50	\$24.50	\$100.00
No Driver's License in possession			
With proof at time of stop	-	\$24.50	\$24.50
Without proof	Court Appearance		
No child restraint seat	\$75.00	-	\$75.00
Improper registration	\$100.50	\$24.50	\$125.00
No or Expired plates	\$75.50	\$24.50	\$100.00
No valid inspection sticker	\$50.50	\$24.50	\$75.00
Improper exhaust/muffler	\$50.50	\$24.50	\$75.00
Loud music	\$100.50	\$24.50	\$125.00
Fail to use seat belt	\$10.00	-	\$10.00
Park in handicap zone	\$125.50	\$24.50	\$150.00
Failure to secure load	\$125.50	\$24.50	\$150.00
Improper passing	\$75.50	\$24.50	\$100.00

## Our Court Staff

Our Court Staff strives to maintain professionalism and be courteous to everyone. Please keep this in mind when calling or appearing in Court. Your cooperation and patience is appreciated. Remember the Court will answer your questions and make any arrangements necessary.

The Court office is open from 8 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, except court days, when the office closes at 4 PM. Bond payments after hours can be arranged by calling 889-2341.

At right is (seated, l to r) Municipal Judge - John J. Duepner, Court Clerk - Alysa Stewart, (standing) Bob Smith - Court Bailiff and Prosecuting Attorney - William J. Clark



# April 7, 2015, Municipal Election

Tuesday, April 7, 2015, is the Municipal Election in St. Louis County. Polling places will be open from 6 AM to 7 PM. The last day to register to vote in this election is March 11, 2015. Absentee ballot applications are available by calling the Election Board (615-1919) or City Hall (867-0076). The Election Board will not accept absentee applications after April 1, 2015.

Remember to bring a photo ID to the polls. To arrange for transportation, contact the recreation center at 867-0080 well before the election.

## Riverview Fire Protection District Director:

Patrick K. Russell  
 Theo "Ted" Brown Sr.  
 David Schmerber  
 Miranda Avant-Elliott

On the ballot:

### Mayor of The City of BN:

Robert J. Doerr (unopposed)

Other items may be on the ballot but were unavailable at time this newsletter went to printing.

## The Chief's Report

### Chief Robert Pruett



We just completed our 2014 Annual Crime Report for the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors. I am happy to report that we experienced an overall Part 1 crime reduction of -08% as compared to 2013. A reminder that Uniform Part 1 Crimes are reported to the State of Missouri following mandated Uniform Crime Reporting policies, procedures and guidelines. Part 1 crimes include, Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assaults, Burglary, Stealing, Motor Vehicle Thefts, and Arson. Part 2 crimes of Simple Assault and Property Damage were -19% lower when compared to 2013. 2014 overall total crime was down -12% when compared to 2013.

As mentioned below, 37 Motor Vehicle Thefts were reported in 2014, which translates to an -18% decrease when compared to the 45 Motor Vehicle Thefts which were reported in 2013. This was the lowest number of reported vehicle thefts since I became Chief in 2001. We believe the cooperation

from the community has directly contributed to this reduction.

We also had reductions in reported Homicides, Rapes, Burglary, Stealing, and Arsons in 2014 when compared to 2013. Again, I believe the cooperation between our police officers and the community has been outstanding and has had a direct effect on the frequency of crime occurring in our city. You can view the complete report by going to [www.cityofbn.com](http://www.cityofbn.com).

Please become a member of the Neighborhood Watch Program. The first Wednesday of every month there is a Neighborhood Watch Meeting that begins at 7:00 PM at City Hall. For additional information on how you can join or participate in the program, please call Sergeant Peggy Vassallo at 867-0080.

We want to take this opportunity to thank the community for its help and cooperation. We pledge that our officers will continue to work with the citizens of Bellefontaine Neighbors to reduce the frequency of crime in our city. Crime is a community problem and we request your help and encourage everyone to report in-progress crime and suspicious activity **IMMEDIATELY** by calling **911**. For non-emergency police service please call (314) 889-2341.

## Vehicle Thefts At Lowest Rate Since Before 2001

In Chief Pruett's crime comparison for years from 2001 to 2014, the first thing pointed out was an all time low for vehicle thefts. In 2014, there were 37 stolen vehicles reported. In 2004, there were 117 vehicles stolen. Our crime rates are dropping, but don't think the criminals are taking a break.

**Part of the reason for the drop in stolen vehicles is residents are finally learning not to leave vehicles running unattended.** The vast majority of vehicles that are stolen are stolen by opportunists who just happen by.

Our police officers have been very proactive to stop vehicle theft, issuing courtesy warnings

Vehicles stolen per year	
2001	72
2002	107
2003	95
2004	117
2005	90
2006	80
2007	89
2008	91
2009	72
2010	91
2011	54
2012	73
2013	45
2014	37

for vehicles that are running and non attended. Monthly and yearly crime comparison reports are available at regular Neighborhood Watch meetings or on the city's web site: [www.cityofbn.com](http://www.cityofbn.com).

### Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 PM at the City Hall. Everyone is welcome.

March 4, 2015 - Tour to Mathews Dickey Boys' Girls' Club

April 1, 2015 - Shana O'Donnell - personal safety program

May 6, 2015 - (not yet confirmed) - Explanation of Power of Attorney

## Housing Resource Fair

The City of BN will be holding its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Housing Resource Fair, April 1, 2015 from 4:30 to 7:30 at the Bellefontaine Recreation Center, 9641 Bellefontaine Rd. It is free and open to all everyone. There will be a wealth of resources available covering all aspects of home ownership.



Rich Krueger from the Community Action Agency of St. Louis County explains how residents can save energy.

If you have questions and need answers, don't miss this event. Consider:

- Is it better to rent or buy?
- Behind on your mortgage? Can I refinance or restructure my mortgage?
- What are the advantages/disadvantages of reverse mortgages?
- Where can I get assistance with home repairs? What alternatives are there to foreclosure?
- Credit problems? How can I improve my score?

North County is a wonderful place to live with great, affordable housing stock. With many positive things on the horizon, knowledgeable and stable homeowners add to our success. You can benefit from a host of resources provided in an effort to strengthen North County and be an empowered resident. Stop by and meet some of the people who could make life better.

## Lewis & Clark Branch Library

Kristen L. Sorth, St. Louis County Library Director, and KAI Architects announced a revised construction schedule of the Lewis & Clark Library. Due to a storm water retention and filtering system mandated by MSD, the library will lose all of its parking and have to close on Saturday, April 4 at 5 PM. The old building will be torn down for the new parking area. The grand opening of the new facility will be in September of 2015, 5 months early. Even with the changes, the construction is still on budget. For more information, go to [www.slcl.org](http://www.slcl.org).



Library patrons are encouraged to use the two closest branches that are not slated for construction this year; The Florissant Valley Branch at 195 New Florissant Road, about a mile north of I-270 and the National Bridge Branch at 7606 Natural Bridge, one block north of Lucas and Hunt Road. Before going to other facili-

ties, check the web site for construction closings. The new 6.5 million dollar, 20,000 square foot facility will include three different computing areas (including an instructional lab), expanded children's area with a program and crafts center, space for teens, a business center featuring fax and copy machines, multiple study rooms, a meeting room and improved green space outside of the branch.

## Grace Chapel D.A.R.E. Graduation



Grace Chapel DARE Graduating Class 2014

The City of BN provides D.A.R.E. Classes to the 5th Grade Classes at the schools in the City. The students learn about drugs, alcohol, peer pressure and making good choices.

The D.A.R.E. Program enables students to interact

with police officers in a controlled, safe, classroom environment. This helps students and officers meet and understand each other in a friendly



manner instead of having to meet when a student commits a crime or when officers must intervene in domestic disputes and severe family problems. D.A.R.E. Graduates are required to write an essay about what D.A.R.E. means to them. This years winners, (from left to right) are: 1st Place - Shayla Fackler, 2nd Place - Sayva Phillips and 3rd Place - Olivia Gilmore.

# Veterans Day Celebration At The Missouri Veterans Home

Administrators work hard to insure that every day is Veterans Day at the Missouri Veterans Home in Bellefontaine Neighbors, but Tuesday, November 11, was extra special. A Veteran's Day Program was sponsored by Fort Bellefontaine American Legion Memorial Post 335, The Missouri Veterans Home and Scott Air Force Base.



The 4th Grade Choir of Grace Chapel Lutheran School

Commission, Brigadier General Larry Kay and David Hawthorne Waltemath Ardrey.

Representatives of Scott Air Force Base read the names of the residents who passed away during the year and Brandon Dourhit of the ROTC played final taps for those remembered.



Riverview Gardens High School Navy ROTC Color Guard

Special guests were the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade class of Grace Chapel Lutheran School who sang for the Veterans and the Riverview High School Navy ROTC Color Guard who provided the posting and retiring of their beloved Colors.

Commander of Post 335 Anthony Smith, and Administrator of the Veterans Home Mark Fontana, lead the program. Guest speakers included Executive Commissioner of the Missouri Veterans

Each Missouri Veterans Home employs a licensed nursing home administrator: has registered nurses on duty 24 hours per day, provides physician care, physical, speech, occupational and recreational therapy, medications; cosmetology; environmental and social services, and dietary specialists. Each home has a secured dementia unit that includes a dining room, activity area and enclosed courtyard.



Kim Taddeucci, Executive Director of the Missouri Veterans Administration, Homes Program, visits with residents Bob Doerr and Dorothy.



## Dave McWilliams Wins Brew Competition

On November 8, 2014, City of BN Resident, Dave McWilliams, won the first ever Single Style Home Brew Competition at Ball Park Village, representing the "STL Hops" Brew Club. STL Hops is one of seven brew clubs in the St. Louis Area. Although all of the beers submitted were from St. Louis, the panel of Judges has tasted beer from all over the world. The Judges deemed Dave McWilliams, of the STL Hops Club, as having the winning American-Style India Pale Ale (IPA).

As a result of this honor, Dave was dubbed "Grand Champion." His winning recipe was brewed at the Anheuser-Busch Research Pilot Brewery in St. Louis and was available to taste at the Budweiser Brew House on January 18, 2015. Friends and family came out to celebrate the event. Congratulations, Dave, for a job well done!

## City Of BN Transportation Service

The City of BN offers transportation service to senior and disabled residents. The cost of service is \$5 per year for an ID card. This service makes it possible for residents to remain independent and in their own homes. The bus takes residents to medical appointments within a 10 mile radius of the city, area grocery stores, department stores and even out to lunch. Residents in need of the service should call the recreation center at 867-0700 and pick up a packet and application. Please call in advance to reserve your seat on the bus.



## 2015 & 2016 Road Improvement

In 2015 and 2016, Bellefontaine Neighbors will see much needed road improvements.

The City of BN has been awarded grants through the East West Gateway Coordinating Council (EWGCC) for the Shepley Road Bridge and the St. Cyr Road Bridge. The grants cover 80% of the cost of engineering and construction.

The Shepley Road Bridge is expected to start in early summer and be completed by July 2015. The St. Cyr Road Bridge will include a grant from Great Rivers Greenway to include a bike trail and construction is expected to start in early fall, 2015. Both projects are expected to take 30 days.



The St. Cyr Road Bridge located on St. Cyr Road between Bellefontaine Road and Lilac is made of lime stone and could have been built as early as the 1920s. The bridge will be replaced in Fall, 2015.

The City of BN is currently assessing the options to continue street repairs on a limited budget. The city has utilized grants for many projects but grants are not available for residential streets. Please report street problems to the City Hall at 867-0076 so they can be addressed before things get out of hand.

St. Louis County has made plans to pave both Chambers Road and Lilac Avenue. At this time, the engineering for both is scheduled in 2015 and the actual paving/construction is scheduled sometime between 2016 and 2018.

Please drive slowly and carefully in construction areas and watch out for neighborhood children.

## Mathews-Dickey Boys' & Girls' Club

Mathews Dickey Boys' & Girls' Club has acquired 30 acres to develop in Bellefontaine Neighbors, located at 1101 St Cyr Road (previous Bob Russell Park/ Surrey Lane Athletic Association). They are trying to develop the site for the youth of North County and refer to it as the "Field of Dreams". The vision is to have an athletic facility including baseball fields, football fields, and concessions in Phase 1. Continued work would include basketball, arts, drama, and all the "Earn and Learn" programs. Communities served include, Bellefontaine Neighbors, Dellwood, Ferguson, Florissant, Hazelwood, Moline Acres, Riverview, Jennings and unincorporated St. Louis County.

Funds and financial resources have not been available to spearhead this project complex. Police Officer Vassallo and Ward 4 resident Andrew Fields have set up a "gofundme" account. To donate, go to:



<http://www.gofundme.com/iwj8iw>



**Glenn "Glenn" Brundis**, passed away on December 14, 2014. Glenn served as City Collector from 1970 to 1980.

Glenn was preceded in death by his wife, **Catherine "Catty" Brundis**, who passed away on June 9, 2011. Catherine served for many years as a member of the Parks and Recreation Board.

Both Glenn and Catty were active in city events as well as Our Lady of Good Council Catholic Church.



**Benjamin Seres, Jr.** passed away on November 20, 2014. Ben was an active member of the Youth Commission, but known to many for his many years as a P.E. Teacher for the Riverview Gardens School District. He worked with many youth sports organizations.



**A. Michael Sullivan, Jr.** passed away on January 8, 2014. He served as Municipal Judge for the City of BN for 30 years.

Our sympathy goes to their families.

## Streets In Green Acres Added To Snow Routes

The street department does an amazing job keeping our streets open during snow events. The City of BN has passed ordinances to ensure sufficient space for emergency vehicles to serve residents and snow removal equipment to easily maneuver and clean streets efficiently. Ordinance #2096 was passed in 2008 to deem the following streets no parking:

- Addison, 1000 block
- Akron, 1400-1500 block
- Avant, 1000 block
- Comet Drive, between Ashbrook and Dwight
- Dwight, 10151
- Hamlet Court
- Kelvin Drive, cul-de-sac only
- Kimball Court
- Laire, 1100-1200 block
- Larue Court
- Southworth Court
- Surf, 10232, 10236

Ordinance # 2314, passed on January 15, 2015, designates Green Acres Road from Bellefontaine Road, generally westward to the "Y" intersection at lot # 47, including Orchard Court, Orchard Lane, Willow Court and Willow Lane as no parking snow routes.

Residents and visitors should keep in mind that everyone should be aware of parking restrictions, especially during snow or ice events. Please take notice of the ordinances below and always leave enough room in the street so a snow plow or emergency vehicle can get through. These ordinances were passed in 1964 and are still in effect today.

### Sec. 17-152. Standing or parking close to curb.

Except as otherwise provided in sections 17-153 through 17-155, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a roadway where there are adjacent curbs shall be so stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels of such vehicle parallel to and within eighteen (18) inches of the right-hand curb.

### Sec. 17-156. Parking not to obstruct traffic.

No person shall park any vehicle upon a street, other than an alley, in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than ten (10) feet of the width of the roadway for free movement of vehicular traffic.

## Watching Out For Our Neighbors

Hats off to City of BN resident Tereas Hauser, who noticed a house with smoke coming from the roof. People at the scene said they had called 911, but no one knocked on the door to make sure everyone got out OK. Teresa knocked on the door and told the woman smoke was coming from her roof. The resident was unaware of the fire because she did not smell the smoke in the house.

We all need to watch out for our neighbors and make a little extra effort to help. Thanks, Teresa for being a good neighbor!



## I & B Commission



Seated, left to right: Romona Nash, Pricilla & Garry Hamm, Tom Barnes. Standing: James & Catherine Pollvogt, Brian & Kathy Ballou, Pat & Bob Stolte, Bradford Baker.

Congratulation to our **2014 Christmas Decorating Awards** for a job well done!

### Ward 1

The Nash Home  
609 Bagnell Drive

The Hamm Home  
608 Gleason Drive

### Ward 2

The Barnes Home  
10050 Elba Lane

The Costello Home  
10120 Maraldo Place

### Ward 3

The Ballou Home  
1230 Bakewell Drive

The Pollvogt Home  
10216 Surf Drive

### Ward 4

The Stolte Home  
1147 Siebe Drive

The Lang-Baker Home  
9225 Waldorf Drive

## How Did Your Alderman Vote?

Bill #	Date	Description	Paro (w-1)	Migliazzo (w-1)	Schultz (w-2)	Merz (w-2)	Roth (w-3)	Jordan (w-3)	Smith (w-4)	Hollis (w-4)	Dillworth (w-4)	Pass or fail	Ord. #
2386	11-6-14	Agreement with Frederic Company, Inc., for roof replacement at the recreation center (Roth)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2305
2387	11-6-14	Amending The City Code, Chapter 19, offenses against the public peace and safety (Dillworth)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2306
2388	11-6-14	Amending personnel rules and regulations, Family Medical Leave (Migliazzo)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2307
2389	11-6-14	Approving an agreement with Sullivan Publications for publication of municipal code (Paro)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2308
2390	11-6-14	Approving an agreement with the Department of Justice (Jordan)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2309
2391	11-20-14	Amending Ord. # 1452, permitted use of the Bissell Hills Shopping Center (Schultz) Withdrawn by Alderman Merz on 12-4-14											
2392	11-20-14	Granting a conditional use permit for a stable at 1327 Shepley (Merz)	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2310
2393	12-18-14	Authorizing an agreement with St. Louis County for communications and services (Dillworth)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2311
2394	1-15-15	Amending Municipal Code regarding Flood Plain Management (Jordan)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Pass	2312
2395	1-15-15	Approving roadway funding application with Horner & Shifrin, Inc. (Roth)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Pass	2313
2396	1-15-15	Approving additional snow routes for vehicle safety on Green Acres (Paro)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Pass	2314

Y = Yes, N = No, A = Abstain, Blank = Absent

Resolution #	Date	Description	Pass or Fail
2014-03	12-18-14	Approving Title VI policy on discrimination (Migliazzo)	Pass

### Bicycle Rodeo, May 16

This is a great time to learn the rules of the road and bicycle safety.

**Bicycle Rodeo**, Saturday - May 16, 10 AM, at City Hall, all ages. This is a free event and open to all. Bring your bikes and ride our trails or safety town. Refreshments will be served and helmets will be given away. Rain Date, Saturday, May 24.



### Beautification Action Day, April 25

Join our volunteers from the Hill Home and Youth in Action on Saturday, April 25, 2015, to help clean up our streets of litter. Meet at the Recreation Center at 9 AM. Come back to the Recreation Center for a lunch of hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, soda and cookies. The mini golf course will be open for free play. Let's all take action to keep our city clean. Service hours encouraged. Scouts welcome.

### D.A.R.E. Dance

**D.A.R.E. Dance** - Friday, February 27, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, 5th and 6th Graders only. No hats, hood-

ies, or sagging pants. Cost is \$5 per person. (includes a soda and a bag of chips). Please call the recreation Center for more information.



# Riverview Fire Protection District (RFPD)

On August 5, 2014, voters in the City of Jennings approved a ballot issue to be annexed into the Riverview Fire Protection District (RFPD). Based on the election date the annexation was retroactive to January 1, 2014. Along with the annexation came the same tax rate that all residents of the RFPD pay for fire protection. The cost to an average \$50,000 homeowner is approximately \$235.00 per year.

The 11 members of the former City of Jennings Fire Department are now members of the RFPD, bringing the firefighting force for the Fire District from 22 to 33 dedicated members. The fire district operates out of 3 fire houses, two of which were the original Riverview fire houses and 1 which was annexed. The annexation added approximately 3.7 Square miles to the original 11.5 square miles and the population is now approximately 33,800.

Flordell Hills and Country Club Hills, which are both surrounded by the City of Jennings, were not part of the annexation. The City of Flordell Hills has entered into a contract with the RFPD and has expressed interest in being annexed. County Club Hills has been annexed by North East EMS and Fire District.



For information about the Riverview Fire Protection District please contact: Chief Joe Bommarito at the Administration Office, 9933 Diamond Drive, St. Louis, MO 63137, (314) 867-3889.

## RFPD Meets With Entities Within District



Left to right: Mayor Robert Doerr (City of BN), Attorney Frank Vatterott (RFPD), Chief Joe Bommarito (RFPD), Chairman Bob Smith (RFPD), Director Norvel Paro (RFPD) and Mayor Michele De Shay (Moline Acres)

The RFPD reached out to the entities they serve (City of BN, Jennings, Riverview, Glasgow Village, Moline Acres and Flordell Hills) to give an update on the merge and how the district is coping with the change.

Although the Chief and Directors assured those present that they had confidence in the ability to serve the district without any problem, those in attendance were able to question the RFPD about staffing, finance and safety issues. The Chief said the district's classification has not changed with the new boundaries.

Although the budget for the district will increase from 2 million to 3.7 million, the district plans to be cautious until they know what the actual income will be.

## Mark Your Calendars

**DARE Dance**, Friday, February 27, 6:30 to 8:30 PM (See page 8)

**St. Patrick's (Senior) Dinner** - Thursday, March 5 (See Recreation Center Brochure)

**Housing Resource Fair**, April 1, 2015, 4:30 to 7:30 PM, at the recreation center (See page 4)

**Municipal Election** - Tuesday, April 7. Polls open 6 AM to 7 PM (See page 3)

**Easter Egg Hunt** - Saturday, April 4, 10 AM. Residents only. (See Recreation Center brochure)

**Beautification Action Day** - April 25, 9 AM (See page 8)

**Cinco De Mayo (Senior) Dinner** - Tuesday, May 5 (See Recreation Center Brochure)

**Bicycle Rodeo** - Saturday - May 16, at City Hall. (See page 8)

Watch for these events in the May edition of the Bellefontaine News:

**Food Truck Friday** - May 22, at City Hall 9641 Bellefontaine Road.

**Memorial Day, Monday - May 25** At the Missouri Veteran's Home.

**Electronic Recycling Event** - Saturday, May 30, 2014 at City Hall parking lot.

**Dog and Cat Clinic** - Saturday, June 6, 9 AM to Noon at City Hall Garage

**Children's Fishing Experience** - Saturday, June 6, 8 AM at the Conservation Area, 270 & 367

**Back to School Resource Fair** - planned for July at the recreation center - Residents only

**National Night Out** - Tuesday, October 6

# City Of BN Church & Not-For-Profit Activities

**Bellefontaine Baptist Church**  
1410 Kilgore Drive  
868-6880

Worship - Sundays - 10:45 AM  
Sunday School - Sundays - 9:30 AM  
Bible Study - Wednesdays - 7 PM

Silver Circle - lunch & entertainment  
2nd Friday of the month at Noon.  
Call for reservations.

**Bellefontaine United Methodist Church**  
10600 Bellefontaine Road  
867-0800

Classic Worship-Sundays-10:30 AM  
Modern Service, Sundays-10:30 AM  
Sunday School - Sundays - 9:30 AM

Project Hope Food Pantry  
Tuesdays, 8:30 - 11:30 AM

Fish Fries, 4 to 6 PM  
1st and 3rd Fridays of each month  
Cod, Catfish & Chicken

Boy Scout Troop 271  
Trivia Night

Saturday, Feb. 21 Doors open at  
6 PM, Trivia begins at 7 PM  
Popcorn & Soda provided  
Bring your own snacks  
\$15 per person

For reservations call 838-9887

**Beth-El Baptist Church**  
10015 Ashbrook Drive  
239-8229

Worship - Sundays - 10:30 AM  
Sunday School - Sundays - 9:30 AM  
Bible Study - Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

**Faith In Hope Ministries**  
9308 Lewis & Clark Blvd.  
388-1001

Worship - Sundays - 9 AM  
Bible Study - Tuesdays - 7 PM

**Covenant Community Church**  
1351 Shepley Drive  
869-4367

Worship - Sundays - 10 AM  
Bible Study - Tuesdays - 7 PM

**Grace Chapel Lutheran Church**  
10015 Lance Drive  
868-3232

Worship - Saturdays - 4 PM  
Sundays - 8 & 10:45 AM  
Sunday School - Sunday - 9:30 AM  
Bible Study - Thursdays - 9:30 AM

**Grace New Covenant Church**  
1060 Chambers Road  
867-2782

Food Pantry 3rd & 4th Saturdays,  
9 to 11:30 AM

Every 1st Wednesday, 6 PM  
Free supper followed by Bible  
Study for all ages

**One Way Missionary Baptist Church**  
10117 Lewis & Clark Blvd.

Worship, Sundays - 10:30 AM  
Sunday School, Sundays - 9 AM

**Holy Name Of Jesus Catholic Church**  
10235 Ashbrook Drive  
868-2310

Mass - Saturdays - 4 PM  
(5 PM during Daylight Savings)  
Sundays - 8 & 10:30 AM  
Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 8 AM  
Tuesdays & Thursdays - 6:30 AM

Fish Fries , 3:30 to 6:30 PM  
Wednesday: February 18<sup>th</sup> (Ash  
Wednesday)

Fridays: February 20, 27, March 6,  
13, 20, 27, & April 3 (Good Friday)

**Hope Church**  
10636 Bellefontaine Road  
869-7777

Worship Sundays 8:30, 10 & 11:30 AM  
Bible Study - Wednesdays - 7 PM

**Hope Central Ministries**  
10115 Lewis & Blvd.  
869-8573

Prayer Service - Sundays - 9:30 AM  
Worship - Sundays - 10 AM  
Bible Study - Thursdays - 7 PM

**Tribe of Judah Church**  
Pastor Alonzo Johnson  
10229 Lewis & Clark  
388-5742

Worship - Sundays - 10:30 AM

**True Redemption Center**  
1229 Shepley Drive  
868-3082

Worship - Sundays - 10 AM  
Bible Study - Wednesdays - 7 PM

**Fort Bellefontaine Memorial American Legion Post 335**

Meets on the 4th Tuesday each  
month at 800 E. Chambers Road,  
6:30 PM. For membership info call  
869-0528.

**Knights of Columbus**  
800 E. Chambers Road  
867-9727

Bingo 2nd & 4th Sundays  
doors open at 11 AM  
games start at 1 PM

## Trinity Catholic High School



Trinity Catholic students gave back this holiday season. The Trinity Catholic High School community held a food drive and a toy drive for several weeks to help make the holidays a little brighter for those in need. During the food drive almost 1,000 items of non-perishable food was collected and donated to the food pantry at Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Parish in Ferguson.

The toy drive netted close to 200 toys and gifts that were then donated to the St. Vincent DePaul at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish. The St. Vincent DePaul held a Christmas party and gave out the toys Saturday, Dec. 12. All of the Trinity Catholic students and their families are glad they could give back to the community this Christmas season. Job well done!

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## Emergency Numbers

### Please save this page for future reference.

If you have an Emergency you should dial 911. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD number listed. If you are not in a life and death situation call the county dispatch number 889-2341. If something looks suspicious call 911 ASAP.

**Emergency : 911** - Emergency only. To report a fire, crime, especially if in progress, car crash or medical emergency.

**Non Emergency Police Fire or Ambulance: (314) 889-2341** - To report or inquire about a past auto or theft of property, noise problems (parties, music) or to have an officer check on the welfare of a person.

**Emergency and Non Emergency TDD: (314) 889-2345** - Persons using TDD should use this number for both emergency and non emergency calls.

**Poison Control: 800-222-1222** - For poison related questions. For emergency, call 911.

**Ambulance Service (314) 428-1122** - Emergency Ambulance and fire. (Alternate to 911.)

**City of BN Police Department Office: (314) 867-0080** - Business office for the Police Department, open 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday.

**City of BN, City Hall: (314) 867-0076** - City Business office for issues with the court, building department, open 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday

**City of BN Recreation Center: (314) 867-0700** - 9 AM to 9 PM, for classes, trips, senior or disabled transportation service or inquiries about heating/cooling stations during power outages.

**Riverview Fire Protection District: (314) 867-3889** - Business office, 8 AM to 5 PM, for inquiries about inspections, fire detectors or reports.

If you have a break in your utility service, or you see a line down in your neighborhood. Call the appropriate number, and give them

the details that you know so that they can address the problem. It is great that you want to report issues, but please for the speed of repair and the accuracy of information, call them directly.

**Ameren Missouri: 800-552-7583** - To report interruptions, if you smell gas or downed power lines.

**Missouri American Water: 866-430-0820** - To report water main leaks or interruption of service.

**Laclede Gas: (314) 342-0800** - To report a gas odor, suspected gas leak or interruption of service.

**Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD): (314) 768-6260** - To report sewer backups or flooding.

**Waste Management: (314) 506-4700**

**A T & T: 800 246-8464**

**Charter Cable: 888-438-2427**

**North County Post Office: (314) 869-0566**

# All City Meetings Open To The Public

Board of Aldermen - 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 PM  
Planning and Zoning Commission - 2nd Monday, 7 PM  
Public Safety Commission - 4th Thursday, 6:30 PM  
Neighborhood Watch - 1st Wednesday, 7 PM  
Youth Commission - 3rd Monday, 7 PM  
Image and Beautification Board - 2nd Tuesday, 7 PM  
Parks and Recreation Board - 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 PM  
Board of Adjustment - Upon Request  
Municipal Court - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays - 6:30 PM  
& the 3rd Wednesday at 1 PM

Human Relations Commission - Upon Request  
Bellefontaine Community Pride - 4th Thursday, 3:00 PM  
All meetings are held at the City of BN City Hall except Parks & Recreation which is held at the Recreation Center.

## City Hall Holidays

Good Friday, April 3

## Waste Management Holidays

There will be no interruption of service until Memorial Day,  
Monday May 25.

## Daylight Savings Time Starts

Sunday, March 8, 2014  
(Spring forward)

## United Way - 211 or 800-427-4626

**United Way** is your 24/7 connection to agencies and resources near you. Serving United Way of Greater St. Louis' service area and the state of Missouri, United Way 2-1-1 connects people to services that will help them – from basic needs to child care to disaster relief to transportation and counseling.

Our current contract with Waste Management includes trash, yard waste and recycling pick-up. Free carts are available. If you need a carts, call:

**Free Trash or Yard Waste Carts - Waste Management 506-4700**

**Free Recycling Carts - City of BN - 867-0076**

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