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From The Office Of The Mayor.....



Robert J. Doerr

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer fun; school will begin shortly, please pay attention to school crossings and buses stopping.

August 2nd, the City will have a Bond Issue ballot placed before you for your consideration.

Please take the time to read the ballot issue (\$8 million street improvement) and vote. More information is listed on page 3 and the insert in this newsletter..

On August 20th, 10:00 AM, at the Missouri Veterans Home, the official renaming of Highway 367 north of Chambers and up to Highway 270 will take place. This section of the highway will be called "Sgt. Peggy Vassallo Way" in honor of Officer Vassallo. All are invited to attend this dedication ceremony. On August 24th, 10 AM, the 1st anniversary of her passing we will dedicate a stone at the base of the tree in front of City Hall, which was donated in her memory. Please plan to attend.

Ruler Foods will open near the end of August; watch for further details at Bissell Hills Shopping Center.

The Image and Beautification Commission will be hosting their semi-annual "Beautification Action Day" on September 24th. Please plan to attend.

Our annual Town Hall meeting will take place at 7 PM at the Rec Center on September 15th and National Night Out will take place on October 4th. If you plan to sponsor a neighborhood get-together, please contact the Police department. Our annual Human Relations Diversity Meeting will be held in October; date to be determined.

Our police department has been recognized by the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis for their annual "Sustainability & Preservation" Award for recruiting efforts of minorities in our Police Department. Congratulations Chief Ihler!

Welcome to Tim Compass who has been appointed to the Youth Commission and Juanita Best who has been appointed to the Public Safety Commission. Re-appointments to the Human Relations Committee are as follows: Yolanda Poe (Chairman), Willie Roberson (Co-Chairman) Michael Petroff, and Pat McNamara-Smith (members). A new appointment to the Commission is Anthony Smith (member).

I want to "Thank" two long time employees of our City for their dedication and service to this community. Ted Stocker has retired from our Building Department where he has worked for the last 24 years. Larry Abeln has retired from our Accounting Department where he has been the City's Treasurer/Asst. Treasurer for the last 39 years. We will miss them both.

Robert J. Doerr

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From The Office Of The Chief.....



Chief Jeremy Ihler

To be your police officer is not done for glory. To be your police officer is not done for reward. To be your police officer means to be a champion of peace and order, to help those who cannot help themselves, and to be the last line of defense when there is no other alternative. To be your police officer is to give up a large portion of myself for the interest and greater good of you. This means that to be your police officer, I put you before me.

To be your police officer means to expose myself to many high-risk situations for you - driving to a burglary in progress, calming a highly volatile situation between a husband and wife, searching a building in pitch black darkness with only a flashlight knowing that an armed suspect is

waiting for me. Between those things, to be your police officer means to comfort people, interact with youth, collect evidence, and write reports. To be your police officer means that I must endure the psychological disruption of abnormal sleep patterns due to rotating shifts, feel alienated from family and friends because of the job hours, and combat high blood pressure, insomnia, increased levels of stress, and heart problems. To be your police officer is a psychologically and physiologically stressful work environment filled with danger, high demands, and ambiguity in work encounters, human misery and exposure to death.

To be your police officer means that I am a part of the community. I care about the community and go to great lengths and make considerable sacrifices to protect and preserve the community's way of life. To be your police officer means that I take pride and ownership in making the community stronger for you.

Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month. Everyone is invited to attend. Guest speakers are present at each meeting. The schedule is:

Wednesday, August 3 - Lt. Det. Applegate will be the guest speaker

Wednesday, September 7 - Not scheduled yet

Wednesday, October 5 - No meeting due to Night Out on Tuesday, October 4

Wednesday, November 2 - Not scheduled yet

Tuesday, October 4 is National Night Out

Now is the time to start planning to host a Neighborhood night out party. Some hosts make hot dogs or hamburgers, others have a pot luck and even others have S'mores.

National Night Out is designed to: Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. Talk to your neighbors and organize something on your block. Call Officer Dave Owens at 867-0080 to list your address so the police, fire fighters and elected officials can stop by.

BNPD Promotions



John Thompson was promoted from Corporal to Sergeant. Sergeant Thompson's career includes 27 years of law enforcement experience, 10 years with BNPD, 8 years as a Corporal, patrol supervisor. Sergeant Thompson served as a Field Training Instructor and currently serves as a Taser Instructor and Pepper Spray Instructor. He has a combined 20 years military service between Army and Air Force. He is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Criminology.

Dane Kaltenbach was promoted from Officer to Corporal. Corporal Kaltenbach has 9 years of law enforcement experience, all with the BNPD. Corporal Kaltenbach served as Defensive Tactics Instructor, Field Training Instructor, and Traffic Safety Officer.

Shown at left: Chief Ihler is standing. Seated: Sergeant John Thompson seated on left and Dane Kaltenbach on right.

New Non-Emergency Number

The new number, to report non-emergency situations to the police department is **636-529-8210**. Although the old number is still active with no end date at the time of this writing, residents are encouraged to start using the new number: 636-529-8210. Please put this number in your phone or a prominent place so you have it handy.

Police Emergency 911 Non-Emergency 636-529-8210
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Proposition S - Street Repair

The following proposition will be on the August 2, 2016 ballot.

Proposition S

Shall the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors, Missouri, issue its general obligation bonds in the amount of \$8,000,000 for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, extending, repairing and improving the surface subsurface conditions affecting city streets and sidewalks, and acquiring any land necessary therefor?

YES or NO



By Alderman Shirley Paro

Most of the streets in the City of BN are 60 years old. The city tried very hard to maintain them for all these years.

But some of our streets look bad and they are, and other streets may look in pretty good condition but have cracks which indicates problems with the concrete underneath.



Since so many streets are in such bad shape and we do not know the extent of damage under the asphalt. We do not know how many streets we can get repaired for \$ 8 million.

Recent History of Street Repairs



By Alderman John Jordan

Years ago the city would do what is called "slurry seal", this was a process that ground off the top layer of the street and coated it with a slurry of asphalt and gravel to cover and

seal the surface. This process would make the street look good for a few years but then would start to breakdown; therefore it was not working as a long term solution. It was decided that slurry seal did not last and was not worth the expense.

The city has been trying to secure grants where possible to do street and bridge repairs. In order to get these grants we have to have streets and bridges that meet the requirements of the grants. These grants are typically 80/20 match, the East-West Gateway Council (EWGC) through federal and state funding provide 80% of the cost and the City

would pay the remaining 20%. EWGC has a list of the streets that they qualify for grants, and we have to submit a proposal and cost and hope that they agree to let us do the project and funds are available. These projects are usually spread over several years and have a very strict order for what must be done when in the time line.

In the last year we have spent \$160,000 in matching funds for street and bridge repairs; these included cost for the Shepley Bridge, the St. Cyr Bridge, and the Ashbrook Projects. These three and the Coburg/Belgrove Project expenses from 2013 through 2015 totaled \$633,000. Expenses for these projects are spread over several years, with a large portion of the cost when the construction is done. We are just starting the Ashbrook Project which will redo Ashbrook from Chambers to Cabot and Cabot up to Coburg. The expected cost is \$1M of which the city will be responsible for \$200,000 by project completion.

.For more information about Proposition S, see insert in this newsletter.

This article was prepared and paid for by the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors solely to educate and inform residents about a question that will be presented at the polls. It is NOT intended to advocate, support or oppose the passage or defeat of the measure. Each voter should vote for or against the question based on his or her own judgment.

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Chief Bommarito Recognized For Service



From left to right: Retired Chiefs Marhanka, Bommarito and current Chief Keith Goldstein

On May 19, 2016, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen honored Chief Joe Bommarito for his 35 years with the Riverview Fire Protection District (RFPD). Chief Bommarito was honored by the City of BN.

Chief Joe Bommarito started his career with the

RFPD in March of 1980 as a Firefighter and moved through the ranks of Engineer, Captain, Deputy Chief and was finally appointed Chief/Fire Marshal in 1999. Chief Bommarito spent his entire 35-year firefighting career at the RFPD. In addition, he has worked closely with the Greater St. Louis Area Fire Chief's

Association, serving as their Vice-President as well as the Firefighter Awards Banquet Chairman for 10 years. He represented our District as President of the Greater St. Louis County Fire Academy Board of Directors and has been the Chairman of the North Area Dispatch Chief's Operational Committee for 15 years. Chief Bommarito has served as an instructor for the Greater St. Louis Fire Academy since 1989 and was selected as the 93rd Academy Class Honoree.

As the Fire Chief for the RFPD, Chief Bommarito has overseen the construction of two new fire trucks in 2002 and 2003, a new state of the fire house located at 9271 Bellefontaine Road in 2012, the first annexation of fire departments in North County when the RFPD annexed the City of Jennings Fire Department in 2014 and recently has overseen the completed the construction of a new fire truck.

On April 15, 2016, Chief Bommarito was awarded a Community Impact Award from the American Red Cross of Eastern Missouri at the annual Heroes Banquet.

Retirements



Larry Abeln was appointed City Treasurer May 1, 1977; 39 years ago.

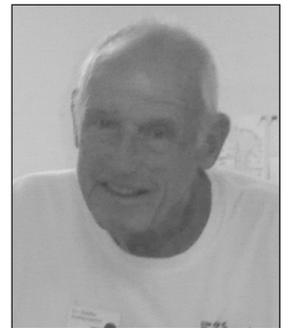
Larry has worked with four Mayors, dozens of aldermen and department heads. Larry worked diligently to keep the Mayor and Board of Aldermen updated and informed on budget matters and finance. Larry worked many

extra hours tracking spending and documentation of city records.

When Larry decided to retire, he wanted to see a smooth transition with a new treasurer, so he stayed to work with Bill Krenn, who was chosen by the Board of Aldermen. Happy retirement, Larry!

Ted Stocker started working for the City of BN on October 1, 1992. He served as Building Inspector for the past 24 years.

Ted took his job of meeting the needs of the City seriously, rarely missing work. He has gone out of his way to help residents, often finding them contacts to solve their problems and was eager to teach anyone about property maintenance. Ted worked hard to keep the standards of Bellefontaine Neighbors above those in surrounding areas and his work ethic and diligence will be truly missed. Ted retired on July 1, 2016. We hope Ted enjoys a long, happy retirement.



Youth Fishing Experience

This year's Youth Fishing Experience was a huge success. June 6 was a beautiful day and everyone had a good time. The Girl's Trophy went to Samone who caught a 7.8 ounce Blue Gill and the Boy's Trophy went to Brent, who caught a 4 pound 3 ounce Bass.

Thanks to the Youth Commission who work so hard on these events. They are planning other events for late summer and fall including two **Family Golf Nights** on Friday, August 12 & September 9 - 6:30 to 8:30 PM at the Recreation Center; \$1 gets you golf, hot dog and soda. The **Halloween Party for kids** is Friday, Oct. 21, 6:30 - 8:00 PM. at the Rec. Center Admission is nonperishable (canned) goods for food pantry.



Quiktrip Hosts "Safe Place"

QuikTrip shares a vision of safe neighborhoods and communities. That is why they have partnered with Safe Place to designate their stores as Safe Place sites for at risk youth.



Place Agencies and the volunteers provide. To learn more about Safe Place, visit: nationalsafeplace.org

Any young person in need of help can call Youth in Need at 314-628-2929 or text "4HLP" to 31658 or go to any Safe Place location. Locations include Quiktrip, Walgreens, local police and fire stations. Look for the bright yellow and black signs.

Safe Place is a national nonprofit organization that provides safety for threatened youth, up to age 19. Since 1991, Quiktrip has been a designated Safe Place where runaways and at risk youth can come in off the street, receive food and drink, and wait for a volunteer from a Safe Place agency partner (Youth in Need) to connect them with professional help or a place to stay until their situation is resolved.

Adults, over the age of 19 are also welcomed by Safe Places, however, the police department will be called and they will connect that person with a local agency that can help. Another agency that can tell you where to go is United Way. They will give you the name of agencies that you can call and ask for help. The phone number for the United Way is 211.

In addition to their stores being Safe Place sites, Quiktrip provides grants to Safe Place Agencies. We are grateful for the valuable service Quiktrip, Safe

Community Block Grant Funds

In 2017, the City of BN qualified for \$ 29,500 in block grants. A public hearing was held and the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to dedicate the funds to home improvement program that is allocated through St. Louis County. Unfortunately, the list is so long that St. Louis County has not accepted new applications from Bellefontaine Neighbors for some time.

Agent Orange Town Hall Meeting



Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) will host a Town Hall Meeting at VFW Post 3944, 10515 Midland Blvd., Overland, MO., 63114 (St. Louis County, MO) on August 27, 2016 from 10 AM to 3 PM.

This Town Hall Meeting will deal with the diseases which affect not only the Vietnam Veterans, but birth defects, rare diseases and learning disabilities afflicting their children, grandchildren and up to six future generations.

Hepatitis C. Health problems also came from breathing toxic gas and smoke.

The Veteran's Administration Regional Office will have representatives at this event to help with claim filings or assistance on existing claims. They will also have forms and information on filing claims that will protect you and future generations.

Vietnam Veterans also were exposed to Hepatitis and

Lunch will be provided. Please pre-register for food/refreshment count. Best Number to Pre-Register is 314/395-2788 or Folks can email KieferVVA794@yahoo.com

P.O. Ron Shreves Rides In Unity Tour

The 2016 Police Unity Tour left Northern New Jersey on May 9 and arrived in Washington, DC on May 12. Over 2,000 participants rode 300 miles. A Candlelight Vigil took place May 13 at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial (NLEOM) Through charitable donations, the Police Unity Tour presented a check in the amount of \$2,317,351.00 to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund. The Police Unity Tour has been in existence for 20 years and has now contributed over \$20,000,000.00 to the fund for the memorial for fallen officers.

City of BN Police Officer Ron Shreves rode in the tour to honor Peggy Vassallo along with Peggy's son James Vassallo, Peggy's sister Joy Rapp and St. Louis County School Resource Officer Solana Garner. Thanks to the Vietnam Veterans of America Florissant Chapter and everyone who donated so Peggy's friends and family could participate in the tour and support the NLEOM.



Tuskegee Airman George Carper Honored By The City Of BN

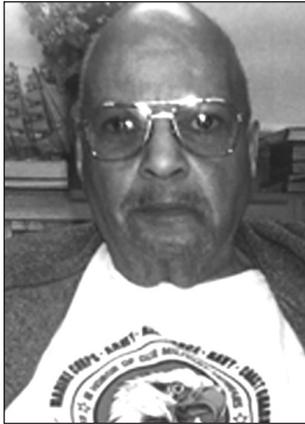
All of the residents of the Missouri Veterans Home are heroes in their own right and have done their part to make history. It is just that sometimes, someone comes along that has a different story that stands out in our history.

George Henry Carper, resident of the Missouri Veterans Home in The City of BN, proudly served our Country in the United States Armed Forces.

George Carper was 17 years old. He was too young to fly, but the United States Army Air Corps said he could train to become an aircraft mechanic.

George didn't want to be a mechanic but took the training and soon he became Crew Chief to a cadre of skilled mechanics who maintained 30 training aircraft (PT-13s). Airman Carper also earned his pilot credentials. Mr. Carper became a Tuskegee Airman at a dangerous time in our nation's history. We were at war in two parts of the world. In Europe, Germany was doing serious damage to Allied air power. The United States needed more well trained combat pilots – and quickly. Putting more Tuskegee airmen at the controls of our fighter planes was seen as part of the solution. To do this, we needed a top-notch trainer plane for students to build the skills needed to move up to advanced fighter aircraft. Responsibility for maintaining this essential fleet of training planes fell to Airman Carper, who worked for five years in this capacity.

Were these combined efforts successful? After achieving good results as the 99th Pursuit Squadron, Tuskegee pilots now flying as the 332nd Fighter Group escorted over 200 bombing missions over Europe during World War II and established a record that was never to be equaled. Great credit is owed to the Tuskegee Airmen Maintenance Personnel who



performed with skill and dedication throughout the war. At Missouri Veterans Home, we say "Thank you" to Crew Chief, Airman George Carper, for helping to keep us safe during a dark time.

What is life like after war? For George Carper, life has been very full, indeed! As a teenager, George worked in the family business, Carper Casket

Company. Later, George married. He and his lovely wife, Imelda, cherished 64 years together. Imelda passed in 2014, leaving two daughters, Jacqueline and Carol, and a son, George III.

George Carper's work ethic has served him well. The company founded by George's dad has flourished. With George as President of the firm, conscientious attention to fair play and a focus on fine quality and compassionate service, has put Carper Casket Company at the top in the industry.



On March 29, 2007, Tuskegee Airmen were presented the Congressional Gold Medal at a ceremony in the rotunda of the U.S. Capitol. Airman George Henry Carper II was among those so honored. George cherishes this award and all of the men and women who have accompanied and supported him throughout the years.

Airman Carper was honored once again by Mayor Doerr at the annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Missouri Veterans Home in the city of BN.

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St. Louis County Road Projects

The St. Louis County Departments of Transportation and Public Works have plans to improve several roads in our little corner of North County,

Design related complications required them to delay progress last year on our Chambers Road project.

However, a \$3.1 million contract for the job has been approved by the County Council and now awaits the County Executive's signature, after which work will begin. (The contractor is L. Krupp Construction.)

This project will consist of the construction of dozens

of new handicap accessible ramps and removal and replacement of deteriorated sidewalk panels and curbing. However, the actual resurfacing of Chambers Road, from W. Florissant to Bellefontaine Road, will, in all likelihood, not be complete until next spring/summer.

They will resurface Lilac, from Chambers to I-270, next year or in 2018.

Bellefontaine will be resurfaced by St. Louis County from St. Louis City limits to I-270 in 2018 or 2019.

Legislation Sent To The Governor In 2016



Senator Gina Walsh

The Second Regular Session of the 98th General Assembly concluded on Friday, May 13. Missouri lawmakers diligently worked to send more than 140 bills to the Governor during the 2016 session.

As of this report, roughly 65 of those measures have been signed, and two vetoed bills were overridden while still in session. The governor had until July 14 to sign or veto the remaining bills; if he didn't take action by then, they automatically lapsed into law.

I am very pleased to report that several pieces of legislation I sponsored or co-sponsored were successfully passed by the Legislature and have either received the Governor's signature or are among those currently awaiting his consideration.

I sponsored **Senate Bill 625** to designate the portion of state highway 367 from the southern city limit of Bellefontaine Neighbors north to the intersection of Interstate 270 in St. Louis County as "Sgt. Peggy Vassallo Way." In August 2015, Sgt. Peggy Vassallo was struck and killed by a vehicle while rendering aid to another driver after being involved in an accident.

Legislation I co-sponsored, making it easier for victims of domestic violence to recover their cell phone number from their abuser, was signed by the Governor in early June. **Senate Bill 838** allows Missouri courts to order a cell phone carrier to transfer the billing responsibility and rights of a cell phone number from a wireless account holder, including the rights to the cell phone number of any minor children, to a petitioner when he or she has obtained an order of protection against the account holder.

State lawmakers also gave their approval to **House Bill 1562**, legislation that seeks to expand the crime of sexual trafficking of a child, among other provisions. The final version of the bill includes language from two measures I sponsored this session to provide greater protections for victims of stalking and human trafficking in Missouri: **Senate Bill 886**, relating to the crime of aggravated or first degree stalking; and **Senate Bill 888**, relating to human trafficking victims. Many people wrongly assume human trafficking is a problem that primarily occurs in developing nations, but that is simply not the case. This modern day form of slavery has occurred in all 50 states. In fact, according to the **National Human Trafficking Resource Center**, there were 67 reported cases of human trafficking in Missouri in 2015 alone. My legislation provides an extra layer of protection for Missouri's victims of human trafficking by allowing them to participate in the Secretary of State's address confidentiality program: **Safe at Home**. Safe at Home was established in 2007 to provide survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, rape or stalking with a substitute mailing address through the secretary of state's office, which then forwards all mail and maintains the confidentiality of the participant's location. According to the Secretary of State's office, the program has protected more than 2,000 Missourians to-date.

House Bill 1562 also includes language I sponsored updating Missouri's criminal code so that a person commits the offense of stalking in the first degree, which is currently a class E felony, if he or she knowingly accesses or attempts to access the address of someone who is participating in the Safe at Home program.

Finally, **House Bill 1434**, which I handled in the Senate, establishes additional rules and procedures for certain counties' tax financing commission.

Highway 367 Dedication of Sgt. Peggy Vassallo Way

Senator Gina Walsh sponsored the Senate bill and Representative Tommy Pierson sponsored the bill in the House of Representatives which will designate a portion of Highway 367 "Sgt. Peggy Vassallo Way." You are invited to the Dedication of Highway 367 (from the Southern city limits of Highway 367 to Highway 270) on Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 10

AM. The dedication will be held on the grounds of the Veterans Home, 10600 Lewis & Clark Blvd.

In August 2015, Sgt. Peggy Vassallo was struck and killed by a vehicle while rendering aid to another driver after being involved in an accident.

Prescription Drop Box

The BN City Hall has a new prescription drug drop box provided by CVS Health. CVS has a longstanding commitment to help communities address and prevent drug abuse through education, outreach and safe medication disposal. The drop box is located in the lobby of City Hall and is accessible any time City Hall is open. The program gives members of the community a safe and environmentally friendly way to dispose of unwanted medication and has already collected more than 28 metric tons of prescription drugs across the U.S. Pills should be in bottles, baggies or envelopes with the name and prescription number removed. Please, no patches, liquids or needles.



How Did Your Alderman Vote?

Bill #	Date	Description	Paro (w-1)	Herl (w-1)	Schultz (w-2)	Merz (w-2)	Roth (w-3)	Jordan (w-3)	Dailes (w-4)	Fields (w-4)	Pass or fail	Ord. #
2446	5-5-16	An ordinance declaring the results of the General City Election on Tuesday, April 5, 2016 (Roth)	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2363
2447	5-5-16	Authorizing Ameren, MO to provide monthly successor connection Reports (Fields)	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2364
2448	5-5-16	Amending the city code relating to high grass and weeds (Fields)	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2365
2449	5-18-16	Adoting an amendment to the Personnel regulations pertaining to personnel evaluations (Roth)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2366
2450	5-18-16	An ordinance calling for a Bond Election (Jordan)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2367
2451	6-2-16	Adopting the 2016-2017 Budget (Roth)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Pass	2368
2452	6-16-16	Granting a conditional use permit to Jamil Musleh for f filling station 10320 Bellefontaine (Merz)	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		Pass	2369
2453	6-16-16	Granting a conditional use permit to Grow 2 Go, Christian Center, 1351 Shepley Drive (Shultz)	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		Pass	2370
2454	6-16-16	Authorizing an agreement with Rejis Commission for technology support (Jordan)	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		Pass	2371
2456	6-16-16	Authorizing an agreement for the production of a quarterly newsletter (Hurl)	A	Y	Y	Y		Y	N		Fail	-

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

Happy Birthday, Alvena On Your 100th Birthday



Alvena Chrimer, long time resident of the City of BN, celebrated her 100th Birthday on July 19, 2016. Mayor Doerr was on hand to present a proclamation on July 16, for this amazing lady.

During a long and productive lifetime, Alvena has demonstrated and instilled honesty, ethical values, a strong sense of leadership in her community and church,

and has shown her dedication to the welfare of others, and has earned the respect and affection of people from all walks of life and all ages. She displays a contagious vitality; and this delightful and remarkable woman has set an example for others as an exemplary, vivacious, upbeat citizen of the city of BN. Like Alvena always says, "Age is just a number and mine is unlisted!"

Job Opportunities

NOTICE OF JOB OPENING: The City of Bellefontaine Neighbors is now accepting applications for a part-time Assistant Building Inspector. The following are the requirements needed: High school graduate or successful completion of a GED exam. Knowledge of International Building and International Residential codes and normal methods and techniques of constructing and/or renovating commercial and residential buildings. The ability to read and interpret construction documents, building plans and specifications, technical code, regulations, and code enforcement. Two to three years experience in the building trades or an equivalent combination of experience and/or training. Please mail your resume to City Clerk, Deni Donovan, at 9641 Bellefontaine Road, St. Louis, MO 63137; via email

at ddonovan@cityofbn.com; or fax at 314-867-1790. The deadline is August 12, 2016 at 4 PM. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

NOTICE OF BIDS FOR EDITOR

The City of Bellefontaine Neighbors is entertaining bids for an editor for the production of an 12 page, quarterly (November, 2016, February, 2017, May, 2017 and August 2017) newsletter for delivery to the residents of the City of BN. Specs can be requested from the City Clerk at Bellefontaine Neighbors City Hall at 9641 Bellefontaine Road, Bellefontaine Neighbors, MO 63137, by e-mailing ddonovan@cityofbn.com or going to our website at www.cityofbn.com Bids should be in by 4 PM on August 12.

On The August 2 Ballot.....

Items on the August 2, Primary ballot will be:

US Senator
US Representative
Governor
Lt. Governor
Secretary of State
State Treasurer
Attorney General
State Senator
State Representative
St. Louis County Council
Committeeman and
Committeewomen
City of BN Proposition S

Polling places will be open from 6 AM to 7 PM. The City of BN has five (5) polling places. If you do not know your polling places, you can look it up at the link at the end of this article.

The August primary ballot will contain both candidates and propositions. Voters must select a party preference (Democratic, Republican, Libertarian or Constitution) when voting. If you do not choose a party preference, you will be given a nonpartisan ballot which contains propositions

only – no candidates. You can check out the candidates from all parties by looking it up on the web site at the end of this article.

Please have your identification ready when you go to vote. Having your ID ready and knowing what ballot you want will speed up the process. Invite a neighbor to go with you to vote.

Additional information is available on the Election Board's web site: <http://www.stlouisco.com/YourGovernment/Elections>

Calling Dispatch For Suspicious Persons, Situations

Every so often we hear from people that have problems in the neighborhood and they are frustrated that nothing has been done. Here are some guide lines on how to avoid neighborhood problems getting worse.

Call while the problem is happening. If kids are blocking the street playing ball or there is an unknown person looking into cars, call it in when it is happening. You can call 636-529-8210 which is the non-emergency dispatch number. If you call it in when it is happening, we can address it. If you wait days to report it, it is too late.

You can call in anonymously. If the dispatcher asks, you can say you prefer not to be contacted.

No questions asked, the police will still check it out. Information about who called in the complaint to dispatch cannot be released, even with a court order

Call the police FIRST. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen are always happy to speak with you and try to solve your problems, but they are not able to issue summons or even warnings. The Board of Aldermen are Legislators, not enforcers, so the best they can do is call it in for you. Sometimes details or information is lost in this chain.

The Bellefontaine News lists the names and contact information for the elected officials is on the back page. Please keep this information and use the contact information when you need it.

Mark Your Calendars

Election Day - Tuesday, August 2 - (See information above)

Neighborhood Watch meetings Wednesday - August 3, September 7 & November 2 - 7 PM at City Hall. Everyone welcome.

Adult Pool Party - Friday, August 5 - 7:30 to 11:30 PM (See Rec Center Brochure)

Family Golf Night - Friday, August 12 & September 9 - 6:30 to 8:30 PM at the Rec. Center \$1 gets you golf, hot dog and drink.

Dedication of stone at tree for Peggy Vassallo - Wednesday, August 24 at 10 AM in front of the City Hall

Old Time BBQ (Seniors) - Wednesday, August 24 See Rec Center brochure - Advance ticket required.

Fairmount Park Trip - Tuesday, August 30 - 11:30 AM to 5:30 PM (Leaves from Rec Center)

Labor Day - Monday, September 5 - City Hall closed.

Town Hall Meeting - Thursday, September 15 at 7 PM at the Recreation Center

Beautification Action Day - Saturday, September 24, 9 AM. Meet at Recreation Center

Diversity Meeting - October - Date to be determined

Halloween Party (Kids) Friday, October 21, 6:30 – 8:00 PM Admission is nonperishable (canned) food for food pantry.

Halloween Dinner (Seniors) - Thursday, October 27, See Rec Center brochure - Advance tickets required.

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

Worship - Sundays - 10 AM
Sunday School - Sundays - 9 AM

Food Pantry Tuesdays, 8 - 11 AM

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

Covenant Community Church
1351 Shepley Drive
869-4367

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

Faith In Hope Ministries
9308 Lewis & Clark Blvd.
388-4700

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

Grace Chapel Lutheran Church
10015 Lance Drive
868-3232

Worship - Saturdays - 5 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 and every Wednesday
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

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

Mass - Saturdays - 5 PM
Sundays - 8 & 10:30 AM
Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 8 AM
Tuesdays & Thursdays - 6:30 AM
The Mass schedule at Holy Name
will change when the kids go back
to school in August:
Mass - Saturday: 5 PM
Sunday: 8 AM only
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 AM

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.

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

New Spring Church
Pastor Tony Farr, Jr.
10229 Lewis & Clark Blvd
314-249-5028

Call Pastor Farr for worship times
and days.

One Way Missionary Baptist Church
10117 Lewis & Clark Blvd.

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

True Redemption Center
1229 Shepley Drive
868-3082

Worship - Sundays - 8 AM
Bible Study - Wednesdays - 7 PM

Knights of Columbus
800 E. Chambers Road
867-9727

**Fort Bellefontaine Memorial
American Legion Post 335**

For membership info call (314)
600-3372.

Better Family Life

Better Family Life, Inc. advocates the belief that a cohesive family is the foundation for every human being's development. It endeavors to rehabilitate individuals on a complete cultural, educational, social, and economic level by helping them become self-sufficient and contributing members of society. Better Family Life provide holistic solutions to issues that commonly threaten the sustainability of the family unit through life-enhancing employment training

and placement; education; housing and asset development; community outreach; and youth, family and clinical services. Better Family Life has an office at 9195 West Florissant, St. Louis, MO 63136 (Phone: 314-395-5730) and they have a representative available On Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1 PM to 3 PM at the Zion Traveler's Church at 351 Chambers Rd, St. Louis, MO 63137, Phone:(314) 868-7404.

<http://betterfamilylife.org>

Thieves don't take the summer off. It would be nice to be able to park your car and leave the windows down a bit so it is not so hot when you get back in, but don't do it! Lock it and pocket the keys. The vast majority of vehicles stolen are not locked and have the keys in them. Don't let the bad guys rip you off.

**Lock it
and
pocket the key!**

2016 Home Beautification Winners

Ward 1



The Johnston-Dagenais Home
#5 Green Acres Road



The Whittington Home
101 Green Acres Road

Ward 2



The Buckner Home
10016 Crete Drive



The Sullivan Home
10318 Seaton Drive

Ward 3



The Conley Home
10446 Ewell Drive



The Herr Home
10218 Coburg Lands Drive

Ward 4



The Elam Home
1146 Siebe Drive



The Hoffman Home
1229 Jennings Station Road

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, 7:00 PM
 Board of Adjustment - Upon Request
 Municipal Court - 2nd Wednesday - 6:30 PM
 & the 3rd Wednesday at 1 PM
 Human Relations Commission - Upon Request

All meetings are held at the City of BN City Hall except Parks & Recreation which is held at the Recreation Center.

City Hall Holidays

Labor Day, Monday, September 5

Waste Management Holidays

Labor Day, Monday, September 5

Trash, Yard waste and recycling pick up will be delayed by one day.

Daylight Savings Time

ends at 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 6

Report suspicious persons, vehicles or activity

The number, to report non-emergency events or persons to the police department is **636-529-8210**. Although the old number is still active with no end date at the time of this writing, residents are encouraged to start using the new number:
636-529-8210.

Beautification Action Day - Saturday, September 24

The City of BN, Image and Beautification Board will host a trash pick-up day on Saturday, September 24. Volunteers will meet at the Recreation Center at 9 AM. Wear comfortable shoes and bring gloves. After the clean up, lunch will be served.

Board members are needed for the Image and Beautification Board. Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Call City Hall if you are interested on serving on the board.

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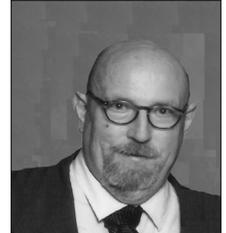
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