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From The Office Of The Mayor... ...Marty Rudloff



Congratulations to our newly reelected Aldermen. Winners of the April 2010 election are:

- Ward 1 - Shirley Paro
- Ward 2 - Dan Glenz
- Ward 3 - Mark Roth
- Ward 4 - Audrey Hollis

Our Annual Memorial Day Service will be held on Monday, May 31, at 10 AM. Please join us to honor Our Veterans. Bring a lawn chair. Everyone is invited to Fort Bellefontaine Memorial Post 335 after the service for refreshments.

The City of BN will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year. Banners will soon go up on our streets and plans are being made for a picnic at Bellefontaine Park on Sunday, October 3. Details will be in the August edition of the Bellefontaine News.

Have you sent in your Census forms? If you have not, we urge you to do so as soon as possible. Much of the revenue coming into the city is based on population and we will lose funds on every person that is not counted.

Welcome to The True Redemption Center at 1229 Shepley and The Storman Academy at 10060 Bellefontaine Road. Both the church and school have passed all inspections and have obtained all permits. We wish them well.

We are seeing a lot of activity at the former Hathaway Shopping Center at Highway 367 and Jennings Station Road. Most of the spaces have leases pending. We hope to introduce you to all of the new tenants in the August edition of the Bellefontaine News.

Marty Rudloff

Congratulations are also in order for Cheryl Latham and Karlton R. Thornton in the Hazelwood School District; and Reggie Jones and Mary Oswald in the Riverview Gardens School District. Thanks to all of the candidates that took the interest to run for elected positions. We wish you well.

Street Repairs are underway and we will see much construction activity during the summer months. Please drive carefully, especially in the construction areas and avoid them whenever possible. Summer vacation will soon start for our children. Please remember that children should not be playing in the streets.

The Shepley Road Bridge will be closed for repairs from May 29 until August 7, 2010. See page 5.

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River Woods Business Development

In 1999, the City of BN had a vision of a business park at the corner of Highway 367 and 270. After working with (then) Representative Tim Green, an agreement was made with the State of Missouri and the City of St. Louis.

The City of BN was able to obtain an option on the land and worked with developers and realtors to develop a business park, but was not able to generate interest in the property. Finally, in 2004, the land was sold to Tom Glosier, Manager of Kaplan Development, who

planned a business park and residential subdivisions on the property. The first subdivision, The Landings at Lewis and Clark, was started in 2006 and due to the economy was stopped. The builder, T. R. Hughes filed bankruptcy and the new owner of the undeveloped lots is the Frontenac Bank.

On April 15, 2010, Tom Glosier addressed the Board of Aldermen with good news. Block Hawley, Commercial Real Estate Services, is the owner under contract for 128 acres and will be acting as the developer. Jeffery Hawley, President of Block Hawley,

has already spent more than \$60,000 in site engineering and is planning to saturate the market with information on the property. They hope to attract a corporate campus, medical office tenants or mixed businesses to the potential million square feet of buildings.



Jeff Hawley is excited about the project and is very eager to tell people about the location, easy highway access to everywhere in the region, the available workforce in the area and the amenities they are planning to provide.

Memorial Day Service, Monday, May 31 - 10 AM

The Annual Memorial Day Service, sponsored by The City of BN, The Fort Bellefontaine American Legion Post 335 and the Knights of Columbus, Santa Cruz Council will be held on Monday, May 31 at 10 AM at Klein Park, located at the corner of Bellefontaine and Chambers Roads.

Bring your lawn chairs and join us for patriotic music, speakers, a gun salute, laying of the wreath and the Riderless Horse representing our lost heroes.

After the service, everyone is invited to the Fort Bellefontaine American Legion Post 335 at 11869 Raymond Drive for refreshments. Bill's Market and Meats at the corner of Bellefontaine and Chambers Road, has become a sponsor this year and will provide hot dogs, soda, beer and cookies. Thank you to Bill's Market and Meats for your generous donation!

In case of rain, the service will be held at the Fort Bellefontaine American Legion Post 335, 11869 Raymond in Spanish Lake.



2010 D.A.R.E. Graduates

Congratulations to the members of the 5th grade class at Gibson School, who successfully completed the D.A.R.E. Program. This highly acclaimed program gives children the skills they need to avoid involvement in drugs, gangs, and violence. D.A.R.E. is taught by Cpl. Vassallo at all the elementary schools in the City.

Pictured at right, from left to right: Cpl. Vassallo, Deja McHaynes, Tristian Gassoway and Mayor Rudloff.



Notes From The Newly Reelected Aldermen



Ward 1 - Shirley Paro

Thanks to everyone for all the support you have shown during my years in office. I am looking forward to working with the board for the next four years. We see a lot of good things happening and a lot of challenges ahead of us.

Let's all try a little harder to make our city a safer place. When you see a suspicious person or vehicle, call the police at 889-2341 and report it. We are seeing Neighborhood Watch works when residents get involved. When the number of calls to the police department goes up, crime goes down and more crimes are solved.

I want to take this opportunity to encourage you to use the new recycling bins. More than 70% of our trash can be recycled. Give it a try!

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions, problems or want to let me know your opinion on issues. Your input is important to me.



Ward 2 - Dan Glenzy

Thanks to all the folks who supported my Aldermanic election effort. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Here's a "Hats Off" to Ralph Barber who resides on Foxpath Drive. Mr. Barber took it upon himself to clean up Lilac Drive from Foxlair to the Quik Trip station and in the process collected several trash bags of litter. His efforts are appreciated by all.

I encourage all residents to get involved by picking up litter, attend meetings or volunteer to serve on a board or commission. Volunteers are needed for the Public Safety Commission, Youth Commission, Image and Beautification Commission and Park & Recreation Commission.

The Image and Beautification Commission will be judging homes for the Beautification Awards in June. Take a little time to clean up the outside of the house, plant a few flowers and repaint where needed. You could be a winner!

Don't forget to bring your children to the Free Bike Rodeo on Saturday, May 15 from 10 AM to 1 PM, on the Bellefontaine Neighbors City Hall parking lot. It is sponsored by the Youth Commission.



Ward 3 - Mark Roth

Thank you to all the residents of Ward 3 who supported me in my election as Alderman. It was inspiring to hear the encouragement and responses from so many residents. I am looking forward to working with the other Alderman in keeping Bellefontaine Neighbors a great place to live.

I would like to challenge all residents to do their part and become proactive in their community, whether it be Neighborhood Watch programs, hosting a Neighborhood Night Out party, local volunteer efforts or just be a good neighbor and watch out for older neighbors on their street. I believe that if we all take the time to be good neighbors not only will the neighborhood be a safer but a better place to live.

Again, thank you all for your support and if you have any concerns or ideas on how to make Bellefontaine Neighbors a better place to live feel free to contact me anytime.

I invite you to join me in working to build a stronger and better community for us all. Neighbor to Neighbor, get to know and help each other. Organizing block units will help us forge a closer community. Call me if you would like to help start a block unit on your block or if you have any questions.



Ward 4 - Audrey Hollis

Thank you, Ward 4, for reelecting me as your Alderwoman. I am looking forward to serving you and working with the Board during the next four years.

I encourage you to visit the City's web site at <http://www.cityofbn.com/>. There you will find a lot of valuable information about the City. Enjoy our wonderful Recreation Center, as well as the beautiful city and county parks.

Don't forget to bring your children to the Free Bike Rodeo on Saturday, May 15 from 10 AM to 1 PM, on the Bellefontaine Neighbors City Hall parking lot. It is sponsored by the Youth Commission.

Street Repair Update

Phase I - 2009 Street Improvements

(Estimates)

Phase II - 2010 Street Improvements

(Estimates with contingency)

Ward 1

Admiral (Colony to Delhi)	\$45,000
Danville (Colony to Delhi)	\$36,000
Ensley (Colony to Delhi)	\$36,000
Forest Home (Bellefontaine to Delhi)	\$137,000
Total	\$254,000

Ward 2

Bella (Toelle to Trio)	\$37,000
Druid (Esquire to Nectar)	\$26,000
Font (Toelle to Trio)	\$33,000
Gabriel (Bellefontaine to Cabot)	\$52,000
Jepson (Gabriel to Cabot)	\$54,000
Neighbor (Toelle to Trio)	\$30,000
Trio (Bella to Neighbor)	\$32,000
Total	\$264,000

Ward 3

Addison (Ashbrook to Ewell)	\$55,000
Anson (Darr to Nectar)	\$42,000
Byfield (Darr to Nectar)	\$40,000
Comet (Hwy 367 to Ashbrook)	\$68,000
Ewell (Ashbrook to Nectar)	\$95,000
Total	\$300,000

Ward 4

Astoria (Duenke to Waldorf)	\$105,000
Donnell (Edna to city limit)	\$100,000
Duenke (Waldorf to Waldorf)	\$170,000
Oran (Donnell to Edna)	\$61,000
Troy (Newby to Waldorf)	\$20,000
Yukon (Astoria to Duenke)	\$33,000
Total	\$389,000

Total Street Repairs for 2009 (Phase I) - \$1,307,000

Ward 1

Biritz (Bellefontaine to cul-de-sac)	\$64,758
Delhi (Admiral to Fonda)	\$72,916
Hayward (Bagnell to city limit)	\$37,554
Lochiel (Colonnade to Chambers)	\$31,042
Norchester (Northampton to city limit)	\$9,932
Northampton (Northumberland to Chambers)	\$49,884
Northumberland (Chambers to city limit)	\$11,535
Norwich (Northampton to Chambers)	\$36,142
Patrica Barklow (Northumberland to city limits)	\$6,442
Scenic (Calumet to city limit)	\$35,498
Surrey Lane (Biritz to Coach-n-six)	\$33,673
Total	\$389,376

Ward 2

Cadora (Bellefontaine to Elba)	\$41,489
Avant (Coburg Lands to Addison)	\$29,126
Addison (Coburg Lands to Avant)	\$27,289
Grenshaw (Bosworth to Ashford)	\$52,870
Seaton (Nectar to Coburg Lands)	\$34,208
Total	\$184,982

Ward 3

Dwight (Comet to Golden)	\$58,280
Golden (Dwight to Ashbrook)	\$44,578
Kilgore (Ashbrook to Cabot)	\$109,875
Nectar (Ewell to Seaton)	\$99,080
Total	\$311,813

Ward 4

Ardmore (Waldorf to Duenke)	\$70,848
Bluegrass (Duenke to Astoria)	\$26,185
Dunford (Bluegrass to Hardon)	\$45,173
Hardon (Wentworth to Waldorf)	\$47,661
Yorktown (St. Cyr to Wentworth)	\$73,096
Total	\$262,963

Total Street Repairs 2010 (Phase II) - \$1,149,137

Costs listed are estimated. In some cases, the cost of repairs is more than estimated because of deteriorating conditions not seen before work began.

Street repairs for 2009, Phase I were started in fall of 2009. Streets in Ward 1 were completed and work was started in Ward 4, but had to be halted due to the weather. Work began again as soon as the weather was favorable in late March, 2010.

Street Repairs in Ward 2 are underway and will be completed within the next month or two. Work in Ward 3 is just beginning. We are currently working with the utility companies to insure they are not coming in to tear up work we have just completed. We expect work to start on Phase II before Phase I is complete.

The estimated start date for Street Repairs 2010 (Phase II) is expected to begin in May of 2010. The work will last about 180 days so the completion date will be in October of 2010, weather permitting. Most of the work will be done by ward, and should not continue for more than 6 weeks in any one location.

The City of BN and Weis Design Group is working to keep any inconvenience by contractors to a minimum for residents. Unfortunately, there are times that it cannot be avoided. Residents who have problems or complaints should contact City Hall at 867-0076 and we will address any complaints you may have. When the work is done, we are sure you will say it was well worth any inconvenience.

Shepley Road Bridge Closed May 28 to August 7, 2010

In about 1892, the railroad was constructed through the area. The land on both sides of the track from Bellefontaine Road on the west to Carr Lane (now Toelle Lane) on the east was owned by the Coburg Land and Development Company (CLDC). The CLDC platted Shepley Drive across its land and received permission from the railroad to construct a wood bridge in 1922 and assumed the cost of building and maintaining the bridge.

In 1932 the St. Louis County Court ordered the County to accept and maintain Shepley Drive and the wooden bridge. Eighteen years later, in 1950, Bellefontaine Neighbors was incorporated and the bridge was in the incorporated area.

In April of 1957, the CB & Q Railroad notified the City that the bridge was in a hazardous condition and unsafe for traffic. The bridge was barricaded.

A dispute between the City and Railroad over who should pay to build a new bridge went on for the next four years. The dispute was taken all the way to the Missouri Supreme Court. Finally, in August of 1961, the City and the Railroad entered into an agreement, which provided the City would pay 42.5% of the cost of the new bridge and upon completion the City would maintain and own the bridge. The new bridge was a 3-span prestressed concrete structure, 17 feet 6 inches wide and 120 feet in length and was designed and constructed by the CB & Q Railroad's Bridge Department in 1962.

The Shepley Road Bridge served the City well until 2002, when the bridge was found to be in need of repairs. Modjeski & Masters, Consulting Engineers were hired for engineering and site inspection during construction. The Harlan Company was hired for bridge repairs and the work was completed in September of 2002 at a cost to the city of \$91,232.55.

In 2007, the City of BN hired The Weis Engineering

Group to assess the streets that were in need of repair. With the recommendation from Weis, the bridge over the now Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad was tested and found to be in need of major repairs including deck and joint replacement, improvements for pedestrian, bicycle and handicap accessibility and stabilization of the approaches to the bridge.



With the engineering costs estimated at \$580,300, the City directed Weis Design Group to apply for a grant to repair the bridge. The grant was approved.

Funding is from the Federal Highway Administration's Surface Transportation Program-Streets/Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program. The East/

West Gateway Coordination Council oversees administration of the grant program.

The grant will cover 80% of the costs or \$464,240. The City of BN will cover 20% or \$116,060.

The Shepley Road Bridge will close as soon as school is over, on or about May 29, 2010. The construction is expected to be completed in six weeks, but the contract allows until August 7, 2010 to allow for weather.

The City of BN is responsible for two other bridges. The Bridge on Belgrove over the Watkins Creek was replaced in 1999 by R. C. Schneider and Associates for a cost of \$112,620 with the city paying \$52,620 and the State paying \$50,000. This bridge is being evaluated for the need of maintenance and repairs.

The St. Cyr Bridge, a much older structure, is a small bridge over Calumet Creek where it empties into the Maline Creek on the industrial side of St. Cyr Road. This structure was built around the 1930's. This bridge is in need of repair and the City of BN will be working with MSD and applying for a grant in that will be available in 2011.

Mosquito Control



The City of BN contracts with St. Louis County for mosquito control. You may see the trucks out in the evening fogging. All of this is a waste of money if residents don't eliminate all standing water. Just a cup of standing water can produce hundreds of mosquitoes. By eliminating the water, we can eliminate mosquito breeding. Empty water from flower pots, remove trash and keep your grass and bushes cut to eliminate breeding and resting places. If you have excessive mosquitoes, call the City Hall at 867-0076.

Summer 2010 Events

Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9 - Mothers get free admission to the miniature golf course with a paying child from 1 PM to 8 PM.

Bicycle Rodeo, Saturday, May 15, (rain date Saturday, May 22) 10 AM to 1 PM

on the City Hall Parking Lot, 9641 Bellefontaine Road. Free helmets and drawings for prizes. Lots of activities planned including a visit from the Riverview Fire Protection District.



Fishing Derby, Saturday, June 5 - 8 to 10:30 AM at the Bellefontaine Conservation Area on the grounds of the Veteran's Home. The event is free but participants (age 5 to 14) must bring their own pole and bait. A parent or guardian must accompany each child.

This event is sponsored by the City of BN Youth Commission and Missouri Department of Conservation.

Memorial Day Service, Monday, May 31 at Klein Park - 10 AM. See page 2.

AARP Mature Driving Program, Tuesday, June 1. 1 - 5 PM The program is a refresher course for drivers age 50 and older. Learn current rules of the road, how to operate your vehicle more safely, and how to make adjustments to common age related changes in vision, hearing and reaction time. Pre-registration is required. Cost for AARP members is \$12 and non-members is \$14. Call 867-0700 for reservations.

Cat & Dog Clinic, June 5 - 9 AM to Noon at the garage, behind City Hall, 9641 Bellefontaine Road. Written proof of spay/neuter is required for reduced rate. The cost of the city license is \$2, due by July 1.

Rabies (altered pets)	\$20.00
Rabies (unaltered pets)	\$25.00

Distemper, Bordetella, Distemper/Bordetella Combo, Lymes, Feline Leukemia and microchip available.

Family Golf Nights, Friday June 11 and July 9 - 6:30 to 8:30 PM. \$1 admission includes hot dog, soda and unlimited golf. Attendances prizes for kids under 16.

Father's Day, Sunday, June 20 - Fathers get free admission to the pool (1 to 4:45 PM) and/or miniature golf (1 to 8 PM) with a paying child. BBQ specials available at snack bar.

Neighborhood Watch Night Out, Tuesday, August 3 See page 8.

Youth Pool Party, Saturday, August 7 - 7 to 10:30 PM. Ages 11 to 16 only. Residents can bring one paying guest. Tickets must be purchased in advance. (on sale July 10 to August 6) \$5 per person includes music, swimming, hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, soda and attendance prizes.

Electronic Waste Collection, Saturday, September 25, 9 AM to 2 PM at Florissant Valley Community College, 3400 Pershall Road. See article on page 7.

Community Garden At Riverview High School

When plans got underway to start the Community Garden at the Riverview Gardens High School, 1218 Shepley in the City of BN, one thing was in the way; -grass. Riverview Gardens Board Member, Jon Askins heard about the problem and called in the Marines!

Jon, a sergeant at the 3rd Battalion, 24th Regiment, and his platoon, just got back from Iraq and are still on active duty. Fifteen Marines volunteered to lend a hand tilling the soil. Even former Marine Master Sergeant and now Alderman, Anthony Smith got involved.

You are invited to become a part of the new Community Garden. Thanks to the principal, Mrs. Pittman and teacher, Mr. Pleagge the community has been provided a large space to garden. Garden

work times are scheduled for Wednesdays from 2:30 to 4:30 PM and Saturdays from 8:30 AM to Noon. Garden work hours will be



added as gardeners join. Call Alderman Audrey Hollis at 314-435-0414 for more info. This is a great opportunity to raise your own fresh vegetables or beautiful flowers, help to beautify the high school grounds and build community.

Disposing Of Old Televisions And Electronics



Old television sets, computers and electronic devices can no longer be put out with regular trash. Missouri Statutes were changed in 2008 to meet federal guidelines. Waste Management (WM), and all of the other waste haulers are no longer able to put these items in landfills.

Other items banned include, computers, hard drives, (CRT, LED and Plasma) monitors and televisions, printers, routers, scanners, zip or floppy drives, adding machines, copiers, phones, cordless phones, fax machines, battery back-ups, digital cameras, DVD/ video players, electronic game devices, pocket PC's and rechargeable batteries.

WM will take television sets, but residents have to call (506-4700) for a special pick-up. The cost is \$20. WM will not pick up any other electronic devices.

Before you buy replacement electronics, check and see if the store has a program to dispose of the old electronics. There are several organizations that will accept electronic devices. E-cycle St. Louis, The St. Louis Regional Partnership, has five members approved by the St. Louis-Jefferson County Solid Waste Management. They are:

WITS
643 E. Holly, 63147
(314) 382-1650

HI-TECH CHARITIES
1371 Hamilton, 63112
(314-389-5737

RIMCO (URI)
101 Bremen, 63147
(630) 562-8101

GUNTHER
5080 Delmar, 63108
(314) 367-9933

DCAL SERVICES, LLC
2609 Rock Hill Industrial Ct., 63144
(314) 918-8833

Check them all out on <http://www.ecyclestlouis.org/>

Midwest Recycling Center will hold an electronic waste collection event on Saturday, September 25, 2010 at the Florissant Valley Community College, 3400 Pershall Road from 9 AM to 2 PM. There will be a \$10 fee for computer monitors and a \$15 fee for any size television. All other electronic items will be accepted FREE of charge. For more information, please visit their web site at www.midwrc.net

Other Ways To Recycle

Cell phones, chargers, cords and equipment are being collected by the Knights of Columbus in support of the "Cell Phones for Soldiers Program."



Phones are refurbished for use or dismantled and all parts are recycled. Proceeds go to buy soldiers who are overseas pre-paid phone cards. Old phones and equipment can be dropped off at the City of BN City Hall, 9641 Bellefontaine Road or the Knights of Columbus, 800 Chambers Road.



Compact Fluorescent Light (CFL) Bulbs have become popular because of energy savings and long life. They are safe to use but they contain a small amount of mercury vapor and should be disposed of properly. AmerenUE is working with local retailers to make CFL recycling free and

easy. Recycling locations are the Home Depot stores at 13916 and 10930 Halls Ferry.

Plastic grocery bags can be returned to many of the local grocery stores, or ask for paper bags that can be recycled or use reusable cloth bags sold in grocery stores, then there is nothing to recycle. The reusable bags are easy to carry and hold more.



Used Playground Equipment Sent To Honduras

When the City of BN was told by the insurance company that playground equipment in Bissell and St. Cyr Parks was not up to standards, Mark Dickerson, Director of Parks and Recreation, got a grant for new equipment that has a concrete base with a 4 inch thick rubberized pad.

Some of the old playground equip-

ment wasn't worth saving, but some was. Mark contacted the Wamhoff Foundation and they took the old equipment, shipped it to Honduras, South America, where they re-assembled it. As soon as the work was done, more than a hundred children who had never seen a playground arrived to try it out. Thanks to Mark for turning trash to treasure.



Eagle Scout Award

Christopher Eric Rawlings was presented his Eagle Scout Badge at a Court of Honor at Frieden's Chapel UCC On Sunday, March 1, 2010. Chris not only received his Eagle Scout Badge, but also received a Bronze Palm in recognition of completing the requirements for 5 additional Merit badges over and above what is required to achieve the rank of Eagle. Chris's Eagle Scout project was to build shelves in a closet for Frieden's Chapel. From left to right, Alderman Shirley Paro, Christopher Rawlings and Alderman Tony Migliazzo.



Boy Scout Troop 229 Celebrates 72 Years

Boy Scout Troop 229 is celebrating its' 72nd year in 2010. They were chartered in 1937 to the Dad's Club of Riverview and are now the oldest Troop in North County. The Dad's Club was made of the fathers of the Scouts in the troop. Troop 229 meets at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church on Ashbrook on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. Several hundred young men have passed through the troop, of which 59 have

reached Scouting's highest rank: Eagle. The Scouting program includes service projects, camping, fund raisers and leadership training, all designed to help the Scouts develop into responsible adults.

The Scouts and adult leaders from Troop 229 are the people who deliver the City of BN Newsletters. Happy Anniversary, Troop 229 and Thank You!

BN Scouts Participate In "100 Projects For 100th Anniversary"

The Boy Scouts of America are celebrating their 100th Anniversary this year. The St. Louis Area Council is sponsoring a "100 Projects for The 100th Anniversary Program" and the Boy Scouts in the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors have answered the challenge.

Members of Boy Scout Troop 271 of Bellefontaine Methodist Church, 10060 Bellefontaine Road, renovated and painted a room, turning it into a Visitor's Center for the church. They set up a meeting area, added cabinets and a place for brochures. Scoutmaster Tim Woebling.



Scouts from Troop 551 of Grace Chapel Lutheran Church, 10015 Lance Drive, (pictured above) scooped up shovels of dirt and grass in front of Grace Lutheran Chapel. Their mission was to dig a 100-foot trench for electrical conduit to a new light fixture. Scoutmaster Donna Yarbrough.

Scouts from Troop 374, Frieden's Chapel, 1040 Chambers Road, spent a day raking, trimming and cleaning the grounds at Frieden's Chapel. They also picked up trash along Chambers Road. Scoutmaster Mark Wilbur.

Scouts from Troop 229 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 10257 Ashbrook, spent a day splitting wood to be used for heating at the Covenant Community Church on Shepley Drive. Scoutmaster Steve Carr.

Thanks to the Scouts, their leaders and committees for all of their work to make our city a better place and our young men better members of the community. Happy Anniversary Scouts!

For more information about joining one of these troops and being a part of the 100th Anniversary Celebration, call the St. Louis Area Council at 314-256-3080.

ROTC Service Project

The Riverview Gardens High School Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) Naval Science Cadets are close to beginning painting addresses on curbs for residents who sign up. The program is free. Visible house numbers painted on the curb are valuable to all emergency first responders and to all residents. A visible address marker will ensure a faster

response to any resident calling for emergency help or assistance. It also makes it easier for friends and family to find your house. To sign up for this free service, call Cpl. Vassallo at 867-0080, ext 242 or e-mail pvassallo@cityofbn.com



From The Desk Of The City Clerk



This is such a beautiful time of the year - our gardens and landscaping need to be tended so it can reflect nicely on the entire neighborhood. Remember to recycle, cut your grass and rake the leaves; make it a family day and tell your children how important it is to maintain a nice environment.

The following boards could use your help: Image and Beautification, Parks, and Youth. Call me at 867-0076 so I can give you more information. And as always, if you see something that seems not quite right, call 889-2341 to have a police officer check it out.

The Board of Aldermen meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:30 PM. Become involved and make it a point to attend a meeting every now and then.

How Did Your Alderman Vote?

Bill #	Date	Description	Paro (w-1)	Migliazzo (w-1)	Glenny (w-2)	Merz (w-2)	Roth (w-3)	Jordan (w-3)	Smith (w-4)	Hollis (w-4)	Pass or Fail	Ordinance Number
2200	02/04/10	Authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with X-L contracting to repair the Shepley Bridge	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2121
2201	02/18/10	Authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with St. Louis County for collection of certain taxes									Tabled	
2202	02/18/10	Establish filing fees for conditional use permits	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Pass	2122
2203	02/18/10	Amend Section 29-118 of the City Code regarding occupancy fees	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Pass	2123
2195.1	03/04/10	Conditional Use Permit for Storman Academy	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2124
2201	03/04/10	Contract with St. Louis County for Collection of Certain Taxes	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2125
2204	03/04/10	Conditional Use Permit for A Plus Adult Day Care	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2126
2205	03/04/10	Conditional Use Permit for Faith In Hope Ministries	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2127
2208	03/18/10	Adoption Regulations regarding Storm Water Quality & Management in Site Design	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2128
2207	03/18/10	Amend Chapters 4, 12 & 13 Relating to Nuisances, Including Litter and Animal Waste	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pass	2129

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

Youth In Government 2010



(Left to right) 1st row: Bry Patterson and Lexi Patterson. 2nd row: Asia Divine, Dominique Murphy, Katie Herl and Nicole Hayes. 3rd row: Zachary Davis, David Bober, Melvin Perry and Mimi Hatches.

April 15 was Youth in Government Night in the City of BN. Ten high school students took over the positions of Mayor, Aldermen, City Clerk and Police Chief for the evening and discussed topics from the local school district, spending stimulus money for energy efficiency, police patrols and foreign aid.

The Youth in Government representatives meet with members of the Youth Commission and practice for weeks before the event, tuning their debate skills, researching topics and learning rules of order.

Thanks to the youth that participated and the adult members of the Youth Commission who worked tirelessly with the youth to present the program. Scott Schultz and John DuHadway served as chairmen for this event. The Youth Commission will be sponsoring several other events this summer. See page 6.

The True Redemption Center

Bishop Alton Davis, his family and the congregation of the True Redemption Center celebrated the opening of their first church building on Sunday, March 7, 2010 at 1229 Shepley Drive in the City of BN.

Bishop Davis started his first church at the Olivette Community Center in 1999 with 10 members. By 2007, the church had grown and became one church with two locations, the second at Northwest High School in Walnut Park. By 2010, they had grown even more and purchased their own building in the City of BN, across from the Riverview High School.

Services are held at 10 AM every Sunday and Bible Classes are held on Wednesday nights at 7 PM. The church has a strong Youth Ministry and several other auxiliaries have been formed to focus on men, women, singles, and prayer. The Church's mission is "Seek in Faith That Which is Lost," and the church



leaders believe that "Strong families build strong churches, communities and nations."

Bishop Davis welcomes new members and is looking forward to his ministry being active in the BN community. For more information about the church, call 868-3082.

The Storman Academy

The Storman Academy, located at 10600 Bellefontaine Road (in the Bellefontaine Methodist Church building, not affiliated with the church), has met all requirements and all permits have been issued.

Storman Academy is an independent, coeducational, nonsectarian day school, founded in 1981. Storman Academy is the first black independently owned private school in the state of Missouri.

Storman Academy educates children from preschool to grade eight and is committed as well as dedicated to excellence in education. The teacher-student ratio is small and there is an accelerated activity based learning approach with a diversified challenging curriculum.

Consistently Storman Academy's students in grades one through eight score above the national norm two



or more years above grade level on national standardized tests.

For more information on the Storman Academy and registration information for the fall school term, call Jacqueline Turnage, Headmistress at 395-1200.



Helmet Ordinance Signs

The City of BN requires a helmet for anyone under the age of 17 who is operating or a passenger on a bicycle, scooter, in-line skates, roller skates or a skateboard. Summons issued as a result of a violation by a juvenile (age 16 or younger) shall be issued to the violator's parents, custodian or legal guardian who will be responsible for the fine.

St. Louis County, in a partnership with Safe Kids and Kohl's Cares for Kids has

set up a grant for signs that remind us of this ordinance. The City of BN will be getting 10 free signs.

The ordinances, passed in The City of BN, St. Louis County and most all municipalities are meant to save children from serious head injuries.

Free helmets will be available at the annual Bike Rodeo that will be held on May 15, 2010.

Church Activities

Bellefontaine Baptist Church
1410 Kilgore
868-6880

Hymn Sing
 Sunday, May 23, 6 PM

Vacation Bible School
 (Call for dates)

Patriotic Cantata
 Sunday, July 4, 10:45 AM

Silver Circle (Senior Group)
 2nd Friday each month - Noon
 Minimal charge for food and
 entertainment

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

Fish Fry - Friday, May 7 & 21, June
 4 & 18, 4 - 6 PM
 Fried or baked fish & chicken

**Frieden's Chapel
 United Church of Christ**
1060 Chambers Road
867-2782

Rummage Sale
 Saturdays, May 8, 15 & 22
 8 AM to 12 Noon

Music Sunday, June 13 - 9 AM
 Special music & hymn Sing

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

Vacation Bible School
 Planet Zoom - July 14 - 18
 9 AM - noon for Ages 4 - 6th grade
 Free - Family Night and Ice Cream
 July 17, 6:30

Jr. & Sr. High School
 Around the Town Day Trips
 Noon - 4 PM, \$35 per person
 Call for dates & destinations

Grace Lutheran Chapel Art Camp
 July 21 - 24, 6:30 to 8:30 PM
 \$15, includes a shirt, grades 1-8
 Closing Night/Art Show July 24

Holy Name of Jesus
10257 Ashbrook
314-868-2310

Blood Drive
 July 27, 3 PM, 7 PM

Knights of Columbus
800 East Chambers Road
867-9727

Bingo
 2nd and 4th Sundays each month
 1 to 4 PM

Trinity Catholic High School
1720 Redman Rd
(314) 741-1333

Spring Choir and Band Concert
 Sunday, May 2, 7 PM
 in the Gym. Admission is Free.

Neighborhood Watch - Neighborhood Night Out

The Neighborhood Watch group meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at the City Hall. Residents have the chance to review crime statistics, discuss problems in their neighborhood and learn how and when to report suspicious persons or vehicles. Everyone is welcome. The following is the Neighborhood Watch meeting schedule for summer:

Wed., June 2 - Rebecca Zoll, North County, Inc.

Wed., July 6 - North County Animal Control, and Human Society (tentative)

Tues., August 3 - Neighborhood Night Out. (No regular meeting on Wednesday, August 3) Neighbors are encouraged to invite neighbors over for a lawn party, cook out or just a visit to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, strengthen neighborhood spirit and send a message to criminals that the neighborhood is organized and will fight back.

Call City Hall to let us know where and when your party is so we can put you on the list for elected officials, police officers and the fire department to visit.



We can also arrange to have your street blocked off.

Ask your neighbors to watch your house and let the police know if any suspicious person or vehicle is in the area. Tell them you will do the same for them, not just on Neighborhood Night Out, but 365 days a year. If it doesn't look right to you, it probably isn't.

To report a suspicious person or activity, call 889-2341 or, if you think it is an emergency, 911. Your aldermen are always glad to get your calls, but call the police department first. You can ask to remain anonymous or ask to be contacted by phone only if needed.

All City Meetings Open To The Public

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

Board of Aldermen - 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 PM

Planning and Zoning Board - 1st Monday, 7 PM

Public Safety Commission - 4th Thursday, 6:30 PM

Neighborhood Watch - 1st Wednesday, 7 PM

Youth Commission - 3rd Monday, 7:30 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 Wednesday and 4th Tuesday, 6:30 PM

Human Relations Commission - Upon Request

City Hall Holidays

Monday, May 31, Memorial Day

Monday, July 5, Independence Day

Waste Management Holidays

Monday, May 31, Memorial Day

Trash, yard waste and recycling normally picked up on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday, etc.. Trash normally picked up on Friday will be picked up on Saturday.

There will be no change in service for the July 4th Holiday.

Attention Pet Owners

All animals, dogs and cats, are required to obtain yearly rabies vaccinations and a city license due by July 1 of each year. See page 6 for information on the Rabies Clinic being held on June 5. Animals must be kept on leashes when out of the yard at all times. No animals, including cats are allowed to run loose.

Pit Bull dogs and other animals deemed dangerous by the BN Chief of Police may only be kept under strict conditions. Owners of dangerous animals must register them with the City Clerk, provide photographs, keep the animal on a 4 foot leash with a muzzle when outside of a secured indoors or kennel structure and provide proof of \$100,000 liability insurance, per ordinance #1497.

To request to have an animal near your home evaluated or to obtain a full copy of the ordinance, call 867-0076.

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