



# CITY OF FENTON

## NEWS & VIEWS

June 2010

### MAYOR'S CORNER

If you haven't already done so, I hope you'll take a few minutes to visit our new website at [www.fentonmo.org](http://www.fentonmo.org). One of the things we wanted to accomplish was to make it easier for you to find whatever information you're looking for about the City, and I think we've done that. One of the items we're excited about is the "Notify Me Sign Up" area. This will allow you to sign up to receive regular updates from the City, such as an electronic version of the "News and Views", the "Beacon", as well as news flashes such as road closures and field conditions at the Park. And when you sign up to receive our publications electronically, you help us save the cost of printing and mailing them.

We'd really like to hear your feedback on the website. After all, this may very well be the first impression someone has of our City, and we'd like it to be a good one.

There's nothing new to report on the former Chrysler site. Nothing definite yet, but we continue to hear that there is a lot of interest. It looks like they are still on track for a sale to take place sometime later this summer.

Unfortunately, there's also nothing new to report on the Gravois Road Bridge project. It seems like just when the river does go down, we get just enough rain to bring it back up again. As we all know, it won't

stay up forever, and work will resume as soon as we are able to safely do so.

Independence Day is here again. For many of us, it's a day to celebrate with parades, picnics, family, friends, and fireworks displays (legal ones, of course.) But it's also time to stop and reflect on our loved ones who may be on duty overseas, fighting not only to ensure our freedoms, but to also ensure that other people in other countries have the same freedoms and opportunities that we have.

Our founding fathers declared the following: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." They went on to say, "That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

Imagine the wry smile that must have crept across King George's face as he read these words. Just who did these people think they were, daring to declare themselves "equal" to the King of England? Kings ruled by Divine Providence, not by "deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed." I can imagine the anger he must have felt when he ordered his troops to the colonies to crush the rebellion. But he wasn't able to crush the spirit of freedom upon which our country was founded.

And while many since King George have tried to crush that uniquely American spirit, they have all failed. And they've all failed because they

all underestimated the power of those words our country was founded upon.

It's the power and the strength we as a nation derive from those words that we celebrate this Independence Day. I take great comfort knowing that they are just as meaningful today as they were 234 years ago.

Mayor Dennis Hancock



Mayor Dennis Hancock and the Board of Aldermen are officially requesting nominations for the annual "John Fabick Community Service Award". This award was named in memory of Mr. Fabick for his dedication to our community and his corporate leadership.

The City of Fenton recognizes that many of its residents, businesses and civic organizations contribute in a significant manner to the City each day, without reward or recognition. These include those that have brought honor upon themselves and the community through some outstanding accomplishment as well as service-minded volunteers who simply want to be involved in the community by serving on a City Board or Commission.

To that end, the City has established a process that will allow for appropriate recognition of an individual,

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**FABICK COMMUNITY SERVICE  
AWARD NOMINATIONS**  
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business or civic group, Board or Commission that has contributed a significant and useful service to the community.

Actions being recognized must benefit the City of Fenton or its residents in some manner. The individual must live or be employed within the Fenton City limits and the business or civic group must be located within the City limits.

Nomination forms will be available on July 1, 2010. To obtain a nominating form, contact City Clerk Diane Monteleone at (636) 343-2080. All nominations must be forwarded to the City Clerk at City Hall by September 30, 2010. A committee comprised of the Mayor, Board of Aldermen and the City Administrator will meet to review all nominations for a final decision. The award will be presented at the November Board of Aldermen meeting.

**COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK  
GRANT FUNDS FOR 2011  
PUBLIC HEARING**

The City of Fenton will hold a public hearing to discuss the allocation of \$20,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant funds which will become available after January 1, 2011. The public hearing will be held at **6:45 p.m. on Thursday, June 24, 2010**, at Fenton City Hall.

To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Fenton has enacted and/or enforces the following:

- *A Fair Housing Ordinance* prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin;
- *A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability* in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities;
- *A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services* regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation;
- *A requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes* employment opportunities created by HUD funding and that these opportunities be afforded to low-income community residents and business.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above.

Leigh Dohack, Deputy City Clerk  
625 New Smizer Mill Road  
Fenton, MO 63026  
(636) 343-2080

If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact Leigh no later than Friday, June 18, 2010.

For more information call  
(636) 343-2080 VOICE  
1-800-735-2466 RELAY MISSOURI  
Equal Opportunity Employer

**PLANNING & ZONING  
COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING**

On **Tuesday, July 6, 2010**, the Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at **7:00 p.m.** during their regularly scheduled meeting at City Hall to consider the following:

**NEW BUSINESS**

A Petition by McDonald's USA, Inc. for Site Plan Review of a proposed drive-through facility addition at 501 Old Smizer Mill Road. The property is zoned "C-1" Commercial Zone District.

For more information, please contact the Community Development Department at (636) 349-8110.



**NEW BUSINESS  
CORNER**

The following businesses have applied for an occupancy permit and are planning on calling Fenton "home":

**Olde Towne Ice**  
18 Fenton Plaza  
(snow cone sales)

**Tetra Tech EM Inc.**  
806 Horan Drive  
(environmental consulting)

**Brand Energy and  
Infrastructure Services**  
2233 Cassens  
(scaffolding / light construction)

Welcome to Fenton. We are glad you are here!

# RIVERCHASE

F E N T O N

## PARKS & RECREATION HAPPENINGS

*For information on any of these programs, including fees and times, check out a copy of the "Beacon".*

### YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS



Ages 5-18, learn how to play the game of tennis with different drills, learn all the shots, how to keep score and most important, have fun. Lessons will be held at Rockwood Summit High School. Bring a tennis racquet and a bottle of water. Session I begins June 7 and Session II begins July 5.

### AEROBIC CLASSES

For ages 16 and older, come join us at RiverChase for one of the many Aerobic classes. The next session begins July 5.

### SWIM LESSONS



The next sessions for swim lessons begin soon: *Monday-Thursday mornings* lessons begin June 21, *Monday and Wednesday evenings* lessons begin July 12, and *Saturday mornings* lessons begin July 17.

### PARENT TOT SWIM

This is an interactive class for parents and tots, ages 6 months to 3



years of age. The next session begins the week of July 12. Classes are available Monday or Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings.

### WATER AEROBICS



Come join the next session of Water Aerobics. Next session begins the week of July 31. There are many classes to choose from, including *Water Pilates, Aquacise, Total Body Workout, Joints in Motion, and Aqua Zumba*. You don't have to wait to sign up - come join the current session.

*For information on any or all of these programs (including fees and times), contact RiverChase of Fenton at (636) 343-0067. You can also check out the Beacon online at [www.fentonmo.org](http://www.fentonmo.org).*



### TRASH TALK

### FREE YARD WASTE/TRASH OVERFLOW STICKERS



Don't forget the Board of Aldermen elected earlier this year, to make the six free Yard Waste/Trash Overflow Stickers available to residents for pick up. If you haven't done so, stop by City Hall, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to get yours.

### INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY

There will be **no** change to the trash or recycling



pickup the week of July 4th.

### OTHER PROBLEM WASTE ITEMS



Some items need special attention or require special pick-ups. These items are not banned from disposal in Missouri landfills. Large bulky items such as furniture, metal items, rolls of carpet, etc. cannot be picked up on the normal trash route. The normal trash truck is not designed to take such items and the workers may not have the man-power to handle them without possible injury.

Call Christian Environmental Services at (866) 522-3781 for a special pick-up. There may be a separate charge/fee for these types of items.

Additionally, for remodeling jobs, large roll-off containers can be rented by calling Christian at (866) 522-3781.

### RECYCLING CONTACTS

#### *Metal and battery recycling*



- *Fenton World Metals Buyer* (636) 343-8787
- *Midwest Scrap Metals* (636) 671-0159 (also take car batteries)

#### *Tire Recycling*

- *Tire Shredders Unlimited* (636) 677-8471 (there is a charge for this service)

As always if you have questions, please call City Hall at (636) 343-2080.





**VACATION SAFETY TIPS**



A few simple steps can help keep your home safe and reduce worry while you are away.

***Have a Trusted Friend or Relative:***

- Collect your mail, newspapers and advertisements daily
- Mow your lawn, water flowers and perform other yard work as needed
- Park your car in your driveway when possible

***Steps to Take Before Leaving:***

- Install timers on some lights, radios or televisions
- Install motion detector lighting or dusk-to-dawn sensors outside
- If you have a burglar alarm, make sure it is properly set
- Inspect all doors and windows including the garage doors to make sure they are properly secured

When you plan your vacation, take a few moments to call your neighborhood precinct to take advantage of our Vacation Inspection Program.

Remember - the more your home

appears occupied while you are away, the less likely you are to become a burglary victim.

**CRIME INCIDENT MAPPING SYSTEM**



St. Louis County Police Department has launched an online crime mapping service that allows residents to enter an address and then view icons on the map listing basics of recent crimes. The public can find the database on the St. Louis County Police at [www.stlouisco.com/police](http://www.stlouisco.com/police). Only crimes that occur in the County Police's jurisdiction or municipalities that contract service (City of Fenton) with the County are contained on the site. The interactive mapping site is updated once a day. Visitors can sort crimes by location, date, precinct, and incident type.

**Neighborhood Policing Officer**

**(636) 343-2080**

**P.O. Aaron Dilks-Ext. 1123**

**Precinct Phone**

**(636) 349-8120**



**2009 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOW AVAILABLE ON-LINE**

The City of Fenton audited financial statement is now available on line for residents to view. Simply go to [www.fentonmo.org](http://www.fentonmo.org) and go to the "Finance Department" page to find the link for the "Audit Reports". The **2009 Audit Report** is listed there. Viewing the report will require your computer has Adobe Acrobat viewer installed, but this software is free for download at the Adobe website.

Please contact Finance Director Art DeWitt at (636) 343-3503 ext. 1106 with any questions regarding the financial report.

**FREE ADULT SUMMER CLASSES**

Rockwood Adult Education and Literacy provides classes for GED preparation and for transitional testing, both educational and employment testing, and provides ESL classes for adults whose first language is not English. Students can also study online.

Classes are free and open to adults, age 17 and older. Students may enroll at any time during the class session which runs from June 7 through August 6, 2010. Call (636) 938-2308 for class locations and times.

Volunteers are also needed to work with adult students. Call (636) 938-2422 to volunteer.



**FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**Second Annual Book Fair  
Saturday, October 2  
Swantner House  
#1 Church Street  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**



Do you have more books than you know what to do with? Consider making a donation to our Book Fair. We are looking for books on a variety of subjects that are **gently used and suitable for resale.**



Did you know the City of Fenton was home, at one time, to an orphanage? Between 1906 and 1952 the Hessoun Bohemian Orphanage was located on what is now the grounds of St. Paul and part of Forest Knoll Subdivision. Your Historical Society is gathering information to publish a book on this little-known piece of Fenton history. If you have any knowledge of or artifacts from this facility, please contact the Society.

For more information please call (636) 326-0808 or (636) 343-4186.



**CITY OFFICES  
WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY, JULY 5  
IN OBSERVANCE OF  
INDEPENDENCE DAY**

**CHECK OUT  
FENTON'S NEW  
UPDATED WEB SITE**

[www.fentonmo.org](http://www.fentonmo.org)

**FENTON  
NO VISIT LIST**

You may call City Hall at (636) 343-2080, if you would like to verify that your address is on Fenton's No Visit List. This list is given to all solicitors who apply for the mandatory permit. You may also call if you would like to add your address to this list.

If you receive an unwanted visit from a Solicitor who cannot produce a valid City of Fenton Permit (with the embossed seal), please call the Fenton Police Precinct at (636) 349-8120.

**DECISIONS FROM  
THE MAY 27  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
MEETING**

**Decisions**



- ✓ Reappointed Gordon Luechtefeld as an Alternate Member of the Board of Adjustment with a term expiring May, 2015.
- ✓ Reappointed Robin Huels to the Human Rights Commission with a term expiring May, 2013.
- ✓ Approved a Temporary Liquor License submitted by St. Paul Athletic Association for their Soccer Tournament August 20, 21 and 22 and August 27, 28 and 29, 2010.
- ✓ Approved seeking bids for Engineering Services related to the con-

struction of the Fenton Creek Bridge.

- ✓ Approved the request from Uni-Group to hold their annual 5K Run benefiting the United Way on Saturday, September 11, 2010 from 8:30 - 9:15 a.m.
- ✓ Approved the donation of 75 day passes to the Meramec Valley Branch Library for the Summer Reading Program participants.



**Ordinances**

**#3132** Approves a Special Use Permit petitioned by T-Mobile to replace three existing antennas and add supporting ground equipment at 1287-A Smizer Mill Road.

**#3133** Approves a Maintenance/Facility Removal Agreement between T-Mobile and the City of Fenton to co-locate on an existing telecommunications facility located at 1287-A Smizer Mill Road.

**#3134** Repeals Ordinance 2918 and enacts a new Ordinance designating Commerce Bank as the City Depository and authorizes City staff to conduct banking activity with Commerce Bank.

**#3135** Amends Ordinance 2791 by repealing Section 1000 and enacts a new Section 1000 - Debt Management Policy.



**Pending Legislation**

**Bill 10-42** Approves a Contract for water facility relocation and license to utilize easement between the City of Fenton, Missouri and the Missouri American Water Company for the Old Gravois Road Bridge Replacement Project.



Thur Jul 1 7:00 pm Board Committee Meetings  
 7:00 pm Historical Society/#1 Church

Mon Jul 5  City Offices Closed  
 Independence Day Observance

Tues Jul 6 7:00 pm Planning & Zoning Commission

Thur Jul 8 7:00 pm Board Committee Meetings

Mon Jul 12 6:30 pm Municipal Court  
 6:30 pm Park Board/RiverChase

Sat Jul 17 9:00 am Meet the Mayor/City Hall

Tues Jul 20 7:30 pm Board of Adjustment

Thurs Jul 22 7:00 pm Board of Aldermen

Mon Jul 26 6:30 pm Municipal Court

All meetings of the board and commissions in the City of Fenton are open to the public. The City will provide reasonable accommodations for any meeting when requested to do so 48 hours in advance. To request assistance contact 636-343-2080 (VOICE) or Relay Missouri 1-800-735-2966 (TDD).

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**Lisa Horn** 343-3816

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**Deliver by Friday, June 18, 2010**

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