



CITY OF FENTON NEWS & VIEWS

MAYOR'S CORNER

I'm sure by now you've heard of the miraculous – and it truly was a miracle – story of Alisa Maier, the little girl from Louisiana, Missouri who was kidnapped from her front yard on July 5. The next day Fenton became a part of this story when Alisa was dropped off by the kidnapper at the Fenton Car Wash in Olde Towne, near the Post Office.

I don't know anyone who wasn't touched by this incredible story. I know I certainly was. As the grandfather of a three-year-old girl, my heart ached for Alisa's family. I cannot imagine the horror her family felt when they realized she had been taken. I also cannot imagine the incredible joy they must have felt when they got the phone call telling them she had been found safe, and apparently unhurt.

Officer Sean Becker, from the St. Louis County Police – Fenton Precinct, responded to the call that evening. Using his training, he was able to determine in short order who he was talking to at the Car Wash. He then radioed to the Precinct to cordon off the area as a crime scene while he transported Alisa to St. Clare Health Center.

We will also be recognizing the two young people who just happened to be at the car wash that evening. They saw the car Alias came from, and were able to give the police a description of the car and the kidnapper. They also kept an eye on Alisa until Officer Becker arrived at the scene.

These young people did what I think we all hope we would do in a similar situation – they came to the aid of someone who needed help desper-

ately. They did this when the easy thing for them to do would have been to simply turn their backs and walk away.

But, because they weren't afraid to get involved, a scared young girl and her equally scared parents were able to hug each other a few hours later. And the next day as he was being approached by the police, the kidnapper made sure that no one would ever have to worry about him doing this again.

So what can we do to keep this from happening to our children? The easiest thing we can do is to keep an eye open in our neighborhoods for anything that doesn't look right. If you see someone who doesn't belong, you don't have to confront them yourself. You simply have to dial 911. That includes the solicitors who come through our neighborhoods from time to time. In the City of Fenton these people are required to have a permit issued by the City. If they don't have one, call the Police at (636) 349-8120. In many cases, these are people who are looking for an easy home to break into later. Or they may be scam artists looking to make a quick buck.

I can assure you the Police would rather answer a hundred calls that turn out to be nothing, than to not get a call about someone who is a danger to our community.

Mayor Dennis Hancock



**COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT
INFORMATION**

At their June 2009 meeting, the Board of Aldermen approved the use of \$20,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds for 2010 for the

Home Improvement Program (HIP). HIP is a federally funded program to provide technical advice and financial assistance to qualified homeowners for a variety of home repairs.

To learn more about the program or to apply, please contact St. Louis County's Home Improvement Program at (314) 615-4025.

**FABICK COMMUNITY
SERVICE AWARD**

Nominations are due by September 30. Actions being recognized must benefit the City of Fenton or its residents in some manner and 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. To obtain a nomination form or for more information contact City Clerk Diane Monteleone at (636) 343-2080.



**E-VERSION OF
THE FENTON
NEWS & VIEWS**

If your household or business would like to receive the Fenton "News & Views" monthly newsletter electronically, please contact City Hall at info@fentonmo.org or call (636) 343-2080 and give us your email address. Then you will receive an email once a month with a link to the latest edition of the "News & Views".

**MEET THE MAYOR
for Saturday, August 21
has been cancelled.**

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION WILL NOT MEET IN AUGUST

**FREE!!
MULCH AND
COMPOST**



On a first-come basis, residents of the City may take advantage of free mulch and compost located in Fenton City Park behind the old tennis courts. The available mulch and compost material is the end product of our lawn debris and leaf removal programs from the previous year. Many residents utilize this material in their vegetable and flower gardens. Help us complete our recycling process by utilizing the mulch and compost.



ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE—FENTON PRECINCT UPDATE

DANGER!

Just a few minutes in a hot car could kill your pet!

A pet should NEVER be left unattended in a parked car when the outside temperature is over 70 degrees. Allowing an animal to be harmed in this way is considered animal abuse. It is illegal and punishable by fines and imprisonment. When the temperature outside is above 70 degrees, a parked car quickly becomes unbearably hot inside within minutes, even with the windows left slightly open.

- In just 10 minutes, the temperature inside your car can reach 102 degrees or hotter.
- In just 30 minutes, the temperature inside your car can reach 120 degrees or hotter.
- At 110 degrees, your pet may have

just minutes to live! Your pet may suffer a heatstroke, leading to collapse, or brain damage.

If your pet is overheated take emergency action. Put your pet in cold water or give it a cold-water rubdown immediately to lower its body temperature. Take your pet to the veterinarian for a thorough examination.

If you see an animal in distress or locked in a parked car, please call (636) 349-8120 or the Humane Society of Missouri hotline at (314) 647-4400.

Neighborhood Policing Officer
(636) 343-2080
P.O. Aaron Dilks-Ext. 1123
Precinct Phone
(636) 349-8120

**RIVERCHASE
FENTON
PARKS & RECREATION
HAPPENINGS**

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

SOFTBALL LEAGUES



Registration is now open for the next session for softball leagues. For details please contact (636) 343-0067 or check out the [Softball Leagues](http://www.fentonmo.org) link at the www.fentonmo.org.

FALL INDOOR VOLLEYBALL

Don't miss out on the most popular team sport at RiverChase. Fall league sign ups begin July 19. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday leagues are recreational. Thursday is competitive. All leagues are 8 games and play begins September 7. For more information call RiverChase.



YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUES

Youth soccer league registration has begun! For ages 3-8, this coed 8 game

recreational league is perfect for learning the skills of soccer. Games are played on Saturdays at Fenton City Park. Registration ends August 22 and play begins September 11.



For information on all programs (including fees and times), contact RiverChase of Fenton at (636) 343-0067. You can also check out the Beacon at www.fentonmo.org.

Due to budget constraints, the Musical Sunset event and fireworks display at Fenton City Park has been suspended for 2010.



NEW BUSINESS CORNER

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

Spectrum Cleaning
1505 Fenpark Drive
(service based cleaning company)

Wireless Vision St. Louis LLC
676 Gravois Bluffs Blvd., Suite A1
(cellular service provider)

Carrie Duepmann
320 Gravois Road, Suite F
(counseling service)

Keystone IT Consulting
1804-1806 Larkin Williams Road
(storage and refurbishment of computer equipment)

Polaris Industries
1710-1720 Fenpark Drive
(warehouse and distribution for wholesale packaging products)

Gateway Electrical Sales
1724-A West Park Center Drive
(office/warehouse)

Welcome to Fenton. We are glad you are here!

FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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



Last month's article has started the ball rolling and donations are beginning to arrive. Examples of books that might be donated are: children's books, history, cookbooks, art, historical novels, fiction, nonfiction, etc. And as always, they should be **gently used and suitable for resale.**



Our meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at the Swantner House, #1 Church Street. Please join us - you do not have to be a member to attend.

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

DECISIONS FROM THE JUNE 3 AND 24 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS

Presentations

- Mayor Hancock presented "Mayor for the Day" Robert Gray with a Proclamation recognizing his contribution to the community.
- The Mayor, along with the Board members, recognized and congratulated Recreation Assistant Lisa Schmitt for five years of service.



Decisions

- ✓ Approved 41 Liquor License re-

newals effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

- ✓ Approved five (5) new Liquor Licenses effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.
- ✓ Approved two (2) Tasting Permit Liquor Licenses effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.
- ✓ Approved request to seek bids for Aquatic Services.
- ✓ Accepted the low bid submitted by Erb Equipment Company and the purchase of an Exmark Mower for \$5,259.00, which includes the 1993 Cushman Mower and the 2002 Exmark Mower as trade-in units.
- ✓ Rejected the bids received on May 18, 2010, and approved the City to utilize the County Co-Op Program, for the purchase of Gasoline and Diesel Fuel.
- ✓ Approved CDBG Funds being made available to qualified residents through the County's Home Improvement Program until September 1, 2011 and if funds have not been committed by that date they remainder will be applied to ADA projects.

- ✓ Approved the 2009 Audit Report.
- ✓ Approved a Site Plan, with conditions, by Fenton Properties, Inc. for a proposed building and parking lot addition at 99 Larkin Williams Industrial Court. The property is zoned "BP-3" Business Park-General Office Centers, Small Warehousing District.



Ordinances

#3136 Approves a contract for water facility relocation and license to utilize easement between the City of Fenton, Missouri and the American Water Company for the Old Gravois Road Bridge Replacement Project.

#3137 Approves a Special Use Permit petitioned by Fenton Properties, Inc. to increase the primary floor area of the building at 99 Larkin Williams Industrial Court.

#3138 Approves an Escrow Agreement and Irrevocable Letter of Credit with Rockwood Bank guaranteeing Subdivision Improvements for the Shadow Creek Subdivision

#3139 Readopts a procedure to disclose potential conflict of interest and substantial interests for certain City Officials.

#3140 Approves a Contract with County Asphalt Paving Company, Inc. for the construction of a certain section of the Meramec River Greenway Trail.

#3141 Approves a seven-month Agreement with Sungard Pentamation, Inc. for Maintenance and Technical Support for the Finance Department's Accounting Software Package.

#3142 Requires parents to ensure that bicyclists under the age of seventeen wear protective headgear.

#3143 Authorizes the purchase of properties known as 717 and 723 Larkin Williams Road under the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

#3144 Authorizes the purchase of properties known as 757, 783, 799 and 809 Larkin Williams Road under the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.



Pending Legislation

Ord. 10-49 Establishes the Year 2011 Municipal Tax Rate for general revenue purposes in the City of Fenton, Missouri, at no cents for each one hundred dollars of valuations for all real and personal property.



Mon Aug 2 6:30 pm Park Board

Thur Aug 5 7:00 pm Board Committee Meetings
7:00 pm Historical Society/#1 Church

Mon Aug 9 6:30 pm Municipal Court

Thurs Aug 12 7:00 pm Board Committee Meetings

Tues Aug 17 7:30 pm Board of Adjustment

Mon Aug 23 6:30 pm Municipal Court

Thurs Aug 26 7:00 pm Board of Aldermen

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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