

O'Fallon



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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR,

Paul F. Renaud

To the City of O'Fallon: Thank you. For the past ten years, it's been my great privilege to serve as mayor of my hometown.



As I drive through our City, I'm sometimes struck by the things that have and have not changed since I first took office as an alderman in 1981.

Outdoor concerts are a summertime staple in Civic Park, just as in years gone by. And we still have baseball! At T.R. Hughes Ballpark's opening game in 1999, fans witnessed Missouri's first professional minor league home game in 44 years. In other words, what we've done as a City is to keep the best of what we have and build on it.

Yes, our population has grown, our borders have extended and much of the

City's landscape has changed. But the transformation is on the surface, not at the core. Our sense of community remains strong. Family is the focus. We feel at home here.

Some of the changes include first-class park facilities and memorials, a stronger police force, new neighborhoods, new schools, more businesses and jobs, new streets and interchanges.

How did we get these things?

Tradition with vision. Teamwork. And in everything we've done, we've put families first.

It's been said that vision grounds you in the larger picture, in where you want to be. Tradition grounds you in what to keep when change is at hand. No matter how good an idea is, it's teamwork that makes the dream work.

A case in point: in bringing Citigroup, MasterCard and other businesses to O'Fallon, we strengthened the partnership between business and government by making our City more accessible, building new roads and interchanges.

It has been extremely rewarding to contribute to my community and to work beside people of vision and energy. To the voters who supported me, thank you for the experience of a lifetime! I am also very grateful to these O'Fallon teams:

- The Board of Aldermen, who spend long hours studying ordinances, weighing consequences and making tough decisions.

- Our City's 20-plus boards and commissions, who have a grasp of what the City needs and a vision of what the City can become.
- O'Fallon volunteers, who donated over 61,000 hours to City Hall and City events between October 2000 and December 2004—a dollar value of more than \$1,000,000.



- O'Fallon City staff, whose hard work turned ideas into accomplishments.
- My family: my wife, Mary Beth, and our children, Corey, Kyle, Brandon, A.J. and Alyssa.

Whatever your dreams, wherever you go, the journey begins and ends with family.

I'll see you soon,

Paul F. Renaud, Mayor



T.R. Hughes Ballpark is home to the River City Rascals minor league baseball team. St. Louis Cardinals greats Ozzie Smith, Lou Brock, Bob Gibson and others helped dedicate the ballpark in 1999.

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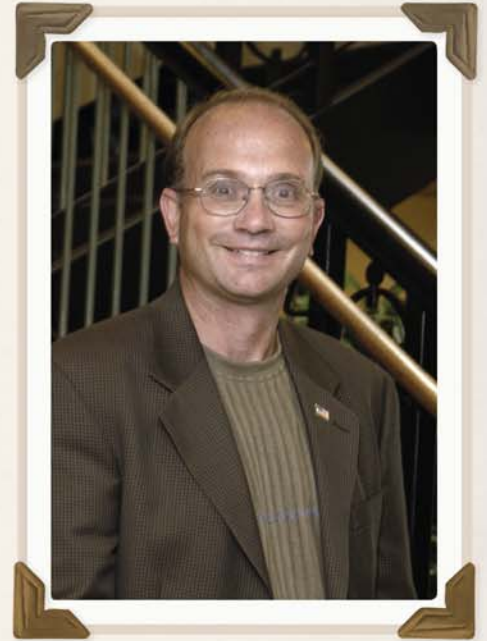
MAYOR PAUL F. RENAUD ■ 1995 - 2005

A Decade of Tradition with Vision

O'Fallon's population numbered 9,000 when Paul F. Renaud took office as Ward I Alderman in 1981. By 1995, when he was elected Mayor, the population had increased to 28,000. Like its neighbors, O'Fallon was a bedroom community with few jobs. Main Street was the only way in and out of downtown. An aging swimming pool and a few baseball diamonds were the top recreational facilities.

O'Fallon changed greatly from 1995 to 2005. The population jumped to 68,000 and the City added three new interchanges, 60 police officers, new technology, wider, safer roads, impressive retail growth, hundreds of new businesses and thousands of jobs. The top recreational facilities are the new indoor recreation complex and first-rate soccer, baseball and football fields.

Highlights of Paul F. Renaud's decade as O'Fallon's Mayor include:



HISTORIC RENOVATIONS

O'Fallon Municipal Centre

City officials and staff celebrated when offices moved from cramped quarters to O'Fallon Municipal Centre. Dedicated April 10, 1999, the distinctive, \$8.6 million City Hall was created by renovating three wings of the former St. Mary's Academy and College and uniting them with a three-story rotunda.

The City's signature clock tower was dedicated just in time for the Millennium.



O'Fallon
Cultural Arts Center

*Clock tower dedication,
December 30, 1999*



*Darius Heald Home
in Fort Zumwalt Park*

Darius Heald Home

In 2001, O'Fallon completed restoration of the Darius Heald Home, a handsome, two-story brick house built circa 1886. The house is tied to the history of Zumwalt's Fort, a War of 1812 homestead fort that once stood in the park.

Cultural Arts Center

With a snip of the ceremonial scissors on March 28, 2001, O'Fallon cut the ribbon on a new Cultural Arts Center in the City's historic Krekel Depot, a restored Wabash train station. The center provides art and theater classes and monthly art exhibits.

PARKS AND RECREATION

T.R. Hughes Ballpark and the Ozzie Smith Sports Complex

On May 27, 1999, 3,000 fans attended the grand opening of the Ozzie Smith Sports Complex and T.R. Hughes Ballpark — St. Charles County's field of dreams.

A museum honoring local athletes, the St. Charles County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame, opened at the ballpark in June 2002.

Alligator's Creek Aquatic Center

Dedicated May 18, 2001, the \$1.8 million aquatic center replaced the old city pool with water slides, an interactive water playground for youngsters, lap lanes, a lazy river and a vortex.

Renaud Spirit Center



Paul F. Renaud Spirit Center

The City's \$8.8 million indoor recreation complex opened on October 18, 2004, with a state-of-the-art fitness center, food court, arts and crafts and fitness classrooms, an indoor track, gymnasium, aquatics center, childcare center and more.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

T.R. Hughes/Belleau Creek Road interchange at I-70

"While the interstate has helped our City grow, it has also divided O'Fallon. In a true sense, this interchange is much like a new bridge over a major river."

Mayor Paul F. Renaud, March 22, 2001



The T.R. Hughes railroad overpass opened October 20, 2004

Other capitol improvement milestones:

Major road projects include the Sonderen Lane and Woodlawn overpasses and extensions, WingHaven Boulevard, Bryan Road extension, interchanges at WingHaven and Highway 40/61 and at Highway K and Highway 40/61, Page South Outer Road, Technology Drive and the T.R. Hughes railroad overpass and extension.

Major waterworks projects include doubling the capacity of the wastewater treatment plant to 10 million gallons a day, and opening a new water treatment plant in October 2004.

BUSINESS

MasterCard International

"Every MasterCard transaction on earth will be tallied here in O'Fallon."

Mayor Paul F. Renaud, September 7, 2001

Citigroup

"With this project, we're keeping 4,000 to 5,000 jobs in Missouri. This is one of the biggest economic development projects going on in the state right now."

Mayor Paul F. Renaud, July 30, 2002

MasterCard International in WingHaven



Citigroup ribbon cutting, October 2, 2003

HEALTH CARE

Progress West HealthCare

City officials supported BJC HealthCare's efforts to build a full-service, 72-bed hospital in O'Fallon. The City's first hospital, Progress West HealthCare, is under construction near Highway K and Highway 40/61. It will open in 2006.

MEMORIALS

O'Fallon Veterans Memorial Walk

Dedicated to U.S. soldiers and veterans on Veterans Day, November 11, 2001, O'Fallon Veterans Memorial Walk is set apart from other memorials by a platoon of bronze boots positioned as though marching. A lone pair of boots is installed by the POW/MIA flag.

The Eternal Flame was lit for the first time on POW/MIA Remembrance Day, September 19, 2003.

9-11 Memorial at WingHaven

Thirteen tons of steel from the attacks on the World Trade Center in New York dominate the monument that was unveiled on September 11, 2003 at WingHaven Boulevard and Highway 40/61.

Omer J. Dames War Memorial

The City of O'Fallon restored the memorial, one of the first in the nation dedicated to soldiers killed in Vietnam, and moved it to Dames Park (formerly the Dames family farm), where it was re-dedicated on November 11, 2003.

(l-r) Senator Chuck Gross, Dale Barley, AMVETS Post 106, and Mayor Paul F. Renaud light the Eternal Flame.



Omer J. Dames War Memorial

CITY SERVICES

Eighty percent of O'Fallon households participate in recycling.



City Communication

The O'Fallon City Web site was launched in 1997 and a City newsletter began publication in April 2000. The City's cable access, Channel 21, provides City news and live coverage of City meetings and events.

The Citizens First Center, established in 2001, provides residents with information on City services and assistance with other concerns.

Environmental Services Program

O'Fallon's Environmental Services Department began refuse and recycling collection on December 2, 2002. A year later, the program was in the black.

To Mayor Paul F. Renaud,

From your O'Fallon family — the Board of Aldermen, Boards and Commissions, and City staff — it has been said that your accomplishments speak for themselves. On behalf of the residents and businesses of our City, thank you for your leadership, vision, creativity and unwavering commitment to O'Fallon as a families-first community.

Police Programs — Safety Town and S.W.A.T. Football Camp

April 1 is the first day of registration for two popular summer programs, the O'Fallon Police Department's Safety Town for young children and the S.W.A.T. Football Camp for pre-teens. Registration will continue until the sessions are full. T-shirts are included in the cost. Applications will be available at the O'Fallon Police Department or by e-mail.

Safety Town

Youngsters ages 4^{1/2} - 6 will learn the basics of keeping safe at the 20th Annual O'Fallon Safety Town, co-sponsored by the O'Fallon Police Department and VFW Post 5077 and Ladies' Auxiliary.

Safety Town will be held on **June 13 - 24 (Monday-Friday)** and **July 11 - 22** at Progress South Elementary School. Parents may register children for morning sessions (9 - 11:30 a.m.) or afternoon sessions (12:30 - 3 p.m.). Cost of the program is \$35. Certified teachers, police officers, firefighters and other experts will coach children on "real life" situations in a simulated town layout. Lessons include traffic and bike safety, personal safety, fire safety, poisons, water safety and keeping safe around animals.

For an e-mail application or more information contact Officer Tim Bateman at tbateman@ofallon.mo.us or (636) 240-3200 ext. 798; or Officer Joe Fomera at joefomera@ofallon.mo.us or (636) 379-5685.

Excavation of fort will begin in March

A team of professional archaeologists will begin excavation of Zumwalt's Fort, a War of 1812 site in Fort Zumwalt Park, on Wednesday, March 30. **The findings will be displayed from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. April 13 - 17 and April 20 - 24 near the excavation.** The dig, funded by the O'Fallon Community Foundation, is required by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources before the fort can be rebuilt.

The Archaeological Research Center team will study storage pits and determine the construction and use of buildings that once stood on the site, which dates to 1798.

Go to www.ofalloncommunityfoundation.org for more information or call (636) 240-9331.

S.W.A.T. Football Camp

The 2nd Annual O'Fallon Police S.W.A.T. (Sportsmanship, Willpower, Attitude and Teamwork) Football Camp for boys and girls ages 10 - 12 will be held from **8:30 a.m. to noon in Westhoff Park beginning Monday, June 27, through Friday, July 1.** Cost is \$30.

The recreational camp is for youngsters of all skill levels. Along with football skills, the camp will stress staying in school, out of gangs and away from drugs. The week-long program includes visits from professional athletes and high school coaches, games, prizes and fun for all. Campers get daily snacks and drinks.

For an e-mail application or more information contact Officer Jeff Cook at jcook@ofallon.mo.us or (636) 240-3200.

O'Fallon's Emergency Notification System

A high-speed notification system has been added to the O'Fallon emergency communications network.

The O'Fallon Notification Communication System will be used to alert O'Fallon residents of potential emergencies in a matter of minutes, such as water line breaks or hazardous spills. The system may also be used to notify residents of lost children and wandering elders, and to inform residents of criminal activity.

In the event of an emergency, the system allows the Police Department to use digital, street level maps to define the geographical location and designated boundaries of the area at risk. A specific geographical boundary such as a neighborhood, school, business or individual street is identified for message delivery, and the system then prioritizes the calls by distance. A pre-recorded message that may include any necessary instructions on how to deal with the emergency is initiated within 60-90 seconds from the start of the notification.

Please note: Residents whose primary telephone number has recently changed, or who use a cellular phone as a primary telephone are asked to call (636) 379-5665, (636) 379-5679 or (636) 379-5696 between the dates of **March 14-18, from 8 a.m. to noon** to confirm that their information (name, address, primary home or business telephone numbers), are included in the system's database.

Or residents may visit the City's Web site, <http://www.ofallon.mo.us/ens.html>, to add their information. Residents who do not wish to receive any calls from the Emergency Notification System are asked to call the same numbers or go through the same Web site link.

For more information about the new notification system, please contact Detective Diana Damke of the O'Fallon Police Department at (636) 379-5647, or by e-mail ddamke@ofallon.mo.us.



O'Fallon hires new Assistant City Administrator

M Cash Sweiven, formerly the Director of Finance for the City of Gladstone, Missouri, is O'Fallon's new Assistant City Administrator. The position was formerly held by Todd Galbierz, who took the reins of City Administrator in June, 2004.

"We are impressed with the level of experience and knowledge that Cash brings to the City of O'Fallon," said Galbierz. "He is a proven leader who will add enthusiasm and new ideas to the organization."

Sweiven has served the City of Gladstone since 1998. Prior to that, he was a Supervising Senior Accountant with KPMG Peat Marwick, LLC in Kansas City, Missouri, and a Staff Auditor with the Missouri State Auditor's Office in Jefferson City, Missouri. Overall, he has worked in the municipal environment for nine years and in government for over eleven years. He holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Accounting from Central Missouri State University; and is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA).



In addition to assisting the City Administrator with daily operations, Sweiven's responsibilities include overseeing the Finance Department, Economic Development Department and the Municipal Court.

Get a great garden, free with compost

Save money, help the environment and make your garden grow better than ever with a back yard compost pile.

Gardeners know that plants thrive when fiber and nutrients are added to the soil. A compost pile provides those things and saves money two ways - by eliminating the cost of yard waste disposal and by substituting for bags of compost, peat, mulch and fertilizer purchased at garden centers.

To make great compost, buy or build a three or four-sided bin or box that is at least 3' x 3'. (Fencing doesn't work as well because the compost dries too quickly.) Add leaves, lawn clippings, weeds, old flowers, even straw and kitchen trimmings (vegetables only). If you're lucky enough to have a home shredder, add shredded tree and bush clippings to the mix.

The more you add, the more quickly the pile will mature. You can speed the process by watering it during dry periods and turning or stirring the pile now and then to provide oxygen.

After the compost has matured, dig it into garden soil before planting seeds or flowers. Compost can also be used to mulch around plants to keep weeds down. In the fall, spread compost over the garden to protect plants from excess freezing and thawing.

Mayor's Youth Advisory Council 2005 Candidate Forum

The public is invited to hear O'Fallon candidates for the April 5 election air their views at two candidate forums in March.

Candidates for Mayor will appear on **Tuesday, March 8**, and Board of Aldermen candidates will appear on **Tuesday, March 22**. **Both sessions will begin at 7 p.m. in the in the Board of Aldermen chambers at O'Fallon Municipal Centre (City Hall).**

The event is hosted by the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (MYAC), a group of high school juniors and seniors who attend O'Fallon board and commission meetings.

Candidates will be allowed an opening and closing statement and MYAC members will have questions for each candidate.

For more information about the MYAC 2005 Candidate Forum, call the City of O'Fallon at (636) 379-5550.

RECYCLING FACT

Recycling is the patriotic thing to do. The Environmental Protection Agency reports that if Americans increased recycling from the current rate of 28 percent to 35 percent of waste (including yard waste), our country would save the equivalent of 9.8 million metric tons of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions, roughly the same as taking 8 million cars off the road.

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CAREER & EDUCATION Fair

O'Fallon Municipal Centre
100 N. Main St.

Saturday, April 23
9 AM - 1 PM

For Exhibitors
For a cost of \$80 (\$75 for Chamber members), exhibitors receive:

- 8' x 8' draped booth space, skirted table, chairs and wastebasket
- Company identification sign
- On-site candidate interview area
- Company promotion in Fair guide
- Publicity in local media (print, television, radio, Web sites)
- Wireless Internet access

For Job Seekers
Candidates attending will be able to:

- Learn about job opportunities in O'Fallon
- Meet with job recruiters and fill out applications
- Take advantage of on-site interviews
- Have your resume critiqued and attend an interview skills seminar
- Get information about college and university courses and degree programs

To learn more, call (636) 379-5530
or email pbrown@ofallon.mo.us

The O'Fallon Career & Education Fair
is co-sponsored by the City of O'Fallon
and O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce



Community Concert and Jazz Band Schedules

The O'Fallon Community Concert Band and the O'Fallon Jazz Band, both under the direction of Gene Garza, will give free monthly concerts at the Civic Park bandstand from May through September. The O'Fallon Community Concert Band performs on the first Monday of the month, beginning May 2. The O'Fallon Jazz Band performs on the second Tuesday of the month, beginning on May 10.

Concerts begin at 7 p.m. Bring refreshments and a blanket or chair for lawn seating.

Jammin' outdoor concerts

Every third Tuesday of the month from May through August, hear a different band play great music in Civic Park from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. O'Fallon Jammin' Outdoor Concerts are free.

Concessions will be available. Bring a chair or blanket for lawn seating. Concerts are sponsored by the City of O'Fallon and local businesses.

Starlifter, the celebrated U.S. Air Force Band of Mid-America, will perform on Tuesday, May 17. Known for high energy and versatility, Starlifter plays rock, country, pop, blues, R&B, jazz and patriotic music.

For more information call the Tourism and Festivals Hotline at (636) 379-5614.

Exhibits at the Cultural Arts Center

View art exhibits and meet the artists at receptions held each month at the O'Fallon Cultural Arts Center, 400 Civic Park Drive. Gallery hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. weekdays.

Here is a list of new exhibits:

- The Oak Leaf Artist Guild's (OLAG) annual members-only competition and show of mixed media, paintings, pastels, drawings, sculptures, collage and photography, *Treasures of Oak Leaf*, will continue through March 25. Among the awards are Director's Choice and Mayor's Choice.
- Retired commercial artist Russell Miller will exhibit oil paintings from April 1 through April 29. An art reception will be held from 1 - 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 2. "I term my style of painting 'impressionistic realism,'" says Miller. "I try not to get too involved in minute detail. I prefer to give the viewer an impression in color, light and values."
- The colorful, philosophical and sometimes whimsical paintings of Angelika Jones will be on exhibit May 6 through June 3. An art reception will be held 1 - 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 8.

For more information, call (636) 379-5606 or (636) 379-5605.



March

- 1-25 Treasures of Oak Leaf art exhibit**
Cultural Arts Center 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. M-F
- 3 P & Z meeting 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6 p.m.
- 4 O'Fallon Repertory Theatre presents My Fair Lady 8 p.m.**
O'Fallon Municipal Centre
- 5 My Fair Lady 8 p.m.**
- 6 My Fair Lady 2 p.m.**
- 7 Municipal Court 6 p.m.**
- 8 Candidate Forum for Mayor 7 p.m.**
- 9 Board of Adjustment 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6:45 p.m.
- 10 Board of Aldermen 7:30 p.m.**
Board Workshop 5:30 p.m.
- 15 Mayor's Youth Advisory Council 5:30 p.m.**
- 16 Municipal Court 9 a.m.**
- 16 Public Works 7 p.m.**
- 17 P & Z meeting 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6 p.m.
- 19 Breakfast with the Bunny 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.**
Civic Hall • Call (636) 379-5575
- 21 Municipal Court 6 p.m.**
- 22 Candidate Forum for Aldermen 7 p.m.**
- 24 Board of Aldermen 7:30 p.m.**
Board Workshop 5:30 p.m.
- 30 Municipal Court 9 a.m.**
- 30 Festival and Community Events Board 7 - 9 p.m.**

April

- 1-29 Russell Miller art exhibit**
Cultural Arts Center 8 a.m.-5 p.m. M-F
Reception 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, May 2
- 4 Municipal Court 6 p.m.**
- 5 Election Day 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.**
- 7 P & Z meeting 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6 p.m.
- 13 Municipal Court 9 a.m.**
- 13 Board of Adjustment 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6:45 p.m.
- 13-17 Archaeological display 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**
Fort Zumwalt Park
- 14 Board of Aldermen 7:30 p.m.**
Board Workshop 5:30 p.m.
- 15 National Youth Service Day**
- 17-23 National Volunteer Week**
- 18 Municipal Court 6 p.m.**
- 19 Mayor's Youth Advisory Council 5:30 p.m.**
- 20-24 Archaeological display 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**
Fort Zumwalt Park
- 21 P & Z meeting 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6 p.m.
- 23 Career and Education Fair 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
O'Fallon Municipal Centre • Free
- 27 Municipal Court 9 a.m.**
- 27 Parks Board 7-9 p.m.**
- 27 Festival and Community Events Board 7 - 9 p.m.**
- 28 Board of Aldermen 7:30 p.m.**
Board Workshop 5:30 p.m.

May

- 2 Municipal Court 6 p.m.**
- 2 O'Fallon Community Concert Band 7 p.m.**
Civic Park Bandstand • Free • Lawn seating
- 5 P & Z meeting 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6 p.m.
- 6 Angelika Jones art exhibit through June 3**
Cultural Arts Center 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. M-F
Reception 1 - 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 8
- 7 National Join Hands Day**
- 7 O'Fallon Police Department Open House 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**
- 10 O'Fallon Community Jazz Band 7 p.m.**
Civic Park Bandstand • Free • Lawn seating
- 11 Municipal Court 9 a.m.**
- 11 Board of Adjustment 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6:45 p.m.
- 12 Board of Aldermen 7:30 p.m.**
Board Workshop 5:30 p.m.
- 15 Armed Forces Day Ceremony 11 a.m.**
Veterans Memorial Walk
- 16 Municipal Court 6 p.m.**
- 17 Mayor's Youth Advisory Council 5:30 p.m.**
- 17 O'Fallon Jammin' Concert 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.**
Starlifter - USAF Band of Mid-America
Civic Park • Free • Lawn seating
- 18 Public Works Commission 7 p.m.**
- 19 P & Z meeting 7 p.m.**
Pre-meeting 6 p.m.
- 25 Festival and Community Events Board 7 - 9 p.m.**
- 26 Board of Aldermen 7:30 p.m.**
Board Workshop 5:30 p.m.
- 30 Memorial Day CITY HALL CLOSED**
- 30 Memorial Day Ceremony 11 a.m.**
Veterans Memorial Walk

O'Fallon is gearing up for Heritage & Freedom Fest 2005



Sponsors, vendors, parade applicants and volunteers are encouraged to participate in O'Fallon's biggest community event, the 2005 O'Fallon Heritage & Freedom Fest on **Sunday, July 3**, and **Monday, July 4**, at the **Ozzie Smith Sports Complex**.

Sponsorships help businesses gain exposure to over 100,000 people. Call Sharon Dunn at (636) 379-5402 or e-mail sdunn@ofallon.mo.us.

Vendors are needed for food, games, arts and crafts and unique items. Booth space is limited and items are subject to

approval. For information call (636) 379-5614 or e-mail Dusty Mielke at dmielke@ofallon.mo.us.

Fourth of July Parade applications will be available through June 1. Call (636) 379-5614 for more information or e-mail Marsha Seymour at mseymour@ofallon.mo.us.

Volunteers of all ages are welcome to join the festivities as participants. Call Volunteer Services at (636) 379-5507 or e-mail Kathy Halstead at khalstead@ofallon.mo.us.

O'Fallon Police Department

OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, MAY 7

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

For more information, call the O'Fallon Police Department at (636) 240-3200.

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