

## Elected Officials



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## A Brief History of O'Fallon

O'Fallon's history began with Arnold Krekel (1815-1888), a German immigrant who invested in property in the heart of what became downtown O'Fallon.

In 1854, Arnold Krekel granted the North Missouri Railroad a right-of-way through his property, and in 1855 he laid out the town of O'Fallon. Krekel was on the railroad's board of directors. When the railroad came through, he named the town O'Fallon after John O'Fallon, the railroad's first director and a popular St. Louis businessman and philanthropist.

Arnold Krekel never moved to O'Fallon. It was Nicholas Krekel, Arnold's younger brother by ten years, who is considered O'Fallon's first citizen. He built the first house and store in 1856 (which is still standing) and in 1857 became the first postmaster and station master of the O'Fallon depot.

In 1870, O'Fallon had a population of about 100 people, two dry goods stores and a grocery store, a hotel, boarding house, steam flour mill, brick yard, broom factory, depot and stock yard, post office and express office. In 1912, the City was incorporated as a 4th Class City with a population of nearly 600 residents.

In 1956, O'Fallon's 100th anniversary, the census showed the population to be 1,327 people, and the town measured about 20 blocks. By 2000, the U.S. census put O'Fallon's population at 46,169 people, and the city had grown to 26 square miles. Today, O'Fallon's population is more than 79,000. In 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009, various national publications listed the City of O'Fallon as one of America's "Best Place to Live."

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## Tradition with Vision



## Handy Phone Numbers

### Compliments of the City of O'Fallon's Senior Advisory Committee

The Senior Advisory Committee promotes senior citizen involvement in government affairs.

The Committee studies, assesses and renders advice on plans and programs of the City as they are related to seniors and brings forth issues and concerns to the City's elected officials in order to better service these residents.

The Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. at O'Fallon City Hall.

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