

The City of O'Fallon

City Administrator's Weekly Report



November 9, 2018

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News of the Week

Police Officer Steve Grelle - Employee of the Month

O'Fallon Police Department's Employee of the Month for September was awarded to Officer Grelle for his work in a number of arrests of suspects who were stealing items from vehicles and garages in the Crossings neighborhood. He and other officers arrested a total of 6 persons, including juveniles, following an investigation..."Good Job" Officer Grelle!

Veterans Day Ceremony Sunday, November 11

In honor of the veterans in our community, please join your fellow

residents at O'Fallon's Veterans Day Ceremony, at 11am, Sunday, November 11 at O'Fallon Veterans Memorial Walk, 800 Belleau Creek Road 63366. City Council member Tom Herweck, Ward 2, will deliver welcoming remarks. Members of VFW Post 5077, American Legion Post 388, and other veterans organizations will be present. The program includes the local student winners of the 'Patriots Pen Essay' and 'Voice of Democracy' reading their essays and a Vietnam War 50th Anniversary presentation.

Veterans Day Observed - City of O'Fallon Schedule

O'Fallon City Hall will be closed on Monday, November 12 for Veterans Day Observed.

The O'Fallon Justice Center's Court and Records departments will be closed; the facility is located at 1019 Bryan Road (63366).

The Renaud Spirit Center (RSC) indoor recreation complex **will be open** with regular hours, 5:15 am – 10 pm.

For residents enrolled in the City's trash, recycling and yard waste service, there will be **no change in service** through the week due to the holiday. More information is available at

www.ofallon.mo.us/holiday-schedule.

Tree Lighting Ceremony 2018!

Let the holidays begin as this O'Fallon favorite returns for 2018! Gather your family and join Mayor Bill Hennessy in counting down to the Lighting of the Tree inside City Hall, officially welcoming Santa to O'Fallon. With plenty of children's activities and a chance to meet Santa and Mrs. Clause, the whole family will have a have a great time.

Wednesday, November 14, 6pm – 8 pm • Free Admission

O'Fallon Municipal Centre (City Hall). In the spirit of giving, please bring donations of canned and boxed food and personal care items to share with needy O'Fallon residents through our local food pantries. Activities include, Winfield Chamber Singers, Mayor Hennessy holiday greeting and Lighting of the Tree, Forest Park Elementary Recorder Band, Civic Dance Performance, Pictures with Santa and Mrs. Clause (bring your own camera!), crafts, games and more, train rides, holiday shopping, and lots of fun!

City Meetings

The next meeting of the O'Fallon City Council will be Thursday, *November 15, 2018*. The Council Workshop begins at 5:30pm and the City Council meeting begins at 7:30pm.

You can find agendas for all City meetings on the City's website at

www.ofallon.mo.us/meeting-agendas.

Upcoming News and Events

Detective Ed Klipfel - 2018 Officer of the Year

O'Fallon Police Department's Officer of the Year will be presented to Detective Klipfel at the American Legion Post 388 Awards Dinner on November 19, 2018 at the Cornerstone Methodist Church on Tom Ginnever. Congratulations to Detective Klipfel on a fantastic honor!

Tickets for the Holiday Stroll

Advanced sale wristbands for the Old Fashioned Holiday Stroll will begin November 12 and last through December 7 or while supplies last! This year the event will take place on Monday, December 10 and Tuesday, December 11. Advanced sale wristbands are \$3/person for ages 3 and over and can be purchased at the following locations: Parks and Recreation Administrative Office, 400 Civic Park Drive, O'Fallon, MO 63366

Renaud Spirit Center, 2650 Tri Sports Circle, O'Fallon, MO 63368

Tickets can be purchased the night of the event for \$5 each.

All wristband sales are non-refundable.

<https://www.ofallon.mo.us/celebration-of-lights>

Local Business Information

Baue Funeral Home of O'Fallon, located at 311 Wood St held their official grand re-opening to celebrate their renovation.

St. Charles County CAPS Students Visit O'Fallon City

Hall: Approximately 40 students participating in St. Charles County's Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) program recently toured O'Fallon City Hall. The students, representing five high schools in the County, heard presentations from the city's development team, which included staff from economic development, planning and development, engineering, and building safety/code enforcement.

O'Fallon Grow Group Meeting

Next week members of the O'Fallon Grow Group will hold its last meeting of the year. The Group was formed in 2014 and is comprised of local business leaders, elected officials, commercial development experts, and economic development partners. It serves as an informal advisory body to the Economic Development staff on efforts related to business attraction, expansion and retention.

Get Your Tickets

O'Fallon Theatre Works Production, One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest! <https://www.ofallon.mo.us/parks&rec/ofallontheatreworks>

Holiday Gift Ideas at the Renaud Spirit Center



O'Fallon's
RSC
Renaud Spirit Center

**NOVEMBER
22-26**

BLACK FRIDAY
Sale

★ **15% off Memberships** *Our biggest discount, ever!*
New memberships, only; excludes Fitness Upgrade and Kids' Korner

★ **Deep discounts on select Pro Shop items**

★ **Free coffee mug with gift cards over \$25**
Amounts greater than \$100, get a free personalization

★ **10% off Alligator's Creek Aquatic Center memberships + free Alligator's Creek towel**
Buy a family membership and get two towels

★ **15% off Personal Training when purchased in packages of 6 or more**

f t y Black Friday sale only valid in-person at the RSC, unless otherwise stated.

www.renaudspiritcenter.com • 636-474-2REC
2650 Tri Sports Circle • O'Fallon, MO 63368

Other News to Know

Thank you for doing a great job recycling!

We appreciate all of our residents doing their best to abide by the new recycling rules. Your efforts are greatly appreciated! We hope to be making some announcements about enhanced paper and cardboard drop-off options very soon!

We have seen a few very minor things we would like our residents to be aware of: **Do not bag your recyclables.**

1. No plastic bags of any kind (grocery, ziploc, trash, etc.) can be accepted. Many of these items may be taken to your local grocery store for recycling.
2. Do not place needles of any kind in your recycling! If you need to place needles in plastic containers to dispose of them safely, those containers must go to the trash.
3. Please make sure plastic bottles are completely empty of liquids. Even water can contaminate loads.
4. No black-colored plastics of any kind can be accepted.

Thank you for all of your efforts! Please visit www.ofallon.mo.us/Recycling for more details.

Register for the Residential Surveillance Program

The O'Fallon Police Department announces a new Residential Surveillance Program. This will help our investigators more quickly identify potential suspects who have committed crimes. All you have to do to participate is be a resident or business owner who wants to alert us they have surveillance on their property. This only gives us your contact information, not access to any cameras or video. The program continues to gain in popularity with registrations up to **200 participants**. A completely voluntary program which would be helpful to the investigating officers in possibly solving any incident in their vicinity.

To register click on the link,

<https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/688u39sq114c7UM>

We will only contact you in the event a crime occurs in the vicinity of your home or business. For questions please contact Sgt. Robert Kendall @636-379-5680.

Planning an Upcoming Party or Event?

Rent the Krekel Civic Center! For more information, please click here: <https://www.ofallon.mo.us/parks&rec/krekel-civic-center>



Fort Zumwalt Park Closed to Vehicles

Walkers and joggers are welcome to continue using the paved drive through the park. Parking is available at the park entrance. Disc golf course is closed for the season.

Hwy DD/Sommers Road Improvement Project

Utility work begins in preparation for Hwy. DD/Sommers Road intersection improvement project. Construction has begun on the much needed improvements to the Hwy. DD/Sommers road intersection. The new schedule is as follows:

- Oct.-Dec. 2018: Utility relocation and other site preparation
- Jan.-Feb. 2019: Construction pauses for winter months
- Mar.-June 2019: Intersection construction work

Keep it in the O' Show

Check out the latest Keep it in the 'O' Show segments featuring local O'Fallon businesses. These short videos are produced by the City's Communications Department at no cost.

Lift Disability Network: Nonprofit, https://youtu.be/GALHmi_V1A4

Schaefer Autobody Centers: Autobody, Repair,

<https://youtu.be/DrpV-togty0>

To suggest an O'Fallon business for a Keep it in the 'O' video, please contact the Economic Development Department at 636-379-5532 or econdev@ofallon.mo.us.

Don't Forget - Tree Lighting Ceremony Nov 14, 6pm - 8pm at City Hall



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Recruitment Update

Recruitment continues for: City Administrator, Ranger/Animal Control Officer, and Recreation Specialist – Front Desk and Senior Programs.

[Click here](#) for a listing of open positions.

Ongoing Programs

Register for Recreation Activities

Register for O'Fallon's Parks and Recreation programs online with your email at www.ofallon.mo.us/parks&rec.

Or, please call 636-474-2732 or 636-379-5606 to register today!

Volunteers Needed for Upcoming Events

Cornucopia of Care Food Drive (11/5 – 12/15)

Celebration of Lights Holiday Stroll (12/10 & 12/11)

For upcoming volunteer-supported events go to www.ofallon.mo.us/volunteer

Drug Take-Back Program

Drug Take Back Collection Program is always open. Safely dispose of your unwanted prescription and over-the-counter drugs. Located in the foyer of the Justice Center, 1019 Bryan Road, and is accessible 24 hours a day/7 days a week. This is a free service.

For the month of October, O.P.D.'s Drug Take Back Program took in 152 lbs. of unwanted prescription drugs and medications. For the year we have taken in 681 lbs. of drugs and medications.

Special Needs Locator Program

This program's purpose is to help locate an individual with a cognitive disorder who has become lost, disoriented or is unable to effectively communicate. To register an individual, or if you have any questions, please contact Lt. Pat Hossenlopp at 636-240-3200, ext. 5662. The program has no cost.

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