



# City of Herculaneum April 2018 Newsletter



*The Herculaneum Board of Aldermen meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month in the Board of Aldermen Chambers at 7:00 PM.  
www.cityofherculaneum.org City Hall: 636 475-4447*

## 12th ANNUAL ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION FRIDAY, APRIL 20

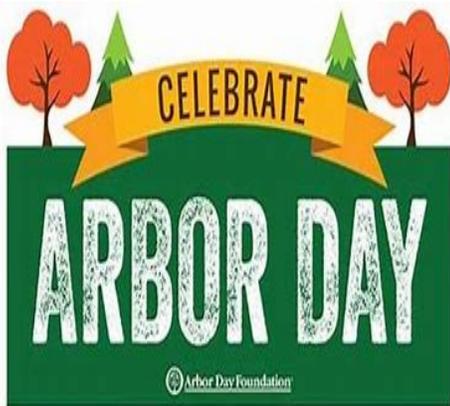
The City of Herculaneum and Herculaneum Today & Tomorrow (HT&T) will host the 12th Annual Arbor Day Celebration on Friday, April 20. The celebration will be held at the Herculaneum City Park beginning at 1:00 pm.

The celebration will include the presentation of the 2017 Tree City USA Award from the Arbor Day Foundation. The City of Herculaneum will be receiving this designation for the eleventh year.

The celebration will include an Arbor Day proclamation and the announcement of the 5th grade Arbor Day Poster Contest winners. Students from Herculaneum High School band and vocal music programs will participate in the event with various musical selections. Other high school students will participate through Arbor Day poems and readings. The ceremony will also include the planting and dedication of a tree in the park.

Free tree seedlings will be distributed to those in attendance while supplies last.

For information, please call 636 475-4447 or 314 852-4964.



## HERCULANEUM RECEIVES TREE CITY USA AWARD FOR 11th YEAR

The City of Herculaneum has received the Tree City USA award from the Arbor Day Foundation for the 11th consecutive year.

The city received the award at the annual Tree City USA recognition luncheon held in Des Peres, Missouri, on Friday, April 6.

The City of Herculaneum remains the only city in Jefferson County to receive the Tree City USA designation.

## 7TH ANNUAL CITY WIDE LITTER CLEAN UP SATURDAY, APRIL 21

In observance of Earth Day 2018, Herculaneum Today & Tomorrow (HT&T) invites volunteers to assist with the 7th annual city wide clean up on Saturday, April 21 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (noon). The annual cleanup will focus on picking up litter along the streets, parks and trails in the city. The HT&T "Adopt-A-Highway" area along McNutt Street will also be a focus of the annual litter clean up.

HT&T encourages individuals, church, school and civic groups to participate in the clean-up. Volunteers should report to the Herculaneum City Park, 776 Joachim Avenue at 8:30 am for assignments. HT&T will provide gloves, bags and safety vests for all participants. HT&T reminds everyone to dress appropriately for the weather and the litter clean up activity.

Come join us as we clean up in Herculaneum in recognition of Earth Day!

For more information, call 314 852-4964 or 314 766-0644.

## FOURTH ANNUAL "A NIGHT AT THE MOUSE RACES" ON SATURDAY, APRIL 14

The Herculaneum Bicentennial Committee will sponsor the fourth annual "A Night at the Mouse Races" fundraiser on Saturday, April 14 at the Herculaneum AMVETS Post #42, 690 Joachim Avenue. The mouse races will begin at 7:00 pm. Doors will open at 6:00 pm.

Tickets for the mouse races are available in advance for \$15.00 or at the door for \$20.00. Advance tickets are now available at Herculaneum City Hall Admission will include free beer, soda, water and some light snacks. Mixed drinks will be available by cash bar only. NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL is permitted. Smoking in the hall is prohibited. Individuals are encouraged to bring snacks for their table.

The night will include 10 mouse races, mouse roulette, 50/50 raffles, gift baskets and FUN! Proceeds from the evening will support the various events in Herculaneum during 2018.



For more information about the mouse races or to purchase tickets, please call 646 475-4447, 314 852-4964 or 314 581-8999.

## EARTH DAY - APRIL 22, 2018



COMING THIS FALL! JEFFERSON COUNTY BICENTENNIAL EXPO - OCTOBER 6

## SEVERE STORM OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS FOR THE CITY OF HERCULANEUM

The City of Herculanum has an Outside Early Warning System to notify residents of severe thunderstorms and tornadoes. The system has two recorded voice messages and warning sirens to warn of impending storms.

**CONSTANT WAIL - Tornado Warning**  
**INTERMITTENT BLASTS - Severe Storm Warning**

All storm warnings are accompanied by loudspeaker voice announcements.

The storm warning sirens are tested on the 3rd Monday of each month at 10:00 am.

**REMEMBER!!** Outdoor warning systems are sounded to notify individuals who are outdoors of impending storms. The sirens are not intended to notify individuals inside homes and other buildings.

The safest approach is to be proactive and use all of the information available to protect yourself and your family from threatening weather. Nothing can replace common sense. If a storm is approaching, the lightning alone is a threat. Sirens are only one part of a warning system that includes preparation, NOAA Weather Radio, and local media.

Complete information related to early storm warning sirens and the Code Red Warning System can be found on the City of Herculanum web site: [www.cityofherculaneum.org](http://www.cityofherculaneum.org) or by calling city hall at 636 475-4447.



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## THE MAYORS' MONARCH PLEDGE CONTINUES IN HERCULANEUM FOR 2018

Once again in 2018, the City of Herculanum supports the Mayors' Monarch Pledge as efforts continue to help the iconic Monarch butterfly population recover. The city encourages residents to plant milkweed and nectar plants so that the butterflies will have food resources throughout their breeding season and their migration in the fall.

Information about the monarch butterflies, backyard habitats and nectar plants can be found on the Herculanum web site: [www.cityofherculaneum.org](http://www.cityofherculaneum.org). The information can be found in the left column under Mayors' Monarch Pledge. Printed information related to the monarchs is also available at Herculanum City Hall.

## YARD SALES IN HERCULANEUM

Yard sales in Herculanum are limited to three (3) sales per year at the same address. Yard sales are limited to two (2) days within a seven (7) day period. Individuals holding yard sales must obtain a permit from Herculanum City Hall. There is no fee for a yard sale permit. For additional information, please call the Herculanum City Hall at 636 475-4447.

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## MISSOURI GOVERNOR DANIEL DUNKLIN

Daniel Dunklin was first elected to the Missouri House of Representatives in 1822 and served in that position until 1823. Following his stint in the General Assembly, Dunklin devoted his primary attention to his business operation, especially his mining interests. In 1828, he was elected as lieutenant governor of Missouri and in 1831, the Democratic Party nominated Dunklin for Missouri governor. On August 6, 1832, Dunklin was elected as the fifth governor of Missouri.

Dunklin served as governor of Missouri from November 19, 1832, through September 30, 1836. As governor of Missouri, Dunklin became known as the "Father of the Missouri Public Schools". Dunklin was the first person to attempt to set up a public school system in the state. A state education commission was appointed during his term. The commission set the school term at six months and designated that the curriculum would include reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, English, grammar and other subjects as funds would allow. Dunklin also recommended that a site for a state university be chosen. Five years later the University of Missouri became a reality.

Governor Dunklin also introduced reform to the Missouri penal system. He did away with the whipping post and the striped prison clothing. He also worked for changes in the penal system by making the punishment fit the crime. Plans for a state penitentiary were also approved.

Dunklin grew weary of the state legislature and the office of governor and he resigned on September 30, 1836, three months before the end of his term. He was appointed United States survey general for Missouri and Illinois. He was responsible for laying out most of the counties south of the Missouri River and naming them. He is responsible for "dipping into" Arkansas and creating the "boot heel" of Missouri.

In 1840, Dunklin moved from Potosi to Herculanum where he purchased a huge tract of land and called his new home, Maje. He farmed for the next three years and in 1843 he was appointed as Missouri's representative to adjust and designate the boundary between Missouri and Arkansas.

In early 1844, he made a visit to Jefferson City and while returning home he was caught in a severe storm and developed pneumonia. On August 24, 1844, he passed away at home and on August 27 was buried near his home. In 1886, the remains of Dunklin, his wife and great-grandson were exhumed and interred on a bluff overlooking the Mississippi River in Herculanum.