



City of Herculaneum February 2015 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.
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REDEDICATION OF HERCULANEUM SHOT TOWER CEREMONY

The Herculaneum Historical Society and the Missouri State Society of the United States Daughters of 1812 will host a Rededication Ceremony of the Herculaneum Shot Tower Plaque on Sunday, March 22. The ceremony will begin at 2:00 pm at the Shot Tower Park located at the intersection of Main Street and Dunklin Drive. The ceremony will include the presentation of a new replacement plaque from the United States Daughters of 1812 to the city of Herculaneum.

The original Herculaneum Shot Tower plaque was dedicated on March 31, 1926, when Clinton Crane of the St. Joe Lead Company presented a deed for the shot tower property to the United States Daughters of 1812. The plaque recognized the importance of the lead shot produced at the Herculaneum Shot Tower during the War of 1812 and specifically the Battle of New Orleans in 1815. Unfortunately, the original plaque has fallen victim to vandalism.

The President of the National Society of United States Daughters of 1812, the President of the Missouri State Society United States Daughters of 1812, the Honorary President National Society United States Daughters of 1812 and the Deputy President of the General Society of War of 1812 will participate in the ceremony.

The ceremony is open to the public. A reception will follow the ceremony.

SEVERE STORM SPOTTER/WEATHER SAFETY TRAINING CLASS

The Herculaneum Fire Department will sponsor a Severe Storm Spotter/Weather Safety training class on Tuesday, February 24. The two-hour class will be held at the Herculaneum High School Theater beginning at 6:30 pm. The class is open to all residents of Herculaneum and the surrounding communities.

The training will be a National Weather Service (NWS) sanctioned class and will be presented by meteorologist James Kramper. As part of the training class, information will be presented related to individuals being listed in the NWS Storm Spotter database. In order to be listed in the database, individuals must attend a class taught by National Weather Service personnel. Individuals must be of high school age to sign up to be a spotter.

For more information, please call the Herculaneum Fire Department at 636 475-3080.

HERCULANEUM HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTATION - FEBRUARY 5

Greg Watkins of the Sons of the American Revolution will be the featured speaker at the Thursday, February 5 meeting of the Herculaneum Historical Society. The meeting will be held at the Herculaneum Fire Department, 151 Riverview Plaza Drive in Herculaneum at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Watkins will speak about Major Robert Rogers and his Rogers Rangers, a provincial company from the colony of New Hampshire attached to the British Army during the French and Indian War. The unit was used as a rapidly deployable light infantry force tasked mainly with reconnaissance and special operations against distant targets.

The meeting is open to all residents of Herculaneum and the surrounding communities. For more information about the Herculaneum Historical Society, please call 636 475-5476.

HERCULANEUM E-CYCLE DAY SATURDAY, MARCH 7

The Herculaneum Recycling Committee will host an eCycle event on Saturday, March 7 at the Herculaneum City Park, 850 Joachim Avenue. The city recycling committee and Midwest Recycle Center (MRC) Company will collect items from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (rain or shine). The collection is open to all residents of Herculaneum and the surrounding areas.

Items to be collected include computers and components, office equipment, all televisions, radios, stereos, and communications equipment (including cell phones and pagers). Projectors, headphones, remote controlled cars, etc. Basically any item with a cord or battery will be collected. White goods accepted include furnaces, water heaters, air conditioners, washers, dryers, power tools, microwaves, etc. There will be fees associated with the eCycling of 27" and smaller CRT TV's (\$20.00) and larger than 29" CRT TV's, wooden console TV's and rear projection TV's (\$40.00).

**HERCULANEUM CITY HALL
WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 16 FOR
PRESIDENTS DAY**

REGISTRATION TO VOTE IN APRIL 7 ELECTION

Wednesday, March 11 is the last day to register to vote in the April 7 election. Registration can be completed at Herculaneum City Hall or the Jefferson County Clerk's Office. Call city hall at 636 475-4447 for registration requirements.

FARMERS' MARKET IN HERCULANEUM

Preliminary planning for a Farmers' Market in Herculaneum is underway. Members of Herculaneum Today & Tomorrow have been working toward the establishment of a farmers' market for the spring/summer of 2015. Plans call for the market to be open each Tuesday afternoon/evening at the Herculaneum City Park on Joachim Avenue.

The planning committee is seeking input from the residents of Herculaneum for the following three questions: 1) Would you attend a farmers' market in Herculaneum? 2) What type of food/produce items would you expect to be available at the farmers' market? 3) Do you know any farmers that would be interested in participating at a farmers' market in Herculaneum?

Please submit your responses to the above questions, comments or inquiries related to the Herculaneum farmers' market to Tom Bess-King at 314 566-1286 or htt.farmersmarket@gmail.com.

Herculaneum Today & Tomorrow looks forward to your input to this project and the establishment of a Farmers' Market in Herculaneum.

A NIGHT AT THE MOUSE RACES - SATURDAY, APRIL 18

The Herculaneum Bicentennial Committee will sponsor A Night at the Mouse Races fundraiser on Saturday, April 18 at the Herculaneum Am Vets 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. Tickets are available at Herculaneum City Hall or by phone at 314 852-4964 or 314 581-8999. Admission includes free beer, soda, water and some light snacks. Mixed drinks will be available by cash bar only. NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL is permitted and smoking in the hall is prohibited.

The night will include 10 mouse races, a championship race, mouse roulette, 50/50 raffles, gift baskets and FUN! There will be opportunities to name the mouse participants for \$5.00 per mouse. Businesses and organizations can sponsor one or more of the races for \$50.00 per race or the championship race for \$75.00.

Proceeds from the evening will support the Herculaneum Fourth of July Celebration "Dunklin-Fletcher Days" on July 2, 3 and 4.

For information about the event or sponsorship opportunities, please call 314 852-4964 or 314 581-8999.

20th CERT TRAINING CLASS - MARCH 13-15

The Herculaneum Fire Department will host their 20th Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) class beginning on Friday, March 13 from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm. The 20-hour training class will be held at the Herculaneum Fire Department, 151 River-view Plaza Drive and is open to all residents (18 years and older) of Herculaneum and the surrounding communities.

The class continues on Saturday, March 14 and Sunday, March 15 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm each day. The Sunday session includes a live training scenario for class participants. The class is free of charge and requires no prior training. All participants will receive a personal emergency backpack and a certificate of completion. Call the fire department at 636 475-3080 to register.

3RD ANNUAL "SWEETEST RACE IN TOWN FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES"

On Saturday, March 28, the third annual "Sweetest Race in Town for Kids of ALL Ages" will take place on the streets of Herculaneum. The race, sponsored by SweetPieS Dessert Studio, LLC in Festus, will begin at 9:00 am at the Herculaneum City Park, 850 Joachim Avenue.

Proceeds from the 5K Run and 1 Mile Fun/Run will benefit the construction of the Splash Zone at Kade's Playground, the all-inclusive playground that will open in the summer of 2015. There will be designated CupCake Station "pit stops" at every half mile where runners will have the option to gobble up a standard cupcake (5 minute deduction) or a mini cupcake (2 minute deduction). Deductions from chip time will be taken after crossing the finish line. All FINISHERS will receive a medal.

Entry fees for the "Sweetest Race" are: Kids ages 3-12 (walk or run) - \$15.00; One Mile Fun Run/Walk (ages 13 & up) - \$25.00 until March 7 and \$30.00 thereafter; 5 K Run (ages 13 & up) - \$35.00 until March 7 and \$40.00 thereafter.

T-shirts and timed runs guaranteed ONLY for those participants registering before February 28. Registration is not required for children under 3 years of age.

Registration for the race can be completed on line at OneStopRace.com. You will need to create an account and then complete the registration form. Online Registration will close on Tuesday, March 24 at 12 noon. After online registration ends, you may still register in person at SweetPieS Dessert Studio from Tuesday afternoon through Saturday Race-Day morning until 8:30am.

A virtual runner option is available to those who are unable to participate, but want to help support the project. You can register as a "virtual runner" by creating an account at OneStopRace.com. When completing the registration, you will be asked whether or not you are running or participating as a "virtual runner".

For complete information, visit www.SweetPieS.com, call 636 933-4044 or stop by the shop at 102 South Second Street, Festus.

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COMING EVENTS

- Severe Storm Spotter Class - February 24
- eCycle Collection Day - March 7
- CERT Training Class - March 13 - 15
- Shot Tower Plaque Rededication Ceremony - March 22
- Sweetest Race in Town for Kids of All Ages - March 28
- Adult Easter Egg Hunt - March 28
- Children Easter Egg Hunt - March 29
- Herculaneum Municipal Election - April 7
- A Night at the Mouse Races - April 18
- Arbor Day Celebration - April 24
- 4th Annual City Wide Cleanup - April 25