



City of Herculaneum

February 2019 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

DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE APRIL 2, 2019 ELECTION

Any Herculaneum resident wanting to vote in the General Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, must be registered by March 6, 2019. Residents may register to vote at Herculaneum City Hall during regular business hours or at the Jefferson County Clerk's Office. Call Herculaneum City Hall for all registration requirements.

HERCULANEUM RECYCLING COMMITTEE WILL HOST E-CYCLING EVENT ON MARCH 2

The City of Herculaneum Recycling Committee in partnership with Midwest Recycling Center will host an electronic recycling event on Saturday, March 2. The e-cycle event will be held at the Herculaneum City Park, 776 Joachim Avenue from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. The event is open to all residents of Herculaneum and the neighboring events.

Acceptable items at no charge include: computers, monitors, printers, keyboards, laptops, hard drives, cell phones, pagers, radios, scanners, speakers, VCR players, DVD players, fax machines, answering machines, stereos, furnaces, water heaters, air conditioners, microwaves, power tools, kitchen appliances, camera equipment, restaurant equipment, medical equipment, lab equipment, machinery, most batteries, lawn and garden equipment (gas and oil must be removed prior to drop off).

There are fees required for the following: CRT Monitors - \$5.00, CRT TVs 26" or less - \$30.00, LED/LCD/Plasma TVs - \$20.00, CRT TVs 27" or greater - \$50.00, and wood console and big screen/projection TVs - \$50.00. Freon containing units - \$10.00.

The following items will not be accepted: alkaline batteries, CDs, VHS tapes, data tapes, floppy disks, transformers in steel containers unless it is marked clearly "no PCBs", thermostats, no medical waste of any kind, hazardous materials, PCB containing ballasts or capacitors, light bulbs and smoke detectors. Other items not accepted include broken ink or toner cartridges leaking powder or liquid, alkaline batteries, exit signs, broken CRTS TVs and monitors or anything leaking oil or acid such as cracked batteries.

RECYCLING COLLECTION/DROP OFF EVENT - SATURDAY, MARCH 2

The City of Herculaneum and Jefferson County Recycling will host a Recycling Collection/Drop-Off Event on Saturday, March 2. The event will be held at the Herculaneum City Park, 776 Joachim Avenue from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in conjunction with e-cycling event.

Among the items that will be accepted are paper (mail, newspapers, magazines, cardboard), plastic (bottles, jugs, food containers, buckets), glass (jars, bottles, all color) and cans (aluminum, steel, tin). Plastic shopping bags must be separated from single-stream recycles. For list of items not accepted, visit the city web site (www.cityofherculaneum.org) and city Facebook page. Event open to all residents of the city of Herculaneum and the surrounding communities.

SNOW REMOVAL ON CITY STREETS, ROADWAYS AND CUL-DE-SACS

Now that the winter months are upon us, Mark Johnson, Public Works Supervisor, reminds all Herculaneum residents to refrain from parking on the city streets, roadways and cul-de-sacs during days of inclement weather (snow and ice). The removal of snow from the city streets is greatly impeded when vehicles are parked on the streets, roadways and cul-de-sacs.

It is extremely important that the streets be cleared for the passage of emergency vehicles, delivery trucks and the daily commutes by the residents.

The City of Herculaneum and the Public Works Department greatly appreciate your cooperation with this request.

HERCULANEUM CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED FOR PRESIDENTS DAY

Herculaneum City Hall will be closed on Monday, February 18, 2019 in observance of Presidents Day.

City hall will reopen on Tuesday, February 19 at 8:30 am.



HERCULANEUM HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOST MISSOURI 2021 BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION MEETING

The Herculaneum Historical Society will host Dr. Michael Sweeney, Bicentennial Coordinator for the State Historical Society of Missouri and Claire Marks, Senior Archivist for the State Historical Society of Missouri-Research Center St. Louis on Thursday, February 7 at the Herculaneum City Hall. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm and is open to the public.

The meeting will be an updated discussion about Missouri 2021 (an initiative of the State Historical Society of Missouri and its Center for Missouri Studies), plans for the Missouri Bicentennial, the State Historical Society of Missouri archival resources in our area and how you and our community can become involved.

For more information about the meeting or the Herculaneum Historical Society, please call 314 852-4964 (if no answer, please leave message).

HERCULANEUM BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE TO HOST THE FIFTH ANNUAL "A NIGHT AT THE MOUSE RACES" ON SATURDAY, MARCH 23

The Herculaneum Bicentennial Committee will sponsor the fifth annual "A Night at the Mouse Races" fundraiser on Saturday, March 23 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. Tickets are now available at Herculaneum City Hall or by calling 636 475-4447, 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. 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 2019.

For information about the mouse races, call 646 475-4447, 314 852-4964 or 314 581-8999.



MEET IN THE MIDDLE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 9

The City of Herculaneum, Herculaneum Today & Tomorrow and Autumn Ridge Senior Living will host a "Meet in the Middle" ice cream and cake social at the Autumn Ridge Senior Living facility at 300 Autumn Ridge Drive. The event will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. All Herculaneum residents are invited to attend!

Attendees will be treated to ice cream, cake and drinks. Musical entertainment by Danny Denton will also be part of the event.

Representatives from the Herculaneum city government, civic organizations, churches, emergency service organizations, and other groups have been invited to attend and explain the goals and activities of their organization.

The ice cream and cake social is an excellent opportunity for residents to meet other residents, the city officials and civic leaders.

Attendees can also register for attendance prizes at the event.

For more information, please call 636 931-8400, 636 475-4447 or 314 852-4964.



THE HISTORY OF HERCULANEUM
Herculaneum Historical Society



GOVERNOR DANIEL DUNKLIN GRAVE SITE
MISSOURI STATE HISTORICAL SITE

Daniel Dunklin, the fifth governor of Missouri, was serving as the surveyor general of Missouri and Illinois under President Andrew Jackson. The discharge of his surveying duties conflicted with his business interests so he retired and moved to Potosi, Missouri. In 1840 Dunklin sold his business interests sold his holdings in Potosi and moved to the Herculaneum area where he constructed a large home he called Maje. He lived in the house until his death on August 25, 1844. Two days later Governor Dunklin was buried near Maje under an elm tree overlooking the Mississippi River. In 1851 the governor's wife, Emily, was buried with him at Maje.

James L. Dunklin, the governor's son, inherited the estate following his mother's death. James L. was not as successful in business as his father and was forced to sell the Dunklin estate. In 1885 the property was sold to Charles Bunyan Parsons, the superintendent of the St. Joe Lead Company of New York.

The one acre of the estate that James Dunklin owned free and clear was reserved as a burial ground for the Dunklin family. The burial grounds sit high above the Mississippi River on a white limestone bluff. In 1866 the bodies of Governor Dunklin and his wife, Emily, were exhumed and interred in the family cemetery. Daniel Dunklin's great-grandson, James F. Dunklin, was also interred at that time.

Other members of the Dunklin family to be buried at the family cemetery included James L. Dunklin, the governor's son; Emily S. McIvan, the governor's daughter; and Daniel Dunklin, the governor's grandson.

The Missouri State Park agreed on August 25, 1965, to accept the cemetery for the purpose of creating a memorial park in remembrance of Daniel Dunklin. This site was the forerunner of the state law enacted in 1967 "to suitably mark every grave of a former governor of this state and to maintain the grave of all former governors within this state which is not within a perpetual care cemetery."

On July 4, 1966, the 73rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri enacted in law House Bill #291. The act authorized and directed the state park board to accept the conveyance of the parcel of land that included the graves of Daniel Dunklin and his family. The state park board was to repair and maintain the area. The new law formally recognized, by establishing the grave site as a state park and memorial, the ever-continuing value of the work of Governor Daniel Dunklin.

The Daniel Dunklin is the smallest state park in the Missouri State Park system and is designated as a State Historical Site under the Department of Natural Resources.

The grave site is located at the end of Dunklin Drive in the northeast portion of Herculaneum.

