

City of Herculaneum January 2020 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 FOR CANDIDATES TO FILE FOR THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION - APRIL 7, 2020

Notice is hereby given that a "General Municipal Election" will be held in the City of Herculaneum, Missouri, on Tuesday, the 7th day of April 2020 for the purpose of electing Alderman Ward I for a two-year term, Alderman Ward II for a two-year term, Alderman Ward III for a two-year term and Municipal Judge for a two-year term.

All applicants must be an established resident of the city of Herculaneum for one (1) year prior to the election date and a citizen of the United States. A candidate must declare under 115.306.RSMo: Under penalties of perjury that they are not currently aware of any delinquency in the filing or payment of any state income taxes, personal property taxes, real property taxes on the place of residence, as stated on the declaration of candidacy. A candidate must not be in arrears of any city taxes or city utilities.

Anyone wishing to serve in the above named offices may file with the City Clerk at Herculaneum City Hall, #1 Parkwood Court between the hours of 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. The deadline for candidates to file is 5:00 pm on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 in order to be certified to the appropriate officials for inclusion on the ballot.

Also on the ballot will be a sales tax proposal in support of improvements to public safety.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE APRIL 7, 2020 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Any Herculaneum resident wanting to vote in the General Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 must be registered by March 11, 2020. Residents must be 18 years of age on or before the election date and present a driver's license at registration.

Residents may register to vote at Herculaneum City Hall during regular business hours or at the Jefferson County Clerk's Office. For more information call city hall at 636 475-4447.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE TO HOST AN ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT SATURDAY, MARCH 7

The City of Herculaneum Recycling Committee in partnership with Midwest Recycling Center will host an electronic recycling event on Saturday, March 7. The event will be held at the entrance to the Herculaneum City Park, 776 Joachim Avenue. The event is open to all residents of Herculaneum and the surrounding communities.

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 associated with the following: Televisions 26" and smaller - \$30.00 each, televisions 27" and larger - \$50.00 each, any size console or rear projection televisions - \$50.00 each and LCD/LED/Plasma televisions - \$20.00 each. CRT monitors - \$5.00 each. Freon containing units - \$10.00 each.

The following items will not be accepted: alkaline batteries, CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, hazardous material, PCB containing ballasts, light bulbs, fluorescent bulbs and smoke detectors

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

The Jefferson County Solid Waste Division Recycling Trailer will also be at the event to collect cardboard, paper, aluminum & tin containers and plastics.





HERCULANEUM CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

Herculaneum City Hall will be closed Monday, January 20 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

City hall will reopen on Tuesday, January 21 at 8:30 am.



20TH ANNUAL OUTDOOR LIGHTING & DECORATION CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED.

The winners of the 20th Annual City of Herculaneum Outdoor Lighting and Decoration Contest have been announced. First Place (\$100): Robert and Pat Reinwald, 1039 Crystal Court; Second Place (\$75.00): Mike & Tiffany Brown, 315 Friedberg Court and Third Place (\$50.00): Keith Wallman, Scenic Drive.

The contest is sponsored each year by the Herculaneum Historical Society.



CITY OF HERCULANEUM COMPLETE CENSUS COUNT **COMMITTEE FORMED TO PROMOTE 2020 CENSUS**

Census day is April 1, 2020!! To assist with the promotion of the 2020 Census, a Complete Census Count (CCC) committee, consisting of civic leaders, church and school leaders, veterans, business professionals and various residents, has been formed in the city of Herculaneum.

Most households will receive a printed questionnaire in mid-March which they can mail postage-free back to the Census Bureau. The questionnaires can also be completed on line or by phone. Check your questionnaire on how to submit online or by phone.

Data collected during the decennial census is used in many ways including:

- Reapportioning seats in the U.S. House of Representatives
- Distributing over \$675 billion in federal funds and even more in state funds
- Making decisions affecting legislation and spending on housing, hospitals, schools, assistance programs and scores of projects and programs that are vital to the health and welfare of the U.S. population and economy



United States For more details about the 2020 Census, **CENSUS** please visit <u>2020Census.gov</u>. Watch future newsletters and the City of Herculaneum Facebook page for more information.

HERCULANEUM HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOST "VIGILANTES, INSANITY AND JADED LOVE"

The February meeting of the Herculaneum Historical Society will be held at the Herculaneum City Hall on Thursday, February 6 beginning at 7:00 pm.

Mindy Hudson of the Jefferson County Library - Northwest Branch will present her newest program, Murder & Mayhem in Jefferson County Part III - "Vigilantes, Insanity & Jaded Love". This program will tie in with Mindy's previous presentations - Murder and Mayhem in Jefferson County Parts I & II and promises some interesting tie-ins plus new stories.

The meeting is open to the public and free of charge.

WINTER FIRE PREVENTION TIP

Did you know that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths? With a few simple safety tips and precautions, you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment, like the furnace, wood stove or portable space heater.

- Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.

The Herculaneum Fire Department reminds all residents to be safety conscious with heating equipment. For more information, contact your local fire department.



HISTORY OF THE HERCULANEUM POLICE DEPARTMENT - PART II

In 1973, Casey Haggard won a special election to fill the position of City Marshal and was appointed as the first chief of police in Herculaneum. During this time the city purchased the first new police car for the department.

In 1974, Chief Haggard resigned from the police chief position and the position was filled temporarily by Patrolman Roy Medley. In April of 1974, Roger Comstock was elected as city marshal and assumed the position of police chief. He would be re-elected three times and was in the middle of his fourth term when he was forced to resign due to health issues. During Marshal Comstock's tenure, the police station was relocated to the basement of the new city hall in 1977. At this time, dispatching of the police department was handled by dispatchers at a centralized dispatch center.

Following Marshal Comstock's resignation, the position was filled by three individuals, Jim Walker, Mike Allgire and Russell Harmon. In 1982, James "Barney" Conway was elected as city marshal and he continued in that position until 1988. In April of 1998, Kevin White was elected as city marshal and a tumultuous period began in the police department. Eventually Patrolman Roy Haverstick was appointed to replace Marshal White in January of 1990. Marshal Haverstick was suspended for disciplinary reasons and temporarily replaced by Patrolman Kenneth Baur. Eventually the board of alderman once again turned to Patrolman Roy Haverstick to head the department with the rank of captain. In 1992, Marshal White resigned the position of city marshal.

In 1993 Roy Haverstick was elected city marshal and assumed the position of police chief. An ordinance was passed that gave the Board of Aldermen the authority to hire a police administrator to head the police department. Under the ordinance the elected city marshal would remain on the police department but only in a ceremonial position. Several attempts were made to have the voters eliminate the position of city marshal, but each time it was put to a vote, it was defeated by the citizens. Marshal Haverstick would continue to serve in the city marshal/chief of police position for several years. In 2003 he resigned his position as police chief due to health reasons. Ken Reese was appointed interim police chief following Marshal Haverstick's resignation. During Haverstick's tenure a canine officer and a school resource officer were approved by the Board of Alderpersons. The school resource officer position was a source of controversy and was eventually dropped, and later the canine officer was also dropped.

On April 5, 2004, the Board of Alderpersons hired Christopher Pigg to become the first police administrator in Herculaneum. After several attempts the position of city marshal was eliminated by a vote of the residents in 2005. Chief Pigg will continue to serve until his resignation in 2012. After Chief Pigg's resignation, Captain Mark Tulgetske is appointed interim police chief. In 2013 the Board of Aldermen appoint Captain Tulgetske as police chief and he remains in that position today.

After many years of the Pevely Police Department providing dispatch duties for the city of Herculaneum, the city began contracting with Jefferson County 9-1-1 to handle the department's dispatching in 2017. The city continues to contract with the City of Pevely for jail services.