

Ferguson Times

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CITY OF FERGUSON, MO.

August, 2014

Serving Ferguson and Surrounding Communities



Ferguson Farmers' Market

CELEBRATING OUR 12TH YEAR!

Saturday, August 2

- Pesto Festo at the Ferguson Farmers Market (20 S. Florissant Rd). The event will feature pesto cooking demos and samples, a kid's activity, and the return of the annual pesto cook-off!
- Thies Farm will be roasting their delicious corn.
- Not wired Right will be performing 9-11AM
- Pesto Cooking Contest Guidelines:

This contest is for pesto dishes, but that will, by no means, limit your creativity! Think kale pesto, Thai basil pesto, chilantro pesto, marjoram pesto, creamy pesto, etc. Pesto dishes must be registered at the contest booth by 10:00 a.m. Our judges will critique your dish based on presentation, originality, and taste. Judges will announce the top three entrees at 11:00 a.m. The winners will receive \$50 (first place), \$20 (second place), and \$10 (third place) in Ferguson Farmers Market bucks.

Saturday, August 9

- German Fest – The market will feature German food, entertainment and kid's activities.
- Music: Dingolfinger Stadmusikaten from Dingolfing, Germany 9-11AM
- AUTHOR FEST:
- Braxton DeGarmo – Thrillers: "The Militant Genome," "Indebted," and more
- L.S. Murphy – author of "Reaper," "Neighbors," "One More Day," and "A Reason to Stay"
- Connie Brown- "Simple Wisdom Nuggets," Encouragement

Saturday, August 16

- St. Louis Arch Rival Roller Derby Girls 10-11:30
- Market tour with Ferguson Farmers Market Mgr., Q/A with the farmers
- Boeing Jazz Band 9-11 AM

Saturday, August 23

- Ferguson Farmers Market Tasting event, details to follow!
- Maple Jam Band 9-11AM

Saturday, August 30

- Les Dames d'escoffier Kids Cook & Sample 9:30AM,
- Kids' Day at the Market: Market Tour and Cooking Demonstration with Les Dames d'Escoffier. Tour begins at 9:30AM, so be sure to stop by the tent early to sign up and get your chef hat and apron!
- Jan Marks 9-11AM

Come Visit Us Saturdays, Now thru October 8am - Noon
20 S. Florissant, at the Victorian Plaza (just south of the train trestle)
Check our our website, FergusonFarmersMarket.com
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CITYWALK CONCERT SERIES

PLAZA AT 501

Upcoming Shows...

Pat Liston
Rock
Friday, August 8
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



Anita Rosamond
Variety
Friday, August 22
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



Free Concerts April through November.
Concerts take place on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month unless otherwise noted.
Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Coolers are permitted. No glass.
Concessions available for purchase on-site.
501 S. Florissant Rd.
For more information call 314-524-5197 or email citywalk@fergusoncity.com
www.fergusoncitywalk.com

ALLIED WASTE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Labor Day
Monday, September 1st

Monday routes will be picked up Tuesday, Sept. 2nd
Tuesday routes will be picked up Wed., Sept. 3rd
Wed. routes will be picked up Thursday, Sept. 4th
Thursday routes will be picked up Fri., Sept. 5th
Friday routes will be picked up Sat., Sept. 6th

Ferguson StreetFest 2014

Friday, September 26, 2014, 4 p.m.—11 p.m.
Saturday September 27, 2014, 12 p.m.—11 p.m.
Great live entertainment all weekend including...



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www.fergusonstreetfest.com

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(3rd Monday of month thru October)

11am to 2 pm
Plaza @ 501

501 South Florissant Road
Finger Foodies, Vincent Van Donut, Juicemasters & more!

For all participating trucks go to:
www.fergusoncitywalk.com

Get involved! It's as easy as 1, 2, 3!

1. Are you a resident? Work a booth at StreetFest and meet your neighbors!
2. Are you a business? Become a sponsor by making monetary or in-kind donations.
3. Do you make unique gifts or treats? Sell your items at StreetFest.



If You Have Items of Interest, Contact The Ferguson Times – 314-524-1958



Greetings from CityWalk

We have been enjoying quite the wonderful summer this year. The weather has been unseasonably cool, and the breeze has been taking the edge off of the warmer days. Let's take a walk on 'The Walk.'

Have you noticed the community service project down by the railroad trestle? FYI, (Ferguson Youth Initiative), with the help of their mentors and chairperson of the Beautification Committee, Linda Hensiek, has whipped that area into something to behold. They had a new rail installed that matches the existing railings along Florissant Road, installed a trellis along the trestle wall, and planted flowers and shrubs in the area. More is planned for that little park, so keep your eyes on that corner and you'll see these groups hard at work.

Another project that has been in the works for a long time is the installation of new trash cans on the west end of the Business District, along Airport Road. These receptacles are being installed at the bus stops in the hopes that the ridership takes advantage of their location. With everyone's help, let's keep this end of the district clean and free of trash. If you are walking along Airport Road and happen to see one of these cans, take advantage of them and toss in your trash.

And the bands play on. This month, you can expect a wide array of music from our entertainers at the Plaza at 501's Concert Series. Pat Liston, a founding member of the 70's group, Mama's Pride will be gracing the stage on August 8th. You can expect some of the classics that his group made popular way back when, as well as his new songs that will be sure to send you home humming. Anita Rosemond and her band will be covering the standards that have been around for quite some time. If you have eaten at Vincenzo's, and enjoyed the background music there, you'll recognize the songs that Rosemond will bring to Ferguson. She will be performing on August 22nd. We'll be looking for you at the concerts at the Plaza at 501 in August.

(This section reserved for the General Membership Businesses of the FSBD.) Every third Thursday of the month is our board meeting. We meet at 5:30pm in the offices of Maureen Zeugin whose Edward Jones office is located at 409 S. Florissant Rd. Our next meeting is August 21st and all businesses located in the Downtown District are invited. You will soon be seeing our quarterly Business Newsletter with news about what is going on in the Business District. Let us know what you like and if there is anything you would like to see in future editions. Now is the time to get involved. We hope to see you at our meetings and if there is anything that you would like to share with your fellow district businesses, let us know, we'd be happy to help you get the word out.

Until next month, we're walking; that's right, walking the walk, CityWalk.

The Plumber's Crack

By Oh Baby bigohbaby@sbcglobal.net

Summer clothes half off, back to school sales, hot sticky temps, days are getting shorter, farmers market loaded with goodies, talk of Streetfest . . . it must be August and time for a dog day version of the Plumbers Crack.



let your service person know all your issues when you contact him. That helps keep him on time. When you say to a service person, "While you're here," it might really mess up his scheduled appointments and if you're not his first call you could be the one sitting and waiting.

Well my friends I'm really heading to left field with this one. I've been reading a lot about scams some contractors are running. I hear a lot of horror stories about service guys leaving big messes, stealing things, getting hostile with customers, etc. Now here is the kicker, when going to supply houses I also here horror stories about how some poor service people are treated by their customers. Oh no, that can't be . . . the customer is always right . . . well most of the time .

Let's start with a service person and how he or she should act upon arriving at your home. If you are a new customer he should greet you at the door with a business card and introduce himself or herself. If he or she has work boots on they should put shoe covers on. I personally keep a pair of tennis shoes with me for service and sometimes put shoe covers over them depending on conditions. At that point the service person confirms why he is there and asks you to show the way to the problem.

After evaluating the problem, a cost should be given and any information on other things that could go wrong while performing the work.

After completing the work the service person should clean up his mess to the best of his ability and move on. If a service person needs access to another part of your home he should ask your permission or at least let you know he is moving to a different area. It is also my belief that a service person should have a neat and clean appearance. It's not always possible but he should try. Unless a service person is calling about parts or something else about your job, his phone should stay in their pocket.

Now the flip side. Here are a few tips when inviting a service person to your home. First and foremost,

Another thing that benefits both the customer and the service person is have the area they have to work in accessible. If you like to watch, keep your conversation to a minimum and let the service person know your just curious. Don't get too close.

DO NOT TRY AND REPAIR SOMETHING AND AT THE END OF THE DAY CALL YOUR SERVICE PERSON AND TELL HIM IT'S AN EMERGENCY AND WHEN THEY ARRIVE TELL THEM HOW TO FIX IT. That could affect your bill immensely.

Do not ask a service person to come to your home when there are only minors at home.

Ask what kind of pay options your service person has so they can expedite your bill and move on. Try and make sure he has someplace to park as close as possible. That will save on labor. Make sure to move cars or objects that he may block in before he gets there. Last but not least, if you have coupons or want a senior citizen discount wait until you get a price on the job before you ask for it.

Remember the Farmers Market on Saturdays, and the concerts series at 501, food truck Mondays. Patronize our city businesses first. Please volunteer for one our many organizations . . . it really is a lot of fun and keeps your community strong.

Remember to check on your neighbors and keep each other informed; watch over our children, they are our future; give them big hugs.

Elections are nearing so please vote. People died to give you that right. Vote your conscience, not how someone tells to vote for.

God Bless you all and God Bless America.

Oh Baby



Saturday, September 20, 2014

Ferguson Community Center

Grand Opening Family Fun Fair

1050 Smith Avenue, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Join us for food, fun, and games!

IF YOU LIVE IN AN OLDER HOME AND YOU WANT TO HELP "MAINTAIN YESTER-DAY FOR TOMORROW"

CALL BOB
524-1264



See Bob on Job column on Page 17

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Student Requirements:

- Full-time enrollment at an eligible college or university
- Minimum 2.5 GPA

Landlord Requirements:

- Compliance with residential housing Codes
- RAPS Agreement with City
- Lease Agreement with Student

Visit www.fergusoncity.com/526/RAPS for more information

Proposition S on August 5 Ballot

In the upcoming August 5 election, the Ferguson-Florissant School District will ask voters to approve Proposition S. Prop S is an overall tax rate increase of 50 cents per \$100 of property's assessed value that will be used to maintain and protect programs, services and staffing in the Ferguson-Florissant School District.



The District serves more than 11,000 students from the communities of Ferguson, Florissant, Berkeley and several other North County municipalities. Fully accredited by the state of Missouri, the Ferguson-Florissant School District operates 17 elementary schools, three middle schools, three high schools and an alternative school. Eight Ferguson-Florissant schools are located in the City of Ferguson. In addition, the District includes a nationally-recognized early education program, the award-winning Challenger Learning Center space education facility (located in Ferguson) and the Little Creek Nature Area, a 97-acre nature preserve which offers experiential learning opportunities for students in science, biology, ecology and related areas of study.

Ferguson-Florissant faces unprecedented challenges with declines in assessed property valuations and reduced state funding, which together have had a devastating impact on its finances. As a result, the District has been tapping its financial reserves in recent years to meet expenses.

The District has already cut \$4.7 million from its budget -- eliminating new textbook purchases, slashing funding for afterschool activities, athletics and fine arts programs, eliminating preschool and after-school transportation services and reducing summer school and teacher tuition reimbursement. If no additional funding is received, Ferguson-Florissant will face more cuts and further reductions in its reserves.

If passed, the cost of the 50-cent increase on the average home in the District valued at \$74,000 would be \$5.86 per month, or \$70.30 per year (residential property is taxed on 19% of assessed valuation). The last time the District received a tax increase was 1992.

Prop S is important to our schools and our community. Please remember to vote on August 5!

To learn more about Prop S, please visit the Ferguson-Florissant School District online at www.fergflor.org.

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4th of July Parade Winners
 Congratulations to all the participants in this year's Ferguson 4th of July Parade. And special recognition to the following winners.

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| Mayor's Trophy | EarthDance |
| Best Theme | Mimi's Bar & Grill |
| Most Enthusiastic | Strength and Honor Summer Camp |
| Coolest Car in Parade | Mercedes Roadster Convertible |
| Best Equestrian | Little Oasis Farm |
| Best Marching Band | McCluer High School |
| Best Musical Float | Immanuel UCC |
| Best Participation | Ferguson Swim Team |

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Spreading our success, by spreading our borders

By Mayor James W. Knowles III

"They are ill discoverers that think there is no land when they can see nothing but sea."

— Sir Francis Bacon, 1561-1626
English Scientist, Philosopher, Statesman



Of all the gifts that God can bestow upon us, the one I often find most difficult for people is the ability to envision something grand where there is currently only blight. While traveling through the blighted areas of North St. Louis, I often find myself daydreaming about the splendor of what the area must have looked like in its prime. I can envision how the beautiful architecture was once new and immaculate, and I imagine what it could look like again if we only had an infinite amount of resources to restore its former glory. I have always been a day-dreamer, and I have always looked to what could be, instead of lamenting what is.

I know I'm not the only one that has splendid dreams of restoring old buildings and revitalizing neighborhoods; I think many people share that dream. However, the path to accomplish those lofty goals is often elusive, which leads many people to lose hope. Not because they lack the ability to see something different, but because they can't see the way to that vision. With no way in sight, hope is often lost, and so too is the vision.

For a number of years, leaders in the city of Ferguson have shared a vision where the City of Ferguson would stretch its borders across Interstate 270 and annex the unincorporated areas of St. Louis County along W. Florissant, New Halls Ferry, and Old Halls Ferry. Over the past 25 years, economic development in that area has ebbed and flowed. Once a shopping and entertainment destination, many of the businesses along New Halls Ferry have gone and there is nothing left but grass sprouting up between the asphalt where the movie theater that I grew up visiting once stood. Businesses we once visited regularly like Chuck E Cheese, Children's Palace, Casa Gallardo, and Target, are all empty buildings or empty lots, devoid of any significant commercial activity, but not devoid of significant economic potential.

Over the past 20 years, Ferguson has made huge strides and huge achievements in its economic development efforts. We have successfully cleared many blighted areas, attracted new businesses, restored historic buildings, and built new ones. Unfortunately where Ferguson ends and St. Louis County takes over, so does much of those successes. I would attribute this to the simple fact that north of 270, St. Louis County is trying to play the role of a city and a county, and it is proving difficult to be both well. In fact, a recent poll commissioned to gauge public opinion of municipal services and citizens' attitude toward a possible annexation in the area across 270 showed that residents in the proposed annexation area are not happy with the services they are receiving from St. Louis County. They feel they are heading in the wrong direction and they believe they deserve better. I know the city of Ferguson can offer them better.

Last month the City Council passed an ordinance to submit a proposal for annexation of the area north of 270 along W. Florissant and New Halls Ferry to the St. Louis County Boundary Commission. This decision wasn't reached hastily and it is a decision that we don't take lightly. The decision was reached only after months of examining the revenues generated from the area and the liabilities related to providing an increased level of service. The findings of our examination show this to be mutually beneficial to the citizens of Ferguson as well as those residents in the proposed annexation area.

Over the next few months, the St. Louis Boundary Commission will hold hearings to give Ferguson an opportunity to explain its case for annexation, and allow residents of both areas to give their thoughts and concerns on the proposal. If the Commission believes the proposal to be viable, they will place the issue on the ballot next year to be voted on by the residents of Ferguson and the residents in the unincorporated area. If the issue receives a majority approval in both areas, we will be welcoming the largest influx of new residents in decades.

The City will be releasing details of the annexation proposal this month, I encourage everyone to see the information for themselves. I also encourage people to go visit the areas we wish to annex and imagine what the area could look like once again. This annexation has the potential to be a huge game changer for Ferguson and for North County. Cleaning up the blight and restoring commerce to this very visible area along the highway would change the public face of North County, and help bring revenue and jobs back to the area.

This area has a great deal of potential, and the journey to make this dream a reality is not going to be short, it is just beginning. And remember, because we can't see it yet, doesn't mean that it is not there and that it is not possible!

The Ferguson City Council will meet once in August. The meeting will be held in the City Council Chambers at 110 Church Street. The meeting date is: Tuesday, August 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Ferguson Neighborhood Organizations

Dates & times subject to change. Check www.fergusoncity.com

Group	Next Mtg.	Location	Contact
Forestwood Park Neighborhood Group	Aug 5 7 pm	Emmaus Bible Chapel 900 Highmont	Donald Stevens 314-561-0379
Jeske Park Neighborhood Assc.	Aug 7 7 pm	Jeske Park (Ice Cream Social)	Kate Mazzacavallo katemazza@yahoo.com
Nesbit-Newton	TBA	Nesbit-Newton Park	Paul Beins 314-869-5080
North Hills Neighborhood Assc.	TBA	Check website for updates www.fergusoncity.com	Keith Kallstrom 314-524-1720
Northwest Ferguson Ferguson Hills, Ferguson Fields & Pauline Park	Aug 14 7 pm	First Baptist Church 333 N Florissant	Shelley Davis leeshel57@sbcglobal.net
Old Ferguson East Neighborhood Assn.	TBA	Corner Coffee House 100 N Florissant	Glenda Rickard 314-364-4306 glenda.rickard@mercy.net
Old Ferguson West Neighbors	TBA	Corner Coffee House 100 N Florissant	Vicki Salsman 314-522-3883
Robert-Superior Neighborhood Group	As needed	Robert-Superior Park	Craig Kidd 314-522-3151
Southwest Ferguson Neighborhood Group	TBA	Our Lady of Guadalupe 17 Hawkesbury	Ken Barnadyn 314-524-5254
Wabash Neighborhood Assn.	Sept 8 7 pm	First Baptist 333 N Florissant	Shonnette Morgan sdenisemor@hotmail.com

Attention Ferguson Homeowners

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- Add new siding
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- Repair or replace the roof
- Pave or repair your driveway
- Install new windows
- Update your kitchen or bath
- Complete other repairs or improvements

General qualifications:

- You must own and occupy the property to be improved as your primary residence
- You must have good credit history and the ability to repay the loan
- You must have a City of Ferguson occupancy permit
- Your waste disposal payments must be current
- You must not use more than 15% of the total area of your residence in a trade or business
- A City of Ferguson Exterior Appearance Inspection will be conducted. The loan may be used to abate code violations.

For more information and a full list of loan terms please call the Ferguson Neighborhood Improvement Program at 524-5158. For a loan application please call UMB Ferguson Banking Center at 314-595-6000.

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Summer is here and the Ferguson Recreation Department has some programs that fit the mood. Be sure to get up to the Recreation Office to register or call us at (314) 521-4661.

Community Center

The NEW Ferguson Community Center is coming soon. The City of Ferguson is excited to offer a diverse range of programming at the new Community Center including: fitness classes, youth programming, teen programming, senior programming, and fun family activities. The building will consist of a fitness area, a game room, gymnasium, internet café, locker rooms, multi-purpose rooms, senior center, and a teen center. The building will be open Monday through Thursday from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Community Center will be available to rent for special events, meetings, and parties, as well as provide space for a variety of community groups such as neighborhood associations, civic groups, and other local organizations to meet. The multi-purpose rooms will be able to house a small meeting up to a larger event.

The City of Ferguson will be hosting an open house event in September. Keep your eyes open for advertisements about the date and time of the open house. We look forward to showing off our new community center!

Yoga

Yoga is one of the best ways to relieve stress and tension! Yoga is a great way to better health by challenging yourself with a non-stop series of integrated movements. Yoga sessions run on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays. The cost for a 6 session punch card is \$30 for residents and \$35 for non-residents. Participants are asked to bring a towel to class. Classes are filling up fast so sign up today!

Tai Chi

The slow, dance-like speed of Tai Chi facilitates balance, flexibility, and calmness, with an emphasis on deep breathing. Tai Chi benefits your mind and body by relieving stress, improving balance, and promoting an active lifestyle. New 6 session Tai Chi punch cards cost \$39 for residents and \$44 for non-residents. Sign up today!

High Impact Aerobics

Want to improve your cardiovascular health and burn off those pounds? Our high-impact class involves exercises that get both your feet off the ground and really get your heart pumping. Classes are offered three days a week. It's easy to get a routine started. If you're ready to burn those pounds off, give high-impact aerobics a try. The cost for one 8 session punch card class is \$24 for residents and \$29 for non-residents.

Zumba

Zumba fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow moves to create a dynamic fitness workout that will blow you away. We want you to want to work out, to love working out, and to get hooked. Zumba participants experience an absolute blast in one exhilarating hour of calorie-burning, body-energizing, awe-inspiring movements. Six session punch cards cost \$39 for residents and \$44 for non-residents. Sign up today!

Adult Softball

Break out the glove and step up to the plate in the Ferguson Fall Softball League. Registration ends August 29, league starts in September.

Ages: 21 and up
 Days: Sunday - Men, Thurs. - Seniors, and Fri. - Co-Ed
 Times: 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
 Location: Forestwood Park
 Sunday Fee: \$395/Residents \$440/Non-Residents
 Thursday Fee: TBD
 Friday Fee: \$220/Residents \$260/Non-Residents

Adult Co-Ed Kickball

Go back to the good old days and join the Ferguson Kickball League! Registration is now open.

Ages: 21 and up
 Date: TBD
 Days: Friday
 Times: 6:30 p.m.
 Location: Forestwood Park
 Fee: \$155/Residents



Puppy Pre-School

Get your puppy off on the right paw with classes that encourage good behavior while helping you establish a strong bond with your new arrival.

Date: TBD (Call Recreation Office)
 Time: Friday, 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
 Location: January Wabash Park
 Fee: \$49/Resident \$54/Non-Residents

Beginner Dog Obedience

Covers commands such as heel, sit, down, stay, and come. Introduction to agility and socialization with other dogs and people.



Date: TBD (Call Recreation Office)
 Time: Thurs., 6:30 p.m.-7:45 p.m.; Fri., 7:30 p.m.-8:45 p.m.
 Location: January Wabash Park
 Fee: \$49/Resident \$54/Non-Residents

Advanced Dog Obedience

This class expands on all beginner level instruction with further development for your dog to learn behaviors involving distance, duration, and distractions.

Date: TBD (Call Recreation Office)
 Time: Monday, 6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 Location: January Wabash Park
 Fee: \$49/Resident \$54/Non-Residents

Fairmount Horse Races

Grab a friend or two and join us for a fun-filled day of horse racing at Fairmount Park. Cost includes a racing program, a deluxe buffet lunch, transportation, admissions, taxes and tips.

Date: Tuesday, August 19
 Time: 10:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$45/Residents
 \$50/Non-Residents

Kentucky Lake Get-Away/Nashville Flea Market

This trip includes dinner at Patti's Settlement Grand Rivers, Grand Rivers Variety Show, Nashville Flea Market (One of a kind shopping experience!), Yacht Sunset Dinner/Cruise, 2 nights Lake Barkley Lodge, and Resort Activities.

Date: Fri., Aug. 22 - Sunday, August 24
 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$410/Residents
 \$435/Non-Residents(double occupancy)



Ring of Fire at Arrow Rock Lyceum Theatre and lunch at Old Tavern

Arrow Rock invites you to enrich the present by visiting the past. Upon arrival in this historic Santa Fe Trail Town of the mid-1800, there will be time to visit shops filled with antiques, specialty gifts and old-time crafts. Next, applaud an afternoon performance in the air-conditioned Lyceum Theatre and watch "Ring of Fire".

Date: Wednesday, September 3
 Time: 7:45 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$98/Residents
 \$103/Non-Residents

Day in Effingham, IL

Join us for this trip to the "cross at the crossroads". We will enjoy a variety of locations and wonderful stops. Locations include Firefly Grill, My Garage Corvette Museum, shopping, and tours.

Date: Thursday, September 18
 Time: 8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$75/Residents
 \$80/Non-Residents

Mystery Trip

We can't tell you much but we promise you will enjoy this trip to a beautiful area of our country!

Date: Thursday, Sept. 25 - Sunday, Sept. 28
 Time: 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$620/Residents \$640/Non-Residents
 (double occupancy)

Branson, Missouri

Join us for this great trip to Branson, MO where we will enjoy several shows while staying at the Savannah House for 2 nights which features an extensive breakfast each morning and a warm treat each evening.

Date: Thursday, October 9 - Saturday, October 11
 Time: 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$480/Residents \$505/Non-Residents
 (double occupancy)

Wayside Park Unleashed

This park is for the dogs, accompanied by responsible owners, to play without leashes. The facility offers a great opportunity for individuals to spend quality time with their dogs and friends while enjoying the park. The park features both small dog and large dog areas.

The park is open from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily. Registration is required and can be completed at the Recreation Office. Owners will need to bring up-to-date shot records: rabies, DHPP and Bordetella.

Yearly Fee: \$30 Residents \$60 Non-Residents
 \$5 per additional dog (three dogs per family).

Splash at Wabash

Wabash Club Membership

Benefits include: free priority entry to open swim, extra large Café soft drinks for only \$1, Splash Mug discounts, free exclusive monthly Club parties (July 18 and August 31), discounts for private and Birthday parties, Grandkids included and discount on season deck locker fee.
 Fee: Individual- Residents \$65; Non-Residents \$125
 Family - Resident \$135; Non-Resident \$210
 (Memberships discounted 50% beginning July 5)

Birthday Parties

The Splash is the place for kids to have their Birthday parties this summer. Parties for residents include a snack (hot dog, popcorn, and soda), use of the party room and admission to the Splash.
 Schedule: During open swim
 Fee: \$8 per person, minimum of 8; maximum of 18, plus \$25 for party room

Private Parties

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Corrections:

The Ferguson 4th of July Festival Committee regrets the following errors in their 2014 Ad Book:

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Goody Goody Diner, located at 5900 Natural Bridge is under new ownership: The Safi Family

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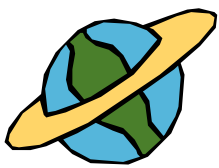
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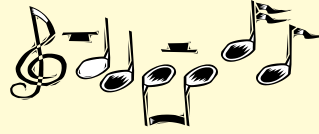
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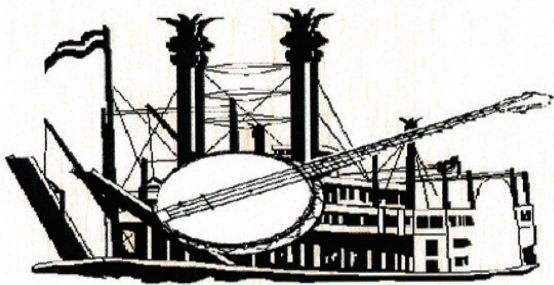
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The Ferguson Cyclist by Gerry Noll

If you read this column regularly you'll know that bicyclists traveling cross-country come through our area all the time. There are only so many places where you can cross the Mississippi River and St. Louis has a bunch of them. A quick google of the question "How many bridges cross the Mississippi River?" gives various answers (Of course! It's the internet! Why would you think there's only one correct answer?). But it generally seems like there are about 220 bridges over the river. Some of those are railroad bridges. And many of them are bridges that you would not want to ride a bicycle on, like the I-270 bridge. So the limited number of good bicycling bridges across the Mississippi tends to funnel cross-country riders through our area. Plus our area has the absolute best bridge for bicycling across the river: the Chain of Rocks Bridge.

Take the time to chat with these cross-country bicyclists if you have the opportunity. Almost all of them have interesting stories surrounding their rides. If you would like to read about some cross-country bicyclists that have previously come through Ferguson and have been written about, online columns that contain their stories are available at <http://www.fergusoncyclingclub.com/articles.shtml>. Just look up the month of each column and click the link to read it:

- August, 2010 – Dave Allen spent some time in Ferguson riding his "high wheeler" (an old 1890s style bicycle with a huge front wheel) around. This column also has links to YouTube videos of his rides.
- August, 2011 – Australian tourists Ian and Linda are amazed at how much water we have here in the U.S. when compared to their home country.
- September, 2011 – a young Irish rider and his team in the Race Across America got lost while coming through the St. Louis area and stopped in the bike shop for directions.
- July, 2013 – a group of riders from Taiwan and a solo rider from Korea stop in the shop for necessary repairs to help them on their ways.

Well, it's happened again. A bicyclist came in the shop in the middle of July to get some spare inner tubes for his trip and told us about the group he was riding with. The group is called Bike and Build. You can read about them at Bikeand-Build.org.

According to their website "Bike & Build organizes cross-country bicycle trips which benefit affordable housing groups. Over ten seasons, Bike & Build has contributed more than \$4.5M to housing groups to fund projects planned and executed by young adults... Through pre-arranged gifts, Bike & Build funds affordable housing projects executed by our participants in communities where our events begin. Through our grant program, our organization identifies and supports exciting projects involving

young people all throughout the nation. Bike & Build also supports local affordable housing organizations along each route through on the road donations."

The young man who came in was riding from Maine to California with a group that was stopping along the way to help build affordable housing. One of their stops was here in St. Louis. Who even knew that groups like this existed? That's the type of interesting things you can learn from cross-country bicyclists!

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And check out these great rides in August and September:

Weekly 10-10-10 bicycle rides. Leaving from the Ferguson Bicycle Shop every Saturday, these rides will go 10 miles at 10mph. Meet behind the shop at 10:00am, and be ready to leave promptly at 10:10am. Come ride with us and enjoy some adventures!

Two Wheeled Tour Series. This series of family-friendly rides, sponsored by St. Louis Bicycle Works, will give you the opportunity to visit historic areas of St. Louis. Each ride starts at 9:30 AM. More info at <http://www.bworks.org/events/>

- August 2nd • Automobile Row/Locust Street Meet at the intersection of Locust and Theresa, one block north of Olive and east of Grand
- o This tour visits several of the buildings from "Automobile Row" as well as other sites of historic importance, and perhaps the most overlooked literary landmark in the entire country.

- August 30th • Old North St. Louis Meet at Crown Candy Kitchen, 14th & St. Louis Avenue

- o This tour begins and ends at Crown but explores the entirety of a neighborhood that began its existence as an independent city with an unusual and visionary urban plan.

- Sept 13th • Lafayette Square and Soulard Meet at the Lafayette Square Park Office and former Police Station, near the southeast corner of the Park at the intersection of Lafayette & Mississippi

- o Explore the first municipal park west of the Mississippi, the oldest extant "private place" in St. Louis, and BikeWorks' neighbors in this tour of two of the most historic neighborhoods in the entire Midwest.

- The Moonlight Ramble – "The World's Original Nighttime Bike Ride", Saturday, August 9. The granddaddy of them all! Just like last year, you will be able to pick up your t-shirt and registration packet in advance at the Ferguson Bicycle Shop. And this year there is an added twist: a moonlight run! Runners start at 12:30am and run the same course as the bicyclists. More info and online registration at <http://www.moonlightramble.com/>.

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If you want to talk about cycling, comment on this column, or learn more about the Ferguson Cycling Club (<http://www.fergusoncyclingclub.com>), you can reach me at: emd0072-cycling@yahoo.com.

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The Ferguson Computer Corner

by Doug Neely



ACCORDING TO <http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/august.htm>

there are no major holidays in August. you would think that with as many holidays we have, at least some of them would be in August. oh well.

LET'S MAKE OUR OWN HOLIDAY, dept.

i think we should make the entire month of August "Be Kind To Your Puter Month"! we should make sure it has everything it needs to run well so that it can do the work we give it to do with plenty of accuracy and efficiency. clean house, get more ram, vacuum out the dust, make sure that ALL of the fans are running, wipe it down with a soft cotton cloth (like cheese-cloth) or something that will not scratch. go thru your list of installed programs and uninstall the ones that are no longer necessary. if your updates are not current, set aside the necessary time needed to get all of the updates you need. these days, it is critical to do that, especially when it includes any protective software you run, like anti-virus and firewall programs,

and the like.

HERE'S AN IDEA, dept. the last two months i told you how to backup your puter and its important files. in keeping with that, i would like to also suggest that you pay particular interest in HOW your puter runs, and whether or not that is normal. notice the little noises it makes. notice the lights. if you hear or see something that you normally do not, or vice-versa, seek professional help immediately. do NOT wait! it will NOT get better, nor miraculously fix itself! IT WILL ONLY GET WORSE, AND MAYBE MORE EXPENSIVE, AND LIKELY CAUSE IRREPARABLE DAMAGE! of course you should ALWAYS be acutely aware of your puter so that you can catch these problems the instant they happen, but let's pay particular attention this month, to keep our puters happy, and to ensure your own continued computing enjoyment!

IF YOU have ANY questions about ANY of the above, or ANY other puter-related questions, i am available to help. i would be happy to explain the issues to you, and what

may need to be done, so that you can make an intelligent decision as to how to proceed. (contact info at end of article.)

ME GO NOW!

just as a puter tech gets concerned when the puter owner waits til the problem gets worse, God is concerned when your personal relationship with Him is lacking. put in some quality time with Him; He misses those talks with you more than you can imagine! He will NEVER let you down! i think i will go now to talk with Him, and to thank Him for all he does for me.

...it is now safe to turn on your computer!

IF YOU would like to discuss your puter issues (or just to jaw) with Doug, call him in the PM hours of most any day. He will return your call if he sees your number on the caller ID. When emailing, be sure to put the phrase: "i need puter advice" into the subject line, or it will not get to him.

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Insect Bites

Information taken from the Internet and Mayo Clinic

Do's

- Remove the person from the area to prevent further stings
- Attempt to identify the bug so that if medical treatment is necessary the doctor will know what caused the reaction.
- Remove the stinger and venom sack carefully if present. To do this, use a credit card or dull knife and scrape along the surface of the skin to remove it intact.
- Clean the area of the bite or sting with soap and water to prevent secondary infection and to remove any remaining venom.
- Watch for signs of infection or diseases resulting from the bite or sting.

Don'ts

- Apply any sort of tourniquet to the area.
- Take any aspirin or other pain reliever without consulting a doctor first.
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Financial Focus

By Joan Cleaveland (consultjoan@att.net)
Business Manager for St. Joseph's Parish in Cottleville
Lindenwood University BA – Business Administration.

Technology has moved so fast in the last twenty years, many people in my generation are having a hard time keeping up. I've also noticed that many of them are only trying to keep up because of family and Facebook. Our ability to communicate with family all over the world is amazing. In some ways it might seem that we are closer because of it. The one thing that does concern many is that it seems nothing is private anymore.

With the increase in identity theft and fraud involving credit card information, you might think that we would harken back to the days of keeping this information under lock and key. Yet every time I shop I am asked for my e-mail address and cell phone number so they can keep in touch with me for coupons and bargains. I am always reluctant to give that information because I have enough trouble keeping up with the e-mails I do want to read. I am also concerned about who else will have access to that information. And when the store just processed my credit card and now they have my e-mail, I worry that somehow this information is being used to benefit someone else.

With our reliance on smart phones and maintaining more information on these devices without paper to back it up, folks my age are getting a little worried. In just the past 5 years I've heard of two new services that are a bit of a puzzle to me. First there's the "cloud." Everything you consider valuable on your PC or mobile device can be saved in the cloud. I have some trouble dealing with something I can't see or touch. Back in the eighties I remember working with others preparing a large report on a Haunted House project the Jaycees had put on. Just as our President finished his last key stroke with a sigh of relief his foot hit the power strip the PC was plugged into and oops it was gone in a second. So that lesson has really stuck with me and I am diligent about backing things up. Today most people have an external hard drive for that purpose just in case the PC crashes. I've never had to try to restore anything, but I feel pretty secure knowing I have it.

Now with the cloud I could allow all of my information to be stored by a vendor in the cloud. This all sounds pretty remarkable, but at the same time I worry about having my information stored off site and in the cloud seems a little dangerous. If you are under forty you may be very comfortable with the cloud. Folks like me need a little more reassurance. So I've done some research on the cloud concept, it turns out that it has been around longer than I thought. Back in the 1950's when large mainframe computers were used, it became apparent that sharing CPU time with multiple terminals was more efficient. Over time this developed and by the 1990s telecommunications companies were offering virtual private network (VPN) with quality service at a lower cost.

Since then it has developed into a network of servers. These servers provide access to data and allow you to store data. It's also likely that I have already used the cloud by taking a picture on my phone and then uploading it to Instagram. It is now in the cloud. And if you've used any on-line services to share information with others such as Google Drive or SkyDrive, you are using the cloud. So I will admit it does sound like a great idea and can help reduce costs while giving a person access to programs and information that in the past we would need to purchase and load onto our own hard drive. However, I am still reluctant to share anything personal at this point and it seems that many agree. While service providers are looking into ways of providing more protection with encryption, I would still be reluctant to store any personal information in the cloud. So I found a site (6 Ways to De-Cloud and Avoid Tracking) that explains how to avoid this. It was suggested to go back to paper banking because when you access your account on-line your information is in the cloud. Whoa, that would make things really inconvenient! However, the advice to keep my records on my own PC's hard drive is something I can live with. As I have learned this is the wave of the future and my advice is to tread slowly and not give out too much information.

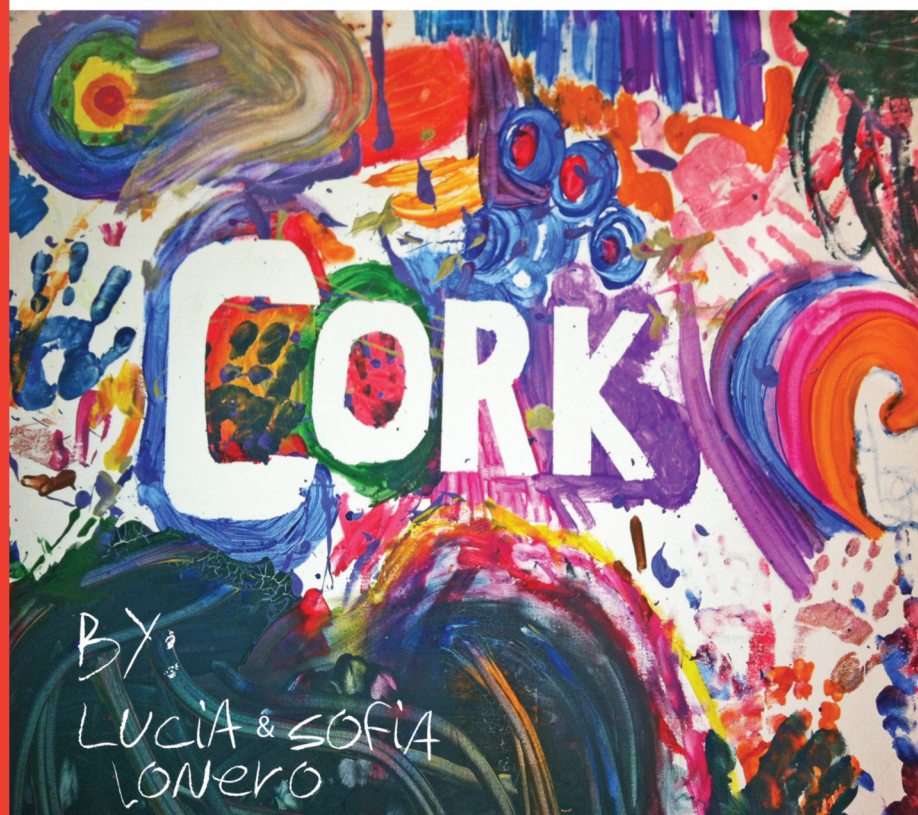
The other new service is the Bitcoin. We've heard about the Bitcoin in the past few years and then not too long ago we heard it had been hacked. I must admit I have a hard time grasping the idea of "digital" currency which is what I have heard it described as. It seems to be a method of exchanging money throughout the world in various currencies without using a bank. Like the value of any currency the Bitcoin will vary. When I checked on-line for information I watched a video which stated it to be worth about \$116 at that time. I am usually a cautious person and the more I looked into Bitcoin the more it seemed like it could easily evolve into a scam. As I looked for information on line I found several links that provide information on mining Bitcoins. This is where I started to get skeptical. The guy in the video is telling me to download something on my PC and suggesting that it will help me make money. Afraid to download something I don't really plan to use, I decide to skip this and move on to the next step. So I don't have a Bitcoin wallet. From what I understand it is like a bank account where you keep your Bitcoins. Now another download is necessary for me to "mine" Bitcoins and join a pool. The way it describes mining sounds like a gambling game. My PC must solve a mathematical problem and I get a payout. There is even a program you can access on-line to determine how much money you can make which takes into account what cost might be involved to improve your PC enabling it to solve more problems. Even after watching this video which included screen shots to help you download the programs needed, I am confused. It reminded me of many of the get rich quick schemes we've all heard of. I had really just wanted to learn how to buy a Bitcoin.

So I continued looking for information and did find that you can purchase Bitcoins, they are not considered a tangible item. It does have value to use for making purchases and donations. It's been compared to Paypal and a bank

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wire transfer without the cost. It was estimated that a 6.5 M dollar transaction would cost about six cents using Bitcoin, while the same transaction would cost \$188,500 using Paypal and another \$227,500 for a bank wire. Reasons for the costs involved government regulations which do not affect Bitcoin. So does this mean it isn't safe or could easily become corrupt? Perhaps, yet as I have found there are other digital currencies out there and in the future we may see more opportunities for buying and using these types of currency. For right now, it seems the most common use has been for gifts and donations which make up 55% of its usage. And learning about the fact that they were hacked and had losses of about 5% of their total base is concerning.

For right now, I am content to continue using the old fashioned method to pay for things and keeping most of my information stored on my own PC. If you have comments or suggestions please e-mail consultjoan@att.net.



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Wed., Aug. 13Black forest	Fri., Aug. 29.....mint Oreo
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Ferguson by Foot

By: Margaret Wolfinbarger

Many of us lead largely inactive lives. Modern conveniences make this possible. A recent camping trip in the country reminded me just how much I take for granted. After I spent 13 of my 14 waking hours on my feet, I collapsed into my camp chair. I leaned back so I could watch the stars only to realize I couldn't keep my eyes open. Even in the best condition of my life, I was completely exhausted.

One of the most challenging things about this trip was my desire to make healthy food choices. It is certainly easy to throw together a

bag of hot dogs, chips and marshmallows but for someone who tries to avoid eating processed foods, packing campfire meals requires some forethought. Our trip required two large coolers which were chock full of fruit, vegetables and assorted meats. Since all of our food was to be prepared over a campfire, I packed a huge roll of aluminum foil and prepared all my veggies beforehand. Even so, I spent at least 2 hours cooking each meal for my family. God bless them, they all asked for seconds before I had firsts, which is why I had so little time to sit down. I developed a new appreciation for my own mother in the process.

One of the things I love most about the country is hiking because I like to explore. On this trip we decided to follow a gravel road and see where it led. The road was very steep in places and as a result my boys got tired. My youngest is five years old and I was able to hoist him on my back and carry him back to the campsite. He only weighs a third of the total amount of weight that I've lost so it was particularly rewarding to be able to care for him this way. I would never have attempted such a feat when I weighed 310 pounds.

Vehicles make it easy to rely on oil and gasoline for our transportation needs but the best kind of exploration happens by foot. Television may offer a view into the wilderness via reality TV but it doesn't grant us the opportunity to experience the rustle of tree limbs, the cry of a hawk or the quiet pleasure of weary limbs after a long hike. And while some people might balk at the idea of bathing in a river, there is nothing quite like the cold water washing away dirt and sweat while crawdads nibble on your toes.

Many readers know I also like to explore the streets of Ferguson. Elizabeth Avenue has been my "boot camp" of choice as I walk or jog up the beautiful tree-lined street. Walking a few minutes each day provided the outlet to burn off my layer of excess body fat and give me the necessary energy to enjoy vacations in the country. There are days I don't feel like exercising but then I remember how it feels when the wind brushes the hair from my face and the trickle of sweat on my back that says I've burned enough calories to enjoy some sugar-free custard from the Whistle Stop. My youngest son will say, "Are you going on a walk, Mom? Can I come too?" and I remember I'm also leaving a heritage of good health to my children.

I encourage everyone to get some kind of physical exercise once a day, be it walking, dancing in your living room or taking the stairs at work. You'll feel better and you may learn something new about yourself in the process. I used to think hills were natural instruments of torture devised by God to hurt me, but now I know they are instruments of grace. The hills of Ferguson have given me the greatest gift known to man; good health. Hopefully I'll be exploring their virtues for many years to come.

Margaret's Campfire Veggies

- 4 bell peppers, seeded and cut in quarters
- 2 vidalia onions, peeled and cut in large chunks
- 3 portabella mushroom caps cut in large chunks
- 1 tablespoon of butter
- ¼ cup of balsamic vinegar

Wash, cut and store all fresh ingredients in large Ziploc bags. When ready to cook, take a large sheet of foil and throw in veggies. Dash balsamic vinegar, butter, salt and pepper over and wrap tightly. Toss foil bag into hot coals until cooked through (about 30 minutes). Serve with grilled chicken sausage or your meat of choice.



2014 Vacation Bible School hosted by Immanuel United Church of Christ through the Ferguson Ecumenical Partnership of Churches in Ferguson and the Ministerial Alliance. 75+ children participated in this year's VBS. A BIG THANK YOU to Sarah Klasing, VBS Director and all adult and youth volunteers!



Reverend Reflections

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Rev. Carleton Stock (carletonstock@aol.com)

Enlightened Managers of Creation

"It is as if humanity had been suddenly appointed managing director of the biggest business of all, the business of evolution---appointed without being asked if they wanted it, and without proper warning and preparation. What is more, they can't refuse the job. Whether they want to or not, whether they are conscious of

what they are doing or not, they are in point of fact determining the future direction of evolution on this earth. That is their inescapable destiny, and the sooner they realize it and start believing in it, the better for all concerned..."

Julian Huxley, 20th Century English biologist and writer

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it."

Genesis 2:15

The Book of Genesis in the Bible gives us two images of the role of human beings on earth. Chapter one describes our role as having dominion over creation and Chapter two as being caretakers of creation. Honestly, I prefer the title of "enlightened managers of creation," closer to Genesis 2 and to Julian Huxley's comment above.

Humans are to be the enlightened managers of creation much like the manager of a company who rises through the ranks rather than the one who is brought in from another office far away. We are already part of the creation and it's nearly 14 billion years of life's evolution rather than being somehow outside of the whole process. We do not dominate but rather lovingly guide the whole operation in partnership, co-creating with the divine power and presence of the universe.

Enlightened managers know that we must shift as soon as possible to renewable energy (sun, wind, water, geothermal, etc.) freely given and not damaging to earth and people. They want to create a constructive presence on the planet, not a destructive one--a place where all creatures can live in freedom and abundance. Not-yet-enlightened managers are mostly interested in practices that benefit us in the short-run (our life-time) and that eventually poison the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the land from which we get our food.

May we all be wise managers of creation here in the Ferguson area, wise advocates for a society and world in which we would want our grandchildren's grandchildren to be happy and productive.

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Project Hands

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Under The Hood With Robinwood
By Bob McGartland

Back to School is a Busy Time!

It is hard to believe that school will be back in session very soon. Back to school normally means many trips across town, across the state, and maybe across the country as we ready our students for their return to the classroom. Back to school also means fall is just around the corner. Here are a few tips for your back to school and fall driving.

As the days begin to grow shorter, inspect all your lights including the headlights, running lights, and very important brake lights. Any burnt out bulbs should be replaced. Special attention should be paid to your tires, especially for the gray rainy days that frequent the fall driving season. Without sufficient tread depth, under wet conditions, your vehicle can hydroplane. This means your tires are skimming over the road with no or little traction, and creates loss of steering control. Avoid this scary event by stopping in a letting us perform a simple AND FREE tread check. We will give you an honest report about the condition of your tires. If you need new tires, we will provide a free, no obligation, estimate. Make sure you have your wiper blades checked during your vehicles next oil service to make sure they are in good operating condition.

If you have not had your coolant tested, this a good time to have it done. The coolant in your vehicle's radiator breaks down over time. It's vital to keeping your

engine operating at the proper temperature because with the change of seasons coming up, one day you have your A/C operating, and the next day you need the heater on. Good coolant is important for a proper operating heating and cooling systems in your vehicle. If you are not sure when you last had your engine's cooling system flushed, stop in and we can perform a quick test and advise you about the condition of your coolant. A coolant flush is an inexpensive service that can prevent a very expensive repair. It is also vital to your comfort while driving.

If I can recommend one thing to everyone reading this article, it would be to have a bumper to bumper inspection done on your vehicle two times each year. I suggest having this done as we enter the warm time of year, and again when it starts to get cold. At Robinwood, we have a car care special that we offer all year round. In addition to an oil change, we will inspect all your under hood fluids, inspect your belts and hoses, load test your battery, inspect your brakes, test the coolant condition, grease your steering linkage, inspect your tires, test drive your vehicle to check the alignment, and give you a written report about everything we find. This service is an inexpensive option two times each year to make sure your vehicle is in good shape. It also allows us to catch a problem before it gets more serious and expensive.

Please have a safe and enjoyable back to school and fall season. Keep a watchful eye for all those school kids loading and unloading from the school buses.

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We Need Help to Continue the Ferguson 4th of July Tradition

Dear Friends:

For over 40 years the Ferguson community has hosted an annual 4th of July Parade and Festival. Our small dedicated committee of volunteers is literally dying out. We now have approximately 10 members, some of which have health problems which do not allow them to physically participate at our Fundraising activities.

Some of you may not be aware of what our committee actually does for the Festival and Parade. We provide the majority of the funds to host the parade and festival at no charge to the Ferguson residents and area communities. This year our committee hosted a number of ham and bean dinners, a BBQ, made to order omelets at the farmers market and our Ad Book. We raised over twenty thousand dollars for this year's 2014 Festival.

We provide a petting zoo, pony rides, pig races, clowns, face painters, jugglers, princesses, fairies, super heroes, magicians, science experiments, a graffiti wall, balloon artistry, watermelon eating contest, arts and crafts, children's inflatable rides, live bands for the park and several marching bands for the parade and bag pipers . . . all free. The city provides the Fireworks.

We need your help to continue this tradition. Without the infusion some new blood, especially some younger members, our great tradition is in jeopardy of being lost. We want this time-honored tradition to remain alive and well for future generations, but we need you HELP.

We meet monthly, generally the second Monday of the month. We start the 2015 season on Monday, August 11th, at the Corner Coffee House from 6:00-7:00 pm. The meetings generally last an hour.

Please join us Monday, August 11th. Let me know by e-mail, brianp.fletcher@gmail.com or call me at 314-852-4754 if you can help.

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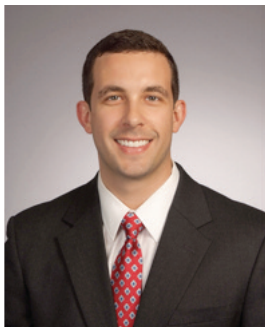
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Dr. Dennis "Ian" English, Orthopedic Surgeon from Calverton Park

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis English, 30-year residents of Calverton Park, are very proud to announce the graduation of their son, Dr. Dennis "Ian" English, from Loyola's Stritch School of Medicine in Maywood, IL on Saturday, May 17, 2014.



Ian attended Walnut Grove School; John Burroughs High School; and received a Bachelor of Arts in Biology at Washington University in St. Louis; and a Master's degree in Medical Sciences from Loyola University before commencing to Loyola Medical School. Ian has been very active in community and extracurricular activities and excelled in football and track throughout high school and college. He has been commended by organizations such as The Jack Orchard ALS Foundation for his many hours of volunteering and personal dedication and commitment.

On June 25, 2014, Ian began his five-year residency in Orthopedic Surgery at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We wish him the best in this next phase of his life and career.

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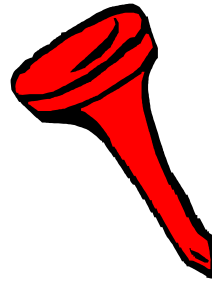
Thursday, August 7th – Finding the Fountain of Youth

Wednesday, August 13 – Essential Oils Class

by Dr. Martha

DON'T BLAME THE TEE

It's just a tee; a small piece of wood barely weighing an ounce. But when you bent to pick it up after finishing the last hole, it may as well have been a 300 pound bar-bell. You felt your back pop and now the searing spasm is setting in. How could such a little thing cause such a big problem?



What you didn't realize is your spine had been going bad for some time now. At some point, your vertebrae lost their alignment . . .

possibly a few months ago from a minor slip or maybe from years of neglect. Subtle nerve pressure ensued (subluxation) and now your muscles are doing just about all they can to keep you upright.

Bending over on the 9th green was literally the last tee that broke the camel's back.

When a minor act turns into a major injury, it's not what you did that concerns your chiropractor the most . . . it's what you're NOT doing that does. Let it be a lesson to pay more attention to the maintenance needs of your spine. Do the smart thing; stay regular with your spinal adjustments to prevent a repeat event.

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Lindbergh High School, 5000 So. Lindbergh, Sappington

Sew Good and Trendy to Appear at Lindbergh High School Fall Arts and Crafts Show



Rachel Shelton is the designer and seamstress behind Sew Good and Trendy. She began this endeavor in 2009 because she wondered if there was an easier and more fashionable way to use reusable shopping bags. Rachel, an avid sewer, and having a great respect for God and our planet, started looking for eco-friendly materials appropriate for creating bags. She was so delighted and inspired with all of the lovely and durable materials she found, she decided to create Sew Good and Trendy.

Creating this small handmade and eco-friendly business was a perfect fit for Rachel because it gave her a creative outlet and allowed her to show others the many lovely green materials available. The mission of Sew Good and Trendy is to "Show the world that environmentally conscious choices can be made without sacrificing personal style and convenience." Rachel started with creating market totes, but now her designs include fashion purses, cross body bags, wristlets, and even reusable snack sacks!

Rachel also wanted to show her children that no matter what obstacles we face, they can be overcome. One obstacle Rachel deals with everyday is Stargardt's Disease (juvenile onset of macular degeneration) which has significantly decreased her vision and is uncorrectable. Rachel has not let this disease slow her down. She completed a BS in Nuclear Engineering and now is an active mother to two darling girls. Rachel wants to show the world that ANYONE can make a GREEN difference! She hopes you truly enjoy her designs and feel wonderful using them.

Are You Our Neighbor?

Hello Neighbors! Did you know that in the western part of Ferguson, within the boundaries of Dade Avenue, Airport Road, Florissant Road and Maline Creek (south of Suburban Avenue) there is a neighborhood group, Old Ferguson West Neighbors? If you are within these boundaries, whether you rent or own, you are part of the Old Ferguson West Neighborhood...we are your neighbors!

This group was founded in August 2003 to get to know our neighbors, develop effective relationships with city officials and to maintain property values. To accomplish this we have general meetings usually at the Corner Coffee House approximately every six weeks. The meetings give you a chance to talk with your neighbors, meet new ones and find out about activities and events going on within our neighborhood and the City of Ferguson. In addition, there are reports and question and answer sessions with the Police Department and City Counsel, introduction of new business' in Ferguson and various special informational presentations.

We invite anyone who is interested in knowing more about Old Ferguson West to join us at our next general meeting. Here is a listing of the meeting schedule and activities through 2014:

- Friday, August 8th, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM – Zion Lutheran Fish Fry, purchase desserts made by Old Ferguson West residents
- Saturday, August 9th, 8:00 AM – OFW Community Garden work day, located at Suburban and Dade
- Thursday, September 4th, 7:00 PM – Corner Coffee House – General Meeting – Meet Jim Hubecky, the new Code Inspector for the Old Ferguson West neighborhood
- Saturday, September 13th, 8:00 AM – OFW Community Garden work day, located at Suburban and Dade
- Thursday, October 16th, 7:00 PM – General Meeting – Dr. Todd Swanstrom, Professor of Community Collaboration & Public Policy Administration at UMSL speaking about Community Development, Rebounding Communities
- Saturday, October 11th, 11:00 AM – Children's Fall Social at OFW Community Garden
- Tuesday, October 21st, 6:30 PM – Neighbor's Dinner Night Out at El Palenque
- Saturday, November 8th, 8:00 AM – OFW Community Garden work day, located at Suburban and Dade
- Thursday, November 20th, 7:00 PM Corner Coffee House – General Meeting – Ferguson City Manager Year-End Report

Be sure to watch for our signs throughout the Old Ferguson West neighborhood to remind you of the meetings. Dates and times are available in the Ferguson Times. We look forward to meeting you!

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weed daters

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Jeff Adams

2014 COURSE LISTING

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Want to bring your group to tour the farm?

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Letter to the Editor

My husband has fallen several times recently inside and outside our home and both of us want to say THANK YOU to the POLICE DEPARTMENT and the EMT WORKERS WHO HAVE COME AND PICKED HIM UP so many times.

Today he fell again and a kind lady who was driving by helped me get him up and into the house. A young man was in the car too and offered to help. Thanks to each of you for your kind help.

It has MEANT A LOT AND WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. My husband has started much needed Physical Therapy today. We want to THANK the NEIGHBORS for helping us out SO MANY TIMES.

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Ferguson OnWatch News

as reported by Keith Kallstrom
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Lt. Ray Nabzdyk opened the June 11th 2014 meeting of the Ferguson On Watch, welcoming everyone. Our regular Community Resource Officer, Tim Zoll, was recovering from recent knee surgery.

Six burglars were arrested at the beginning of July, and warrants are being sought for the robberies, through video evidence.

4th of July

Families returned again to the 4th of July festival, with only 1 incident to report. A cousin of a relative to a lady tried to steal her purse for money to purchase marijuana, and was seen by our VIP's, which alerted the police. The Ferguson Police quickly apprehended him.

Police Station Construction Update

Lt. Nabzdyk is the liaison between the Police Department and the Construction people. Efforts are underway to remove the circa 1980 lockers & walls, and remodel the entire shower rooms and offices on the lower level, including the muster training room and a lunch-room area.

This 1st phase is scheduled to be completed August 13th, after which the 2nd phase of moving personnel into the completed area will begin. The dispatching will be temporarily moved to St. Louis County. Our dispatchers have been given spots at St. Louis County from which to dispatch our police and emergency services.

The jail will be closed for reconstruction, and the prisoners that need to be

held over or housed will be taken to St. Ann.

By November 1st, we should have our renovated offices, new court facility, new dispatch center, and jail completed. Conduits, capable of handling our new fiber optics and other cabling are also being installed.

STL County ECC

The St. Louis County Emergency Communications Commission (ECC). The STL ECC has 3 projects assigned to it. These were originally funded by a November 2009 sales tax issue and a bond issue that were delayed due to court actions

1) Outdoor Warning Sirens

Currently, there are 199 sirens throughout the county, including one near S. Florissant Rd on Compton Avenue, and one at January Wabash Memorial Park.

2) Interoperable Radio System

Currently, there are 27 towers built or being built in St. Louis County. These towers will also be linked to similar systems in Jefferson County and St. Charles County. By utilizing what's called "talk groups," users will be able to communicate with each other on the same project group. Previously, FBI, Fire, and Police agencies all had their own frequencies, and could not talk to others that were involved in the same incident. With the ability of the new radios to empower talk groups, different

users working on the same issue can communicate with each other whether on a portable radio, a car or mobile radio, or a console (dispatch) radio.

Currently, the Ferguson 911 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) receives calls from Ferguson, Country Club Hills, Calverton Park, and Floridale Hills. All of the 911 PSAP's will be receiving new consoles.

3) E911

The new 911 system will be able to field calls from any device, cell phone, tablet, etc. The accuracy will be down to 25 feet, which certainly beats the old "somewhere between 3 cell towers." The main 911 Communications Center being constructed in Ballwin will be providing this enhanced 911 service. We'll also be able to message by text and by email. This will include the ability to utilize the GPS in vehicles to track in real time on the new electronic map system.

New Assistant Police Chief, Alan Eickhoff, was introduced. Chief Eickhoff had attended one of our Neighborhood Watch meetings where he displayed various guns, rifles, & shot guns for us.

His relevant qualifications include: Bachelor Degree in Administration of Criminal Justice from the University of Missouri St. Louis; He was assigned to the St. Louis County Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Force for ten years, five of which supervising both St. Louis County and Municipal Detectives and five of those years in role of Supervisor/ Investigator for the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). Federal experience included working with Federal, State and local Law Enforcement Officers in multiple states coordinating their Investigations;

He was the supervisor of the Auto Theft Unit, the Fraud Unit and the Bureau of Special Investigations, which covered Prostitution, Gambling, Pornography and Organized Human Trafficking; He also served in the St. Louis County Tactical Operations Unit for fifteen years; five of which he was the Supervisor/Deputy Commander of a Unit which dealt with high risk search warrants, barricaded subjects, suicides in progress and Dignitary visits. During this time he gained substantial experi-

ence in developing crime reduction strategies.

He has been awarded the Medal of Valor, two Meritorious Awards, several Commendations and hundreds of Letters of Appreciation from the public; He understands the importance of being a team player and works well with all levels of staff, community leaders, business owners and residents to promote positive outcomes and achieve the desired goals of protecting lives, property and assuring laws are appropriately enforced.

Asst. Chief Eickhoff was raised, educated and worked in North County. His extensive professional experience as well as being familiar with the local community will be a valuable addition to the Ferguson Police Department. Ferguson Community Emergency Response Team info:

CERT training Aug 9

The Ferguson CERT group has their next training event at Firehouse 1 on Saturday August 9.

Here's to a safe and enjoyable summer! Keith :-)K

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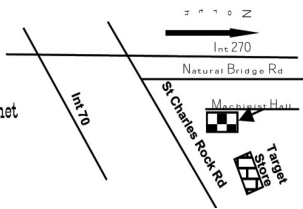
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Historical Ferguson

– by Bob McCarty

I hope you enjoyed your time off from your window project but now it's time to get back to work. When we last worked on our project, we removed the glaze and glass and restored the sash that houses the glass. If you took it upon yourself and ventured into the restoration of the frame by following the process used on the wood part of the sash, then

good for you for taking the initiative to carry on while we traveled through time last month. The restoration of the frame will be discussed next month for those of you that are following this tutorial.

This month, we will be installing the glass back into the restored sash. To start, set one of your restored sashes on the work bench and make sure that the rabbet, the groove that the glass sits, is clean and free of any old glaze; especially on the bottom sash at the top or meeting rail where there is a groove sliced in the wood. This area is about one quarter of an inch deep and all of the glaze will need to be cleaned out of that groove. And all areas have been sanded and primed with an oil base primer. When installing the glass, there are two schools of thought here. First, you can squeeze a bead of cheap caulk into the rabbet and set your glass into the caulk, making sure to wipe all caulk off of the glass that seeped out when pushing the glass into place or just letting it set up and cutting it out with a razor knife.

This second process is how I would set the glass into the sash. While wearing gloves, something like a surgeon would wear, unless you don't mind getting your hands a little gunky; take the glazing compound about the size of a softball and knead it until it is workable with the consistency of smooth putty. Don't worry; you'll know when it's ready. Push the glaze into the rabbet. At this point, the glaze doesn't have to look pretty, it just needs cover the rabbet, making sure you are in the corners and no primer is exposed. At this point, put on your work gloves and set the glass into place and carefully push the glass, at the edges, into the glaze forcing the excess glaze out under the glass. This process will give the glass approximately a 1/8 inch bed to sit on and when the window is back in place, any condensation on the inside of the window will not seep behind the glass and rot the wood.

Now that the glass is set in its bed, you will take the glazers push points and using your putty or glazing knife, push them into the sash being careful not to put too much pressure on the glass to avoid breaking it. Depending on the size of the glass will determine how many points will need to be installed. For instance, if you have a window sash with six pieces of glass, one point on each side will be sufficient. At this point, you can flip the sash over and clean off the excess glaze that was pushed out when you bedded the glass. Make sure that the points are not exposed past the edge of the glazing rabbet where they could be seen through the glass.

Now we are ready to glaze the sash.

Using the ball of putty you used for the bedding of the glass, push it into the glaze rabbet like you did before, with your fingers, your knife or roll it up like a rope and set it in place next to the rabbet. Using the putty or glazing knife, pull the blade against the glaze, glass and top of the rabbet with enough pressure to push the glaze tight against the wood without bumping into the glazing point. You will be able to go over the glaze with multiple passes until you are happy with your glazing run, remove any excess glaze and move onto the next area and smooth out that glazing run. Finish up the two other sides then go back and clean up the corners giving them a nice 90 degree return to the glass. Remember, when you are finished with the glazing, you will want to see about 1/16th of an inch of the glazing rabbet. When you paint, you will want to paint over the glaze onto the glass that last 1/16th of an inch, sealing the glaze. When you look out from the inside, you don't want to see glaze or paint, all you want to see is glass.

Set your finished glazed sash aside and continue glazing the remainder of your restored sash. When you have all sash completely glazed, they will need to be set aside. The glaze will take from between two to four weeks to skin over before they are ready for paint. While the glaze is setting, the more air flow they get the better.

Remember, if this is a project that interests you but you don't have the time or the patience to do such a tedious project, you can give us a call at 314-524-1264 and we can have a conversation about your windows.

I'll see you next month when we will restore the window frames. Until then, Bob is On the Job.

If you recall last month's article about Wildwood, I left out a very important aspect of this historical home. Barrietta Killiebrew and her mother, Carol Austin, have been extensively restoring the house since 1998, and had the house placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2006. My congratulations go out to Killiebrew and her mother in retaining the integrity of this ante-bellum home located right here in Ferguson.

Killiebrew points out the historical significance of the fact that she and her mother, as African Americans, are restoring a home built by slaves 150 years ago.

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Djeli Tales

By Mama Lisa Gage

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Usually during this time of year, I delve into updating family documents and research. I have a passion for leaving good evidence to the next generation about the lives of relatives and ancestors in recent generations. After many frustrating hours of research on the internet, my mom and I drove to Somerville, Tennessee to retrieve a primary source document for the family archives, a marriage certificate from 1881. Such precious links to the past help us appreciate all the more the bonds we have to one another.

Research from Somerville, Tennessee and Mount Vernon, Indiana leads me to a place on the corner of S. Florissant and Compton, the local Quiznos Restaurant. As a family-owned business, the Thomases offer courteous service, delicious cuisine, and great specials to a multitude of loyal customers in and around the Ferguson metro area. The pleasure of watching three generations work together side-by-side is admirable and heart-warming. After trying their catering selections as a picnic alternative, I am now not only a relative, but a fan. Be sure to drop by 258 S. Florissant Road or call 314-521-8080 to place an order. <http://www.quiznos.com/restaurants/store-9590>

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From an educational aspect, Ferguson resident and construction engineer Ronald Moore works ongoing to inspire a new generation of science professionals. He serves as the Pre-College Initiative Coordinator for the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE). As a veteran, Mr. Moore remains committed to the quest for empowering students to hone their skills in science and mathematics to best prepare for the numerous job opportunities available, especially in engineering. NSBE's alumni chapter, collegiate chapter, and junior engineers meet regularly; on the third Saturday of each month, high school students from districts around the metro area convene on the Florissant Valley campus of St. Louis Community College. To become a member of NSBE or get your young student involved, information is available at <http://nsbe-stl.org/>.

In trying to find this information, there was no listing available at Ferguson City Hall. Let's move forward in trying to compile a newspaper listing of African-American businesses and services in the area to give greater visibility to these dedicated entrepreneurs. There are many more business professionals that deserve to be acknowledged whom help to bond us and build our lives here in and around Ferguson.

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On Saturday, August 2, the District will host its annual Back-to-School Fair from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the District's Administration Center, 1005 Waterford Drive in Florissant.

The event will feature free fun and activities, food, and information for students to help them prepare to return to school on Thursday, August 14. Each school in the District will have an information table where students and parents can speak with school staff to learn more about the upcoming year. There will also be a bounce house and face-painting, as well as other fun activities for children of all ages.

Register Your Child For School Now

Parents or guardians may register their child now through August 22 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The registration center located at 1005 Waterford Drive, Building B in Florissant will be closed on Fridays and on Election Day, Tuesday, August 5.

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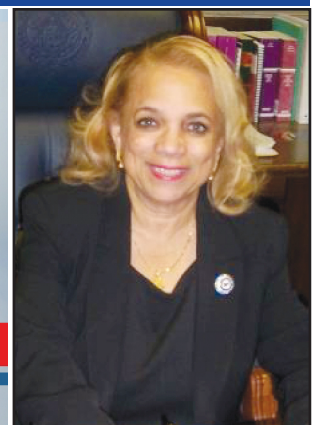
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Ask Grandma

What did we do without air conditioning?

In the 1930s and 40s that I remember, almost every house had a sleeping porch. If you look at the century homes in Ferguson today, you'll find that most have a screened-in porch off an upstairs bedroom. I had a neighbor who had a large screened-in porch that ran the width of his house. His family actually brought the beds from the house out to the porch for the summer months. It was always

fun to spend the night there. All the beds were lined up and we laughed and told ghost stories most of the night.

My family had a screened-in porch on the first floor, but it was too low to catch the breeze. This porch was covered by a tin roof that was too hot to walk on during the day. There were no screens, just a railing. On especially hot nights, we would drag our blankets or mattresses out on this open air porch and try to sleep. We had citronella to rub on our exposed skin, but as I recall, it wasn't very effective in keeping the mosquitoes at bay. I remember looking up at all the stars, and finding the big and small dipper. If an older brother or sister happened to be on the porch that night, he/she would tell us stories about the stars.

Along about May, storm windows came down and stored (they were detachable) and screens were brought out, washed and hung on each window. You shut the window, curtains or blinds on the side of the house that faced the morning sun, and then opened those windows and curtains on the other side of the house; when the afternoon sun began to come from the West you reversed this process. This was a routine that you followed most of the summer. It's still a good idea.

When the 60s and 70s arrived, we bought box fans. These fans would fit into the window frame and we would adjust them to blow out. By opening a window on the other side of the house, we could pull the cool outside air in the open window, through the house and out the bedroom window. It actually was pretty comfortable, but it did nothing to lower the humidity.

It must have been in the 60s or 70s that Ferguson would have regular "brown outs." The electricity would go out for several hours at a time. One particularly hot summer, the lack of electricity in the afternoon happened so often that I would plan the meals around the "brown outs." We had an electric stove so I would cook dinner in the morning and refrigerate it. My brother had given us a 9' by 12' pool after he purchased a larger one for his family. The pool he gave us was only about 1-1/2 ft. deep, but it was a godsend that summer. At 2:00 or 3:00 pm the electricity would go off and the kids and I would retreat to the pool for a couple of hours.

When air conditioners became more common (in the late 70s) we put a unit in the dining room window. My husband cut a hole in the black & white tile floor and the electrical cord ran down to the basement. In the winter, the air conditioner was removed, but the hole remained. When children would come visit, we always told them that the round hole was where our pet snake lived.

Later, when we moved to Tiffin Avenue, we had a unit in the bedroom window. I've always been bothered with the heat but the unit didn't help me sleep much because it blew directly on me and it would cycle in and out all night. Each time it cycled, I would awaken. I was very thankful when we installed central air the following year.

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- Ferguson-Florissant Back-to-School Fair Sat., Aug. 2
- Back-to-School Trivia – DeSmet High School Sat., Aug. 2
- VOTE Tues., Aug. 5
- Pat Liston in Concert – Plaza @ 501 Fri., Aug. 8
- Food Pantry at Ferguson Christian Church Sat., Aug. 9
- CERT Training – Firehouse #1 Sat., Aug. 9
- Ice Cream Social – Ferguson Christian Church Sat., Aug. 9
- Ask a Veterinarian at Ferguson Farmers Market Sat., Aug. 9
- Treasures of the Earth – Mach. Hall Fri., Sat., Sun., Aug. 15,16,17
- St. Louis Ragtime in Concert – St. Peters UCC Fri., Aug. 15
- Food, Clothing and Household Pantry – Oak Hill Baptist Church Sat., Aug. 16
- Take it to the Streets – 1st Baptist Church Sat., Aug. 16
- Latin Festival – January-Wabash Park Sun., Aug. 17
- Christian Scientist Speaker – Overland Community Center . . . Sun., Aug. 17
- Food Trucks at 501 Mon., Aug. 18
- Fairmont Horse Race Trip Tues., Aug. 19
- Anita Rosamond in Concert – Plaza @ 501 Fri., Aug. 22
- Teen Night at the Splash Fri., Aug. 22
- Ferguson Library Storytime Sat., Aug. 23
- Kentucky Lake / Nashville Trip Fri., - Sun., Aug. 22-24
- Food Pantry at Ferguson Christian Church Sat., Aug. 23
- City Council Meeting Tues., Aug. 26
- Dog Splash Wed., Sept. 3
- Arrow Rock Theatre and Lunch Trip Wed., Sept. 3
- Day in Effingham Illinois Trip Thurs., Sept. 18
- Open House – Ferguson Community Center Sat., Sept. 20
- Blessing of the Pets – Immanuel Sun., Sept. 21
- St. Louis Community College Golf Tournament Mon., Sept. 22
- Mystery Trip Thus., - Sun., Sept. 25-28
- Ferguson Streetfest Fri., Sat., Sept. 26, 27

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