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With over 45 vendors, we are a destination for all your fresh farm food needs. Our Saturday morning tradition brings you fresh fruits and veggies, picked within 24 hours of our market and brought directly to you by the friendly farmers who grow them.

Sat., June 2nd:
• Special Event: Ferguson Bicycle Shop, bike repair workshop, 9-11.
• Christian Hospital featuring the Rehab @ Graham. • Yoga 10AM
• Band: Ribtip and Rogers Band 9-11AM

Sat., June 9th:
• Special Event: Style-Taneous Fashion Show • Yoga 10AM • Northern Arts Council provides "Art at the Market" each 2nd and 4th Saturday. LOCAL ARTISTS provide demos, art-making and creative experiences, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. May through October at Ferguson Farmers Market. NAC sponsored Artists will feature various techniques, media and themes. Open to ALL AGES! Community Arts theme this season: #ThisIsMyFerguson.
• Band: The Bedlam Brothers 9-11AM

Sat., June 16th:
• Special Event: Craft Show, stop by and visit our wide variety of craft vendors. • Yoga 10AM • Ferguson Eco Team, "Creating a more environmentally sustainable, spiritually fulfilling, and just human presence in the Ferguson area and on planet Earth. The team works to raise awareness of the need to care for the earth, to network with other organizations with a similar purpose, and to advocate for better care for the environment."
Band: Riff Raff Band 9-11AM

Sat., June 23th:
• Special Event: Ferguson 4th of July presents Circus Day. Come see the circus, Dunk Tank, Circus workshop, face painting, games, balloon animals and a whole lot more! See what happens when the 4th of July Festival and the Ferguson Farmers Market combine 8AM-Noon • Northern Arts Council provides "Art at the Market" each 2nd and 4th Saturday. LOCAL ARTISTS provide demos, art-making and creative experiences, from 9-11AM. May through October at Ferguson Farmers Market. NAC sponsored Artists will feature various techniques, media and themes. Open to ALL AGES! Community Arts theme this season: #ThisIsMyFerguson.
• Band: Crossover Band 9-11AM

Sat., June 30th:
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CityWalk Concert Series 2018

Friday, June 8th – The Decades Band
Time to dance, sing and groove! Or just sit back and enjoy the ageless classic rock, R&B and dance music.

Friday, June 22nd – Abbey Road Warriors Music of the Fab Four with a passion and love that is appreciated by all who have heard them perform.

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Unless otherwise noted
501 So. Florissant Road · 524-5197
citywalk@fergusoncity.com • www.fergusoncitywalk.com
See year's concert series lineup on page 3.

30th of June Schedule

Ferguson Celebrates Fun in the Sun

Our 44th Annual Family Fun Festival

Noon	Parade Starts (at Paul & So. Florissant Rd.) north to January-Wabash Memorial Park, (501 No. Florissant)
1 to 9 pm	Food, Beverage and Game Booths Open at Park
1 pm	Opening Ceremony at Park
	BANDSHELL AREA
2 to 5 pm	Threshold
6 to 9 pm	Boogie Chyid
	POOL AREA
1 to 4 pm	Swimming
2, 3 & 4 pm	Duck Races
	ACTIVITIES
1 to 2 pm	Bubble Bus (free)
2 to 9 pm	Inflatable Obstacle Course Big Splash Slide Basket Ball Inflatable Stage Coach Inflatable Wacky Shack
2 to 5 pm	Balloon Animals
2 to 6 pm	Dunk Tank
2 to ?	Hungry Hippo Chow Down
3 to 6 pm	Airbrush Tattoos
3 to 8 pm	Mechanical Bull
	GAMES
2 to 9 pm	Leapin' Lizzard, King of the Hill, Party Toss, Rowler Bowler, Ski Ball
8 to 9 pm	Strolling Fire Dancer
	FIREWORKS
9:15 pm	Fireworks Spectacular at January-Wabash Park

If You Have Items of Interest, Contact The Ferguson Times – cider@att.net

June 2018

On Thursday, May 3rd, the first of several town hall meetings about the Missouri Main Street program was held in the Ferguson City Council Chambers. It was well attended by over 30 residents, business owners, city staff and council members. Those who were not able to attend may have seen it featured on Channel 4. An introduction to historic commercial district revitalization using the "Main Street Four-Point Approach" was presented by Community Development Coordinator Keith Winge of Missouri Main Street Connection. Participants then broke into groups based on the four points to discuss their ideas, goals and desires for the future of Ferguson Main Street. If you are interested in volunteering with the Ferguson Main Street organization, please email marveena@fergusonmainstreet.org and watch for a follow-up meeting to be held in June. Committees will be organized to focus on each of the four points. Those committees are:

1. Economic Vitality; business retention & recruitment, marketing & demographic studies, and developing a direction for downtown.
2. Design; public spaces, facades, streetscapes, public improvements (sidewalks, parking, signs), and establishing a historic commission and museum.
3. Promotion; logo & image development, special, historical & cultural events, retail promotions, and creation of brochures.
4. Organization; structure & by laws of corporation, organization of committees, fundraising plans, downtown work plan, downtown information gathering, and public relations.

In other news this month, we extend our welcome to Ferguson-Dellwood Community Resource Center, a new member of our downtown special business district. They are located at 409 South Florissant Rd., in the same building as the Edward Jones office of F.S.B.D. board member Joe Meyer.

Two of our newer restaurants continue to set the table and spread out good eats for Ferguson residents and other patrons from beyond the city limits as well.

Red's BBQ, which has been bustling at 304 South Florissant Rd., began at 3400 West Florissant and operated a food truck as well. Burned beyond recognition in the wake of August 2014's unrest, the establishment moved to the corner of Goodfellow and Natural Bridge in order to continue operations. However, customers were few. Red's has now come home to Ferguson, with a grand opening on November 11, 2017. On Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays a steady stream of cars enters and leaves, and numbers of orders are announced over the loud speaker at a lively clip. Asked if he will expand his hours beyond Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, the owner asserts: "No." They start cooking in the morning and serve until closing time (9 p.m.) or until the day's smoked and grilled fare is gone. The menu includes Red's famous rib tips, pork ribs, pork steak, chicken (whole, half, wings), beef, with beans and potato salad available as sides.

Long-awaited Baked Woodfire Pizza Joint had their soft open on March 5 with a fundraiser for FYI. Their official opening was on (what else?) Pi Day, March 14. Since then, Baked's pizzas have been hot, both figuratively and literally. The pizzas are fired at 800 degrees. Not a typical chain pizza joint, the menu is extensive. They offer unique "table shares" such as pear and hot honey crostini, antipasto and roasted brussel sprouts. They serve generous, savory salads, and the gorgonzola dressing is a signature offering. The menu lists fourteen designer pizzas. Where else can you find Wake and Bake – a white pizza topped with an over easy egg? Vegan: try the vegan Hungry Planet Chorizo which incorporates plant-based chorizo and Daiya dairy-free cheese. They serve an Apple Pear Prosciutto; the Golden Greek with lamb, feta cheese and tzatziki drizzle; and the "Beetzza" – yes, roasted beets – try it, you will like it. Not into experimentation: flip the menu over and you can order a BYO pizza, assembling your preferred assortment of crust, sauce, cheese, proteins, veggies/fruit/nuts, and glazes. There is even an option for gluten-free crust. Leave room for dessert: cinnamon nuggets, gelato (vanilla bean, espresso and Nutella) and blood orange sorbet.

The Citywalk Advisory Board meets the 2nd Thursday of the month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the offices of Mobile Eye Care Solutions, 248 South Florissant Rd. All Citywalk business owners are welcome and encouraged to attend. Interested Citywalk businesses should contact Robin Shively (cornersframing@gmail.com, or 314-229-0325) for more information.

The Plumber's Crack

By Oh Baby *bigohbaby@sbcglobal.net*

Playgrounds full, pools full, convertible tops down, sun screen at a premium, tank tops and shorts are the fashion, outside dining at the local eateries is on the menu, roads filling up with out-of-state plates; it must be June and time for another Plumbers Crack.



Well my friends, as I mentioned, it is summer and vacation time. So I'm going to bore you with some bits and pieces of things I wrote about over the last several years. For some of our new residents this might be helpful. If you're leaving town for a couple of days here are a few helpful hints:

Turn off your water. Bad things like laundry hoses blowing apart because of static pressure flooding your house can happen. Or pranksters using your hose and forgetting to turn it off etc.

Next thing to do is turn your water heater to vacation low or it's lowest setting. Another thing you can do with it is just turn it to pilot.

If you have fountains with water falls or moving water, make sure the power is turned off to them.

If your leaving your A C on, check your drain and make sure it's clear of any debris. Wouldn't hurt to throw a bucket of hot water down it before you go.

Disconnect your hose and bring it in. They have been known to disappear or to be cut.

So if you're not leaving town or even if you are, do not leave chemicals or fertilizer in your hose. As soon as you're finish with the application, remove and discard it properly, especially if you don't have a vacuum breaker on your hose bibb. Most of the new style anti freeze hydrants do have them. The old fashion style you can buy them at any hardware store . . . they screw right on to the spigot.

The same goes for leaving your hose in the pool or fountain. You never know when you're going to have a pressure drop and besides, most of us still drink out of the hose.

That brings us to the last tip. If you agree with the EPA . . . they tell us it's not safe to drink out of a hose because of chemicals made to make them. I guess if it's plastic and bakes in the sun maybe it's true. I think it's dangerous if you try to drink out of it as soon as you turn it on you could get burned severely. Other than that, use your own judgement.

Well sorry to our long time readers if I bored you but I'm going to do it again. Before I do I'd like to send best wishes to Father Rosy, long time pastor at Blessed Teresa who is retiring this month. He guided the mergers of SSJJ, Saint Sebastian, Good Shepard and other parishes. So Father, as you've said almost every day, GO IN PEACE AND LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

Don't forget dad on Father's Day and don't forget your neighbors, the elderly, and most of all your children. Give them babies a big hug.

God Bless you all, Oh Baby

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June Events at the Ferguson Public Library

For more information, please call the library at 521-4820 or visit our website at ferguson.lib.mo.us

LIBRARIES ROCK!™

The summer is just starting to heat up!
Join the 2018 Summer Reading Program today!

- Tuesdays starting June 5 at 6 pm - Coding for Kids: Music and Sound: Learn how computer programming is used to create music! For kids ages 7-14. Registration is required.
- Wednesday, June 6 at 6 pm - Stirring After Sunset with the St. Louis Zoo: Curious about animals that make noise after dark? Join us and the St. Louis Zoo to hear animal calls, get up close and personal with some nocturnal animals, and more.
- Monday, June 11 at 6 pm - Readings on Race Book Club: We will discuss Coming of Age in Mississippi by Anne Moody. All are welcome!
- Thursday, June 21, all day - Make Music Day STL: Celebrate summer and the power of music with free concerts all day long outside the library! For a schedule of bands, please contact the library.
- Tuesday, June 26 at 5 pm - Tuesday Night Book Club: The Tuesday Night Book Club will discuss Sometimes I Lie by Alice Feeney. For more information, please call the library and ask for Allison.
- Thursday, June 28 at 6 pm - Sound Vibrations with DaySpring: Explore the creation of sound and make some instruments to take home! For kids and their caregivers ages 5-8. Registration is required.

Keep the beat going... here's a preview of next month's events!

- July 11: All About Eagles with the World Bird Sanctuary
- July 14: Instrument Petting Zoo with Suzuki Harmony STL and Strings Attached
- July 19: Now Hear This! with the St. Louis Science Center
- July 25: Sounds with Seuss with the Magic House

REPUBLIC SERVICES 2018 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

FOURTH OF JULY – Wednesday July 4, 2018
Monday routes will not be affected
Tuesday routes will not be affected
Wednesday routes will be picked up on Thursday, July 5th
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, July 6th
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, July 7th

FERGUSON CONSENT DECREE

Policy Forum: Stop, Search & Arrest

The Ferguson Police Department is revising its Stop, Search, and Arrest policies pursuant to the Consent Decree between the City and the U.S. Department of Justice. Want to learn more and share your thoughts?

Please join us!

Policy Forum: Stop, Search & Arrest

Sun., June 3
3:00 PM-5:00 PM
Urban League
9420 West Florissant

Mon., June 4
6:30 PM-8:30 PM
First Baptist Church
333 N Florissant Rd

Increasing transparency and community involvement is critical to the reform of the Ferguson Police Department. The City of Ferguson and the Department of Justice hope you can join us for this opportunity to discuss Ferguson's accountability policies.

If you are unable to attend but would like to learn more and share your thoughts, please email: **Community.Ferguson@usdoj.gov**

U.S. Department of Justice – Civil Rights Division – Special Litigation Section – 950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW (PHB) Washington, DC 20530

CITY WIDE YARD SALE

SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd

The annual yard sale will take place on
Saturday, June 2, 2018,
7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Do you wish to host a sale?
Register by phone, 314-521-7721
for more information.
Yard signs at city hall for $5
purchase or rent.

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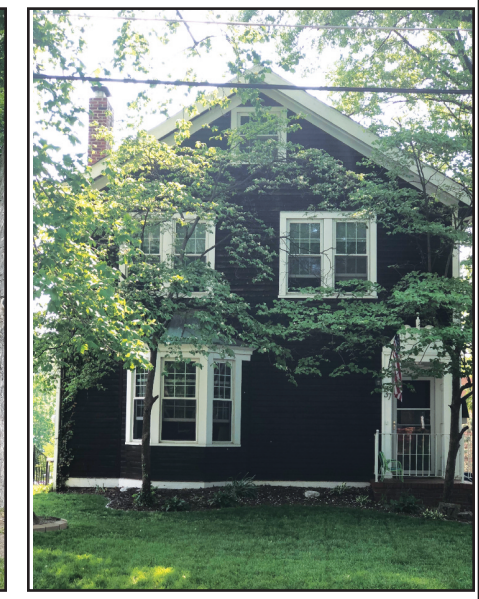
- After 5pm June 1st at www.fergusoncity.com
- June 2nd at Paul's Market
- Ferguson Farmers Market



Landmarks Commission invites you to attend
Century Sunday
June 10, 2018
1:00 PM
to recognize
Ferguson's Newest Century Homes
401 S. Florissant, 110 Spring, 28, 34, 37, and 43 Almeda

We will gather at 12:45 p. m. on the rear parking lot of City Hall , 110 Church Street. Ferguson 's Jolly Trolley will be available to transport those who prefer not to drive to each home. Refreshments will be available after the ceremonies. Call 524-5257 for questions or assistance.





Two of the homes to receive plaques on June 10th.

CityWalk Concert Series – 2018

June 8th, 2018: The Decades Band, "Time to dance, sing and groove! Or just sit back and enjoy the ageless classic rock, R&B and dance music."
June 22nd, 2018: Abbey Road Warriors, "Not your typical Beatles tribute band, formed in 2010, the play the music of the Fab Four with a passion and love that is appreciated by all who have heard them perform.
July 13th, 2018: Chaz45, "Experience the Music". Our genres are: Funk, R&B, Classic Rock, Pop and Reggae".
July 27th, 2018: Powerplay Band, "Our Music spans many genres, including Jazz, Classic Rock, R&B, Funk, Reggae, Motown, Top 40, Swing, Soul, Latin and Pop. Powerplay generates energy and excitement everywhere they perform."
Aug. 10th, 2018: Funky Butt Brass Band, "Classic New Orleans brass tunes and gives them a twist, in the style of Dirty Dozen Brass Band, Rebirth, and Bonerama."
Aug. 24th, 2018: McLovin, "St. Louis' Premier Rock Poppin, Country Rappin', Soul Funkin' groove machine that keeps the dance floor shakin'. McLovin plays a variety of hits spanning from the 50's all the way to the top hits of today".
Sept. 14th, 2018: Wildfire, "The HOTTEST country band in the Midwest, Wildfire brings a non-stop party with fresh high-energy arrangements of your favorite country songs."

501 So. Florissant Road – 7-10pm

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Planning to succeed in Economic Development

By Mayor James W. Knowles III



"In preparing for battle, I always found that plans are useless, but planning is indispensable"
General Dwight D. Eisenhower –
Supreme Allied Commander WWII

As I write this month's article, I'm sitting in a hotel room in Las Vegas attending the annual RECON Convention for the International Council of Shopping Centers. For the past several years, representatives from the City of Ferguson have traveled to this conference to learn about the newest trends in commercial retail development, and to network with and attract retailers and developers to the City of Ferguson for investment in our commercial districts. It sounds sexy to be in Vegas, but hours in hotel ballrooms during educational sessions and 30,000 steps a day on your Fitbit selling our city to retailers who see Missouri has flyover country is hardly a vacation. Especially when doing so in hard soled dress shoes and wearing a suit in the sunny Nevada desert.

Participating in this convention is just one of many efforts the city has undertaken to bring economic development into our community over the past 20 years. Economic development for any community is not necessarily an easy task. It's like dating, only there are more people involved than just you and the person you are courting, and any number of factors that are often out of your control can ruin the deal (or relationship). The most frustrating part about economic development is, that like trying get a date with someone you have a crush on, sometimes no matter what you say or do, they just may not be interested. You can't force them. Cities can't open a Whole Foods in their community at will. The company must be willing to invest time, energy, and capital into a location that fits their wants and needs. And just like dating, sometimes your best effort may not be enough to get their interest.

All of this effort to entice businesses to our town however, would be worthless without first having taken the time to do sufficient planning for what we would like to develop in any given commercial district. Businesses already have an idea what general requirements they may want satisfied before investing in a given trade area. But a key part of what cities must do, is properly plan and design commercial corridors to be sustainable and meet the needs of the citizens and the city (as a tax base). We have two distinctly different types of commercial corridors in the City of Ferguson, one along S. Florissant Rd in the City's "Downtown" or "Main Street", the other along W. Florissant/Pershall/New Halls Ferry Corridors. While both are commercial corridors, they each have different attributes and assets to prospective developers, and the community has also defined distinctively different types or styles of development they would like to see happen.

The current effort to transform the W. Florissant Corridor through the Great Streets program is driving the design and planning of the type development we wish to see throughout that specific corridor. Over the past 20 years, the City of Ferguson has engaged development professionals, academics, local business owners, and citizens in planning economic development along the S. Florissant Rd corridor. That planning has set the stage for all of the development that we have seen over the past 20 years, and is still the foundation for the work that is ongoing along S. Florissant. The vision that started with the first downtown planning document and the opening of the Corner Coffee House still lives on today. At times it may seem like the planning has been for nothing, but Rome wasn't built in a day, and neither are great economic corridors like the Delmar Loop. They are the results of sustained efforts over many years that engage, plan, and evolve when necessary.

Currently, the Ferguson Special Business District has engaged the Missouri Main Street organization to assist in updating and building upon our downtown development planning efforts. This effort will be seeking engagement from the entire community to make this a success. Over the next few months, we will be calling on citizens to participate in this process. But to really understand how we move forward, it is imperative that we also know where we have been. To help in this effort, the city has posted on our website, all of the vision and planning documents for the S. Florissant Rd. Corridor for the past nearly 20 years. We hope that residents will take the time to see from where the district has come, and make the commitment to help us plan where we see it going in the future.

Ferguson Neighborhood Organizations

Dates & times subject to change. Check www.fergusoncity.com
Unsure of your group? Call 314.524.5257

Group	Next Mtg.	Location	Contact
Forestwood Park Neighborhood Group	June 5 7 pm	Emmaus Bible Chapel 900 Highmont	Donald Stevens 314-561-0379 ddd-steeess@att.net
Jeske Park Neighborhood Assc.	June 14 7 pm	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	Stephani Von Drasek jeskepark neighborhood @gmail.com
Nesbit-Newton	TBA	Nesbit-Newton Park	Paul Beins 314-869-5080 pbeins@yahoo.com
Northwest Ferguson	TBA	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 314-524-8115 glenda.rickard@mercy.net
Old Ferguson West Neighbors	June 28 7 pm	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	Larry Robinett ldrobinett@gmail.com
Robert-Superior Neighborhood Group	TBA	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	TBA
Southwest Ferguson Neighborhood Group	TBA	Fire Station #1 200 So. Florissant	Atefa Young atefayoung@yahoo.com
Wabash Neighborhood Assn.	TBA	First Baptist 333 N Florissant	Shonnette Morgan sdenisemor@hotmail.com
North Hudson Neighborhood	TBA	Ferguson Community Ctr 1050 Smith	Mary Simmons hudsonhills63135@gmail.com
North Hills Neighborhood	TBA	Fire Station #1 200 So. Florissant	Keith Kallstrom 314-524-1720
North Elizabeth Neighborhood	TBA	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	Renee Benage rbenage@sbcglobal.net
Ferguson Woods	TBA	North Hills Methodist 10771 Trask Dr	Donald Moore 314-226-3109

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You can submit a request for records using the Record Request icon.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.fergusoncity.com
You can do all this and more on the city's website. For more information contact Octavia Pittman, City Clerk at 314-521-7721 or opittman@fergusoncity.com

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Consider volunteering on a Ferguson Board, Committee, or Commission. We have multiple vacancies available. The list includes committees like the Architectural Review Board, Plan Commission, Park Board, Personnel Board and others. For more information regarding vacancies, requirements, roles and responsibilities and/or how to apply, visit the City's website or contact your City Clerk at City Hall.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
Tuesday, June 12th and Tuesday, June 26th at 7 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall 110 Church Street

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Be sure to get to the Recreation Office to register
or call us at (314) 521-4661.

COMMUNITY CENTER

Don't forget to pick up the new Destination Recreation brochure with a complete list of programming offered throughout Ferguson at the Ferguson Community Center or online at www.fergusoncity.com

Facility Rentals

Use one of the Ferguson Community Center's Multipurpose Rooms for your next event or gathering. These spacious rooms are perfect for any occasion. Also, newly opened is the Ferguson Event Center, a 5600 square foot air-conditioned facility with a stage toward the front of the room, which can accommodate up to 450 guests for your next wedding reception or family reunion. Call up to the Ferguson Community Center for booking information, pricing, and any additional information at (314) 521-4661.

Memberships

Resident Youth – Daily $1/ Yearly $50
Resident Adult – Daily $3/ Yearly $85
Resident Senior – Daily $1/ Yearly $50
Resident Family – Yearly $165

Non Resident Youth – Daily $3/ Yearly $200
Non Resident Adult – Daily $5/ Yearly $200
Non Resident Senior – Daily $3/ Yearly $120
Non Resident Family – Yearly $300

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Resident Youth – $6 per month (12 month agreement)
Resident Adult – $9 per month (12 month agreement)
Resident Senior – $6.00 per month (12 month agreement)
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Non Resident Youth – $18 per month (12 month agreement)
Non Resident Adult – $18 per month (12 month agreement)
Non Resident Senior – $12 per month (12 month agreement)
Non Resident Family – $28 per month (12 month agreement)

Each patron is required to have an I.D. card which can be purchased at the front desk of the community center. Residents must present 2 forms of identification to receive a resident ID card. There is a $5 fee for each card. If the card is lost/stolen, a new card can be issued for $5.

PROGRAMMING

Beginning Tumbling

This class starts off with coordination and balance exercises followed by basic tumbling skills such as forward rolls, back bends, and cartwheels. Simple balance beam skills will be taught. Gymnastic or ballet shoes, leotard and tights are highly recommended but not required. No jeans, baggy clothing, tennis shoes, or bare feet.

Age: 3 ½-6 years old
Start Date: Mondays
July 16th to Sept 3rd and Sept 10th to Oct 29th
Time: 5:45pm-6:40pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: $34/Members; $39/Residents; $44/Non-Residents

Junior Tumbling

After balance, control and coordination exercises, skills such as forward and backward rolls, cartwheels, round offs, and mat routines will be taught. Children will also learn balance beam routines. This class is a follow-up to the Beginning Class but no prior training is necessary. Gymnastic or ballet shoes, leotard and tights are highly recommended but not required. No jeans, baggy clothing, tennis shoes, or bare feet.

Age: 7 - 13 years old
Start Date: Mondays July 16th to Sept 3rd and Sept 10th to Oct 29th
Time: 6:45-7:40
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: $34/Members; $39/Residents; $44/Non-Residents

Adult Social Dance

Are you planning to go on a cruise, attend a wedding reception or a reunion? If you are, then you'll need to take this class. You will learn to dance to any music, fast or slow. Simple basics in various dance styles will be taught and soon you'll have the confidence to join the fun on the dance floor. Partners or singles are welcome. Private dance classes are available. Wear comfortable clothes and hard soled shoes, no tennis shoes or sandals.

Age: 16 & Up
Start Date: Mondays, July 16th to Sept 3rd, and Sept 10th to Oct 29th
Time: 7:45-8:40pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: $40/Members; $45/Residents; $50/Non-Residents

Tap & Ballet Dance

A wonderful opportunity for a child to learn creative movement along with simple dance steps and routines in tap and ballet. Tap and ballet shoes, leotard and tights are highly recommended but not required. No jeans, baggy clothing, tennis shoes, or bare feet.

Age: 3 - 7 years old
Start Date: Wednesdays
July 18th to Sept 5th, and Sept 12th to Oct 31st
Time: 5:45pm-6:40pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: $34/Members; $39/Residents; $44/Non-Residents

Hip Hop/ Jazz Dance

High energy class starts with a warm-up and stretching exercises followed by dance skills in hip hop and jazz which will be incorporated into dance routines. Jazz shoes highly recommended but not required. Stretch pants should be worn. No jeans or baggy clothing, tennis shoes, or bare feet.

Age: 8-13 years old
Start Date: Wednesdays July 18th to Sept 5th, and Sept 12th to Oct 31st
Time: 6:45pm-7:40pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: $34/Members; $39/Residents; $44/Non-Residents

Salsa & Swing Dance

Whether you're preparing for a special occasion or just want to dance for Fun and fitness, this class is for you. Salsa and Swing are two of the most popular dance styles in the St Louis area. You'll enjoy learning and moving to these fast paced dance rhythms. We'll start with basic steps and then various spins, rotations and other variations will be added on to give you a nice routine that you'll be proud of. Partners or singles are welcome. Private lessons are available. Wear comfortable clothes and hard soled shoes, no tennis shoes or sandals.

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Fee: $40/Members; $45/Residents; $50/Non-Residents

Private Dance Lessons

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Come to the Ferguson Community Center for pick-up basketball games (half court only)

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Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: FREE/Members; Daily Fee / Residents;
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Open Play Volleyball

Come to the Ferguson Community Center for pick up volleyball games.

Days: Mondays
Time: 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: FREE / Members; Daily Fee / Residents;
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Pickleball

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All equipment will be provided.

Age: 18 and older
Days: Wednesdays and Fridays
Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: Daily rates apply

Parks and Recreation Activities Continue on Page 6



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MAY / JUNE BOOK SALE

Thursday, May 31
4:00 to 7:30 pm

Friday, June 1
9:00 am to 5:30 pm

Saturday, June 2
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Special thanks to all the donors, volunteers and patrons who helped to make our April Book Sale a great success.
We appreciate every last one of you. Please come join us at our upcoming May / June FLIERS Book Sale

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Ferguson Municipal Public Library District will hold a hearing to discuss the budget and adoption of same for the fiscal year 2018-2019. The hearing will be held at 35 N. Florissant Rd., Ferguson, Missouri, in the Library Auditorium on June 25, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. All interested persons may appear and be heard at the meeting.

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Thurs., June 7 .....Whopper
Fri., June 8 ..Choc Cov Dreamsicle
Sat., June 9 .....PB Overload
Sun., June 10 .....closed
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Tues., June 12 .Brownies & Crème
Wed., June 13.....Cookie Dough
Thurs., June 14 ....Chunky Monkey
Fri., June 15 ..... Life By Vanilla
Sat., June 16.....Mud Pie
Sun., June 17 .....closed
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Tues., June 19 ...Cookies & Crème
Wed., June 20.....Turtle Swirl
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Sat., June 23 ..... Birthday Cake
Sun. June 24 .....closed
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Wed., June 27.....Choc PB Cup
Thurs., June 28.....Cheesecake
Fri., June 29 .... Oreo Cookie Cake
Sat., June 30 ..... Peanut Party

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Ferguson by Foot

By: Margaret Wolfinbarger



Summer has arrived and with it the conundrums of barbecues, bathing suits and blubber. It's true. I do have experience "blubbering" in fitting rooms while trying to find the right bathing suit for my body type. I have thrown mini temper tantrums while trying to squeeze into a swimsuit designed for a size 6 but cut for a 24W. I have wondered if the people who create such questionable attire have any concept for comfort much less eye-appeal. And yes, I have consoled myself with barbecue after dropping more shiny pennies than I care to mention on an ugly leotard that has more in common with slingshot than water-wear.

Even worse, once I lost the weight I thought I'd splurge on a two piece bathing suit. I had not worn one since before adolescence and I was channeling my inner beauty queen. The colorful confection looked adorable on the rack; a magnificent blend of pink, grey and white swirls with a bow on the back-end that—oddly-enough—reminded me of Minnie Mouse. And who doesn't want to look as stylish as that pert and petite mouse while strolling down the beach? Alas, when I modeled the suit for my husband (after purchasing it) he squinted his eyes, cupped his chin in his hand, and said, "Are you serious?" And when I answered in the affirmative he simply said, "No. I love you too much to let you go out in public like that." Because evidently my body post birthing 3 children and losing 140 pounds has more in common with the Saggy Baggy Elephant than my favorite mouse.

The truth is that life isn't always fair but I'm still living. I refuse to cave in to the rigid physical guidelines the commercial world insists women conform to. I'm also a rebel at heart and therefore reject much of what modern media insists about the standard of beauty. I don't go to the grocery store with makeup on. I don't style my life around my brand of purse. And I decidedly do not spend more than my grocery budget on clothing. With all of that in mind, I quite candidly do not care if my stretch marks are showing.

Now maybe you are reading this and thinking, "Margaret has lost her mind. Nobody willingly shows their stretch marks." But I've seen some of my neighbor's hairy backs while they mow the grass and I've come to realize that every person alive has stretch marks. Yes, even Cindy Crawford. So why on earth are we so afraid to show them? I'm proud of mine. I have 3 strong, healthy boys to show for my "stripes" and I've worked too doggone hard living a healthy lifestyle to hide in my house this summer because I don't look sexy in a two piece suit. If I want to go to the beach and bop around in the surf, the most important thing about my water-wear is that it prevents the kind of wardrobe malfunction that would land me in jail. Therefore, I do not worry what other people think about my beach attire, and my dear reader should not care either.

We are an entirely too aesthetically-minded society. Have we forgotten that the contents of our hearts matter more than the shape of our bodies? Why do we allow companies who only want our money to devalue our sense of self because we don't possess a perfect figure? Why do we curse and cry and groan because our bodies don't conform to a certain standard? And while I too am amazed by those 80 year old ironman competitors and body builders who "look like they're in their 50's", I have accepted that they just have better genes than I do and I'm okay with that. If anything, they are the weirdos, not me.

Today, if you feel like you can't go on that beach vacation because you look like the Saggy Baggy Elephant in a swimming suit, or that you can't enjoy the outdoors this summer because you need to lose weight, take heart! Beaches were made for swimming. Barbecue was made for eating. And elephants were made for stomping on people who tell them they look saggy in their swimming suit.

For more inspiration follow me on my blog: www.destinationdiscipline.com.

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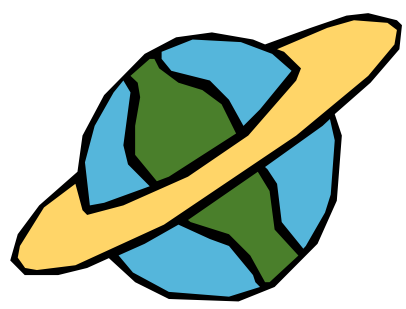
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Book Club Members Reflect

Members of the Ferguson Readings on Race Book Club will read *Coming of Age in Mississippi* by Anne Moody to prepare for a discussion to be led by Paula Kerenssa on **Monday, June 11**. Readers are encouraged to look at the parallels between this book from the 1960s and life in America today. Ms. Kerenssa invites people to especially think about their reaction to the last sentence in the book.

The purpose of the book club is to grow in understanding of the issues underlying tension among people of different races. Each session begins with a reminder to everyone present to listen to every other person there with respect, regardless of the perspective he or she brings. While time is set aside at each meeting for announcements about current activities and events, and many members are active in the community, the group's goal is not to fulfill an agenda but to learn. The discussions offer an opportunity to look at ourselves as well as at people with whom we disagree to find out what roles we can play in healing divisions in our communities. Sometimes these conversations bring growth that does lead to members claiming their ability to act in new ways to make a difference in the community.

The book club meets at 6 p.m. the second Monday of each month at the Ferguson Municipal Public Library at 35 North Florissant Road in Ferguson. The public is always welcome. For more information, contact Amy Randazzo at arandazzo@fergusonlibrary.net or Carla Fletcher at carlajeanfletcher@yahoo.com



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After the parade, festivities will be held at January-Wabash Memorial Park
Please obey these few rules during this celebration while in the Park:

- No Dogs or Pets
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- No Moving Picnic Tables
- No BBQ or Tents
- No Fireworks
- Appropriate Dress Required

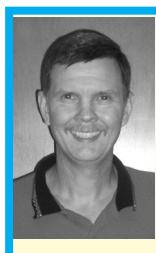
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Under The Hood With Robinwood

By Bob McGartland

The History and Importance of the Catalytic Convertor

The history of catalytic converters can be traced back to the process of catalytic cracking, which is one of the conversion processes employed by petroleum refineries today. This process, which transforms the heavier fractions of crude oil into gasoline, was developed by an American engineer of French heritage named Eugene Houdry. Earlier attempts to turn substances like lignite and tars into gasoline suffered from problems with the catalyst, Houdry developed a way for the catalyst to be regenerated. The first of these catalytic cracking units was constructed in 1937, and Houdry's technique was needed for the United States' aviation fuel needs after its entry into World War II.

After the war, Houdry became concerned with the growing levels of smog in and around Los Angeles, California. At the time, pollution from automobiles and industrial smoke stacks had led to the development of an immense amount of smog, and Houdry thought he could use his expertise in catalytic cracking to help solve the problem. This led to the founding of his Oxy-Catalyst company, and the development of early catalytic converters that were designed to be fitted on industrial smoke stacks.

After developing smoke stack "cats," Houdry turned his efforts to creating a smaller, portable converter that could be installed on fork lifts and other machinery. This was effective, but there was one key difference between heavy equipment like fork lifts and automobiles: whereas the former used engines that ran on low-grade gasoline that contained no additives, automobile engines at the time ran on "leaded" gas that contained tetraethyl lead. Engineers John Mooney and Carl Keith did additional work in the following years, and catalytic converters finally started to appear on production vehicles by the early 1970s. Early on it was discovered the leaded fuel were shortening the life of the converter. This prompted the need for unleaded fuel we still use today.

Catalytic converters are one of the major components found in modern exhaust systems. They are installed in-line with the exhaust manifold, muffler, and connecting pipes, and perform an important function in relation to emission controls. Their primary function is to convert toxic vehicle emissions that is produced from inside the engine by way of catalyzed, or accelerated, chemical reactions. They perform three simultaneous tasks, namely, reduction of nitrogen oxides to nitrogen and oxygen, oxidation of carbon monoxide to carbon dioxide, and oxidation of unburnt hydrocarbons to carbon dioxide and water. In layman's terms, it changes deadly air polluting gases into non-harmful gases and water vapor as the exhaust exits out the tail pipe.

The catalyst component of a catalytic converter is usually platinum (Pt), along with palladium (Pd), and rhodium (Rh). All three of these platinum group metals, or PGMs, are extremely rare. This is why sometimes there is sticker shock when customers find out how much it is to replace a catalytic convertor.

Catalytic converters have come to be recognized as one of the most important inventions in the history of the automobiles. They do their job and have produce impressive results. Over the last 40 plus years, billions of tons of poisonous carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides (NOX) gases have not entered the air we breathe. It has made a positive difference for the environment we live in today and for the future generations to come.

June marks the beginning of summer and kids are out of school. Take time to create family memories by having fun in the water and sun! Are you are planning a summer vacation? Keep in mind to have pre-trip inspection done on the family car before hitting the highway.

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The Ferguson Computer Corner



by Doug Neely

JUNE, 2018
oh my! is it summer yet??? i hope so. i'm tired of the rain and the snow and the cold weather. speaking of the weather, what does a person need to fully protect their puter and all the info placed in it and used between it and all those other places in webworld? well, let's see about that, shall we?

ANTI-VIRUS STUFF, dept.
everyone knows by now, or should know that you need protection from infections. and there are an awful lot of them out there. not just a good, but a GREAT anti-virus is needed for that job. one that will kill anything bad that gets into our puter before it begins to set up house. one problem, though; that does not exist. there are too many different infections and permutations to protect against them all. and more are coming out daily. whatever shall we do? find an AV that is well-supported and used by many and one that you know how to use; it will be the best for you.

FIREWALL PROTECTION, dept.
yes, you should all know what that is and how to use it. it basically is like a cop who stands at the entrance to your puter and only lets in those with whom you have business with and are trusted by you. letting in other computers out there do not always bode good with your puter; some of them are used to take over command of your puter's abilities and personal, private info. your puter can even be used to infect other puters with anything from email scams to distributed denial of service (dDos) directed to the hackers most hated website of the week. anything (and more) that you can do with your puter can be done by the hacker with your puter. a very good firewall (or two) can be used to stop that. don't worry, tho, most of you who have high-speed internet service (Charter Cable or AT&T) already have a HARDWARE FIREWALL built into your modem, and those of you using Windows 7, 8, 8.1 or 10 already have a SOFTWARE FIREWALL protecting your puter (unless you turned it off, that is)! umm...Vista has it too, btw! :)

SO, I'M COVERED, RIGHT?, dept.
nope. not completely.

VPN, dept.
some of you may have noticed the TV commercials about NORDVPN. NORD is their company name, and VPN stands for Virtual Private Network. i reckon that some very, very few of you have a VPN. the rest of you don't even know what it is or why NORD is trying so hard to sell you theirs. simply put, a VPN is a service, along with some software that allows you to connect to another puter (usually a server) that is able to incrypt all data between them to keep it from being read by some other puter, good or bad.

SO, DO I NEED A VPN?, dept.
well, if you want all the protection you can get, and nothing else matters as much, then, yes. but be advised that there are a lot of VPNs out there to choose from.

WHAT SEPARATES THESE FROM EACH OTHER?, dept.
just like most other things in life, there are differences; sometimes the difference matters a lot, sometimes not so much. consider these differences:
1. price
2. ability to control the software without a degree in rocket science
3. dependability (the thing stays up and protects you)
4. will this VPN work with my operating system and my computer?
5. will my internet speed be cut (generally, YES, your internet speed will suffer from mildly & that's acceptable all the way to big-time, as in i can't watch the YouTube vid).
6. how is their customer service? (just like everything else: super-duper and all the way down to they don't even have a phone number to call). some have reported that they can't get a refund when their service is down!
7. some of the websites you go to will not accept your VPN, no matter what you or the VPN company do!
8. do you even know where your chosen VPN company is located? all over the world, except Russia. seriously. NORD, for instance is located in PANAMA.
9. does any of this make any difference to you? if it does, you have a LOT of decisions to make.
10. to use NORD again as an example, they are now THE LARGEST with the most servers of any other single VPN. it is one of the least expensive, but there are others, and some of them are FREE.

WHAT IS THE BEST VPN?, dept.
use your search engine to type "what is the best VPN" into its search field. go read up on some of the sites mentioned in your return hits. make your decision. go with what's best for you which you are willing to pay for. ask those questions, whether by phone or email.
then decide.

ME GO NOW!
surely by now i have something to do; i better go do it! :) (i don't remember what it is, so it must be IMPORTANT!) but remember that there is a "VPN" to heaven; His name is Jesus Christ. why not give Him a call and ask Him anything you like. i think you will be pleased with His answers! may God bless us all most abundantly!

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IF YOU would like to ask Doug for some of his FREE puter advice, it's best done by phone. *314*521*1789* CALL IN THE PM HOURS! If you want to email him, do so at:
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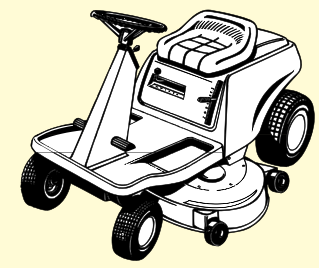
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Registration opens **Friday, June 1st** at 8am. You can sign up at CISpack2018.eventbrite.com or call (314) 382-4241. Questions should be directed to Pr. BJ Arnold at (314) 518-1505 or by email at CISpackFMSC@gmail.com.

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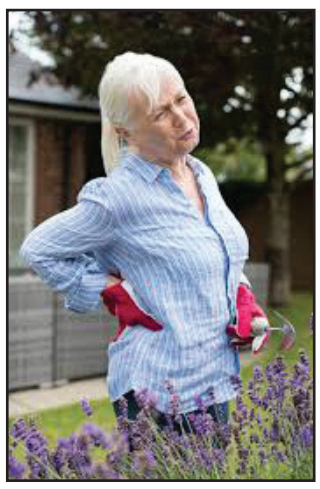


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The Garden in June

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- Thin seedlings to proper spacings before plants crowd each other.
- Houseplants should be outside by now. Most perfer a bright spot shaded from the afternoon sun.
- Apply a balanced rose fertilizer after the first show of blooms is past.
- Rhizomatous begonias are not just for shade. Many varieties, especially those with bronze foliage, do well in full sun if given plenty of water and a well-drained site.
- Apply organic mulches as the soil warms. These will conserve moisture, discourage weeds, and enrich the soil as they decay.
- Apply a second spray for borer control on hardwood trees.
- Softwood cuttings can be taken from trees and shrubs as the spring flush of growth is beginning to mature.
- Continue spraying roses with a fungicide to prevent black spot disease.
- Tired of the same old foundation plantings? Find fresh ideas among the evergreens planted in the Dwarf Conifer collection.
- Trees and shrubs may still be fertilized before July 4th.
- Pruning of spring flowering trees and shrubs should be completed before the month's end.
- Mow lawns frequently enough to remove no more than one-third the total height per mowing. There is no need to remove clippings unless excessive.

Information taken from
the Missouri Botanical Garden Internet site.

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Splash at Wabash

The SPLASH at Wabash Aquatic Complex in January-Wabash Memorial Park has become Ferguson's favorite summer place to cool off. The SPLASH has something for every member of the family: spiral slide, a speed slide, a zero-entry pool with a water works play area, the lazy river, whirlpool, a splash pad playground for younger kids, diving board, the six lane lap area and a huge deck area with lounges, umbrellas and tables. The SPLASH also features the Cannonball Café with all your concession favorites and more. With the major renovations the SPLASH is sure to be the place to be this summer!

FEE SCHEDULE
Wabash Club Memberships:
Individual: $50 CC Members; $65 Residents; $125 Non-Residents
Family: $99 CC Members; $135 Residents; $210 Non-Residents
50 % discount - beginning July 5

Non Club Membership:
Individual: $25 Resident Mini - Member (10 individual uses)
Daily Rates: (age 3 and under free)
Open Swim: $3.50 Residents ($2 Tues); $6.50 Non-Residents ($5 Tues)
After 4pm: $2.50 Residents; $5.00 Non-Residents
Adult Swim: $2.50 Residents; $4.50 Non-Residents

HOURS OF OPERATION
SPLASH Phone (314) 521-1313 Open Daily May 26 through August 12*
Open Swim: Mon, Thurs, & Sun (1:15 pm - 6 pm)
Tues** & Sat (1:15 pm - 7 pm); Wed & Fri (1:15 pm - 8 pm)
Adult Swim daily (12 pm - 1 pm)
*Date subject to change
**Close at 5:00 p.m. on Tues for swim meet—June 12, 19, 26 & July 10
The Splash will be closed for Municipal Swim League North Conference Prelims and Finals Saturday, July 21—Sunday, July 22

MULTI USE CARD
The $35 card is good for 10 SPLASH admissions for daily open swim/adult swim. The card may be purchased by Ferguson residents with a valid SPLASH ID; employees who work in Ferguson; students/faculty at the Community College and UMSL; and residents of Dellwood, Calverton Park, Normandy, or Pasadena Hills. The purchaser must show proof of residency or employer, be 18 or older, must be present for use; and may bring a guest(s).

Swim Lessons
Group Lessons—Ages 6 & up

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 4 - June 15	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
June 18 - June 29	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
July 9 - July 20	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
July 23 - August 3	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
June 4 - July 5	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	5
July 9 - August 9	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	5

$30 Member; $35 Resident; $40 Non-Resident

June 2 - Aug 11	Sat	11:00am-11:45am	9

$25 Member; $30 Resident; $35 Non-Resident

Preschool Lessons—Ages 3-5

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 4 - June 15	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 18 - June 29	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 9 - July 20	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 23 - August 3	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 2 - July 14	Sat	10:30am-11:00am	6

$30 Member; $35 Resident; $40 Non-Resident

Parent & Tot—Ages 2 & up with parent

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 4 - June 15	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 18 - June 29	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 9 - July 20	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 23 - August 3	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 2 - July 14	Sat	10:30am-11:00am	6

$25 Member; $30 Resident; $35 Non-Resident

Adult Lessons—Ages 15 & up

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 4 - June 28	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	4
July 9 - August 2	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	4

$30 Member; $35 Resident; $40 Non-Resident

No classes will be held Saturdays June 30 and July 21

Aqua Fitness—Water Aerobics (Part of our Silver Sneakers program)

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 4 - July 5	Mon & Thurs	6:00pm-7:00pm	5
July 9 - August 9	Mon & Thurs	6:00pm-7:00pm	5
June 5 - July 5	Tues & Thurs	10:00am-11:00am	5
July 10 - August 9	Tues & Thurs	10:00am-11:00am	5

Silver Sneakers, Free; Drop in, $5/visit; Or register for the session and save: $35 Member; $40 Resident; $45 Non-Resident

Dive In Movie Nights
Join us for our Dive In Movie Family Night at the Splash. The concession stand will be open with meal specials for dinner and snacks for the whole family.
Age: Open to All Ages (must be with an adult)
Dates: Saturday, June 16th
Time: 7pm-10pm
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex
Fee: $5/Residents; $8/Non-Residents;
$20/Family Resident Max; $25/Family Non-Resident Max

Dog Splash
Bring your dog out for an evening of swimming and socializing.
Age: Open to All Ages (must be with an adult)
Date: Sunday, August 13th
Time: 6pm-8pm
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex
Fee: $10/Dog and 1 Human; $3/Additional Human

Blast From The Past Days
Enjoy deeply discounted concession items with the price admission.
Age: Included with open swim admission
Day: Thursdays
Dates: June 7th, June 21st, July 5th, & July 19th
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex

Back to School Splash
Back to school blues have you down? Come cool off at the Splash one more time before the pool season ends. Event will include fun games, discounted food items and attendance prizes.
Age: Open to All Ages (under 13 must be with an adult)
Date: Saturday, August 11th
Time: 7pm-9pm
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex
Fee: Free to Members; $5 Resident; $8 Non-Resident

ADDITIONAL SPLASH AT WABASH INFORMATION
Residents-Residents are required to have a City of Ferguson issued identification card to receive resident rates or be admitted on the weekends & holidays.

Non-Residents are now welcome during ALL OPEN HOURS but must pay the non-resident daily rate.

Closing Policy-The Splash will not open for the day if the air temperature is below 75 degrees at 11:00 a.m. and the forecasted high for the day is 80 degrees or less. The complex will also close during periods of severe rain and/or lightning. In addition, the Splash may close if there are less than 25 swimmers after 2:30 p.m. with rain checks issued only if closed before 4:00 p.m.

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BOB ON JOB

By Bob McCarty

Consistency

In case you haven't noticed, 2018 has been a whirlwind. Yes, it's already June and with summer upon us before we had much of a chance to enjoy spring. Remember just a few short months ago, we were wishing it would warm up, and now that it's warmed up, we're wishing it would cool down, maybe just a little bit. Well it won't! But on the bright side, we can go into our air controlled interiors and finish up those projects we started when it was cold outside. Aren't you glad you live in an age where we can control the air in our domicile.

Remember when businesses on Florissant Road had signs outside of their establishments saying, “Come On In, It's Cool Inside”. I do, and I did.

Speaking of Main Street, have you heard about how the Ferguson Special Business District, (FSBD) was awarded a grant to help revitalize our very own Main Street, South Florissant Road? Well they did.

The Main Street approach began in the mid seventies. The National Trust for Historic Preservation began studying different mid western communities and in the early eighties, the National Trust developed the National Main Street Center. The idea was to share the information that they learned from the thriving communities that were studyed, which has developed into the Main Street Four-Point Approach. By integrating the Four-Point Approach into a downtown management strategy, our own local Main Street can produce fundamental changes to our community's economic base, while preserving our historic commercial buildings and our unique heritage.

But the few businesses and people that make up FSBD or City Walk can not do this alone. We need help from you, the citizens of Ferguson, the city's professional staff and our elected officials. This will be a group effort. In case you missed the first town hall meeting in the beginning of May, there will be another one sometime late this month or early next month. With your help, the goal is to create a sustainable organization that functions as the revitalization leader in our community.

The Four-Point Approach consists of Organization, Economic Restructuring, Design, and Promotion. Let's dig a liitle deeper into these Four-Points:

Organization - involves building a governing framework that includes a diverse representation of business and property owners, bankers, citizens, historians, public officials, chambers of commerce, and other preservation organizations. Everyone must work together in a long-term effort to renew downtown and maintain its stability into the future. The organization committee also trains and develops leaders for the community's revitalization effort. Activities of a start-up Organization Committee is creating a not-for-profit organization, establishing priorities through comprehensive work plans, providing the organization with sustainable sources of revenue, and volunteer development.

Economic Restructuring - involves analyzing current market forces to develop long-term solutions; recruiting new businesses and strengthening the existing competitiveness of the traditional merchants and service businesses, while diversifying the economic base; creatively converting unused space for new uses, and working closely with the Design Committee to seek appropriate solutions for historic commercial buildings that will ensure their continued occupancy, maintenance and preservation.

Design - enhances the visual attractiveness of downtown. This includes technical assistance and encouragement to building owners toward the restoration and rehabilitation of historic structures, street and alley cleanup, colorful banners and landscaping. Attention must be paid to safe and efficient infrastructure, including streets, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, and the appearance of storefronts, signs, street lights, window displays and graphic materials. Design improvements should be developed through a public-private partnership by reinvestment of public and private dollars in downtown.

Promotion - projects a positive, unified image to identify downtown as a gathering place. Revitalization programs market the district and the community through a series of targeted activities such as special events and festivals, which highlight the local culture, art, music, dance and traditions that give each community its unique identity.

There . . . you have a good general idea of what is going on in our downtown on Main Street. We want you to be part of this revitalization. Keep an eye on this paper as well as the many other ways you stay connected to the city and our community.

Please join us at our next Town Hall Meeting and be part of the resurgence of Ferguson Main Street. You will meet new neighbors, members of the FSBD downtown district, City Walk, the Main Street group, the city's professional staff and your elected officials. If you've lived in Ferguson for a long time, or have visited the History House, looked at the books that describe our past, or just seen photographs of how our vibrant downtown was back in the day. Well we're looking for our own version of that and your opinion matters.

So, until next month, Bob will be looking at different communities and thinking about how he can help Ferguson Main Steet become the bustling, vibrant, downtown that we can all be proud of.



Join the Department of Justice and City of Ferguson at the Northwinds Apartment Community Center

Hear about the Ferguson Police Department Consent Decree and ask questions

If you are unable to attend but would like to learn more and share your thoughts, please email:

Community.Ferguson@crt.usdoj.gov

JUNE 3 AT 6 PM

FERGUSON CONSENT DECREE Q&A SESSION

Location: Northwinds Community Center
9552 Glen Owen Drive

Background: The City of Ferguson and Ferguson Police Department entered into a Consent Decree with the Department of Justice in April 2016. The Consent Decree is to ensure protection of the constitutional and other legal rights of all members of the community, improve Ferguson's ability to effectively prevent crime, enhance both officer and public safety, and increase public confidence in the Ferguson Police Department and Municipal Court.

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Ticket Prices:
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Tickets:
Seniors: $28, $24, $22

Special group pricing available for groups of 25 or more. Please contact the ticket office directly at 314-516-4949 for more information.

Stokley's My Level Father's Day Concert

Sunday, June 17, 2018 - 7:00 PM



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- A soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
- I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop any time.
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EarthDance Organic Farm School



Did you know that EarthDance Organic Farm School offers Farm & Garden classes all summer long on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 pm?! It's true. The public is welcome to join EarthDance's seasoned farmers and our farm and garden apprentices to learn about composting, garden design, food preservation, herbal medicine, and more!

During the month of June, EarthDance's Farm & Garden classes take a look at permaculture, a way of designing with nature in mind. Permaculture involves caring for the earth, caring for people, and sharing resources.

Interested in gardening, but feeling too overwhelmed to start? EarthDance Assistant Farm Manager Kaitie Adams and Garden Manager Crystal Stevens will lead students through designing your own farm or garden in a hands-on class on June 26th. This class will discuss garden layout, top plant picks for successful produce, and how to keep your garden thriving season after season.

Our class schedule for the month of June:
6/5: Field trip to Three Rivers Community Farm
6/12: Introduction to Permaculture and Permaculture Principles
6/19: Permaculture Design
6/26: Garden Design Workshop

Sign up on our website <earthdancefarms.org/farmers/classes/> to get gardening! Class topics for the whole season are posted online. Classes are $25 per person. We hope to see you on the farm!

Peas & love, Vicky Chen

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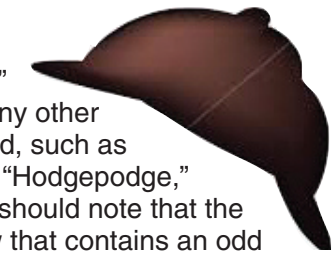
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Sherlock's Pal



Recently I preached a sermon called "Potpourri." I didn't use this title because I couldn't think of any other titles to call it. In fact, I had other titles in my mind, such as "Miscellaneous," "Sundry Items" (not "Sunday"), "Hodgepodge," "Mixed Bag," "Salmagundi," or "The Stew." One should note that the French word, potpourri, refers to a Spanish stew that contains an odd assortment of ingredients. One should also note that it's a good bet none of the folks in my congregation would know what the word "salmagundi" means. I sure don't.

To be perfectly honest, almost all of my sermons could be classified as something akin to a tossed salad. Like a golfer who plays by "feel," because they eschew lessons, my religious and philosophical outlook on life is sort of a spur-of-the-moment, fly-by-the-seat-of-my-pants approach to life's great mysteries. As the kiddos like to say, I am malleable. It's a good thing I'm a harmless preacher rather than a rollercoaster. I get a little "off track" from time to time.

Years ago, a mentor/colleague (he wanted to be the former—I saw him as the latter) retired from a parish that I inherited from him. He obviously missed "boundary training 101" because as soon as he retired he and his wife took up Sunday residence on the second row pew. As I preached he often stared at his watch, counting the minutes. Apparently he thought I was breaking some sort of cardinal rule about length of sermons. Perhaps he was merely holding his arm up in front of his face to test his durability. Perhaps the deodorant under his left arm wasn't working properly and he needed to "air out."

Anyway, after listening to me for a couple of years he proclaimed to everyone within ear shot that he could discern no theological "system" in my preaching—this from a man who was run out of a previous congregation from another denomination for inappropriate use of funds. But I digress.

Truthfully, I see no problem with having an unsystematic approach to almost any discipline that falls under the umbrella of "humanities." If you are an engineer and you build roller coasters then yes, learn how to be systematic. If you are a pilot, don't read the dials in front of you as artistic interpretations of aerodynamics. If you work in retail, I implore you to take the money in your hands at face value. If you ride bulls . . . well, don't do that. The bulls couldn't care less about your systematic approach to bull riding.

I'm a preacher, however, which means I have nothing if not creative license. After all, I'm fairly certain the writers of my sacred texts didn't use spread sheets or consult with engineers or biologists as they told stories about such things as floating arks and virgin conceptions. Therefore, my theological, philosophical, social, political, environmental, and almost everything else that ends with an "al" perspective will continue to be an unorganized scrapbook and sweet smelling potpourri of mental and spiritual musings. If I'm wrong about any of this . . . well, of course, I'll be wrong about some of this.

Dr. Jimmy Watson
Pastor, Immanuel United Church of Christ, Ferguson, Missouri
sherlockspal@yahoo.com

Ferguson Volunteer Flower Department



The gardeners are beginning their 20th year tending to the flower beds at Victorian Plaza and the Ferguson Library. Twenty! Since some of the founders were in their 50s when we began....do the math...and you can see that we would love some new (younger?) helping hands! No gardening experience required. We meet at **9am on Wednesdays,** alternating between the Library and Victorian Plaza (by the gazebo). Bring basic gardening tools if you have them and we'll get acquainted.

May 9th 2018 meeting minutes
Reported by Keith Kallstrom
(Keith.Kallstrom@gmail.com)

Captain Dennis McBride opened the May 9th, 2018 meeting of the Ferguson On Watch, welcoming everyone.

UCR Crime Statistics

As part of Dennis's job, he collects the Uniform Crime Reporting statistics. While violent crimes, which include homicide, rape, robbery, and assault 1st class are up by 12.5%, all part 1 crimes (including burgary, stealing, auto theft) are down 17%.

Another review was done of the crime in the apartment complexes consisting of Park Ridge, Versailles, Oakmont, Northwinds and Canfield in Southeast Ferguson for 2014 to 2017. In 2017 violent crime stats are 37 for that area vs 113 for the rest of the city. This equates to about 25% of the violent crime in our city happening within those 5 apartment complexes.

We have learned that with the new Park Ridge owner changeover, additional security measures will be taking place. This will now also include cameras in the corridors.

Force multipliers

When citizens decide to become involved, they become Force Multipliers to help our police do the job you want them to do in your neighborhood. This is your area, so help defend it. Give us a call at 911 for a crime in progress, or 522-3100 for non-emergency events. With our police to citizen count, we have a shorter response time than other cities, which is great for us.

Shot spotter

Shot Spotter device installed in St. Louis County near our apartment complexes got our police into the area faster, and helped with locating bullet casings. We take those casings and catalog them, and send them to St. Louis County for their expert analysis and reviews against other reported crimes using the same gun & bullets.

SCAM Avoidance – Grandchild in trouble scam

One of our audience recalled a scam that affected her. (She doesn't want anyone else caught up in a similar scam.) She reported that she received a call like this:
"Oh, oh, I bet you don't know who this is.. It's one of your grandchildren."
Since she had several, she said something like Johnny, is that you Johnny? (I changed the real name to protect the victim.) The scammer said "Yes, yes, …" The lady reported that she should have been suspicious when she wasn't called "Nanna" instead of "Grandma". Johnny then went on to say
" There's a special kind of taxi, called Uber. I was visiting a friend here in Florida, when we decided to go out… We got in the Uber taxi, and the driver was pulled over for speeding. The cops searched and found drugs in his trunk. We're now in this jail, and can't be tried for weeks. I'm told if I got some money for bail I could get out, and then get home to my place."

Nanna then reported that he didn't say where that place was. He then said his friend's father had a very good lawyer, here's his phone number. Nanna called the lawyer, who confirmed the situation, and told her what to do. "Go to Target and get $4000 worth of gift cards…and then you call me back. Don't divulge or speak of this to anybody."

Nanna went in and asked for 4 each $1000 gift cards. The clerk asked "Are you sure this isn't for a scam?" Nanna told her "No, it's for my grandchildren." While the clerk went into the back office, Nanna was reconsidering what the clerk said. She then called her brother, who is a lawyer, to get some advice. His wife answered the phone, and contacted him, whereupon he called Nanna back and told her "Don't do it! " It's a scam!". Thankfully, Nanna took his advice and left Target.

Foreign Lottery Winnings

Another scam going around is a letter from Lisbon, Portugal, claiming you've won the Spanish Lottery for $4,500,000.00. This one is a scam too, as they require up front funds to pay the lottery promotion company, and if you don't appear in Madrid in person, a fee for a diplomatic delivery charge of your check would be required. They also tell you to keep this information away from the public to avoid fraudulent claims.

Large Fake Check Scam

Another one is where someone wants to send you a large check, and have you sent back a small percentage for their fees. The check they send looks real, but is FAKE, and the money withdrawn from your account is REAL.

Next meeting date
Our next Ferguson On Watch meeting is **Wednesday, June 13th**, 7:00 PM at City Hall. Have a safe month!

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Grupo Atlantico: Friday, June 1 @ 7pm

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Artful Considerations

by Robin Shively

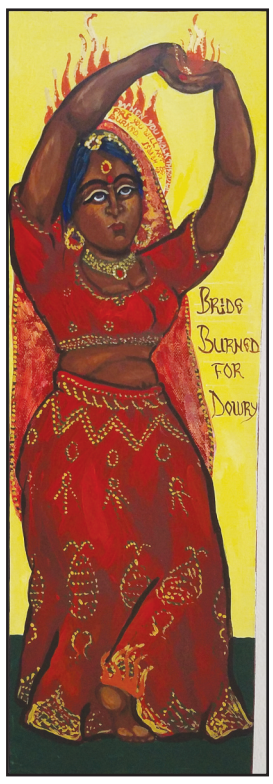


"*When you lose the child in you, you lose the ability to value the small wonders of life.*"
- unknown

"Triad Inspiration" opens Friday, June 1st at Good Shepherd Arts Center, 252 South Florissant Rd. Three Colombian artists have collaborated to share their artwork. The show will open with a reception from 6 – 9 p.m. Art of Alejandra Velasco, Luisa Otero Prada and Oscar Agudelo will be on display through Saturday, June 23.



"Small Wonders" opens on Friday, June 15th at Corners Frameshop & Gallery, 425 South Florissant Rd., with an artist's reception from 5 till 8 p.m. Jeff Arnold is a local artist and longtime Ferguson resident. Yet, you probably won't have seen his work in a gallery much before this. He's an art teacher in Jennings and is known for his murals at Woodland Elementary. You may also have seen his work in local churches: Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Chapel of the Cross Lutheran, Atonement Lutheran School, and Immanuel Chapel, all in North County. However, this show, appropriately titled "Small Wonders", is a sampling of his work as an illustrator/designer. Some pieces, just inches across, capture the delight of childlike storytelling, whimsy, and the peculiar. Many images began as bookmarks or sketches and were transformed into jewel-like little watercolors – some from years ago and others from this past week. The exhibit continues through the end of July.



"Tested by Fire" by Glynis Mary McManamon is the current exhibit at the Metro North Transit Center on Pershall Rd. Glynis is fascinated Byzantine Iconography. Her focus is the creation of sacred art featuring women and diverse ethnic groups. "Tested by Fire" juxtaposes martyred women saints of the past with women martyrs of the modern world. Each piece is acrylic and gold leaf on Innerglow Painting Panel. The exhibit will be on display through the end of June. You can see more of her work by visiting Good Shepherd Arts Center. Glynis Mary McManamon grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, a town with very rich Eastern European ethnicity and has been a member of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd since 1976.

Preparations continue for August's "#ThisIsMyFerguson" exhibit. Corners Frameshop & Gallery invites all members of the community to stop in any time during business hours to decorate a little blackboard which will be combined with others to create a single collaborative artwork. Corners will supply paint pens and a mini chalkboard on which participants may write words that evoke cherished memories, affirm one's present values, or portray visions for the future. Corners' regular business hours are Tuesdays through Fridays from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.

Scheduled events at Good Shepherd Arts Center during June include:

1. Drop-In Artmaking: Stop by on Saturday, June 2, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Friday, June 8, 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. at GSAC, 252 S. Florissant Road, to write your hopes, dreams, wishes for Ferguson on origami paper, a "post card" or the page of a book. You can also make mini-collages for the #ThisIsMyFerguson Exhibit.
2. Friday, June 15: A Spanish-speaking session of artmaking for #ThisIsmyFerguson will take place at 7:00 p.m. at GSAC.
3. Friday, June 22: Stefannie Wheat will conduct a writing workshop for #ThisIsMyFerguson, 7:00 p.m.



These activities are planned with adults in mind. Accompanied children are welcome. All activities are free - and donations are always appreciated.

We know there are artists here in Ferguson: please contact GSAC at 314-522-1155 or stop in during business hours (Wednesdays, Thursdays 10 – 5; Fridays, 2 – 8; Saturdays, 11 – 5). We would like to see some original takes on your personal experience of Ferguson as a stakeholder and a creative. We are inviting a response to the themes: what we treasure from the past, value in the present, or passionately desire for the future of Ferguson.

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Trivia

All answers begin with the LETTER "B"

1. Germ.
2. To make less of. To minimize.
3. To cut or divide into two parts
4. "Happy the _____ the sun shines on today."
5. A striptease act.
6. An alcoholic drink called "Texas Tea".
7. One of the dwarfs.
8. Skeleton makeup.
9. Having two spouses without divorce.
10. Your wife's male sibling.
11. Old west tradesman with big arms.
12. Very wide street.

See answers at bottom of page 23.

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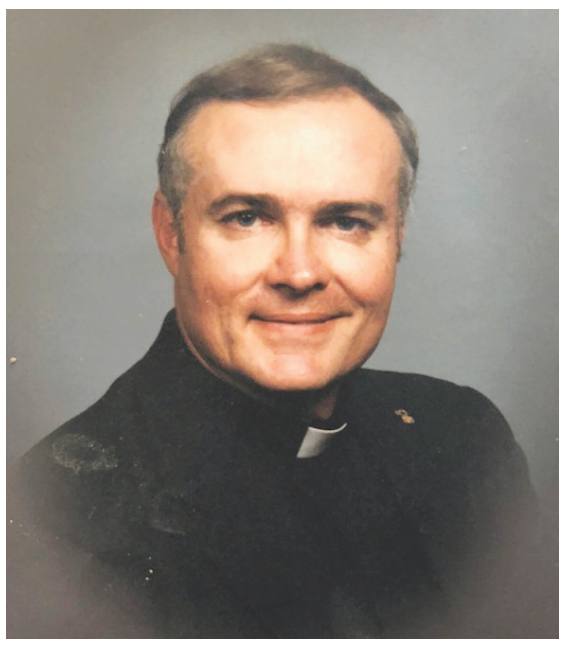
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The Best of Ferguson

– by Ruffina Farrokh
p, M.A.



Father Rosy of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta



I have the honor and privilege of featuring Father Rosy in my column today. Father Rosy is about to retire and his last day with our BTC parish coincides with my birthday, 6.21.18. I met Fr Rosy as a parishioner at Mass shortly after he became our parish priest in February of 2005. He has served the 850 households or so in his care, about 1900 parishioners, faithfully and devotedly, all these years. He has ministered to the needs of 10 communities within the parish, drawing from about 50,000 people within 26 sq miles. Just 5% of that population is Catholic, like myself. Within our parish is also Blessed Teresa of Calcutta (BTC) school with 200 students up to Middle School, and 38 in pre-school.

Fr Rosy has been a shining light for many of us. We have prayed with him, received many of the sacraments of the church from him these past 13 ½ years, and walked or run with him annually as he raised funds for a cause. He has kept our spiritual life anchored with his weekly sermons, and served as a beacon in troubled times for our entire community. Fr Rosy exudes calm and serenity and a grace that comes from full service to others in God's name. When I finished my interview with him, he gave me his usual big hug then gave me a beautiful and prayerful blessing that I very much appreciated.



Fr Rosy blessing his mother.

Living a God-centered life means a life of service. Fr Rosy was born in Pasadena, a small city outside of Houston, Texas, and he quickly switched into his authentic southern drawl as we discussed his roots, much to my delight! He came from a family of four boys and two girls. He joked that his mother prayed for his brother Donald to become a priest but somehow her hand must have passed over him instead and he became the only clergyman in the family. It was a special day for him on 6.8.69, when he was able to offer his first blessing as a priest to his mother, Catherine Rosebrough.

Fr Rosy, then known as Robert Rosebrough, had his first calling to the priesthood in 7th grade but only heeded it in 8th grade while attending Mercy High School. In November of 1957, he started to attend St. Louis Preparatory Seminary, traveling three hours a day to attend seminary. He then attended St. Louis Cardinal Glennon Seminary.



Fr Rosy and his family: Back row, from L: Jim Devereaux (brother-in-law), Dennis and Charles (Chuck) Rosebrough and his wife Mary Louise. Front row: his mother, Catherine, and his sisters Kathleen Stoverink and Dolores Devereux.

Fr Rosy served 16 ½ years as pastor at Sacred Heart church in Valley Park from 1988 to 2005, before coming to Ferguson. Prior to this, he was Associate Pastor at St Hedwig in south St Louis for a year from 1969; at St Mark in north city from 1970 to 1977; St Joaquin/St Joseph down in the country in Old Mines, Washington county, Mo, from 1977 to 1984; and at Holy Infant in Ballwin from 1984 to 1988.



Fr Rosy serving his BTC parishioners: from L: Father Art Cavitt, Brandon and Jennifer Delgado and their son Max.

Fr Rosy has met many challenges here in Ferguson head on. He saw us through the growing pains of melding six parishes together in 2005, to form Blessed Teresa of Calcutta: Holy Angels, Holy Ghost, St Bartholomew, Good Shepherd, Sts John and James and St Sebastien. He again was there to guide the transition from a two-site to one-site location, when the seat of the parish was removed from the Good Shepherd location to the current location on Hereford and Elizabeth. There was some splintering of our parishioners over both major shifts, but we surmounted the challenges together under Fr Rosy's astute leadership. Fr Rosy believes we all came out stronger for these challenges.

The Mike Brown crisis of 8.9.14 required strength and guidance of our community leaders to see us through a very tough time. Ferguson was the catharsis for a national problem born of racism. As Fr Rosy summed it up, racism is sinister and destructive of our dignity, lessening us all. He feels the changes that we have made here in Ferguson to confront and rectify this problem are important and favorable changes. He feels that 400 years of history and ignoring the needs of the African-American community will not be easily erased to effect a permanent change of the hearts and souls of people overnight. However, he reminded me that we must change the attitudes and behavior we grew up with, even if we still have an inclination to act in a certain way. He said we are the ones to decide how we must act. He wisely pointed out that we must elect to do what's best for the whole community and not just what suits our personal agenda. He feels Ferguson is on the right track now and even ventures to call us the "New Bethlehem."

Fr Rosy has traveled extensively celebrating Mass as a chaplain or leading Marriage Encounters (Catholic retreats for married couples). He considers his association with Marriage Encounter since 1973, to be one of the highlights of his life. It's a very successful program in over 95 countries. It gives a weekend experience to couples to open the lines of communication and to rekindle their relationship with guidance. He pointed out that couples need to grow in unity even as they need to grow independently. He says the greatest gift parents can give their children is seeing them, the parents, love each other and work through their differences in a loving and harmonious way.



Fr Rosy with his niece, Susan Jones, whom he married in San Francisco, CA

Fr Rosy's travels took him to: Jordan, Israel, Egypt, Greece, Turkey, Lebanon, Syria, Poland, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Switzerland, Italy, Germany, France, Spain, Ireland, Chile, Bolivia, Mexico and a brief stopover in England.

Fr Rosy invites members of his parish to his Goodbye Party at BTC on Saturday 16 June. Mass will be at 4:30 p.m., followed by a simple reception in the parish hall immediately afterward. He expects to travel a lot during the first 18 months of his retirement. From October, he will begin ministering to children at Cardinal Glennon Hospital two days a week and he will assist at nearby parishes on weekends. He intends to live at Innsbrook, Mo, where he says there are a hundred lakes!

The 1,800 of us who have been served by Fr Rosy all these years, are eternally grateful for the peace, wisdom and grace Fr Rosy brought to all the affairs of our parish. We give our humble blessing to our pastor in deepest gratitude for his all these years. Fr Rosy undoubtedly represents the Best of Ferguson! I'm honored to have been part of his community in Christ.

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Wearing Dresses and Hats

"Mom, I remember when we went downtown (downtown St. Louis) you made us wear a dress", said my daughter the other day.

"Maybe you don't remember, but I wore a dress, and hat", I replied.

Yes, those were the days when you "dressed up" to go anywhere. I remember at Sportsmans Park, men wore suits, ties and a fedora hat, even when the temperature hovered around the 100's at the ballpark. Very few women attended Cardinal or Browns games, but those that did always wore a dress.

Many years ago, before I was married, I worked at McDonnell Aircraft. I often had to work on Saturdays. One Saturday morning I had to shovel the snow from in front on the garage door in order to get my car out. I wore a pair of wool slacks to work that morning and had to apologize for my attire. Women did not wear slacks and they certainly didn't shovel snow. How times have changed.

Those were the days too when women wore hats to church. At one time, veils were popular and I had a hat that would not stay on unless the veil was around my face. Receiving communion must have made the priest laugh at the contortions performed by the ladies.

I enjoyed my first airplane ride when I was in my early 30s. I wore a white dress with black heels, black hat and white gloves. Why should I remember what I wore more than 50 years ago when I don't remember what I wore yesterday? I suppose getting dressed up was pretty special to an ordinary housewife.

All these thoughts came to mind because the royal wedding is this weekend. You cannot deny that there is as much emphasis on hats as there is on the bride and groom. The hats look pretty outlandish to me, but I can always count on Queen Elizabeth to be wearing a hat more attuned to my generation. (Yes, I know. Pretty boring.)

Signs at a Seattle Convenience Store

Ants are healthy because they have little anti bodies.
If attacked by a mob of clowns go for the juggler.
I child proofed my house but the kids still get in.
The first 5 days after the weekend are the hardest.
Ban pre-shedded cheese. Make America grate again.
The past, present and future walk into a bar. It was tense.
They're not going to make yardsticks any longer.
Practice safe eating. Always use condiments.
If you think education is costly, try ignorance.
I checked into the hokey pokey clinic and I turned myself around.
What happen if you get scared half to death twice?
This is my step ladder. I never knew my real ladder.
I want to grow my own food but I can't find bacon seeds.
If your car is running, I'm voting for it.
Went to the air and space museum, but there was nothing there.
My wife said I never listen to her, or something like that.
Frog parking only. All others will be toad.
I just did a week's worth of cardio after walking into a spider web.

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Special thanks to this month's proof reader, Audrey McCarty.

Answers to Trivia on Page 21:

1. Bacteria
2. Belittle
3. Bisect
4. Bride
5. Burlesque
6. Bourbon
7. Bashful
8. Bones
9. Bigamy
10. Brother-in-Law
11. Blacksmith
12. Boulevard

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Calendar of Events In and Around Ferguson

Complete Details of These Events Throughout the Paper

Library Book Sale	Thurs., Fri., Sat., May 31, June 1, 2
Free Concert Series – St. Peters	Fri., June 1
Citywide Yard Sale – Ferguson	Sat., June 2
Rabies Clinic – City Garage	Sat., June 2
Hustle While You Work Vendor Sale – Celebrity Parking Lot	Sat., June 2
Consent Decree Policies – Various Venues	Sun., Mon., June 3, 4
Coding for Kids – Library	Tues., June 5
Program on St. Louis Zoo – Library	Wed., June 6
Reading on Race Book Club – Library	Wed., June 6
CityWalk Concert – The Decades Band – 501 Plaza	Fri., June 8
Crews 4 Brews – 4 Local Breweries	Sat., June 9
Taste of Vegan Fest – Flo Valley	Sat., June 9
St Peters 175 Anniversary Celebration	Sat., June 9
Century Sunday – Plaquing Various Houses	Sun., June 10
Taste of Vegan Fest – Flo Valley	Sat., June 11
City Council Meeting – City Hall	Tues., June 12
Northwest County Chamber Membership Mtg. – Orlando's	Thurs., June 14
Movie "Black Panther" – Comm. Ctr.	Sat., June 16
Ambassadors of Harmony at the Touhill	Sat., June 16
Father's Day	Sun., June 17
Stokley Williams at the Touhill	Sun., June 17
Make Music Day – Live Music in Library Paking Lot	Thurs., June 21
Mystery Meal	Thurs., June 21
Movie "Jumanji" – Comm. Ctr.	Sat., June 21
CityWalk Concert – Abbey Road – 501 Plaza	Fri., June 22
Teen Night at Splash	Fri., June 22
Tuesday Night Book Club – Library	Tues., June 25
Hearing on Library Budget 2018 – Library	Mon., June 25
Vacation Bible School – Immanuel	Mon. - Fri., June 25-29
City Council Meeting – City Hall	Tues., June 26
Teen Night at Splash	Wed., June 27
Argosy Casino Trip	Wed., June 27
Sound Vibrations With DaySpring – Library	Thurs., June 28
Trip to Muny for Tour, Buffet and "Singing in the Rain"	Fri., June 29
"Prayers for Bobby" movie – St. Peters	Fri., June 29
4th of July Parade and Festival	Sat., June 30

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