

City of Sturgeon Newsletter -

March - April 2003

A reminder to all:

When you receive your utility bill towards the end of March, please check to make sure that we have your correct mailing address. If there are any changes, please write the corrections on the portion that states: "Please return stub with payment". It would also be helpful if you could write your phone number on the stub as well.

Thank you for your cooperation!!

House Numbers to be displayed:

By City Ordinance # 279, passed and approved August 23, 1966

Section 3 – "It shall be the duty of the owner or occupant of each business, house or dwelling to install or display the assigned number of such business, house or residence in a conspicuous place on the front of such business, house or residence, and each number shall be at least 2 ½ inches in height."

Of Interest to all:

Proposed Industrial Park

The city council was unanimously in favor of sending a letter of support to PRIME Development with regards to the proposed industrial park west of town.

Congratulations to Gary Lear for receiving his DS II Drinking Water Distribution License and his Wastewater License!!

Up-Coming Events: mark your calendars

Sunday April 13, 2003 – Easter Egg Hunt

2:00 P.M. at the Sturgeon Recreation Center

Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce

Saturday May 10, 2003 - City Wide Garage Sale

Sign up at the city office. The city will have available at no cost, a listing of residents having a sale as well as a map showing the location.

Tuesday May 13, 2003 - Annual Spring Bulk Pick-up

Please note there are changes in the policy regarding appliances that have recently been implemented by Superior.

For more information, please contact or come by the city office for a copy of the changes.

The following **appliances** need stickers from Superior.

\$5.00 Stickers – Appliances not requiring freon ; Stoves, Washers, Dryers, Dishwashers, Furnaces, Boilers & Dehumidifiers. (Microwaves do not require a sticker)

\$20.00 Stickers – Appliances requiring freon; Refrigerators, Freezers & Air Conditioners

Saturday June, 14, 2003 – Beef Show (4-H)

Saturday June 28, 2003 - Demolition Derby

Fairgrounds Board & Fall Festival Committee:

Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month. 7:00 P.M. at the Youth Center.

Mt. Horeb Cemetery:

The Mt. Horeb Cemetery is maintained by the hard working efforts of Dolly Robinson, Mary Woodruff & Martha Seymour.

The Cemetery operates on income received from the sale of plots, interest earned from the Certificates of Deposits that have been set up under the Mt. Horeb Perpetual Care Fund as well as donations received throughout the year.

An upcoming reminder: April 8, 2003 – Make Your Voice Count

On the up-coming ballot:

- Alderman – Ward I (West) *Two-Year Term*
- Alderman – Ward II (East) *Two-Year Term*
- Mayor – *Two-Year Term*

FYI: Odgen Street is the dividing line between the wards.

Sturgeon Chamber of Commerce:

The Sturgeon Chamber of Commerce is asking for your assistance with the continuation/extension of the “Sturgeon Missouri Then & Now” yearbook. The next yearbook will be covering Sturgeon History, events, and growth from 1981 to 2006.

If you have any pictures, articles, ...anything that has historical significance please submit them to the City Office.

You may submit in person, by mail or e-mail.

Please note that this information will NOT be returned, so we suggest that you submit copies.

Any and all information will be greatly appreciated!

A TRIBUTE TO STURGEON

BY ANNA LOU GARRETT

When traveling though the country in and around,
Don't fail to stop in Sturgeon town.
Not for a week, a month or a year,
But bring your family and stay right here.

And whether you move by truck or train,
We Guarantee you will not move again...
You will be so satisfied, so happy and glad,
To think of moving will just make you mad!

We'll sell you a house, a trailer or tent,
If you don't want to buy, of course you can rent.
Our people are loyal, neighborly and kind,
No better folks in the world you will find...

We have clean pure water, clothing and food,
You will not go hungry, neither go nude.
We have fine churches, school and stores,
If you have the money to pay, anything is yours.

We have a bank, two restaurants and shops,
Four preachers, three doctors, one lawyer, and a cop.
We have a drug store, post office and two garages,
Three filling stations, hardware and lumber all with moderate charges.

So move right in, do not delay,
For while the sun shines, is the time to make hay
If you are honest, honorable and straight,
You will find a glad welcome at our city's front gate;

Which opens into town from Highway twenty-two.
And when you get settled,
You will find life has just begun!

This Poem was written by Anna Lou Garrett sometime in the 1930's. The Doctors referred to in the poem were Dr. Gentry, Dr. McComas, and Dr. Robinson.

Holiday Office Closings:

- *Good Friday – April 18, 2003*
- *Memorial Day – May 26, 2003*

City Council Schedule:

- March 24, 2003 7:00 P.M.
- April 28, 2003 7:00 P.M.
- May 19, 2003 7:00 P.M.

Sturgeon Recreation Center:

The Sturgeon Recreation Center continues to maintain an average daily attendance of 50 persons per day. In addition to the normal daily uses the Rec. Center offers:

Mondays – Volleyball in the evenings

Tuesday – Aerobics in the evening (*Cost is \$2.00 plus your regular membership*)

Wednesday – Men's "30 & Over" Basketball in the evening

Thursday – Aerobics in the evening (*Cost is \$2.00 plus your regular membership*)

Saturday – Card playing for Seniors – Afternoons

Sunday – Aerobics in the evening (*Cost is \$2.00 plus your regular membership*)

Annual Family Membership - **\$150.00** or Monthly Family Membership - **\$20.00**
Annual Single Membership - **\$75.00** or Monthly Single Membership - **\$10.00**
Annual Senior Membership - **\$25.00**

*With an annual membership, you receive one entry card.
Monthly members may purchase one for \$10.00.*

Sturgeon Park & Tree Board:

From Bill Frazier....

The Park & Tree Board is looking forward to a busy season with tree plantings; grant writing and a dedication ceremony of the new park on South Hicks Street coming up in early April. We will also hold our Arbor Day Ceremony with a tree planting at the new park as well. We will announce the date at a later time.

We have applied for the annual Tree City USA recognition and are optimistic that in April we will for the SEVENTH consecutive year receive this recognition.

As a Tree City USA participant, it is our responsibility to practice, encourage and educate about proper tree care and maintenance. There are bulletins at the city office for your perusal which cover many facets of tree care, specifically bulletins 4, 6 and 8.

The Sturgeon Park & Tree Board along with Tree City USA encourage you to only use ISA certified arborists for your tree care as well as discourage "tree-topping" practices as this is the single most destructive practice to urban forests.

If you are interested in your parks and the betterment of your community, there are three vacancies on the Park & Tree Board.

Handy Phone Numbers

Police Dept. - (573) 687-3300

Non-Emergency - (573) 442-6131

City Office – (573) 687-3321 **Post Office** – (573) 687-3885

Galaxy Cable – (800) 365-6988 **Century-Tel** – (800) 201-4099

Ameren UE – (800) 552-7583 **Superior Trash** – (800) 778-7652

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday: 7: 00 AM – 3:00 PM

Friday: 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

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