

Sugar Creek Sweet Talk

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SUGAR CREEK ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor

Stanley J. Salva

Aldermen

Dennis R. Onka
Stanley J. Sagehorn
Joseph D. Kenney
Edward E. Thomas

City Marshal

Herbert M. Soule

City Collector

Lynda R. Cearnal

City Administrator

Ron Martinovich

City Clerk

Jana Olivarez-Dickerson

City Treasurer

Linda Martinovich

Director of Public Works

Ed Layton

Parks & Recreation Supervisor

Sue Mikula

City Attorney

C. Robert Buckley

Municipal Judge

Garry L. Helm

Municipal Court Clerk

Donna Newton

The Alex Petrovic Reading Room Dedication

Sugar Creek's Alex Petrovic saw a problem in Jeff City and fixed it.

Now there is a reading and research room there in his honor.

The Alex M. Petrovic Reading Room was dedicated in September at the Kirkpatrick State Information Center in Jefferson City. The room is on the main level.

"It meant a lot," Petrovic said humbly of the honor. "I was dumb-founded!"

According to Mayor Stan Salva, who attended the ceremony, the room is the size of the city council chamber at Sugar Creek's City Hall.

Salva said, when Petrovic was serving as a State Representative in

the 1960s, Petrovic was looking for something that was stored with the Secretary of State's office. He was directed to a dark, basement room filled with boxes and boxes of unsorted, uncataloged information and records – that in some cases were being ruined by neglect and water seepage.

It was then that he took it upon himself to make sure the Secretary of State for Missouri had a system for organizing the archiving of all those records. Petrovic sponsored legislation – co-sponsored by then Representative Mel Carnahan – to create a system for managing Missouri's records. The measure also had the sup-



From left: Rep. Ray Salva, Secretary of State Robin Carnahan, Alex Petrovic and Senator Wheeler attended the dedication.

port of the likes of Harry S. Truman, Thomas Hart Benton, Herbert Hoover, and then Secretary of State James C. Kirkpatrick.

At the time, Petrovic said, the State of Missouri was known to have one of the worst record-keeping

situations in the nation.

Petrovic said properly archiving the records allowed the state to renovate space for several rooms and freed up 30 miles of filing cabinets!

– please see "New Reading Room" page 4

Park Renamed To Honor A Remarkable Man

City officials have renamed a Sugar Creek Park in memory of a man who often did things for others, but did not want special recognition.

Wells Memorial Park is the new name for Christmas Tree Park, known by some as "the Old Harmony Lot Park." The park is located at Gill and Sterling.

Wells Memorial Park features a newly planted butterfly garden. It also features the City's official Christmas Tree and is the site of the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. A gazebo is in the works.

John Stephen Wells, Sr., for whom the park is now named, was born Nov. 30, 1950 and died July

14, 2005. He was the owner and operator of Kross Lounge/Ernie's Steak House & Lounge from 1973 until he retired in July of 2004.

John's father, Ernie, had opened the Kross Tavern in 1945 and Ernie's Steak House in 1964. The businesses are now operated by Valerie and Chris Soule.

According to a Board of Aldermen resolution marking the occasion, "John Wells demonstrated the commitment of an extraordinary individual and volunteered his services to the City of Sugar Creek over the years on various sponsorships, committees and

– please see "Park Gets New Name" page 7



"The Mayor's Report on Sugar Creek is intended to communicate and inform the citizenry of current Council discussions and actions as well as reporting on recent and upcoming events and meetings that impact the City as well as the entire community. My intentions are to provide the best and most accurate information to all the people of Sugar Creek. This mayor would welcome any suggestions or comments on how to make this report even more valuable."

— Mayor Stan Salva
mayor@sugar-creek.mo.us

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS AND EVENTS:

- Oath given to the City's newest Patrol Officer, Mary Morgan
- Traffic Light monitoring project studied
- BP Warehouse Facility transferred to the City
- City receives grant money for renovations at LaBenite Park
- Fall Fun Fest and Don Lipovac Concert were successful



MAYOR'S REPORT ON SUGAR CREEK

Study Session: October 10, 2005

1. Presentation by Salva O'Renick on new City of Sugar Creek Website.
2. Discussion pertaining to part-time Building Inspector position.
3. Proposal for Feasibility Study for Retirement Community opportunities.
4. Correspondence relating to Amoco remediation - Mayor

Regular Council Meeting: October 10, 2005

1. Approved a temporary extension for BP/Amoco of the existing Special Use Permit, Oily Dirt Land Treatment Unit for a period of 90 days. Planning Engineer/Building Official indicated that the Special Use Permit at the BP/Amoco site expired on Sunday, October 9, 2005.
2. From the Consent Agenda. Approval of minutes of the Council Meeting on September 26, 2005. There was a discussion of the content of the minutes and changes to the language. City Administrator drew attention to wage increase proposed. It was understood at the previous meeting that the Board's action approved a two percent cost of living adjustment and one-half of one percent for Merit. He asked for clarification and Aldermen Sagehorn stated that these two items as stated had been approved. Alderman Onka suggested including a listing of the additional projects added to the 2006 fiscal year budget. The minimum-maximum ranges will increase by 2% which is the cost of living portion of the salary increase.
3. The Oath of Office for new Police Officer Mary Morgan. Mayor Salva administered the Oath of Office to Officer Morgan and congratulated her.
4. Heard Mayor's Report:
 - Mayor Salva noted that the Croatian Ambassador visited the area recently and received a Resolution from the City. Mayor Salva attended the Truman Heartland Citizen of the Year Gala where Ron Rybarczyk was honored.
 - Mayor Salva participated in the annual Walk to School at the Mill Creek School along with Chief Soule and Captain Hodges.
 - Mayor Salva met with members of the Parks & Recreation Board including Aldermen Onka and Thomas. The Board had requested a meeting to discuss the Committee's agenda and promote better communications. The members will return to the Board at the first Study Session in November.
 - Mayor Salva met with Paul Licausi of Woodmen of the World concerning the Woodmen of the World development on Highway 291 and other issues associated with sewer maintenance. Mr. Licausi noted that Woodmen is still interested in the retail project on Highway 291 that has been discussed but an anchor store has not been chosen for the complex at this time.
 - Mayor Salva distributed to the Board a completed video digital camera circuit board which is built by OEM Services, a contract design engineering and manufacturing company for the electronics industry located in the Centropolis area. They are interested in leasing or buying the BP warehouse building for the manufacture of the circuit boards.
5. Heard Alderman Reports:
 - ONKA: discussed the construction of a storm water retention area on the site directly behind the BP warehouse. The Alderman also discussed the property that the City owns and advises that it must be properly taken care of.
6. The City Engineer advised the Board that on October 10 the insurance was activated and there was a walk through of the BP warehouse facility. Mr. Martinovich advised that work is being done on installing a utility meter and estimates on tanks and meters are being taken. Alderman Kenney asked if a digital thermostat in the facility could be installed to keep the building at a constant temperature. Security measures will also be installed. The potential tenant would like to lease the facility within the next several months but the Mayor believes the utility estimates will allow them to judge the time line when it would be feasible.
7. City Clerk Jana Dickerson noted that the next council meeting will be November 14, 2005. She reminded everyone of the dedication of Wells Park on Saturday, October 15, 2005.
8. Police Chief Soule attended a MARCIT Conference recently and there were changes to the State liability laws and employee relations. 2) received information from the Jackson County Prosecutor who gave a press conference and announced new initiatives. Sugar Creek will participate along with the County in many initiatives and will try to reduce the number of violent felony warrants.
9. Public Works Director Ed Layton distributed a proposal from Superior Electric for a bid on the electric work for Wells Park. It

was suggested that additional bids be obtained because the bid of \$13,800 appeared rather high.

10. Mayor Salva asked the City Treasurer for a final version of the budget fund balance spreadsheet.
11. Building Official/Planning Engineer approved Home Occupation License 4-05 from James Cooper, 3611 N. River Blvd., Sugar Creek, 64050. Name of Business: S.K. Cooper Construction. Description of Business: General Remodeling. 2) motion to consider ZC from Claude L. Lutgen, Independence, MO 64056 who submitted an application for a change in zoning from M-1-P (Light Industrial Planned District) to A (Agriculture District) for 1710 N. Allen Road, Sugar Creek, MO 64054 which is the location of the proposed Zoning Change. Planning Commission recommended denial. City Attorney Bob Buckley indicated that a new Evidence Hearing will need to be held before Board action is taken.

Study Session: November 14, 2005

1. Discussion pertaining to priorities from Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Jake Welch, Parks and Recreation Chairman.
2. Feasibility Study of Senior Community in the City.
3. Discussion pertaining to traffic light monitoring project. - Chief Soule
4. Correspondence relating to Amoco remediation - Mayor

Regular Council Meeting: November 14, 2005

1. Approved Res.8-05 directing City Staff to initiate a review of the City's Zoning Ordinance and Zoning map for the property located between Sterling Ave. and Northern Bldg. on 24 Highway to Kentucky Ave., directing City staff to delay the acceptance and processing of applications for building permits and development approvals.
2. Approved Ord. 3007, by and between the City and the State of Missouri through Land and Water Conservation Funds for matching grant funds, which shall include renovations of LaBenite Park including renovation of picnic shelter house, water installation and electricity installation.
3. Heard Mayor's Report:
 - Mayor Salva received a letter from Nancy Kimak and read the letter to the Board and audience. Ms. Kimak is a founding member of the CDC, she will resign, effective December 31, 2005.
 - Mayor Salva received a letter from the Northwest Community Development Corp. and a letter from MODOT, addressed to the Mayor and City Council concerning a meeting that will take place on Thursday, November 17th concerning the replacement of the Highway 24 bridge over the Union Pacific Railway at the west end of the Fairmount Business district.
 - Mayor Salva discussed the Don Lipovac concert event held on Sunday, November 13th at Onka Hall. There were approximately 150 people in attendance. The next concert will be held at the tree lighting on December 3rd at Wells Park.
4. Heard Alderman Reports:
 - ONKA: asked that copies of a letter from Dean Rummel, Sports Director for the YMCA be distributed to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee because he believes they should understand and know about the positive changes that are being implemented at the parks where many ball games are being held. 2) discussed an issue concerning fire hydrants at the Bluffs area as well as street names. He submitted 3 names for the first 3 streets: the first name would be the first manager of the Standard Oil Co. Mr. D.H. Moffet. The second street would be named after the first Mayor, H.R. Boehmer also a Superintendent of Standard Oil Refineries, and the third street would be named after the second Mayor of the City, John W. Kelly. They were part of the beginning of the City in the 1920s.
 - THOMAS: suggested naming the first three streets, 1st, 2nd and 3rd streets since there is only one numbered street in the city.
5. Police Chief Soule discussed homeland security and training. Chief Soule updated the Board about the meetings he has been attending concerning this issue. He will attend training at the National Center for Homeland Security funded by the Federal Government which is located in Anniston, Alabama; two Fire Fighters will be sent for training in EMS Services during incidents involving weapons of mass destruction and natural disasters. Chief Soule will attend in January 2006 and ultimately the entire Police and Fire Dept. will attend. Transportation will be the only charge because the seminars are funded by the National Homeland Security Dept. The Chief discussed a City exercise that will be multi jurisdictional involving Independence and Jackson County and Mid America Regional Council, paid for by

NEWS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

Public Works

Yardwaste Pickup– December yardwaste pickup dates will be the 1st and the 15th. These will be the last yard waste pickup until April 2006, watch for information on the pick up dates in upcoming calendars. There will be no yardwaste pick up during the months of January, February and March. **Yardwaste is considered organic matter, which includes grass clippings, tree limbs, and leaves.** Yardwaste cannot be included in regular household refuse. If yardwaste is detected in regular solid waste, it will not be picked up. Yardwaste pickup will resume in April 2006.

Bulky Item Pickup– 2006 Bulky item pickup will be conducted in **APRIL, JULY AND OCTOBER**

Christmas Tree Recycling– Public Works department will be picking up Christmas trees on **Thursday, January 5.** To recycle your Christmas tree, please make sure all decorating trim is removed from the tree, and place by the street curb for easy access.

City Snow Removal Program– The following information is to improve our service and to help you be aware of our snow removal operations.

We have divided our streets into three groups. The first group being priority one, these are all the thoroughfares and main collectors. The second group or priorities two are the residential collector and feeder streets. The last group is all other residential streets. Plowing and salting is done when conditions of the streets make it necessary.

The department crews have been preparing snow removal equipment for the upcoming winter season. It is our intent to have all 33 miles of street treated and plowed as soon as possible after a storm has stopped.

In years past it has not been uncommon for residents to experience narrow plowed paths or partially cleaned streets during heavy snow events. This situation in almost every instance is related to vehicles parked in the street area, and residents placing snow removed from their driveways in public right-of-way. It is not unusual to go through the freeze-thaw cycle for several days, before crews can return to widen the narrow paths to the street's edge. While ordinary passenger vehicles can negotiate these narrow paths, in years past emergency vehicles such as ambulance and fire department equipment were forced to take an alternate route, thus effecting response time to an emergency call. As we all know, response time is critical during an emergency. For this reason the department is asking residents to pay close attention to the weather forecasts for snow and ice events, and avoid, where possible, parking on street areas. This will assist snow removal crews in providing the highest level of snow removal service practical, and possibly avoid any inconvenience during the winter

months. Several residents have commented on snow being pushed back into their driveways after snowplows have been through. If possible, please wait until after the plows have been through your street to shovel your drive. Thank you for your cooperation.

How citizens can help improve snow removal operations:

- Make sure to have the proper snow or all weather tires on your vehicle to prevent you from getting stuck.
- Park off street if possible.
- Shovel the snow to the right side of the driveway as you face the street. This will lessen the amount of snow at the mouth of the driveway when the snowplow comes by.

A Word of Warning–In the last several years there have been times when the electricity has been disrupted due to storms in our area, many people have since then purchased generators to use at their homes. These must be used with a great deal of caution. Generators are meant to use in the out of doors. If you have need of a generator, please be aware that it should be placed outside of the home. Carbon Monoxide is produced by the incomplete combustion of the fossil fuels - gas, oil, coal and wood used in boilers, engines, oil burners, gas fires, water heaters, generators, solid fuel appliances and open fires.

Dangerous amounts of CO can accumulate when as a result of poor installation, poor maintenance or failure or damage to an appliance in service, the fuel is not burned properly, or when rooms are poorly ventilated and the Carbon Monoxide is unable to escape. Maintain all appliances regularly and to have absolutely reliable detector alarms installed, giving both a visual and audible warning immediately when there is a build up of CO to dangerous levels. **REMEMBER...CO HAS NO SMELL AND NO TASTE AND NO COLOR.**

Parks and Recreation

Open Gym Time for Walking– The gym is open for walking on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00-10:00 a.m. The gym is located at 11232 Chicago.

Open Gym Time for Basketball– 4:00-6:00 p.m., Wednesdays, for boys and girls ages 12-16 to play basketball and volleyball.

Listen to Some Great Music– Mondays from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Sugar Creek Parks & Recreation is recruiting community members to become active participants in upcoming events. If you would like to volunteer a few hours of your time on a monthly basis, or if you have an organization that is interested in community service, contact Sue Mikula at 252-4413, ext. 302 for more information.

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the Federal government program. Additionally there is a request by the Jackson County Health Dept. that all first responders have flu shots this year. The over-time replacement cost for one individual being sick for five days would pay for all the flu shots. It was approved that all full time City personnel would receive flu shots if they want one. 2) Mayor Salva noted that Chief Soule gave a lecture at the Missouri-Columbia University concerning Homeland Security, Wednesday, November 16. Mayor Salva attended also.

6. The City Treasurer noted that the beginning auditing phase has begun for the past fiscal year 2005.
7. Building Official/Planning Engineer Cynthia Moeller-Krass briefly summarized the request by Claude Lutgen for a zoning change to 1710 N. Allen Road from Light Industrial to an Agricultural District. This is a five acre parcel and one of the neighbors had an objection to the change. Ms. Moeller-Krass gave an overview to the Board including the map with highlighted area in discussion. The Future Land Use Plan adopted in the Comprehensive Plan will be industrial. This was the reason for the Planning Commission denial even though historically it has been agricultural although there has been uncontrolled use in the area and is not suited for residential use. The Board indicated that their desire was to deny the zoning change. City Attorney C. Robert Buckley indicated that his office would need to draft an ordinance to deny the change in regulation.
8. Parks & Recreation Supervisor discussed with the Board the new innovative advertising and marketing the Concert Committee will be doing in the coming year, and distributed some magnet samples for their review.

New Reading Room – continued from front page

The state did not have to buy filing cabinets for several years.

Forty years later, the computerized research room – accessible to the public – was dedicated in his honor.

Today, the Missouri State Archives stores document collections dating from 1770, according to a press release from the Missouri Secretary of State's office. Among its collections are important materials relating to Lewis and Clark, slavery, the Civil War, the Great Depression, along with governors' papers, Supreme Court records, more than 250,000 photographs, and 10,000 unique maps.

Each year, the division's reading room is visited by approximately 4,500 people from every state in the country.

Missouri Secretary of State Robin Carnahan said:

"The reading room is an invaluable resource to citizens of Missouri and the nation. Dedicating the room to Representative Alex Petrovic is a fitting acknowledgement of the contribution he made to our state."

"He is in his 80s and sharp as a tack," said Salva of Petrovic. Salva said he has known the man for years.

Petrovic, in addition to being a State Representative from 1962 to 1966, was the Eastern Jackson County Judge from 1966 to 1970. During his term as Eastern Judge, the Truman Sports Complex was built and named. He was also the City Treasurer for five years.

While Petrovic was an administrator at St. Joseph Hospital, he helped bring the LifeFlight helicopter to the hospital. He also served two terms on the School Board, was on the Kansas City Library Board, and was the master of ceremonies for numerous political gatherings in the area.

Salva said Petrovic was instrumental in getting a library in Sugar Creek and worked with the Truman Library in Independence.

"He is a permanent fixture in the community," said Salva.

Petrovic has lived in Sugar Creek for almost 60 years. He settled here after getting out of the Marines, where he served in the South Pacific. He said among the reasons he stayed in Sugar Creek were the low taxes and the resourceful people.

He and his late wife, Frances, have six children: Frances Padow, Alex M. Petrovic II, Teresa Marie Petrovic, Christopher John Petrovic, Marck Stefan Petrovic, and Anastasia Lia Rock.

In addition to canning pickles and peppers, Petrovic is writing his life story – at the urging of his children and friends. He expects to complete his collection of stories and experiences shortly after the first of the year.

PEOPLE IN PROFILE

Celebrating Fifty Years Together

A couple, long active in the Sugar Creek area, have reached the milestone mark for marital longevity.

Bob and Jake Welch, Sugar Creek, have been married 50 years as of September 12.

Bob has been the City's Prosecutor for about 30 years. Jake was the first Recreation Supervisor for the City.

Jake said they were married in Kansas City, though she did not like weddings or organizing them. The two met at Kansas City Junior College where she taught him tennis. She recalls that he liked one of her girlfriends – the same friend who suggested he get Jake to teach him tennis.

They spent their anniversary in Cancun with family – where daughter Andy became engaged.

Professionally, Jake has always been involved in physical education. For 10 years she was a physical education teacher at Van Horn High School. At one time she was a member of a traveling women's softball team. Community activities have included President of the Optimist Club, Secretary of the Business and Civic Club and Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.



The Welch, Bob and Jake, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary September 12.

After deciding that life as a salesman was not for him, Bob, enrolled at the University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law to become an attorney. His community activities have included President of the Sugar Creek Optimists, and President of the Business and Civic Club. In November he received the Lon Hocker Award: Liberty and Justice Award. The award is presented to someone who promotes and demonstrates ethical and moral conduct within the law community.

The Welch have two daughters, Denise, who is an electronic shackler, and Andrea, an attorney. They also have two grandchildren, Danielle and Dustin.

Police Department Offers Some Advice to Senior Citizens

Now that the winter season is here, there are precautions that everyone, and in particular, senior citizens, should take. Make sure that heating units are working properly. If you live alone, ask a trusted neighbor to check on you. If you are shut-in, contact the Police Department to check on you. Also, a key can be left with the Fire Department used only in an emergency, if someone is unable to answer the door. Call us if you are interested in this program.

Remember to lock the doors to your residence. It is also prudent to lock your car when it is not in use. Do not leave purses or other items of value unattended in your vehicle. Also, avoid leaving your vehicle running, while unattended. This is against city ordinance and makes it easy for someone to steal your car. Have a safe winter holiday season.

– Sugar Creek Police and Fire Departments

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony is Dec. 3 at 5 p.m. Don't miss it!

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December 2005 Calendar

City Hall Offices
Public Works
Parks & Recreation

252-4400
252-4413
252-4413

Police or Fire Emergencies
Non Emergencies
www.sugar-creek.mo.us/City_News.html

911
252-7058

sunday monday tuesday wednesday thursday friday saturday

**REMEMBER... Christmas Tree Recycling
will be conducted on January 5th!**

				1 Yardwaste Pickup	2	3 5:00 p.m. Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Wells Memorial Park
4 Refuse Route 1	5 Refuse Route 1	6 Refuse Route 2	7 Refuse Route 3	8 7:00 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting	9	10
11 Refuse Route 1	12 Refuse Route 1	13 Refuse Route 2	14 Refuse Route 3	15 Yardwaste Pickup	16	17
	6:00 p.m. Study Session Only 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting	8:00 A.M. FILING FOR APRIL GENERAL ELECTIONS OPENS				
18 Refuse Route 1	19 Refuse Route 1	20 Refuse Route 2	21 Refuse Route 3 WINTER BEGINS	22	23	24
<i>Delinquent date for utilities</i>						
25 CHRISTMAS DAY City Hall and Public Works Offices will be closed Dec. 26 HANUKKAH BEGINS	26 City Hall and Public Works closed for Christmas	27 Refuse Route 1	28 Refuse Route 2 <i>Past due notification date</i>	29 Refuse Route 3	30	31

**City Hall and Public Works
closed January 2, 2006**

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony



The Sugar Creek Business & Civic Club invites all residents to attend the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony to be held on Saturday December 3rd beginning at 5:00 p.m. at Wells Park which is located at Gill Street and Sterling Avenue.

Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive in the evening. There will be hot dogs, hot beverages, wagon rides, Christmas Carols, and lots of holiday spirit. The CCRC will be accepting donations of can or dry food products.

NEIGHBORLY NEWS

Ham Will Be Missed

Mary V. Ham, 88, Tampa, FL, died Monday, October 24, 2005, after a courageous battle with cancer.

A long time resident of Sugar Creek, Mary was born on November 26, 1916. She moved from Sugar Creek to Tampa in 1999. Following her graduation from the University of Missouri in 1937, Mrs. Ham worked as a school teacher throughout Missouri. She later took a position with the U.S. Post Office and served in various branches in the Sugar Creek, Fairmount and Independence areas. She retired from the Post Office in 1984, after a career extending for more than 36 years.

Mrs. Ham was preceded in death by her husband, William, in 1958.

She is survived by her three sons, William "Bill" Ham and wife Kay Dean, of Niceville, FL; John Ham and wife Patty, of Peoria, IL; and Joseph Ham and wife Cindy, of Lakeland, FL; seven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

City Park Gets New Name - continued from front page

commissions."

According to Mayor Pro Tem, Alderman Joe Kenny, who was the master of ceremonies for the dedication of the park on October 15, Wells was a humble man.

"He did a lot, quietly," said Kenny, "and he loved helping people."

Numerous family members attended the dedication, including John's mother Agnes and his wife Ruth. Also, son John; daughters Jessica Garrett, Rachel Wells and Jenny McArthur and husband Matt, and their son Danny; brother Mark Wells; sisters Diane Kerr and Mary Anne Hall.

Following the park dedication, a reception was held at Kross Lounge, which was celebrating its 60th year in business. According to a proclamation for the event, Kross Tavern, as it is also known, was recognized as the meeting place for servicemen and residents returning to the City. The restaurant also sponsored a number of local athletic teams.

"As the years passed," according to the proclamation, "political leaders, business leaders, sports personalities, and those from all walks of life participated in heated discussions and decision making in this fine establishment."

And, "we must recognize the famous "Round Table." It is necessary to be somewhat of an authority on all subjects: sports, politics, hunting and fishing to participate in the spirited conversations that have taken place throughout the years."

THE CCRC SAYS THANKS!!!
November was designated as the annual Citizens Civic Relief Commission Fund Drive. Donation envelopes are still available at the CCRC office, 604 N. Sterling, Sugar Creek or at City Hall. It is not too late to make donations for those who are in need in our community.

CITY BULLETIN BOARD

Community College Offers Tuition Reimbursement

Business & Civic Club Scholarship Applications for Metropolitan Junior College Tuition Reimbursement are available at City Hall or applications may be obtained by writing to the Business & Civic Club, P.O. Box 7705, Sugar Creek, MO 64054. Reimbursement is for up to one-half of paid tuition. Consult application for additional details.

Election Filing This Month

Filing opens Tuesday, December 13, 2005 at 8 a.m. for the April 4th, 2006 Municipal General Election. Filing closes on January 17, 2006 at 5 p.m. Offices to be voted on at the election and fees for filing are as follows: Alderman-First Ward; \$40, Alderman-Second Ward; \$40, for two-year terms. Sugar Creek does not hold a primary election. All candidates filing for the above offices will be listed on the ballot on April 4, 2006. For more information, contact the City Clerk at 816-252-4400, ext. 128.

SUGAR CREEK LIBRARY

Events for the Sugar Creek Library for December are:

Read 'Em and Weep- December 12, 7 p.m.

Senior Day- Thursday, December 15. Stop by and find out what your library can do for you. All seniors are invited. Coffee and cookies will be served at 2:30 p.m.

Needlework Unlimited- December 17, at 2 p.m.

Children's Story Hour- December 22, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

LIBRARY HOURS CHANGE - DEC. 1, 2005

Monday-Thursday 12 noon - 7 p.m.

Friday-Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

To the people of Sugar Creek,

I would like to thank all of you for the opportunity to be a part of your community the past 8-1/2 years.

From the first day I came to work in your library, everyone who came through the door made me feel welcome.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances over which I have no control, it is time for me to move on to another job. However, as many of you know, I recently moved to Sugar Creek, so hopefully I will be able to stay in contact with most of the wonderful people I have met through my job in the library here.

Again, thank you for all the wonderful memories you have given me. But most of all for being a warm, sincere and welcoming community of people which is a truly rare find in the world today.

- Linda Sanchez, your library assistant

NOTES OF IMPORTANCE

The Kobe House Has Sweet News!

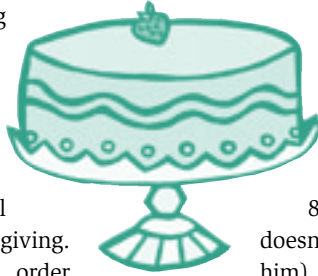
There's a new aroma coming from The Kobe House Bakery - the smell of freshly baked cakes and cupcakes. Jeff, The Bakers Man, is now a part of The Kobe House and making wonderful desserts.

Of course, you will still be able to purchase povitica, strudel, sausage, & unique gifts.

You can still send mail orders and buy for holiday giving. But now you can also order cakes and cupcakes for weddings, birthdays, anniversaries or any other occasion. Best of all, it is baked so conveniently close to home.

And, that's not all. Jeff's specialty cakes (Tropical garden, Chocolate galaxy,

German chocolate, Coconut cream, and even a lemon cake encrusted in meringue) are treats for any dinner or office party.



And, if any of your plans include cookies, Jeff has decorated shapes for all the upcoming holidays.

To place orders, call Jeff at his direct number 816-550-2387. (The bakery doesn't have to be open to reach him).

He will appreciate your business and you'll be treated to some very special desserts right from your own hometown bakery!

We'd like to say, "Welcome to the Kobe House family, Jeff!"

Having Safe Holidays

Help make your holidays happy and safe by following a few precautionary tips. Make sure holiday lights and electrical outlets are correct. Do not overload any outlet. If you have a live Christmas tree, please keep it watered. These type of trees are highly combustible if they dry out.

Also, a reminder not to drink and drive during this festive season and most importantly this holiday season, take the time to appreciate your family, home and country. Happy holidays!

- Sugar Creek Police and Fire Departments

Happy Holidays From The City of Sugar Creek Departments!

The City of Sugar Creek would like to wish the community Happy Holidays and give thanks for the many persons and organizations that help make the City a warm, safe and happy place to live and work.

May the season find each of you and your families in good health and full of joy throughout the coming year.

Sweet Talk



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103 South Sterling Ave.
Sugar Creek, MO 64054

