

## City of Joplin Phone Directory

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WIC (Women, Infant & Children  
 Supplemental Food Program) 623-1928

The Joplin Citizen is a quarterly newsletter published by the City of Joplin for all city residents to receive by mail. Please send questions or comments to Lynn Iliff Onstot, Public Information Officer, City of Joplin, 602 South Main Street, Joplin, MO 64801, or you may send an email to [lonstot@joplinmo.org](mailto:lonstot@joplinmo.org).

## Citizens provide great service in community clean up efforts

The City's efforts of Neighborhood Improvement were strengthened recently with the community's support of the Great Day of Service. A project initiated by College Heights Christian Church several years ago, "Great Day of Service" has grown to include thousands of volunteers helping their fellow neighbors.

As a partner for this event over the past years, City officials were very appreciative of the many who volunteered for the community clean-up.

"Team work was evident throughout the event," said City Manager Mark Rohr. "Twenty-five hundred people joined together to clean up areas of our city, and it was very powerful to see the impact of their actions. Many of the homeowners came out to visit with the volunteers, and some joined in, working side by side on neighborhood clean-up."

Nearly 500 yards were included in the targeted neighborhoods. Some homeowners were not available to give permission; but overall, many properties were cleared, mowed, pruned, raked and generally cleaned up during the event.

This event offered citizens a glimpse of the effect that neighborhood improvement can make for the residents who live in the area and the community as a whole.

The City recognized the importance of neighborhood pride, and worked with residents to initiate the Neighborhood Improvement program in 2008. This program establishes a partnership between the City and neighborhood residents, with the City addressing infrastructure needs while residents can improve their homes with the assistance of several programs available to them through the City and other organizations.



Blake Tash helps clear brush on Byers Avenue with Tyler Cox (left background) and Spencer Newell during the Great Day of Service. Organizers estimate that 2,500 people turned out to work for the community clean-up event.

Photo by: Roberto Ayala Molla

The first neighborhood effort was located between Bird and Wall Avenues from Junge Boulevard to 15<sup>th</sup> Street. The 1500 blocks of Wall Avenue to Byers Avenue were also included. The City installed street lights, resurfaced roads and repaired sidewalks while residents cleaned up their yards and neighborhoods by making repairs, painting, completing yard work, and assisting others in the area who could not do these activities on their own.

Currently, the City is addressing a second neighborhood through this program, including the area between Murphy and Wall Avenues from Junge Boulevard to 10<sup>th</sup> Street. This area is just north of the first neighborhood district. A large percentage of the volunteers for the Great Day of Service

**GREAT DAY of SERVICE**

COLLEGE HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH



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# CITIZEN

## CITY COUNCIL 2010-2012

### Mayor

MIKE WOOLSTON

### MAYOR PRO TEM

MELODEE COLBERT - KEAN

### GENERAL COUNCIL MEMBERS & TERM

MIKE WOOLSTON

(December 1997 - April 1998;  
2002-2014)

MORRIS GLAZE

(2006-2012)

BILL SCEARCE

(1982 - 1990; 2008 - 2012)

JACK GOLDEN

(2010 - 2014)

TRISHA RANEY

(2010 - 2014)

### ZONE COUNCIL MEMBERS

#### Zone 1

GARY SHAW

(2002-2014)

#### Zone 2

MELODEE COLBERT-KEAN

(2006-2012)

#### Zone 3

BENJAMIN D. ROSENBERG

(2008-2012)

#### Zone 4

MICHAEL SEIBERT

(2008-2014)

Please send City Council  
correspondence to:

Joplin City Hall  
602 South Main Street  
Joplin, MO 64801



## City offers answers to questions from citizens

Do you have a question about your house, yard or neighborhood and not sure who to call? Below is a listing of various issues that the City receives frequent questions from citizens for assistance. In addition to this City Service listing, there is a directory of departments' phone numbers on the front page of the newsletter for your reference.

If your question is not listed here, or for general information, the City has a Comment and Complaint Line for citizens. It is easily accessed by pressing the number "3" upon hearing the voice prompts when calling the City's main line at 417-624-0820.

Below are the extension numbers or the direct line to departments that can assist you with the following issues when calling the City.

Issue	Phone Number to call: 624-0820, ext. ????
I'd like to talk to someone about a <b>Business/Contractor's License</b> .....	x 242
I have a question about my <b>Court date, Court Fine or Compliance</b> .....	x 230
My <b>ditch is full of debris</b> , and <b>storm water is backing up</b> in my yard.....	x 564
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( <b>tall grass, unlicensed vehicles</b> , items in yard, etc.)	
I need more information about the <b>Recycling Center</b> .....	x 501
<b>Water</b> is backing up <b>in my basement</b> .....	x 565
I would like information about the <b>Cab Coupons</b> .....	x 241
I need to contact someone in the <b>Jail</b> .....	x 460
Where can I get a <b>Burn Permit?</b> .....	623-0403
I'd like to know if the <b>Trolley stops</b> near my house (or other location).....	626-8609
I have a question about the <b>Trash Service for residents</b> .....	800-431-1507
(billing, late pick up, weather related delays, etc.)	
How can I obtain a copy of a <b>Birth Certificate?</b> .....	623-6122
I need information about <b>Voter Registration</b> .....	625-4307
How do I reach <b>Division of Family Services?</b> .....	629-3050
How do I reach <b>Child Support Enforcement?</b> .....	629-3080
Do I need a <b>License for my Dog?</b> .....	623-6122
Where do I get a <b>Marriage License?</b> .....	Jasper Co. 625-4375    Newton Co. 659-2930
How do I get in touch with the <b>Department of Motor Vehicles?</b> .....	623-9700
I need information about a <b>Divorce Decree</b> .....	625-4310

## City's Annual Leaf Pick-Up Program to begin November 29

Crews from the City of Joplin start picking up leaves in residential areas within the city limits on Monday, November 29. Two crews work on this program, starting at opposite sides of the city. This includes Street Department crews beginning in the northeast section (Royal Heights/ College View addition areas), and the Parks Department crews beginning south of 32nd Street and west of Main. Both crews work daily (weather permitting) moving towards the middle of the city.

Residents are reminded to rake leaves to the curb. Leaves should NOT be placed IN the street, as they will clog the storm drains and hinder the street sweepers. Also residents should not place tree limbs, brush or rocks with the leaves.

"For the leaf pick up program to be completed in an efficient manner, it is very important for the leaf pile to be completely free of all contamination such as tree limbs, rocks, trash, twigs, and bags," said Dean Smith, Infrastructure Superintendent.

Smith advised that the equipment used to vacuum the leaves is not designed to accommodate foreign materials such as these, nor can the equipment work properly if the leaves are extremely wet. Wet weather can cause the program to be delayed slightly, although City crews will work to complete the program when conditions improved.

Joplin residents have two other options for leaf disposal, including:

- \* Bring leaves and grass to the Joplin Public Works Center at 1301 West 2nd Street. The collection bins are open all year...24 hours a day. Please, no tree limbs or brush.

- \* Compost your leaves. Free Homeowners' Composting Guides are available while supply lasts. Contact the Recycling Coordinator at 624-0820 Ext. 501 for more information.

For more earth friendly tips, contact MaryAnne Phillips, Recycling Coordinator, at 624-0820, ext. 501.

For more information about the Leaf Pick Up Program, call 624-820, ext. 501 or 564.





# Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drug Take Back Event to be Held

Saturday, November 13, 2010 between 11a.m. and 1p.m.

Joplin Locations: Walgreens at 20<sup>th</sup> & Range Line Road and Walgreens at 20<sup>th</sup> & Main Street

Be a Part of the 2010 AMERICAN MEDICINE CHEST CHALLENGE and the PARTNERSHIP FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA on November 13<sup>th</sup>. The event is hosted by the City of Joplin and the Alliance of Southwest Missouri – Joplin Area Safe Teens Coalition.

Turn in your unused, unwanted and expired medicines. Joplin Police Department personnel will be on site to take possession of the drugs and then to dispose of them properly.

This **free** event will give all citizens---regardless of residency---a safe and anonymous disposal option for their medications that are expired, surplus, unwanted, or orphaned. Cleaning out your medicine chest (and refrigerators, drawers, shelves, pantries, car glove boxes, handbags, etc.) of unwanted drugs will help prevent poisoning, diversion, theft, and accidents that can potentially harm citizens of all ages through the misuse of prescription medicine.

Once the unwanted drugs are collected and then incinerated, it will keep them out of area landfills, waste water treatment plants, and ultimately out of our drinking water.

DO NOT bring syringes, lancets, needles or illicit substances. However, if an individual desires to surrender an illicit controlled substance such as marijuana or methamphetamine, Joplin Police Department personnel will handle such materials as abandoned property in accordance with standard policy.

*For other Jasper and Newton County locations or proper disposal from home, call 782-9899 or visit [www.theallianceofswmo.org](http://www.theallianceofswmo.org).*

## Kudos, Congrats & Applause

**Lawrence R. “Mac” McKeough, MPA, CEM**, completed the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) “Continuity of Operations Excellence Series” and is a Level-I “Professional Continuity Practitioner.” The requirements consisted of 250 hours of Emergency Management, Continuity of Operations, Incident Command System, Exercise Design and Communications training. He is currently working on the Level-II requirements “Master Continuity Practitioner.”

**Leslie Jones**, the City of Joplin’s Finance Director, was recently named one of the 15 Most Influential Women by the Joplin Tri-State Business Journal. This honor is given to women whose accomplishments exemplify leadership, commitment to their fields, and success in serving as an example to others. In his nomination letter, City Manager Mark Rohr noted her expertise in managing a \$142 million budget along with 31 different funds for the City. Jones has worked at the City of Joplin for 12 years, and was named the Director of Finance in 2006. She serves on various committees of the City, and provides financial data and project details to the Capital Improvements and Public Safety Tax Oversight Committee.

The **City of Joplin** recently received First Place for their Outstanding Window Display at the Missouri Main Street Connection’s Annual Evening of Excellence Awards. The statewide award recognized the efforts of many for their great work creating the 2009 Christmas Window display. Many worked on this project, including **City Clerk Barbara Hogelin**, who coordinated the project with **Jeff Tennis**, **City Hall Maintenance Mechanic. Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Vince Lindstrom** and **Councilmember Dr. Benjamin Rosenberg** also contributed to the project. Congratulations to all involved in the project, and the public is anxiously awaiting this year’s display. This year's unveiling will take place at 6p.m. on Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.



### Just a Reminder:

Don’t forget about the annual dog/cat license requirement due January 1 each year. They are available at City Hall, on the 3rd floor at the Finance Dept.

The cost is \$20 for dogs-cats that are not spayed or neutered.

If your dogs-cats are spayed or neutered, the licensing is free. All dogs-cats are required to have an up-to-date rabies vaccination in order to obtain the license.



# EVENTS

Events listed are from the Joplin Convention & Visitors Bureau’s website at [www.visitjoplinmo.com](http://www.visitjoplinmo.com) and are printed as space allows. If your organization would like to be listed, please contact the CVB office at 417-625-4789 for details.

**10/01 - 10/30**

**Eureka Screams!**

Raycliff Manor, 7 pm – midnight; \$17 per person; inside the Raycliff CARRIAGE HOUSE! Information: [www.raycliffmanor.com/](http://www.raycliffmanor.com/)

**10/01 - 10/31**

**Maulers Nightmare Haunt**

7548 E. 20th Street - 3.6 miles E of Range Line; 7 pm- midnight on Fri, Sat, Sun. only. \$10 admission. Kids under 10 free w/ paid adult. Information: 417.317.1099

**10/01 - 10/31**

**Wolfman’s House of Screams**

North on Hwy. 43, west on Hwy 96, north on City Road 260, 1/4 mile to King Lane, turn west on King Lane to Spook House. Weekdays 7 pm - 10 pm Weekends 7pm - ?? \$9 admission. Information: 417-437-5506 or 417-825-2005

**10/08 - 10/31**

**Haunted Hollow Spook Trail**

E. 32nd St., Past Flying J, Then S. Past Kenworth, follow signs. Opens at dark. Weekends only. \$10 admission. Information: 417-825-1023

**10/11**

**Babes in the Woods: Stroller Walk**

Walter Woods Conservation Area 10 am – 11 am; Ages 0 – 2, FREE. Registration required. Information or to register: 417- 629- 3423 or Amy.Juhala@mdc.mo.gov

**10/12**

**“Bye Bye Brazil” Film Festival**

Cornell auditorium in Plaster Hall at MSSU. 7 pm. FREE  
What has been called “one of the most original and entertaining films of recent years,” Bye Bye Brazil follows a traveling sideshow as it makes its way over 9,000 miles of rural and backwoods Brazil. Directed by Carlos Diegues. For more information call 417.625.9614.

**10/14**

**Show-Me Harmony Chorus- Christmas Chorus Tryout**

Joplin Family Worship Center, 7 pm – 9 pm; \$30 registration fee. Chance for women to sing with chorus for Christmas performances. Information: 417- 782-0858 or visit [www.jfwc.org/](http://www.jfwc.org/)

**10/16 - 10/17**

**Joplin Gun Show**

John Q Hammons, Sat: 9 am – 5 pm ; Sun: 9 am – 5 pm \$8 adults; ages 6-12 \$2; under 6 is free. Information: 563-927-8176 or [www.rkshows.com/](http://www.rkshows.com/)

**10/19**

**Dog Day Afternoon**

Joplin Public Library, 4 p.m. Certified Therapy Dogs visit Library. For independent readers, grades K-5th. Information:417-623-7953 or [www.joplinpubliclibrary.org](http://www.joplinpubliclibrary.org).

**10/19**

**Flavor of the 4 States**

Holiday Inn Convention Center, 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm; \$12 in advance; \$15 at the door. Over 30 Restaurants. Fun family event! Information: [www.flavorofthe4states.com/](http://www.flavorofthe4states.com/)

**10/23**

**28th Annual Pumpkin Run 2010**

McClelland Park, 9 am, Cost varies. Entry forms: [www.joplinroadrunners.com/](http://www.joplinroadrunners.com/) Information:417-499-1179 or [hooverbill@gmail.com](mailto:hooverbill@gmail.com)

**10/23**

**American Girl Club**

Joplin Library, 4 pm, FREE. Children K – 5th grade. Crafts, play games and snack. Information: 417-623-7953 or [www.joplinpubliclibrary.org](http://www.joplinpubliclibrary.org).

**10/27 - 10/31**

**Dracula**

Joplin Little Theatre, Wed –Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 2:50 pm; Adults \$15; students & over 55: \$11; under 12: \$6. Information: 417- 623- 3638

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## City informs residents how to help reduce “clear water” entering sewer system

The City of Joplin finds itself facing a challenge that probably most have not thought about —reducing the flow of clear water into the City’s sanitary sewer collection system. The cause of this problem is the flow of rain water or groundwater into the sanitary sewer system—commonly called **inflow and infiltration ( I & I)**.

During major rain events, this additional surge of water can consume the capacity of sewer pipes resulting in home backups and overflows into creeks and other streams. Because of potential problems caused by overloaded sanitary sewers, the City is taking this opportunity to inform citizens the issues with inflow and infiltration. Inflow and infiltration are terms used to describe the ways that groundwater and stormwater enter the sanitary sewer system. **Inflow** is water that is dumped into the sewer system through improper connections, such as downspouts and groundwater sump pumps. **Infiltration** is groundwater that enters the sewer system through leaks in the pipe. All of this water is called “clear water” (although it may be dirty) to distinguish it from sanitary sewage.

Clear water generally belongs in storm sewers or on the surface of the ground, and not in the sanitary sewers. When clear water gets into the sanitary sewers, it must be moved and treated like sanitary waste. When this occurs, it decreases the capacity of the collection system and the wastewater treatment plants, resulting in the need to construct additional collection and treatment capacity, which in turn would drive up costs and possibly increase the user fees.

And for the homeowner, if the sanitary sewer system is handling high volumes of water that occurs during heavy rains or flooding, it could overload and back up the sewer mains, perhaps high enough to come into your basement.

If Citizens have water in their basement they believe could be sewage, contact the Public Works Department at 624-0820, ext. 565 and inform them of the problem.

Citizens can take precautions to protect against this type of backup, by doing one of four things; install a plug, a standpipe, a check valve, or an overhead sewer. These options are described below.

**Plug:** Since the basement floor drain is the lowest point in your house, it is the first place of entry for backed-up sewage. The drain can be closed with a rubber or wooden plug during heavy rains. Some drains are threaded for a screw-in plug. Plugs can usually be bought at a hardware, building, or plumbing supply store. This is the simplest and cheapest way to stop sewer backup. However, the sewer could backup into the next higher opening, probably a sink drain or toilet.

**Standpipe:** A pipe inserted or screwed into the floor drain will allow the sewer backup to seek its own level without flowing into your basement. Such a standpipe probably needs only to be tall enough to be a little higher than street level. Higher water would then flow out of the municipal lines into the street. A standpipe may be more dependable than a plug that could pop out. However, it has the same shortcomings as a plug: you have to be home to put it in, if the water keeps rising, it will overflow out of the next higher opening, and there is still pressure in the line.

**Check Valve:** A check valve installed in the sewer line is more expensive, but it will prevent the sewer backup into your basement as long as it is kept clean. Valves can be jammed open by debris. The valve should be placed where it would be easy to maintain. Check valves and manual valves have been known to “freeze up” if they are not maintained periodically. All types of valves should have a manhole or other access so they can be cleaned out or repaired. Because such a valve closes your lateral during backup times, you cannot drain household sanitary water.

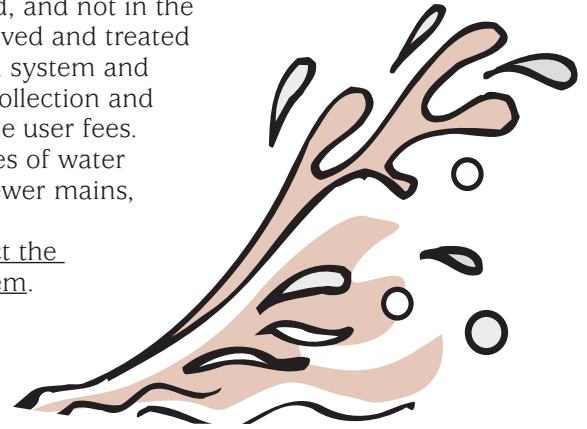
**Overhead Sewer:** Your basement sewers can be rebuilt so that all basement sewage drains to a sanitary sump. All basement sanitary sewage would then be pumped up to the height of the basement ceiling. From this height, it would flow by gravity into the lateral and out into the sanitary mains. Even in the rare event of sanitary sewer main backups, the water would not be able to backup into your basement through the lower level floor drains. In the case of a power failure, you would simply refrain from using any basement plumbing. Upstairs plumbing could continue to be used, even in the event of a power failure.

Another issue that could create a problem for the homeowner is seepage. Heavy local rains, water standing in your yard, or surface flooding, can cause the ground around your house to become saturated with water. Cracks in your basement walls or floors will then allow seepage of water into your basement. The exact location may be difficult to ascertain if the basement walls are covered with paneling or drywall.

The best way to deal with seepage is to relieve the groundwater through subsurface drain tiles and ensure that the walls are waterproofed. Cracks can be repaired and the walls can be waterproofed from inside or outside. Waterproofing on the outside of the wall is more effective because groundwater presses the sealer into the walls. The best technique is to dig a ditch around the basement wall and apply a sealant. It is also important to make sure that any newly installed basement foundation drains empty freely and that porous fill is used against the basement wall over the drains in order to direct any groundwater to the drains.

A foundation drain tile system has proven very effective in dealing with such groundwater. Water is kept away from the basement walls by draining down to the drain tiles. The groundwater then flows to the clear water sump and is pumped out. This foundation drain water should never be connected to the sanitary sewer system, however, because it can overload the sewer mains and cause sanitary sewage backups into neighborhood basements.

If residents have questions about this information or how they can address some of these issues, they can call Tim Nyander, Public Works Operations Manager, at 624-0820, ext. 560.



## New airline service offering flights to Dallas

Travelers in the Joplin metropolitan area will soon be able to fly to Dallas/Fort Worth from Joplin Regional Airport daily with American Eagle. The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) recently awarded the bid as part of the Essential Air Service (EAS) program. Under EAS status, the DOT provides a subsidy for air service to a carrier that best meets the community's needs.

"We are very pleased with the DOT's decision," said Steve Stockam. "Dallas is a great market for us, and from the air service study we conducted recently, a majority of our customers indicated a need to get to Dallas for their business needs."

A study conducted by Sixel Consulting Group, Inc. in April of this year reflected the strong desire for American Service to the Dallas/Ft. Worth hub. It noted that 67% of respondents indicated Dallas as their first choice for air service.

American Eagle proposes to operate two daily nonstop round trips (14 total per week) from Joplin to Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, for an annual subsidy rate of \$2,778,756.

In their proposal to the DOT, American Eagle stated that the company would operate a 66-passenger ATR-72 aircraft.

"This is a great move for our region," said Stockam. "We encourage all travelers to look to Joplin as the first option in their travel needs."

Joplin officials are working closely with American Eagle to establish flight times and rates. Announcements of this information will be made as the details are finalized.

For more information, contact the Joplin Regional Airport at 623-0262, ext. 5.



# EVENTS

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10/28

### Sweet Dreams

Memorial Hall, 12 noon to 9 pm, Tickets \$10, Information: 417-623-8272.

10/28

### Freeman Trick-or-Treat Bash

Northpark Mall, 6 pm - 8 pm. FREE & open to public. Safe, fun Halloween activity for children up to age 12. Costume Contest at 6:30 pm. Presented by Children's Miracle Network Information: 417.FHS.6659

10/28

### "Night in the Tropics" - 3rd Annual President's Gala Concert

Taylor Auditorium- Missouri Southern State University, 7:30 pm  
\$10 admission; \$5 for students and senior citizens. Information: www.mssu.edu/

10/31

### MSSU Safe Trick-or-Treat Event

McCormick Hall at Missouri Southern State University, 6pm - 8 pm. FREE!  
Event features indoor trick-or treating in residence hall. Information: 417-659-4460 or 417-659-4190

11/04

### "Central Station" Film Festival

Cornell Auditorium in Plaster Call at MSSU, 7 pm, FREE. Information: 417-625-9614.

11/06

### Joplin Veteran's Day Parade

15th and Main, 10 am, Information call Kenny Leneir at 417-624-0378

11/06

### MercyMe presents LOVEWELL LIVE IN CONCERT

Joplin Memorial Hall, 7:30 pm, Ticket price varies. Information: www.joplinmemorialhall.com, or 417-623-3254 or 417-625-4750.

11/09

### "City of God" Film Festival

Cornell Auditorium in Plaster Hall at MSSU, 7 pm, FREE, Information: 417-625-9614.

11/14

### Children's Lego Club

Joplin Library, 2 pm, FREE. Children of all ages welcome. Under 6 must be with an adult. Information: 417-623-7953 or www.joplinpubliclibrary.org.

11/16

### Dog Day Afternoon

Joplin Public Library, 4 p.m. Certified Therapy Dogs visit Library. For independent readers, grades K-5th. Information: 417-623-7953 or www.joplinpubliclibrary.org.

11/16

### "Two Sons of Francisco" Film Festival

Cornell Auditorium in Plaster Hall at MSSU, 7 pm, FREE, Information: 417-625-9614.

11/20

### Holiday Auction

First Community Church, 15th & Murphy Blvd. Auction begins 1:30 pm, Beverages served 1 pm. Information: 417-623-3290.

12/02 - 12/11

### Joplin Holiday Experience

Family friendly holiday activities including kids activities, Santa Spotting, concerts, art, music & more! Plus DickensFest in Historic Murphysburg added this year. Information: www.facebook.com/Holiday Experience. See story on this page.

12/10

### Jim Brickman's 15th Anniversary Holiday Concert

Joplin Memorial Hall, 7:30 pm; VIP \$50 includes meet and greet; Main Floor \$35, Mezzanine \$25 and Balcony \$20. Buy online at www.joplinmemorialhall.com, at the hall box office, Joplin Athletic Complex at 3301 W. 1st Street, or charge by phone 417.623.3254 or 417.625.4750.

12/11

### Cecil Floyd Craft Show

Cecil Floyd Elementary, 9 am - 4 pm  
\$1 donation at door Information: 417-438-7202 or cecilyfloydcraftshow@hotmail.com

For more information www.visitjoplinmo.com



## Mark your calendars...

## Holiday Experience returns with more activities & events

The Joplin Convention and Visitors Bureau is working with numerous groups and organizations to host the Joplin Holiday Experience. At press time, some of the details were still to be set, but be sure to mark your calendars for these fun, family events. More information can be found on the CVB's website at [www.visitjoplinmo.org](http://www.visitjoplinmo.org)

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	CONTACT
Nov. 29	Christmas Stories & Songs	Library	6:00pm	632-7953
	City Christmas Tree Lighting	Spiva Park	6:30pm	625-4750
Dec. 1	Senior Snowball Dance	Memorial Hall	11:30am	623-3254
Dec. 2	Evening of Christmas	Memorial Hall	7:00pm	623-3254
Dec. 2 -Dec. 6	Living Christmas Tree	OCC	7:30pm; Sat-Sun 4 & 7:30	626-1221
Dec. 3	Unveiling of Holiday Windows	City Hall	6:00pm	625-4789
Dec. 4	Breakfast with Santa	Joplin Museum Complex	8:00am	625-4750
	Joplin Globe Craft Fair	Memorial Hall	10 am-6 pm	623-3480
Dec. 7	Joplin Christmas Parade	Main St., 20th - 2nd	6:00pm	624-4155
Dec. 9	Midwest Regional Ballet - Nutcracker	Memorial Hall	TBD	623-3254
Dec. 10	Dickensfest in Murphysburg	503 W. 4th thru 320 S. Moffet	6 pm-8:30pm	483-3116
	Jim Brickman 15th Anniversary Concert	Memorial Hall	7:30pm	623-3254
	"For Unto Y'all" A Cowboy Christmas (Dinner Theatre)	Joplin Family Worship	6:30pm	623-6134
Dec. 11	Wildcat Glades Winter Hike	Wildcat Glades Audubon Cr	10am	782-6287
	Holiday Open House	Spiva Arts Center	3 pm-5 pm	623-0183
	Dickensfest in Murphysburg	503 W. 4th thru 320 S. Moffet	6 pm-8:30pm	483-3116
Dec. 12	Dickensfest in Murphysburg	503 W. 4th thru 320 S. Moffet	6 pm-8:30pm	483-3116
	"For Unto Y'all" A Cowboy Christmas	Joplin Family Worship	7:30pm	623-6134
Dec. 12	Judging - Holiday Cookie Contest	Joplin Museum Complex	1 p.m.	623-1180





## UPCOMING EVENTS

The following events will take place at Joplin Memorial Hall. Other events will be announced as details are confirmed. If you would like more information, please call 623-3254 or the number listed under the event. Ticket information is available at [www.joplinmemorialhall.com](http://www.joplinmemorialhall.com).

### Now through Dec 15

#### Zumba Fitness

#### Mondays and Wednesdays

6:45p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

\$3 each visit, or 10 visits for \$30 (no classes on Oct 11 & 13)

### October 19-November 30

#### TUESDAYS

#### Adult Co-ed Volleyball

6:45pm

For information 417-625-4750

### October 21-23

#### Joplin Sports Authority Christian High School Volleyball Tournament

For information 417-625-1006

### October 28

#### Sweet Dreams Chocolate Extravaganza

1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For information 417-623-8272

### November 6

#### Veterans Day Parade,

Main Street to Memorial Hall  
10 a.m.

### November 19

#### WTI Graduation

For more information 417-206-9115

### November 20

#### Children's Miracle Network

"MIRACLE MARKET" Crafts show

For more information (417) 347-6639

### November 21

#### Turkey Shoot Out

(Basketball)

For more information 417-625-4750

### December 1

#### "Senior" Snow Ball Dance and Luncheon

11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. • \$5 per person  
For more information (417) 781-7562

### December 2

#### An Evening of Christmas

#### Community talent showcase

7 p.m. • \$5 per person

For information 417-623-3254

### December 9

#### The Nutcracker

Midwest Regional Ballet

For Information 417-439-9549

### December 18

#### Neil Diamond Tribute Band

7pm • Tickets \$10 Reserved

For More information 417-623-3254

### January 2010

#### Little Dribblers

Mondays 5:50 p. m. to 6:35 p.m.

For information 417-625-4750

#### Adult Co-ed Volleyball

Tuesdays 6:45 p.m.

#### Adult Basketball

Thursdays 6:30 p.m.

### January 27-30

#### Shrine Circus

Tickets available at the door,

Performances times and prices TBD

## Two well-known artists coming to Memorial Hall

Multi-platinum and award-winning band, MercyMe is coming to Joplin Memorial Hall on Saturday, November 6. MercyMe consistently has topped contemporary Christian music charts, with the Band's latest album, "The Generous Mr. Lovewell" giving the band the highest chart debut of their career. MercyMe's unbroken streak of gold and platinum efforts began in 2001 with the number one single "I Can Only Imagine."

Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. with special guest Phil Wickham. Tickets are currently on sale. Prices include: Main Floor Reserved for \$35; Mezzanine Reserved set at \$25 and Balcony Reserved is \$15. Tickets can be purchased online at [joplinmemorialhall.com](http://joplinmemorialhall.com), at the Hall Box Office, Joplin Athletic Complex at 3301 West 1st Street, or charge by phone at 417-623-3254 or 417-625-4750.

The public can get into the holiday spirit by attending the Jim Brickman's 15th Anniversary Holiday Concert on Friday, December 10 at Memorial Hall.

Brickman, a two-time Grammy-nominated, platinum selling artist, creates a musical celebration for audiences seeking a musical escape from the hectic demands of the holiday season! In this moving concert, Jim and his special guests, present an evening of dazzling solo piano, vibrant vocals plus warmth and humor. Tickets are on sale now with Main Floor Reserved selling for \$35; Mezzanine Reserved is \$25; and Balcony Reserved is \$20.

Tickets for Jim Brickman can be purchased online at [www.joplinmemorialhall.com](http://www.joplinmemorialhall.com), Hall Box Office, Joplin Athletic Complex at 3301 W 1st Street, or charge by phone at 417-623-3254 or 417-625-4750.

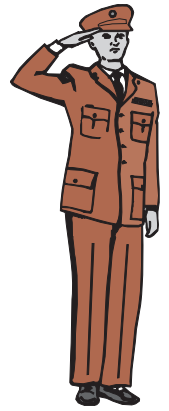
For more information about these two concerts or other upcoming events at Joplin Memorial Hall, call 417-623-3254.

## Free Golf offered to Veterans on November 11

In honor of Veterans Day on November 11, Schifferdecker Golf Course is offering an opportunity to play a free round of golf to all veterans. On November 11, veterans would just need to let the clubhouse staff know that they are a Veteran to receive this benefit.

Veterans Day is an annual holiday in the United States to recognize the country's men and women who have served their country through military service. November 11 is the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I. It became effective at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month of 1918.

*The City salutes all Veterans and thanks them  
for their service to our country.*



## Celebrate Missouri Recycles Day on November 12 and 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bring your unwanted  
AUTOMOTIVE TIRES, APPLIANCES and ELECTRONICS  
to the

**Joplin Recycling Center**  
~ 1310 W. A Street ~

- Joplin Residents & Joplin Landlords ONLY
- Limit 10 Automotive Tires Per Household (wheels are OK)
- Truck Tires, Race Car Tires, Commercial Tires, Small Household Appliances, and Photocopiers WILL NOT be Accepted
- Appliances with Freon & Compressors WILL BE Accepted
- The \$10 recycling fee for monitors and televisions will be waived on November 12 and 13 ONLY.

*Thanks in part to funding  
by Region M Solid Waste  
Management District  
and the Missouri Department  
of Natural Resources*

**Call 624-0820 Ext. 501  
for details**



## Joplin Police offer tips to prevent thefts from vehicles

One of the most frequently occurring crimes in the City of Joplin is thefts from vehicles. These types of thefts are more common during the holiday season when citizens have various items in their cars from shopping at local stores and shopping centers. The Joplin Police Department reminds citizens that a few quick preventative steps can make a huge difference in your vulnerability to this crime.

### What to do to prevent this crime occurring to you:

- \* Lock ALL of your vehicle's doors and do not leave any windows open.
- \* Don't leave valuables in your vehicle.
- \* Don't leave traces of valuables (such as chargers or docking stations) in plain sight in your vehicle.
- \* If you must leave valuable items in your car while out and about, place items out of sight before reaching your destination or move them inconspicuously.
- \* Try to park in busy, well-lighted areas.
- \* If you have an alarm or anti-theft device...USE IT !

### What to watch for as you travel in your vehicle:

- \* Persons looking in parked cars or trying door handles.
- \* Sound of breaking glass.
- \* Vehicles traveling slowly down a street or parking lot watching parked cars.
- \* Vehicles dropping off one person while continuing to cruise the same area.
- \* ALWAYS REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

### What to do if something is stolen out of your vehicle:

- \* As soon as you notice something's stolen (or that your vehicle has been broken into) do not touch/adjust anything in, on, or around the vehicle. As soon as possible, call the police to report the incident.
- \* Do **NOT** confront **anyone**.

Your life is precious; property can be replaced!

### **BE ALERT, BE AWARE, and BE A GOOD WITNESS.**

For more information, contact a member of the Joplin Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at (417) 627-8880.

## Know Your City Ordinances: On Street Parking

The Joplin Police Department reminds citizens to park properly along the right side of the road to avoid receiving a ticket for a parking violation. An extremely dangerous situation occurs when a vehicle that is parked on the wrong side of the road pulls out into oncoming traffic. Therefore the purpose of the following ordinance is to eliminate the danger to both drivers and prevent any accidents from occurring.

Sec. 114-351: Except as otherwise provided in this division, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a roadway where there are adjacent curbs shall be so stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels of such vehicle parallel to and within 18 inches of the right-hand curb; provided, however, that where parking is permitted at the left-hand curb on a one-way street the left-hand wheels of such vehicles shall be parallel to and within 18 inches of the left-hand curb. Except as otherwise provided in this division, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a roadway where there are no adjacent curbs shall be so stopped or parked with the right hand wheels of such vehicle parallel to and within 18 inches of the right hand edge of the roadway.

For more information on this and other city ordinances, go to [www.joplinpolice.org](http://www.joplinpolice.org) and click on the City Code of Ordinances button at the top of the home page.



## Citizens provide great service in community clean up efforts

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were directed to this area.

Many groups worked in the second neighborhood area during Great Day, including Rohr. "The residents have taken strong leadership in cleaning up their neighborhood," he said. "As volunteers worked in the various yards, residents expressed their appreciation and provided assistance when they could. It was a great team effort and is an excellent example of the community working together."

Connie Chrisman, Neighborhood Improvement Officer with the City's Community Development division, works with groups throughout the year in community service projects.

This past summer, several groups provided assistance in neighborhoods, including volunteers from Bio Life Plasma who worked in Neighborhood #2 between Connor and Jackson from 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>. Their 60 volunteers trimmed brush and trees around the right of way area near the sidewalk.

Volunteers with College Height Christian Church Cross Purposes made minor repairs to two homes. Their group was 15 volunteers strong.

The Know Sweat Team (Christ In Youth) brought 70 volunteers to Joplin and painted four homes in our community.

"Many groups call the City because they want to help their community," said Chrisman. "We appreciate their work and can always use these volunteers. The City values everyone's efforts, whether they are part of the Great Day of Service, or if their group volunteers another time of year. It's that can-do spirit that has helped clean up Joplin."

If you or your group is interested in volunteering, you can contact Chrisman at 624-0820, ext. 570.

### **Christmas Parade set for December 7**

The Joplin Jaycees will host the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Parade on Tuesday, Dec. 7. The route will follow Main Street, starting at 20<sup>th</sup> Street and heading north to 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

Parade begins at 6 p.m.

The theme for this year's parade is "All I want for Christmas".

To receive an entry packet, please call the Jaycees at 417-624-4155. Deadline to enter is Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.



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## JOPLIN RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER

### Old Fashion Hayride & Campfire at McClelland Park - October 2010

Enjoy a cool fall night around a campfire at McClelland Park on Friday, Oct. 22. Roast marshmallows, drink hot chocolate, cook a hotdog and go on a hayride. This event, including refreshments, is free, compliments of the City of Joplin Parks and Recreation Department.

**Date:** Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Time:** Begins at 7 PM      **Ages:** Open to all      **Location:** McClelland Park



### 11th Annual Turkey Shootout - November 2010

Join the Parks and Rec staff in a fun basketball free throw contest on Sunday, Nov. 21. Open to kids between the grades of kindergarten through 8th grade, prizes will be awarded to each age group. First place winners receive a gift certificate for a free turkey and a \$10 gift certificate to Target. Second place winners will take home a \$15 dollar gift certificate to Target, and third place winners receive a \$10 gift certificate to Target.

**Ages:** Kindergarten—8th grade

**Location:** Memorial Hall

**Fee:** FREE

**Deadline to register:** Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

**Date:** Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>

**Check in Time:** 12:30 am

**Event Start Time:** 1 p.m.



### 12th Annual Breakfast with Santa

Kids, here's your chance to meet SANTA and Mrs. Claus in person. Come to the Joplin Museum Complex on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> and enjoy a pancake and sausage breakfast with Santa. Open seating is from 8 am to 10 am. Pre-registration is required.

**Ages:** Open to all

**Location:** Joplin Museum Complex, Schifferdecker Park

**Fee:** \$5/person and \$1 picture with Santa (optional)

**Last Day for Pre-registration:** December 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Date:** Saturday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>      **Time:** 8 am to 10 am



### Letter from Santa

Starting, Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, Santa's mailbox will be displayed at the Joplin Parks and Recreation Department at the Joplin Athletic Complex. Santa will write to each child who writes him a letter, provided that all letters are in by 5 pm on Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Be sure to include child's full name, address, city, state, zip code and of course, the wish list!

Please address letters to:      Santa's Workshop  
9 Reindeer Road  
North Pole

December 2010