

# talk of the town

Union City Hall

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## city elected officials

Municipal Judge ..... A. David Arand  
City Collector ..... Terry Copeland

## departmental listing

City Administrator ..... Russell Rost  
Assistant City Administrator ..... James Schmieder  
City Clerk ..... Jonita Copeland  
Chief of Police ..... Norman Brune  
City Engineer ..... Jonathan Zimmermann  
Finance Director ..... Heather Keith  
Parks and Recreation Director ..... Kevin Arand  
Public Works Director ..... Harold Lampkin

## web site

[www.unionmissouri.org](http://www.unionmissouri.org)

 [Facebook.com/CityofUnionMo](https://www.facebook.com/CityofUnionMo)

## cable access

Charter Cable Channel 117.3 or  
Digital 993 — Union City Access Channel

## Union Corporate Center Open Houses

Two of Union's newest industries recently held Open Houses at their facilities in the Union Corporate Center.

**Hartog Oil**, located at 65 Mel Goers Drive is a lubricants distributor.



**EMJ Metals**, a metal distribution center, is located at 16 Progress Parkway.

Please join us in welcoming these companies to the Union community.



## Project United Volunteers Give Back to the Community

The City of Union would like to thank United Bank of Union and all of the volunteers who came out for the 3rd Project United. 120 volunteers were on hand giving 450 hours of community service, from 25 local businesses and organizations.

In this 3rd project, volunteers cleaned up Flat Creek, landscaped city round-a-bouts, removed a dead tree, and demolished a dilapidated house.

We are grateful for the residents and businesses who make our community what it is and for the time and effort everyone put in to make the project a great success.

For more information about Project United, contact Dan Rettke with United Bank of Union at 636-583-9002 or by email to [danr@unitedbankofunion.com](mailto:danr@unitedbankofunion.com)



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### Mayor

Mike Livengood • 583-8257

### Board of Aldermen

#### Ward I

Robert Schmuke • 583-8639  
Jim Albrecht • 314-852-3774

#### Ward II

Vicki Jo Hooper • 583-8640  
Dale Schmuke • 583-2099

#### Ward III

Paul Arand • 636-262-7953  
Dustin Bailey • 636-484-2937

#### Ward IV

David Pope • 314-578-1620  
Karen Erwin • 314-378-0958

### A Reminder from the Union Police Department

There has been a major increase in thefts from vehicles parked in residential areas at night. In nearly every case the vehicle was left unlocked.

**Don't become a victim of theft.** Please remove valuables from sight and lock your vehicles.



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## from the mayor

It's hard to believe summer is already here! What a great time to spend with family and friends. It has been a busy year for the City. With construction on Veterans Memorial Park, the repair to the City lake, and road projects, the summer promises to be a busy one.

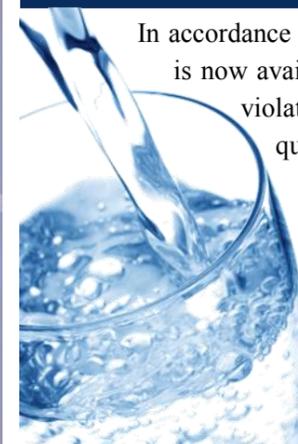
As you head out for vacation, a weekend away, or a day in the sun, take an extra few moments to prepare. Sunscreen, bug repellent, and a first aid kit can go a long way to making sure your day is enjoyable and can avoid health or safety related problems. Keep an eye on little ones, especially when they're swimming. During extreme heat, keep your pets indoors and make sure they have plenty of fresh water; check in on your elderly friends and neighbors. A little precaution can go a long way to making sure the summer is enjoyable for everyone.

Founders Day was a huge success and a great way to start off the summer. Thank you to everyone who came out, volunteered, or worked to make it a great event. I encourage each of you to take advantage of the City pool, attend the summer concert series, movies in the park, and the Franklin County Fair. We have some great activities planned throughout the summer to make this time of year even more enjoyable for you and your family. Get outside, take the kids fishing, spend time together with friends and family, and have a safe and enjoyable summer!



*Mike Livengood*

### 2015 Annual Consumer Confidence (Water Quality) Report



In accordance with federal law, the 2015 Annual Consumer Confidence report is now available. The Consumer Confidence Report indicates what, if any violations the City of Union has incurred in the past year, and the quality of the water that was provided to you.

View online at: [www.unionmissouri.org/2015CCR.pdf](http://www.unionmissouri.org/2015CCR.pdf)

Paper copies are available at:

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If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 636-583-3600.

July 1	6:30 PM—Family Night Concert featuring “8 TRACK”
July 3	Fireworks Display
July 4	Independence Day City Hall Closed
July 6	Fair Kickoff Parade
July 7-10	Franklin County Fair
July 11	Board of Aldermen Meeting
July 15	Lawn Chair Movie Night
Aug 5	6:30 PM—Family Night Concert featuring “PILOT GROVE”
Aug 8	Board of Aldermen Meeting
Aug 19	Lawn Chair Movie Night
Sep 2	6:30 PM—Family Night Concert featuring “FANFARE ENTERTAINMENT”
Sep 5	Labor Day City Hall Closed
Sep 12	Board of Aldermen Meeting
Sep 16	Lawn Chair Movie Night
Oct 10	Board of Aldermen Meeting
Oct 13	Business Expo
Oct 28	Halloween Bash
Nov 11	Veterans Day City Hall Closed
Nov 14	Board of Aldermen Meeting
Nov 24	Thanksgiving City Hall Closed
Nov 25	Thanksgiving Friday City Hall Closed
Dec 9	Christmas Parade and Children’s Christmas Party
Dec 12	Board of Aldermen Meeting
Dec 23	Christmas Eve Observance City Hall Closed
Dec 26	Christmas Day Observance City Hall Closed



Free family movies are shown on select Friday evenings at Union City Park (Christina & Park) by the large pavilion. All friends of the community are invited. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Coolers are welcome. Shows start at approximately 8:00 pm or as soon as it is dark enough. **Movies are subject to change due to availability of the movie.**

## Veterans Memorial Park *A Sneak Peek*

Construction on the new Veterans Memorial Park located off of Progress Parkway is well underway. You may have seen the lighting poles sprouting up and the red roof tops, easily spotted as you drive down Highway 50 heading east. Buildings, including dugouts, restrooms, shelters and a concession stand are nearing completion. The splash park is being installed. Walkways and parking lots are being poured. The 43 acre park will include soccer/football fields, baseball fields, walking trails and natural areas, including a pond. Veterans Memorial Park is scheduled to open in the Spring of 2017.





**July 7–10**  
**Season Passes on Sale Now!**  
[www.fcyf.org](http://www.fcyf.org)  
**Fair Kick-Off Parade—July 6th.**



# CONEZONE

## Projects Under Construction



**Prairie Dell Road Phase 2.** A continuation of the Prairie Dell Road improvement project, it involves widening Prairie Dell Road from Audry Lane, south to College Road and adding curbs and sidewalks. During construction, the road is partially closed, allowing only one-way traffic going south. Directions to the detour at Progress Parkway are posted. Estimated completion is late Fall 2016.

*“The City would like to thank all the property owners along Prairie Dell Road for their support of the project and willingness to donate right-of-way.”*



**Judith Spring Road Bridge Replacement.** According to the Missouri Department of Transportation, the bridge had the lowest sufficiency rating of any bridge in Union. Crews are replacing the bridge and realigning the road. Estimated completion is early July 2016.

**Old Highway 50/Springfield Road.** Shoulder widening on the south side of Old Highway 50, west of Independence Drive will begin soon. Plans call for a Phase 2 to extend widened shoulders and adding handicap accessible sidewalks east to Main Street.

## CONCRETE PILLARS ARISING OUT EAST

Over the eastern horizon of Union, large cranes can be seen at the construction site of Volpi Foods in the Union Corporate Center. Volpi Foods makes dry-cured meats and other specialties using artisan techniques that originated in Italy. The City is delighted Volpi chose Union for their expansion project and look forward to this significant addition to the Union community.



We realize needed street work may cause inconvenience to our residents, as it often requires some temporary street closures and detours. Please plan ahead, seek alternative routes, drive slowly and have extra patience while roads are under construction. Abide by posted signs, barricades and notifications. Do not move signs or barricades. Do not attempt to drive the wrong way.

## Keeping the City *MOVING!*

Meet Bob Gooch (right) and Dave Schroeder (left), mechanics with the City of Union Public Works Department. Bob has been with the City for 24 years and Dave for 8 years. Under the direction of Public Works Director, Harold Lampkin, they are responsible for ensuring that city vehicles are available, dependable, cost effective, energy efficient, and safe to operate. They provide scheduled maintenance to reduce overall vehicle operating costs, minimize downtime, and extend useful life.



The department maintains and repairs 50 city-owned vehicles, including police cars, as well as over 80 pieces of large and small equipment. By performing this work in-house, the City saves over 60% in vehicle and equipment maintenance and repair.

