NEWSLETTER



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August 2021

Crocker City Council

The next Council Meeting is at 6:00 p.m. on September the 13^{th} at City Hall.

Crocker City Hall 573-736-5327

The City of Crocker has recently added several online features to its website for your convenience. You may now view the monthly Newsletter, find links to official city Facebook pages, and utilize Bill Pay to pay your city water bill online. You may visit our website at www.crockercity.com. Online Bill Pay- click on the Bill Pay option found at the top of the page to set up your account. Once your account is established you may view your current bill, billing/payment history, and compare monthly water consumption over the past year. In addition, you may choose to pay your bill each month or select the auto-pay feature for greater convenience. You will incur a minimal processing fee for paying your bill online.

Note: The City of Crocker and the New City of Crocker Facebook groups are not official City Pages.

Crocker Code Enforcement Official

If you have a passion to see your community cleaned up, then you may be interested in signing up to be a volunteer assistant to our Code Enforcement Official Sherry McDowell. All Interested individuals can call 573-736-5327.

Crocker Police Department

Contact: 573-736-2211

Calls received after hours will be forwarded to the Pulaski County Communications Center.

The speed limit of 30 miles per hour, which is posted on Commercial Street/HWY. 17, through the middle of town is set by the Missouri Department of Transportation. If a vehicle is traveling faster than the speed limit then it drastically reduces the reaction time of those who are attempting to enter the road from a side street. Please be courteous and drive the speed limit.

Cooling Shelter Assistance-Our Chief of Police also serves as our Emergency Manager. If you need a cooling shelter, please contact the Police Department at 573-736-2211.

Crocker Preservation and Restoration Alliance Board

President Christi Claiborn Leaverton 573-433-9836 Next Board Meeting Location-Keeth Rd. Crocker, Mo 65452

Date-September 01, 2021

Time-3:00 p.m.

Anyone interested in being involved with the preservation and restoration of the Crocker storefronts, homes, railroad caboose, and the old depot are invited to attend our next meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Crocker Public Works Department

If there is a pothole on your street or other issues, please call City Hall at 573-736-5327 and submit a work order.

Crocker School News Update

No School Students & Staff

When-Sep 3 - 6, 2021

Picture Day: Fall Photos PK-12th When-Monday, Sep 13, 2021

Detailed Sept. 2021 Sports Event Schedule Visit: https://www.crockerschools.org/calendar

Central Ozark Medical Center Mobile Truck Schedule

Pulaski County Health Dept. Monday -Friday August 30-Sept. 3rd Tuesday-Friday Sept. 7th-10th Contact-573-736-2217 for more information

Provider-Dr. Vicky Gulley Call 573-346-4446 to schedule an appointment.

Salvation Army Financial Assistance Available In Crocker

Regular Types of Assistance

Salvation Army can provide help with utility bills, rent, mortgage payments, lodging, health care, and car gas, etc. Individuals need to schedule an appointment to receive Assistance!

Contact-Crocker Representative Debbie Fraski Phone-573-736-5415

Appointment Location-Crocker Presbyterian Church 414 S. Commercial St. Crocker Mo 65452

Covid 19 Related Assistance

Covid related funds are available to help individuals and small business owners who have been affected by the Covid Pandemic. Note: Funds will be issued if you meet the proper qualifications. Individuals must visit the Waynesville Salvation Army location for Covid related assistance.

Phone-573-452-8438

Address- 1811 Historic Route 66

Waynesville Mo 65583

Available Service Schedule

Wednesdays & Fridays 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Crocker Senior Center

Phone-573-736-5405

Address- 105 N Commercial St, Crocker, MO 65452 Facebook-https://www.facebook.com/Crocker-Senior-Center-2394378727460147/

Meals Served - 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday Monthly menu copies are available for pick up at the center or you may call to see what is on the daily menu.

Special Programs:

1) Delivered frozen meals are available for qualifying Homebound individuals for more information contact the Senior Center at the above phone number

Meal Pricing: Age 60 and over suggested price \$4.00 but any donation amount is acceptable. Under the of age 60:\$6.50.

Monthly Bingo Game- Sept. 20th from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Note-Games are held on the 3rd Monday of each month.

Remaining August Menu:

August 25th-Oven Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Cheesy Garlic Biscuits, & Chocolate

August 26th-Taco's & Fixings, Refried Beans, Black Bean Corn Salad, & Desert

August 27th-Chili Dogs, Steak Fries, Peaches, & Cookies

August 30th-Chicken & Rice Casserole, Broccoli, **Applesauce & Dessert**

August 31st Grilled Rueben Sandwich, Potato Salad, & Pudding

Bingo-Sept. 30, 2021-Games will be held on the 3rd Monday of each month. Winners will be awarded assorted prizes.

Ozark Food Harvest Distribution Schedule

Location- Crocker Presbyterian Church Time 10:00 a.m. (People start lining up at 7:30 a.m.)

Regular Food Distribution

Participation Requirements- Each car may pick up for no more than five households total. Drivers must provide the name of the head of household for each family they are picking up for, the number of family members in each household, and the number of adults and children under 18 in each home. Ozark Food Harvest Distribution Dates- Sept. 21, 2021, Oct. 19, 2021, Nov. 16, 2021, and Dec. 21, 2021.

Senior Food Box Distribution

Participation Requirements-Must be at least 60 years of age and provide your name, age, phone number, and address by contacting Debbie Fraski at 573-736-5415. Note-Only 75 thirty-pound boxes will be available on each delivery and will be given out on a first come first serve basis. Boxes will consist of various types of shelf-worthy products. Examples- canned fruits and vegetables, assorted kinds of pasta, pasteurized processed cheese, etc. Dates-August 31, 2021 and September 28, 2021 Time-10:00 a.m.

Words of Appreciation

- 1. The Crocker Presbyterian Church on behalf of the Crocker community would like to convey a special thank you to Ozark Food Harvest of Springfield for supporting our communities' food needs every month from May 2021 to the present.
- 2. The Crocker Presbyterian Church on behalf of the Ministerial Alliance would like to send out a special thank you to Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF) for providing grant funds to be used in support of the Crocker Community Food Pantry. The Crocker Presbyterian Church recently received two grants from (MRCF) to combat the overwhelming effects of Covid 19 within our community and 15-mile surrounding area. These funds were used to purchases food items, hygiene products, and cleaning supplies.

Grant #1

Meramec Regional Affiliate Grant Making Program (Emergency Needs Grant) Grant Approved 03/01/2021 Amount \$250.00 Purpose- To purchase a wider variety of hygiene products to be added to food baskets being distributed. Food Disbursement-April 2021 until all fifty-four sets of hygiene items are distributed. Grant # 2

Meramec Regional Coover Covid Grant Program-(Community Care Project) Grant Approved 05/18/2021 Amount- \$2,500.00 Food Disbursement Line-July 28, 2021

Crocker Area Veterans Remembrance Moment

Homer Hoover Shultz was born in Bloodland Missouri on Oct. 13, 1928. His parents were Homer Birtley Shultz and Emily Elizabeth Shultz. Homer was the brother of Calvin A Shultz, Francis W Shultz; Maude L Wall; Marjorie N Ward; Warner B Shultz; and Ray Frederick Shultz. Other local area family members include his step-niece Louise Zweerink stepdaughter of his brother Calvin and nephew Don Wall of Richland who was the son of his sister Maude Wall. The Shultz family moved from Bloodland to Swedeborg in the early 1930s. Homer was a graduate of Swedeborg High School. He enjoyed playing basketball with his friend Toot Smith. It was said that his shoes of choice while playing the game were combat boots which brought about quite a few laughs.

Additional Military Data: Homer enlisted in the Army during the Korean Project. CPL Shultz's convoy was crossing over a bridge when it was destroyed by enemy fire causing all on the bridge to plummet into a deep ravine never to be found.

Comments: Home Or Place Of Enlistment Swedeborg, Missouri Corporal Shultz (Service Number: ER17195652) was a member of Company L, 3rd Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division. He was listed as Missing in Action while fighting the enemy near Hoengsong/Chipyong-ni, South Korea on February 13, 1951. He was presumed dead on December 31, 1953. His name is inscribed on the Courts of the Missing at the Honolulu Memorial.

Reported DOD last known home of record - Wichita, Kansas, originally from Missouri. Final Disposition Date: December 31, 1953, Korean War Project Key No: 27431. Homer Schultz's family members have turned in samples of their DNA in hope that his remains may be returned home someday.

Covid 19 Funeral Expense Reimbursement

If you know someone who has lost a loved one or friend to the Covid Virus and their Death Certificate reflects Covid as their cause of death you can receive \$9,000.00 from the government to help pay for their funeral. The below link will provide the qualification guidelines, needed documentation, and the actual application for you to fill out. The family member of a Crocker resident confirmed that she helped her relative submit the application and a reimbursement check of \$9,000.00 was received.

https://www.fema.gov/disaster/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance

Editor's Comments

- 1. If you would like to have a copy of the monthly newsletter forwarded to you online turn in your email address to Debbie Fraski either by calling 573-736-5415 or by email at draski@yahoo.com.
- 2.Some individuals within the community who receive their copy of the newsletter are experiencing difficulties with the way the image of the newsletter appears on their phones. Please report any difficulties you are having to the phone number or email listed above. Thank You!
- 3. Copies of the newsletter are dropped off at various establishments within the Crocker Community for your convenience!

Locations

Crocker City Hall

Crocker Post Office

Crocker Senior Center

Crocker VFW

Morris Roams' Antique Store HWY past the school.

House of Beauty

Wagon Wheel

Recipe of The Month

Bacon Pea Salad Ingredients

4 cups frozen peas (about 16 ounces), thawed

1/2 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese

1/2 cup ranch salad dressing

1/3 cup chopped red onion

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

4 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled

Directions

1. Combine the first 6 ingredients; toss to coat. Refrigerate, covered, for at least 30 minutes. Stir in bacon before serving.

Crocker Park Board

Contact: Sarah Ransome 573-855-1506

The next Park Board meeting will be held at the Crocker Community Park on September 02, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Community Park Events Schedule:

Date: August 28, 2021-Softball Equalizer Tournament

9:00 a.m.-Tournament Begins, Cost \$250.00 per team, 3 homerun bands per team available at \$15.00 each, 2 non-banded homeruns per game then inning ending outs 1 point per girl. If you would like to enter the tournament, please send your written requests via Facebook page or text Bridget Wilson at 573-528-5686. Note:09/15/21 Circus Tickets will be available for purchase during the game

Date: September 04, 2021 Railroad Days Celebration

8:00 a.m.- First Annual Walk A Thon will be at Crocker Park on the walking trail. All proceeds will go to the upkeep of the walking trail. The cost is \$1.00 per lap and donations are accepted.

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.-Silent Auction-Note: Culpepper & Merriweather Circus Tickets will be available for purchase at the Silent Auction location.

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.-Bake Sale will be located within the big white tent. The morning bake sale location will be near the walking trail. The location will change in the afternoon to an area near the snack shack just look for the big white tent. If you are interested in donating baked good items please contact Sarah Ransome at 573-855-1506. Note: Donated bake good items must be individually wrapped.

9:00 a.m.-Sign up/Registration for the 2nd Annual ATV/UTV Rodeo. Racing starts at 12:00 p.m. and race classes are for all ages. Please contact Kevin Gresham for more information!

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.-Sign up for the silent auction. Winners Announced at 5:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m.-Parade line up at the school.

11:00 a.m.-Parade Starts- Parade route will go from the school to the Crocker Community Park. Float winners will be announced following the parade's arrival at the park.

12:00 p.m.-Registration for both Kelley's Archery and Outdoors Iron Buck Shoot. Archery event will begin at noon on the Soccer Field and the Outdoors Iron Buck Shoot will begin at 3:00 p.m. at the same location. Cost-Cub ages 12 and under \$5.00, Youth ages 12 to 15- \$10.00, Bow Hunters- \$15.00, and Open is \$20.00. Prizes-100 % Pay Out to Open Classes, Multiple prizes to Long Shoot, Trophy's awarded to every class in the 3D & Iron Buck Shoot. Trail Cans, Tree Stands, and many other prizes will be awarded.

12:00 p.m.-ATV Rodeo Starts

5:00 p.m.-Winners of both the Drawing & Photography contest will be announced.

5:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.-Rapid Fire Band -Plays Live

Special Notes:

1. Park board is still looking for pig donations and silent auction items. Contact-Sarah Ransome 573-855-1506

<u>Date: September 14th & 15th 2021</u>-The Crocker Park will be closed which includes both the baseball and soccer fields.

September 14th-Preparation activities being done for the arrival of the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus

September 15th-Culpepper & Merriweather Performances

Two Shows- 1st Show 5:00 p.m. & 2nd Show 7:00 p.m.

Ticket Costs: Adults 18-64 years old & children 13-17 years old \$12.00, Children 2-12 years old & Seniors age 65 & older-\$7.00 Children under 2 are free.

Tickets can be purchased by contacting Sarah Ransome 573-855-1506 or from any member of the Park Board whose names are listed on our Facebook Page. https://www.facebook.com/CrockerCP

Come enjoy a variety of good foods and games. Hope to see you there!

Pulaski County Health Center Upcoming COVID Vaccine Clinics

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August 2021 23rd – PCHC– Crocker– 12-4p

24th - PCHC- Crocker- 12-4p

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25th- St. Robert Municipal Center- 12-5p 30th – St. Robert Municipal Center- 12-5p

September 2021

2nd - Country Mart Dixon- 10a - 2p

PCHC- Crocker- 2-4p

3rd - Mercy St. Robert- 9a-2p

9th - Mercy St. Robert- 9a-2p

10th - Country Mart Dixon- 9a-2p

14th - PCHC- Crocker- 9a-2p

22nd -St. Robert Municipal Center- 12-6p

23rd -Country Mart Dixon- 12-6p

24th- Mercy St. Robert- 9a-4p

30th- Mercy St. Robert- 9a-4p

Pfizer & Moderna Vaccines Available

For more information:

Call: 573-736-2217

Visit: facebook.com/pulaskicountyhealthcenter

Email: pulaskicovid@gmail.com



PULASKI COUNTY GAVE THEIR FIRST DOSE 1/13/2021 SO WE WILL BEGIN SECOND DOSING ON 10/05/2021 See Newsletter 6 for criteria regarding Booster Shots for immunocompromised individuals.

On August 24th the Pulaski County Health Department administered Booster Vaccination to people who met the below criteria.

Contact the PCHD to find out when eligible individuals can expect to receive their Booster Shots. Contacts: 573-736-2217

Email Pulaskicovid@gmail.com Message Facebook https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.pulaskicountyhealth.com

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