

HAPPY 4th of JULY



Houston Laker July 2012



Community Events



July 4th - Annual Houston Lake
4th of July Celebration

10:00a.m. – Pet Show at Mayor’s Park

11:00a.m. – Bike Parade at the beach

4:00p.m. - Picnic & Bingo at City Hall

9:30p.m. - Giant Fireworks Display



July 5th - Recycling Day – Thursday

July 5th - Trash Pick Up - Thursday

July 9th - City Council Meeting

7:30 p.m. – City Hall

July 18th - Venetian Gardens Homes Association
Board Meeting – 6:30p.m. – City Hall

Editor’s Note: We would like to THANK Andy Spottswood for printing this month front cover.



**HOUSTON LAKE
INDEPENDENCE
DAY
FIREWORKS
DONATIONS
REQUEST**

I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S SUPPORT AT THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION MEETING ON 1/26 REGARDING THE ESCALATING EXPENSES TO PRODUCE THIS EVENT EACH YEAR AND THEIR WILLINGNESS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAUSE.

IF YOU, TOO, WISH TO HELP LIGHT UP THE SKY THIS SUMMER, YOU CAN GIFT ANY AMOUNT, IN THE FORM OF A PERSONAL CHECK, IT CAN BE LEFT IN THE MAIL SLOT OF THE DOOR AT CITY HALL AND MARKED TO MY ATTENTION RICK COWAN. THE CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO "PREMIER PYROTECHNICS".

I APPRECIATE THE FINANCIAL AID PROVIDED BY THE CITY, VENETIAN GARDENS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION AND, OF COURSE, YOU...IT'S SPECIAL RESIDENTS AND CITIZENS.



Annual Houston Lake 4th of July Celebration

Wednesday July 4th – 4:00pm – City Hall
All residents with their family and friends
are invited to join in on the fun and activities.

**It's a great way to renew old friendships and
meet new neighbors.**

**Smoked Brisket, Ham, Turkey, Hamburgers, Brats and
refreshments
(provided)**

Please bring your favorite covered dish and your lawn chairs.

"Garage Sale Bingo"

(This is fun for all ages!! Please bring a few nice garage sale items)

Special Events:

Lieutenant Eric Martinez

Third Missouri Light Artillery – C.S.A.

6 LB (cannon) Napoleon Field Gun

Civil War Re-enactment

GIANT FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT 9:30 pm

Sponsored by:

The City of Houston Lake

Venetian Gardens Homes Association

A special "thanks" to Rick Cowan, (Pyro Tech Sponsor/Display Advisor)

David Hallauer and the "Pyros"

Due to the major increase in the cost of fireworks
we "thank you" for your honor donation
of \$5.00 or more per person (children eat free)

SPECIAL NOTICE

Section 210.680 of the Houston Lake Municipal Code states:

C. It shall be unlawful for any person to use or discharge any “bottle rockets”.

D. It shall be unlawful for any person to use, ignite or discharge any fireworks within the public right of way of any public street.

E. Fireworks may only be used, ignited or discharged at the following times and dates:

1. From 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. each day during the period of June twenty-sixth (26) until July second (2nd) and on July fifth (5th); and

2. From 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 a.m. (midnight) each day on July third (3rd) and July fourth (4th).

F. No person shall have in his/her possession Division 1.3 (formerly class “B”) fireworks.

G. Division 1.4 (formerly class “C”) fireworks may be possessed during periods herein provided.



Annual Pet Show and Bike Parade !

Everyone's invited...

Wednesday

July 4th,



10:00 a.m. - Pet Show at Mayor's Park

Bring your pets big and small; many categories to enter.

11:00 a.m. - Bike Parade begins at the Beach

Decorate your bikes, scooters, wagons with a patriotic theme and ride across the bridge. Ice cream treats for all will be served afterwards.



Hosted by
Venetian Gardens
Homes Association





Don't Forget Your Missouri Fishing License and a Houston Lake "2012 Red Bracelet"!!

Lake Residents from the age of 16 through 64 need a Missouri Fishing License and a Houston Lake 2012 Red Bracelet in order to fish in Houston Lake. Residents 65 and over need only a 2012 Red bracelet.

No Fishing in the Beach Area.

To get your 2012 Lake Bracelets call Homes Association President, Nick Jackalone 816-587-0028.

The Bracelets are FREE if your Homes Association dues are paid.

Guests of Residents must have that Residents 2012 Bracelet with them when they are on or around the lake and Homes Association property.



Homes Association Rules and Regulations

1. Lake tags will be issued to lot owners who have paid the current years Homes Association fee. Lot owners will be responsible for all bracelets issued to their property.
2. Lake bracelets must be worn by Residents, Lot Owners and Guests. Bracelets should be visible.
3. Private property. No trespassing. Residents, lot owners and guests only.
4. Property owners are responsible for the conduct and actions of their guest at all times.
5. No DIVING from the Swimming Docks because of shallow water.
6. No. swimming after 9:00p.m.
7. Alcohol will not be allowed in the beach area.
8. Animals will not be allowed in the beach area.
9. Fishing will not be allowed in the swimming area.
10. No disorderly conduct.
11. All Rules and Regulations of the Missouri State Conservation Commission will apply.
12. No trot lines, jug lines or unattended fishing lines are permitted.
13. All Terrain Vehicles, motor bikes, motor cycles and motor scooters are prohibited from operating on Homes Association property.

NOTE: A complete list of Rules and Regulations may be obtained at City Hall or by contacting any Homes Association Official.

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ARTICLE II. PERMITS

SECTION 500.100: BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED

All persons desiring to construct, erect, alter or add to any building, boat dock, fences, road or drive or any structure in the City of Houston Lake, Missouri, **must first obtain a building permit** for such construction, alteration or addition from the Board of Aldermen of said City. (Ord. No. 282 §2, 10-14-02)

SECTION 500.110: PERMIT APPLICATIONS

All persons desiring to obtain such a permit shall submit an application with the complete plans and specifications and plot plan for such construction showing sizes, estimated cost and details of such proposed construction and the location of such construction upon the plot of land. No new dwelling construction or property line fence construction will be permitted until after certified surveys have been filed with the Board of Aldermen. Certified surveys will be required on all additions to old dwellings where the new construction will be closer to the property line than the old dwelling. (Ord. No. 282 §3, 10-14-02) Applications for a building permit may be obtained by leaving a message at City Hall, contacting your Alderman or calling City Clerk at 816-419-5051.

For Your Information

Vaccination:

The owner or keeper of any dog in the City of Houston Lake is required to have such animal vaccinated yearly against rabies by a licensed veterinarian.

(Section 205.020 Municipal Code)

A certificate of vaccination can be given to any city official or placed in the mail slot at city hall.

Fishing:

It shall be unlawful for any person to pursue, take, transport, ship, buy, sell, possess or use any fish from any body of water within the City without possessing a valid fishing permit issued by the Missouri Department of Conservation. This section shall not apply to any person 65 years of age or older or is 15 years of age or younger.

(Section 210.690 Municipal Code)

Parking:

No vehicle shall be parked on any street within the city limits of Houston Lake, MO.

(Chapter 300 - Schedule II, Municipal Code)

All-Terrain Vehicles:

No person shall operate an All-Terrain Vehicle upon the streets of this city.

(Section 340.110 Municipal Code)

2012 Recycle Schedule



**Yellow & Green Lid
Recycling Cart**

January 18
February 15
March 14
April 11
May 9
June 6
July 5
August 1
August 29
September 26
October 24
November 21
December 19



Items must be inside the cart (**Not on the ground, not on top – inside**). If you need an extra cart or would like to recycle, please notify any city official.

Recycle carts must be curbside by 7:00 am the day of pick up. Be respectful and remove your cart from curbside when finished.



Important Notice

Trash Pick-up Day



Blue Lid Trash Cart

Your recycling day will also be on a Wednesday once a month.

**Trash carts must be curbside by 7:00 am the day of pick up.
Be respectful and remove your cart from curbside when finished.
Items must be inside the cart (Not on the ground, not on top – INSIDE).
If you need an extra cart, please notify any city official.**

The holidays that Allied Waste observe are New Years, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. When any of these holidays fall on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, your trash pick up will be on Thursday of that week.

2012 Holiday Schedule:

Pick-up Day

**New Years (Sunday 1-1-12)
Memorial Day (Monday 5-28-12)
Independence Day (Wednesday 7-4-12)
Labor Day (Monday 9-3-12)
Thanksgiving (Thursday 11-22-12)
Christmas (Tuesday 12-25-12)
New Years (Tuesday 1-1-13)**

**Wednesday
Thursday 5-31-12
Thursday 7-5-12
Thursday 9-6-12
Wednesday
Thursday 12-27-12
Thursday 1-3-13**



Northwood Road – Phase 2

Construction will continue on Northwood Road from Merrimac to 52nd street this summer.

The intersection at 52nd and Northwood will be closed until August for the construction of a roundabout.

To access Ridgewood Estates, use Green Hills Road from Missouri Route 9.

Residents east of Northwood Road can access the neighborhood via a detour from Route 9 to Merrimac to Northwood Road.

Phase 2 of the Northwood Road project is expected to be completed this fall.



Northland Neighborhoods, Inc.

February 9, 2012

Passing along an important message from MoDOT --

This is an important message from the Missouri Department of Transportation to all users of Route 169 north of the Wheeler Downtown Airport.

MoDOT plans major repairs on Route 169 along the Missouri River beginning in late July through the remainder of this year. The work is both necessary and urgent, but will create a significant, long-term traffic disruption along an important link between Downtown Kansas City and Northland communities. You and your stakeholders need to know what is coming.

The problems that must be fixed begin with a deteriorating metal bin wall, which holds up the east side of the northbound lanes along the Missouri River levee just north of Wheeler Downtown Airport. Access to the bin wall is difficult, and must be accomplished from the northbound and southbound lanes. That's because Route 169 in this mile-long segment is different than most highways. It lies only a few hundred feet from one of the great rivers of North America. The levee keeps the river from flooding the nearby lowlands, including the Wheeler Downtown Airport, the railroad yards to the east, and the highway, which is built upon the levee. That's on the west side. On the east side is a very busy Burlington Northern-Santa Fe rail yard, with only a few feet between highway lanes and mainline tracks.

Nearly 60 years ago, northbound Route 169 along the east bank of the Missouri River was a city road to the Downtown Airport. However, a solid road built on a levee made of dirt and sand presented challenges. The loose material must be kept in place so that the pavement remains solid and doesn't break apart.

A "bin wall" 12 feet high in some places was built to keep the underlying base in place and support the road. The bin wall is made up of corrugated steel panels. MoDOT took over this road in 1994, and in the last decade, those steel panels have rusted out enough that replacement is now necessary. There is no quick fix.

Last summer MoDOT and HDR, its engineering consultant, tested a method to repair the bin walls. Subsequent review by MoDOT and HDR engineers determined that building concrete walls would best correct the problems. The Broadway Extension (Route 169 in this area) carries 35,000 vehicles per day between the Northland and Downtown Kansas City. A long-term solution requires extensive construction. Since an active railroad yard is only a few feet away, there is no room off MoDOT's right of way to stage construction equipment. Highway closure is the only feasible method of making repairs.

This spring, a contract will be awarded to: Replace deteriorated sections of the wall that supports the northbound lanes; fix bridges that support the southbound lanes; repair guard rail and barrier; and replace drainage between the northbound and southbound lanes, which will resolve the highway's problems for the long term.

The work is expected to take up to five months, which will require closure of both the southbound lanes and northbound lanes of Route 169. Motorists will continue to have access to Wheeler Downtown Airport from Downtown via the Broadway Bridge, and from Harlem Road to the east. Detours will be to Heart of America, Fairfax and Bond bridges.

We ask you to review the attached brochure, visit the MoDOT Web page at http://www.modot.org/kansascity/major_projects/Route%20169/Route_169_Wall_Replacement.htm and share this information with those in your group or community. Precise details of this project will be known only after a contractor is selected in early May. For additional clarification, you may contact me (Steve Porter), at this e-mail address or by phone at 816-607-2152.

Steve Porter
Senior Customer Relations Specialist
MoDOT, Kansas City District
816-607-2152

Check out our new weekly *NNI News* at www.nni.org!

From the Desk of the City Clerk:

Dog Vaccines

Codes Enforcement Officer Mitch Kelly has asked me to remind residents again about their pets. All dog owners should update their pets vaccinations.

An encounter between your dog and an infected raccoon or other wildlife can transmit rabies or a host of other diseases to your pet(s).

Please make sure that your dog has its updated vaccinations. Make a copy of the latest vaccination and drop it in the mail slot at City Hall for Mitch Kelly's files.

**Thanks for your Cooperation
Marsha Duncan**

July 9, 2012
Council Meeting Agenda
City of Houston Lake – City Hall 7:30 p.m.

1. Opening Session

2. Public Discussion

3. Minutes

4. Building Permits

5. Treasurer's report - Collector's Report

6. Paybills – Resolution No 07-09-12

7. Emergency Management

8. Police Report - Codes Report

9. Old Business

10. New Business

- a. Bill No. 070912-1 (Codes Section 230.025 Open Burning)
- b. Fire Protection Contract with Riverside, MO.
- c. 2012 – 2013 Budget Hearing
- d. 2012 – 2013 Budget

11. Reports from Aldermen

Mr. Cowan
Mr. Otte
Mr. Coronado
Ms. Anderson

12. Mayors Report

13. Closed Session

a. A motion to enter into Closed Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) for discussion of Legal issues, RSMo 610.021(2) for Real Estate (purchasing or selling) and RSMo 610.021(3) for Personnel issues.

14. Re-enter Open Session

15. Adjournment

City of Houston Lake
Unofficial Minutes of the Council Meeting
June 11, 2012

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on June 11, 2012 at City Hall. The following members were present: Aldermen Phil Otte, Jean Anderson, Dan Coronado and Rick Cowan.

Opening Session

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Hallauer presided.

Public Discussion

Nick Jackalone asked if the City paid for the bridge repair. Mayor Hallauer stated that the City paid for the repair because of the uncertainty of when charges will be filed against the Company that caused the damage. The Sheriff's Department has all needed information regarding the situation including statements from 3 witnesses.

Susan Kelly asked the Council if they had considered a ban on fireworks for individuals since it has been very dry a real potential for fires. Mayor Hallauer said that if Riverside issued a "no burn" order the City would follow with the same.

Minutes May 14, 2012

The minutes were approved by general consent.

Building Permit

A building permit was approved by general consent for a driveway at 5323 NW Wagon Trail.

Treasurers Report

Alderman Anderson moved to approve the treasurers report, seconded by Alderman Otte. Motion passed.

Resolution 06-11-12 (paybills)

Alderman Cowan moved that we accept Resolution 06-11-12, seconded by Alderman Otte. Motion passed

Collectors Report

No report

Code Enforcement/Sheriff's Report

A report from 5-1-12 to 5-31-12 was submitted to the Council from the Platte County Sheriff's Department.

Codes Enforcement Officer, Mitch Kelly submitted his report for the months of May/June, 2012.

Mayor Hallauer asked Codes Enforcement Officer, Mitch Kelly if he had the authority to condemn a house. Mr. Kelly answered that yes, he did have that authority according to the Houston Lake Municipal Code Chapter 505. Nick Jackalone asked what would constitute a condemnation. Mayor Hallauer said that several issues could cause a condemnation such as sewer system fail, safety or sanitation issues.

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director, Dan Coronado reported to the Council that he completed the CERT training with the Platte County Sheriff's Emergency Management with his Houston Lake CERT team Nick Jackalone, Terri Deister and Phil Otte. He would like to recruit at least one or two more residents. His CERT team will meet bi-monthly and attend other local CERT team activities. He and Nick Jackalone attended the training class "Psychology of Disaster and Trauma" presented by the Gladstone Emergency Management Agency. He also presented the Council with a list for the Houston Lake Team Trauma Medical Supply list. The total cost for 2 CERT medical bags would be approximately \$298.00 and \$40.00 for each CERT team members equipment bag.

Old Business

A .Mayor Hallauer presented the Council with a draft of a proposed Ordinance to repeal Section 230.025, Open Burning of the Houston Lake Code and in lieu Section 230.025 Open Burning Restrictions. The Council, after much discussion and making several changes and additions concurred. Mayor Hallauer will take the new Ordinance to the City Attorney for the final draft.

New Business

Reports from Aldermen

Alderman Cowan – No report

Alderman Otte – Alderman Otte noted that after the conversation regarding "yield to on coming traffic" signs being placed on the damn, if stop signs on each end of the damn should be considered also. It was pointed out that "yield" and "stop" are two different commands and would be confusing.

Alderman Coronado – Alderman Coronado commended the good job done on the repair of the bridge. He thanked the Platte County Sheriff's Department for the "speed trailer". He noticed a slow down in speed. He also thanked Nick Jackalone and the many residents for the repairs on the shelter house, tree removal, painting and new mulch at the beach playground.

Alderman Anderson – Alderman Anderson told the Council that the collection of names and numbers for the new directory is continuing. She also has been working on different methods of good communications with the residents of Houston Lake in cases of emergency. The Houston lake website works well, but not everyone has access to the internet. Forming a "phone tree" might be the better solution as certain residents from each side of the lake could make calls to residents from a list they have.

Mayors Report

- a. The Lake clean up was a success again this year with only 2 dumpsters needed.
- b. The crew that repaired the bridge did an outstanding job.
- c. The "yield" signs have been placed on the damn.
- d. A meeting is scheduled on June 27th at 6:30, City Hall for all residents that have a grinder pump. Maintenance fees will be discussed.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm

Venetian Gardens Homes Association Activity for June, 2012

On June 9, 2012 Cub Scout Pack 330 held their annual fishing derby on Houston Lake. I heard that there was an eleven inch bass caught and the smallest was a four inch carp. All the Cubs and Parents seemed to really enjoy themselves and the weather was perfect.

Also Boy Scout Troop 260 helped spread mulch around the kids swing area at the beach. It took them around three hours to get it spread around. The Association would like to thank the Scouts and their Leaders for a job well done. They were treated to hotdogs, chips, cookies and cupcakes and lots of cold water.

You may have noticed that there was a very large tree near the swing set at the beach that was basically dead. It was taken down and several dead limbs in the surrounding area were removed and hauled away. So the beach area looks more tidy now.

If you have driven on Edgewater Trail, you may have noticed that the three dead trees have been removed and hauled away. The limbs were hanging dangerously close to the power lines and would have caused power to be knocked out to several homes if there was a storm. So I would have to say that a little preventative maintenance goes a long way.

Some work is being planned on the Shelter House at the Mayor's Park in the near future. We want to make sure the Shelter is in great shape for the summer.

Maintenance Expenses for June:

Beach tree removal, haul away and trunk grounded down. \$1700.

Delivery and Set Up Porta Pot \$87.50

Ten Yards Play Ground Quality Mulch for Swing Set area \$377.91

Food for Boy Scout Troop 260 \$47.68

Tree removal and haul away on Edgewater Trail \$1,000.

Total \$3213.09

The Association was notified by the State of Missouri that we were suppose to file tax returns on the interest we get on our accounts for 2009, 2010 and 2011. We had an Accountant check into it and sure enough we have to file in Missouri too. Back taxes, late penalties and tax preparation costs 2009/\$58, 2010/\$4, 2011/\$3, Accountant \$105. Next year, we can prepare and file it ourselves so there will be no Accountant fees.

We have also placed nine liens on properties. These were behind in Association dues for two or more years. We did learn that if the property goes back to HUD, they will only pay the current year's Association dues. In one case, we lost out on an additional \$697.00 because we didn't have a lien on the property. So if you are behind on your dues, please call Jan Jackalone, Treasurer, at 587-0028 to make arrangements to get your dues up to date.

The trip and fall lawsuit against the Association has been moved to October, 2012.

Our next meeting will be held on July 18th at 6:30 PM.
On Behalf of the VGHA Board, Have a Safe and Happy Fourth!



Submitted by Nick Jackalone, President



The Fecal Coliforms Test performed ~~June 20~~, 2012 by Sharon De La Fuente at the Beach are considered Normal. The Water Is Fine !





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*We can do something for ourselves.
Get involved.
Make a difference.
Have fun at the same time!*

We welcome you to our
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING

City Hall, Tuesday July 24 at 6:30 PM.

We have ten folks who are interested in becoming part of a Neighborhood Watch. Please join us, we will be distributing Participants Handbooks and assigning positions. This is a very important meeting. Every street should be represented !

RSVP: Jan Jackalone 587-0028
or janjackalone@hotmail.com



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Longmeadow Rescue Ranch

MEDIA ALERT

Summer

REMEMBER PETS WHEN WEATHER IS SIZZLING Hot weather tips from the Humane Society of Missouri to keep pets safe

When temperatures and heat indices soar, pet owners are advised to take special precautions to keep pets safe. High temperatures can be deadly for pets left without a cool, shady place to rest and plenty of water.

**To report an animal in heat-related jeopardy, call
Humane Society of Missouri ANIMAL ABUSE HOTLINE (314) 647-4400.**

- **Never leave a pet unattended in a parked car when the temperature is more than 70 degrees.** When it's 72 degrees outside, a car's temperature can rocket to 116 degrees, even with the windows cracked. When it is 85 degrees outside, the temperature inside a car can soar to 120 degrees in minutes. Leaving a pet in a hot, unattended car is inhumane, illegal and can cause severe injury or even death within minutes.
- **Act immediately if you see a distressed animal in an unattended car.** Call the local police and the Humane Society of Missouri ANIMAL ABUSE HOTLINE 314-647-4400. A pet showing signs of distress such as heavy panting, unresponsive behavior, seizure or collapse needs IMMEDIATE attention.
- **Be certain outdoor pets have access to fresh, clean water at all times.** Secure plastic water bowls, never metal, to the ground so your pet can't accidentally tip them over. You can dig a small round hole and place the water bowls inside.
- **Ensure that your pet has access to shade at all times of the day.** Your dog might be in the shade when you leave for work, but the sunlight moves throughout the day. Don't allow your pet to be stranded in the scorching sun.
- **If you run or jog with your dog, take frequent water breaks for yourself and your dog.** Remember that asphalt and concrete get hot quickly. You have rubber soles on your feet--your dog does not. On hot days, leave your dog at home.
- **Do not bicycle or rollerblade with a pet.** Heat stroke and possible death can occur very quickly, particularly in hot weather.
- **When the weather is dangerously hot, keep pets inside.**
- If your pet is showing signs of heat exhaustion (excessive panting, vomiting, lethargic behavior), right away begin applying cold water to your pet's extremities. See your veterinarian immediately!
- During the summer, mosquitoes are prevalent. Make sure your pet is tested by a veterinarian for heartworm disease (a mosquito-transmitted, often fatal disease) and begin heartworm prevention medication.

For more information on how to care for pets during the summer months, visit the Humane Society of Missouri website www.hsma.org or e-mail info@hsma.org.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC 24/7: Saving lives, protecting people, reducing health costs

Emergency Preparedness and Response

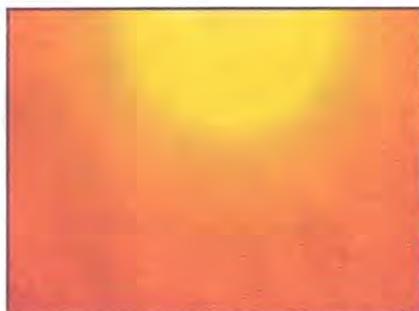
Extreme Heat: A Prevention Guide to Promote Your Personal Health and Safety

HIGHLIGHTS

- Elderly people (65 years and older), infants and children and people with chronic medical conditions are more prone to heat stress.
- Air-conditioning is the number one protective factor against heat-related illness and death. During conditions of extreme heat, spend time in locations with air-conditioning such as shopping malls, public libraries, or public health sponsored heat-relief shelters in your area.
- Get informed. Listen to local news and weather channels or contact your local public health department during extreme heat conditions for health and safety updates.
- Drink cool, nonalcoholic beverages and increase your fluid intake, regardless of your activity level.

Heat-related deaths and illness are preventable yet annually many people succumb to extreme heat. Historically, from 1979-2003, excessive heat exposure caused 8,015 deaths in the United States. During this period, more people in this country died from extreme heat than from hurricanes, lightning, tornadoes, floods, and earthquakes combined. In 2001, 300 deaths were caused by excessive heat exposure.

People suffer heat-related illness when their bodies are unable to compensate and properly cool themselves. The body normally cools itself by sweating. But under some conditions, sweating just isn't enough. In such cases, a person's body temperature rises rapidly. Very high body temperatures may damage the brain or other vital organs.



Several factors affect the body's ability to cool itself during extremely hot weather. When the humidity is high, sweat will not evaporate as quickly, preventing the body from releasing heat quickly. Other conditions related to risk include age, obesity, fever, dehydration, heart disease, mental illness, poor circulation, sunburn, and prescription drug and alcohol use.

Because heat-related deaths are preventable, people need to be aware of who is at greatest risk and what actions can be taken to prevent a heat-related illness or death. The elderly, the very young, and people with mental illness and chronic diseases are at highest risk. However, even young and healthy individuals can succumb to heat if they participate in strenuous physical activities during hot weather. Air-conditioning is the number one protective factor against heat-related illness and death. If a home is not air-conditioned, people can reduce their risk for heat-related illness by spending time in public facilities that are air-conditioned.

Summertime activity, whether on the playing field or the construction site, must be balanced with measures that aid the body's cooling mechanisms and prevent heat-related illness. This pamphlet tells how you can prevent, recognize, and cope with heat-related health problems.

What Is Extreme Heat?

Conditions of extreme heat are defined as summertime temperatures that are substantially hotter and/or more humid than average for location at that time of year. Humid or muggy conditions, which add to the discomfort of high temperatures, occur when a "dome" of high atmospheric pressure traps hazy, damp air near the ground. Extremely dry and hot conditions can provoke dust storms and low visibility. Droughts occur when a long period passes without substantial rainfall. A heat wave combined with a drought is a very dangerous situation.

During Hot Weather

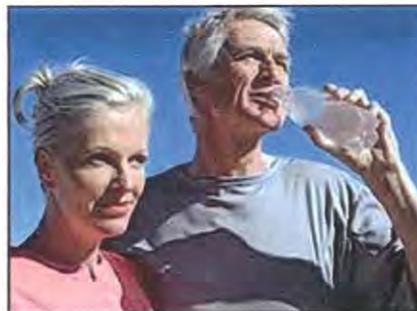
To protect your health when temperatures are extremely high, remember to keep cool and use common sense. The following tips are important:

Drink Plenty of Fluids

During hot weather you will need to increase your fluid intake, regardless of your activity level. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink. During heavy exercise in a hot environment, drink two to four glasses (16-32 ounces) of cool fluids each hour.

Warning: If your doctor generally limits the amount of fluid you drink or has you on water pills, ask how much you should drink while the weather is hot.

Don't drink liquids that contain alcohol, or large amounts of sugar—these actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps.



Replace Salt and Minerals

Heavy sweating removes salt and minerals from the body. These are necessary for your body and must be replaced. If you must exercise, drink two to four glasses of cool, non-alcoholic fluids each hour. A sports beverage can replace the salt and minerals you lose in sweat. However, if you are on a low-salt diet, talk with your doctor before drinking a sports beverage or taking salt tablets.

Wear Appropriate Clothing and Sunscreen

Wear as little clothing as possible when you are at home. Choose lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing. Sunburn affects your body's ability to cool itself and causes a loss of body fluids. It also causes pain and damages the skin. If you must go outdoors, protect yourself from the sun by wearing a wide-brimmed hat (also keeps you cooler) along with sunglasses, and by putting on sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher (the most effective products say "broad spectrum" or "UVA/UVB protection" on their labels) 30 minutes prior to going out. Continue to reapply it according to the package directions.

Schedule Outdoor Activities Carefully



If you must be outdoors, try to limit your outdoor activity to morning and evening hours. Try to rest often in shady areas so that your body's thermostat will have a chance to recover.

Pace Yourself

If you are not accustomed to working or exercising in a hot environment, start slowly and pick up the pace gradually. If exertion in the heat makes your heart pound and leaves you gasping for breath, STOP all activity. Get into a cool area or at least into the shade, and rest, especially if you become lightheaded, confused, weak, or faint.

Stay Cool Indoors

Stay indoors and, if at all possible, stay in an air-conditioned place. If your home does not have air conditioning, go to the shopping mall or public library—even a few hours spent in air conditioning can help your body stay cooler when you go back into the heat. Call your local health department to see if there are any heat-relief shelters in your area. Electric fans may provide comfort, but when the temperature is in the high 90s, fans will not prevent heat-related illness. Taking a cool shower or bath or moving to an air-conditioned place is a much better way to cool off. Use your stove and oven less to maintain a cooler temperature in your home.

Use a Buddy System

When working in the heat, monitor the condition of your co-workers and have someone do the same for you. Heat-induced illness can cause a person to become confused or lose consciousness. If you are 65 years of age or older, have a friend or relative call to check on you twice a day during a heat wave. If you know someone in this age group, check on them at least twice a day.

Monitor Those at High Risk

Although anyone at any time can suffer from heat-related illness, some people are at greater risk than others.

- Infants and young children are sensitive to the effects of high temperatures and rely on others to regulate their environments and provide adequate liquids.
- People 65 years of age or older may not compensate for heat stress efficiently and are less likely to sense and respond to change in temperature.
- People who are overweight may be prone to heat sickness because of their tendency to retain more body heat.
- People who overexert during work or exercise may become dehydrated and susceptible to heat sickness.
- People who are physically ill, especially with heart disease or high blood pressure, or who take certain medications, such as for depression, insomnia, or poor circulation, may be affected by extreme heat.



Visit adults at risk at least twice a day and closely watch them for signs of heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Infants and young children, of course, need much more frequent watching.

Adjust to the Environment

Be aware that any sudden change in temperature, such as an early summer heat wave, will be stressful to your body. You will have a greater tolerance for heat if you limit your physical activity until you become accustomed to the heat. If you travel to a hotter climate, allow several days to become acclimated before attempting any vigorous exercise, and work up to it gradually.

Do Not Leave Children in Cars

Even in cool temperatures, cars can heat up to dangerous temperatures very quickly. Even with the windows cracked open, interior temperatures can rise almost 20 degrees Fahrenheit within the first 10 minutes. Anyone left inside is at risk for serious heat-related illnesses or even death. Children who are left unattended in parked cars are at greatest risk for heat stroke, and possibly death. When traveling with children, remember to do the following:

- Never leave infants, children or pets in a parked car, even if the windows are cracked open.
- To remind yourself that a child is in the car, keep a stuffed animal in the car seat. When the child is buckled in, place the stuffed animal in the front with the driver.
- When leaving your car, check to be sure everyone is out of the car. Do not overlook any children who have fallen asleep in the car.

Use Common Sense

Remember to keep cool and use common sense:

- Avoid hot foods and heavy meals—they add heat to your body.
- Drink plenty of fluids and replace salts and minerals in your body. Do not take salt tablets unless under medical supervision.
- Dress infants and children in cool, loose clothing and shade their heads and faces with hats or an umbrella.
- Limit sun exposure during mid-day hours and in places of potential severe exposure such as beaches.
- Do not leave infants, children, or pets in a parked car.
- Provide plenty of fresh water for your pets, and leave the water in a shady area.

Hot Weather Health Emergencies

Even short periods of high temperatures can cause serious health problems. During hot weather health emergencies, keep informed by listening to local weather and news channels or contact local health departments for health and safety updates. Doing too much on a hot day, spending too much time in the sun or staying too long in an overheated place can cause heat-related illnesses. Know the symptoms of heat disorders and overexposure to the sun, and be ready to give first aid treatment.

Heat Stroke

Heat stroke occurs when the body is unable to regulate its temperature. The body's temperature rises rapidly, the sweating mechanism fails, and the body is unable to cool down. Body temperature may rise to 106°F or higher within 10 to 15 minutes. Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not provided.



Recognizing Heat Stroke

Warning signs of heat stroke vary but may include the following:

- An extremely high body temperature (above 103°F, orally)
- Red, hot, and dry skin (no sweating)
- Rapid, strong pulse
- Throbbing headache
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Confusion
- Unconsciousness

What to Do

If you see any of these signs, you may be dealing with a life-threatening emergency. Have someone call for immediate medical assistance while you begin cooling the victim. Do the following:

- Get the victim to a shady area.
- Cool the victim rapidly using whatever methods you can. For example, immerse the victim in a tub of cool water; place the person in a cool shower; spray the victim with cool water from a garden hose; sponge the person with cool water; or if the humidity is low, wrap the victim in a cool, wet sheet and fan him or her vigorously.
- Monitor body temperature, and continue cooling efforts until the body temperature drops to 101-102°F.
- If emergency medical personnel are delayed, call the hospital emergency room for further instructions.
- Do not give the victim fluids to drink.
- Get medical assistance as soon as possible.

Sometimes a victim's muscles will begin to twitch uncontrollably as a result of heat stroke. If this happens, keep the victim from injuring himself, but do not place any object in the mouth and do not give fluids. If there is vomiting, make sure the airway remains open by turning the victim on his or her side.

Heat Exhaustion



Heat exhaustion is a milder form of heat-related illness that can develop after several days of exposure to high temperatures and inadequate or unbalanced replacement of fluids. It is the body's response to an excessive loss of the water and salt contained in sweat. Those most prone to heat exhaustion are elderly people, people with high blood pressure, and people working or exercising in a hot environment.

Recognizing Heat Exhaustion

Warning signs of heat exhaustion include the following:

- Heavy sweating
- Paleness
- Muscle cramps
- Tiredness
- Weakness
- Dizziness
- Headache
- Nausea or vomiting

- Fainting

The skin may be cool and moist. The victim's pulse rate will be fast and weak, and breathing will be fast and shallow. If heat exhaustion is untreated, it may progress to heat stroke. Seek medical attention immediately if any of the following occurs:

- Symptoms are severe
- The victim has heart problems or high blood pressure

Otherwise, help the victim to cool off, and seek medical attention if symptoms worsen or last longer than 1 hour.

What to Do

Cooling measures that may be effective include the following:

- Cool, nonalcoholic beverages
- Rest
- Cool shower, bath, or sponge bath
- An air-conditioned environment
- Lightweight clothing

Heat Cramps

Heat cramps usually affect people who sweat a lot during strenuous activity. This sweating depletes the body's salt and moisture. The low salt level in the muscles may be the cause of heat cramps. Heat cramps may also be a symptom of heat exhaustion.

Recognizing Heat Cramps

Heat cramps are muscle pains or spasms—usually in the abdomen, arms, or legs—that may occur in association with strenuous activity. If you have heart problems or are on a low-sodium diet, get medical attention for heat cramps.

What to Do

If medical attention is not necessary, take these steps:

- Stop all activity, and sit quietly in a cool place.
- Drink clear juice or a sports beverage.
- Do not return to strenuous activity for a few hours after the cramps subside, because further exertion may lead to heat exhaustion or heat stroke.
- Seek medical attention for heat cramps if they do not subside in 1 hour.

Sunburn

Sunburn should be avoided because it damages the skin. Although the discomfort is usually minor and healing often occurs in about a week, a more severe sunburn may require medical attention.

Recognizing Sunburn

Symptoms of sunburn are well known: the skin becomes red, painful, and abnormally warm after sun exposure.

What to Do

Consult a doctor if the sunburn affects an infant younger than 1 year of age or if these symptoms are present:

- Fever
- Fluid-filled blisters
- Severe pain



Also, remember these tips when treating sunburn:

- Avoid repeated sun exposure.
- Apply cold compresses or immerse the sunburned area in cool water.
- Apply moisturizing lotion to affected areas. Do not use salve, butter, or ointment.
- Do not break blisters.

Heat Rash



Heat rash is a skin irritation caused by excessive sweating during hot, humid weather. It can occur at any age but is most common in young children.

Recognizing Heat Rash

Heat rash looks like a red cluster of pimples or small blisters. It is more likely to occur on the neck and upper chest, in the groin, under the breasts, and in elbow creases.

What to Do

The best treatment for heat rash is to provide a cooler, less humid environment. Keep the affected area dry. Dusting powder may be used to increase comfort.

Treating heat rash is simple and usually does not require medical assistance. Other heat-related problems can be much more severe.

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TODAY'S PET TIP

Paper Shredder Safety Tips

Dogs may lick the paper shredder mechanism or have hair caught in the mechanism pulling in limbs or tails. Keep paper shredders turned completely off or unplugged when not in use.

From the Desk of the City Clerk:

Jean Anderson and I have been given the task of updating our Houston Lake City Directory. The last update was in 2009 and since then we've had many new residents that need to be added to our directory.

Our City Directory has been a great tool for residents through the years. Not only listing names and numbers of our neighbors, but needed emergency and general information of our City Government and State as well.

This directory will not be posted on our website as this is for Houston Lake residents only. After this update has been completed, a copy will be delivered to every household on Houston Lake

Please take a moment and fill out the information form below. You may drop the completed form at City Hall through the door mail slot or you may give it to myself, Marsha Duncan or Jean Anderson.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 816.419.5051 or e-mail me at mduncannkc@aol.com.

Thanks for all your help!!!

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Last name:..... First Name.....

Spouse's name:.....

Address:.....

Phone number that you prefer listed:.....

Please take a moment to fill out the questionnaire below. This information is vitally needed to insure that you and your family have the maximum support from your City and Platte County Emergency Management Officials in the event of a disaster. All information will be "highly confidential" and shared with no one. Please place this in a sealed envelope and deposit in the "black" mail box to the left of the City Hall front door.

Name:

Address:

Daytime phone No.

Evening phone No.

Cell phone:

Number of adults (18 and older):

Number of children:

Names and ages:

Names and ages:

Number of dogs:

Number of cats:

Is there anyone in the household who requires special medical attention?

If so, who and please provide details (oxygen, wheelchair, walker)

Is there anyone in the household who depends on insulin for diabetes?

If so, who and how much medication is needed daily.

Is there anyone in the household that suffers from heart disease?

If so, who and please provide details (pacemaker, a trial fibrillation, etc.)

Is daycare or adult daycare provided at this residence?

If so, what are the hours of operation?

How many in attendance?

Is there anyone in the household who cannot speak English?

If so, who and what language is used?

If you decline to provide this information, which is being gathered to assist local authorities in the event of a disaster, you may be jeopardizing your health and well being. For this reason, we ask that you sign the waiver below and return this form to City Hall.

I understand that I will not and cannot hold the City of Houston Lake, its Officials or Platte County Emergency Management and its Officials responsible for my welfare in the event of a disaster whether man made or weather related.

Signature

Date

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“Primary Election”

Tuesday, August 7, 2012

at



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Time 6:00a.m. to 7:00p.m.

Platte County Board of Election (816) 858-4400

Any Questions please call:

City Clerk – Marsha Duncan = (816) 419-5051

Editor – Mary Head = (816) 741-5639



VOTER REGISTRATION SITES PLATTE COUNTY, MISSOURI

Are You Registered to Vote? All residents of Houston Lake whether you are Owner or Renter can register and VOTE. You must be 18 years old or older to register. You can register at any of the sites below.

Houston Lake City Hall, 5417 NW Adrian, (816)741-0644 or
Registrar Mary Head (816)741-5639, call for an appointment.

Mid-Continent Public Libraries:

Boardwalk, 8600 N. Executive Hills Blvd, Kansas City: (816) 741-9011

Parkville, 8815 NW Hwy 45, Parkville: (816) 741-4721

Riverside, 2700 NW Vivion Rd, Riverside: (816) 741-6288

NOTE: In addition, Missouri Voter Registration Application postcards can be completed at any license bureau.

Any questions call

Platte County Board of Elections
2600 NW Prairie View Road
P.O. Box 560
Platte City, Missouri 64079

Phone number (816) 858-4400



Official Primary Ballot
Democratic Party
 Platte County, Missouri
 Tuesday, August 7, 2012

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Judges' Initials

#36



Instructions

Completely fill in the oval next to the candidate or question response of your choice like this: ●

If you do not see the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote, darken the oval opposite the write-in line and print the name of the candidate on the write-in line provided.

If you are in favor of the question, completely fill in the oval opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, completely fill in the oval opposite "NO".

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United States Senator

For U. S. Senator
(Vote for One.)

Claire McCaskill

State

For Governor
(Vote for One.)

Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon

Clay Thunderhawk

William B. Campbell

For Lieutenant Governor
(Vote for One.)

Susan Montee

Dennis Weisenburger

Fred Kratky

Becky Lee Plattner

Judy Baker.

Sara Lampe

Jackie Townes McGee

Bill (William) Haas

For Secretary of State
(Vote for One.)

Jason Kander

MD Rabbi Alam

For State Treasurer
(Vote for One.)

Clint Zweifel

For Attorney General
(Vote for One.)

Chris Koster

Representative in Congress

For U.S. Representative
District 6
(Vote for One.)

Kyle Yarber

Ted Rights

W. A. (Bill) Hedge

Ronald William Harris

State

For State Representative
District 14
(Vote for One.)

Eric Pendell

County

For County Assessor
(Vote for One.)

David C. Christian

For Public Administrator
(Vote for One.)

Chris Hershey

Constitutional Amendment

Constitutional Amendment No. 2
Proposed by the 96th General Assembly
(First Regular Session) HJR2

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to ensure:

- That the right of Missouri citizens to express their religious beliefs shall not be infringed;

- That school children have the right to pray and acknowledge God voluntarily in their schools; and
 - That all public schools shall display the Bill of Rights of the United States Constitution.

It is estimated this proposal will result in little or no costs or savings for state and local governmental entities.

YES

NO

Official Primary Ballot
Non-Partisan
Platte County, Missouri
Tuesday, August 7, 2012

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Judges' Initials

#04

Instructions	Constitutional Amendment
<p>Completely fill in the oval next to the candidate or question response of your choice like this: ●</p> <p>If you do not see the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote, darken the oval opposite the write-in line and print the name of the candidate on the write-in line provided.</p> <p>If you are in favor of the question, completely fill in the oval opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, completely fill in the oval opposite "NO".</p> <p>NOTE: The ballot reading device in use is designed to only record votes cast as a filled in oval. Use only the special marking pen provided. There can be no erasures, stray marks, checkmarks, or crossouts on the ballot. If you make an error marking the ballot, see an Election Judge to receive a replacement ballot.</p>	<p>Constitutional Amendment No. 2 <i>Proposed by the 96th General Assembly (First Regular Session) HJR2</i></p> <p>Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-That the right of Missouri citizens to express their religious beliefs shall not be infringed;- That school children have the right to pray and acknowledge God voluntarily in their schools; and-That all public schools shall display the Bill of Rights of the United States Constitution. <p>It is estimated this proposal will result in little or no costs or savings for state and local governmental entities.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>

SAMPLE

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Judges' Initials

#25



Instructions	State	Constitutional Amendment
<p>Completely fill in the oval next to the candidate or question response of your choice like this: <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>If you do not see the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote, darken the oval opposite the write-in line and print the name of the candidate on the write-in line provided.</p> <p>If you are in favor of the question, completely fill in the oval opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, completely fill in the oval opposite "NO".</p> <p>NOTE: The ballot reading device in use is designed to only record votes cast as a filled in oval. Use only the special marking pen provided. There can be no erasures, stray marks, checkmarks, or crossouts on the ballot. If you make an error marking the ballot, see an Election Judge to receive a replacement ballot.</p>	<p>For Attorney General (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ed Martin <input type="radio"/> Adam Lee Warren</p> <p>Representative in Congress</p> <p>For U.S. Representative District 6 (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bob Gough <input type="radio"/> Sam Graves <input type="radio"/> Christopher Ryan</p> <p style="background-color: #cccccc;">State</p> <p>For State Representative District 14 (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ron Schieber</p> <p style="background-color: #cccccc;">County</p> <p>For County Commission District 1 (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kathy A. Dusenbery <input type="radio"/> Beverlee J. Roper</p> <p>For County Treasurer (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rob Willard <input type="radio"/> Nancy Armstrong</p> <p>For County Assessor (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> David Cox</p> <p>For Sheriff (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mark Owen</p> <p>For Public Administrator (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Toni L. Clemens</p> <p style="background-color: #cccccc;">Political Party Central Committee</p> <p>For Committeeman Sub-District 14-3 (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Timothy J. Thompson <input type="radio"/> Daniel Bates <input type="radio"/> Write-in _____</p>	<p>Constitutional Amendment No. 2 <i>Proposed by the 96th General Assembly (First Regular Session) HJR2</i></p> <p>Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to ensure:</p> <p>-That the right of Missouri citizens to express their religious beliefs shall not be infringed;</p> <p>- That school children have the right to pray and acknowledge God voluntarily in their schools; and</p> <p>-That all public schools shall display the Bill of Rights of the United States Constitution.</p> <p>It is estimated this proposal will result in little or no costs or savings for state and local governmental entities.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
United States Senator		
<p>For U.S. Senator (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Todd Akin <input type="radio"/> Jerry Beck <input type="radio"/> Sarah Steelman <input type="radio"/> John G. Brunner <input type="radio"/> Mark Memoly <input type="radio"/> Mark Patrick Lodes <input type="radio"/> Robert (Bob) Poole <input type="radio"/> Hector Maldonado</p>		
State		
<p>For Governor (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> John D. Weiler <input type="radio"/> David (Dave) Spence <input type="radio"/> Bill Randles <input type="radio"/> Fred Sauer</p>		
<p>For Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Charles W. Kullmann <input type="radio"/> Brad Lager <input type="radio"/> Peter Kinder <input type="radio"/> Mike Carter</p>		
<p>For Secretary of State (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Scott Rupp <input type="radio"/> Shane Schoeller <input type="radio"/> Bill Stouffer</p>		
<p>For State Treasurer (Vote for One.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Cole McNary</p>		

Turn Ballot Over

Official Primary Ballot
Constitution Party
Platte County, Missouri
Tuesday, August 7, 2012

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Judges' Initials

#08



Instructions

Completely fill in the oval next to the candidate or question response of your choice like this: ●

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State

For Lieutenant Governor
(Vote for One.)

Cynthia L. Davis

For Secretary of State
(Vote for One.)

Justin Harter

Constitutional Amendment

Constitutional Amendment No. 2
*Proposed by the 96th General Assembly
(First Regular Session) HJR2*

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to ensure:

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- That school children have the right to pray and acknowledge God voluntarily in their schools; and
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It is estimated this proposal will result in little or no costs or savings for state and local governmental entities.

YES

NO

SAMPLE

Official Primary Ballot
 Libertarian Party
 Platte County, Missouri
 Tuesday, August 7, 2012



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Judges' Initials

#07

Instructions	Constitutional Amendment
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Completely fill in the oval next to the candidate or question response of your choice like this: ●

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Constitutional Amendment No. 2
Proposed by the 96th General Assembly (First Regular Session) HJR2

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- YES
 NO

United States Senate

For U.S. Senator
 (Vote for One.)

- Jonathan Dine

State

For Governor
 (Vote for One.)

- Jim Higgins

For Lieutenant Governor
 (Vote for One.)

- Matthew Cople

For Secretary of State
 (Vote for One.)

- Cisse W. Spragins

For State Treasurer
 (Vote for One.)

- Sean O'Toole

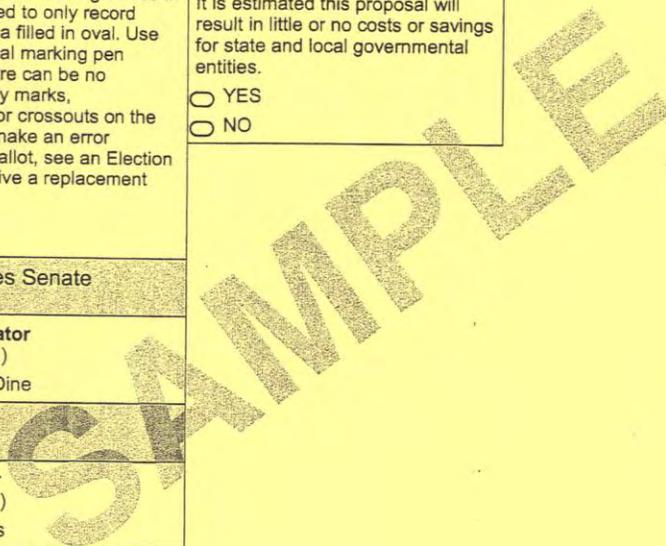
For Attorney General
 (Vote for One.)

- Dave Browning

Representative in Congress

For U.S. Representative
District 6
 (Vote for One.)

- Russ Lee Monchil



To apply for absentee ballot: print this application form, complete and mail to Platte County Board of Elections, PO Box 560, Platte City, MO 64079 or FAX to 816-858-3387

REQUEST FOR PLATTE COUNTY ABSENTEE BALLOT

I, _____, do hereby request an absentee ballot for the _____ Election.

For Identification purposes, the last four digits of my social security number are _____.
If the election is a primary election, please print the name of the political party ballot you wish to receive _____. If you registered by mail and this is your first time voting you must provide a copy of current valid photo identification or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document that shows your name and address.

Reason for requesting an absentee ballot:

- _____ (1) Absence on Election Day from the jurisdiction of the election authority in which registered to voter;
- _____ (2) Incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability, including a person who is primarily responsible for the physical care of a person who is incapacitated or confined due to illness or disability;
- _____ (3) Religious belief or practice
- _____ (4) Employment as an election authority, as a member of an election authority, or by an election authority at a location other than your polling place;
- _____ (5) Incarceration, provided all qualifications for voting are retained

Current Residential Address:

Address where ballot is to be mailed, if different than above:

Daytime Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

I do solemnly swear that all statements made on this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Signature of Voter

Date

Mail completed Absentee Ballot Application to **Platte County Board of Elections, PO Box 560, Platte City, MO 64079, or FAX to 816-858-3387**. All requests must be received by the Board of Election's office no later than 5:00 p.m., the Wednesday prior to election day.



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