



# OAKLAND COMMUTER CITY PICNIC OCTOBER 11!

## Mark Your Calendar

### **Board of Aldermen-**

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month  
7 p.m. Webster Groves Christian Church

### **Board of Adjustment-**

September 17, 6:00 p.m.  
Webster Groves Christian Church

### **Plan Commission-**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of month, 7 p.m. (as needed)

### **Historical Preservation Commission-**

4<sup>th</sup> Monday of month, 7 p.m. Henry Hough School

### **City Picnic**

Saturday, October 11 12-3 p.m. Loewnau Park

### **Ursuline Fall Festival**

Sunday, October 5, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. Ursuline Campus  
(all Citizens of Oakland are invited!)

## City Picnic October 11!!!

The City's annual picnic will take place on Saturday, October 11 from noon to 3:00 p.m. at Loewnau Park. There will be great barbeque, music, and activities for the kids. Soda has been generously donated once again this year by our local QuikTrip, so be sure to stop by and say thanks! Back by popular demand will be the giant inflatable challenges for the kids, the face painters, the balloon artists and of course the Kettle Korn!

Also returning this year will be a special performance by our locally based band Keltic Reign! In addition to their Oakland performances, Keltic Rain has performed at The Whitaker Music Festival, The History Museum, Grand Center and The Sheldon. With fiddle, tin-whistle, accordion, mandolin, piano, guitar and bodhran, it's sure to be another great picnic performance!!

Of course the police and fire departments will be on hand for kids to see the equipment! There will be kettle corn made on site and fun for all ages. This is a great way to meet your neighbors, enjoy beautiful Loewnau Park, and celebrate our amazing city!

All citizens are invited to participate in this fun festival!



**Check out local band Keltic Reign October 11!!!**

## Remember City Codes!

Fall is an important time to remember City Codes and why they exist. For instance, in order to keep pedestrians safe, it is important for property owners to keep their trees, shrubs, and ground covers from growing over and onto public sidewalks. We should all trim hedges and ground cover next to the sidewalk, make sure tree branches clear the sidewalk by at least eight feet, and plant annuals so they don't spread over the public sidewalk. Fall is also a great time to be outdoors with pets. Please remember to use pet waste bags when in the parks, and also to respect neighbors by not leaving barking dogs outdoors that can create a nuisance. Finally, it's a good time of year to remember that many building projects in the City require a permit and inspections. If you have questions about any city codes, contact our code enforcement officer Greg Hanser at 420-7481. The City would always prefer to answer questions rather than issue citations!

## Directory of Public Officials 2014

*Paul Marti*  
*Mayor*  
*821-1722*  
*105 Minturn Avenue*

*Tom Steuby*  
*Alderman-Ward 1*  
*305-9089*  
*819 Melshire*

*James Hensley*  
*Alderman-Ward 1*  
*835-0660*  
*835 Westwood Place*

*Mike Godsy*  
*Alderman-Ward 2*  
*221-7073*  
*1005 Oakland*

*Andrew Stewart*  
*Alderman-Ward 2*  
*821-8927*  
*901 Woodleigh Cove*

*Deborah LeMoine*  
*City Administrator/Clerk*  
*416-0026*

*Donna Tharp*  
*Court Clerk*  
*842-0778*

*Greg Hanser*  
*Building Inspector*  
*Code Compliance Official*  
*420-7481*

**Police & Fire**  
**Non-Emergency**  
**822-5858**  
**Emergency 911**

**Waste Management**  
**506-4700**

## Sewer Lateral Repair Program

The City of Oakland offers residents a Sewer Lateral Repair Program. If you think you have a collapsed pipe, contact a plumber and have the line cabled at your expense. Once you have received the tape, contact City Building Inspector Greg Hanser. He will review the tape to verify your eligibility. If eligible, the resident decides on a contractor to do the repair and then pays for the repair in full. Copies of the actual bill and receipt of payment can be sent to P. O. Box 220511, St. Louis, MO 63122 and reimbursement (up to \$2500) will be sent to you after approved at the next Board meeting.

## Ursuline Picnic!

Ursuline Academy's Fall Festival is Sunday, October 5, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Oakland residents of all ages are invited for a day of fun with the local community. Activities include: Carnival Games, washer tournaments, BBQ, Snacks & Drinks for Sale, Arts & Craft Show, and a DJ playing music for all ages. Present this newsletter to the concession stand at Fall Festival and receive a free soda or bottle of water!

## Stay Cool at the Library!

Don't forget the Library for staying cool or getting ready for school! The Oak Bend Library is open to all Oakland residents with great computers, lots of new books, and fall book groups and story times to explore:

## Oak Bend Library Address

842 S. Holmes Ave.  
St. Louis, MO  
63122-6507  
314-994-3300

## Hours

Monday-Thursday  
9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday  
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

## Community Development Block Grant

### Public Hearing

The City of Oakland will hold a public hearing to discuss the reallocation of \$20,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds which became available after January 1, 2014. The Public Hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on September 8, 2014 at the Webster Groves Christian Church, 1320 Lockwood Blvd., Oakland MO 63122. To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Oakland has enacted and or/enforces the following: *A Fair Housing Ordinance* prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin; *A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability* in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities; *A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services* regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation; *A Requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes employment opportunities created by HUD funding* and that these opportunities be afforded low-income community residents and businesses.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above: City Administrator/Clerk Deborah LeMoine, P. O. Box 220511, St. Louis, MO 63122, 314-416-0026. If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact the City Administrator no later than September 1, 2014. For more information call 314-416-0026, 1-800-735-2466 RELAY MISSOURI.

## Home Improvement Program Funds May Be

### Available to Qualified Oakland Residents

Community Development Block Grant funds provide annual grants on a formula basis to entitlement cities and counties. The purpose of the CDBG program is to assist in developing viable urban communities. St. Louis County as the lead member is responsible for assisting 77 municipalities and various non-profits in carrying out a wide range of community development activities including but not limited to the rehabilitation of residential structures. Oakland participates in this program.

The Home Improvement Program (HIP) is funded under CDBG and provides financial assistance and technical advice to qualified homeowners for system upgrades, repairs and replacements necessary to maintain minimum housing code standards. Funding to homeowners is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until all funds are committed. Funds are limited to \$5,000 per household and recipients may only participate in the program one time. In order to qualify, homeowners must be current on mortgage payments and property taxes, and gross household income from all occupants must meet federally established low-moderate income guidelines. Recipients sign a 5-year forgivable loan agreement providing an annual reduction of 20% of the original amount, as long as they continue to own and occupy their house as their primary residence.

For more information please visit the website at: <http://www.stlouisco.com/PropertyandRoads/CommunityDevelopment/HomeImprovementProgram> or call 314.615.4025 .