

Fall Garage Sale

This event was deemed a success by those who participated.

A Spring date will be set to coordinate with the Manors subdivision's garage sale date.

Yard of the Month

Congratulations go to Ken and Sabina Shreves, 1315 N. Smiley for September and Richard and Mary Sue Sipple, 1330 Stone Creek for October.

Neighborhood Reminders

All outside activities should begin after 8 a.m. and stop at dusk.



Use common area path off Deer Creek to get to the lake in Highlands. Don't cut through someone's yard.



If you don't have a copy of the Winding Creek indentures and restrictions, please get one from the sales office.



Don't leave garage doors open. Some neighbors have returned to find items missing.



There is a city ordinance in effect that requires residents to clean up after their pets.

If you walk your dog in the neighborhood, clean up any accidents either in the street or grassy areas.

Don't let your pets run loose. The City of O'Fallon has hired an individual to capture pets not on a leash.

You could be fined and it will probably cost you to get your pet back, too.

Election of Homeowner Trustee

Winding Creek Homeowners had one elected trustee appointed to the Association while McBride and Sons had two trustees.

Tim Munson was the elected homeowner trustee but he has moved from the subdivision.

A replacement is now needed.

According to the indentures, a special meeting should be held for this election.

Each lot is entitled to one vote and the person receiving the majority of votes cast at the meeting is appointed trustee.

Votes may be cast in person or by ballot. Proxy votes must be turned into the trustees 48 before the special meeting.

If you have not paid your annual assessment fees, you are not eligible to vote for trustee.

Ballots are currently being printed and we are working with Vantage Homes to set up special meeting date.

Homeowners should be given 10 days written notice before that time.

The trustees basically enter into contracts for the maintenance and upkeep and improvements of the common properties.

They also approve any requests for decks, fences and other modifications. The trustees ensure restrictions outlined in the Winding Creek Estates indentures are followed.

If you are interested in becoming a trustee, please contact Linda Williams or stop by the model home and let your wishes be known.

Visit the Main Street O'Fallon

Pumpkin Patch

Oct. 31, 1998

Noon to 2 p.m.

Come dressed in costume and get your photo taken for FREE!
Meet at the Caboose and join in our costume parade at 1 p.m.

Lots of goodies and surprises for all ages!!!



Pick your pumpkin from our patch!!!

Mayor Graham addresses Home Rule issue

On Tuesday, Nov. 3, O'Fallon voters will be asked to adopt or reject Home Rule for our community.

Home Rule will allow the city to pass a new ordinance invoking a 1/4 cent sales tax. Food, medicine and cars will be excluded from the sales tax by state law.

The City estimates this sales tax will generate \$800,000 a year in money to support our infrastructure needs.

Our data indicates that 65 percent or approximately \$500,000 will come from citizens of other towns that use our roads and police services.

This new tax won't harm our hometown businesses.

Our neighbor, Fairview Heights, has had this additional 1/4 cent sales tax in force for many years. So, our businesses won't be at a disadvantage but exactly

equal in tax charged.

At the City Council meeting held Monday, Oct. 5, a resolution stipulating limited use of Home Rule powers and funds was approved.

This resolution states it is the intent of the City Council to have costs associated with improvements to streets and infrastructure, as well as the construction of a new public safety facility, be shared with people who live outside of O'Fallon through a 1/4 cent sales tax.

The resolution also says it is the intent of the City Council to limit Home Rule powers.

By passing this resolution, which was unanimously approved, the City Council pledges to use Home Rule powers judiciously.

Any new powers created, if Home Rule is approved, can only be accom-

plished by a two-thirds majority vote of the City Council.

Home Rule does give the City expanded authority in areas such as taxes and debt limits. However, if Home Rule were adopted today, nothing, nothing would change.

Every power available under Home Rule requires that a new ordinance be enacted.

The City Council further restricted this by requiring a two-thirds vote to pass any new home rule ordinance.

Ordinances would be approved the way they have always been. Public notices would still be required, as would public hearings. All state laws would still be followed.

If you have any questions or have heard rumors about what Home Rule will or will not do, I urge you to call City Hall at 624-4500.

Gary Graham

An Autumn reminder

Leaf burning is permitted only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

City residents will now have the opportunity to drop off yard waste every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The drop off location is at the Public Works facility located off West State Street.

Normally, the drop off is held the first Saturday of the month. The City Council approved extending the days for the drop off at the Oct. 5 Council meeting. The extended hours will continue through December.

Homecoming Association

O'Fallon Homecoming Association meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the O'Fallon Township Bldg., 801 E. State.

Call Judy Klohr at 277-1071 for more information.

COME HANG OUT
WITH ME...



HALLOWEEN DANCE

JUST FOR

7TH 8TH 9TH AND 10TH GRADES

OCTOBER 31

7 TO 11 PM

CAVINS COMMUNITY
CENTER

LIVE BANDS FOR DANCING

SOME TRICKS,

SOME TREATS

SOME GREAT PRIZES

COST IS \$3 IN COSTUME

\$4 FOR THE UNCOSTUMED

SPONSORED BY THE O'FALLON HOMECOMING ASSOCIATION AND PARKS AND RECREATION