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from the mayor

As we head into 2018 the year promises to be another busy one. As you have probably noticed, the City recently completed work on the City Lake improvement project in cooperation with the Missouri Department of Conservation. The new floating dock and jetties will allow for greater accessibility for fishing throughout the lake once the new fishery has been established.



Fishing will not be allowed at the City Lake until November 2018 when trout will be stocked for winter fishing.

For those eager to fish in the spring and summer, the lake at St. Andrews and Denmark Rd. is open. Veterans Memorial Park lake may be stocked in the future for individual fishing derbies which will be advertised at that time.

The City continues to work on several roadway and sidewalk improvements throughout the City. Construction on Denmark Road has begun and will be completed later this year. As you drive through these areas, pay particular attention to construction zones, lane changes, and road closures. I realize it may be inconvenient, but as we've seen, the finished projects are well worth the temporary inconvenience.

I hope you and your family enjoyed the holidays and were able to spend time together with your loved ones. On behalf of the City, I would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy New Year.

Mike Livengood

2018 YARDWASTE SCHEDULE

January 10

February 14

March 14

April 4, 11, 18, 25

May 2, 9, 16, 23

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 25

August 8, 22

September 12, 26

October 3, 10, 17, 24

November 7, 14, 21, 28

December 5, 19



Winter Weather Reminder

When winter weather hits, our Street Department begins the process of plowing and salting to keep our streets safe for travel. Keep in mind, streets are cleared on priority:

1. Main primary arteries, dangerous hills, bridges and schools
2. Side streets and subdivisions
3. End streets and cul-de-sacs (separate smaller plow truck is used)

We do our best to clear every street in a timely manner but in heavy, continuous weather conditions we must focus on the heavily traveled streets/main thoroughfares in the city.

During snow events, the City frequently receives calls from residents asking why snow plows leave snow deposited at the end of their driveways or on sidewalks. Snow plows are designed to push snow to the side. Snow then is deposited at the end of driveways and on sidewalks as a byproduct of plowing streets. Drivers tend to plow at low speeds to minimize this issue, but this problem becomes more challenging to avoid with greater accumulations of snow.

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| Jan 1 | New Year's Day City Hall Closed |
| Jan 8 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Jan 15 | Martin Luther King Day City Hall Closed |
| Feb 10 | Valentines Dinner and Comedy Show |
| Jan 23 | Day Trip—Blues Bash Register by 1/2/18 |
| Feb 12 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Feb 19 | President's Day City Hall Closed |
| Feb 22 | Day Trip—Casino Outing Register by 2/8/18 |
| Mar 3 | Rummage Sale City Auditorium |
| Mar 12 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Mar 20 | Day Trip—Dinner & Chuckles— Register by 2/27/18 |
| Mar 30 | Good Friday City Hall Closes at Noon |
| Mar 30 | Breakfast with the Easter Bunny & Egg Hunt |
| Apr 9 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Apr 11 | Day Trip—Cards vs Milwaukee Brewers—Register by 3/28/18 |
| May 4 | Concert in the Park (Crossfire) |
| May 14 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| May 18 | Lawn Chair Movie Night |
| May 28 | Memorial Day City Hall Closed |
| Jun 1 | Concert in the Park |
| Jun 2 | Founders Day |
| Jun 11 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Jun 15 | Lawn Chair Movie Night |
| Jul 3 | 8-Track & Fireworks Display Veterans Memorial Park |
| Jul 4 | Independence Day City Hall Closed |
| Jul 6 | Concert in the Park (Pocketchange) |



16TH ANNUAL Valentines Dinner and Comedy Show

This year's adult only event will be held on February 10th at Union City Auditorium. Have you purchased your tickets yet?

Jamie Fritz—a newcomer to the St. Louis comedy scene, but she's already scored a pretty sweet gig as the regular Saturday night host at the Hey Guys Comedy Club in Fairview Heights, Illinois.

Christine Stedman—Getting her start in the Metro East, Christine is one hilarious lady who will keep you on the edge of your seat! She is a modern day "Rosanne" who will shoot straight stand-up at you and will have you begging for more. In 2006, she was one of five finalists in Nick at Nite's Search for the Funniest Mom in America. Christine performs at many clubs throughout the country.



Headliner Bob Zany—Having performed in all 50 states & D.C., plus nine countries from England to Israel, and headlining shows from Las Vegas to Atlantic City, he'll bring years of experience and the FUNNY. No stranger to radio, he has appeared on the Bob & Tom Show with his Zany Report, plus numerous other radio stations across the country.

\$40.00 per person includes the comedy show, dinner and dancing after the show. There will be a cash bar. Contact the Union Parks & Recreation Department at 636-583-8471 to purchase tickets. Must be 21 or older to attend this event because of the adult content; bring ID.



Did you know the Union Parks & Recreation Department (UPRD) is now offering day trips? These trips offer a great opportunity to explore new places and make new friends without the hassle of planning and driving. Whether you enjoy the casinos, the theater or cheering on your favorite teams (Cardinals/Blues), there is something for everyone. Check the UPRD Day Trip schedule at the left for upcoming trips. A full schedule and registration details are available at www.unionmissouri.org/uprd, or on [facebook.com/UnionPRD](https://www.facebook.com/UnionPRD) or at the UPRD office located in the lower level of City Hall, 500 E. Locust Street. For more information, call the department at 636-583-8471.

Get to Know Angela Sullivan

Parks Director



The City of Union is pleased to have Angela Sullivan join the team as the new Parks Director. Angela holds both a Bachelor of Science in Recreation, Sport and Tourism from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Master of Public Administration from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Her responsibilities include overseeing all development, maintenance, rentals, programs and events for 13 municipal parks, two maintenance facilities and pool.

In addition to her work experience within Missouri parks and recreation departments in Maryland Heights, Lee's Summit and Crestwood, Angela spent the last six years as the Parks & Recreation Director for her adopted hometown of Jerseyville, Illinois.

Her favorite movie is a toss-up between *The Big Chill* and *Dirty Dancing*. She tunes in every Thursday to watch *Grey's Anatomy*. Angela has been to over 30 shows in 9 states to see her favorite band, Dave Matthews Band. She loves all food, but nothing compares to her momma's chicken modiga. Angela enjoys spending her free time hiking and exploring the outdoors with family and pups. She has been vacationing with her family for the last 25 years at Beach Cottage II in Indian Shores, Florida.

Angela has already added several new programs to the department. Be sure to follow the department's facebook page at www.facebook.com/UnionPRD for the latest news.

To contact Angela, call 636-583-8471 or email asullivan@unionmissouri.org.



The Union Police Department has two new officers on staff, pictured here with Police Chief Norman Brune, center, are Josh Camden, left and Austin Vancil.

Both Camden and Vancil are Union residents. Camden graduated from Union High School in 2008, Vancil in 2013. Each have earned a bachelors degree in criminal justice.

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Ptlm. Kevin Watts as the 2017 Officer of the Year.

Kevin has been with the department since April of 2016. Prior to that he worked for the Franklin County Sheriff's Department. He and his wife Jennifer live in Union and have one son, Jameson, and another child on the way.

Patrolman Watts exhibits such qualities as integrity, honesty, compassion, and an overall sense of fairness. He has contributed to the professionalism displayed by the department. We are thankful that he has chosen to serve with the Union Police Department.

The Officer of the Year is chosen by the sergeants and lieutenant who vote for an individual that best exhibits qualities that make one individual stand out amongst a great group of officers. Performance in overall call response, traffic enforcement, handling of investigations, interactions with persons (including victims and suspects), and work attitude are considered.



Please join us in congratulating Ptlm.Watts.

Car Thefts on the Rise



The Union Police Department is reporting a major increase in motor vehicle thefts. In almost every case, the keys were left in the vehicle and the vehicle was unlocked. Theft is a crime of opportunity. Here's a few reminders:

- Never leave your keys in your vehicle
- Never leave your car running unattended, not even for a minute
- Don't leave a duplicate key on the outside of your vehicle
- Be aware of your surroundings
- Do not leave valuables in your vehicle
- Completely close all your windows and lock your doors every time.

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City Clerk Jonita Copeland
Chief of Police..... Norman Brune
City Engineer Jonathan Zimmermann
Finance Director Heather Keith
Parks and Recreation Director Angela Sullivan
Public Works Director Harold Lampkin

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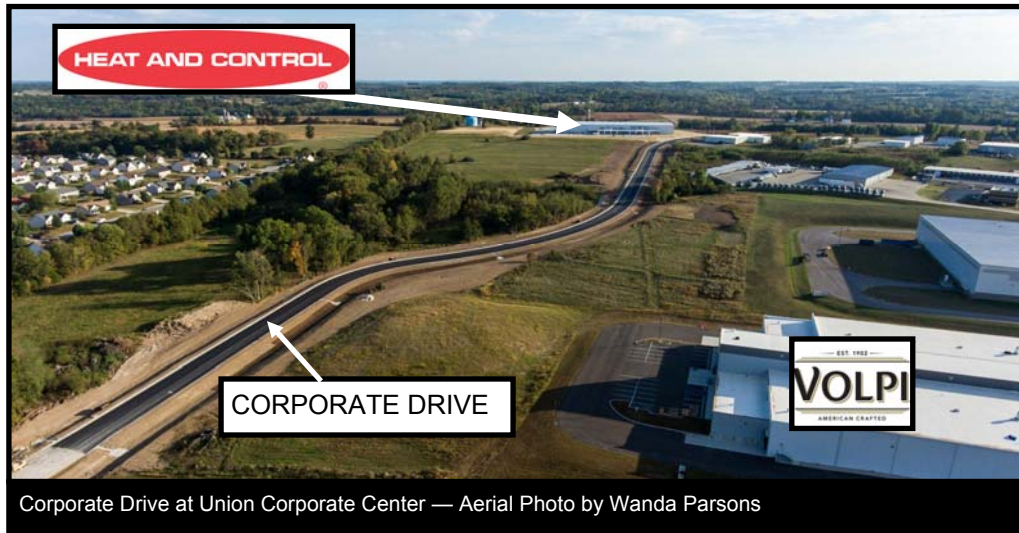
Union Corporate Center New Home to Heat and Control

The skyline in east Union has dramatically changed in the last year or so with the addition of Veterans Memorial Park and the new industries in the Union Corporate Center.

Heat and Control recently completed construction of a 103,000 square foot facility on a 13.32 acre site on the south side of the Union Corporate Center. They plan to occupy the building in

December 2017. Heat & Control manufactures equipment for coating seasoning and flavoring application for food. They currently have 50-60 employees and expect to expand to over 100 in years to come. The company participated with the City and the developer, Union Development Corporation, in applying for a Community Development Block Grant to assist in financing the completion of Corporate Drive.

Extension of Corporate Drive opened up another 40 acres within the Union Corporate Center for future development. For information on sites, please contact James Schmieder or Wanda Parsons at 636-583-3600 at the City of Union Community/Economic Development Department.



Corporate Drive at Union Corporate Center — Aerial Photo by Wanda Parsons