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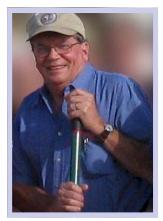
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from the **Mayor**

Although it has taken much longer than anticipated, the Main Street project is nearing completion... FINALLY. The project entailed installation of the roundabout at Main Street and Independence Drive, installation of sidewalks, complete asphalt overlay from Springfield Avenue east to Highway 47 and construction of a landscaped wall/benches in front of our historic Franklin County Court House. The old Bradford Pear trees have been removed and will be replaced with colorful Eastern Redbud trees in the near future.



The City's Community Development Department is knee deep in a massive overhaul of the City's web site. Over the last 10 years the current web site became quite cumbersome to the casual user, so, it was certainly the time for a redesign. You can look for the new design in the late summer or early fall.

The Union Farmers' Market is up and running and I encourage you to visit them in the parking lot of the First Baptist Church next to Walgreens, 6am – 11am each Saturday morning. You will find a variety of fresh, home grown vegetables, fruits, plants, honey, baked goods and crafts each weekend. By shopping at the Farmers' Market you will support local farmers and crafters, in addition, you will be supporting the people who are your neighbors. You can visit www.unionmissouri.org/farmersmarket to view the list of vendors and products.

As the summer passes, you will notice construction at the intersection of Independence Drive and Washington Avenue (Highway A). Union's second roundabout will be under construction at this intersection with completion scheduled before the beginning of the school year in August. Please be aware that the intersection will be closed to traffic for approximately three months.

As you and/or your family vacation this summer, please be careful.



Home Occupation License

If you are a resident of the City of Union and reside in a "R-1," "R-2," or "R-3" zoned district and conduct a "business" out of your home, you are REQUIRED by City Code of Ordinances to apply for a home occupation permit.

Examples of permitted home occupations include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following: tutoring, artist, mailings, telephone answering service, internet-related occupations. Uses specifically prohibited include, the following: auto and truck repair, auto sales, vehicle painting, storage of construction materials or equipment, retail and wholesale sales, eating or

drinking establishments. No advertising or business signs are permitted at the home.

A home occupation permit is available at the City Clerk's office on the first floor of Union City Hall. The filing fee is fifty dollars (\$50.00) and the renewal is thirty dollars (\$30.00) and is renewable each year before April 30th. Once the completed form is returned to City Hall, the City Administrator will review and approve or disapprove. If disapproved the business owner may appeal and appear before the Board of Aldermen.

To review the City Ordinance in more detail, please visit http://ci.union.mo.us/city government forms.asp.





July 19

"Ice Age 3"

August 16

"Cars 2"

With the Hwy 30 Car Club

September 20

"Rise of the Guardians"

Showings begin at dusk (around 8:30pm). Main City Park, Large Pavilion. FREE ADMISSION.



July 5
8 Track
August 2
Tools of the Trade
September 6
Fanfare

Family Night Concert Series are held once per month through September. Time is 6:30pm to 9:30pm, at the large pavilion in the Main City Park. FREE to the public.

more events

July 5
Fireworks Display
July 7
Fair Parade and Open Air
Dance
July 11-14
Franklin County Fair
October 25

Children's Halloween Bash **December 13**

Children's Christmas Party

Downtown Union in Bloom

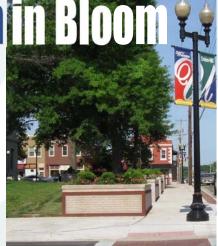
If you haven't taken a stroll through downtown lately, you are really missing something. Nearly gone are all the orange cones and heavy equipment and we are now beginning to see and appreciate the full beauty of the Main Street enhancement project. The stamped concrete crosswalks, the concrete benches, decorative walls and planter boxes freshly planted with an assortment of colorful flowers and bushes, all come together to make a streetscape scene that is pleasing to the eye.

It appears the enhancement project may have spurred a sense of pride and a bit of motivation for other business owners to take on their own enhancement projects. A recent stroll around the square found members of the Union RXI FFA Chapter planting flowers for businesses at the corner of Locust and Church Streets. Members of the FFA Summer School program also plant the flowers around the Welcome to Union signs.

Further downtown enhancement projects include new "urban friendly" trees, more benches and decorative trash receptacles.



FFA students busy planting for downtown business.







FFA students recently completed this landscape on Locust Street.







Innovative Machine and Tool, Inc. Innovation Starts Here ...

Have you heard the sounds of heavy equipment and/or seen the sight of cranes straining to lift heavy metal at the intersection of Independence Drive and Stylemaster Drive over the past few months? Those sounds were the sounds of progress. In this case, those were the sounds of Innovative Machine and Tool, Inc. outgrowing their current facility and adding a 5,600 square feet addition.

Tim Strubberg, a lifelong resident of Franklin County, has been in the machined parts business for over 20 years, bringing a wealth of knowledge and ingenuity to his business. Opened in 2002 after leasing space for a couple years, Tim and his crew have experienced increased sales over the past 10 years creating the need for more space and equipment to meet the needs of his current customer base.

Innovative Machine and Tool has been successful due to their diverse customer base, mostly in Franklin County and expanding to the greater St. Louis region. Innovative Machine and Tool machines precision parts for the aerospace, automotive, food and beverage, agriculture and medical sectors.

Tim and his employees strive to understand the entire scope of the project to avoid costly mistakes or wasted time for the customer. Tim works alongside his employees to get the correct machined part the first time to ensure a successful total project for their customer. Customer service is number one to Tim and his employees.

Tim is able to achieve high customer satisfaction due to the dedicated and proficient employees on staff. Though Tim began the company as the company's lone employee, Innovative Machine now has 7 employees with hopes of adding more with the expansion. According to Tim, "our employees are the key to the company's success. Similar to a basketball coach, once the right "player" is in the right position, the team will achieve success."

Equipment used in the company include Hurco Machining Centers. Okuma Lathe and Tsugami Swiss.

Innovative Machine and Tool has received their ISO 9001:2008 Certification. The ISO (International Organization for Standardization) 9000 family of standards is related to quality management systems and designed to help organizations ensure they meet the needs of customers and other stakeholders while meeting statutory and regulatory requirements related to the product produced.

Innovative Machine and Tool, Inc. is located at 1300 Stylemaster Drive, Union, MO 63084, Phone 636-583-3264. For more information, visit their website at www.imtincmo.com.









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Municipal JudgeA. David Arand
City CollectorTerry Copeland

departmental listing

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City Clerk	Jonita Copeland
Chief of Police	
City Engineer	
Community Development Director	
Finance Director	
Parks and Recreation Director	
Public Works Director	

web site

www.unionmissouri.org
Facebook.com/CityofUnionMo

cable access

Charter Cable Channel 117.3 or Digital 993 — Union City Access Channel

FRANKLIN COUNTY -



Randy Houser, Main Stage July 13th, 9 pm

Visitors at this year's Franklin County Fair July 11-14, 2013, will be treated to a performance by Randy Houser, singing his hit country song "Runnin' Outta Moonlight' and more. Houser will be performing on the main stage Saturday night, July 13th at 9pm.

Popular events such as the Truck and Tractor Pulls, Pig Scramble, Fair Queen Contest, Mud Run and more return. A full schedule is available at www.fcyf.org.

Season passes are available at the Union Parks Dept. (Lower Level City Hall), Purchase before July 11th for \$35.00 (Ages 16 & over), or \$20.00 (Ages 5-15). General daily admission is \$15 on Thursday, Friday, and Sunday, and \$20 for Saturday. Discounts are applied for ages 5-15 and 60+. Children under 5 are FREE.

New this year, will be the 1st Annual Fair Parade on July 7th, beginning at 6:00pm at Union City Hall. The parade will be followed by an open air dance at the fairgrounds, with live music played by "Loose Change".

See you at the Fair!



