

# Small City, Big Heart Newsletter

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## REGISTER YOUR STORM SHELTER!

Having a storm shelter is great,  
**Having it registered,**  
even better!  
Or visit our website at

[Duquesnemo.org](http://Duquesnemo.org) for link!



## Shredding Event

Go Green! All shredded material will be recycled.



The Region M Waste Management District is partnering with Duquesne and offering a Spring Clean-Up recycling event. Services will be provided by Big Bear Shredding and Computer Recycling Center, both NAID AAA Certified.

This is a FREE service for residents.

**Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00am-11:00am**

**Duquesne City Hall**  
**1501 S Duquesne Road**

Securely shred and recycle your confidential documents to a mobile shredding truck.  
All shredding will be performed on site. Paper must be dry, no wet paper will be accepted.

This project is funded by:



All electronics will be accepted, regardless of condition. If it ran on a cord or battery – we'll take it! Computers, printers and other items with sensitive & personal information will be properly destroyed.

- All Computers and Office Equipment
- All Appliances, big or small
- Stereos and Speakers
- Anything that ran on a cord or battery!
- Batteries and Fluorescent Bulbs

For more information, contact:  
Patty Overman, Region M District Planner  
[patty@regionm.org](mailto:patty@regionm.org)

For information on other events, visit [www.RegionM.org](http://www.RegionM.org)

This Spring's recycling event will be for E-Waste and paper: Appliances, computers, TV's, VCR/DVD's, Stereos, Cell phones, Office equipment, etc, **anything with a cord or runs on a battery** will be accepted! Paper goods will be shredded on site. Paper must be dry. This event will be held at City Hall, please **enter on 14<sup>th</sup> Street** and circle around to City Hall, 1501 S. Duquesne. Event is open to everyone in the surrounding area! **Date: May 15th from 9am-11am**



A big thanks to the Duenweg Fire Dept



Please dispose of brush piles as soon as possible to prevent unwanted critters from creating a habitat out of them.



Duquesne City Hall  
1501 S. Duquesne  
Joplin, MO. 64801

## City Wide Garage Sale!

This year's City Wide Garage Sale is Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

You do not need a permit for the sale for this day. All other days that you hold a sale, you will need a permit from City Hall for a \$1.00 per day.

You are allowed to have 4 sales per year.



## Food Trucks Are BACK!

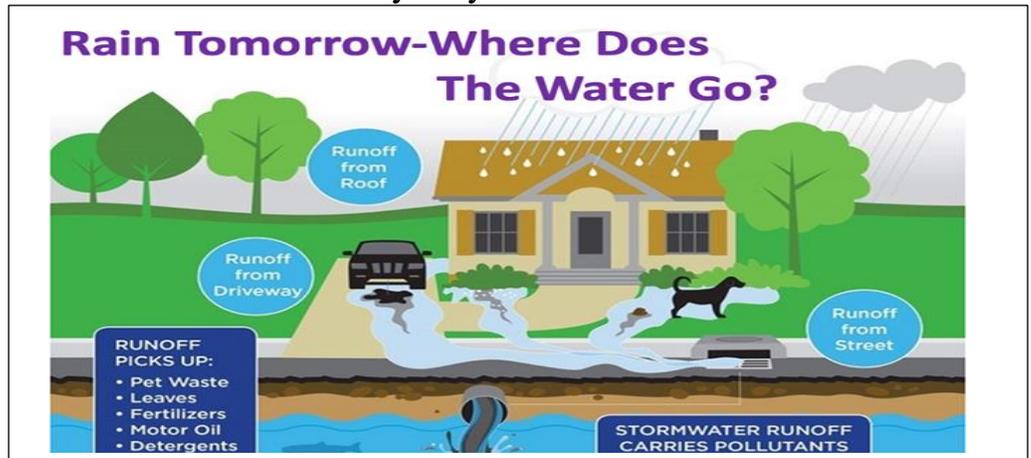


Food Trucks will be serving their yummy goods

*1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays*

Located at 25<sup>th</sup> and Freeport Street, watch our Facebook for times and vendors!

## What we do everyday matters...



Many decisions that we make each day can have a lasting effect on storm water. If something is put on the ground, it is likely to end up in the stormwater drain. The best way to help keep our water cleaner is to not be putting pollutants in our yards, driveways, streets, or anywhere else that it can be carried away with the rain. Let's all do our part and keep pollutants disposed of where they should be.

## Here's a reminder for your 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration

### Duquesne Fireworks Code

July 1, 2, 3, and 4<sup>th</sup> are the ONLY days fireworks are allowed.

Fireworks can be shot off between Noon and 11pm

Please remember there are

\*NO bottle rockets \*NO Chinese Lanterns  
Shooting off fireworks on the street is **PROHIBITED**

Violations are \$100 per occurrence and can be given on upon first occurrence.



### Permit needed for:

Spring is a great time for home improvements and repairs. It is the homeowner's responsibility to obtain a permit for work being done on their property.

Here are a few items that require a permit:

- \*Pools over 24"
- \*Fences \*Roofs
- \*Siding \*Windows
- \*Some electrical / plumbing
- \*Sheds \*Garage
- \*Carports \*Remodels
- \*Storm Shelter
- \*Solar Panels
- \*Sewer or gasline work
- \*Generators

Please check with us first before starting a project.

## Be sure that you are prepared!

With Spring comes the threat of stormy weather and the possibility of tornados.

Now is the time to prepare you and your family for in case you need to take shelter. Make sure you have a portable battery-operated radio or other means of information, check those batteries! Know which room in your house is the safest to take shelter in. If possible, get to the nearest area tornado shelter.

### Area tornado shelters:

1. *Storm shelter on SE corner of City Hall, 1501 S. Duquesne.*
2. *Celebration Church at SE corner of 13<sup>th</sup> and Duquesne, shelter furthest to the East*
3. *Soaring Heights Elementary School, after school hours, shelter is available to residents within 1/2 mile radius. The shelter is in the rear of building. look for signs.*



Our tornado sirens are tested the

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

At 10:00 am each month, weather permitting.

## Business and Contractor's licenses...

All businesses and contractors doing work in the City should have a City license in order to work within city limits. License renewals were at the beginning of the year, please don't assume your person has renewed theirs, ask them to see it or call us, we will verify it for you. It is in your best interest to make sure anyone doing work for you has the proper license and insurance.

- \*Lawn Care \*Concrete \*Pest Control \*Repair work
- \*Handyman \*Carpet cleaner \*Roofer \*Siding
- \*Anyone getting paid to do work on your property



Call us at 781-5085  
We will verify their license for you!



Please don't put grass clippings on street, thanks!

We still have free cloth masks available at City Hall if your family is needing any.





We're on the Web!

[duquesnemo.org](http://duquesnemo.org)

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"Contact Us" tab!*

## Contact Us!

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Current Resident or Listed below resident:

Thank you to Rick Gamboa and Outgoing Mayor Gary Heilbrun

The City of Duquesne would like to thank Alderman Rick Gamboa and Mayor Gary Heilbrun for their service to the City. Both will be leaving their current positions after this election.

Rick Gamboa, and his wife Verna, have lived in Duquesne since 1972. He has been attending council meetings off and on since back when the City was still a Village and Rick Sweet was Mayor. Rick has and still currently is, the Chair for the Board of Adjustments since April 2018. He joined the Planning and Zoning Board in January 2018, he resigned this board in September 2020 when he was appointed to the City Council, by Mayor Heilbrun to finish out a term left vacant from previous Alderman Adam Hogan who moved out of the City. Rick also serves on the City's Park Committee since it's creation in June 2019 and currently is still serving on this committee. Rick is in hopes of returning to serve on the P & Z Committee now that his term as Alderman is completed. When asked what he would like to share with our citizens he said that he would like to encourage the citizens to attend meetings and share their concerns. Thank you Rick for your long time interest in the City and your commitment to serve to make Duquesne even better.

Gary Heilbrun, and his wife Kenetta, have lived in Duquesne since 1987. Gary started attending city council meetings after the tornado. He was appointed to the council in April 2015 by Mayor Lisa Daugherty to finish her term after having herself had been elected Mayor. During this time Gary was appointed the Police Commissioner, Street Commissioner, Superintendent of the Sewer, of which he is still serving in these positions. He was also appointed President of the Board. After serving the remaining one year left of the Alderman term, Gary ran for Mayor, winning this election, he served the full term, and ran again in 2019, also winning. He is currently serving out this Mayor term and has decided to not run for Mayor again, but would like to continue to serve Duquesne. Mayor Heilbrun would like to encourage all citizens to join committees and help serve the community. He'd like to urge people to come to the meetings and educate themselves about City business whenever possible. He states, "There is no substitution for in person observation". Thank you Mayor Heilbrun for your continued service throughout the years and all you have done on improving the City. Your work as Mayor is appreciated!

### IN Other NEWS!!!!

Work on Memorial Park is progressing. The City has been awarded a grant for the trails that will provide a nice 8' walkway. We are gearing up to start this portion of the Park and hope to break ground late Summer or early Fall on this portion of the Park.

Be sure to check out our website to see when meetings are if you'd like to help with this committee! [www.duquesnemo.org](http://www.duquesnemo.org)