The City is making every possible effort to communicate with our citizens using various means. If you would like to have updated news and events delivered straight to your inbox, please sign-up for our e-newsletter using the button below.

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**Holiday Office Closures**

City offices will be closed for the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 4. Offices will open for regular business on Tuesday, September 5.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, trash and recycling pickup will be one day later than the normal pickup day.

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**Government Services Center**

The City of Bonner Springs has a contract with SFS Architecture to complete a Government Services Center Building Feasibility Study. On August 10, 2017 the City and SFS Architecture held a Public Input Meeting to discuss the need for the Center, site and concept options, and potential costs of the project. Thank you to those who took the time to attend the meeting and provide us input on the study. In case you missed the Input Meeting, you can view the presentation here.

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**Mayor's Banquet and Tiblow Days**

The Mayor’s Banquet, held on August 18 at the Bonner Springs High School had approximately 160 in attendance. Highlights included the Rotary presentation, the Marion Vaughn Award presentation to John Harrington, and the Mayor’s
State of the City address which included budget information, project updates, and even a few eclipse facts and jokes mixed in.

Tiblow Days, hosted by the Bonner Springs-Edwardsville Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by the City of Bonner Springs and community businesses, took place August 17-19.

The Tiblow Days parade entry winners were:
- 3rd Place - Bonner Sprigns Arts Alliance
- 2nd Place - Elm Grove Baptist Church
- 1st Place - Bonner Springs High School Cheerleaders and Dance Team

Congratulations and thank you for your entries!

The event was a great success. Thank you to all who make this event a reality!

City Launches Redesigned Logo and Website

On July 27th, the City of Bonner Springs launched a redesigned website and logo. The new website was designed for increased mobile compatibility and aesthetics.

The new logo was adopted for all departments throughout the City for a uniform look across the departments. The previous round sunflower seal logo was adopted as the City’s official seal.

Check out the new site!

EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Bonner Springs Farmers’ Market

Saturdays, May - October, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join us for the Bonner Springs Farmers’ Market kickoff event at Kelly Murphy Park! Further details to come, visit our website at www.bonnerlibrary.org or the Bonner Springs Farmers’ Market Facebook page for more information. Save the kickoff event to your Facebook calendar here.
Festival of the Arts

October 14

Come explore the fine arts, custom crafts, live performances, food and much more in support of the Bonner Springs Arts Alliance. More Info

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Bonner Springs Price Chopper
501 Commercial Dr, Bonner Springs, KS

October 28, 2017 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

The Bonner Springs Police Department will be set up at the Bonner Springs Price Chopper, located at 501 Commercial Drive, Bonner Springs, KS to collect expired, unwanted, and unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications for destruction.

Officers will be available at the collection site to answer questions and will provide educational information about the potential for abuse and medications.

Renaissance Festival

This 16th century village features 7 themed weekends, 20 entertainment venues, live armor jousting, food and drink fit for a king, and much more. Bring the family for a day of fun and imagination.

Find out more information.

3rd Street Asylum

Chills will run down your spine as you experience the 3rd Street Asylum Haunted House. 3rd Street Asylum recently made the #1 spot on The Scare Factor’s “Top Fan-Voted ‘Must See’ Haunt” in Kansas list.

Dates: October 5-7, 12-14, 19-22, 26-29 and 31.
Exiled is a Haunted attraction (Haunted House) located in Bonner Springs, KS. Located just a few minutes from old downtown Bonner Springs at the home of ZipKC and the KC Timber Challenge. Prepare yourself for over a mile of hiking through the heavy dark forest infested by our deranged freaks.

Purchase Tickets and Find More Information

- September 8-9 – Buzz Beach Ball 2017 – The Providence Medical Center Amphitheater will be the home of this year’s Buzz Beach Ball concert with musical guests Snoop Dogg, Weezer, Foster People, Run with Jewels, Spoon, and many more. More Info
- September 9 – Kobi’s Bike Show – Bring your motorcycle and head down to Kobi’s Bar and Grill for the Annual Bike Show. Enjoy the live music, silent auction, prizes, giveaways, vendors, food and much more. More Info
- September 10 – 100th Birthday Celebration - The Island Creek School will be 100 years old and we are having a party! Come out for stories, games, cake and fun! This school has formed the children of our area for 100 years and is going strong! More Info
- September 21 - Night out at the Barn - Night Out at the Barn is a networking event for a cause. Meet new people and tasting some of the finest food and drink the area has to offer in a beautiful setting! Funds from the ticket sales work to support programs for children in the Kansas City, KS area. More Info
- September 22 – Déjà Vu 2017 – The Déjà Vu concert will tribute to The Beatles, Elton John, and The Police. The fun begins at the Providence Medical Center Amphitheater. More Info
- September 30 – History Trolley Tour – There’s no better way to experience the charms of Bonner Springs, Kansas than by having a personally-guided tour past our historic sites on a history trolley tour. More Info
- October 7 – Junker’s Jamboree – Great for all people who love to find hidden treasure within others “junk”. It will be a shopping experience like you’ve never seen before. While out visit our specialty shops in the downtown area! More Info
- October 12 – Sip & Shop – Have a sip while you shop great sales at 10 different locations in downtown Bonner and enter to win the month’s giveaway basket. More Info
- October 14 – International Lineman’s Rodeo – More than 5,000 linemen from all over the world compete in pole-climbing contests. See the fun in action. More Info
- October 20-21 and 27-28 – Phantom’s Feast – The Renaissance Festival presents the Phantom’s Feast. The feast includes a four-course meal, hour and half of entertainment and a commemorative pub glass. Tickets available! More Info
- October 28 – Running Dead 5K – Kansas City’s most zombie-rific event! Escape the Zombie Attack Zone as you fight for your survival. Sign up as a human and race to the finish line. More Info

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES NEWS

Storm Debris Clean Up
The Public Works Department would like to extend a big “Thank You” to the residents of Bonner Springs for your collective efforts after the big storms we sustained recently. The Public Works Department incurred over 1,055 hours of labor and collected over 7,000 cubic yards of tree debris throughout the city. We appreciated your patience and assistance throughout the storm clean-up!

As a result of all of the debris, the City has free untreated mulch available at our Public Works facility at 12401 Kaw Drive during the hours of 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The yard waste/recycling center drop off location at 3241 Park Drive in Kansas City, Kansas, returned to its normal business hours on Thursday, August 24, 2017. The center is now open Thursday through Sunday from 10 am to 3 pm.

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**World Toilet Day**

World Toilet Day is a campaign to motivate people around the world to focus on the issues of sanitation. The theme for 2017 is: Wastewater. 4.5 Billion people live without a household toilet that safely disposes of their waste. The United Nations has a goal of reaching everyone with sanitation by 2030.

Find out how you can help achieve this goal.

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**National Preparedness Month**

Take steps to prepare yourself and your family for emergencies. In case of an emergency -

- Be informed – Sign up for local alerts, download the FEMA app, and monitor news and weather.
- Make a plan – about where to go and how you will communicate with you family.
- Build a kit – of supplies: food, water and medicine for family and pets for several days.
- Take action – help others prepare in your community.

Learn how you can plan ahead.
City Wide Yard Sales

September 30

Residents of Bonner Springs can list yard sale items and address in our booklet for our city wide sale. Listings cost $5. The deadline to register your sale is Wednesday, September 27. More Info

Zombie (Outdoor) Survival

September 30

Participants will learn essential outdoor skills in a fun and safe environment. Skill covered will include fire building, water purification, where to find shelter, orienteering, and of course...What to do in case of Zombies! Registration Deadline Wednesday, September 27. More Info

Princess & Pirate Parties

October 28

This fun event is will be a fun time for parents and kids alike. Dress up as your favorite princess or pirate and join us for some fun! Snacks will be provided. More Info

Monster Bash

October 29

Make sure the kids bring their treat baskets as they enjoy an afternoon of free fun and games for Halloween. This event is for children ages 12 & under. Parent supervision is required. More Info

UPCOMING PARKS & REC EVENTS

- September 9 – Safe Sitter Class – This course gives youth ages 11-14 the knowledge, skills and confidence to care for infants through school-ages children. More Info
September 11 – **Tumbling Session 1** – Join a co-recreational class designed for children who are interested in learning about the world of tumbling. There are three separate tumbling classes: Preschool (3 - 5 years old), Beginner, and Intermediate / Advanced on Monday nights. Each session is five weeks with a parent watch night during week five. [More Info]

September 12 – **Fall Men’s Softball Deadline** – BSPR offers four sessions of adult slow pitch softball. There is weeknight’s men’s league and a Sunday co-rec league. Teams play doubleheaders with 10 games guaranteed per season. Players must be 16 years of age or older to be eligible to play. Single elimination tourney will begin the following week after the regular season is completed. Season begins Monday, September 18th. [More Info]

September 13 – **Youth Volleyball Registration Deadline** – Focus on fundamental skills, fun, participation, and social interaction throughout practice and organized games. Practice begins the week of October 2 and games begin October 14th. Teams will not be formed till after the deadline. Parents will hear from a coach after the coaches meeting. [More Info]

September 27 – **Adult Volleyball Registration Deadline** – Games are played on Tuesday’s beginning at 6:30 p.m. Single elimination tournament following the regular season. Season begins Tuesday, October 10th. [More Info]

October 3 – **Little Chefs** – This class meet once a week for four weeks and will allow your little chef to explore the kitchen by making fun and yummy treats. Children will receive their own cookbook of all the meals they made at the end of the session. [More Info]

October 14 – **Pumpkin Carving** – Located at North Park Shelter from 11 am-1 pm! This is a FREE event and we provide the pumpkins, tools, and the clean-up! Supplies are limited, so show up early! [More Info]

October 16 – **Tumbling Session 2** – Join a co-recreational class designed for children who are interested in learning about the world of tumbling. There are three separate tumbling classes: Preschool (3 - 5 years old), Beginner, and Intermediate / Advanced on Monday nights. Each session is five weeks with a parent watch night during week five. [More Info]

November 1 – **Letters to Santa** – Send your letter to Santa via the Bonner Springs Parks & Recreation Department and Santa is guaranteed to write you back. All letters are due to the Parks Offices by Monday, December 11th to ensure Santa replies before Christmas. [More Info]

November 20 – **Tumbling Session 3** – Join a co-recreational class designed for children who are interested in learning about the world of tumbling. There are three separate tumbling classes: Preschool (3 - 5 years old), Beginner, and Intermediate / Advanced on Monday nights. Each session is five weeks with a parent watch night during week five. [More Info]

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**BONNER SPRINGS LIBRARY NEWS**

Your Library...

In addition to books, movies and periodicals, the Library has several programs for all ages including Story Time, Read to a Dog, computer classes, adult coloring, book discussions, and much more.

Check out the Library Events Calendar

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**Friends of the Library Book Sale**

Thursday, September 28, 4:30-7:30 pm
Friday, September 29, 10 am - 4 pm
Saturday, September 30, 10 am - 2 pm
Come to the Library to purchase used books, DVDs and more at the quarterly Friends of the Library Book Sale. Watch for specials each day!

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Program

Starts Tuesday, September 5th

Sign your child up for the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Program starting Tuesday, September 5th! The goal is to have read 1,000 books (yes you can repeat books) before your child starts kindergarten. If you read just one book a night, you will have read 1,095 books in three years! Sign up at the Library to collect your folder and reading logs and start reading! We will also have a kickoff party on Thursday, September 14th at 6:30 pm.

Gerald Trimble and Jamboroque

Thursday, October 5
7:00 pm

Gerald Trimble and Jamboroque will perform a concert immediately following the library’s annual reception in appreciation of library volunteers. Jamboroque features 300-year-old instruments such as the viola da gamba in lively, modern arrangements. The concert is free and open to the public. http://www.geraldtrimble.com

5th Annual Boo Bash

Saturday, October 28
12:00-2:00 pm

Mark your calendars for the 5th Annual Boo Bash @ the Library! This year we will have a live DJ, games, pumpkin decorating, snacks, storytime and more! Wear your costumes and be ready for tricks and treats!

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

Visit our Senior Center Page

The Senior Center is open to seniors 55+ years of age. We offer programs in recreation, health, education, and crafts. We are open Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Transportation to the Senior Center is available through the Tiblow Transit service in Bonner Springs (913-422-5355). Activities include weekly outings, monthly educational presentations, exercise classes, dinner theater trips, bingo and free legal services. We have a wide variety of activities for all interests and abilities. Please stop by the Senior Center or call 913-441-0169.

Check out our Senior Center Calendar

View the Monthly Senior Center Newsletter
A Big Thank You!
Seniors Helping Seniors Spaghetti Dinner

Thanks to everyone in the community who participated in the Bonner Springs Senior Citizen’s Nancy Jones-Johnson Scholarship Fund Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, August 4.

We served approximately 300 customers. We netted $1,500.00. The spaghetti was delicious and the desserts were outstanding.

We would like to once again congratulate our scholarship winners:
  Peyton Capehart
  Brenna Holt
  Kaytlyn Gibson
  and
  Brett Nichols

We wish them well in their future endeavors!

Seniors Tutor Elementary School Students

Beginning September 12, and continuing every Tuesday for the school year 2016-2017, the seniors will tutor the 2nd graders at the Bonner Springs Elementary School.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Back to School

Our children are back in school. Keep them safe and please drive with extra caution around school zones and bus routes.

Sign up for the Brave Bulletin

Receive weekly updates from USD 204 by signing up for the Brave Bulletin!
Sign up today!