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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If you are having trouble viewing the email, be sure to add us to your Safe Senders list. If you have any questions please contact Amber McCullough at (913) 422-1020 or email her at amccullough@bonnersprings.org

Fireworks Information

City Ordinance permits the discharge of fireworks only on July 3rd and July 4th between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

The Bonner Blast Fireworks Display presented by Downtown Bonner, Inc., Little Miss and Mister Firecracker Pageant, and Patriotic Band Concert will be June 29 beginning at 8:30 p.m. at Kelly Murphy Park. Enjoy the ice cream social and enjoy the band. Grab your lawn chair, sit back and enjoy an evening of music and fireworks.

Government Services Center
The Government Services Center is an investment the City is making in downtown Bonner Springs to improve our facilities and the efficiency of our services to you. With this project, the 1918 Building will be renovated for an improved City Hall, Council Chamber, and Court room. Right across the street, our Police Department will have a new, innovative building. The Police building is scheduled for completion by June 2020, and the City Hall should be completed by October 2020.

Once the former City Hall is demolished, a groundbreaking will be scheduled. A time capsule from 1963 was in the former City Hall building and will be opened at this groundbreaking event. We're very excited to share this event with you, and to see letters that residents and business owners from 56 years ago placed into the time capsule! As soon as we have a better idea of the construction schedule, we will send out notices for this event through these e-mail blasts, social media, and our website.

Now for a little background - Due to structural and environmental issues, the former Police Department on Nettleton and the former City Hall on East Second Street were vacated. The Police building was demolished, and their staff have been housed at the Fire/EMS Building on Metropolitan. The City Hall building is scheduled to be demolished with this project, and staff are currently housed at the Community Center. In April 2019, a previously repaired roof leak opened up again at the former City Hall flooding the electrical and technology panels as well as most offices. Due to the high cost to repair the roof in a building set to be demolished within a year, the building was instead vacated saving over $29,000 on the construction project. Replacing the roof on the former building would have cost at least two to three times that much which would have resulted in a cost increase for the project instead of a savings.

The City originally received the 1918 Building 34 years ago in 1985 with the intent to eventually renovate the building for City Hall. As the City has grown, the need for a larger City Hall facility became apparent. The structural and environmental issues at the former Police buildings and City Hall made the need to invest in the renovations more immediate. The location of the buildings were discussed at a community forum, and the decision to invest in downtown was the clear choice since the City already owned the building and the property. There was no need to purchase land which would have made valuable commercial property exempt from taxes, and therefore would have resulted in the City bringing in less annual property tax dollars which are so valuable to the services the City provides.

In order to maintain these beautiful new facilities and the others the City currently owns, the City has implemented a Capital Improvement Program and will be looking ahead several years to schedule and budget for preventative and necessary maintenance. These measures are very important to ensuring these buildings will be in great shape for decades to come.

Utility Payment Dropbox Moved to Community Center
Due to the demolition and construction at the former City Hall building, the Utility Payment Dropbox was moved in front of the Community Center at 200 E. Third Street. As usual, please pay with check or money order and do not place cash into the dropbox.

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**Consumer Confidence Report**

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All community public water supply systems are required by Federal and State regulations to provide their customers with an annual water quality report which is to be distributed by July 1. The 2019 Consumer Confidence Report, which covers calendar year 2018, is available for viewing on our [website](#).

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**May Storm Response**

On Tuesday, May 28th, 2019 at approximately 7pm, an EF4 tornado struck an area between Lawrence, Kansas and Bonner Springs. In the middle and affected the most, was the town of Linwood. Officers of the Bonner Springs Police department, along with the Bonner Springs Fire Department, Bonner Springs EMS, officers from the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office, the Kansas Highway Patrol, endured the storm in order to help keep the community safe during these events. The Fire Department was paged out for a weather watch at 6:25 p.m., and units were dispatched to 150th and K-32, 142nd and Krieder, K-7 and I-70, and K-7 south of the river to watch for indications of tornado and damaging winds. This is also done to make sure units are scattered throughout the city to be able to respond as needed and so they are not all in one location. The Kansas Bureau of Investigations, The Leavenworth Police Department, and the Miami County Sheriff’s Office also offered their assistance. Bonner Springs and Kansas Highway Patrol officers blocked westbound traffic on I-70 Highway in order to keep motorists from driving into severe weather, then answered dozens of down tree and downed powerline calls. Following the most severe part of the storm, the Fire Department assisted Atmos energy to secure leaking gas meters around the City and responded to two structure fires.

During the storm, our officers also opened up the Bonner Springs Public Safety building to citizens who needed shelter, as well as other law enforcement officers and a local news crew until the worst of the storm had passed. Once the most severe part of the storm had passed, several officers, who were off duty and at home, left their homes to assist Leavenworth County in the emergency conditions that existed in the Linwood area immediately after the storm. These officers were joined by the Bonner Springs Fire Department, Bonner Springs EMS, and Bonner Springs Public Works.
In the days following the storm, officers assisted volunteers with bringing their donations and relief efforts to the people and areas needing them the most. The Fire Department provided a truck and crew to cover the Linwood and surrounding areas for a shift to allow their department to rest. Several businesses and members of the community volunteered their buildings and services in the relief efforts as well. The Public Works Department worked in the days following the storm to return the City to normal operations. Crews responded to calls to mark utility lines and section off areas in order to safely allow repairs to downed lines and power poles. They worked through roadways to clear debris allowing normal traffic flow and emergency services response.

This event served as a reminder of how lucky we all are to serve a community such as Bonner Springs. The coming together of all city services, as well as the public in addressing this disaster was nothing short of inspirational. We are proud to serve you, Bonner Springs!

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**Storm Debris Cleanup**

For home yard debris, there are several options for residents listed below. In addition to these options, the City does allow residents to obtain burn permits online or at City Hall (which has been relocated to 200 E. 3rd Street).

**Instructions for Debris removal:**

**Curbside Trash Pickup:**
- Limbs should not exceed 4 feet in length or 4 inches in diameter.
- Limbs must be bundled and tied with bundles being no larger than 50 pounds or 18 inches in diameter, whichever is less.
- Individual tree limbs for set out for trash pickup should not exceed 4 inches in diameter.
- Set out bundles on your regular trash day at your curb.

**Wyandotte Yard Waste Facility (3241 Park Drive, Kansas City, Kansas):**
- Limbs should not exceed 4 feet in length or 12 inches in diameter.
- Wyandotte County residents will need to show proof of residency, such as a drivers’ license. Commercially generated material will generally not be accepted.
- Hours of acceptance are Thursday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Johnson County Landfill disposal:**
- Limbs must not exceed 3 inches in diameter or 4 feet in length.
- Property owner must provide proof of residency upon arrival at the landfill; no commercial acceptance.
- Acceptance is limited to one load per week, of no more than 3 cubic yards of material.
- Hours of acceptance are be Monday thru Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and Saturday 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

If you have questions regarding yard waste, contact 913-422-1020.

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**News from the Wyandotte County Appraiser’s Office: Annual Property Re-Inspections Underway**

The Appraiser’s Office staff will be working in teams in both rural areas and within the city limits of Bonner Springs conducting re-inspections. They will be driving U.G. vehicles, as well as wearing badgers and apparel identified with the Unified Government logo. U.G. staff will be checking the listings, measurements and characteristics of all buildings on each property visited, and interviewing the property owner or resident. If no one is home, a yellow questionnaire card will be left pertaining to information about the house. The listings of vacant land will also be reviewed.

[More Information](#)

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**Holiday Office Closures**

**City Offices will be closed for the following upcoming holidays:**

Independence Day - Thursday, July 4th (Trash and recycling pick up will not be delayed for those with Tuesday pickup.)
Events in the Community

40th Annual Tiblow Days Festival

Save the Date!
August 22-24, 2019
Downtown Bonner Springs, Kansas

Visit downtown Bonner Springs during the 40th Annual Tiblow Days Celebration!
There is something for everyone with a Craft Fair, Carnival, Parade, Mayor's Banquet, City Band Concert & Ice Cream Social, Bonner Springs Rotary Tiblow Trot, Group Performances, Model Train Display, Car Show, Special Film Viewing Documentary, and Live Music by 455 Rocket, Johnny Dollar Band, and headliners, THE RAINMAKERS!

Facebook Event Chamber Website

Back the Blue 5K

Saturday, September 28
Lion's Park

The Bonner Springs Police Department is committed to policing with the community. Their mission is to police the community they serve with integrity, respect and professionalism. Their mission is accomplished by following their guiding principles:
1.) They exist to serve the community
2.) They believe in personal touch
3.) They are firm but fair
4.) How they get the job done is as important as getting the job done
5.) They represent civility and order in a changing world

Money raised from the race will go to help support the new K-9 unit within the department.

The community is encouraged to participate in several ways such as registering for the event to run/walk, becoming a sponsor by donating items needed for the race or by being a cash sponsor, volunteering at the race or by donating.

We encourage you to come to the race and get to know the people who protect you every day.

You'll get an official race t-shirt. These shirts are Sweet! Not a cotton shirt, but a dri-fit tech tee. You'll also get a finisher's medal and a BTB5K race bib.

More Information and Register

City Wide Yard Sale

September 28

Residents of Bonner Springs, list your yard sale items and address in our booklet for our bi-yearly city wide sale. Listings cost $5. The deadline to register your sale is Wednesday, September 25. The booklet will be available September 27.
Bonner Springs Farmers' Market Opening Day

Saturday, May 4th
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Kelly Murphy Park

Join us to kick off the Farmers’ Market season!
The season runs each Saturday May 5th through October 27th.

Upcoming Music & Show Events

Find tickets for all Providence Medical Center Amphitheater upcoming shows.

Click here for the Event Calendar

2019 Kansas City Renaissance Festival

Open Weekends
August 31st – October 14
Plus Labor Day and Columbus Day
10am to 7pm • Rain or Shine •

Click here for tickets and information!

Extreme Timber Challenge and Family Timber Challenge

KC Timber Challenge is a locally produced obstacle challenge course offering 6 different obstacle course race (OCR) events each year & daily Ninja Training Obstacle Tours for groups of 6+. Come play in the woods with us on 40+ permanent obstacles!

**Extreme Timber Challenge**: 4 miles + 40 obstacles – Play like a Champion!
**Fall Family Timber Challenge**: 2 mile family fun run with 25+ obstacles

More Information
This July, Bonner Springs Parks and Recreation is Game On for Park and Recreation Month. All month long, we'll be celebrating the fun and games that local parks and recreation offers to residents of all ages and abilities. For more information, go to www.nrpa.org/july or search Twitter and Instagram using #GameOnJuly. Use #GameOnJuly in any pictures you take this July and tag us on Facebook @BonnerSpringsParks

Visit our Parks and Recreation Page

Check out our Parks and Recreation Calendar

Parks and Recreation Online Program Guide

Kids Fishing Derby
September 28, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
North Park Lake

Youth participants under 15 years old are divided into three age groups for a chance to win prizes for the smallest, longest, and most fish. More Info
Aloha Fridays
Every Friday in July, 4:00 PM - Close
Bonner Springs Aquatic Park

As part of the Parks & Recreation Month celebration, we are offering discounted entry into the Bonner Springs Aquatic Park every Friday in July.

More Information

Doggie Poolooza
August 17, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Bonner Springs Aquatic Park

Come out for our annual dog swim at the Bonner Springs Aquatic Park before we drain the pool for the year. The cost is $5 per dog. A portion of the proceeds go to the Bonner Animal Rescue.

More Information

UPCOMING PARKS & REC EVENTS

July 8 – Swim Lessons Session 3 – Offered at the Bonner Springs Aquatic Park, group classes will last 30 minutes Monday through Thursday for two weeks. Fridays will be used as weather related make-up days.

July 19 – Family Kickball Night – As part of the celebration of Parks & Recreation Month, join us for a drop in game of kickball at the Lions Park Field #1 at 6:00 p.m.

July 19 – Adult Dodgeball Tournament – To celebrate Parks & Recreation Month - We are hosting an Adult Dodgeball Competition! $30/team | 6 vs. 6 | Double Elimination | Must be 18yrs + | Costumes are a must (theme it up) | Must register your team before July 19th.

July 27 – Aquatic Park Membership Party – As a special thanks to our Aquatic Park members, we’re holding an after hours member-only swim from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

July 31 – Fall Co-Rec Softball Registration Deadline – Teams play doubleheaders with 10 games guaranteed per season. Players must be 16 years of age or older to be eligible to play.

August 11 – Aquatic Park Closes for Season – Last day of operation to the general public is Sunday, August 11. We will re-open on May 23, 2020.

August 23 – Youth Soccer Deadline – Last day for youth soccer registration! Register online or at the Community Center. More Info

August 30 – Youth Fall Ball Deadline – Last day for youth fall ball registration! Register online or at the Community Center. More Info

September 9 – 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 18 – Men’s Softball Registration Deadline – Teams play doubleheaders with 10 games guaranteed per season. Players must be 16 years of age or older to be eligible to play. More Info

September 20 – Youth Volleyball Deadline – Last day for youth volleyball registration! Register online or at the Community Center. More Info

September 25 – Co-Rec Adult Volleyball Deadline – Last day to register your team! Games are played on Tuesdays at the BSPR Community Center beginning at 7:00 p.m. 8 game guarantee. Single elimination tournament following the season.

Pickle-Ball – Tuesdays & Thursdays at 1 pm-3 pm, Wednesdays at 6 pm-8 pm, Sundays at 4 pm-6 pm
Morning Walking – Mondays-Fridays at 7 am - 11 am

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

End of Summer Reading Party
Saturday, July 27
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

We're having a rocket party to celebrate the end of Summer Reading! Pick up your final prize, shoot off a foam rocket, make your own rocket, and enjoy rocket pops!

One Book, Many Neighbors Wrap-up Party
Cider Hill Family Orchard
Sunday, August 4
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Join us for the end of our One Book, Many Neighbors series. Everyone is welcome to enjoy free food from Lynnmark Mercantile and music by the Penny Black Band. We'll have prizes too!

Volunteer Appreciation: West African Music of the Kora with Sean Gaskell
Saturday, September 14
2:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to enjoy refreshments and West African Music of the Kora with Sean Gaskell!

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Senior Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Transportation is available thru the Tiblow Transit service in Bonner Springs (913-422-5355).

We offer a wide variety of activities for all interests and abilities including Mystery Lunches, Bingo, Museums, Dinner Theatre Trips, Board Games and Cards, Food Demonstrations, Free Legal Services, Free Blood Pressure Checks, Wii Video Games, Basic Computer Training, Pool Tables, Movies and Cable TV with the Coffee Pot on Daily.

Stop by the Senior Center or call 913-441-0169.

Visit our Senior Center Page

Check out our Senior Center Calendar
Receive weekly updates from USD 204 by signing up for the Brave Bulletin!
Sign up today!

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