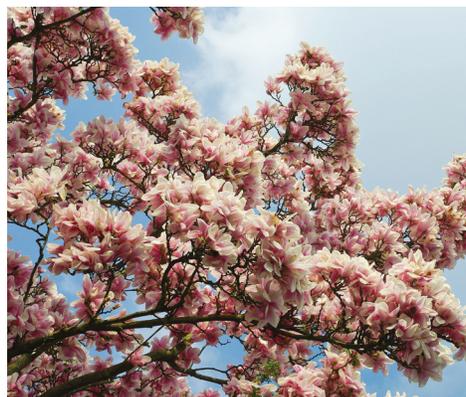


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# GRANDVIEW

REPORT



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# LET'S KEEP OUR CITY LOOKING GOOD THIS SPRING!

In order to keep Grandview a clean and safe community, the Community Development Department administers several important city codes and ordinances regarding the upkeep of public and private properties. Please help make Grandview a quality place to live by observing the following:

## Garage Sales and Signs:

According to Grandview's Zoning Ordinance, residents are allowed a maximum of four garage or rummage sales per calendar year and they can't be longer than three consecutive days per sale. Garage sale signs must be located on private property, with a distance between 11 and 14 feet from the curb toward the yard. The signs should not exceed 6 square feet in area per face, with a maximum area of 12 square feet; and they should be removed within two calendar days following the sale. They may not be posted on public utility/light poles or in the public right-of-way along streets.



**Brush Piles and Tree Limbs:** Brush piles must be removed and properly disposed of. Open burning is not permitted within city limits. Limbs that overhang the sidewalk, street or fence must be trimmed. To get rid of yard debris, take advantage of the **Brush Dump Site at Raytown Road and I-470**. Leaf bags, limbs and brush piles can be disposed of at the site (no grass clippings). The site is open on Saturdays from 8:00 to 6:00 pm; the cost is \$10.00 per truck load. Vouchers are required and can be obtained at Grandview City Hall.

**City's Annual Spring Clean-Up:** Saturday, May 1st, is the last chance for residents and business owners to drop off trash and yard debris at the Public Works Maintenance Facility at 139th and Winchester Avenue, between 7:30 am and 5:30 pm for a fee of \$12.00 per vehicle. An additional fee will be charged for tires and appliances with Freon. The fee for tire disposal is \$1.50 each (limit 8 tires per vehicle), and the fee for dropping off appliances with Freon is \$30.00 each. Proof of residency or local business ownership will be required.



**Residential Lawns:** Keep lawns no more than 6 inches in height. In addition to the principal yard or lawn areas, you are responsible for mowing any areas between your property and the paved area of all adjacent streets

including ditches, easements, alleys and unpaved rights-of-way. Also, keep in mind that properly mowed lawns will have fewer weed populations, better moisture stress tolerance, and generally better quality than lawns not mowed regularly.

**Inoperable or Unlicensed Vehicles:** Must be stored inside a garage or removed from the premises.

**Yard of the month Program:** In May, the City of Grandview will continue the "Yard of the Month" program, which recognizes three yards (one for each ward) during the spring and summer months. The City is looking for some citizen volunteers for each Ward to help nominate/select monthly winners. If you are interested, contact Chris Chiodini at (816) 316-4820 or [cchiodini@ci.grandview.mo.us](mailto:cchiodini@ci.grandview.mo.us).



**The 8th annual PETS HELPING PEOPLE** held on April 10th was once again a success, thanks to all of the sponsors, volunteers and participants!

Over 470 pets were vaccinated! 800 lbs of food and \$3,105 were collected to assist the Grandview Assistance Program (GAP)!

We thank you again for taking care of your pets while extending a "helping hand" to your neighbors!



# 2010 STREET AND SIDEWALK REPAIRS

Weather permitting, the 2010 Asphalt Overlay Program will start June 1st and be completed by the end of June. Parking will be prohibited on the days that milling and asphalt overlay is being performed on those streets. The Slurry Seal Program will take place between mid-July and mid-August. On the day slurry is applied to the street, parking will be prohibited, and the street will be closed to traffic. The 2010 Sidewalk Replacement Program started in mid-April and should be completed within 60 days.

All these projects are made possible by the **Transportation Sales Tax**. The Transportation Sales Tax is a one-half of one-percent (1/2 of 1%) tax on all taxable items sold within the city limits; and it has been in effect now since 1986. It is the only ongoing source of funding for the maintenance and construction of streets and bridges.

## SLURRY SEAL COATING THAT PRESERVES STREETS

STREET	FROM	TO
128th Street	Sycamore Ave.	Manchester Ave.
Ashland Ave.	Highgrove Rd.	Park Hills Dr.
La Quinta Dr.	143rd Street	Byars Rd (N)
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Lowell Ave.	133rd Street	135th Street
Winchester Ave.	129th Street (W)	Highgrove Rd.

## SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT

Sidewalk replacement will include the removal and replacement of a portion of the sidewalk adjacent to the following properties :

- 6732 127th Street
- 6700 129th Street
- 5900 129th Street
- 7600 127th Street
- 7213 131st Street
- 7211 131st Street
- 6708 129th Street
- 12001 Smalley\120th Street
- 7508 127th Place
- 13411 Seventh St\135th St.
- 1405 Highgrove
- 7800 E. 120th Street\Smalley

## ASPHALT OVERLAY STREET RESURFACING

STREET	FROM	TO
119th Street	Food Lane	E. 119th Terrace
119th Terrace	Food Lane	Dead End east
127th Street	Byars Road	Winchester Ave.
127th Street	Craig Ave.	Winchester Ave.
129th Street	East Frontage Road	Beacon Ave.
129th Street	Beacon Ave.	Winchester Ave.
137th Street	Spruce Street	Cypress Street
152nd Terrace	Bellaire Ave.	White Ave.
Askew Dr.	DE North of 123rd Terr	Valley Brook Dr.
Belmead Ave.	135th Street	136th Street
Corrington Ave.	130th Terrace	CDS n of 130th Street
Highgrove Road	Second Street	Third Street
Sixth Street	Zumwalt Ave.	Cul de Sac North
Third Street	Main Street	Highgrove Road

# GRANDVIEW MAKES PROGRESS IN FACE OF NATIONAL ECONOMIC DISTRESS

Like most communities, Grandview has not been immune from the hardships resulting from the national economic climate. Businesses and individuals continue to face difficulties that include limited financing, reduced construction, diminished retail sales, and job losses.

At the same time, Grandview has been fortunate to be able to bring in several new companies or see expansions of existing companies. The first quarter of 2010 has been particularly productive in seeing the opening or development of several new or expanding businesses.

The City is able to assist many start-up ventures and expansions of other firms through its participation in Missouri economic development programs. Programs such as Missouri's Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ) tax credits and potential tax abatement, Tax Increment Financing (TIF), and Chapter 353 tax abatement can be crucial to current and future economic growth, and their use serves as a barometer for the state of the local economy. Grandview has three Enhanced Enterprise Zones recognized by the state as tax incentive target areas.



Notable projects coming to fruition in the first quarter of 2010 involve diverse and unique types of businesses. Pride Cleaners bought the former Skateland building at 13613 South U.S.

Highway 71 and invested approximately \$1.3 million to refurbish the structure. The company also invested an additional \$700,000 in new equipment. Company officials have stated that they will bring 80 employees to Grandview in the first year, and could add an additional 40 by the end of year two. The company has been operational since March this year.

U-Park It is a new company that recently opened at 13000 Second Street, at the corner of West Main Street. The com-



pany has developed an automated parking system that can be used in multi-level parking garages with up to five levels. This innovative system can really maximize parking space for large parking garage-type business or public parking areas.

Missouri has awarded \$118,234 in income tax credits in response to U-Park It's estimated \$2,135,000 investment in the project. Company officials estimate that the project could result in 17 new jobs over the next four years, with annual salaries averaging around \$57,000.

Integrity Products, in business for 17 years, is in the human and animal testing and diagnostics arena. The company produces items such as tubing, catheters, drug testing devices, and containers, etc. In addition to products manufactured locally, it distributes an array of other medical-related items from their Grandview location. The company's \$5,000,000 project will add 12 new, full-time jobs. A combination of economic development programs will boost the project with an estimated \$343,030 in incentives.



Pyramid Roofing, in business since 1996, is undergoing an expansion project expected to result in a new building or consolidation of structures near or at its current location at 4120 Dr. Greaves Road. Owner and President, Doug Galant, estimates that the \$1.8 million project will create 105 new jobs. The State will reserve \$285,080 in tax credits for this expansion project.

An Omaha-based company, Elliott Equipment Corporation, is opening a Grandview center in the next few weeks. The company builds and services an array of heavy duty outdoor equipment, including cranes and aerial work platforms. A majority of its business is done with municipalities and local governmental entities. The Grandview facility will largely be a sales office, although there will be some maintenance and repair work in the new Botts Road business.

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Elliott plans to invest \$750,000 in its Grandview facility, and create 9 new jobs with average starting wages of \$31,200. In return, Missouri will assist the project with \$44,161 in state income tax credits.

Mid-America Pool Renovation, formerly located in rural Cass County, recently purchased the former KC Bobcat building on 154th Terrace (east of the Quik Trip store). It started operations in late February, bringing 20 jobs to town. Figures on the company's investment have not been released, and to date, it has not participated in any economic development



incentive programs.

While the City has provided tax incentives to our largest retail centers as well, the Board recognizes that one of the primary strengths of Grandview is its wide and varied array of industries like those mentioned above, which also produce good jobs.

The City knows that first and foremost, and particularly in the current economic cycle, new and better jobs are crucial to building Grandview's economy, along with continued housing growth, as a foundation for commercial redevelopment and retailers that will ultimately consider Grandview locations.

## MEET THE NEW ALDERMAN: ANNETTE TURNBAUGH

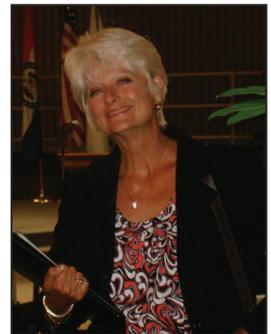


Alderman Turnbaugh

At the April 6 General Municipal Election, residents in Ward II elected Annette Turnbaugh. This will be her first term as an Alderman. She is taking Alderman McKinstry's place, who served two terms (April 2006 to April 2010). Leonard Jones Jr. was reelected for his 6th term in Ward I and Jim Crain for his 15th term in Ward III. Learn more about Turnbaugh below.

### 1- How long have you lived in Grandview?

I grew up in Grandview from birth to 12 when we moved to the farm in Kansas City. I moved back to Grandview in 1994 and bought my house in 1998. I am a 1976 graduate (Bicentennial Year) and attended Longview College.



We thank Alderman Debra McKinstry for her dedication and contribution to the City.

### 2- Can you tell us a little bit about your family and jobs you've had?

My dad, James D Turnbaugh, Jr., started the *Jackson County Advocate* newspaper in January, 1953, when Main Street ended at 5th & Main. I went to work there when I was 19, until my mom, Agnes Anne Turnbaugh, retired and sold the newspaper in October 2005. I helped open the Grandview Red-X grocery store and was the Human Resources Training Specialist and handled public relations for the store. After that, I worked for Summit Publications where I was instrumental in Grandview being included in the Cass County/Grandview phone book. I am now working for Rosen's Inc., an agricultural chemical wholesaler in Liberty, MO in the Marketing Department.

### 3- What's your favorite place in Grandview (besides your home)?

I enjoy our local restaurants.

### 4- Can you tell us your primary goals in serving as an Alderman?

Bringing our existing residents and businesses together to help grow our city from within to help promote and bring new businesses to town.

### 5- Can you list 3 of your best personality traits?

- I am a skilled multi-tasker with high energy. I am comfortable meeting people and I enjoy people with a wide range of ideas and concerns. I motivate others with a constant, positive, upbeat attitude.



## HARRY'S HAY DAYS PARADE ON MAY 15

On Saturday, May 15th, sharply at 10 a.m. the 27th **Harry's Hay Days Parade** will begin. The celebration will also be recognizing the 126th birthday of Harry S. Truman.

The parade will begin at Fifteenth and Main Street, then west to Grandview Road, north to Blue Ridge Blvd., east to Harry S. Truman Drive, and back to Fifteenth Street. The distance is about a mile and a quarter long.



The theme is "From the Farm to the White House". Anyone interested in participating should contact Elaine Brewer at

(816) 966-9802 or [ebrewer4@kc.rr.com](mailto:ebrewer4@kc.rr.com).

The committee is also in need of volunteers and donations for the event.

Immediately after the parade, the judges will award



the three best organizations with trophies at the gazebo at Freedom Park. The American Legion Band will be performing live music after the winners' announcement.

Truman Farm Home and the Depot Museum will be open for tours as well.



Photos provided by *Jackson County Advocate* Newspaper

## BILL MONSON HONORED ON GRANDVIEW'S 22ND ARBOR DAY



From left: honoree Bill Monson, Mayor Becker, Alderman Crain and a boy scout from troop 338

A tree was planted outside of *The View* on April 10 to honor Bill Monson, a man who has given a lifetime of service to his city and nation.

Monson and his wife, Jewell, have lived in Grandview since 1948.

A veteran of World War II, Monson has volunteered for the nursery at the First Baptist Church of Grandview for more than 50 years. He is also the founder of Cub Scout Pack 338 in Grandview.

## DID YOU KNOW...

Motor vehicles are now exempt from the safety inspection requirement for the first five years following the model year of manufacture. In other words, any 2005 to 2010 vehicle does not need a safety inspection in order to receive license plates. If a vehicle is being purchased or brought in the state with an out-of-state title, and it falls within the five years or newer, Missouri does require an ID/OD from a Missouri Inspector.



### Green Tip

Water your garden in the late evening or early morning. During those cooler hours, less water is lost through evaporation and as a result plants will absorb more of it.

## WE WANT YOUR COMMENTS AND IDEAS.

If you have a concern, compliment or suggestion about how we can better inform you, please send an email for consideration to [suggestions@ci.grandview.mo.us](mailto:suggestions@ci.grandview.mo.us)

# Upcoming Events

## HARRY'S HAY DAYS PARADE

Saturday, May 15 at 10:00 am  
Participate in the "after events" following the parade  
Call Helen Gross at 966-0051 for more information

## FARMER'S MARKET

June 26 through October  
Saturdays 7 am to 12 pm - Tuesdays, 3 to 6 pm  
8th and Main Street  
Vendors contact Johnna Clark at 405-5561  
or jona2umr@yahoo.com

## MEADOWMERE POOL OPENING

Saturday, May 29 - Call 316-4888  
for fee & season pass information

## MONTHLY DIVING COMPETITION

Medowmere Pool  
June 12, July 10 and August 14 at 4:00pm  
Register at the Lifeguard Station the day of the event for one or all three categories: Best Dive, Biggest Splash Cannon Ball, Smallest Splash Dive, and Most Creative Dive. Medals and ribbons will be awarded to the winners.

## THE VIEW CLOSED FOR MAINTENANCE

July 26 through August 2  
No classes

## SIGN-UP FOR SWIMMING CLASSES AT THE VIEW

Starts May 3  
Monday and Wednesday evenings  
Toddler, Pre-School & Youth programs  
Call 316-4888 for more information

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James N. Crain, Ward III Alderman  
Anthony Preyer, Ward III Alderman  
Donald Crow, Municipal Judge

## CITY STAFF

Cory Smith, City Administrator  
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Deb Angell, Manager of Human Resources  
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Dennis Randolph, Director of Public Works  
Chris Chiodini, Director of Community Development  
Anthony Finlay, Director of Parks and Recreation  
Shirley Moses, Director of Finance

## SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

All meetings are open to the public and take place at Grandview City Hall, 1200 Main Street (except Parks and Recreation Commission meetings)

Board of Aldermen regular meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m.

Board of Aldermen work sessions are on the first and third Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Commission meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the community center.

## CITY HALL INFORMATION

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