# **SMITHVILLE NEWSLETTER**



## **Holiday Closures**

City Hall will be closed the following days:

- Thursday, December 25 & Friday, December 26
- Thursday, January 1 & Friday, January 2
- Monday, January 19

The January 6, 2026 Board of Aldermen meeting is cancelled.

The Smithville Senior Center will be closed from Monday, December 22 through Friday, January 2 for the holiday season. Staffing will be limited during this time. All activities, including fitness classes, will resume on Monday, January 5.

The Meals on Wheels program will continue regular deliveries Monday through Friday, including on Christmas Day. There will be no scheduled closures for this service.

#### **Christmas Tree Drop Off**

Smithville Lake hosts the annual Christmas Tree drop off at Little Platte Park by Shelter 1. Trees should be free of tinsel, ornaments and tree bags before being dropped off. The drop off site will be open daily beginning December 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Jan. 31. For more information about the Christmas tree drop-off site contact Smithville Lake at 816-407-3400.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETINGS 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm

BOARD OF ALDERMEN WORK SESSIONS Scheduled as needed, generally prior to regular meetings

PLANNING COMMISSION 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 pm

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Quarterly on the 4th Thursday at 6:00 pm

To sign up for public comment please contact the City Clerk at 816.532.3897

Meetings are held at City Hall Council Chambers 107 W. Main Street.

Times and dates are subject to change.

Meetings are subject to be held virtually with proper notice.



# **Message from Mayor Damien Boley**

As the holiday season approaches, we can look forward to many cherished Smithville traditions. This year's lineup of events is filled with holiday fun and community spirit.

Friday, December 5 kicks off the festivities with the Parks & Recreation Department's annual Candy Cane Quest at Heritage Park. Santa is delivering over 5,000 candy canes for children ages 0-12 to find! This free event begins at 6:00 PM and promises an evening of holiday fun.



Saturday, December 6 brings a full day of holiday cheer in downtown Smithville. Starting at 1:00 PM, join the Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce for CandyLand Christmas in Downtown Smithville to ring in the season. That evening, gather for the Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting followed by the beloved Lighted Christmas Parade, a highlight of our holiday traditions in our community.

Wishing you a joyous holiday season and a very Happy New Year!



# Winter Tips



#### **STORMWATER TIPS**

Ice melt can be helpful, but using too much can do more harm than good. Excess product often leads to increased runoff that carries leaves, debris, and other contaminants into storm drains. It can also create thicker layers of ice when the meltwater refreezes, making walkways even more hazardous.

As you prepare for the winter months, consider choosing eco-friendly ice melt products and applying them sparingly to help protect natural ecosystems. Don't forget to double check that your chosen product is safe for furry paws!

## **WINTERIZE YOUR PIPES**

- Insulate exposed pipes by using foam rubber sleeves to retain the heat longer.
- Disconnect water hoses, turn off outdoor faucets and cover the spigots.
- Keep under sink cabinets open to help keep the pipes warm.
- Run your faucets, just a drip to keep the water moving.

## **Senior Center & Meals on Wheels Update**

During the winter months, both the Senior Center and Meals on Wheels program follow the Smithville School District for inclement weather closures. Please watch local news stations for closure information.

If you would like to receive a phone call alert from the Senior Center for weather-related closures or other important announcements, please contact the Senior Center at 816-343-2073 to be added to the notification list.

The Senior Center is located at 113 W. Main Street (next to City Hall) and is open Monday through Friday for fitness classes, lunch, and activities. Check out our full calendar and menu at smithvillemo.org/seniorcenter.



#### **CITY DIRECTORY**

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE (816) 858-3521

**ANONYMOUS TIP LINE** (816) 474-8477

ADMINISTRATION, CITY CLERK, FINANCE

(816) 532-3897

**DEVELOPMENT** (816) 866-2056

**PARKS & RECREATION** (816) 532-8130

SMITH'S FORK CAMPGROUND (816) 532-1028

GFL Residential Trash & Recycling
Customer Service

kccustomercare@gflenv.com

OR

816-380-5595

**STREETS** (816) 532-2080

**WATER & WASTEWATER** (816) 532-0577

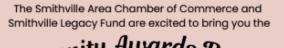
WEBSITE smithvillemo.org



#### REGISTRATION IS NOW OPENS JANUARY 1ST!

- Youth Baseball
- Youth Soccer
- Youth Softball
- AYSO PLAY Soccer
- Youth T-Ball
- Clinic

www.smithvilleparksrec.com





The Smithville Chamber of Commerce and the Smithville Legacy Fund are preparing for the Community Awards Banquet to be held on February 26, 2026. This event is more than a community gathering; it is a tribute to the citizens and volunteers who drive Smithville's continued growth and success. The Community Awards Banquet is designed to honor individuals whose extraordinary contributions have made a lasting impact on our community.

This celebration is meaningful not only to our honorees but also to the entire community. It is a chance to come together in appreciation of the people who help Smithville continue to grow and succeed.

We are counting on community support as we prepare for a memorable night of recognition, connection, and shared community spirit.

Consider becoming a sponsor or donating an auction item. For more information on sponsorships or donations, please contact the Smithville Chamber of Commerce at 816-532-0946 or at their location at 105 West Main Street, Smithville, MO 64089.











#### **CITY OPENINGS**

To apply for a job with the City, please visit our website at www.smithvillemo.org/jobs



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