

# Edmundson Newsletter

March 2023

## Mayor's Office

### John Gwaltney, Mayor

There is an old truism about the month of March that says "in like a lion; out like a lamb," and visa – versa! This year's March is certainly coming in like a lamb with the mild temperatures that we are having. If it goes out like a lion, we can count on it not being with ice or snow. After all, spring officially arrives on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup>.

When we think of Spring time, it conjures up ideas of outdoor activities such as our annual Easter egg hunt in the park, which will be held on April 1<sup>st</sup> with hotdogs & chips starting @ 11:00 AM and the egg hunt starting @ 12:00 noon. There is going to be a new twist this year. This year the participants will be limited to children and grandchildren of Edmundson residents. You will need to go to city hall by March 30<sup>th</sup> to register your children. After registering them, you will receive a wrist band for each child, and only children with a wrist band will be allowed to participate. This is the last newsletter before the event, so you need to mark your calendars so that you do not forget either the Easter egg hunt date or the registration dead line.

Some of the dates to remember this month is daylight saving starts @ 2:00 AM on Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup>. This is an important date to remember or you might be late for church or some other activity that day. This month also hosts St. Patrick's Day celebration on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>. Some people like to drink heavily that day. I prefer to celebrate with corned beef, cabbage, and potatoes. If you choose the heavy drinking way, be sure to not drive while drunk. Either way, I wish you a happy and safe St. Patrick's Day.

I want to remind you of election day next month on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. It is an honor, privilege, and in my opinion, a duty. If you don't vote, how can you complain if things are not done to your way of thinking?

We have James Nerviani returning to serve in our Police Department. Welcome back home Officer Nerviani, we are very glad to have you back in the Edmundson family.

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## Aldermen's Corner

### Adele Crown, Ward 1

I would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

Remember to preregister your children and or grandchildren for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1st, and that's no Joke. 😊😊😊

Remember to vote April 4th, your vote counts! ♦

### Roy Rice, Ward 2

Hello Family, remember, March madness, Daylight Savings begins, National Reading Month, International Women's Day, St. Patrick's Day, most important, my grandson Pierce's birthday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. 😊

We have much to be thankful for! Less harsh weather than the rest of the country. A conscientious Police Department (our posse), a philosophy of being a good neighbor, and helping each other out, making Edmundson a wonderful place to raise a family.

Don't forget to vote on April 4<sup>th</sup>! ♦

## Future Board Meetings:

March 9<sup>th</sup> & April 13<sup>th</sup>

**STREET SWEEPING**  
**Will be Tuesday, March 7th**  
**All vehicles must be**  
**removed from the streets**  
**prior to 7:00 AM**

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The construction of the new Public Works and Police Department's facilities has begun with ground breaking for the new Public Works building. The construction company for that project has encountered some delays. However, there are always delays in these matters, and we will adapt as we need to. The remodeling of the Police Department cannot begin until Public Works is moved into their new building, but so far, that has not been a problem. Chief Ansell and his crew are still working out the details with the engineers.

With the coming of warmer weather and Spring time rain comes the dreaded mosquitoes. Be sure to take time to check around your homes for places that might collect standing water. Standing water is where mosquitoes lay their eggs and multiply. The city will be spraying, but help yourself by eliminating standing water.

**Thought to ponder:** It is in seeking happiness for others that we find it ourselves. – Be a good neighbor.



## **Alderman's Corner Cont'd**

### **Randy Von Bokel, Ward 2**

It's with a sad heart that I write this newsletter article for all of us. Why? Because a very close longtime friend of mine passed away a couple of days ago. She lived in St. Louis County but in another municipality.

I know that some of you have experienced the same thing. It is most difficult. I am very fortunate in that I have friends who knew her also and we'll be working through our grief together. And if need be, I'll go to counseling.

There is no need for anyone to go through grief alone. There are free grief counseling groups and agencies in the St. Louis area. There is a list of them on the internet and in the yellow pages. ◆

**DON'T FORGET DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
TIME BEGINS, MARCH 12th**



## **Alderman's Corner**

### **Paul Zerbe, Ward 1**

Spring is almost here! As the weather continues to warm up, it's a great time to enjoy the outdoors! I'm looking forward to seeing you all out and about in the beautiful city of Edmundson! Did you know St. Louis County offers a lot of kid friendly events and programs some of which are free? These activities are a great way to get the kids out of the house (😊) and connect with your child(ren)!

**Children's Garden Club** is a **FREE** event for kids of **all ages** designed to educate, as well as bring delight in gardening and horticulture with projects they start themselves and take home to continue to grow and enjoy. All meetings are from 9-10 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month (except for select Saturdays) at different locations throughout St. Louis City and County. For more information

email [parks@stlouiscountymo.gov](mailto:parks@stlouiscountymo.gov). No reservations are required! **Upcoming events:** March 4 - Flower Arrangements, Location: 2760 Chouteau Ave, Saint Louis MO 63103; April 1 - Arbor Day. Location: Planthaven Farms, 6703 Telegraph Rd., St. Louis, 63129

For more details: <https://stlouiscountymo.gov/st-louis-county-departments/parks/programs-activities/childrens-garden-club/>

**Junior Ranger Program** gives kids the opportunity to learn and explore our beautiful St. Louis County parks through a self-led scavenger hunt. Visit ten different St. Louis County Parks on your journey. It's a **FREE** program designed for **children ages 6-12**.

After completing the scavenger hunt and turning in the fun sheets, children receive Ice Rink/Swimming Pool Pass to use for 5 free admissions to any St. Louis County swimming pool or ice rink, an official Junior Ranger Badge to use for \$1 off at any of STLC pools and ice rinks, after free passes have been used and a Junior Ranger certificate to commemorate the journey of learning about and exploring St. Louis County Parks. **For more information,**

visit <https://stlouiscountymo.gov/st-louis-county-departments/parks/programs-activities/junior-ranger/>

**GOOD LUCK** to all candidates running in the general municipal election. All registered voters, **don't forget to vote April 4! Your voice matters!** ◆

## April 4<sup>th</sup> Election

The following residents have filed for candidacy.

### Mayor

John Gwaltney (Incumbent)

### Ward 1

Adele Crown (Incumbent)  
Laura L. Granderson

### Ward 2

Randy VonBokel (Incumbent)  
Marlene A. Hoehn

### VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION E

Shall the City of Edmundson be authorized to adopt an election procedure whereby no election will be held for an office if the number of candidates who have filed for the particular office is equal to the number of positions in that office to be filled by the election?

FYI – Voters in St. Louis County may vote at any polling place in the County on election day.

Polling places are open from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM on election day. If you are in line at the closing time of 7:00 PM you have the right to cast your vote.

**PARK RESERVATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE 2023 SEASON!**



## Edmundson Information:

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| City Hall – City Clerk   | 314-428-7125 x 116 |
| Public Works             | 314-428-7125 x 118 |
| Police Department        | 314-428-4577       |
| Police Dispatch          | 314-427-8000       |
| Municipal Court          | 314-428-6811 x 5   |
| Community Fire           | 314-428-1128       |
| Republic Service (Trash) | 636-947-5959       |

### To leave a message for the Mayor or Alderman:

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| Mayor John Gwaltney        | 314-428-7125 x 121 |
| Alderman Adele Crown       | 314-428-7125 x 125 |
| Alderman Randy VonBokel    | 314-428-7125 x 122 |
| Alderman Roy Rice          | 314-428-7125 x 123 |
| <b>Alderman Paul Zerbe</b> | 314-428-7125 x 124 |

## CITY OF EDMUNDSON ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday, April 1<sup>ST</sup>**  
**Free hotdogs @ 11:00 AM**  
**Egg Hunt @ 12:00 Noon**



## MUST PRE-REGISTER AT CITY HALL!

Only children or grandchildren of residents are allowed to participate in the Easter egg hunt.

Don't forget your baskets or bags!

City of Edmundson  
Job Description/Job Announcement

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**Position Title:** Laborer  
**Reports To:** Parks & Recreation Director  
**Date:** February 23, 2023  
**FLSA Status:** Part-Time

**Primary Responsibilities:**

**The employee in this class is responsible for picking up all trash, recyclable material, and all other debris in the City of Edmundson streets, sidewalks, public grounds to include the City of Edmundson Park and City owned properties.**

**Essential Duties, Responsibilities and Minimum Qualifications:**

- Operate various City owned equipment: broom, shovel, weed eater, blower, etc.
- High School diploma or GED
- Must have a valid Missouri driver's license
- Must be able to pass background check, drug and physical exam
- Other duties as assigned

**Physical Demands:**

- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to bend, stoop, reach, stretch, lift up to 50 pounds, walk, stand, climb, balance, kneel, crouch, and or crawl.

**Hours:**

10 – 12 Hours Per Week  
Monday – Friday  
7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Applications can be obtained at Edmundson City Hall, 4440 Holman Lane, St. Louis, MO 63134. ♦