



# City of Battlefield Newsletter

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## CITY MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the City of Battlefield is to serve its customers by providing courteous and responsive service; promoting economic opportunity; enhancing the quality of life for its citizens; and building a better City for future generations.

## UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

**Thanksgiving**—Thursday & Friday, November 28th & 29th.  
**Inaugural Tree Lighting Ceremony:** Tuesday December 3rd at 6 PM.  
**Santa in the City:** Saturday December

Rick Hess, City Administrator

## NEWEST SENIOR OFFICER

Congratulations to Officer Shannon Marler. Officer Marler has been with us a year and passed his Senior Officer test. He is our 6th and newest officer and if you see him out and about, wish him a Happy 1st Anniversary.

Rick Hess, City Administrator

## NEW OFFICER COMING SOON

We all want to thank you, the voters of Battlefield, for voting in an additional 1/2 cent sales tax last year. That additional money, which is dedicated strictly for your Battlefield police enabled us to add Officer Marler earlier than scheduled. The Chief will begin his search for one new officer to be added early in the new year. This is in line with our projection of adding one new officer every 12-18 months. We appreciate your support and strive each day to deliver you quality policing with our current staffing level.

Rick Hess, City Administrator

## INAUGURAL TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Please come join us Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013, for our 1st tree lighting ceremony at 6:00 p.m. We hope this turns into an annual event that everyone looks forward to in and around Battlefield. So this inaugural event is even more special, we'll be honored by the *Wilson Creek Show Choir*, who will be singing holiday favorites for everyone's enjoyment. There will be hot cocoa in the community room afterwards. Some of the songs will be "Christmas Time is Here"/"Silver Bells" Medley"; "Somewhere in my Memory"/"You Raise Me Up" Medley; "Silent Night/Come the Manger" Partner Song; and "Christmas Time is Here" as the Finale.

Rick Hess, City Administrator

## THANKSGIVING & HOLIDAY COOKING SAFETY

Thanksgiving is my favorite time of year. Family and friends gathering, the brisk air, wonderful meals, and, of course, football. However, we need to be mindful of some basic fire safety tips during the holiday so a dinner doesn't become a tragedy. Always stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food. You should never leave your home when you have a turkey or ham in the oven, or it can lead to a disaster.

Have activities that can keep the children out of the kitchen during the busy times. Games, puzzles, or books can keep them busy. You can also get the kids involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done outside of the kitchen.

Always check your smoke alarms to make sure they are working. Test them by pushing the test button. If you need assistance with your smoke alarms or need smoke alarms, contact the Battlefield Fire Protection District at 417-881-9018 or by visiting our website at [www.battlefieldfire.com](http://www.battlefieldfire.com). As always, be fire safe and enjoy your holiday.

Battalion Chief Tom Dickey

## ELECTION TIME ROLLING AROUND AGAIN

Our city-wide general election is coming up soon. We have 3 Aldermen seats that will be up for election/re-election as well as the Mayor's seat. These Aldermen are up for re-election:

Michael Goldenberg—Ward I

Quinton Hamp—Ward II

Debra Hickey—Ward III

Mayor's seat—Currently held by the President of the Board, Debra Hickey.

The first day to file to run is December 17, 2013. The final day to file to run will be January 21, 2014. To run as an Alderman you must be at least 18, have lived in Battlefield and in your ward for at least 1 year, and be willing to serve for a 2 year term. To run for the Mayor position you must be at least 25, have lived in Battlefield for at least 1 year and be willing to serve a 2 year term.

Rick Hess, City Administrator

## Replacing Your Important Papers:

The following is a partial list of ways to get duplicates of destroyed or missing documents:

**Birth and Death Certificates** – Birth and death certificates can be replaced by visiting your county vital records office or on line <http://go.usa.gov/DFbw>

**Marriage Certificates** – The online link for replacement of marriage certificates is <http://go.usa.gov/DFbw>.

**Marriage Dissolutions (divorces)** – The online link for divorce decree replacements is <http://go.usa.gov/DFbw>.

**Immigration Documents** – Contact your county office or the site below for citizenship, immigration, permanent resident card (green card), employment authorization, re-entry permit and more. [uscis.gov](http://uscis.gov).

**Driver Licenses** – Visit any Missouri motor vehicle office with acceptable identification and proof of address. Fee required.

**Vehicle Registration, License Tab or Title** – Contact your Missouri motor vehicle office. You will need proof of insurance, personal property tax receipt and possibly vehicle inspection paperwork.

**Passport** – Complete form DS-64 from <http://tinyurl.com/ld6z28k>.

**Military Records** – Request Standard Form 180 (SF-180) from any office of the Veterans Administration, American Legion, VFW or Red Cross, or download from <http://tinyurl.com/lnu2pmt>.

**Mortgage Papers** – Contact your lending institution.

**Property Deeds** – Contact the recorder's office in the county where the property is located.

**Insurance Policies** – Contact the insurance company for replacement papers.

**Social Security Card** – Go to a Social Security Administration office. You also can request a copy of your Social Security statement online [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov).

**Transcript of Your Tax Return** – Call nearest Treasury Department office, IRS office or 800-829-3646; request form 4506. To find your local IRS office, go to <http://tinyurl.com/mvk5dvv>.

**Savings Bonds/Notes** – Complete Form PDF 1048 (Claim for Lost, Stolen or Destroyed U.S. Savings Bonds); available by calling 304-480-6112 or at [www.treasurydirect.gov/forms/sav1048.pdf](http://www.treasurydirect.gov/forms/sav1048.pdf).

**Credit Cards** – American Express, 800-528-4800; Discover, 800-347-2683; MasterCard, 800-622-7747; Visa, 800-847-2911.