



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.

November is Native American Heritage Month

The City of Battlefield joins the rest of the nation in paying tribute to the rich ancestry and traditions of Native Americans. It was in 1915 that Dr. Arthur Park persuaded the Boy Scouts of America to set aside a day for the "First Americans." In 1990, President G.H.W. Bush signed a joint resolution designating November as the month for this national recognition.

ATTENTION ALL GHOSTS AND GOBLINS



**YOUR INVITED TO OUR
CITY HALL HAUNT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28TH
6-8 P.M.**

- ◆ Enjoy Candy, Games & a Coloring Contest
- ◆ Wear your favorite costume (Parents too!)
- ◆ See the creepy crawlies from Dickerson Park Zoo
- ◆ Meet the Battlefield Police Officers and Battlefield Fire Protection District Firefighters

If you would like to help with the Haunt.....

Contact Dianna Courter at City Hall by October 24, to join the fun, support the event and promote your business. Donations of candy will be accepted at city hall.

MEETINGS

Board of Aldermen: November 1, 6:30 p.m.

Municipal Court: November 9, 6:00 p.m.

Advisory Park Board: November 10, 6:30 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Committee: November 14, 6:00 p.m.

Board of Aldermen: November 15, 6:30 p.m.

Economic Development Committee: November 16, 8 a.m.

Municipal Court: November 22, 12:00 p.m.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR ANSWERS QUESTIONS!

As City Administrator, I value two way communication between citizens and city officials. In future newsletters, I am going to answer questions from citizens of Battlefield. Each month, one question will be chosen to be answered in the newsletter. I am asking if you have a question to submit, send it to my email address at

cityadmin@battlefieldmo.gov.

I welcome questions about city hall projects, events and planning. Questions about city government and its function are also welcome. I look forward to hearing from you!
Frank Schoneboom

City of Battlefield Welcomes New Officer

Officer Tammy Ford has joined the Battlefield Police Department as its newest officer. Before coming to Battlefield, Officer Ford worked for the city of Fordland. She also has a background of over ten years in various aspects of Law Enforcement including working for Webster Greene County Sheriff's Offices. Ford is a graduate of Drury University's law enforcement academy.

ELECTION DAY FAST APPROACHING! VOTE! November 8th

For information, go to the county website at http://www.greenecountymo.org/county_clerk/

Hours of operation may be found at the county website along with how to cast an absentee ballot if you are not available on November 8th. Make your vote count. If you have questions, call [\(417\) 868-4060](tel:4178684060).

The Battlefield polling place is ***First Baptist Church***, corner of FF Hwy. and Weaver Road.

City Numbers

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| City Hall | 417-883-5840 |
| Municipal Court | 417-447-0085 |
| Police Department | 417-890-9876 |

Remember: Call 911 to request a police officer



November 11th: Veteran's Day
Offices will reopen Monday at 8 a.m.

November 24th & 25th: Thanksgiving
Offices will reopen Monday at 8 a.m.

December 23rd & 26th: Christmas
Offices will reopen Tuesday at 8 a.m.

VETERAN'S DAY

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 an armistice between Germany and the Allied Nations came into effect. On November 11, 1919, Armistice Day was commemorated for the first time. In 1919, President Wilson proclaimed the day should be "filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory". There were plans for parades, public meetings and a brief suspension of business activities at 11am.

In 1926, the United States Congress officially recognized the end of World War I and declared the anniversary of the armistice should be commemorated with prayer and thanksgiving. The Congress also requested the president should "issue a proclamation calling upon the officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on November 11 and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples."

An Act (52 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a) was approved on May 13, 1938, which made November 11 in each year a legal holiday, known as Armistice Day. This day was originally intended to honor veterans of World War I. A few years later, World War II required the largest mobilization of service men in the history of the United States and the American forces fought in Korea. In 1954, the veteran's service organizations urged Congress to change the word "Armistice" to "Veterans". Congress approved this change and on June 1, 1954, November 11 became a day to honor all American veterans, wherever and whenever they had served.

To all of our Veterans, THANK YOU for your sacrifices on behalf of all the citizen of Battlefield. Thank you also to the families of our Veterans, who have sacrificed much for our country.

Planting Trees?

Fall is a great time to plant those trees about which you've been thinking. Getting them in the ground gives them plenty of time to acclimate to their new surroundings and set roots before the next growing season. If you plant one or more trees, please look overhead and make sure there aren't any power lines that the tree will grow into as they mature. Utility companies recommend the tree canopy be 25 feet away from any power lines when fully grown. There is one other thing to do before the tree is planted, be sure to call MO One Call (dig right) so all utility companies can mark the location of their underground utilities.

Call before you dig at 1-800-344-3144 or 811. It's the LAW.