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from the mayor →

I hope you and your family enjoyed the holidays and were able to spend time together with your loved ones.

2018 was a great year for the City. The improvements to the City Lake and inaugural winter trout fishing are welcomed additions to our Parks Department. We look forward to partnering with the Missouri Department of Conservation on this program for many years to come.



As we look ahead, 2019 promises to be another great year for the City. As you have probably heard, the City plans to build a new City Hall at the old Frick's location downtown. We believe the new City Hall will be a great addition to the downtown community and enable the auditorium to be used for recreational activities throughout the day year round.

The city has several roadway and sideway improvement projects planned for the upcoming year. We appreciate your continued patience and cooperation as these projects are completed.

We are also looking forward to the new Scenic Regional Library opening later this year, the new Ability Center, welcoming Jim Trenary Motorsports to the City and the groundbreaking and construction of the new elementary school. It seems everywhere you look, new projects are taking off or wrapping up.

On behalf of the City, I would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy New Year.

Mike Livengood



OFFICER of the YEAR

Congratulations to Det. Charles Raymond as the 2018 Officer of the Year.

Det. Raymond has been with the Union Police Department for 3 1/2 years. He was promoted to Detective in February 2017.

The Officer of the Year is chosen by the sergeants and lieutenant who vote for an individual that best exhibits qualities that make one individual stand out amongst a great group of officers.

Please join us in congratulating Det. Charles Raymond.



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| Jan 1 | New Year's Day City Hall Closed |
| Jan 12 | Franklin County Bicentennial Opening Ceremony at ECC |
| Jan 14 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Jan 21 | Martin Luther King Jr Day City Hall Closed |
| Feb 9 | Valentines Dinner & Comedy Show |
| Feb 11 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Feb 18 | Presidents' Day City Hall Closed |
| Mar 2 | Rummage Sale City Auditorium |
| Mar 11 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Apr 6 | Franklin County Bicentennial Kite Fest |
| Apr 8 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Apr 19 | Breakfast with the Easter Bunny |
| Apr 19 | Good Friday City Hall Closes at Noon |
| May 3 | Concert in the Park |
| May 13 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| May 17 | Lawn Chair Movie Night |
| May 25 | Splash-n-Swimplex Opens |
| May 27 | Memorial Day City Hall Closed |
| Jun 1 | 40th Annual Founders Day |
| Jun 2 | Franklin County Bicentennial Parade & Festival on the Square |
| Jun 6-9 | Franklin County Fair |
| Jun 7 | Concert in the Park |
| Jun 10 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Jun 21 | Lawn Chair Movie Night |
| Jul 3 | Firework Festivities Veterans Memorial Park |
| Jul 4 | Independence Day City Hall Closed |
| Jul 5 | Concert in the Park |
| Jul 8 | Board of Aldermen Meeting |
| Jul 19 | Lawn Chair Movie Night |



2019 marks Franklin County's 200th year. Get ready for a yearlong birthday celebration. The City of Union will have at least three events in 2019 specific to the Franklin County Bicentennial.

Saturday, January 12, 2:00pm — Opening Ceremony. Come and help Franklin County celebrate 200 years of "Where the past and present meet". The Bicentennial Opening Ceremony will take place on Saturday, January 12th at East Central College John Anglin Performing Arts Center. Admission is free to the general public.

Saturday, April 6, 1:00pm-4:00pm — Kite Fest. The Union Parks & Recreation Department is partnering with the Gateway Kite Club to host our first Kite Fest, in honor of the county's namesake, Ben Franklin. There will be flying demonstrations, building kits available for children (while supplies last) and more. Rain date is April 7. Come out to Veterans Memorial Park and fly a kite with us.



Speaking of Kites ... Have you heard about "**Kites Across the County**"? It is a public art project that celebrates the communities within Franklin County, and will feature up to 200 creatively decorated steel kites. The kites were manufactured right here in Union, by Heat & Control. The project is modeled after popular art events like the St. Louis 250th Birthday Cakes. Businesses, organizations and individuals can sponsor/purchase a kite for \$200. Artwork and installation is the responsibility of the sponsor. We encourage

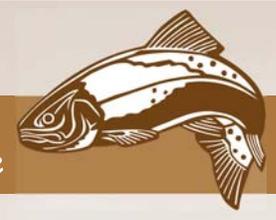
residents and visitors to explore Franklin County's communities, businesses, parks and tourist destinations as they search for the kites. Please visit www.franklinmo200.com/kites to learn more about this exciting project or call Wanda Parsons at 636-583-3600.

Sunday, June 2, 2:00pm-7:00pm — Franklin County Bicentennial Parade & Festival on the Square. What a great day of celebration starting with a parade down Main Street to the square featuring floats from communities, organizations and businesses throughout the county with a focus on the history and culture of Franklin County. The parade will end near the square, where you can enjoy the White Rose Car Show, Arts & Crafts, food vendors, music and more.

Stay informed on all the Franklin County Bicentennial happenings at www.facebook.com/franklincountybicentennial and www.franklinmo200.com



Winter Trout Fishing *at City Lake*



The City of Union and Missouri Department of Conservation held a celebration on November 1, 2018 to commemorate the renovations to the City Lake, and the opening of winter trout fishing.

Union’s City Lake was stocked with 2,000 rainbow trout for catch and release only from November 1 through January 31. From February 1 through October 31, up to four (4) trout can be possessed daily with a trout permit. The lake, located at 502 Clark Avenue, is the closest trout fishing opportunity within a 50 minute drive.

For more information on the City Lake, visit the City of Union Parks & Recreation Department website

www.unionmissouri.org/uprd

call 636.583.8471 or

email asullivan@unionmissouri.org



GET TO KNOW Kayla Stephens

Public Works Director

The City of Union is pleased to have Kayla Stephens join the team as the new Public Works Director. Kayla is a 2009 Union High School graduate and holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Missouri S&T Rolla. Her responsibilities include directing the day-to-day maintenance of the City’s infrastructure system including streets, water, and wastewater.

Kayla most recently worked as a project engineer with Byrne & Jones Construction in Bridgeton, and previously as an intern for the City of Des Peres Public Works Department.

Kayla currently lives in Robertsville with her beloved lab, Levi. They look forward to relocating to Union in the near future.



And now for a few random tidbits about Kayla. Her favorite movie might be “Wedding Crashers” as she can watch it over and over and still have a good laugh. She loves most genres of music, but country music the best.

Kayla enjoys spending her free time with her lab, Levi, who she says is obsessed with water. Weekends are often spent taking the Jeep Wrangler to the nearest lake or river for some canoeing or kayaking. Having been raised on a farm, Kayla still enjoys helping out her grandparents on their farm in Lonedell. Her favorite vacation spot is Alaska and she loves Mexican food.

To contact Kayla, call **636-583-3136** or email publicwd@unionmissouri.org.

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Chief of Police Norman Brune
City Engineer Jonathan Zimmermann
Finance Director Heather Keith
Parks and Recreation Director Angela Sullivan
Public Works Director Kayla Stephens

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PICKUPS

January 9

February 13

March 13

April 3, 10, 17, 24

May 1, 8, 15, 22

June 5, 12, 19, 26

July 10, 24

August 14, 28

September 11, 25

October 2, 9, 16, 23

November 6, 13, 20, 27

December 11, 26



Utility Billing ... *Avoid Late Fees*

Recently, we have received reports of residents who have not received their utility bills.

The utility bills are processed and taken to the Union post office on the last day of the month. The post office sends them to St. Louis for further processing (their requirement) and they are returned to the Union post office for delivery. Within this process, unfortunately some of the bills are not making it to their final destination. If you have not received your utility bill by the 3rd or 4th day of the month, please call City Hall at 636-583-3600 and we will verify for you. Thank you for your cooperation.

Payment Options:

- in person at City Hall
- the City Hall drop box on the east parking lot
- online at <https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/unionmo> (\$1.25 fee applies)
- or you can have your utility bill automatically withdrawn each month from your bank account, debit or credit card.