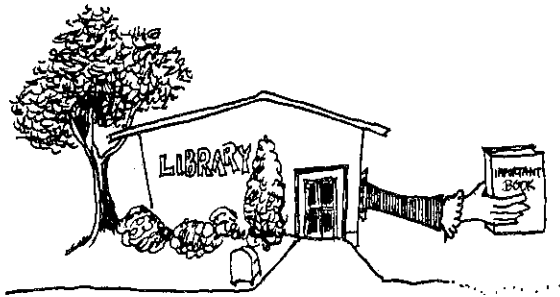




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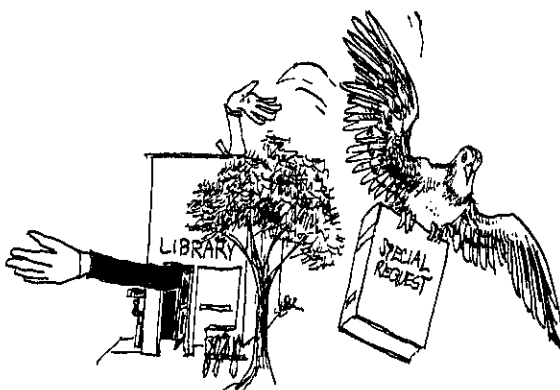


Your Library Has "CLASS"

Wood River Public Library has stepped out of the dark ages and into the age of automation! Through participation in CLASS (Cooperative Libraries for Automated System Services), the Library has improved its level of service. The Library has joined with the Lewis & Clark Library System and ten other area libraries to form an automation network that will allow for faster, efficient service and direct access to the holdings of other libraries. The automated network facilitates sharing of resources to meet your needs as quickly as possible. On June 1, the library began keeping track of library transactions by computer and will soon add an automated catalog for direct access by its patrons.

New barcoded resident cards are now being issued. The Library encourages residents to bring in their "old style" library card to be updated. Any Wood River resident not currently holding a library card should come in and apply now. The Library offers much more than books these days - magazines, videos, audio cassettes, records, cameras, and smoke detectors are among the items waiting to be picked up at 326 E. Ferguson. A plain paper microfilm/fiche reader/printer makes viewing and copying old newspapers or census records a breeze.

State-of-the-art high technology is being used to speed patron reference services with the InfoTrac computer system which allows patrons to search several years of issues of more than 200 magazines for articles written on a specific topic. The computer tells you which magazines the library currently subscribes to, and listings for relevant articles displayed on the computer screen can be printed out for future reference. The system is always up to date since a new database with indexing is delivered monthly. Wood River Public Library is on the move! Check it out!



National Children's Book Week November 12-18, 1990

Watch for details for an after-school program for Grades 1-8 on November 14. The Library will also sponsor, in conjunction with Lewis & Clark Library System and Waldenbooks, a "Design a Bookmark" contest. Winners will be chosen from four age categories on the basis of creativity, originality, neatness and the ability of the design to be reproduced without losing the impact of the original design. First, second and third place prizes of \$15, \$10, and \$5 gift certificates to Waldenbooks will be awarded in each category. First Place winning bookmarks will be printed and distributed by Lewis & Clark Library System.



Campbell's Program Update

The Library wishes to thank everyone who contributed to the "Campbell's Labels for Education Program". There were 16,525 labels submitted with the library's order for nine juvenile video cassettes and one book. The Library Board and staff are particularly grateful to Girl Scout Cadet Troop 706 for their assistance in the program by clipping, counting and sorting THOUSANDS of labels. The Library is gearing up now for the 1990-91 Program. Stop by for a list of the labels you need to save.

Wood River Public Library Presents Its Fall Festival of Programs for Children

Grades 1-8 3:30 P.M.

Sept. 12: Back to School Program

Oct. 17: Halloween Fun at the Library

**Nov. 14: Program in Honor of National Children's
Book Week***

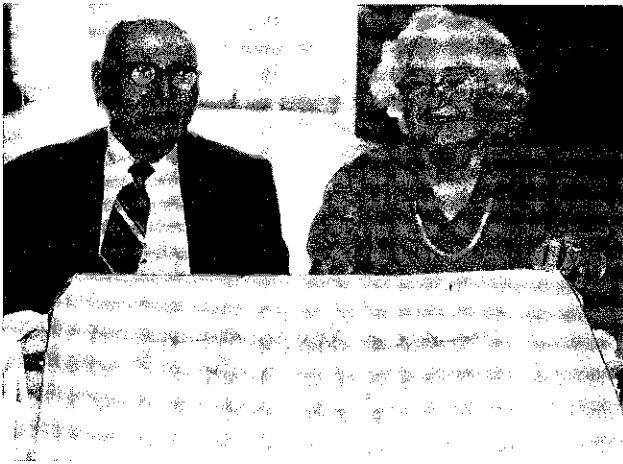
Pre-School Program 10:30 A.M.

Sept. 15: Fun in the Fall

Oct. 20: It's Halloween Time

Nov. 17: Getting Ready for Thanksgiving

Join us for all the "Good Happenings" at the Library this Fall. More information may be obtained by calling 254-4832.



Wood River's Centenarian

Richard Gerdes was honored August 9 by the Wood River Senior Citizens at the Roundhouse in celebration of his 100th birthday. Pictured with Mr. Gerdes is his wife, the former Ruby Rose, whom he married in 1988.

When asked what his plans are for his birthday on August 28, he replied, "I still have 5 or 6 more parties to attend, I'll be worn out".

Born and raised in Germany, Mr. Gerdes came to this area in 1905 at the age of 14. He worked as a farmer in Fosterburg until he was hired by Standard Oil Company in 1916. He retired from Standard in 1955 at the age of 65.

Mr. Gerdes is still active in the Shriner's Club, Senior Adult Program 55+, the Breakfast Club, and St. John's United Church of Christ.

He resides on First Street in Wood River, which has been his home since 1949

Tribute To Warren Stookey



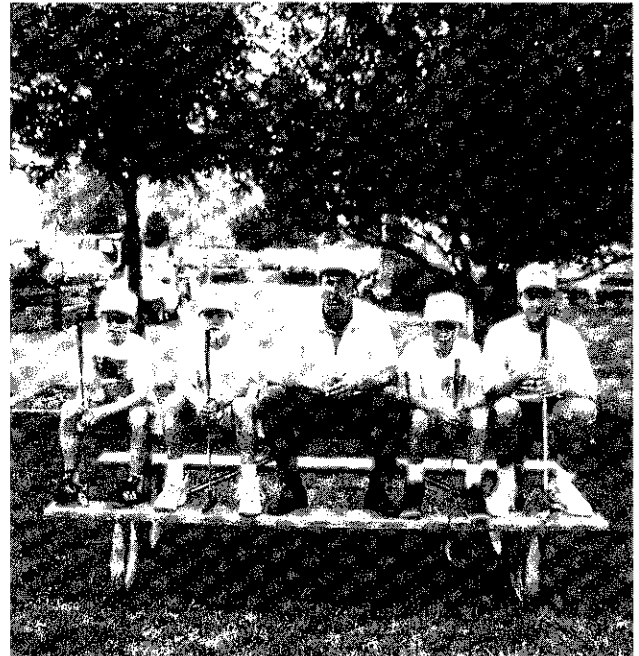
Pictured is Mrs. Catherine Stookey, accepting a plaque from Mayor Emerick and Plan Commission Chairman Dan Swarrington, in recognition of her husband's service to the City.

The City is saddened by the loss of a long-time community leader, Warren Stookey.

Warren, a 25-year member of the City's Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals, served as Committee Chairman for over 10 years. During several elections, he was instrumental in forming citizens' committees which were successful in retaining the managerial form of government.

In addition to his involvement with the City, Warren was very active with several community groups, including the Boy Scouts of America, Rotary Club, First United Methodist Church of East Alton, Sons of American Revolution and he also served as Assistant State Director of AARP.

Warren is truly missed by his associates. His heart-warming and unselfish ways have been an influence on all who knew him.



The 1990 Junior Golf Clinic at Belk Park was a huge success this summer with 51 participants taking advantage of lessons from Golf Pro Mark Marcuzzo. The youths ranging in age from 7 - 14 were taught the basics of golf each Thursday morning in July. Those pictured with Instructor Marcuzzo are Adam Byron, Jeff Teasley, Jared Eaton, and Ryan Duncan.

According to Marcuzzo "These youngsters represent the future golfers for Belk Park". Mark is excited about the program and expects an even larger group next summer.

Wood River Triathlon

The 5th Annual Triathlon, held at the Aquatic Center on August 11 was a big success with 125 participants. The overall winner in the men's division was Rick Barnes of Belleville and Sally Law was the overall winner in the women's division. The event consisted of a 450-meter swim, 12-mile bicycle course and a 4-mile run.

It is heartwarming to see over 85 dedicated volunteers from our community who come out to help make this event possible.

State Tournament Held In Wood River

The City of Wood River hosted the Co-ed State Slow-Pitch Tournament on August 10, 11, and 12 at the Emerick Sports Complex on Sixth Street.

Thirty three teams from all over the State competed in this three-day event. An area team, Four Flags from Edwardsville, came out on top with the first place trophy.

A special thanks to the many volunteers who helped the Recreation Department with this large event.

WOOD RIVER PARKS & RECREATION

254-5521

Roundhouse Recreation Center

Hours: Monday Thru Friday - 8 AM - 12 PM and 1 PM - 5 PM

Co-Ed Volleyball

Registration begins October 1st for our Adult Co-ed Volleyball Leagues. Each league consists of eight teams and plays twelve games. Games will be scheduled November thru February.

Trophies will be awarded to the first place team in each league. Entry fee is \$100 per team.

Tri-City Wrestling

Registration will be taken in November for boys age 8 to 14. We will offer two programs this year as follows:

Instructional Program \$15.00
Competitive Program \$20.00

Each program will begin in December and run thru February.

Tri-City Soccer

The Tri-City Soccer Program is being formed and will begin in September. We have been accepting registrations during the month of August.

Soccer is offered to boys and girls, ages 6 thru 13, at a fee of \$12.

Halloween Party

Be watching for information about our Fourth Annual Halloween Party, Monday, October 29, 7:00 to 8:00 PM.

Gymnastics

The first session of youth gymnastics will begin on Saturday, September 22 and run thru October 27th. Separate registration is taken for each six week session.

Preschool	9:00 - 9:30 AM	\$10
Beginners	9:30 - 10:30 AM	\$18
Adv. Beg.	10:30 - 12:00 PM	\$21
Intermed.	12:00 - 2:00 PM	\$26
Team	2:00 - 4:00 PM	\$26

All instructions will be on the balance beam, uneven-bars, and vault, as well as tumbling.

Basketball

We will be offering the Open Gym Night for adults, as well as Teenagers, again this Fall.

Call our office for more info on this program starting in November.

Aerobics

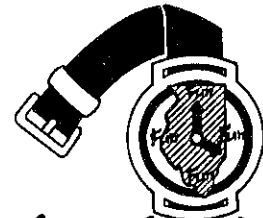
Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday

EVENINGS: 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

MORNINGS: 9:00 - 10:00 AM

SESSIONS STARTING SEPT. 17TH.



Take Time for Fun!



Falling Leaves

Leaf rakers in Wood River will have a choice of disposal methods this Fall, including City pick-ups, composting and burning. Although landfills can no longer accept yard wastes, several options for leaf disposal are available:

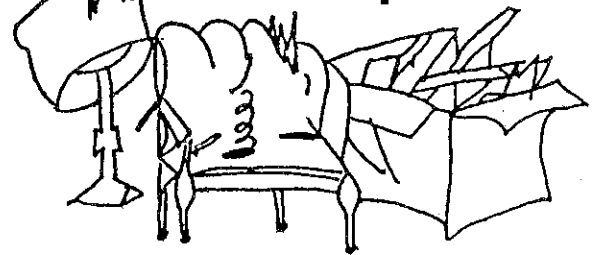
1. **BURN YOUR LEAVES** - Burning is permissible on your own property from mid-September to mid-May, during daylight hours only. Leaf burning must be done under supervision, with a garden hose close at hand. Burning in streets and alleys is prohibited.
2. **RAKE LEAVES TO CURB** - Leaves will be picked up by the City during the "leaf pickup schedule". Check the schedule below, and place your leaves at curbside on the scheduled day. The city will make every effort to follow this schedule, although weather conditions and heavy amounts of leaves may cause delays. Your patience in these circumstances is appreciated.
3. **MULCH YOUR LEAVES** - Many residents are mulching their leaves by mowing over them for composting. Pamphlets on methods of composting are available at City Hall.

City of Wood River Schedule for Leaf Pick Up Starting Monday, November 5 - 30 (Leaf Machine and Street Sweeper)

MONDAYS	The area West of Wood River Avenue including West of the railroad tracks.
TUESDAYS	The area between Wood River Avenue and Third Street including all of Wood River Avenue.
WEDNESDAYS	The area between Third Street and Sixth Street including all of Third Street, Eastwood Sub-division and Lincoln Addition.
THURSDAYS	The area between Sixth Street and Ninth Street including all of Sixth Street, Fox Acres, Metzger Street and Berry Road.
FRIDAYS	The entire area East of Ninth Street (including all of Ninth Street)

The leaves should be raked to the curb or street edge early in the morning scheduled for pick-up, and not be allowed to remain in the gutter line in case of rain as the leaves will plug the catch basins and cause flooding during a rain. It is further requested that grass not be dumped along the curb with the leaves as the leaf machine will not pick up grass.

FALL Clean-Up



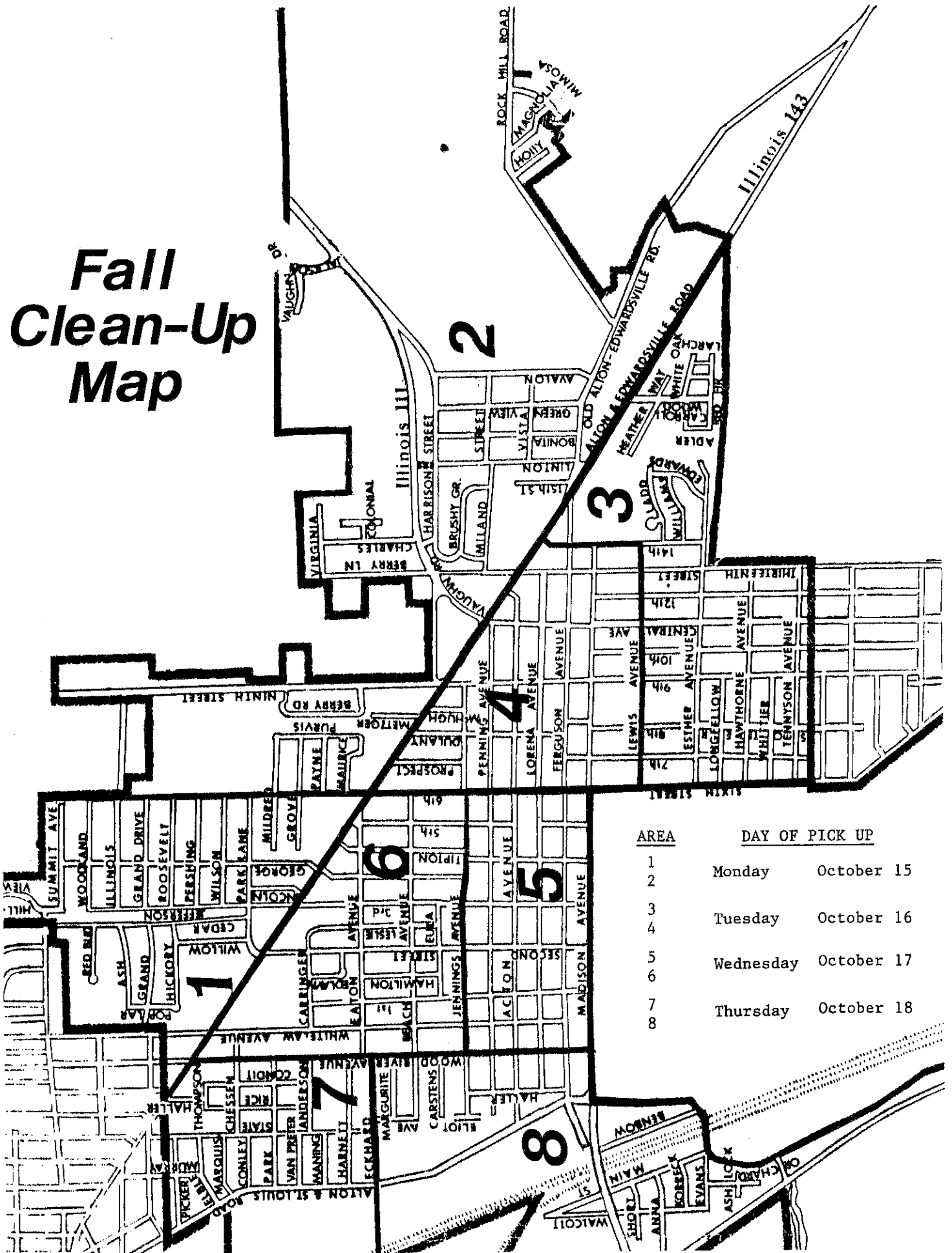
Since our Spring clean-up has been so widely used by residents, we are again offering a Fall clean-up.

A schedule is listed below of the day the truck will be in your area. It is necessary to place your items for pickup **IN THE FRONT** near curb. There will be no catch up days this Fall so be sure to get your items out before your pickup day.

Also, please remember, brush must be cut and tied in approximate 3' bundles and we cannot accept building materials such as bricks, rocks, blocks, or tires.

AREA	DAY OF PICK UP	
1	Monday	October 15
2		
3	Tuesday	October 16
4		
5	Wednesday	October 17
6		
7	Thursday	October 18
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Fall Clean-Up Map



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Prepare Your Home Survival Kit

An earthquake couldn't happen here. Or could it?

Recent news articles have discussed the possibility of an earthquake in our local area, which borders on the New Madrid Fault. One seismic expert has even predicted that a quake will occur on December 3 of this year.

Tornadoes, floods and droughts are not unusual in the Midwest, but these are fairly localized disasters, and can be dealt with through community mutual aid agreements.

The after-effects of an earthquake are so far-reaching that each community's emergency service people may be on their own for several days before outside assistance can arrive.

The New Madrid Fault may lie silent for another 100 years, or a seismic threat may be imminent. Either way, it's always beneficial to be prepared. And the best way citizens can help themselves during the critical 72 hours following such a disaster is with a do-it-yourself home survival kit.

Base your kit preparation on the concept of a three-day camping trip, where there may be no food, water, utilities or sanitation.

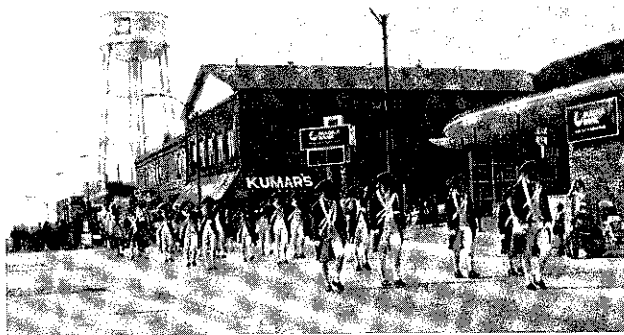
Your supplies should include:

1. A first aid kit, store-bought or homemade, containing a first aid manual, antiseptic, bandages, prescription drugs when needed, a pair of scissors, tweezers and related items.
2. Sanitation supplies, including several gallons of bottled water per person, soap, toilet paper, garbage bags, disinfectant, shaving gear, toothpaste, disposable diapers and other hygienic goods.
3. Tools and safety supplies, such as a battery-operated portable radio, a clock, dry clothing stored in plastic bags, blankets or sleeping bags for each family member, gloves, serviceable shoes, a flashlight with spare batteries, candles, matches, a shovel and some basic shop tools, including a screw driver, crescent wrench, pliers and electrical tape.
4. Food supplies should include canned goods, a manual can opener, an outdoor grill or camper stove, paper plates and towels, plastic utensils, plastic cups, pots and pans.

These emergency supplies should be stored in containers and kept in a cool, dry place near the entrance to your house. Five gallon plastic buckets with lids make sturdy, waterproof containers for supplies.

A home survival kit can be a lifesaver in the aftermath of a tornado, flood or severe winter storm. By subdividing the kit, it can serve as a winter survival pack when stored in the trunk of your car.

Further information on emergency preparedness is available at the Fire Department and City Hall.



Labor Day Parade

The City was proud to have the Annual Labor Day Parade in Wood River this year. On August 25, over 3,000 members from 40 union locals paraded through our City in celebration of Labor Appreciation Day.

Wood River resident A. J. "Bud" Whittaker was honored as "Parade Marshall". Mr. Whittaker retired from Operating Engineers Local 525 after 32 years at Shell Oil Company.



City "Hall of Fame"

In this issue, we recognize Hall-of-Famer Jan Sneed, the "Mighty Mouse" of City Hall.

Tiny, but efficient, Jan celebrates her 10th year in the City Manager's Office, where she serves as Deputy City Clerk and secretary. In addition to her regular duties, Jan acts as receptionist, does clerical work for the Building & Zoning Department, the Mayor, City Council and City Clerk and in her spare time, she assists other department heads; hence her title "Mighty Mouse".

Jan and her husband, Charlie, have two daughters, Sonya and Natalie. The couple spend most of their summer evenings at the ballpark where they coach the girl's soccer and softball teams. Jan is also an active member of co-ed softball and volleyball teams.

Born and reared in Wood River, she is a graduate of East Alton-Wood River Community High School.

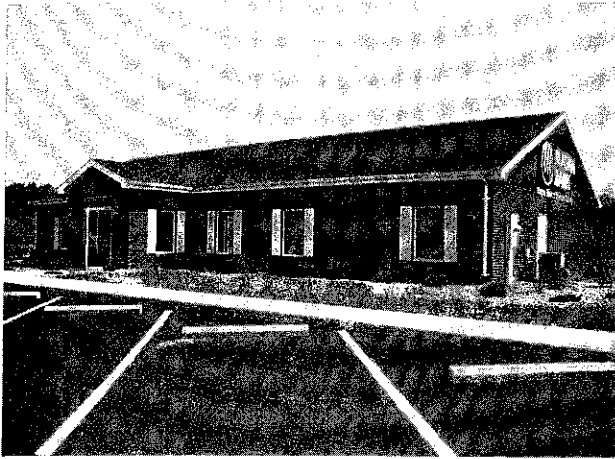
Congratulations to Jan on her 10th Anniversary with the City.

Coming Community Events

1. **POLICE AUCTION**
Saturday, September 29, 9:00 AM on City Hall parking lot. Property items recovered by the Police Department will be sold, including bicycles (lots of them), scooter, stereo, calculator, a VCR/UCR LEADS terminal, and many more items.
2. **9TH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE** - The Wood River Halloween Parade will be held Saturday, October 27 at 10:30 AM, hosted by the Fire Department. Prizes will be awarded for best costume, best float and band competition. Anyone wishing to participate in the parade can pick up a registration form at the City Hall or Fire Department.
3. **4TH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY FOR CHILDREN**
Monday, October 29, 7:00-8:00 PM at the Round House. The City will provide games, entertainment, a movie, goodies to eat and drink, plus a costume contest. All Wood River children up to 12 years of age are invited at no cost. Call 254-5521 for further details.
4. **FINAL DAY FOR VOTER REGISTRATION** - Tuesday, October 9 is the last day to register for the November 6th election. A registrar will be at the Wood River Schnucks Store on October 5, from Noon until 7 PM and at Wood River Wal-Mart and Wood River K-Mart on October 6 from Noon until 6 PM. You may also register in the City Clerk's Office and at the Wood River Public Library.
5. **GENERAL ELECTION FOR FEDERAL, STATE AND COUNTY OFFICES** - Tuesday, November 6 is Election Day. Polls are open from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

New Businesses In Town

Four new businesses, a banking facility, an automobile dealership, a used-car dealer, and a computer store have recently opened in Wood River. We are always pleased to welcome newcomers to our community.



For fast service without standing in line, visit the new Magna Bank of Madison County, on Wesley Drive just east of Wal-Mart. Bank Manager Terry Schenk and his staff invite you to drop by and see for yourself.

This new full-service facility is open Monday through Friday from 9 AM - 6 PM, and Saturday, 9 AM until Noon, both inside and at the drive-up.

Presentation



Mayor Leroy Emerick accepts two State Flags donated by the American Legion Post 204 in Wood River. President Ralph Logan presented the flags to the City during the City Council meeting on August 20.



Wood River Ford, the City's newest car dealer, held its grand opening on August 16, 17 and 18.

The dealership, formerly Hutton Ford, has been extensively remodeled by its owners, Henry Peyton and Willie Forte, and offers customers a full line of new and used cars and trucks, as well as automotive maintenance.

Whether you're in the market for a new car, or just window-shopping, you're always welcome at Wood River Ford.



Metro Area Motors, a used car dealership has recently opened at 1005 Edwardsville Road (formerly the Counton Oil building). Owners of this new business are brothers, Bryan, Jeff and Robert Grieve.



A newcomer to the downtown area is PLATO COMPUTERS, located at 61 E. Ferguson. Store owners Scott and Katherine Smith invite you to stop by and see their complete line of IBM compatible products and Commodore-Amigos. Networking is their specialty.

Introducing...



Steven K. Moore

Our newest firefighter, Steven K. Moore, became a full-time firefighter on July 9.

Steve, a 15-year resident of the City, has served as a Paid-on-Call Firefighter since 1986, and is a part-time paramedic at Wood River Township Hospital. He and his wife, Chris, have an eight-year-old daughter, Michelle.

A car buff, Steve has recently restored two Mustangs. His other leisure activities include bowling and softball.

We welcome Steve to our Fire Department.

Council Corner

Many times over the last twenty years, I've thought of how poorly we, as a nation, treated the returning veterans of the Vietnam conflict. What they endured and gave up for us was very courageous and commendable. They deserved a heroes welcome, our sincere thanks, and a public display of appreciation. Here in Wood River there are very few reminders of the sons, brothers, husbands, who risked, and in some cases, lost their lives to protect our interests. What a shame!

Today, once again, our young men and women are on the front lines serving our Country. Once again, they are enduring hardships on our behalf. Once again, they are risking their lives to protect the future welfare of each of us in this United States. I, for one, am very proud of these heroes and, like you, want to do something very special as they return.

Let's not ignore these veterans as we have in the past. I'm looking for ideas for an appropriate way for the City to honor these soldiers. Please give me a call or mail me your ideas. Also, please let me know of any of our young men or women serving in the middle East.

Dan Robien

Send ideas to:

Councilman Dan Robien
c/o Wood River City Hall
259-0365

Notes From City Inspector

Winter is on its way and many of you will be stacking your supply of firewood. We would like to remind you that City ordinance requires firewood to be stacked 8 inches off the ground. This keeps your firewood free from pests such as termites and rodents

The Pipeline is published by the City of Wood River to keep its residents informed. Articles are supplied by the staff, edited by Jean Bruce and Jan Sneed. Photos by Evan Nelson.

New City Telephone Numbers

City Hall	251-3100	City Garage	251-3120
Water Billing/Payment	251-3131	Public Services	251-3122
Parks & Recreation	251-3130	Utility Office	251-3133
Belk Park Golf Course	251-3115	Policy/Nonemergency	251-3113

Emergency Telephone Numbers

To report a Fire	254-4301
To call the Police	254-4303
Water/Sewer break (before 5:00 PM)	251-3133
Water/Sewer break (after 5:00 PM)	254-4303
Barricades for street flooding	254-4303