

POLICE CHIEF RAY CLASSEN RETIRES - RANDY JORDAN APPOINTED NEW CHIEF



Chief Ray Classen hung up his badge on September 30th after more than 30 years of service to North Newton.

Randy Jordan stepped in the following day as our new Chief. Randy graduated Cum Laude from McPherson College. He and his wife Jackie have lived in North Newton for 22 years. He has been a police officer for the City of Newton for the same period of time. The last eight years of his employment has been as School Resource Officer with the Newton school system. "We are excited that Randy has accepted the position" says Mayor Ron Braun. "We think he has the skills, temperament and personality that will serve the community well."



TREE COUPONS AVAILABLE

A limited number of tree coupons will be available between October 1 and November 30 at City Hall to North Newton residents on a first come, first served basis. The coupons are good for one-half the purchase price of a tree or shrub up to a \$75 maximum.

A list of eligible species will be provided. Trees must be planted where visible from the street. Participating nurseries are Esch Landscaping, Harvest Greenhouse, Stone Creek Nursery, Prairie Fire Farm, and Sha-Na-Kee Tree Farm. Limit one coupon per household.



CHANGES IN THE AIR FOR 2013 FALL FESTIVAL AT BETHEL COLLEGE

Those familiar with Fall Festival will find some differences in the 43rd annual event, October 3-6.



- Fall Festival buttons have been discontinued. The Bethel College Women's Association and Alumni Association food offerings have been scaled back.
- BCWA will sell borscht and zwieback at a booth near Thresher Gym but there will be no German meal inside. The Alumni Association's Food Tent will be replaced by a Burger Booth next to their popular verenike booth.
- The Children's Park has been relocated to the grassy area behind the Administration Building.
- The Newton Community Children's Choir will sing in the Entertainment Tent on the Green at 11:10 a.m. Saturday. This immediately follows the auction of a wheat marquetry of the Ad Building, created by Marie and Martha Voth, with Wade Brubacher as auctioneer.
- Other special aspects of Fall Festival 2013 include: BCWA's launch of the limerick collection *A BC ABC Book: Bethel College in Art and Rhyme*, Friday, 5-7 p.m. in Mojo's; dedication of the Betty Zehr Memorial Garden at the south end of the Green, Saturday at 9 a.m.; the Southwest Dairy Association's mobile milking demonstration, held several times Saturday near Thresher Gym; Levi Goossen's presentation on "A History of the Bethel Bell," 11:30 a.m. Saturday in Kauffman Museum; and a celebration of 40 years of volleyball at Bethel throughout the afternoon Saturday.
- Residents should expect increased traffic and cars parking in front of houses October 5. Police will facilitate traffic flow during the day and at the Bethel vs. University of Saint Mary football game in the evening.
- For a complete schedule, see www.bethelks.edu/fallfest or call 284-5251 for more information.



FALL CLEAN UP WEEK

Fall Clean Up Week will be November 4 through 8. North Newton will provide free curbside collection of **tree limbs and yard waste only**. Different types of materials are picked up each round and it takes several days to complete the project.

- ❶ Bagged leaves, grass, and yard waste will be picked up, as well as manageable sized limbs.



- ❷ Thorny bushes and small limbs can be placed with larger piles of brush and limbs.
- ❸ Place limbs parallel to the street for easier grappling.
- ❹ Keep piles away from utilities and meter pits.
- ❺ Do not mix any trash or recyclables in the bags and keep away from recyclables and household trash to avoid confusion.



Please do not sweep grass clippings or leaves into the street gutter. Besides being unsightly, this clogs our storm drains!

AN UNPRECEDENTED FLOODING EVENT IN NORTH NEWTON

In 2010, a floodplain map was approved for North Newton. No structure was included in the 100 year floodplain. On July 29 over six inches of rain fell in the Kidron Creek watershed in a short period of time. As a result, a least eight homes and five Bethel College buildings received significant flood damage. City staff is working with KDOT to clean culverts and improve drainage along Main Street. We are also working with affected property owners to develop a plan to remove debris from the banks of Kidron Creek.



WATER PROJECT MOVES FORWARD – SEWER PROJECT UNDER CONSIDERATION

The City expects that our water project will be under contract next spring with construction to be completed before the end of 2014. The project includes three new wells, eight miles of pipeline and a water tower.

The City Council has received a report from our consulting engineers about the feasibility of developing our own sewage treatment facility. The report indicates that North Newton can build and operate its own treatment facility for one-third to one-half the cost of continuing with Newton over the next 20 years. Further investigation is underway.



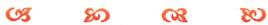
NORTH NEWTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION CONTINUES STEADY GROWTH

During the July-September period the asset base of the NNCF grew from about \$35,780 to about \$40,000 and one new endowed fund was added – the Jim and Shirley Goering Community Development Fund. Dr. Gerald Greene is expected to join the NNCF Board in October. Dr. Greene and his wife, Phyllis, moved from Garden City in 2008 where he was a leader in community foundation work. In matching recent private donations, the \$5,000 dollar-for-dollar matching grant for 2013 from the City of North Newton has been fully expended. In the near future, the NNCF will issue public invitations to area organizations to apply for 2013 payouts from the NNCF.



RECYCLING REMINDERS

- ◆ Please consolidate plastic shopping bags (receipts removed) into one bag before placing in with the Metals and Plastics bag.
- ◆ Metal paint cans are acceptable with Metals and Plastics as long as the paint has dried.
- ◆ Plastic and metal lids may be included in the bag, but remove lids from all containers.
- ◆ Flatten bulky plastic containers.
- ◆ Remove plastic liners from cereal boxes before including in the low quality paper stack of your Papers bag. Flatten cereal boxes and other paperboard boxes completely by “popping” the glued bottoms apart. Don’t include paperboard boxes with corrugated cardboard.
- ◆ Use a green bag to package your paper if a blue bag is unavailable.

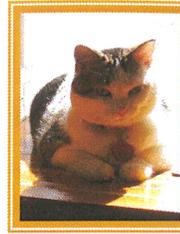


YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Daniel & Angie Krebs – 2904 Sumac Street
 David Gaeddert – 2510 Rosewood Avenue
 Craig & Cecilia Sutton – 2302 Rosewood Avenue
 Russ & Kara Haug – 312 Witmarsum West
 Joel Linscheid – 2027 N. Main
 Ron & Patrice Flaming – relocated to 307 Bluestem
 Nathan Bartel – 219 E. 24th Street
 Kacie McGee & Kelly McGee – 111 W. 23rd Street
 Gene & Miriam Pankratz – 317 Bluestem
 Joe & Kelli Forest – 4 Regal Crescent

NOTICE TO PET OWNERS

Dog and cat owners-- 2014 City pet tags will be available after December 1 with the deadline being March 1, 2014 to tag without penalty. **All dogs and cats must be licensed every calendar year with the City and proof shown that their rabies vaccination is up to date at that time.** If your pet’s two or three-year vaccination hasn’t expired when you get your 2014 city tag, you do not need to re-vaccinate for rabies.



City pet tags assist staff in locating the owner of a pet that has been picked up. When owners cannot be located, animals are taken to Caring Hands Humane Society. Animals that are not claimed by their owner may be adopted out or euthanized.

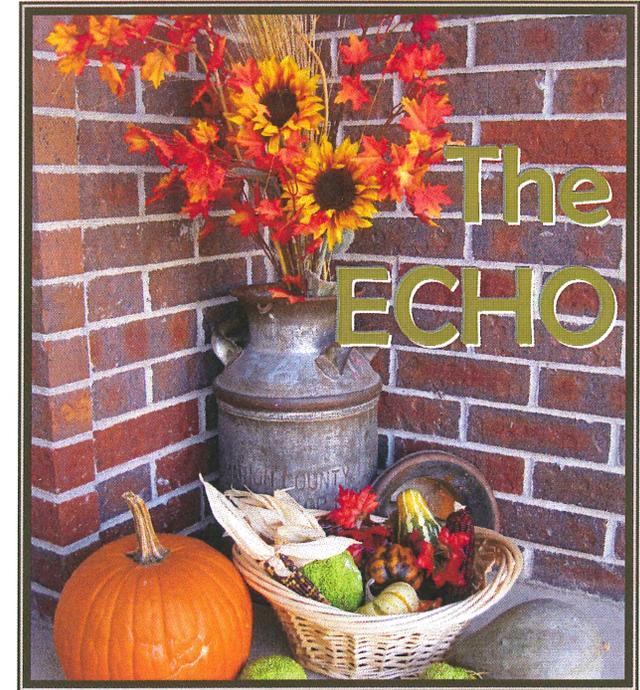


THIS AND THAT

- ⌘ The City Council adopted the **2014 budget** at their August 12 meeting. The mill levy will be at 32.83, an increase of .43 of a mill.
- ⌘ The next three regular **City Council meetings** are October 14 (7:30 P.M.), November 11, and December 9 at 7:00 P.M. All citizens are welcome to attend.
- ⌘ To **report street lights** out in your neighborhood, go to www.westarenergy.com, click on *Outages & Safety* at the top, then click on *Report Street Light Out*, scroll down to and click the text bar *Report Street Light Problem*. On the reporting screen scroll down the list of cities and click on *Newton*, then type in the specific information requested before submitting.
- ⌘ Remember, **residential sewer consumption** is based annually on the average water consumption between November 15 and February 14. The more water used during that period can affect your new sewer consumption and charge starting on your April 2014 billing. **If you suspect a water leak or plumbing problem, you are urged to take care of the problem to avoid billing surprises down the road.**



⌘ **Daylight Savings Time** ends November 3! Don’t forget to turn your clocks back one hour the night before.



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8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. – Thurs.
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