

# The Village Voice of Grantwood



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## BULKY WASTE - OCTOBER 17

The semi-annual pickup of Bulky Waste is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 17th**. Anything that can be picked up by two men may be placed at the curb by Monday night, the 15th of October.

The Kidney Foundation will come through the Village on Tuesday, the 16th to take anything that will benefit their organization. Please place a hand-written sign that states: "**For Kidney Foundation**".

## ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 6

Tuesday, November 6th is election day. The polls will be open at the Village Hall from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Please exercise your right to vote and **remember** to vote!



## TAX RATES APPROVED

The 2012 tax rates were approved by the Trustees unanimously at the September 25, 2012 special meeting of the Board of Trustees. The rates per \$100 of assessed value are:

**Residential Real Estate: 0.2300**  
**Commercial Real Estate: 0.1640**  
**Agricultural: 0.4920**  
**Personal Property: 0.2610**

These rates are the same as 2011 except for Commercial which increased from 0.1560 last year.

## OPEN BURNING PROHIBITED

Please remember that open burning of any trash or yard waste is strictly prohibited by St. Louis County and Grantview ordinances.

## NEW DIRECTORY THIS YEAR

Every other year, we update and publish a new "Resident Directory" and the new version will come to you with the Winter newsletter in December.

Included in this newsletter is a postage-paid reply card that has your information as we have it in our files. Please check the card for accuracy and add your phone number to the card. If you do not want your phone number listed, just check the box. It is really important that we have a way to contact our residents by phone.

The card also asks for your email address. We accept multiple addresses. If you share those addresses with us, you can be assured that they will not be used for any reason other than Grantwood Village communications from your Trustees. Please return the card to us no later than **October 26th** even if you do not make any changes.

## VEHICLE LISTING CARD

The other card to be returned to the Village Clerk is the listing of the vehicles garaged at your home. The annual auto sticker fee is included in your Personal Property bill in December. Remember that the card list is to include all motorized vehicles, owned or leased. Use the back of the card if you have more than four vehicles.

## AUTO DECALS

Remember that your auto decals do not change each year. The \$5.00 charge appears on your annual personal property tax bill. But, if you have changed vehicles, you need a new decal at no charge. The form is on our

Website or call the Village Hall at 314-842-4409 and give us the new car information. Remember that leased and company-owned vehicles must also have a decal.

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Grantwood Village Preservation Society in conjunction with the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site is hosting a 75th Anniversary party for Grantwood Village. All are invited to attend and share in our city's history.

To commemorate the 75th anniversary, a special hardback book is being released to capture the history of Grantwood Village from pre-settlement to today. The event will be held on **Saturday, November 3rd** at the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site (aka White Haven) at 1pm. There will be speakers, displays, book signing and a chance to mingle with neighbors (past and present). Please RSVP at the following website:

**[www.grantwoodsociety.org](http://www.grantwoodsociety.org)**  
or call Kevin Bley (314.438.7127) or Katy Forand (314.843-0756). The event will be casual and at no-cost to residents. The Grantwood book will be available for purchase. Continue to check the above mentioned website for more information.

## LEAF TIME APPROACHING!

Those beautiful trees in your yard are about to shed their leaves. Each year we remind residents that those leaves must be kept out of the streets, sewers and islands. Do not wait until they blow in your neighbor's yard. Please keep raking during this leaf season.

## GRANT'S FARM HALLOWEEN

This year's schedule as follows:

October 5 & 6

October 11, 12 & 13

October 18, 19 & 20

October 25, 26 & 27

Hours 6-10PM each day,  
no admittance after 9:00 PM.

Parking: \$20 per car; \$50 per bus

Walk-ins: \$5 per person

Minors to be accompanied by an adult.

No drop-offs.

## BUILDING PERMITS

If you build a fence, rent a dumpster, build a wall or remodel your home, you will need a Grantwood Village Building Permit. You may also need a County building permit which can only be issued after the Grantwood permit. Also consult the Village Code as shown on the Website.

Before you start, call Bob Bess at 842-4409 - #1 for assistance.

## HAVING A PARTY?

If you are expecting to have 10 or more cars coming to your home for a special gathering, please call the Village Hall and request that "No Parking" signs be placed on one side of the street in order to reduce the chance of blocking the street to emergency vehicles. Parking on both sides of the street may result in tickets being issued to your guest's cars.

The Village officer will take care of the installation and removal of the signs. *Call the Village Hall as soon as you set a date for your party!*

## PEDDLER/SOLICITOR PERMITS

The Village requires that anyone who comes to your door to sell something must have a photo ID permit issued by Grantwood. This rule does not apply to religious organization representatives nor does it apply to canvassers for a political party or candidate. Please ask anyone who comes to your door for a permit or some form of identification. If they do not present such ID, then call the Affton 3rd police precinct at:

**314-889-2341**

## GARAGE/YARD/ESTATE SALE

No Garage, Yard or Estate sale is allowed unless a resident has notified the Village and completed an application request for such a sale. Although there is no fee to be paid, there are specific regulations to be followed in order to maintain safety and to make sure that streets are not blocked. Please complete the form as shown on the Website or call the Hall at 314-842-4409.

## VACATION HOME CHECKS

If you are leaving for a vacation, remember to contact our Police Officer or the Affton 3rd Precinct and give them the information so that additional checks will be made to your residence while you are away. Be sure to leave some lights on timers while you are away. Call the Village at 314-842-4409 or the 3rd Precinct at 314-615-4266.

## KEEP TOTES BEHIND THE LINE

All trash cans must be kept behind your building line until Sunday night and returned to the rear by Monday night. This is part of the County and Grantwood Ordinances and we ask all residents to comply with this rule. This is one of those things that make Grantwood's beauty so unique.

## MEETING ROOM AVAILABLE

The lower level room of the Village Hall is available for rental to our residents at a small charge. There is no refrigeration available and the upstairs is not available to be rented. The tables and chairs may not be removed from the building.

To reserve a date, go to our Website or contact the Village Hall at 314-842-4409 for the application.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

The Board of Trustees meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall, One Missionary Ridge. Agendas are posted at the Hall and on our Website.

Villagers are encouraged to attend and we appreciate your comments and concerns.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Genny Webelmuth is our Neighborhood Watch Coordinator and oversees 16 Block Captains in the Village. If you have any questions about the Watch program, call her at 314-842-3530.

She also asks that you welcome our newer neighbors who have moved in during the past months. They are:

**John & Lisa Sennott** at  
8876 Rock Forest

**Ron & Emily Hobbs** at  
8901 Granbury Circle

**Brian & Kacey Schaeffer** at  
8851 Rock Forest

**Matt & Molly Meyers** at  
13 Zinzer Ct.

**Mike & Brenda Johnson** at  
6 Zinzer Ct.

**Mark Schweighoeffer & Barb Miller**  
at 7344 Whitehaven

Call Genny with any concerns about neighborhood safety.

## MISSOURI SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

As required by State law, this will notify you of the State Sex Offender Registry. The website is:

**[www.mshp.dps.mo.gov](http://www.mshp.dps.mo.gov)**

Under "Programs/Services", click on the "Sex Offender Registry".

If you determine that an offender resides near your home, caution children to: **1)** Stay away from the house. **2)** Tell them to have no contact with anyone in the house. **3)** If any contact is made by such individual, contact St. Louis County Police or the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

*Always remain vigilant and aware of your surroundings!*

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## YOUR TRUSTEES

**Mark Kienstra, Chairman**

**Bob Bess, Buildings**

**Kevin Kelso, Treasurer**

**Will Larson, Village Clerk**

**Walter Rust, Public Works**