

Mark Cross... the Mayor's Desk in Troy

I would like to start by commending the Troy Police Department's Detective Bureau for their excellent work in capturing the person suspected in the Community State Bank robbery. Good police work combined with the cooperation of the Ballwin, Mo., and Caseyville, Ill., police departments resulted in the arrest.

Congratulations to Tonya Hawkins, Troy's administrative assistant and purchasing agent, and her husband Jeffery on the birth of their second child, a son named Jadin. Everyone is doing well and we wish them continued good health.

In the Public Works Dept. work has been completed on the entrance to Bluffview Subdivision and Chelle Ct. in the Huntington Subdivision. Work continues on Eames and Wilhoit Streets. We will be going out for bids on the next round of street repairs, which is set to begin in the fiscal year 2012-2013.

We had to do some major repairs to three of the six wells that supply the city with water. The repairs cost in the neighborhood of \$90,000 total. During the last month we pumped 45,215,000 gallons of water compared to 34,34,000 gallons during the same period last year. I know that it has been very dry. My yard is as brown as everyone else's, but that much volume puts a terrible strain on the system, which is what caused the wells to break down. Please try to reduce your water usage. If everyone could cut back just a little, that would help be a big help on our wells.

Sales tax receipts continue to be strong. The deposit for

Grand openings in HP on Saturday

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She said, "We opened earlier than we had planned because people were knocking on the door and asking us when we were going to be open. Whenever an employee would be outside the store, someone would stop by and ask if we were opened yet. We finally opened the doors on June 19th at 2 pm. We were not sure that we had gotten all the glitches out of the systems, but once we opened the doors we didn't have a single problem."



Already Stark has had to double Prairie Farms orders and freezer items. "We are selling a lot of food - more than we thought we would. We want to see what our customers need and we will be responding to that. We don't want to run out of items but you always have an adjustment because every store and community has different needs. Please be patient as we adjust our shipments and stock so that we have what you want."

Stark is planning the Dollar General ribbon cutting at 9 am, followed by kids' activities starting at 9:30-9:45, including a visit from Sponge Bob, face painting, gift bags galore and lots of door prizes. Children can enter a raffle to win a new bike.

June was up 22.85 percent versus last year which, as we end the fiscal year puts the city at plus 6.4 percent total.

Total receipts for the fiscal year were \$2,185,482 versus \$2,053,944 for last year. I continue to be encouraged by these numbers going forward.



Mayor of Troy Mark Cross

The city received a grant to do the work for an application to put our downtown area on the National Register of Historic Places. Ruth Keenoy of Landmarks Assoc. of St. Louis will be filling out the application. Ms. Keenoy stated that she does not foresee a problem with the City of Troy Historic District qualifying for placement.

The city is finalizing contracts and plans with MoDOT for moving our utilities so that construction can begin on the long-awaited South Lincoln Drive overpass. The construction is set to begin sometime in late August or September.

During these hot days, make sure to find a cool spot (may I suggest the aquatic center?), drink lots of water and check on your neighbors, especially if they are seniors. I will talk to you again next month.

May Hawk Point Police Report

911 Hang up call: 1	Peace disturbance: 4
Animal at large summons: 1	Public relation: 1
Assault 3rd arrest: 1	Summons ordinance violation: 1
Assisted citizen: 4	Summons traffic: 39
Assisted other agency: 4	Suspicious vehicle: 1
Business check: 74	Traffic patrol: 3
Check the well being: 1	Traffic warning: 10
Community patrol: 22	
Directed patrol: 67	May calls for service: 275
Extra patrol: 2	Total summons issued: 43
Harassment: 1	For comparison:
Indecent exposure arrest: 1	April calls for service: 217
Motor vehicle accident: 1	April summons issued: 33
Ordinance follow up: 24	March calls for service: 221
Ordinance violation: 12	March summons issued: 53



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