

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

In the last month the Troy Police Department has made two significant arrests: a suspect was arrested in connection with the Retro – Active robbery and three juveniles were arrested for the burglary and property damage at the Lincoln County R-III school bus yard.

In addition, the police interrupted an attempted burglary at the Victory Lane station on South Main St., arresting three suspects and interrupted an attempted burglary of the Retro-Active store making an arrest of one individual. Unfortunately, the perpetrator in the attempted robberies at Radio Shack and KFC is still at large.

In the Public Works Dept., we are continuing to inspect and repair leaks in the sewer system in an effort to minimize any unnecessary water from getting into the sewer system and overtaxing the treatment plants. In the last month we have discovered leaks that account for as much as 5 percent of the total capacity of the old plant. Eliminating those leaks will reduce the chances of the EPA or MoDNR from issuing a notice of violation after a major rain event. We will soon have our camera truck back in service, which will help not only in detecting breaks but also repairing breaks in the sewer system.

The City of Troy contracted with H.R. Green Engineering to conduct a study of the city's water system. The study is funded by a grant from MoDNR and will help us prioritize improvements that need to be made to the water system as well as potential locations for future wells and storage facilities that may be needed. The study should lay out a 20-year plan.

The City of Troy has also contracted with Horner and Shifrin Engineering to design a lift station that will allow us to divert excess capacity from the old sewer plant to the new sewer plant with available capacity.

Sales tax figures through February 2012 are \$1,377,505 which

is down approximately 1 percent versus a year ago. The ½ cent transportation tax has raised \$668,327 or minus 1.2 percent versus last year.

The Aquatic Center is moving forward. As you read this, they should be putting up the walls for the bath house. Much of the piping is done and the city has met with Midwest Pool Management to set up what type of programs will be offered once the facility gets open, i.e. swimming lessons, water aerobics etc. With our mild weather this winter, we should be on target meeting our goal of opening Memorial Day weekend. Lots of local people have applied for jobs and you can too if you go to the city's website, follow the link and fill out an application.

Finally, the city is getting ready to go out for bid on the concrete street project. If all goes according to plan, we should be able to start work on those streets in early April. I will keep you posted.

Have a great day and I will talk to you next month.



Mayor of Troy Mark Cross

Congratulations to **Bob Dunard**, manager of Farmers Elevator in Hawk Point, on his upcoming induction into the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame.

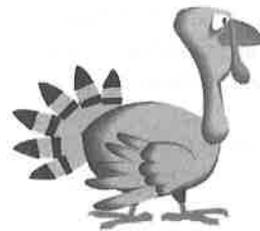


January Hawk Point Police Report



Alarm: 1
Assisted citizen: 1
Assisted motorist: 1
Assisted other agency: 1
Business check: 77
Civil stand by: 1
Community patrol: 2
Derelict vehicle: 1
Directed patrol: 19
Domestic physical assault arrest: 1
Domestic verbal assault: 1
Stealing: 1
Summons traffic: 29
Suspicious circumstance: 2
Suspicious vehicle: 1
Traffic control: 1
Traffic warning: 9

January calls for service: 149
Total summons issued: 29
For comparison:
December calls for service: 182
December summons issued: 27
November calls for service: 149
November summons issued: 19
October calls for service: 259
October summons issued: 45
Sept. calls for service: 221
Sept. summons issued: 53
Aug. calls for service: 258
Aug. summons issued: 56
July calls for service: 294
July summons issued: 34



Don't forget...

Throughout March, the bridge over Turkey Creek on Hwy D, west of Hawk Point, is closed for repairs. Go to www.modot.gov for more info.

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