



# CITIZENS' NEWSLETTER

Keeping Our Citizens Better Informed

## CITY OFFICES CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

All City Offices (with the exception of the Police and Ambulance Departments) will be closed on Monday, September 4th, in observation of Labor Day.

## LABOR DAY TRASH SERVICE



The trash service company, Heartland Waste, will observe a holiday on Monday, September 4, and will **not pick up trash that day. For the rest of that week, trash service will be delayed one day.** Please remember to set out your trash one day later. The recycling pick-up day will also be one day late this week. Thank you.

## CITY WEBSITE HAS BENEFICIAL INFORMATION

Please check out the information available on the City website at [www.cityofodessamo.com](http://www.cityofodessamo.com). It is a line of communication to keep citizens informed about what is going on in your hometown. Warnings, upcoming meetings, approved minutes, job openings, applications, ordinances, upcoming events and so much more are posted there.



## LAST MONTH OF ODESSA FARMER'S MARKET THURSDAYS



Every Thursday in September from 3:45-7:15 pm, local and regional vendors will bring fresh produce, honey, flowers, eggs, handmade soaps, baked goods and craft items for sale, located at the corner of Main & Railroad Street. Hope to see you there.

## CITY DOG TAGS ARE REQUIRED

Just a reminder that City dog tags are due October 1st. Please bring in a copy of your dog's current rabies vaccination certificate to renew your tag.



## UTILITY BILL REMINDER

Utility meters are read around the 15th of every month and the bills are mailed on the last business day of the month. If you need assistance with your electric bill, there are places you can call, but you need to call them when you first get the bill. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE BILL IS DUE TO ASK FOR HELP!** Your utilities will be shut off if your bill is not paid by the disconnect day. You can call the Odessa Community Service Center at (816) 230-7558 or Missouri Valley Human Resources at (660) 584-3131, and they may be able to help you.

## MAKING OUR HOMES MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT

We all should try to do what we can to make our homes more energy efficient. Fall is a good time to take a look at our homes and see how we can conserve energy. One of the quickest dollar saving tasks we can do is caulk, seal, and weather strip all seams, cracks, and openings to the outside. You WILL save money by reducing air leaks to your home. Lowering the thermostat on your water heater to 115 degrees will also save you money. Wash only full loads of clothes and dishes. Use cold water to wash your clothes. These are just a few ideas to help.





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## SEVERE WEATHER INFORMATION



The Community of Christ Church located at 515 S First Street is the City Storm Shelter and will be open for severe weather.

## PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY

School is now back in session. Please watch out for children walking on or near the streets, riding their bikes, or catching the bus on their way to and from school. Kids don't always pay attention to traffic on the streets. So, please remain alert and drive safely through our town.



## LAFAYETTE COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE



Don't forget that Wednesday, September 6, 2017, is the drop-off day for hazardous waste for the City of Odessa. You must make an appointment to be able to drop the waste off. The drop-off location is 400 N Fourth Street. The number to call to schedule an appointment is 660- 463-7934. The final day for 2017 will be October 4. This is a service provided by Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission. Dropping off hazardous waste without an appointment will result in a citation.

## RESTRICTIONS ON OUTDOOR BURNING

The City of Odessa does allow outdoor burning, but there are laws to follow:

Outdoor burning is **NOT** allowed on any street, alley, other thoroughfare, or public place.  
Outdoor burning is only allowed on private property.



Outdoor burning is **NOT** allowed between sunset and sunrise.  
Outdoor burning is only allowed during daylight hours.

Only materials organic in nature, that have not been chemically treated, are permitted to be burned in the City limits. You must obtain permission for a controlled burn from the Fire Department prior to burning. Burning will **NOT** be allowed during a burn ban.

## IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A PET PLEASE OPT TO ADOPT



The Odessa Animal Clinic often has wonderful animals available for adoption. Rescued pets can make the best companions. Some people even say that an animal knows when it has been given a second chance. It is always a good idea to take your new dog to an obedience class, so you can learn how to teach them good behavior. Please have all your pets spayed or neutered. There are already too many animals in our area that do not have homes. Adoption fees at the clinic include the spay/neuter procedure and a rabies vaccination.

The hours of the Odessa Animal Clinic are:

Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 6:00 pm ~ Saturday 7:30 am to 4:30 pm

For more information about available pets, call (816) 230-8484