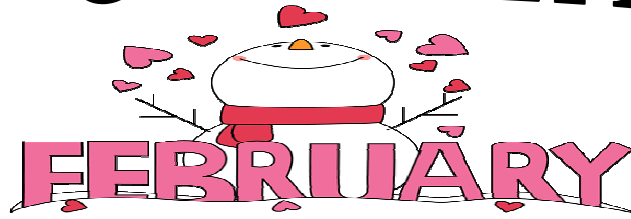


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**MESSAGE FOR ALL WATER CUSTOMERS:** As most of you know, the City of Calhoun purchases its water from Henry County Public Water Supply District #3, who now purchases their water from the Henry County Water Company. Henry County Water Company utilizes “chloramines” for disinfection of the drinking water. HCWC will be temporarily converting the water treatment disinfection process from chloramines to free chlorine. Chloramines are created by combining chlorine and ammonia. During this conversion, the disinfection process will be changed from chloramines to free chlorine. Free chlorine is a stronger and faster-acting disinfectant. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources recommends that systems using chloramines complete a temporary free chlorine conversion periodically to remove bio-film and avoid nitrification. Customers may notice open fire hydrants or flush hydrants throughout their systems during this period and possibly overflowing water storage towers. The fire hydrants and flush valves will be opened to allow flushing of the system to assist in cleaning the pipes and distribute the change in disinfectant. Overflowing water storage towers further aids in the flushing process.

- **Possible Noticeable Effects:** It is important to understand that during this temporary change there is likely to be discoloration or cloudiness in the water and possibly a chlorine odor or taste. If this is experienced you may consider running the water through the tap until it clears. Minor pressure fluctuations and small air pockets may also occur. Flushing should remove a majority of the color and odor, but some may reach customer lines during the process.

- **Is the Water Safe to Drink?** Yes, the water is safe to drink throughout this process. Any odor and color issues will be nuisance only, which will subside as the flushing is completed. Discoloration in laundry is possible during this time. Cleaning additives are readily available at local stores to help prevent or remove any discoloration that may occur. Customers who use tap water for kidney dialysis should consult their doctor to advise them if any changes are necessary in their residual disinfectant neutralization procedures. Customers utilizing the water for aquariums should monitor both free and combined chlorine residuals.

- **When will I begin to Notice this Change?** HCWC plans to make this switch beginning on February 16, 2016 and the conversion could take up to two months to complete. Once the conversion is completed, HCWC will run a notice in the local paper to notify you of the plan to convert back to chloramines.

**APRIL GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION** has been certified with the County Clerk. Calhoun citizens will be voting on Proposition 1 which states the following:

**Shall the City of Calhoun, Missouri continue applying and collecting the local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats and outboard motors that were purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer?**

It is important to note that this measure does not create a new tax, but will continue the current sales tax that is applied when a vehicle is purchased from a person or business other than a licensed Missouri dealer. If the current tax is not extended, then it will expire after November, 2016 and Calhoun’s sales tax revenue will be reduced by a proportionate amount. The tax is currently and will continue to be paid by citizens who buy a

motor vehicle, trailer, boat or outboard motor from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. The tax is paid to the State License Office when a vehicle is licensed and then remitted to the city. If this proposition does not pass, it is estimated that the City of Calhoun stands to lose approximately 21% of the current tax collected. 100% of this money is spent within the street department.

**NO CANDIDATE ELECTION WILL BE HELD** at the April 5, 2016 election. Calhoun citizens will not be voting on the positions of North Side Alderman and South Side Alderman. You will recall that Calhoun citizens voted in April, 2015 to forego the candidate elections if the number of candidates equaled the number of positions in the office to be filled by the election. Incumbents Jim Burson and Harold Ensor were the only candidates to sign for the stated positions and will therefore continue in their capacity for the next two years.

### **CALHOUN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP (CCDG)**

CCDG will not hold a business meeting until April 4, 2016. On that date, a potluck supper will be held at 6:30 p.m., prior to the meeting. As always, the public is invited and encouraged to attend.

It is the vision of CCDG to recruit and promote volunteerism for the benefit of the Calhoun community. By doing so, CCDG intends to assist with efforts of revitalization, beautification and public safety issues that arise in the City of Calhoun. By promoting community involvement, CCDG feels that citizens will be “Working Towards a Bright Future.”

### **CALHOUN COMMUNITY LEARNING CLASSES (CCLC)**

#### **VALENTINE’S DAY NECKLACES!**

6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 11 at the CCLC Classroom.

Marsha Hulvey will share her “clay molding” skills as she demonstrates making and baking original valentine jewelry. Class fee for adults is \$5 with no charge for students.

#### **ENJOY A MEXICAN MEAL!**

6:30 p.m., Monday, February 22 at the lunch room in the elementary building.

With Nancy Fleming as instructor we will cook and taste several Mexican dishes. Students may attend free. Class fee for adults is \$5.

#### **READERS ROUNDTABLE**

2:00 p.m., Thursday, February 25 at Joicie and Allan Appell’s home.

Joicie and Allan will share a favorite book with the group.

#### **MARCH COMMUNITY CLASSES**

##### **SPRING AND EASTER PAPER CUTTING DECORATIONS!**

6:30 p.m., Thursday, March 10 at the CCLC Classroom. - Nancy Fleming will provide patterns and give tips for creating eye catching Spring and Easter decorations using paper cutting techniques. No charge for students with a class fee of \$5 for adults.

##### **CONTAINER GARDENING WITH SEEDS AND PANSIES!**

6:30 p.m., Monday, March 21 at CCLC Classroom. - Sherri Himes of Green Street’s Market will present Spring gardening information and will have planters, seeds and plants just right for container gardening. Adult class fee is \$5 with no charge for students.

##### **READERS ROUNDTABLE**

2:30 p.m., Thursday, March 24 at the Calhoun School Library. - Martie will be hostess and will share a favorite book and also display the new award nominee books for school libraries and “STEM” Grant Books.

**LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS FOR THE  
RAVENSWOOD MASQUERADE \* \* \* FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup> \* \* \***

**February 13, 2016**  
**Ravenwood Masquerade**  
**Murder Mystery Dinner & Dance**



— — **Doors Open @ 6:00PM**

**Colt Show Building, Calhoun, Mo**  
**Dinner is included**

**Contact us:**  
**Mollie: 660-351-1350**  
**Tina 660-694-3634**  
**Amber @ US Bank in Clinton**  
**BJ @ Windsor Furniture**  
**Or any Colt Show Member**

**“Costumes are NOT a Must but always FUN”**

**Tickets**  
**\$20 per person**  
**or**  
**2 for \$30!**  
**Tickets must be**  
**purchased in**  
**advance!**

**Menu**  
**Pulled Pork**  
**BBQ Beans**  
**Cole Slaw**  
**Dinner Roll**  
**Dessert**  
**Coffee/Tea and Lemonade**  
**Pop will be available at an**  
**additional charge**

What is a murder mystery game?

Our murder mystery games are quite different, and as well as needing to solve the murder, each guest has other goals and problems to solve. In a typical game you might have to solve the murder and pay off your gambling debts. Another character might want a certain object, while yet another is having an affair. Unlike the dinner party games, our games are not usually played around a table. Instead, the guests talk to one another and decide who to trust and who to blackmail in order to solve the mystery and achieve their goals. Our games are completely interactive: while there is a set solution to the murder, how your guests achieve their other goals is entirely up to them.

As a guest you must rely on your wits and must negotiate, scheme and plot with the other guests to get what you want. Nobody needs to learn complicated background or memorize lines – your character background is little more than a side or two of paper – and you can keep that to hand during the game to refer to whenever you like.

Let's set the scene:

Bloodworth Falls is a town full of scandal, blackmail and deceit. No one can get along, and the local government has hidden motives for the dreadful decisions they make. The mayor is hosting a mysterious masquerade ball in the old Ravenwood Castle, and tickets to the event sold out in hours. All are curious to find out why the mayor would put effort into doing something positive in this town of gloom, but are eagerly hunting for the perfect mask, nonetheless. You are worried what will happen this night when such toxic people gather at the castle!

## CALHOUN COLT SHOW

Election of officers was held at the January Colt Show meeting. This year's officers are as follows:

President – Julie Embree  
Vice President – Abe Kohl  
Secretary – Christy Ballew  
Treasurer – Jenni Hix

The Colt Show is looking for people to be on a queen rule committee. If interested, please contact Julie Embree at 525-0642.

The Colt Show Committee is beginning their annual advertising drive for the 106<sup>th</sup> Annual Calhoun Colt Show Book. The commemorative book is the primary fundraiser for the Colt Show. Soon, ads will be mailed out with order forms in hopes of saving our volunteers some gas money. We are striving to receive all ads this year by May 1<sup>st</sup>. This will allow us to have the book printed and ready for the public prior to the Colt Show. Ads can be mailed to the Colt Show at P.O. Box 141, Calhoun, MO 65323, dropped off with Tina Redding at the Calhoun City Hall, or e-mailed to [calhouncoltshow@hotmail.com](mailto:calhouncoltshow@hotmail.com). For questions please contact Tina Redding at 660-694-3634.

The next Colt Show meeting will be held on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Calhoun City Hall. We are looking for volunteers and new ideas. Join us and help keep this hometown tradition going!!

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Groundhog Day**  
**Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> – Last Day to Purchase Murder Mystery Tickets**  
**Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – City Council Meeting – 2 p.m. – City Hall**  
**Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> – Valentine's Day Necklaces – 6:30 p.m. – CCLC Classroom**  
**Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> – Ravenswood Masquerade Murder Mystery – 6 p.m. – Colt Show Bldg.**  
**Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> – Valentine's Day**  
**Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> – Presidents' Day – City Hall Closed**  
**Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup> – Mexican Cooking – 6:30 p.m. – Elementary Cafeteria**  
**Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> – Colt Show Meeting – 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> – Readers Roundtable – 2 p.m. – Appell's Home**

## JOKE OF THE MONTH

As I age, I realize that you can never get these kinds of sage observations on life from any younger generation.

1. I talk to myself, because sometimes I need expert advice.
2. Sometimes I roll my eyes out loud.
3. I don't need anger management. I need people to stop pissing me off.
4. My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance of idiots that needs work.
5. The biggest lie I tell myself is "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."
6. When I was a child I thought nap time was punishment. Now it's like a mini vacation.
7. Even duct tape can't fix stupid, but it can muffle the sound.
8. Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes; come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller.
9. If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would've put them on my knees.
10. When the kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please, I text back "no" which is shorter than "yes".
11. At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

