



# THE WIGMO CITIZEN

**DECEMBER 2022**  
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The Official Newsletter of the City of Duenweg, Missouri

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS

### City Officials & City Staff

- Mayor -  
**Russell Olds**
- City Clerk -  
**Shirley J Lewis**
- Ward One Aldermen -  
**James Williams**  
**Karen Edge**
- Ward Two Aldermen -  
**William Haldeman**  
**Dellaca Reynolds**
- Administrative Assistant to  
Mayor's Office-  
Prosecutor's Assistant  
**Terry Edwards**

Police Chief -  
**Jeff Pearce**

Publics Works Manager  
Water Facilities Director-  
**Ron Klein**

Court Clerk  
Utilities Clerk  
**Michael Henderson**

Building Department  
**Colton Harbin**

Office Clerk  
**Barry Anderson**

The City of Duenweg  
would like to wish all the residents,  
friends, families, and families' family  
a Safe and Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year!!!

### Christmas at Bartley Inaugural Christmas Tree Lighting

Santa will be there for pictures  
with the children and pets.  
Free hot chocolate, and cookies while supplies last.  
Join us for a fun filled, festive evening.

December 3, 2022  
6:00—7:30 p.m.

### Christmas Parade hosted by Calvary Chapel Joplin

December 14, 2022 at 6:30 PM  
Look for flyers around town to see the parade route.

For entries email Missy Kingery at  
joplincalvarychapel@gmail.com

**City Hall would like to remind everyone that the trash service is running earlier than normal. Please have your trash carts out by the street the night before hand. Thank you!**

The **Legend of the Christmas Spider** is an Eastern European folktale. It is most prevalent in Western Ukraine, where small ornaments in the shape of a spider are traditionally a part of the Christmas decorations.

Tinsel on Christmas trees today is thought to have come about because of the silken web a spider produces and makes in trees. In the early morning hours with fresh dew or frost, a spider's web becomes a glistening, intricate and delicate masterpiece, a thing of beauty and nature combined. While most of us would agree that spiders in our homes is unacceptable, this story kind of softens the EEEK we may scream when seeing one.



*The Board of Aldermen for the City of Duenweg is searching for someone to fill the position of City Clerk. After 16+ years, Shirley J Lewis is retiring, sometime in the early part of 2023. If you feel that you would like to join the city hall team please submit a resume to MayorOlds@duenwegmo.com or drop off at city hall for the Board of Aldermen to review.*

**Planning Board...**

*Next meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2022.*

**Park Board...** Meeting held November 8, 2022, discussed as follows:

- \* Proposed 2023 Budget approved by Duenweg Park Board.
  - \* Discussed the upcoming Christmas event at Bartley Park on 12/3/22.
- The next park board meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2022 @ 7:00 PM at Duenweg City Hall located at 7409 Johnson Highway, Duenweg, Missouri. Please attend and make your voice heard!*


The Board of Aldermen met on November 17, 2022, @ 7:00 PM with the following was discussed:

- ◇ The Board of Aldermen ratified and emergency repair on the patrol vehicle.
- ◇ The Board of Aldermen approved the purchase of a new desk for an office at new city hall.
- ◇ The Board of Aldermen approved a larger battery backup for Duenweg City Hall.
- ◇ A new contract was sent to the City of Duenweg for the humane society. More information is being gathered and will be brought back to the next council meeting.
- ◇ The Board of Aldermen approved up to \$5,000.00 for the rebuild of a cylinder for the Public Works backhoe.
- ◇ Discussion was held regarding a potential property owner inquiring of the possibility of placing an ornamental fence in front of the house. This will be a case by case decision by the Board of Aldermen.
- ◇ Two sealed bids were opened for 606 Webb Street. The bid was awarded to the highest bidder.
- ◇ Bill NO. 2022-014. An ordinance authorizing and approving the contract for the gifting of land from Steve Spicer Land & Development Co. to the City of Duenweg, Jasper County, Missouri. Adopted.
- ◇ Public Hearing set for December 9, 2022, at 2:00 PM for annexation.

*The next council meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2022 @ 7:00 PM at Duenweg City Hall located at 7409 Johnson Highway, Duenweg, Missouri. Please attend and make your voice heard!*



# December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Christmas at Bartley 6 PM
4	5	6	7 TRASH DAY	8 PLANNING BOARD @ 7 PM	9	10
11	12	13 PARK BOARD @ 7 PM	14 TRASH DAY	15 CITY COUNCIL @ 7 PM	16	17
18	19 COURT @ 5:30 PM	20	21 TRASH DAY ***** LATE FEES APPLIED @ 8 AM	22	23 CITY HALL CLOSED!	24
25 	26 CITY HALL CLOSED!	27 SHUT OFFS @ 8 AM	28 TRASH DAY	29	30 CITY HALL CLOSED!	31 



## DECEMBER

- |                    |                                |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Dustin Webb      | 16 Robin Nolan                 |
| 1 Letha Tessreau   | 18 Lilly Witham                |
| 2 Scott Dodson     | 18 Jon Moser                   |
| 3 Katelyn Slifer   | 19 Christopher Elliott         |
| 6 Rachael McPheron | 24 Chelsey Powers              |
| 6 Nicholas Garcia  | 25 J.C.                        |
| 9 McKayla Osborn   | 26 Justin Trombley             |
| 9 Becca Trotnic    | 29 Darren Walker<br>Paul McCoy |
| 12 Melinda Ingram  | 31 Edward Joe Holder           |
| 12 Britney Atkins  |                                |
| 12 Dakota Albrecht |                                |



## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Gary & Joyce Nichols
- 20 Larin & Stephanie Trenary
- 21 David & Karen Drake
- 22 David & Sylvia Reel

### Newsletter Content!

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**Reminder- Don't forget to put your poly cart out on Tuesday night for trash pick up on Wednesday morning!**

## City News ...

### Trash Pick-Up Dates —

Trash Day is Wednesday. If there is a holiday on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday, then Trash Day is still on Wednesday. If the holiday is on Wednesday then the trash day will be on Thursday. If you have any questions, please call 417-623-6620.

### Storm Sirens —

Just a reminder, we will continue to test the storm sirens on the **second Wednesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.** If you doubt one of the storm sirens is not working properly please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027.

### Want to Get Involved?

The Planning Board and the Park Board frequently have open seats. Interested in knowing more? Ask at City Hall what you have to do to get an assignment. Get Involved!

This is **OUR** City —  
be a part of its future!

### IF YOU USE PAYPAL

To pay your water, sewer, trash bill with the City of Duenweg, PLEASE set it up for payment by the 14th of the month so it will clear and be posted to the CITY'S account before your bill is past due! We do NOT receive notifications that a payment has been made UNTIL that payment is DEPOSITED into OUR account, therefore, if you pay your bill using PayPal after the 13th of the month, we may not receive notice that you have paid that bill until after we have processed it for late payment! This does NOT affect payments made in person or over the phone using your debit or credit card.

*Thank you!!!!*

### Meeting Times & Schedules

The City of Duenweg Board of Aldermen (Council) meets on the FOURTH Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. If you would like to be listed on the agenda, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 two business days before the meeting.

The City of Duenweg Park Board meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to address the Park Board, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 by the Monday before the meeting to be listed on the agenda.

The City of Duenweg Planning Board meets on the THIRD Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. If you would like to be listed on the agenda, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 two business days before the meeting.

All Board Meetings are held in the City Hall at 7409 Johnson Highway Duenweg, Mo.

### City Water Bill Payments are Due Upon Receipt

Bills can be paid online through the City's web site and PayPal or in person at City Hall. Beginning on the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month, or on the Monday following that date if it falls on a weekend, a late charge of 10% is applied. If the past due amounts are not paid by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the same month at 8:00 AM, then your water service will be discontinued on the 25th or the next business day if it is on a weekend or holiday. There is a reconnect fee of \$25.00, if your water is turned off for non-payment.

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### SPECIAL NOTICE....

**The Public Works Department would like you to know that if you have issues with City Utilities after hours, please call 417-623-2263 so the proper authorities can be notified.**

### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

With storm season upon us I wanted to take a moment to inform every one of the cities policies on warning sirens. Our sirens are for outdoor warning. If you are indoors you need to rely on television or a NOAA weather radio. The sirens will sound when a tornado warning is received for our portion of our county or surrounding counties or when winds speeds reach 70 MPH or higher. We will not issue an all clear.

**The city residents have access to the storm shelter owned by the Joplin School District, located at 801 S Irwin. The fire station is not a shelter.** If you go to the fire station you will be sent to the shelter at the school. The shelter will be opened when severe weather approaches our area. The school district has a policy that any animal in the shelter must be in a cage or carrier. This is for everyone's safety. If you have any questions or concerns please let us know. Let's all work together to make this a safe season for all. —Ron King

As we begin the season of falling leaves, please make sure if you are burning, to contact the fire dept. at 417-623-7408 to make sure it's a safe day to burn. You may burn the leaves in your ditch, but make sure they are burned completely; this will allow water to still drain when it rains. Thank you and Happy Fall!

Hey Kids, this tree needs decorated for the holidays!!!

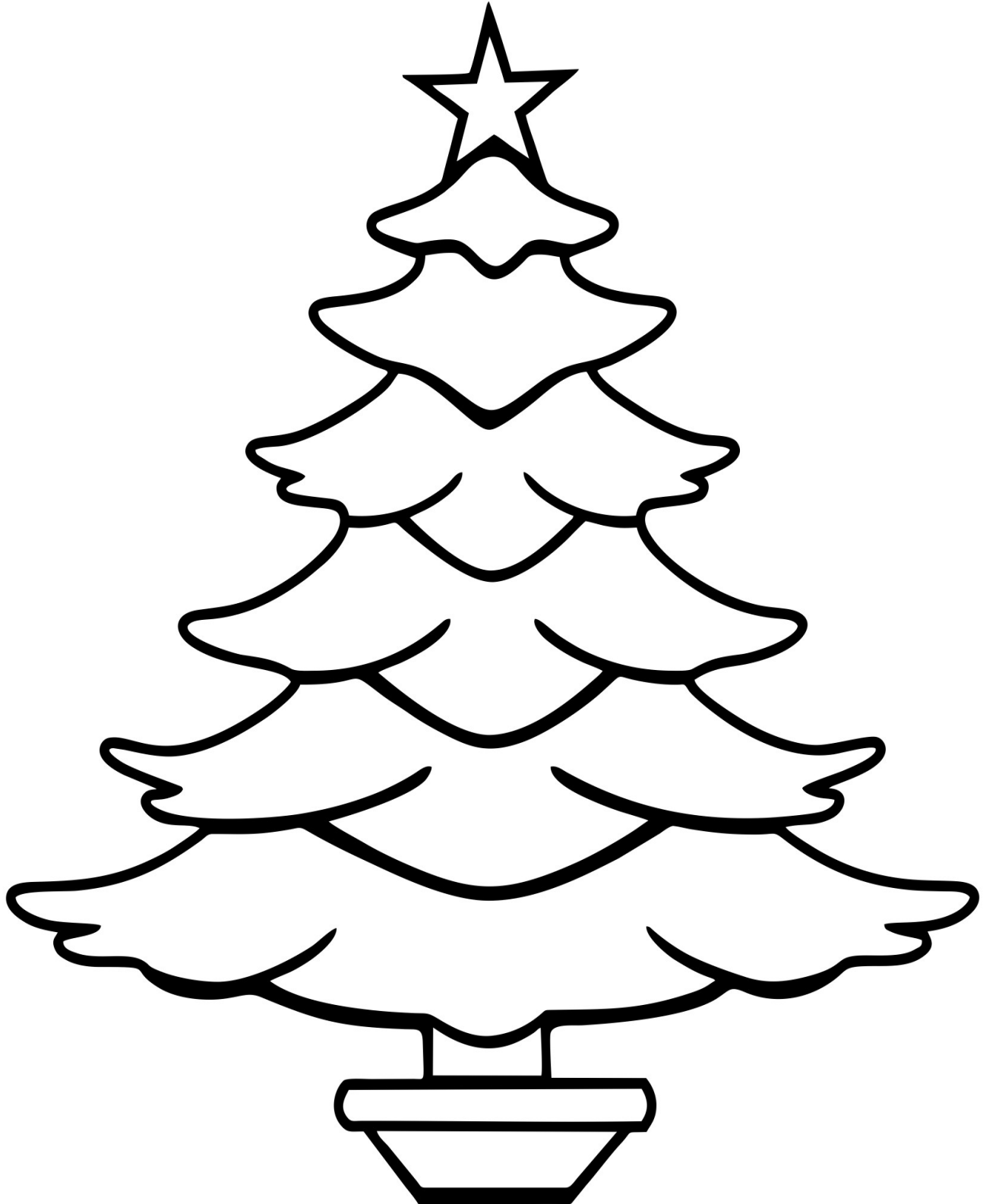
Using whatever you like, crayons, markers, paint, glitter, or ribbon to decorate the tree.

Bring your completed picture to City Hall for entry into this Holiday Contest!

Be creative and let your natural artistic talent be expressed!!!

Winners will be chosen on 12/15/2022 by the Mayor and contacted by phone the following day.

Make sure and fill out your name, age and phone number on the back of this page.



## Area Upcoming Parades for the Holiday Season 2022

### Parades

Carl Junction	-12/4/22 @ 2:00 PM
Carthage	- 12/5/22 @ 7:00 PM
Diamond	- 12/3/22 @ 10:00 AM
Duenweg	- 12/ 3/ 22 Christmas Tree Lighting Bartley Park—6:00—7:30 PM
Neosho	-12/14/22 Christmas Parade @ -12/3/22 Dickens Christmas Faire begins with Parade at 5:00 PM
Seneca	-11/28/22 @ 6:30 PM
Webb City	-12/8/22 @ 6:30 PM

### Holiday Shows Christmas 2022

Below is a partial list of some old favorites airing this year

12/14/22	- <i>A Saturday Night Live Christmas Special</i>
12/20/22	-2018's <i>The Grinch</i>
	- <i>Santa Claus is Coming to Town</i>
12/23/22	-1966's Classic <i>How the Grinch Stole Christmas</i>
12/24/22	- <i>Home Alone</i>
	- <i>It's A Wonderful Life</i>
12/26/22	- <i>Dolly Parton's a Christmas of Many Colors</i>
12/31/22	- <i>Dick Clark's Rockin New Years Eve</i>

*This year marks the 50th Anniversary of A Charlie Brown Christmas, but you'll have to look for it on various streaming sights.*

Christmas Contest

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_