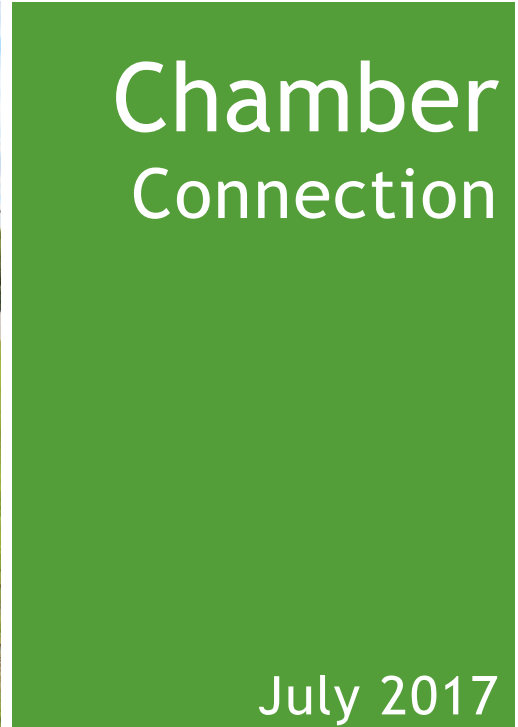




CLEAN UP PLANNED FOR WYNNE PARK, JULY 14<sup>TH</sup> FROM 7 AM TO 11 AM, JOIN US



THINGS TO KNOW

## LIVABILITY: TOOL KIT PLAN

On page 18 of our new Tool Kit provided in conjunction with University of Missouri Extension, Drury students and the City of Mt. Vernon, we find a definition of "Livability". In part, it talks about improving the built and natural environments. We plan to do just that by taking our first step in Wynne Park.

On July 14<sup>th</sup>, volunteers will gather at the Chamber office at 7am and disperse to beautify our surroundings. We need volunteers to brush sealant on the wood bridges, pull up outdated and overgrown plantings along the path, paint a bench and trim low hanging branches. It won't be a final plan but it will be a start. We would like to wait until fall to get new plantings in the ground so by next spring it will take on a new look.

The Chamber Board has purchased 3 new concrete picnic tables to replace broken seating that is currently in the park. We have a lot of visitors and locals that use Wynne Park and we really need to keep our welcome area welcoming. Although this may be the smallest of projects, we think everyone will appreciate the

changes. We still need volunteers to just show up, hope you can make it.



Tables from Rite-Way Concrete Products

The students developed the plans with a lot of community input and we are just starting to look at a schedule to get projects going. We still need community involvement to help choose what we tackle next. Thank you for making us your **Chamber Connection**.

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## New Community Investors

Thanks so much to our newest Community Investor level members, **Fancy Pants Dry Cleaning, Hometown Pharmacy and America's Best Value Inn & Suites**. Without the support of all our members we could not jump in to projects that will increase the livability, prosperity and identity of our town. Join us in our efforts to accept the challenge.

## FARM TO TABLE

Farmers Market has moved to the CoC parking lot Wed from 3 to 6 and Saturday mornings.

It's always a great day to buy fresh. As produce comes into season we hope you will shop with our local farmers right here in Mt. Vernon. And if you or someone you know has a hobby garden or a product that might fit, say eggs, honey or home baked goods, stop in the market or call Lisa at 417-452-3463 to find out how you too can get involved in making "FRESH" available in our neighborhood.



### New Member Alert

We say hello to the crew at **Serendipity Spa and Salon**. Opening on the loop at **412 E. Mt. Vernon Blvd.** next to Fancy Pants Dry Cleaner on **July 5<sup>th</sup>**, we welcome the classy, fresh atmosphere to the community. Manager Taylor Boyd and the whole staff want to invite you in for some pampering. Check out their Facebook page or give them a call, **417-316-9176**. Thanks for your Chamber membership team Serendipity.

## WEBSITE UPDATE

Trying something new on the Chamber website, we have added a "Job Opportunities" drop down under the Business Directory tab. Let us help get potential job seekers to your front door. Just another way we can use technology and our reach as a

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Chamber to help match the right applicants to the positions your company has available. We ask that you keep us updated if a position is filled so we can remove your posting. Any links available, be it email address, website or the actual job description, can help us get your message out there. We will try to serve all our members with this Chamber benefit. Who couldn't use a hand finding your next candidate?



### BEAUTIFICATION AWARD

Each month the Mt. Vernon Community Betterment Council seeks out homes and businesses that really bring the curb appeal to our town. Look for the Beautification sign to designate the monthly winners. The team is always open to suggestions so provide a name and address of a neighbor or business that have stellar planting skills, above average attachment to creating property attractiveness or are just plain crazy for making their place look really nice. Send to: [chamber@mtvchamber.com](mailto:chamber@mtvchamber.com).

## Calendar of Events

**Wynne Park Cleanup**, 7am-11am, **Friday July 14<sup>th</sup>**, bring small hand tools for cutting branches, shovels and work gloves.

**Apple Butter Makin' Days Committee Meeting**, 7am, **Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>**, at the Chamber office, everyone welcome.

**Chamber Board Meeting**, noon, **Thur. July 20<sup>th</sup>**, CoC Office.

**Business After Hours**, Chamber Member **S&P Defense LLC**, **4:30pm to 6pm, Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>** at 755 Kelsey Drive, Mt. Vernon, free, public welcome, snacks will be served. Come out to meet the businesses that make up your Chamber of Commerce.

**Apple Butter Makin' Days Committee Meeting**, 7am, **Tuesday, Aug 1<sup>st</sup>**, at the Chamber office, everyone welcome.

**51<sup>st</sup> Annual Apple Butter Makin' Days**, Oct. 13-15, 2017, **BE THERE ON THE SQUARE**, 51 Years and Still Growing, 10.8k Facebook followers

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