



City of Sedalia

Moving Forward

Public Newsletter

December 2015

December 2015 Meetings

- **December 3**
Park Board Meeting
- **December 7**
City Council Meeting
- **December 14**
Public Library Board Meeting
- **December 15**
Bothwell Regional Health Center Board of Trustees Meeting
- **December 16**
Citizens Traffic Advisory Commission Meeting
- **December 16**
Public Works Board Meeting
- **December 17**
Citizens Committee for Smart Growth Meeting
- **December 17**
CBCD Board Meeting
- **December 21**
City Council Meeting
- **December 28**
City Council Informational Tour
Sedalia Public Library



The Sedalia Murals – *A story about the art and the artist*

On November 2, 2015, Eric Bransby, creator of the Sedalia Murals housed within the Sedalia Municipal Building, returned to Sedalia with a production company named Backdrop America Pictures to personally view the panels he created in 1977.

This recorded visit will be aired nationally on PBS next fall as part of a series called, "The Reel West."



Producer Jay Kriss prepares Mr. Bransby for his interview on November 2, 2015.



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In the course of his career, the now 99-year-old Bransby has created over twenty murals throughout Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri and Illinois.

Bransby not only studied under famous painter and muralist Thomas Hart Benton in 1938, but also explored a very different painting style under the tutelage of equally famous abstract artist, Josef Albers, in 1949. The influences of both mentors may be found within Mr. Bransby's Sedalia Murals.



Mr. Bransby shared information regarding the Sedalia Murals that many viewers may not have noticed before – can you spot the local plants and animals incorporated into this middle mural?

After the Sedalia Municipal Building was built in 1972, Mayor Jerry Jones appointed a committee of 11 members to select artwork for display throughout the new public space, plus choose a muralist for a large project outside the courtroom. A few members of this original committee were on hand to welcome Mr. Bransby back to Sedalia on November 2. Pictured below with Mr. Bransby (far right) are artists and members of the original selection committee (left to right), Barbara Cooney, founder of Cooney Endowment for the Arts; Myrna Ragar, owner of Ragar Banners, and Doug Freed, former director of the Daum Museum of Contemporary Art.



Mayor Stephen Galliher welcomes Mr. Bransby to City Hall.

City Clerk Arlene Silvey (pictured below) was interviewed by Jay Kriss with Backdrop America Pictures. She not only remembers the artist selection process and completion of the Sedalia Murals, but also possesses a unique souvenir from this important part of City of Sedalia history - Mr. Bransby's official proposal to the committee. The total cost of the Sedalia murals was \$10,000.



Cover Photo: Mr. Bransby noted that during the installation of the Sedalia Murals, most of the faculty from the Art Department at the University of Missouri - Kansas City stood in approximately the same place (second level of the Sedalia Municipal Building) to help with final adjustments.

2015 City of Sedalia Christmas Light Contest

Xi Beta Upsilon, chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, with the assistance of the Mayor and City Council, is pleased to announce the City of Sedalia's 35th annual outdoor Christmas Light Contest!

Prize money will be awarded as follows: \$100 for first place, \$50 for second place and \$25 for third place. Sedalia residents may enter the contest by calling 827-3000 extension 145 or stopping by the Mayor's Office at City Hall (200 S. Osage Avenue).

The deadline for entering is 12 Noon on Monday, December 14th and the judging will take place on Tuesday, December 15th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. For further details, visit www.cityofsedalia.com.



City Holidays

City offices will be closed on Friday, December 25, 2015 in observance of the Christmas holiday and also closed on Friday, January 1, 2016 in observance of New Years. To view the revised City trash collection schedule for the weeks of December 21, 2015 and December 28, 2015, please visit www.cityofsedalia.com.



Sedalia Emergency Snow Routes

Emergency snow routes are activated when 2 inches of snow have been predicted within the upcoming 24 hours or snow has accumulated between the hours of 6:00 AM and 11:00 PM. **To assist your city and to save yourself tow fees, the City of Sedalia asks residents along the snow routes to be proactive and remove your vehicles prior to forecasts of accumulative snow.** If cars are blocking emergency snow routes, the Street Department will contact the Sedalia Police Department and emergency towing will begin in the area requested.

The parking prohibition stays in effect until terminated by announcement or the street is substantially cleared of snow and ice from curb to curb for the length of the entire block. A copy of the Emergency Snow Route Map is available on the City of Sedalia website, www.cityofsedalia.com.



Santa at the Sedalia Public Library



Santa will make a special appearance at the Sedalia Public Library on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.!

ANNUAL SEDALIA CHAMBER CHRISTMAS PARADE DECEMBER 5, 2015

The holiday season is full of pleasant surprises and the City of Sedalia will join in on the fun during the Sedalia Chamber Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 5, 2015. The parade begins at 10:00 a.m. We hope to see you in Downtown Sedalia on December 5!

SEDALIA ANIMAL SHELTER STAFF PIC!



This little girl is just as cute as her name! Junebug is a three year old, Chihuahua, long-coat/mix.

While Miss Junebug may greet you a little shyly at first, once she nestles inside your arms, she'll quickly find a place in your heart forever.



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THANK YOU!!

Sedalia Animal Shelter Manager Andrea Martin recently met with Heather Bennett from the Mason Jar Café to accept the proceeds from Sedalia's Zombie

Zoom 5K held on October 31, 2015. Through the combined efforts of organizers, volunteers and participants, the Zombie Zoom was able to donate over \$2,000 to the Sedalia Animal Shelter.

For the month of November, the Sedalia Animal Shelter was able to place 22 dogs and 18 cats into "forever" homes. 13 lost dogs were returned back to their owners.



Christmas



at the Park



CO-ED HOLIDAY DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT
Saturday, December 12
Games start at 2:00 p.m.
Double Elimination Bracket
\$20 per team + 12 non-perishable food items (Items donated to Open Door Services)
Register by December 8

NORTH POLE HOTLINE
Free phone call from the North Pole for "believing" children Local phone numbers only, please
Register by December 14

WINTER ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUES
Register by December 16, \$140 per team
Tuesday Women's Intermediate and Recreation
Thursday Co-Ed Intermediate and Recreation
See website for more information and to print registration packet
Teams that donate 12 or more non-perishable food items at the time of registration will be given a \$20 discount! (Must sign up during registration dates posted above). All items collected will be donated to Open Door Services.

TINY TOTS PLAY PARK
Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Convention Hall Gym
\$1.50 per child per class
Or purchase a \$10 Punch Pass (10 visits)
Parents must supervise their own children during this special play group.
Open to children who have not yet entered school (age 5 and younger).
Participants MUST pay (or show their punch pass) in office before entering the gym.
Donate 2 non-perishable food items and your daily fee is waived! (Through December 16). All items collected will be donated to Open Door Services.
Program will not meet December 22, 23, 29, 30

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