You might not find any of these folks at a “Coffee with a Cop” event, but our Police Department’s commitment to community extends well beyond the local coffee shop walls. Captain Kevin Self recently took time to be a “special reader” at the Ability KC School where his daughter teaches.

Project Status Updates:

Broadmoor: Utility work continues on this project. Verizon has may be on site next week, but they have limited work to complete, so disruption will be minimal. AT&T should be out to repair or replace he manholes in Johnson Drive in the next 1-2 weeks. This will result in more significant detours and traffic delays while the work is completed.

Mission Trails: There was a delay in delivery of the meter pit for the WaterOne tie in scheduled to have closes eastbound lanes on Jo Drive this week. The contractor now estimates the road closure to begin next Thursday, March 28.

Certified Playground Safety Inspector Training

Public Works crewleader Jeff Mull will be taking a three day playground safety inspection training course (and exam) next week. The CPSI certification program provides the most comprehensive and up-to-date training on playground safety issues including hazard identification, equipment specifications, surfacing requirements and risk management methods.

Did you know that for many years, Mission had its own “Volunteer Library?” It was housed in several locations over the years, including the top floor of the Muntzel Keatch building at the corner of Martway and Nall. The library closed with opening of the Cedar Roe Library (photos circa 1954)
Weekly Top 5

• We are making progress on the personnel front. A Conditional offer has been extended for the Payroll/Benefits Specialist’s position, and follow-up on the Building Official is also occurring. Interviews for the Office Assistant/Permit Technician in Community Development are scheduled for Monday, March 25.

• Next week we will wrap up an employee weight loss challenge started in January. It counts for employee wellness points/program. So far, the 18 participants have lost nearly 80 pounds as a group! It’s a close race to the finish next week to see who can claim the prize for losing the highest percentage of their body weight!

• Staff and Council interviewed six firms on Wednesday for the space needs analysis project. Staff is currently checking references and reviewing cost proposals to develop the recommendation for Council consideration in April.

• The participation agreement for KCPL’s Renewables Direct program is signed and in the mail! We’ll share information on the Council’s action in the next issue of the Mission Magazine.

• Emily Randel attended the KC Communities for All Ages Advisory Committee meeting at MARC Thursday and heard from Kathy Greenlee, former U.S. Assistant Secretary for Aging. Greenlee spoke on how to identify and prevent elder abuse in our communities.

2019—The Year of the Pothole

This winter’s snow and ice took a toll on our City’s streets, curbs and gutters. Public Works crews will be working throughout the spring to tackle repairs. Residents should be prepared for potential road closures as we ensure repairs are made safely and effectively.

Potholes or other public infrastructure maintenance issues should be reported via the website or by calling the Public Works Department at 913-676-8375.

City of Mission - Employee Profile

Janet Moore: Membership Coordinator, Parks and Recreation
Employee since: November 26, 2002

What do you do?
I coordinate memberships for residents/non-residents, local businesses and insurance patrons in the surrounding communities allowing them to use the Sylvester Powell, Jr. Community Center.

What do you like most about your job?
Without a doubt, it is working with the public and feeling that I am providing them with excellent customer service. (I know this sounds corny, but it is 100% true.)

How does your work impact the lives of Mission residents?
Hopefully, what I do makes it easier for all patrons to enjoy all of our parks and recreation facilities fully, whether that comes through an annual membership or special events intended to foster good community relations.