Several members of the Council and staff attended the MARC Regional Assembly on Friday. In addition to recognizing the achievements of several local public service leaders, the annual meeting provides an opportunity to learn more about the projects and priorities of MARC. More information can be found at www.marc.org

IT’S BACK!

Congratulations to the Mission golf team of Mayor Ron Appletoft, Councilmember Nick Schlossmacher and Police Officers Matt Breshears and Travis Morris for winning the City trophy at the 2019 NEJC Golf Tournament this week. They were determined the hardware was going to spend another year here in Mission’s City Hall! There was a lot of concentration and focus out on the course, but we think they had a little fun while they were at it!

#BringHomeTheHardware

The Mission Summer Sidewalk Sale is scheduled for next Saturday, June 22. Posters are up all over town, and the merchant’s group has distributed coupon sheets with a map of stores on the back. Let’s help promote the Sidewalk Sale on social media and by word of mouth – SHOP LOCAL!
Weekly Top 5

- Staff has focused a lot of attention in recent weeks on a variety of code enforcement issues. Time is also being spent to document processes and procedures (both for internal and external use). We will provide Council with an update and share some of our new documents during the August CDC Committee meeting.

- We are tying up a few remaining loose ends, but it looks like interviews for the Parks & Recreation Director’s position will be held the week of July 8.

- Last week we reported that the judge had authorized the City to proceed with the process to evaluate the Mission Bowl property as a dangerous structure. Notice was provided to the property owner on Friday requesting the right to enter the property and conduct an inspection.

- Laura participated as a panellist at the UCS Annual Summit to help promote the upcoming MARC Summit on Affordable Housing. We were able to secure interest from approximately 55 attendees for the July event.

- An interesting fact about Captain Lane. In addition to his Mission responsibilities, he serves on the Advisory Board for the Olathe School District’s Public Safety 21st Century Program. The program is for students with an interest in public safety and the curriculum runs their entire high school career. Captain Lane represents us well.

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City of Mission - Employee Profile

**Kirk Lane — Patrol Captain/Commander**

**Employee since: January 8, 2002**

**What do you do?**

My job is to oversee the patrol division, which includes all uniformed personnel. I handle scheduling, training, special events, discipline, hiring, equipment, pursuit review, use of force review, policy and procedures.

**What do you like most about your job?**

I like the unpredictable nature of my job. I have a few set daily tasks, but the majority of my job is dealing with whatever happens that day and juggling upcoming and ongoing projects.

**How does your work impact the lives of Mission residents?**

I feel the impact of the Police Department is immeasurable, as we are often the most visible representation of the City. Officers are in the community 24/7. They drive vehicles that stand out and are basically a billboard of a city. Officers are the ones residents go to in an emergency and the ones they can trust when they need help with anything. Police officers have constant contact with residents - on their good and bad days, giving them a sense of safety. A safe community encourages residents to spend time in our city. My job requires me to make sure the tempo of our officers are balanced and that we are providing the best service we can. I also have to make sure our officers are training and performing to the highest of standards to not bring discredit to the City or the profession. I am a huge believer in reputation and I strive to make sure we represent Mission and its residents in the best way we can every single day.

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In early June 2019, the Kansas Department of Agriculture confirmed the presence of Sudden Oak Death (SOD) in Kansas. SOD is a plant disease that has killed large tracts of oaks and other native species in California and Oregon, and infected rhododendrons have been identified in 10 states in the Midwest, including Kansas. The infected plants that have been found in the Midwest have all been traced back to a common source—rhododendrons sold at area Walmart stores. For more information visit: [https://blogs.k-state.edu/turf/special-alert-sudden-oak-death-pathogen-reported-in-kansas](https://blogs.k-state.edu/turf/special-alert-sudden-oak-death-pathogen-reported-in-kansas)

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They might not have brought home the hardware, but we’re pretty sure this group enjoyed Tuesday’s NEJC Golf Tournament!