

# Granby Hometown News

Dedicated to serving the citizens of Granby Missouri, the Oldest Mining Town in the Southwest

Granby City Hall

Granby MO

May 2026

## Mayor's Corner

Some of you might have caught a glimpse of the Water Project Groundbreaking Ceremony on the local news recently. The **water line upgrade project is in full swing** and so far the work has been progressing smoothly. As a reminder, your safety and the safety of the work crews is very important, **please be cautious when driving near work areas** where equipment and workers are present.

More progress in the works - **some sections of South Main Street will be closed during late May and June** in order to do **repairs** on the rougher patches between Hwy 60 and Neosho Street. It is import that we all give the work crews space when traveling along this route as well as a bit of patience. **To prevent road work delays, please comply with road crew directions and closures.**

**One of Granby's Downtown iconic buildings, the old hardware store, has been torn down.** The building was in pretty bad shape and after a piece of the outer wall fell in recently, the owner coordinated with city officials and decided to take the building down as a safety precaution to avoid potential damage to the other nearby structures or potential injury to near-by pedestrians. **Currently, if the structure is deemed strong enough, the owner plans to try and save the storefront on Main Street if possible.** As a precaution, for your safety as well as the safety of those in the area, **please DO NOT approach the work area.** I have spoken to the owner and he has agreed to make some of the bricks from the old hardware store available for residents to come and pick up as mementos. He will make those available in an easily accessible location only after the demolition work on the building is completed and the site has been deemed safe. **Please avoid the demolition site until work has been completed.**

We would like to say a **very special farewell** to our **Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Victor Coggin**, who has decided to retire at the end of May. Victor has worked for 38 years in the wastewater industry in many communities throughout the local area to include the City of Joplin and for the last 12 years, the City of Granby. Victor has been a tremendous asset and has been instrumental in the successful completion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades that were completed last year. Victor was also instrumental in helping ENHS in securing a grant for their new sewer treatment plan through DNR. **Thank you to Victor for his dedication and commitment to the city of Gran-**

**by. We wish him and Valerie all the best on his future retirement.**

**Old Mining Town Days** is just around the corner. You will find the tentative Event Schedule as part of this newsletter. Saturday is packed with the 5K, Car Show, Opening the Time Capsule, Street Splash, Parade, Inflatables, Community Picnic, Line Dance Lessons and Open Mic Night and Karaoke. Sunday will include a Sunrise Service, Old Timers Softball Game, Food Trucks & Pop Up Vendors, Inflatables, Gospel Music, LIVE BANDS—Wilkie Jay & The Big Smitty Band as well as the grand finally—OMTD Fireworks Display. **Put OMTD JULY 4th & 5TH on your calendars and plan to attend!** Granby Businesses, you still have time to donate to the festivities and get your business highlighted on social media and on event banners in the park.

**Help support this hometown event !!**

Dustin Elder  
Mayor



### APRIL STATS

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

CALLS 141 Dog 8 in 9 out (2 return) 5 shelter 2 foster

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

CALLS	FIRE	MED	MVA	MUTUAL AID
62				
CITY (31)	12	17	0	2
DIST (31)	5	18	4	4

#### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CALLS	Water Repair	Gas Repair	Connect	Disconnect
(163)	2	16	9	7
Notices	Shut-off	Reconnect	811 (LOCATES)	street repair
40	13	9	66	1

### Important Contact Information

Granby City Hall (8-5 M-F) 417-472-6556

414 N. Main St.

Granby, MO 64844

<https://granby-mo.com/contact-us>

Recycle Center 8-4:30 M-F 8-11:30 SAT

Police Department (non-emergency) 417-472-3535

Fire Department (non-emergency) 417-472-3333

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### SPOTLIGHT



Our featured SPOTLIGHT for May is **Officer Jason Denno**. Jason grew up in the local area and graduated from Monett High School. Later he earned his P.O.S.T. (Peace Officer Standards & Training) at MSSU. Jason has lived in Granby for 20 years and has been a patrolman for the city of Granby for the almost 8 years. His prior work experience and training includes being an EMT as well as Search & Rescue qualified.

Jason likes working where he lives and knowing people in the area. He enjoys his job that allows him to be a part of the community and give back to that same community. He likes that he gets to interact and observe so many different people. He also likes those moments when he can change or flips someone's attitude or opinion about something. At the end of the day he is thankful for "making it through another shift and going home each night". Jason hopes that people realize there is more to police work in the city than just patrolling and that many hours often go into doing case work, preparing for court, investigations and interviews. He enjoys working for the city and how everyone steps-up when needed for each other. He feels it is a great team environment. Chief Williams states, "Jason is a valuable asset to the department and goes the extra mile to do what needs done for the city and the citizens of Granby".

Some of the best aspects he has found in Granby are the towns ability to "come together" when needed, the quietness of the small town life, and the wonderful neighbors he has around his home. The best advise he has ever received is to "never give up" Many people might not know that Jason was diagnosed with cancer at the age of 14. He stayed motivated and kept the strategy of "don't give up" while going through that time in his life.

Jason's loves spending time with his family especially when he gets to enjoy some of his favorite outdoor activities like camping, kayaking, and fishing. One of his favorite travel destinations is Galveston, Texas. Jason and Angie live in town who are now empty nesters since their daughter Ella moved to AR and started working as a 911 dispatcher.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ANNOUCEMENT

Every **Community Water System** is required by law to provide customers with an **ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT**. You can access this report at [www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO5010321.pdf](http://www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO5010321.pdf) or you may request a paper copy from Granby City Hall located at 414 N Main Street, Granby, MO 64844. For more information contact City Hall at 417-472-6556.

#### DEPARTMENT OF WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT ANNOUCEMENT

Please **do not flush** products marked as **flushable wipes**. They are not really flushable and create a strain on the wastewater system.

# OLD MINING TOWN DAYS

## EVENT SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, 4 JULY

- 7:00 AM** Lions Club 5k & Pancake Breakfast (Contact Lions Club for Info) - Main Street
- 8:00 AM** Granby Fire Department Car Show - Sports Complex
- 12:00 PM** Car Show Ends - Sports Complex
- 1:00 PM** Red Oak Pickers II Music - Miners Museum
- 3:30 PM** Opening of 50 year time capsule - Veterans Park
- 4:00 PM** All School Reunion - Senior Center
- 4:00-5:00 PM** Kids Street Splash with Fire Department - Main St adjacent to Dick Smith Park
- 5:00-6:00 PM** Parade Line Up - Main Street adjacent to Dick Smith Park
- 6:00 PM** OMTD Parade - Main Street
- 6:45 PM** Inflatables Open - Dick Smith Park
- 6:45 PM** Opening Ceremony / Honored Citizen Presentation - Dick Smith Park
- 6:45 PM** Community Picnic (Food for Donation, Proceeds support OMTD) - Dick Smith Park
- 6:45 PM** Line Dance Lessons - Dick Smith Park
- 7:15 PM** Dance Music w DJ - Dick Smith Park
- 7:45-9:15 PM** Open Mic & Karaoke - Dick Smith Park

### SUNDAY, 5 JULY

- 8:00 AM** East Newton Ministerial Alliance Community Sunrise Service - Dick Smith Park
- 1:00 PM** Old Timers and Friends Slowpitch Softball Game - Sports Complex
- 3:00 PM** Vendors Open (Food Trucks, Pop Ups) - Dick Smith Park
- 3:00 PM** Inflatables Open - Dick Smith Park
- 3:00 PM** DJ MUSIC - Dick Smith Park
- 5:00 PM** Gospel Sing - Dick Smith Park
- 6:00 PM** Wilkie Jay - Dick Smith Park
- 7:00 PM** Big Smitty Band - Dick Smith Park
- 9:45 PM** Fireworks - Dick Smith Park

Two Days of  
**FAMILY, FUN & COMMUNITY!**



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# OLD MINING TOWN DAYS

# SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS

**BAND STAND BANNER**

ALL DONATIONS RECEIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SHOUTOUTS **MAY-JUNE**

- \$500 LOGO ON BANNER
- \$200 NAME/BUSINESS NAME LISTED ON BANNER LG. FONT
- \$100 NAME/BUSINESS NAME LISTED ON BANNER MD. FONT



**\$2500 ENTERTAINMENT SPONSOR**

This covers all entertainment A-Z. Live Local Music with the best lighting and sound around!

- By choosing this sponsorship you will receive:
- Shout outs from our MC
- A MEDIUM LOGO on our banner



**\$3000 FIREWORK SPONSOR**

Ensures that we have the best Firework show around!

- By choosing this sponsorship you will receive:
- Shout outs from our MC
- Yard signs in the park with your Logo
- A LARGE LOGO on our banner



**\$5000 KIDZ ZONE SPONSOR**

Covers our outdoor fun zone! This year we will have multiple bounce houses and watersides

- By choosing this sponsorship you will receive:
- Shout outs from our MC
- Yard signs in the park with your Logo
- An EXTRA LARGE LOGO on our banner



PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

GRANBY PARKS AND REC

302 NORTH MAIN ST.  
GRANBY, MISSOURI 64844



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT

GRANBY CITY HALL  
417-472-6556

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**SUMMER BALL  
PROGRAM**

*May & June*

**OLD MINING  
TOWNDAYS**

**OMTD**

**SAT, JULY 4TH**

**&**

**SUN, JULY 5TH**

**Senior Center Events**

Sr. Coffee    Wednesdays    8-10 a

Sr. Luncheon    Thursdays    11:30a

**OLD MINING TOWN DAYS  
FUNDRAISER**

**BLACK RAIN ORDINANCE**

**AR 15 RAFFLE**

**TICKETS: 1 FOR \$20  
6 FOR \$100**

Drawing to be held July 5<sup>th</sup> prior to  
Fireworks!

Tickets can be purchased at various  
events and are also available daily at  
Granby City Hall.