

Pledge: Chuck Cannady
Prayer: Pat Greer
Guests: None!

Board Meeting

February 14 at noon at Clifton Gunderson. Feel free to join us, and please park in the lot.

Calendars

Richard still has calendars to sell. Please see him if you are interested in purchasing one - or more. January's photo is from our own Challenger League!

Home Show

Richard sent around a sign-up sheet for anyone interested in volunteering to help with the 2005 Home Show, which will take place on March 4, 5, and 6. When all is said and done, he will review the list, see what spots need filled, and your phones will begin ringing.

Barstool Golf

The volunteer sign-up sheet is being routed. The 4th annual event will take place on Saturday, February 19, with 18 teams signed up so far. This year each team must have a team name.

Each team must meet at a designated bar. Tee shirts will be provided again this year and will sport a more serious design. We are also in need of megaphones to use for the event. Please contact Dale Carlton or Patty Clutter if you have one or more to loan.

Scott Eisenhauer Danville Mayor

He began by thanking us for sponsoring the Barstool Golf event and promised to try to have all liquor licenses approved and in effect by the 19th.

Mayor Eisenhauer covered an array of topics in just 15 minutes. Among those topics were the 31 layoffs in the city; increase in fees; higher taxes; and the zero balance in the General Fund Reserve. He explained the proposed Tax Increment Financing (TIF) planned for two areas of Danville; the Western Gateway Redevelopment Area and the Donut.

It has been proven that the residents of Danville are willing to help the City. Taxes on food and beverages have increased, but it appears as though more people are eating out, thus increasing revenues.

Immediately after the July 13, 2004 storm hit Vermilion County, people were out helping their families and neighbors. When it was learned that the government would not assist us, the citizens worked together and donated \$70,000 for cleanup toward our approximate \$600,000 in damages.

We learned on January 6 that we can now anticipate \$120,000 from the government toward the costs.

Mayor Eisenhauer continued...

There are plans to demolish an additional 49 empty, rundown houses in 2005. This will not only remove the eyesores, but will also improve property values for the neighbors. Mayor Eisenhauer is talking with the Director of Habitat for Humanity, about the possibility of using some of the property for Habitat houses. Laura Lee Fellowship may also benefit from some of the properties

There have been 1,800 Section Vouchers and many Section 8 Housing Certificates granted to individuals relocating in Danville. This problem is being worked on and a solution will hopefully be found. The City hopes to drastically reduce the number of vouchers being granted.

When all is said and done, Mayor Eisenhauer hopes to end 2005 in the black.

Future Speakers

Jan. 26 - Soc. Sec. Office
Feb 2 - Meet your AMBUCS
Feb 9 - Pee Wee Summers

Personal Information Changes?

Please notify Cathy High as soon as possible by phone 477.4302, email cathy_high@oldnational.com.



Meetings - Wednesdays at Noon - Days Inn

Creating Independence for Persons with Disabilities

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