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2014 Annual Meeting

The Boonslick Regional Planning Commission general membership held its annual meeting on Thursday, December 4, 2014. Guest speaker for the evening was Missouri Department of Conservation Community Forester Perry Eckhardt. Mr. Eckhardt is a certified arborist and spoke about the ways in which trees make communities better places to live. He shared information with those in attendance regarding the department's TRIM grant which is a competitive, cost-share tree care program that provides reimbursement of



Perry Eckhardt



\$1,000 to \$10,000 to assist government agencies, public schools and nonprofit groups with the management, improvement or conservation of trees on public lands. Information can be found at <http://mdc.mo.gov/your-property/greener-communities/community-tree-care/tree-resource-improvement-and-maintenance-trim>. More photos and information from the annual meeting are inside this issue.

Message from Mike



It is hard to believe that the holidays and the new year are almost here. I am sure 2015 will be another good year for the region and Boonslick Regional Planning Commission.

Thanks to all of you who attended our annual meeting Dec. 4th. I hope everyone who came learned

something new and found it worth the trip. We had a great speaker who provided useful information.

The BRPC staff did a terrific job reporting the organization's activities. We tried to keep things brief so if you would like more detail about a program, just let us know.

Don't forget that now is the time to be planning for next year. Check the listing of grant deadlines in the newsletter and let us know if your community has a need.

If there is any way we can assist you, feel free to contact us at (636) 456-3473. Happy New Year!

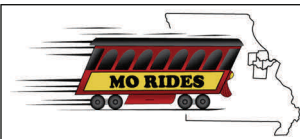
*During the Holiday Season more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible.
And in this spirit we say, simply but sincerely
Thank You and Best Wishes
for the Holiday Season and a Happy New Year
Boonslick Regional Planning Commission*



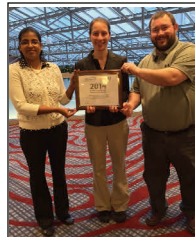
Some Annual Meeting Highlights...



Warren County has submitted an application to be designated as a Work Ready Community. Lincoln & Montgomery counties will begin the process soon.



MO RIDES is a grant funded program to increase public transportation options for people to travel in and between Franklin, Lincoln, Montgomery, St. Charles and Warren counties. Deana Dothage serves as the Mobility Coordinator and can be reached at (636) 359-4656 or ddothage@boonslick.org. The new website is www.morides.org



BRPC Planner Krishna Kunapareddy recently attended the NADO Rural Transportation Conference. The MACOG Transportation Planner's Group received the NADO 2014 Excellence in Transportation Award.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The general membership unanimously elected the following individuals to serve in positions of leadership on the BRPC Executive Board:

- Murray Bruer, Chairman
- Hubert Kluesner, Vice-Chairman
- Steven Deves, Secretary
- Mark Cross, Treasurer
- Ryan Poston
- Dan Colbert

Thank you, board members, for your service!

...BRPC Annual Meeting Photos



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2015 CDBG Application Deadlines

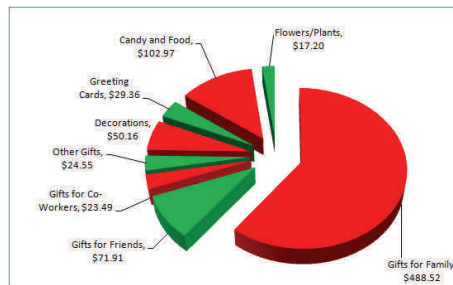
- General Infrastructure—April 1
- Demolition—May 1
- Community Facility—June 1
- Water & Wastewater—Open cycle by invitation

Please contact us if your community is interested in a project so that we can start working on the application and have everything ready to submit before deadlines.

Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

The draft of the updated Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan will be available for public comment at the Montgomery County Emergency Management Agency in Montgomery City and at Boonslick RPC in Warrenton from December 24th through January 22nd. Check our website after the 24th for additional information.

2014 National Retail Federation Projected Midwest Holiday Spending



NRF's Holiday Consumer Intentions and Actions Survey reported that consumers plan to spend a total of \$804.15 nationwide, with Midwesterners averaging \$808.15.

Source: MERIC

Calendar of Events - Contact us for More Information

December

- 4 BRPC Annual Meeting
- 17 USDA grant announcement—BRPC
- 17 Community Agency Partnership group meeting—BRPC
- 25 Christmas—BRPC office will be closed

Career Center Workshop Calendar

The Missouri Career Center in Warrenton offers **free workshops for job seekers** each month. Please contact us at (636) 456-9467 if you are interested in a December or January calendar.

