



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE CITY OF SEDALIA

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The Scott Joplin International Ragtime Festival took place at the end of May, as it has every year since 1983, and continues to stand as the largest festival of its kind in the world. The weekend was filled with both classic and contemporary ragtime music, with performances held at the Pavilion, the Stark Tent near the Pettis County Courthouse, the Liberty Center Association for the Arts, and several other locations throughout Sedalia. More than 40 acclaimed musicians from around the world traveled to Sedalia to perform and pay tribute to the rich history and legacy of ragtime music.

The performers were not the only ones traveling long distances to attend the festival. Festivalgoers journeyed from places as far away as Switzerland, France, and even Australia to experience the celebration and enjoy the small-town Midwest culture Sedalia has to offer. Through opportunities like the Historic Trolley Tour hosted by author and historian Becky Imhauser, visitors were able to learn more about the stories and landmarks that shaped Sedalia's community.

In addition to the performances and educational opportunities, the festival brought energy and activity throughout Downtown Sedalia as visitors explored local shops, restaurants, and historic sites over the course of the weekend. The Scott Joplin International Ragtime Festival continues to serve as one of Sedalia's most recognizable cultural events, celebrating both the city's musical heritage and its welcoming community atmosphere.

Scott Joplin International Ragtime Foundation (SJRF) Director Shelley Rounds stated that the festival continues to grow each year and that attendance surpassed all benchmarks set for this year's event.

As another successful year of the Scott Joplin International Ragtime Festival comes to a close, the event continues to highlight Sedalia's rich musical history and strong sense of community. From visitors traveling across the world to local residents enjoying performances downtown, the festival remains a cherished tradition that brings people together through music, culture, and history.

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VISION STATEMENT

Dynamic life and
Comfortable living in
Greater Missouri

MISSION

The City of Sedalia is committed to meeting the needs of our community through professional leadership and operational excellence.

We deliver efficient, quality municipal services, create opportunities for growth and protect the quality of life that makes our community a desirable place to live.

City of Sedalia

Open Interviews

Municipal Building
200 S. Osage Ave

Friday, June 12, 2026
9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Operations Department

Chief Office Administrator
Equipment Operator I
Equipment Operator II
Laborer

Utilities Department

Service Technician
Utility Operator I

Parks Department

Full-Time

Memory Lanes

Bowling Center Manager
Maintenance Supervisor
Operations Coordinator

Parks Maintenance Technician II

Parks Department

Part-Time

Aquatics Attendant
Custodian
Front Desk Attendant
Lifeguard
Seasonal Maintenance

Send any questions to hr@sedalia.com

Tornado Safety Tips



Tornadoes can be incredibly dangerous, so it's important to be prepared and know what to do to stay safe. Here are some tornado safety tips:

1 Have a Plan

Create a tornado safety plan for your family or household. Identify a safe shelter location in your home, such as a basement, storm cellar, or an interior room on the lowest level without windows (like a bathroom or closet).

2 Stay Informed

Pay attention to weather forecasts and tornado warnings. Have a weather radio or a reliable smartphone app that can alert you to severe weather watches and warnings.

3 Take Shelter

When a tornado warning is issued, take shelter immediately. Move to your designated safe location and bring any necessary supplies, such as a flashlight, blankets, and a helmet to protect your head.

4 Avoid Windows

Stay away from windows and doors during a tornado. Flying debris can shatter windows and cause injury.

5 Protect Your Head

If possible, cover yourself with a mattress, heavy blankets, or a helmet to protect yourself from flying debris.

6 Stay Down

Stay low to the ground and cover your head and neck with your arms. Protect yourself from falling objects and flying debris.

7 Wait for the All-Clear

Remain in your safe location until you receive an official all-clear notification or until the danger has passed.

8 Practice Drills

Regularly practice tornado drills with your family or household members so everyone knows what to do in an emergency.



SEDALIA PARKS & RECREATION

JUNE 2026 EVENTS

6/1-7/31/26	Special Aquatics Hours at HCC for June and July only
6/1/2026	Registration Deadline - Esports Summer Camp - June
6/2/2026	Esports - Fortnite Tournament
6/3/2026	Registration Deadline - Aqua Camp
6/3/2026	Registration Deadline - Karaoke Nights
6/3/2026	Smart Phone 101 - Android
6/8-6/11/26	Aqua Camp at Liberty Pool
6/10/2026	Registration Deadline - Session 1 - Outdoor Group Swim Lessons
6/13/2026	Karaoke Nights at the HCC
6/15/2026	Registration Deadline - Firecracker Mile
6/15/2026	Registration Deadline - Mermaids & Mateys
6/17/2026	Smart Phone 101 - Apple
6/18/2025	Registration Deadline - Crafty Nights - Paint Night
6/20/2026	Mermaids & Mateys at Liberty Pool
6/20/2026	Esports - Mario Kart Tournament at the HCC



TO REGISTER
 ONLINE: WWW.SEDALIAPARKS.COM
 IN PERSON: HECKART COMMUNITY CENTER
 AT 1800 W. 3RD ST
 OVER THE PHONE: 660-826-4930

4th of July Events

7:00 a.m. – Check in for Firecracker Mile
 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Races Begin
 Ages 12 & Under -- \$15
 Adults \$25
 Liberty Park

10:00 a.m. – Parade
 Downtown Sedalia
 FREE

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Picnic in the Park
 Liberty Park
 First 500 people will receive free hot dog, chips & a drink.

11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Star Spangled Swim
 Liberty Pool
 Half price swim. Free for military and veterans with an ID!

9:30 p.m. – Fireworks Spectacular
 Missouri State Fairgrounds Grandstands
 FREE



INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The City of Sedalia will observe the Independence Day holiday on Friday, July 3, 2026. Offices in the Municipal Building and the City's Materials Management Site at 27882 Highway "U" will be closed in observance of the holiday.

Modified Trash Pick-Up Schedule	
Regular Pick-Up Day	Pick-Up Day Week of June 29 th
Tuesday, June 30 th	Monday, June 29 th
Wednesday, July 1 st	Tuesday, June 30 th
Thursday, July 2 nd	Wednesday, July 1 st
Friday, July 3 rd	Thursday, July 2 nd

All City offices including the Material Management Site will re-open for normal business hours on Monday, July 6, 2026.



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