



**STRAFFORD'S "SMALL TOWN"
CHRISTMAS PARADE**

Strafford's "Small Town" Christmas Parade will be held December 8th at 10:00 am. For more parade info, contact John Berry at 844-0555.

REMINDERS

Dog Licenses—All dogs within the city limits **must** be vaccinated for rabies .

All dogs are required to be licensed through the City annually. Proof of current rabies vaccination at time of license application. Licenses will expire on December 31st and are only \$10.00 per year (\$5.00 if the dog is spayed or neutered.)

DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO RUN AT LARGE.

Garage Sales—Permits are required prior to holding a garage sale. The permit is free of charge and can be obtained at City Hall. Only 3 garage sales per household per year are allowed, this includes the City Wide Garage Sale.

Building Permits—A Building Permit **must** be obtained prior to any new construction or remodeling. It is also a requirement to obtain a permit prior to setting a portable building, re-roofing, or adding a deck. Permits are available at City Hall. Please call City Hall for more information.

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Strafford, MO

CITY OF STRAFFORD
P O BOX 66
126 S WASHINGTON AVE
STRAFFORD, MO 65757



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Sewer Averaging

Sewer averaging period is approaching! The City of Strafford uses your water consumption numbers in the time period of **approximately** January 19th through March 19th, depending on weather conditions. This will determine the sewer average for the remainder of the year.

YOU CAN HELP

During this time period, we encourage you to conserve water usage and be very vigilant about water leaks or running toilets. This will lower your sewer average for the remainder of the year. **You will notice your new average rate on your May bill.**



WANTED! FAT FREE SEWERS

Fats, oils and greases aren't just bad for your arteries and waistline—they're bad for our city sewers, too.

Pour fats, oils and grease into a can or jar, then place in the trash.

Scrape dishes, pans and utensils into trash container, then wipe with paper towels before rinsing in the sink or placing in the dishwasher.

An increasingly common cause of sewer overflows is from sewers blocked by grease as a by-product of cooking:

- ◆ Meat fats / lard
- ◆ Butter / margarine
- ◆ Baking goods / sauces
- ◆ Dairy products
- ◆ Cooking oil / shortening
- ◆ Food Scraps



LEAVES ONLY! FALL LEAF PICKUP

From November 26th through December 7th, **For these two weeks only**, the City will be offering free leaf removal. Please have leaves ready prior to these dates. If you will rake leaves into piles at the edge of your property nearest the road or into the ditch, maintenance crews will come by to remove them. There is no set time for pickup. It is anticipated that the City will make one round and remove them.

The City does allow burning of leaves but you need to contact the Fire Department at 736-3679 prior to burning to obtain a burn permit. At no time is burning allowed in ditches or on City right-of-way.