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## Merriam's Spring Clean-up Scheduled for April 20-24

Twice a year, the City of Merriam conducts a large item clean-up campaign for the residents in Merriam. The Merriam Public Works Department is responsible for this campaign, which occurs annually during the third week in April and October.

The City's spring clean-up campaign will occur April 20-24, 2009. There are some restrictions on the materials the City will accept. For a schedule of the City's spring clean-up, click [here](#). For additional information, call 913.322.5570 or e-mail [PublicWorks@merriam.org](mailto:PublicWorks@merriam.org).



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## Deadline Extended for Merriam's Annual Spring Plant Sale -

The City of Merriam has extended the order deadline for this year's spring plant sale to Friday, April 24th. **Restricted to Merriam residents and businesses only**, this sale features perennials and shrubs perfect for any landscape. You can view a list of the plants available in this year's sale, along with a catalog description, by visiting the City's website, [www.merriam.org/plants](http://www.merriam.org/plants).

To order, bring the completed [order form](#) to City Hall during normal business hours (M-F, 8AM to 4:30PM). The City accepts cash, check, money order, or credit card. Completed orders can also be mailed along with payment to 9000 W. 62nd Terrace, Merriam, KS 66202.

All orders must be received by Friday, April 24, 2009. Each customer will receive a receipt that must be presented when picking up your order on Saturday, May 9th, between 8:00 AM and noon at the Merriam Public Works Facility (6901 Knox). No early or late pick-ups are permitted.

Contact City Hall at 913.322.5500 with order inquiries or the Public Works Department at 913.322.5570 with product questions.

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## Turkey Creek Festival Parade Entries Sought

The City of Merriam welcomes entries to the 2009 Merriam Turkey Creek Festival Parade. The festival will be held Saturday, May 16. The parade is a highlight of Merriam's largest festival, which annually draws up to 10,000 people. The 24th annual parade begins at 11:00 AM at 69th and Antioch Road, and travels northward on Antioch past Antioch Park, site of the 2009 festival.

Individuals, marching bands, civic groups, or businesses may organize entries, and Merriam residency is not required to participate. The entry deadline is May 1, and there is no entry fee.

This year's parade theme, "Celebrate Volunteers -- The Spirit of Community!", reflects the importance of encouraging and maintaining the tradition of neighbor helping neighbor. The Grand Marshal will be Pauline Smith, a Merriam Park Elementary School volunteer who was nominated by Merriam Park faculty, students and parents.

Create your entry that depicts our theme & you could win an award! Awards will be presented to outstanding entries in the following categories: Theme Award, Grand Marshal Award, Mayor's Award, Children's Group Award, Best Float, and Outstanding Business Entry.



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Parade applications may be obtained at Merriam City Hall, 9000 W. 62nd Terrace, Irene B. French Community Center, 5701 Merriam Drive, or download application from [www.merriam.org/park](http://www.merriam.org/park).

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