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## Chesterfield's Second Annual 4th of July Celebration & Fireworks Display

In the spirit of community and civic pride, the City of Chesterfield will host its second annual 4th of July Celebration and Fireworks Display on Wednesday, July 4. The free event will be held on the parking lot of Westfield Chesterfield on the northwest side of the mall between Macy's and Dillard's. This viewing area will include children's entertainment beginning at 7 p.m. and the Ralph Butler Band taking the stage at 7:30 p.m. The fireworks display will be presented by Fireworks Spectacular beginning at 9:30 p.m. and will end at approximately 10 p.m.

Attendees are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs or other seating for their comfort and ease of viewing. The display will be set up on land owned by Sachs Properties to the west of the viewing area. There will be limited food vendors on site, and participants can bring their own food and beverages. The following items will not be permitted at the event: glass bottles, aerosol cans, laser pens/pointers, weapons of any kind, illegal substances, barbecue grills, tents, fireworks, and pets (except for service animals).

Chesterfield Mayor John Nations says, "We're pleased to be able to bring this event to our residents for a second year. It is an excellent opportunity to bring families together in Chesterfield to enjoy the holiday in a fun, safe atmosphere."

The event has been made possible through a collaborative effort between the City of Chesterfield, Sachs Properties and Westfield Chesterfield. For more information or a map, visit the City's website at [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us).



**Family Aquatic  
Center Opening  
Delayed - Pool  
Will Open  
June 16.**

## From the Mayor

### A Family Friendly Summer

**H**ave you made your plans for summer activities yet? There's so much to see and do within Chesterfield that can involve the entire family and many more exciting things planned for our use in years to come. I would encourage you to take a closer look at what the Chesterfield Parks and Recreation Department has to offer.

Approved by the voters in 2004, Proposition P established a one-half cent sales tax in which all of the proceeds are dedicated exclusively to parks and recreation. I am pleased to report that we have delivered on that promise to complete, or have under contract, all of the Tier I project improvements in 2007. These projects included improvements to the Chesterfield Valley Aquatic Center, Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex and Levee Trail in the Chesterfield Valley, all of which contribute to an increased quality of life for our residents.

Summertime and water activities go hand-in-hand, so be sure to visit the **Chesterfield Aquatic Park** to see what's new. We have been working to bring you over \$3 million in improvements to this area since October; however, weather and inspection issues have caused us to delay the opening of the park. It is estimated that the first day of operations will be June 16 and that ALL amenities will be open and operational by June 23. Be assured the improvements are worth the wait, with residents now being able to enjoy a 250-foot Lazy River, two additional slides, and a new children's play unit. Additionally, improvements have been made to the leisure and competition pools. This facility, located within Central Park on Lydia Hill Road, will provide hours of summer fun for the entire family.

Why not pack a picnic and take the family to Central Park and enjoy the beautiful, natural surroundings and play areas for children. Greater things are in the works to expand Central Park to encompass 38 acres, and I'm sure you've noticed all the clearing going on in this area around the West County Library and YMCA. Proposition P Tier I improvements for Central Park include site clearing and grading for future improvements which could include walking trails, two recreational lakes, an amphitheatre, additional pavilions, a boathouse and additional parking. Just picture fishing off the banks of the lake or enjoying a paddle boat ride on a warm summer day.

Nearly anyone with a child involved with sports has visited the **Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex (CVAC)**—many of you volunteer your time to coach these teams. Several improvements have been made to the CVAC through funds received from Proposition P including the lighting of five baseball/softball fields; construction of the Miracle Field, two football fields, three soccer fields, and two multi-purpose fields; additional parking; utility extensions allowing the addition of

concession and restroom facilities; landscaping; curbing and sidewalks; creating a trail head for the Levee Trail; additional pavilions; and additional signage. This highly sought-after venue is host to national tournaments throughout the year, as well as regional and local tournaments.



Additionally, the City purchased 30 acres of land immediately east of the existing CVAC, which will be used for the development of a Parks Administration and Maintenance Facility, and for the future development of athletic fields and parking. If you haven't experienced this sports complex and all it has to offer sports fans of all ages, I would encourage you to see what it has to offer. We are continually working to seek out other appropriate tracts of land throughout the City in an effort to preserve green space and to establish future parks.

Another project made possible by Proposition P is the design and construction of a Levee Trail system. The City has partnered with the Great Rivers Greenway District, and is currently working with consultants on the planning and design of a trail system which will be located on or near the Monarch-Chesterfield Levee in the Valley. Construction of the first section of the trail will extend from the Summit Ice Complex west to the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex. Construction is scheduled to begin this summer and should be completed in the fall.

While you have allowed us through Proposition P to bring many new capital improvements to you, there are many other exciting events happening throughout this summer. I am pleased to announce that we will once again be presenting a **4th of July Celebration** filled with music and family fun (see related article in this issue of "The Citizen".) The event exceeded our attendance predictions last year and the show itself was outstanding. I'm sure you can expect an even more spectacular show from Fireworks Spectacular this season.

New to Chesterfield this summer is **Movies on the Plaza**. The City will be showing movies at sunset on the plaza in front of City Hall on the fourth Friday of each month from June 29 to September 28, with the movie "Happy Feet" being the first screening on June 29. What a unique way to spend a summer evening by watching a family friendly movie outside!

As you can see, there are many outdoor activities this summer that offer something for everyone. I encourage you to take advantage of all the great city of Chesterfield has to offer. Please have a safe and enjoyable summer.

John Nations  
Mayor

## Share Your Garden In 2008

**A**s the drab, muted colors of winter turn to the bright hues of spring and early summer, we are reminded again of the splendor and beauty a garden can bring. The City's Beautification Committee has hosted two fabulous garden tours which showcased six beautiful gardens each year. Those attending the tours were able to gather ideas and inspiration to create their own unique backyard oasis. Gracious gardeners shared their secrets and told how impressed they were with the professionalism of the committee in organizing the event and the consideration shown by those attending the tour.

While no tour is scheduled for this year, the Committee is searching for gardens to add to those that have already committed to participate in the 2008 Tour. Organizers look for a balance between custom-planted perfection and owner-designed and implemented beauty, so that there is an abundance of variety and ideas. Members of the Beautification Committee will be available to tour any gardens submitted through the end of June.



If you feel like sharing your "labors of love", please call City Hall at (636) 537-4000 and leave a message for Kay Folsom of the Chesterfield Beautification Committee. You will then be contacted to schedule a viewing. Sharing is the best gift a gardener can give the world. The Committee looks forward to hearing from you and seeing your masterpieces.

## Philip and Kay Folsom Selected as Chesterfield Citizens of the Year

### ***Volunteering Couple Earns Recognition***

**M**ayor John Nations presented Philip and Kay Folsom with the 2006 Chesterfield Citizen of the Year Award at the City Council meeting on March 19. The individual nominating the Folsom's, Gerald Right, stated that, "They are consummate volunteers for the City of Chesterfield, and their many endeavors have enriched the quality of life for all citizens."

Upon moving to the area in 1983, the Folsom's quickly became involved in volunteering for their community and even worked to help incorporate the City of Chesterfield in 1988. In 1989, Phil was appointed to and chaired for three years the Citizens Interaction Committee (CIC), which was responsible for establishing programs designed to involve the citizens of the new city. Among other things, the CIC created the City's newsletter, the "Chesterfield Citizen", and established the Citizen of the Year Award. Phil was appointed to the City's Police Personnel Board in 1997, where he was elected Chairman in 2002 and still serves in this capacity, assisting in interviewing new applicants for the police department and hearing arbitration matters. He also serves as a trustee of his subdivision, The Forest, and works to organize many neighborhood activities.

Kay Folsom was appointed to the Chesterfield Beautification Committee and was elected Chairperson in 2002. Under her leadership, the Committee held its first Garden Tour in 2005 and again in 2006, wherein the profits were donated toward

City beautification projects, including the planting of landscaping in the medians along Clarkson and Olive boulevards, and also included a volunteer bulb planting day at City Hall in the fall of 2006. Additionally, Kay was appointed to the Board of Chesterfield Arts in 2000, where she still actively participates in their community and fundraising activities. Both she and Phil especially enjoy working with children in the arts programs and events.

For the past three years, both Phil and Kay have volunteered with OASIS, a national nonprofit educational organization providing intergenerational tutoring to help young children build reading skills and positive attitudes toward learning.

"Chesterfield is a better place because of the time and efforts of the Folsom's," said Mayor John Nations. "It is the contributions of people like this all throughout our community that make Chesterfield a city of volunteers, who, through their work, make the quality of life better for us all."



*Phil and Kay Folsom, Mayor John Nations*





## The Sounds of Summer

### Chamber Concerts in the Park Series Starts June 5

**F**aust Park is the place to be on Tuesday evenings this summer. As the sun starts to set, the park comes alive with people, food, fun, live music and dancing. The concert series kicks off with local favorite Bob Kuban Band on June 5, which is also the special birthday celebration for the City of Chesterfield. There will be free birthday cake and prizes for the kids. A spectacular fireworks display will follow the concert, bringing out all the "ohhs and ahhs".

The park opens at 5:30 p.m. with pre-concert entertainment for children provided by the City of Chesterfield and art projects courtesy of Chesterfield Arts. Concerts begin at 7 p.m. and end around 9 p.m.

Concert goers can purchase soda, beer, wine, water, brats, hot dogs, popcorn, candy, snacks and more at the Chamber's concession stand.

Bring your blanket and/or lawn chairs and make it a picnic under the stars. Many don't stay seated long as the music draws young and old alike up to the stage to dance to the beat.

This year marks the 20th season that the Chamber has sponsored the summer concert series, and the 10-concert lineup has something enjoyable for everyone.

Circle the dates on your calendar for these wonderful family-friendly events:

<b>June 5</b>	<b>Bob Kuban Band</b>
<b>June 12</b>	<b>Ralph Butler Band</b>
<b>June 19</b>	<b>Yessir</b>
<b>June 26</b>	<b>Spectrum</b>
<b>July 10</b>	<b>Cornet Chop Suey</b>
<b>July 17</b>	<b>Scott Laytham &amp; Karl "Trickee" Holmes</b>
<b>July 24</b>	<b>Hudson and the HooDoo Cats</b>
<b>July 31</b>	<b>Billy Peek</b>
<b>August 7</b>	<b>Trilogy</b>
<b>August 14</b>	<b>Bob Kuban Band</b>

## What's in a Name...Everything!

**T**he Chesterfield Alliance for Positive Youth (CAFPY), formerly known as the Chesterfield Drug Abuse Task Force, has expanded its vital role in cultivating a safe and healthy environment in which youth in the community can thrive, and the new name reflects the broader scope of efforts. The mission of CAFPY is to promote an alcohol-, tobacco- and drug-free lifestyle for the youth of Chesterfield through alternative activities, events and information for children and their families that will foster their ability to make positive choices.

### Recent events sponsored by CAFPY include:

**Parent Education Night at Parkway Central Middle School on February 6.** A panel of experts including Chesterfield Police Detective Brian Mize discussed Internet safety for adolescents; Teresa Bolanos-Alexander with the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse presented information about trends in teen drug activity; and Michael Mahon from West County Psychological Associates offered advice on dispensing discipline with realistic consequences that achieve positive results.

**Acoustic Café at the Chesterfield YMCA on March 16.** High school students enjoyed the evening socializing and listening to five local high school bands showcasing their unique talents.

### Mark your calendar for these upcoming events sponsored by CAFPY:

**Drug Prevention Day** – Saturday, August 4 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Westfield-Chesterfield. Visit with professionals from a variety of organizations that offer vital resources and promote healthy lifestyle choices in the community. Stop by while you're at the mall shopping during Missouri's Sales Tax Holiday!

**Back to School Pool Party** – Friday, August 17 at the Chesterfield Aquatic Park. Open to all middle school students who are residents of Chesterfield. CAFPY provides the pool and the food so you can have the fun!

**Acoustic Café** – These popular events are held quarterly during the school year at the Chesterfield YMCA. Local high school bands get to show off their talents for their classmates on these high-energy Friday nights. What better way to start the weekend? Watch for flyers, banners and e-announcements for dates and performers!

Want to get involved and make a difference in the community? Come join us! CAFPY meetings are held the second Tuesday each month at Chesterfield City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Parkway West.

## What's Coming to Town? Clock Tower Plaza

**T**his month's featured development in "What's Coming to Town?" is a retail development known as Clock Tower Plaza located on Chesterfield Commons East Drive between Edison and Chesterfield Airport roads. This project is owned and developed by Schifano and Sons LLC, which also owns Petropolis in Chesterfield Valley. John Schifano is project manager. Plans for the plaza include a collection of upscale specialty shops not currently found in the Chesterfield market, showcasing a Mediterranean style of architecture and featuring a 40-foot-tall clock tower, with the clock being eight feet in diameter. Businesses should be opening in the late summer.

"The boutique-style destination tenants will set this development aside from others in the area," say leasing agents Paul Nagel and Rudy Stinnett of Grubb & Ellis/Gundaker Commercial. "The shops will be independently owned and will feature items such as ladies accessories, home decor, and perhaps a coffee shop, which would group around an anchor tenant, such as a full-service spa."



## August Back-to-School Recycle Drive

**D**ierberg's Market Place, 1730 Clarkson Road at Baxter Road (alongside Clarkson Road), August 18-26, 2007.

Did you know that you can recycle your worn-out or outgrown clothing, socks, shoes, coats, blankets and other linens? Chesterfield's Back-to-School Recycle Drive also takes your old magazines, catalogs, cardboards and chipboards, as well as textiles. Please follow the guidelines to sustain these free recycling opportunities for everyone. Visit the City's website or City Hall for a copy of the 2007 Annual Recycle Drive guidelines.

## Sustainable Gardening Practices To Empower Our Pollinators

**H**elp the health of the pollinators—butterflies, bees, moths, hummingbirds, and many others. Join with other nations, states, scholars, and Missouri beekeepers who note significant 'bee and hive disappearance syndrome', stemming from both known and unknown factors. Set aside some space in the yard or existing gardens. Consider planting native and non-native flora (separate or together), environmentally-friendly hosts to butterflies, hummingbirds and song-birds! Compost yard waste for this special area and eliminate pesticides as butterflies are the most environmentally-sensitive pollinators. Take a summer stroll to City Hall for copies of butterfly and pollinator booklets and flyers, including layouts for gardening ideas. Additionally, check out [www.grownative.org](http://www.grownative.org) and [www.plantsofmerit.org](http://www.plantsofmerit.org).

## Don't Waste Your Trash: Recycle It!

**M**uch of what remains in our current waste stream destined for landfills, another diminishing resource, can be recycled curbside. In 1990, we recycled 10% of this waste stream, and in 2003, we averaged 45% in our Solid Waste Management District. Increasing the recycling rate in the United States from 30% to 60% would save the equivalent of 315 million barrels of oil each year! By unanimous vote, St. Louis County Council recently stipulated a 50% diversion rate by 2010 or sooner.

**Single Stream Recyclables**, collected curbside in Chesterfield, include all plastics #1–7 (no #6), paper fibers including junk mail, phone books, paperbacks and broken-down cardboard, metal cans, glass, packaging, and so much more. **Remember that the greatest benefit of recycling relates to the conservation of energy and natural resources.** Search the word "recycling" in the InfoFinder Box on the City's website at [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us) or walk up to City Hall for a copy of "Think Resources NOT Trash!" and other recycling information.

### June

- 4 City Council**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 11 Planning Commission**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 18 City Council**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 25 Planning Commission**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.

### July

- 4 Independence Day**  
City Hall Closed
- 9 Planning Commission**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 16 City Council**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 23 Planning Commission**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.

### August

- 6 City Council**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 13 Planning Commission**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 20 City Council**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 27 Planning Commission**  
City Hall, 7 p.m.

## Art in the Park Celebrates our Creative Community

**C**hesterfield Arts will again present the free community art festival, Art in the Park, on Father's Day weekend, June 15 and 16, at Faust Park. The two-day festival will feature a juried art fair showcasing work from regional artists in the Artist Village, artist demonstrations, hands-on art activities for children and adults, live entertainment, culinary delights from area restaurants and much more! For the first time, Art in the Park will open on Friday evening from 6 to 10 p.m. with the kickoff of the art fair, cocktails, food and live music by Hudson and the Hoo Doo Cats. On Saturday, the event starts at 10 a.m. with free art activities for children and adults, and continues through 9 p.m. with exciting performances including music by the Smash Band, crazy competitions and a special appearance by Chesterfield Arts' new mascot, Champ-Champion of the Arts. Kids, get LEGO designs ready for a chance to win prizes in the 2nd Annual LEGO Design Competition. This event is sponsored by St. Luke's Hospital, Delmar Gardens, Logan College, Sachs Properties, Hinshaw & Culbertson, St. Louis County Parks, West Newsmagazine, Arts & Education Council, Regional Arts Commission and Missouri Arts Council, a state agency. For more information, please visit [www.chesterfieldarts.org](http://www.chesterfieldarts.org) or call (636) 519-1955.

## Membership Has Its Privileges – Join Chesterfield Arts Today!

**S**upport the creative community by becoming a member of Chesterfield Arts and enjoy discounts on performances, art classes for children and adults, gallery rental, purchases and more! Memberships support all facets of programming and community art events that are free to all. Individual memberships start at \$35 per year; add benefits for the whole family at the \$75 level. As a special gift for new members, those joining at the family level receive a signed print by John Pils commemorating the history of Chesterfield. To join, call (636) 519-1955 or visit the membership booth at Art in the Park on June 15 and 16 for one-time-only discounted membership fees. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are also available; contact Executive Director Stacey Morse at (636) 519-1955 for more information. Thanks for helping make Chesterfield a "City of Art"!



## Chesterfield Police Utilize New Mode of Transportation

### Segways Being Used to Patrol Chesterfield Mall and Shopping Centers

**W**ith the recent acquisition of two Segway Personal Transporter machines, the Chesterfield Police are now patrolling the Westfield Chesterfield Mall and the Chesterfield Commons more efficiently and effectively. The futuristic-looking, two-wheeled, one-person machines have received a positive response from citizens and business owners alike. Michael Staenberg of THF, developer of Chesterfield Commons, states that he's excited about the use of the Segways in the Commons. "We have a world class shopping center in Chesterfield, and this addition to our police protection will only enhance safety and security for our patrons."

The battery-operated Segways were purchased with drug forfeiture funds and will be used to patrol and navigate business areas and special events, such as the 4th of July Celebration and the St. Louis County Fair and Air Show.

"The Segways will provide a unique mode of transportation that will enable officers to quickly maneuver in crowded areas both indoors and out. Additionally, they will provide them a greater ability to see above the crowds in populated areas," stated Chesterfield Chief of Police Ray Johnson.

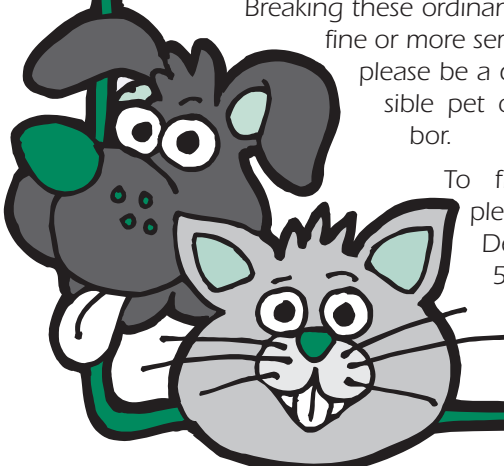
## Wanted: Good Pet Neighbors

**W**ith a little care and responsibility, your dog or cat can be a good neighbor in your subdivision. Unfortunately, the common nuisances reported about pets are animals (cats and dogs) on the loose, animal waste left on someone else's property and excessive barking and howling.

By municipal law, your pet must be on a leash or confined on your property. In addition, it is against City ordinances to allow your dog to bark continuously. Likewise, a "pooper scooper" law is in effect.

Breaking these ordinances can result in a fine or more serious penalties. So, please be a caring and responsible pet owner and neighbor.

To file a complaint, please call the Police Department at (636) 537-3000.



## Holiday Trash Schedule

For the July 4th holiday, Monday and Tuesday routes will not be affected. Wednesday routes will be picked up Thursdays, Thursday routes will be picked up Friday and Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday.

If you have any questions, please call the Allied Waste Customer Service Department at (636) 947-5959.



## City Of Chesterfield Fireworks Ordinance

**A**s the 4th of July approaches many people will enjoy the holiday with back yard barbecues, swimming, family fun and other summer activities. Another spectacular event to enjoy this year will be the City of Chesterfield's second annual fireworks display on Wednesday, July 4th beginning at 9:30 p.m. at Westfield Chesterfield.

However, it's important to know that Chesterfield's City ordinance has long prohibited individuals from either selling or discharging fireworks, except by permit. Fireworks can be dangerous at times and can cause both personal injury and property damage. The Chesterfield ordinance pertaining to fireworks reads as follows:

- (a) It is unlawful for any person to manufacture, sell, offer for sale, ship or cause to be shipped into the corporate limits of the City of Chesterfield, any item of fireworks. This section applies to non-residents as well as residents of the City.
- (b) Any person possessing or transporting special fireworks into the corporate limits of the City of Chesterfield for the purpose of conducting a special fireworks display shall be licensed by the state fire marshal as a distributor in accordance with Section 320.126 RSMo, 1985, as amended.
- (c) Before any permit for a special fireworks display shall be issued by the City Administrator, the fair association, amusement park, organization, firm, or corporation making the application therefore shall furnish proof of financial responsibility to satisfy claims for damages to property or personal injuries arising out of any act or omission on the part of such person, firm or corporation or any agent or employee thereof.

**Sec. 13-23. Explosion, ignition, discharge unlawful. It is unlawful for any person to explode, ignite or discharge any articles of fireworks within the corporate limits of the City.**

So, join us for a safe and spectacular fireworks display on July 4th at Westfield Chesterfield!





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## Sidewalk Problems and Repairs

**T**he City of Chesterfield's commitment to provide safe and continuous sidewalks throughout the City remains very strong. With nearly 300 miles of sidewalks in the City, this task is very demanding.

Sidewalks are built on slabs; in other words, they do not have a foundation under them. Thus, they are vulnerable to the freeze-thaw cycle, which can sometimes cause heaving. Trees located adjacent to sidewalks can also cause problems. As the tree grows, the roots raise the sidewalk and cause displacement. Lawn edgers used down the sides of the sidewalk allow water to flow underneath the sidewalk, causing the supporting base material to wash out, and underground lawn sprinklers continuously saturate the base material, both of which can cause movement of the sidewalks.

Several maintenance methods are used by the Public Works Department to address sidewalk displacement problems.

Sidewalks with a displacement of one inch (+/-) are being addressed with the sidewalk grinder, which restores a smooth transition from slab to slab. Sidewalks with a displacement greater than one inch are prioritized and placed on a list for removal and replacement, with first priority given to areas with a displacement of over three inches. In some cases, asphalt may be placed to create a temporary ramp, which eliminates the separation until the sidewalk can be permanently repaired. Only sidewalks with displacements are addressed. The City currently does not have the ability to address small cracks or surface defects.

By continuing to direct in-house efforts, as well as contractual efforts, the City has steadily reduced the number of necessary sidewalk repairs. However, sidewalk repairs, by their very nature, will continue to require an enormous commitment of resources and manpower.

