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Chesterfield Recreation Youth Soccer Leagues are alive and kicking!

The Chesterfield recreation youth soccer league will give area youth the opportunity to learn and develop soccer skills right at our very own Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex. This 8 week league will take place on Saturdays with games starting no earlier than 9 a.m. Participants will receive a uniform shirt, socks and a soccer ball. Participants register individually and will be placed on co-ed teams for age divisions 3/4 and 5/6 for the league and divisions 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12 for gender specific teams. Participants will also be given the opportunity to request a teammate and coach at time of registration. Coaches are voluntary and will receive their child's registration for the league free. Hurry and register today to get the ball rolling!

For more information, registration or interest in coaching, call 636.812.9500 or visit www.chesterfield.mo.us/recreational-youth-soccer-league.html.



Interested in becoming a member of a board or committee with the City of Chesterfield?

Chesterfield has many opportunities for citizens to get involved in the community from volunteering to participating in local government and attending city meetings to have their voice heard. Residents can really make a difference through a variety of positions on various boards and committees with the City.

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Challenge yourself in 2019 with the Holiday



Register now to complete the first ever Chesterfield Holiday Run series! The series includes:

- the Chesterfield Shamrock 5K/10K and Lil' Leprechaun Run
- the NEW Chesterfield Stars and Stripes 5K and Fun Run
- the 20th Annual Chesterfield Turkey Trot and Fun Run

All participants who finish all three races will receive a special commemorative medal. Registration for all three will be available online at www.chesterfield.mo.us on January 2 2019 at a discounted rate.

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Mayors Message

Happy Holidays! It has certainly been a busy year, with several significant changes, including new ownership of Chesterfield Mall, plans to re-purpose what was formerly Taubman Outlet Mall, opening of Top Golf, new hotels and subdivisions, proposed new multi-family developments, and ground breaking of the Chesterfield Hockey Association Ice Rink. All of this activity has kept our Planning and Development Services Staff quite busy.

SEEKING INPUT FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UP-DATE

As the city begins the process to revise/update our Comprehensive Plan, we are seeking input from our residents to this important document that will impact how our city may develop in the coming years. This is your opportunity to voice your perspective on important aspects of updating the plan. Please call city hall or your council member to find out when and where these input sessions will be held. We really need to get heavy participation from the public.

POTENTIAL IMPORTANT BALLOT

We anticipate hearing the Supreme Court decision on our constitutional challenge to the state statute that authorizes the collection and redistribution of the county-wide pool tax by January, if not sooner. If the court invalidates the statute, the 54 cities that previously had a municipal sales tax prior to 1977 would be authorized to re-impose their previously approved sales tax. Cities like Chesterfield and others will need to put on a ballot for voter approval a new tax that would essentially replace (not add to) the invalidated pool tax. It would be imperative that the city receive this approval at the earliest possible time, because until then the city would find it necessary to use fund reserves to pay the bills and continue providing services. It may seem premature and presumptuous to address this issue at this time, but time will be of the essence to get voter approval of a replacement tax to benefit Chesterfield residents and businesses



if the court finds in our favor, and it may take significant effort to educate and inform the public on this issue. Obviously, we will be excited if the judgment is in our favor, as the region will benefit greatly from a fair and equitable distribution of sales taxes that encourages sound political and fiscal decisions.

REUNIFICATION OF ST. LOUIS CITY WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY?

Another uncertain issue on the horizon is the possibility of a Statewide Initiative petition (whereby voters statewide would be able to vote) to consider whether St. Louis City may be allowed in some manner to rejoin St. Louis County. To me, it seems fundamentally unjustified and inappropriate for voters statewide to determine what is best for the residents of our region, effectively circumventing the constitutional process in place which calls for a vote of the residents of St. Louis City and County. Furthermore, there are numerous financial assumptions that would pose a burden to taxpayers in St. Louis County, should a re-unification occur. I realize there are many well meaning individuals and groups who are in favor of some sort of re-organization or re-structuring, but I think they need to face the reality of the existing challenges and provide remedies before pushing for re-unification or re-structuring.

I look forward to seeing you out and about. Please don't hesitate to express any concerns or ask any questions on these or any other matters, or simply call or e-mail at your convenience.

Wishing everyone a great holiday season and a happy & healthy 2019!

Bob Nation



Voter registration information

Citizens may register to vote at City Hall or most St. Louis County public libraries. The Missouri Voter Registration Application is also available online at www.stlouisco.com/elections.

The deadline to register to vote in the April municipal election is March 6, 2019.

Term expirations

April 2019
Councilmembers
Barbara McGuinness – Ward I
Ben Keathley – Ward II
Dan Hurt – Ward III
Michelle Ohley – Ward IV

April 2020 Councilmembers Barry Flachsbart – Ward I Mary Ann Mastorakos – Ward II Michael Moore – Ward III Tom DeCampi – Ward IV

Filing for City Council begins December 11

On Tuesday, December 11, at 8 a.m., candidate filing for the Office of Councilmember, in each of the City's four (4) Wards, to serve a two-year term, will begin in the City Clerk's office, 690 Chesterfield Parkway West. After December 11, hours for filing during the candidate filing period will be 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Candidate filing will close Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at 5 p.m. The election will be held April 2, 2019.

Qualifications

To run for a seat on the City Council, candidates must be at least 21 years of age prior to taking office, a citizen of the United States, an inhabitant of the City for one (1) year prior to the election and a resident of the Ward for which they are running for six (6) months prior to the election.

For additional information, please call the City Clerk at 636.537.6716.

Street maintenance is not always an easy fix

The City of Chesterfield maintains 176 miles of public streets, the great majority of which are comprised of concrete. There are many benefits to concrete, including design life and the fact that little maintenance is required, aside from crack sealing. Unfortunately, when concrete does deteriorate it can be difficult and expensive to repair.

The Public Works Department makes every effort to repair deficient concrete with concrete slab replacement or Partial Depth Repair (PDR). PDR is a method by which deficient concrete joints can be repaired using concrete. Streets addressed using PDR not only have a longer life than asphalt repairs, but they also more closely blend with the color of the existing concrete pavement. The drawback is that PDR repairs can be slow, as they are labor intensive.

Unfortunately, it is not always practical to make repairs in concrete. The City of Chesterfield

wants its streets to be safe, passable, and free of hazards. Sometimes, as joints deteriorate or potholes develop, there is not time to make concrete repairs. Other times, a street's concrete is deteriorating at such a rate that is no longer practical, or economically justifiable, to make permanent concrete repairs. In these cases repairs are made using asphalt. Once asphalt is used on a concrete street, a decision is made to either: 1) construct a concrete repair at a later date; or 2) incorporate the street in the capital replacement plan for a future street reconstruction. When making this decision, there are many factors taken into consideration, including the age, pavement condition, and type of pavement distress occurring.

Should you ever have questions regarding the Public Works Department, or street maintenance activities, please contact the Public Works Director at 636.537.4764 or pwdirector@chesterfield.mo.us.

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The Police
Department and
AARP will offer
another AARP
Smart Driver
Course on
January 16 at City



Hall from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fees are \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for others.

Reservations are required. For more information or to reserve a seat, please contact Officer Chad Meyer at 636.537.6769 or cmeyer@chesterfield. mo.us.

Holiday trash pickup

CHRISTMAS DAY, TUES. DEC. 25
Tuesday-Thursday pickups will be delayed one day.

NEW YEARS DAY, TUES. JAN.. 1Tuesday-Thursday pickups will be delayed one day.

Water Quality

Did you know that in order to permit grading and land disturbance activities, the City of Chesterfield, along with 58 other municipalities, St. Louis County, and MSD, operate under a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources? Permit requirements cover a wide range of topics which impact water quality, including posting pet waste disposal signs, ensuring that development sites contain proper silt and erosion control, and bi-annual street sweeping. Additionally, the City must operate its facilities in such a manner to minimize exposure to storm water and train its personnel annually in proper water quality practices.

If you are wondering what you can do regarding water quality, please remember that all storm water inlets drain to creeks and streams. Please ensure that no trash, debris, or chemicals are washed or dumped into storm water inlets. Additionally, if you planning a grading project, please contact the City to determine whether a permit is necessary.

The Parks,
Recreation and
Arts Department
has received
and maintained
national
accreditation by
the Commission
for Accreditation



of Parks & Recreation Agencies for over 10 years. To achieve accreditation you have to comply with 155 standards in 10 areas – Agency Role and Responsibility, Planning, Organization and Administration, Human Resource, Finance, Programs and Service Management, Facility and Land Use Management, Public Safety and Law Enforcement, Risk Management, Evaluation and Research.

Community Video Camera Program

The Community Video Camera Program allows residents and business owners to register the locations and capabilities of their security camera systems with the Chesterfield Police

Department. Using this information, when

a crime occurs, the Chesterfield Police Department will know the locations of nearby video cameras and be able to collect video evidence and follow up on leads. After registering your camera, your information will be stored in a secure, private database. You will only be contacted by the Chesterfield Police Department if there is a criminal incident KNOW? in the vicinity of your security camera and police personnel believe viewing your video footage will

> register your camera go to www. chesterfield.mo.us/camera-registration.html or contact the Chesterfield Detective Bureau at 636.537.3000.

assist in the investigation. To

Public Right of Way

Did you know the area between the sidewalk and curb is considered Public right of way?

Any construction or physical disturbances within the public right of way, including sprinkler systems, invisible fences, the planting or removal of trees, and driveway replacements, requires a permit from the Public Works Department.

If a street does not contain sidewalk, the public right of way is typically considered the area within twelve feet of the back of thecurb.

Movable objects should not be kept in the public right of way, including basketball goals and decorative landscape boulders.

If you have any questions regarding an object in the public right of way, please contact 636.537.4762.



improved Access to City Hall Did you know the City of Chesterfield has

purchased an ADA cart to assist people who may have difficulty walking from the ADA compliant parking spaces to the City Hall entrance. City Hall is fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), including parking spaces, ramps, and doors. Nevertheless, the City continuously looks for ways to improve access for its residents. The cart will be placed near the ADA compliant parking spaces on the northeast side of the building prior to City Council meetings and Planning Commission meetings. Should you ever need to use the cart to access City Hall during other times, please contact the City in advance at 636.537.4000 so that arrangements can be made.

During the active months at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex, April through November, Parks Maintenance Staff average about 250 hours per month picking up trash, recyclables and emptying trash cans at the athletic complex.

Driveway Apron Snow Removal Program

Did you know the City of Chesterfield will once again provide a Driveway Apron Snow Removal Program this winter to assist disabled and physically challenged residents in the removal of windrows that accumulate in the front of residential driveway aprons after snowplowing operations? Windrows are created when a large amount of snow from the street rolls off of the edge of the plow blade and accumulates at the base of the driveway apron. During significant snow events, windrows at the base of residential driveways can become quite large, re-freeze, and sometimes be difficult to remove.

The City of Chesterfield will begin driveway apron snow removal operations ONLY after completion of all snow and ice removal operations on public streets and at City facilities. The snow accumulation from the driveway apron must exceed two inches during any single snow event. The snow accumulation will be measured at the City of Chesterfield City Hall in accordance with National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) guidelines. The program is designed to provide an additional service to qualifying residents in order to provide better access for emergency situations.

In order to qualify for this program, Chesterfield residents must live in a private, single family residential home accessed via a public street, and have a diagnosed medical condition preventing them from removing snow from their driveway. To request this service, residents must complete three forms: Participant Information Form, Physician Confirmation Form and Participant Release Form, which are each available on the City's website, www. chesterfield.mo.us/forms-and-permits.html.

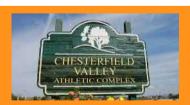
Applications must be received at least two weeks prior to a snow storm to allow for application review and processing. This

program may be discontinued at any time. If you have any questions, please call the City of Chesterfield Department of Public Works at 636.537.4762.

The Chesterfield Parks, Recreation and Arts Department employs over 100 seasonal positions. 75% of these are high school students with their first time jobs.

Culling of Deer Herds Within the City of Chesterfield

Citizens have expressed concerns that the deer herds within the City are a nuisance: by damaging landscaping, and, presenting hazardous conditions on roadways. To assist in controlling the deer population bow hunting is allowed within the City of Chesterfield during the Missouri bow hunting season (Sept.15 -Jan.15). Bow hunting for deer is permitted on properties of ½ acre or more. Smaller contiguous properties may be combined to qualify for the ½ acre requirement. Hunters and property owners must comply with the regulations set forth in the City's ordinance, and have an aggregate insurance coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. All property owners are encouraged to consider allowing hunting on their property. The City also encourages subdivision trustees to authorize bow hunting on common ground areas to help diminish the herds. For information and/or to participate in the hunting program, please call the Chesterfield Police Department at 636.537.3000. Staff will provide the regulations, paperwork necessary, and a list of hunters who have expressed interest in hunting properties in Chesterfield.



The Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex (CVAC) is operated by the Chesterfield Parks, Recreation and Arts Department. We are the home fields to Chesterfield Baseball Softball Association, Ascension Athletic Association, JB Marine Soccer Club, Marquette Lacrosse and host multiple local and national tournaments throughout the entire year. Each year more than 1.4 million people visit the complex.

Ever wonder who maintains the landscaped medians and interchanges along Highway 40/64?

The Parks Maintenance Staff maintains 57 landscaped medians throughout the City. This includes center road medians on Clarkson, Olive, Chesterfield Parkway, South Woodsmill, Clayton and Ladue. They also maintain the landscaping at the highway interchanges at Timberlake Manor, Clarkson Road and Chesterfield Parkway. Responsibilities include mowing, fertilizing, spraying, bed maintenance, planting, tree care and irrigation repairs.

The Heritage Foundation of Chesterfield has opened its new history museum! Located in the Chesterfield Mall on the second floor in the Dillards wing, the museum is open Fridays from 1 to 3. Tours are available by appointment by calling Don Wiegand, exhibit designer, at 636.346.7474. Volunteers are needed. See the Heritage Foundation's website for more information on volunteering heritagechesterfield.org. DeeAnn Wright can answer your questions at 314.952.4725.

the process of updating the City of Chesterfield Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan sets forth goals, policies, and guidelines for physical, social, and economic development within the City. The Plan also serves as a guide for zoning and addresses both short and long term planning concerns. The process of reviewing the Comprehensive Plan helps to determine community goals and aspirations in terms of community development, and presents a vision for the future within the City of Chesterfield. A few aspects of the Comprehensive Plan that may be reviewed include the Plan Policies Element, the Land Use Element, the Land Use Plan, the Transportation Element, and the Chesterfield Valley Policies Element. You can view more information about what these elements mean at the following link: https://www.chesterfield.mo.us/ comprehensive-plan.html.

In the coming months, public input will be sought on the project. Public dialogue is vital to expressing a collective vision for the City of Chesterfield. Please be on the lookout for information on how to participate and contribute your ideas to the future of your community!

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

MEETING INFORMATION, VACANCIES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Architectural Review Board

Serves as an advisory and recommending body to the Planning Commission. The Board reviews the architectural elements of proposed development projects against a set of established Architectural Review Design Standards to promote good quality architecture for commercial and residential development projects under review by the City. Members serve for a period of two (2) years and are appointed by the Mayor with approval by the City Council.

MEETING INFO: 2nd Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. **VACANCIES:** None

Board of Adjustment

Responsible for considering variances to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Chesterfield, as well as hearing requests for appeals of administrative decisions of Planning and Development Services. Variance requests can include reducing yard setbacks, increasing the area of signs or rebuilding legal non-conforming uses/structures destroyed more than 60 percent. Members serve for a period of five (5) years and are appointed by the Mayor with approval by the City Council (Ordinance No. 834). **MEETING INFO:** 1st Thursday of the month, 6 p.m.

VACANCIES: (1) Alternate member

Human Rights Commission

Prevents and/or eliminates discriminating housing practices in Chesterfield. Members serve for a period of three (3) years and are appointed by the Mayor with approval by the City Council. (Ordinance No. 131).

MEETING INFO: As needed VACANCIES: (1) Non-ward specific

Planning Commission

Serves as an advisory board to the City Council on rezoning requests and is responsible for adoption of the City's Comprehensive Plan. The Commission addresses such issues as revision of the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances, architectural review, site plan review and landscaping. Members serve for a period of four (4) years and are appointed by the Mayor with approval by the City Council (Ordinances Nos. 27 & 247).

MEETING INFO: 2nd/4th Mondays of the month, 7 p.m.

VACANCIES: None

Police Personnel Board

Interviews and makes recommendations concerning eligible candidates for employment and promotion within the Police Department. The board also hears appeals of disciplinary action for all ranks of the department and recommends courses of action. Members serve for a period of three (3) years and are appointed by the Mayor with approval by the City Council. (Ordinance Nos. 137, 328, 534, 909, 1226, 1235 and 1883)

MEETING INFO: As needed **VACANCIES:** None

Alliance for Positive Youth

Promotes an alcohol, tobacco, and other drug-free lifestyle for the youth of Chesterfield through alternative activities, events, and information in order to foster the ability to make positive choices. A group of Chesterfield residents, business AND civic leaders, and other concerned individuals who are working to identify and implement ways to stop the abuse and illegal use of alcohol and other drugs in the Chesterfield area.

MEETING INFO: As needed

VACANCIES: (3) in Ward 1, (1) in Ward 3, (4) in Ward 3, (3) in Ward 4, (1) At-Large

Chesterfield Historic & Landmark Preservation Committee

The Chesterfield Historic and Landmark Preservation Committee (CHLPC) is a committee which works towards education, outreach, and preservation of Chesterfield's historic and archeological treasures! The Committee also works towards fostering and encouraging preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of the historic structures, areas and neighborhoods, and thereby preventing future urban blight; and producing historical publications, newspaper articles, web sites, digital media, and public exhibits designed to promote interest in the history of the Chesterfield region and to provide public access to our repository of information and artifacts. Members serve for a period of three (3) years and are appointed by the Mayor.

MEETING INFO: 2nd Wednesday of alternate months. starting in January

VACANCIES: None, Volunteers welcome!

Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee (CCE)

Actively participates in City and regional events to promote resource conservation and environmental awareness. The CCE also develops and disseminates educational materials on topics such as recycling, composting and proper disposal of household hazardous waste. The CCE hosts the annual Earth Day celebration, community recycle drives, and other fun environmental education events.

MEETING INFO: 4th Thursday of the month, 6:15 p.m.

VACANCIES: (2) in Ward 1, (2) in Ward 2

Finance & Administration Citizens Advisory Committee

Makes recommendations to the Finance and Administration Committee of City Council on designated and assigned areas of study, including but not limited to budget, budget process, longrange economic planning, personnel policies and procedures, and investments. Members serve for a period of three (3) years and are appointed by the Mayor with approval by the City Council. (Ordinance No. 558)

MEETING INFO: As needed VACANCIES: None

MIS Citizens Committee

Established by the Finance and Administration Committee of City Council to assist staff with various hardware and software purchases, management information systems policies and technology planning issues.

MEETING INFO: As needed

VACANCIES: (1) in Ward 4, (1) At-Large

Parks, Recreation & Arts Advisory Committee

A recommending body to City Council, the purpose of the Committee is to assist City Council in the development of a comprehensive parks and recreation program. In so doing, its goal is to seek to enhance the quality of life for all citizens of Chesterfield.

MEETING INFO: 2nd Saturday of the month,

8:15 a.m.

VACANCIES: (1) in Ward 2, (1) At-Large

For more information on Chesterfields committees or to join a committee, please visit chesterfield.mo.us/boards-and-committees.html or chesterfield.mo.us/volunteer-for-a-committee.html or call 636.537.4000.

Residents can help the Police department with the deer population

The City of Chesterfield is flush with beautiful parks, walking/biking trails, large residential lots, and heavily wooded subdivision common grounds. Wildlife abounds in these areas. Many residents point to the natural areas and wildlife as one of the most attractive aspects of our community. While pleasing to the eye and treasured by many, they can also prove to be a headache and nuisance for others: especially the wildlife, and particularly the deer which often tend to be destructive to lawns, shrubbery, and gardens, not to mention the serious problem of auto crashes on our roadways involving deer. These problems are only exacerbated as the habitats of these beautiful creatures continue to shrink.

The problem the City faces is trying to establish a reasonable balance between the residents of the City and the wildlife, and again, the deer population in particular. In December of 2006, the City enacted an ordinance allowing for the harvesting of deer and a culling of the herds through a property owner and certified bow hunters collaboration. Since the inception of this program in 2006, some 353 deer have been harvested by bow hunters. In 2016, the minimum property size to qualify for bow hunting was reduced to ½ acre, to encourage additional property owner participation. In 2017, and again in 2018, a concentrated effort was initiated to communicate with subdivision trustees to encourage them to authorize and permit hunting on their common ground areas.

In spite of these efforts, the problems experienced by residents and motorists continue as the deer population continues to grow. It should be noted however, any efforts by the City to control the deer population must be carried out in conformity and compliance with the Rules and Regulations as established by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC), including the total number of deer which may be harvested. The allowable

harvest depends on the deer population and the number of deer per square mile.

In order to determine the deer density and to assist the City in identifying available options for deer population control measures, last year the City contracted with "White Buffalo Inc." of East Haddem, Connecticut to perform a "Deer Distance Sampling Population Estimate." White Buffalo is a company dedicated to conserving native species and ecosystems through research, education and management programs. As one might expect, deer population estimates as determined by the study, depended upon and varied rather dramatically across the City, from 14 to 40 deer per square mile by "zone" as established and reported by White Buffalo Inc. Those areas within the City with more open undeveloped space, of course, had the greatest population of deer. This Deer Distance Sampling Population Estimate has now been completed and the report has been shared with the Missouri Department of Conservation. Internal discussions are currently underway to determine the possible need for a second such survey.

Using the Distance Sampling Zone maps provided by White Buffalo, Inc. City Staff has identified specific geographical areas which appear will provide the most effective opportunities that are most appropriate for harvesting deer. Land owners in these areas have been contacted to encourage their participation in the City's Bow Hunting/Deer Harvesting program.

Additionally, City Staff continues to meet with the MDC to determine what other deer management methods, if any, such as "controlled shoots", or, "bait and shoot" tactics might be appropriate and permitted by MDC. If approved, such permits may be issued by MDC to cull deer outside of the normal hunting season. That information and any and all

recommended proposals will then be brought back before the City's Public Health and Safety Committee of Council for their review and consideration.

Meanwhile, the City continues to encourage property owners to participate in the Bow Hunting program. Any property owner with at least 1/2 acre of land (adjoining parcels may be combined to make up the ½ acre requirement) is eligible to participate. Interested property owners are encouraged to contact the Police Department at 636.537.3000, to add their property to the list of available hunting properties. The Police Department maintains a list of certified bow hunters ready and anxious to hunt the properties. Property owners and/ or hunters are responsible for registering the property to be hunted with the Police Department, and providing copies of hunter certification and proof of insurance before beginning to hunt the property. Likewise, all subdivision trustees are once again, strongly encouraged to continue to promote the bow hunting program for their common grounds.

Let's work together! We are confident that the combined efforts of the City and the continuing participation of the residents/property owners will result in a successful effort to control the deer population in Chesterfield!





Would you like to receive text updates on major road closures, emergency situations, missing persons and more? Sign up at nixle.com!

Jr. nba skills challenge

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 5:30-7 p.m. Ascension School

The Jr. NBA Skills Challenge provides boys and girls, ages 13 and younger, the opportunity to showcase their skills through a dribbling, shooting, and rebounding competition in the sport of basketball. The program is FREE, preregistration not required. **Register at jr.nba.com/overview/.**

CROCS SWIM TEAM

Registration is February 4 - May 1

Late registration - additional \$20

Swim Team (May 30 - July 22)

Fees: Resident - \$96 Non-resident - \$120

Ages: 5-18 **Mini Crocs**

Fees: Resident - \$70 Non-resident - \$85

Ages: 4-6

For more information or to register, call 636.812.9500 or visit chesterfield.mo.us.

PAVILION RENTALS

It's going to be that time of year before you know it! Outdoor birthday parties! Team celebrations! Family reunions! Our pavilion is the perfect place for it all. Located in Central Park right next to the playground, Central Park lake and restrooms. Reservations open up on February 11, 2019. Pricing is as follows:

RESIDENT INDIVIDUALS & CHESTERFIELD BUSINESSES ONLY.

\$55/day Monday-Friday \$110/day Saturday & Sunday \$110/Holiday

Permits for use of the pavilion may be obtained at Chesterfield City Hall. The Pavilion is available seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. to dusk. Occupancy is limited to 75.

For more information, call 636.812.9500 or visit chesterfield.mo.us.



ARTIST CRITIQUE GROUP

3rd Tuesday of the month Chesterfield City Hall 10 - 11 a.m. FREE

Calling all artists and artisans! Come join us for our artist discussion group to network, peer mentor and learn from each other. This meeting is free and open to all.

For more information, call 636.812.9500 or visit chesterfield.mo.us.



January - March 8:30 am-5:00 pm (excluding holidays) City Hall FREE

The City of Chesterfield will be hosting an Art Exhibit at City Hall, located at 690 Chesterfield Parkway West. The exhibit will be on display in the City Hall lobby, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (excluding holidays).

Artist Reception - Thursday, January 17, 6 p.m. **Artist Tour** - Thursday, January 24, 9:30 a.m.



SUMMER CAMP

MAY 28th - JUNE 28th AGES: 5-14 Resident: \$145 WEEK No.

Resident: \$145/WEEK Non-Resident: \$190/WEEK (Sign up for 1 week or all 5!)

The Chesterfield Summer Camp will keep your kids active and having fun this summer! Each week your child will have the opportunity to swim and participate in a wide variety of games, arts and crafts and field trips. The camp will be located at Central Park and the campers will be able to cool off at the Chesterfield Aquatic Center daily. Your child will have the opportunity to register for swim lessons while at camp for an additional fee. Everyday at camp your child will be engaged, safe and having fun. More info and registration at chesterfield.mo.us/summer-camp.html

OLDER ADULTS

Senior Sizzlers

For those that are 55 or older, Senior Sizzler events provide the opportunity to join other Chesterfield residents and different organizations that have programs for seniors. **To register, for an event, email older**

register, for an event, email olderadults@chesterfield.mo.us, or call 636.812.9500.

Monday, December 13, 5:30 p.m. Candlelight Dinner (\$15)

Bonhomme Presbyterian Church Register at chesterfield.mo.us/candlelightdinner-2018.html



Tai Chi, 2 Levels-Beginning and In Depth

Session 1: 1/17/19 through 2/13/19 Session 2: 2/20/19 through 3/25/19 Session 3: 3/27/19 through 4/29/19

Tuesday, January 15, 10 a.m. **Healthy Habits for Adults: Eating Healthy on a Budget**

Tuesday, February 12, 10 a.m. Healthy Habits for Adults: Eating Healthy on a Budget

Tuesday, March 5, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Pump It Up To Beat Cardiovascular

Disease

Call 314.862.4859 x24 or visit stloasis. org for more information or to register.

Senior Education Series

Knowledgeable, interesting and enlightening seminars that can help teach older adults a vast array of different subjects. All seminars are FREE, unless noted below, and are located in Chesterfield City Hall Chambers. Registration is required.

Tuesday, December 11, 10 a.m. **Avoiding Common Estate Planning Mistakes**

Tuesday, January 8, 10 a.m. **Staying Independent - At Home**

Tuesday, January 22, 10 a.m. - Noon
St. Louis Genealogical Society-Foundations
of Geneaology Part 1 (\$15)

Tuesday, January 29, 10 a.m. - Noon St. Louis Genealogical Society-Foundations of Geneaology Part 2 (\$15)

Tuesday, February 12, 10 a.m.
Independent Living Communities Insider
Tips

Tuesday, February 26, 10 a.m.

STL Genealogical Society-Family Search
(\$15)

Tuesday, March 12, 10 a.m. **Assisted Living Communities Insider Tips**

For more information or to register for the above events, please visit chesterfield. mo.us, email olderadults@chesterfield. mo.us or call 636.812.9500.

Women's and Men's Roundtables

1st and 3rd Monday of the month City Hall Room 102/103 FREE to attend. Registration not required.

Women's 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Men's

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

L.O.A.P.

(Lafayette Older Adult Program)

2nd and 4th Mondays, September-May Ballwin Golf Course 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. \$2/person.



No registration needed.

LOAP offers those 55+ the opportunity to make new friends, hear great speakers, be entertained by some great musicians, and play Bingo and cards.

Download the Chesterfield Parks, Recreation & Arts app

With the click of a button, you can:

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- View facility hours and fees
- Connect with friends
- Find public art
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Green Trails Elementary School named a U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon School

Green Trails Elementary School was named a U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon School, a comprehensive federal recognition award for sustainable schools. The School shared initiatives to improve efficiencies in a 50+ year old building, helping to reduce some costs. Students featured environmentally sustainable learning spaces and offered environmental education tips about composting and vermicomposting, recycling, rain barrels for catching rainwater to water the community garden, pollinator gardening, and reusing cafeteria spoons and forks vs. plastic ones which are thrown away since they cannot be recycled. A Parent Community Garden Leader discussed how to involve parents and surrounding neighbors in a community garden. The CCE worked with a parent and children from the school several years ago helping the school to achieve Certification from the National Wildlife Federation for having a



L to R: Tom McCarthy, Parks Director; Rene Sommers, Green Trails Prinicipal; Darcy Capstick, Chair, CCE





Green Trails Elementary School students pose near their outdoor garden.

Wildlife Habitat Garden. The children took the "Monarch Butterfly Heroes Pledge" by signing the butterfly pledge which helped them to receive native flora seeds and educational materials since they 'pledged' to help the Monarch Butterfly and its pollinator friends. The children kept their promise and overall helped to incorporate nature into the school's curriculum!





Dog tags for 2019

Eberwein Dog Park tags will be available for pick up on December 10 at City Hall for the 2019 Dog Park season.

This 2-acre Dog Park offers pups the opportunity to explore the great outdoors, whether its running around with their friends or exploring the trees and bushes. There are separate areas for small and large dogs. The Dog Park is open to residents ONLY and each dog must wear their own dog park tag. Dog tags for each dog are \$30 and are available at City Hall during normal business hours, please print off the application in advance at www.chesterfield.mo.us/eberwein-park.html. To register your dog, you will need to have documentation that the dog has been spayed or neutered, proof of residency and rabies records for each dog. Dogs younger than four months are not allowed in the Dog Park.

DOG TAGS CAN ONLY BE RENEWED AT CITY HALL.



Exciting job openings!

Chesterfield Parks, Recreation and Arts will have an assortment of new job openings coming open as we head to the warmer months. Be on the look out on our Facebook page, our Parks App, and chesterfield.mo.us for more information about the following positions:

Part-time Recreation leaders
Part-time Recreation workers
Part-time Concession 2
Managers
Lifeguards



Eagle Scout project provides homes for bats at River's Edge Park

Missouri bats consume literally tons of insects in our state each year and are one of our best allies in controlling insect numbers. A single little brown bat may eat 600 mosquitoes in an hour.

Nine species of bats are commonly found in Missouri. Six of these species spend at least part of the year roosting in caves and in trees and three species regularly roost in buildings. Bats naturally roost in the leaves of trees, under loose tree bark or in caves during the day, but some species prefer to roost in or around structures built by humans.

Parkway Central High School student and Life Scout, Ryan Sellers, has helped the bat population at River's Edge Park with their search for a home by building a bat condo as his Eagle Scout project.

"Many Eagle Scouts choose to do projects such as building a bench or a fence, but I decided that I shouldn't limit myself to doing the easiest option for my project. When Mr.

(Tom) McCarthy (Parks Director) asked if I would be interested in building bat condos at railroad park, I saw it as a challenge, and I love challenges. The only logical next step for myself was to take on this challenge, and in the process benefit the Chesterfield Parks organization.," said Sellers when asked of his choice of project. "Building the bat condos was even more challenging than I expected it to be. I came across many issues such as not buying the right amount of 2 x 6's, figuring out a way to stabilize the bat condos in between the posts, trying to figure out a way to raise the two part structure, and even more."

The thing that allowed Sellers to solve these issues wasn't only his own intuition, but rather the input from those he was leading.

"One of my friends gave me the idea of using my Dad's truck as a platform to stand on as we raised the second part of the structure. My Dad gave me the idea of creating a cross member support system in order to stabilize the condos. These ideas are what made the construction of my project possible, and I would say that that was the most important thing I learned from my project; In order to lead, one has to take advice from their followers," Sellers concluded.

Residents can visit the bat condo at River's Edge Park.



Parkway Central student, Ryan Sellers, with his Eagle Scout bat condo project.

Chesterfield Resident Spotlight:

Steve and Terry Schreiter

Building a dream ... a dream that others said, "It's Impossible!" When Chesterfield resident Steve Schreiter envisioned traveling the oceans on a sailboat in retirement and decided to build his own in Valley Park, he didn't realize how long it would take, how many heartbreaks and obstacles he'd face, or how much he'd learn.

Twolynne (the boat he built by himself) is a 53-foot steel hull sailboat that weighs 51,000 pounds and has a 7-foot draft.

In May of 2016 and with 22 years invested, it was time for the Twolynne takes to the sea.

transport, launch, and maiden voyage of an untested craft down the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers, followed by a 950-mile river journey to reach the brackish waters of Mobile Bay and outfit her for sailing. Ultimately these challenges would determine success or failure. Steve was 35 years old when he began this endeavor, and at age 57 he sailed his boat for the first time!



Steve's wife Terry wrote and recently published the book Steel Ambition to share their incredible story of life and challenges through words and photographs. Steel Ambition is a fascinating, inspiring, and motivating chronicle of a man devoted to a dream. We hope others are inspired to pursue their dreams, no matter how big they are or how long they may take. You don't have to know everything to start, but must remain committed to learning what you don't know to keep moving forward.

Twolynne made her first roundtrip ocean voyage earlier this year as Steve sailed her from Mobile Bay to Key West. She is a seaworthy, tank of a ship!

Cleaning your recyclables before cleaning the environment

If you've taken up recycling, you're already helping to make the world a greener place. But there are some essential tricks of the trade. A very common concern in the recycling realm is knowing how clean recyclables must be before you throw them in the bin. Contaminants can ruin certain recycling processes, but do you really have to rinse all the sour cream out of the container before recycling? Is it different for each type of recyclable? While guidelines vary by location, here's a basic guide to help you determine the standard of cleanliness for your recyclables:

Rinse Jars, Bottles and Cans

As a general rule, for things like bottles and jars, a quick rinse is more than adequate. You don't need to scrub the remains in the mayonnaise jar with soap before recycling, and a few spots won't likely hinder the process. For most items, just fill the container with water and vigorously swish the water around inside. (Or better yet, use leftover dishwashing water just before you drain it.) If the residue is sticky like jelly or honey, you may need to use a scrub brush or scraper to remove more of the product.

Cardboard and Paper

Note that grease and oil make cardboard and paper unrecyclable, so pizza boxes covered in grease aren't fit for the recycling bin. However, if the box is mostly clean with just a few specks of grease, you're fine to recycle it. The same goes for other contaminants. If you're making pancakes and a drop of egg lands on the box, it's still clean enough to recycle. However, too much of a mess will make it impossible to recycle. Additionally, crumpled, torn or misshapen paper and cardboard can be

recycled the same as flat products. As a side note, paper that has been shredded or torn into bits shouldn't go into the outside bin, as it can easily blow away and cause littering. Check with your local curbside program for guidelines on shredded paper. In small quantities, it may need to be thrown away or at least bagged before being recycled. In large quantities, you can take it directly to any waste and recycling facility.

Shake Clean Plastic Bags

Plastic bags and film should be dry and clean of residue. Again, a few particles, such as bread crumbs, left in the plastic bag will not hinder the recycling process. In most cases, you can simply shake out bags before recycling them. This will easily take care of dry particles inside the bag. If there is sticky film or residue, such

as peanut butter or mustard left over in a sandwich bag, it must be washed out. After washing any plastic bags, make sure that the bags are dried completely before recycling, as excess water can interfere with the melting process during recycling.

Throw Away Heavily Soiled Items

Unfortunately, some items cannot be recycled and should simply be thrown away. Any items that are heavily soiled or impossible to clean cannot be recycled.

It's very important to sort your recycling correctly and make the process as simple as possible for your city. If you need more information about the proper way to recycle products, contact your local recycling facility.













New grant provides compost kits for purchase

A 2019 grant (funded by the St. Louis County Department of Public Health) will allow us to provide residents the option to purchase composting kits for \$25. The kits are first come, first served and the program will be promoted until the bins are gone. To participate and receive a bin, you must fill out an application that will require proof of residency, name, address, phone number, and email information.

Free composting classes will be offered by the City to purchasers of the kits. These will be scheduled and posted online at a future date. Chesterfield Parks, Recreation and Arts will also use this opportunity to reach out to local area schools to provide information about composting, the difference it can make and the impact it could leave on their environment. Schools are welcome to purchase

the bins, as well.

Applications
are available
in paper at City
Hall or online
at chesterfield.
mo.us.



Historical land creates fascinating Fick/Schulz/Ficke family history

by Ann Chrisso, Chesterfield Historic & Landmarks Preservation Committee

In 1882, Philip A. Fick married Charlotte L. Koewing. She was the daughter of Frederick (1820-1869) and Sophia (d. 1873) Koewing. The Koewings lived on "Fairwind Farm" in a large house built in 1885, which was located at 17802 Wild Horse Creek Road, Orrville, Missouri. Charlotte's sister, Eliza and her husband, Rudolph Essen Sr., inherited the Koewing home. Essen was a farmer in Orrville while Philip and Charlotte Fick ran the general store in the same village.

Philip and Charlotte Fick had five children: Albert (Ollie) (27 Nov 1892 - Sept 1956); Andrew, Roy, Harris and Sophie. At the age of 20, Harris drowned in Orrville Creek while he

was running traps. Sophie married Jake Calvert,

Frederick G. Schulze house at 18217 Old Wild Horse Creek Road. Photo by Dan Rothwell, Nov. 1997.

who worked for the water company in St. Louis. Their daughter, Melvina Calvert Schworm, was a talented artist. Some of her paintings of St. Louis landmarks were owned by her cousin, Lelia Fick Headrick, a Chesterfield resident.

Lelia was the only child of Albert and Elsie Ficke Fick (13 Jan 1897 - Nov 1962). Elsie Ficke and her sister Augusta M. Ficke were the daughters of Walter S. and Mary Schulze Ficke, who married in 1896. Mrs. Mary Ficke inherited her childhood home from her father, Frederick G. Schultz (d. 1894). Schultz acquired land along Wild Horse Creek Road from Amazon C. Howell and Samuel C. Tyler. In 1850, he built a large house at 18217 Old Wild Horse Creek

Road.

Albert, Elsie and Lelia attended St. Thomas Evangelical & Reformed Church in Gumbo. When the congregation outgrew the small white church, a new church was built on a hill along Wild Horse Creek Road. Elsie Ficke Fick sold property for the new church's driveway and Sophie Fick Calvert sold the land for the church. Lelia grew

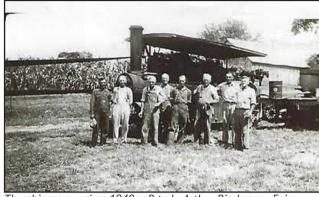
up on the Fick Farm on which an Indian Mound was located. Her father, Albert, and his siblings frequently played in the mound. Lelia attended Orrville Elementary School and one year at

> Eureka High School. In 1943, her family moved to Olivette, Missouri to live on 13 acres at Olive and Dielman Road. She graduated from University City High School.

During World War II Lelia remembered the German Prisoners of War on the Hellwig Farm. Area farmers, including her dad and uncles hired them to work in the fields. The Ficks found the POWs to be generally friendly

and hard workers. In 1954, the Albert Fick Family returned to their Chesterfield property. They sold it in 1994. At that time the State of Missouri declared the Indian Mound to have historical significance and required that one acre surrounding the mound could not be sold. Miramont Subdivision and Barat Academy now occupy what was the Fick farm.

Lelia Fick married James Headrick in the Samuel United Church of Christ. Lelia was a longtime employee of the Parkway School District. After she retired, she performed volunteer office work at Shenandoah Vally Elementary School and in the St. Luke's Hospital Medical Library.



Threshing crew, circa 1940s. R to L: Arthur Bierbrauer, Evin Wardenburg, Bill Schaefer, Harold Wilmas, Tate Wardenburg, Jake Calvert, Tom Schaefer and Justin Sontag. Courtesy of Lelia Fick

Walter and Mary Ficke are buried at Antioch Cemetery. Harris Fick is also buried at Antioch Cemetery and Frederick Koewing is buried at St. Thomas United Church of Christ Cemetery. There was no blood relationship between the Philip Fick family and the Walter Ficke family.

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Indian mound which was located on the Philip A. Fick property. Photo taken in 2018, courtesy of Mark Leach.

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3.1/6.2 MILE COURSE Monarch Levee Trail & Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex

AWARDS

Top overall male and female and top overall in each age group

FEES

\$20 (through 2/18) \$25 (2/19 through 3/8) \$30 Race Day

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12 & under | Begins at 10:30 a.m.

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Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex

AWARDS
All kids will receive a participation medal

FEES \$8 (through 2/18) \$10 (2/19 through Race Day)

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For more information or to register, visit www.chesterfield.mo.us/shamrock-5k-10k-and-little-leprechaun-run.html