

Happy Trails to You!

Chesterfield's new half-mile Riparian path features multiple boardwalks

Chesterfield's exceptional system of trails became even more impressive with the opening of a Riparian Trail, which is a trail that follows along a stream or waterway.

The 10-foot-wide path has a crushed stone surface, similar to that of the Katy Trail, and is approximately a half mile long. Designed to preserve the natural surroundings, the trail often features encounters with deer and other wildlife, along with a variety of plants and trees. Carefully placed boardwalks guide trail users through a lush landscape.

The trail will be extended in the future to connect to the Chesterfield Family Aquatic Center and on to Old Chesterfield Road. Ultimately the trail will connect with the Monarch-Chesterfield Levee Trail.

Phase 1 of the Trail can be accessed from the south side of Lydia Hill Drive near the intersection of Veterans Place Drive. The trail entrance can be found on Lydia Hill Drive, directly across from the new Veterans Place Drive. Parking is available in the Family Aquatic Center parking lot.



Boardwalks enhance the newly opened Riparian Trail, which winds for a half mile along a stream through natural surroundings.

INSIDE

Chesterfield loses 'First Lady' Joan Schmelig

The City of Chesterfield lost one of its most avid supporters with the passing of long-time Chamber of Commerce President Joan "Joanie" Schmelig. She was an energetic booster of the area even prior to the the City's incorporation and was noted for her tireless efforts during the Flood of 1993. **Page 7**

Chesterfield residents eligible for energy efficiency loans

Chesterfield City Council has approved an agreement with St. Louis County that enables Chesterfield residents to enroll in the St. Louis County SAVES™ (Sustainable And Verifiable Energy Savings) program.

St. Louis County SAVES is a \$10.4 million residential energy efficiency loan program that started in May. It is supported in partnership with St. Louis County, Earth Ways Center (a division of Missouri Botanical Garden), and Abundant Power Solutions.

SAVES offers low interest loans (3.5%) ranging from \$2,500 up to \$15,000 to make high energy efficiency



improvements. The loans can be flexible up to ten years, and only owner-occupied single-family homes are eligible.

High energy efficiency improvements such as windows and doors, high efficiency HVAC systems, insulation, and water heaters will qualify for this

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Mayor's Message



Despite a sluggish national economy, Chesterfield's trends are positive

During my first few months as mayor, many exciting things have happened in the City. Heading the list is the opening of the amphitheater, completion of the first phase of the Riparian Trail in central city, and the soon to be completed first phase of Eberwein Park that will include our first dog park.

Additionally, many new businesses opened in Chesterfield, and our staff in the economic development and planning divisions and I have had several meetings with developers to discuss potential new projects. For the fourth consecutive month this year, all of our operating funds have seen an increase in sales tax revenues compared to this time last year. As the summer draws to an end, I am pleased to say that Chesterfield continues to show signs of increased economic activity.

There are a number of events that are either planned or have already occurred that will add to this economic activity, both for Chesterfield as well as the entire region. The East-West Gateway Council of Governments recently approved \$128.7 million to fund construction of a new Boone Bridge over the Missouri River. The project will replace the current narrow west bound bridge.

The current east bound lanes will switch to west bound lands and the newly built section will handle east bound traffic. Construction could start as soon as late 2012, improving an important link to St. Charles County and I-70.

We have seen significant activity in the retail sector. In the Valley, Big Lots opened in the former Circuit City location, and Gordmans and Aldi are under construction on the east side of Home Depot in the Chesterfield Commons, with plans to be open this fall. Ross Dress for Less, similar to TJ Maxx or Marshall's, announced plans to open in the former Linen's & Things in March 2012. This will be one of the company's first locations in the St. Louis market. At the Mall, BAM recently opened in the former Borders location. Both the Commons and Mall have occupancy rates around 95% or higher, so they have done a great job keeping spaces open and occupied!

On the dining front, Tahoe Joe's, a West Coast steak house known for its hardwood charbroiled cooking method and Lake Tahoe lodge ambiance, will be opening its first restaurant in the St. Louis market in the former Home Town Buffet location. St. Louis Sippery recently opened at Long and Edison, where one can indulge in a piece of gooey

butter cake or have a gluten free cupcake! If you like frozen yogurt, Lancia's and FroYo offer two new places to try. With over 150 choices, diners can always find something to their liking in Chesterfield!

While it's exciting to talk about all the new stores and restaurants, it's important to recognize existing businesses that are growing and creating jobs. The Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority (MOHELA) plans to add 169 new jobs over the next 18 months. The Spirit of St. Louis Airport is investing in its future with a \$4 million real estate purchase and is seeing an increase in flights, which are up more than 10% from 2010. Businesses such as Insituform Technologies and Reinsurance Group of America continue to gain contracts and grow their business base as well.

With all of this good news, we are optimistic that even better and more exciting days are ahead for our great City of Chesterfield.



Bruce Geiger, Mayor

SAVES

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program. These improvements can only be installed by St. Louis County SAVES-authorized contractors.

This program is being done to ensure families save money on energy costs, improve the comfort and value of their homes, and to help make St. Louis County a greener community.

For further qualification criteria and more information, visit www.stlouiscountysaves.com

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You can follow your city on Facebook. Look for City of Chesterfield, MO and "Like" pages of interest to receive updates from various departments.

City offers a free seminar for document preparation

In conjunction with National Preparedness Month, discover the important items and documents that persons in your household would need in case of a natural disaster, life crisis or untimely death. Kimberly Meredith, professional organizing consultant, will share details on how you can be proactive in being prepared in the event of an unforeseen emergency.

The free event will be held on Thursday, Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Parkway West.

POLICE

Neighbors are encouraged to get together on Oct. 4

Chesterfield residents are invited to participate in the 28th annual National Night Out on Tuesday, Oct. 4.

This crime prevention event promotes police-community partnership, crime prevention, and neighborhood unity. It also sends a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back against crime.

The event is from 6:30-9 p.m. Citizens are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights, and head outdoors on porches, lawns, and steps visiting with neighbors. Chesterfield police officers will be visiting residents in many neighborhoods during the event.

**Night Out
Tuesday,
Oct. 4
For more info:
636.537.3000**

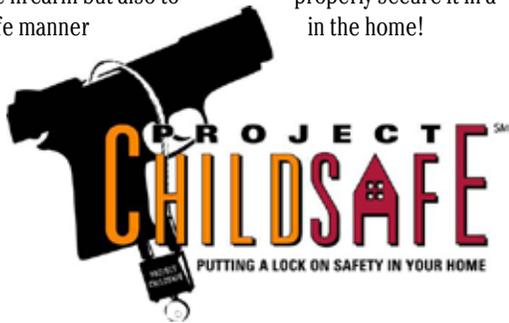
For further information about participating, contact Officer Joe Smith at the Chesterfield Police Department at jsmith@chesterfield.mo.us or 636.537.3000.



Police offer free gun locks

The St. Louis area has experienced several recent tragedies involving accidental, and fatal, gun discharges by small children. In an effort to remind residents of the danger of firearms kept in the home, the Chesterfield Police Department has a limited number of cable-style gun locks available to assist in safely securing your firearms.

Any citizen interested in receiving a free gun lock can obtain one at City Hall. Remember, it is a firearm owner's responsibility to not only know how to properly handle the firearm but also to properly secure it in a safe manner in the home!



Winter Warm Up set for November

The City of Chesterfield will once again be participating in the "Warner's Winter Warm Up," sponsored by the Kurt Warner Foundation.

This event, founded by former Rams quarterback Kurt Warner and wife Brenda, allows residents to donate gently used coats that are later passed along to individuals in need. The collection will be held in November with a drop off point at City Hall.

The exact collection dates will be announced later on the City's web site.

AARP driver safety course scheduled Oct. 11, City Hall

The Chesterfield Police Department announces a cooperative effort with the American Association of Retired Persons in providing the AARP Driver Safety Program.

The program is the nation's first and largest classroom driver improvement course. It reviews the rules of the road with an emphasis on defensive driving practices. The four-hour course is taught in a single morning session and does not involve a test. The fee is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members.

Graduates of the course may be eligible to receive discounts from their auto insurance carriers.

The course will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 11, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at City Hall. Reservations are required.

For further information or to reserve a seat, contact Officer Paul Powers at 636.537.6769 or ppowers@chesterfield.mo.us.

Bicycle safety need not be all uphill – helmets help save lives, prevent injuries

Hopefully, as a parent, you wouldn't dream of letting your children ride in the front seat of your family car without a seat belt. Would you let them jog along a busy Interstate? Would you let them go in the deep end of the pool if they didn't know how to swim?

How about riding a bicycle without a helmet?

Most people don't associate riding a bike without a helmet as

being as dangerous as these other activities, but in 2009 there were 630 fatalities from bicycling and over 51,000 traffic related injuries. Every year more than 300,000 children under the age of 14 are treated in emergency rooms for bicycle-related injuries. However, deaths are down by 58 percent from 2000, thanks to increased helmet use.

So how difficult would it be to convince your child that bike

helmets are cool? Not difficult at all. The key to bike safety is to have your child realize at an early age that bike riding is fun, but it cannot be done without a helmet.

Parents should model good behavior from the start. On family bike rides, make sure that all the members of the family have helmets. Explain, just as a seat belt can save lives, so too can the simple task of wearing a helmet. Just like

refusing to move your car until everyone is belted, children should not be allowed to ride their bikes until helmets are on.

Positive examples can be found in many places. Professional bicyclists wear helmets in all races. BMX racers have theirs on, too. Parents can point out that even police officers who ride their bikes to protect the public wear helmets.

PLANNING & PUBLIC WORKS

Road Work

December is target for completion of the Lydia Hill extension



Work continues to connect Lydia Hill Drive with August Hill Drive.

Progress is being made as installation of the box culvert is complete, and Chesterfield Creek is now routed through the culvert. Storm sewers are being installed, and the grading operation continues.

Road construction began in August, and it should be substantially complete this December. The road will then provide a direct connection between Chesterfield Parkway West and Baxter Road.



Improvements planned at Long, Wild Horse Creek, Kehrs Mill

The long awaited improvements to Long Road and Wild Horse Creek Road are quickly approaching. The project is financed by the Chesterfield Valley Transportation District (TDD) through a 3/8-cent sales tax collected by businesses in the Chesterfield Valley.

Bids on the project will be taken this fall and work is scheduled for completion in Summer 2013. This work involves improving Long Road to a full five lanes to Wild Horse Creek Road and eliminating the flood gate at the railroad tracks. The bridge on Wild Horse Creek Road is also being replaced.

St. Louis County will be managing the project and has committed to keeping Long Road open to traffic during

construction. But there will be delays and irregular pavement, so using alternate routes is suggested.

During the project, Kehrs Mill Road must be temporarily closed at Wild Horse Creek Road for a 30-day period. That closure is planned to begin in mid-June 2012 to minimize the impact on schools. During this time, Wild Horse Creek Road east of Long Road will also be closed. This work is complicated by the relocation of a 42" water line, which can only be completed during the low-use winter months.

As they become available, updates will appear at www.stlouisco.com/PropertyandRoads. Search for "Wild Horse Creek."

CITIZEN COMMITTEES

Unwanted drugs can be safely handed in during event at City Hall

Chesterfield residents are getting another safe, responsible way to dispose of unwanted prescription and over-the-counter drugs.

On Saturday, Oct. 29, the Citizens Alliance for Positive Youth (CAPY), in partnership with the Chesterfield Police Department and the Drug Enforcement

Agency, are sponsoring another Prescription Drug Take Back Event.

**Drug Take Back
Oct. 29
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
City Hall**

Increasingly, prescription and over-the-counter drugs are being used by teens and youth at parties or for experimentation. Even over-the-counter drugs can have unexpected and adverse health effects. The collection event helps limit the improper use or abuse of these drugs and keeps them out of the watershed, allowing for proper disposal.

The event will be at City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Parkway West, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

CAPY meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at City Hall. More information can be found at www.chesterfield.mo.us, by emailing dweiss@chesterfield.mo.us, or calling 636.537.4000.



CITIZEN COMMITTEES

City's top yards earn awards from Beautification Committee

The Chesterfield Beautification Committee is pleased to announce the 2011 winners of the biennial Beautification Award for Wards 2 and 3. This award is given in recognition of the hard work and commitment that these Chesterfield residents give to beautifying their yards and neighborhoods.

- June winners are Mary & Mike Fedak at 639 Stablestone Drive and the Stacey & Brad White family at 16305 Wilson Farm Drive.

- July winners are Priscilla Dawn Baker of 3 Pittsfield Court and Ursula & John Kittner, 1915 Sumter Ridge Court.

The next Beautification Awards will be presented in 2013.

Next summer brings the 5th Biennial Garden Tour. Chesterfield proudly selects prime private gardens in the area and arranges public tours so citizens can view these masterpieces.

For more information of the Beautification Awards and the Garden Tour, contact City Hall at 636.537.4000 or www.chesterfield.mo.us.

June winners



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Stacey & Brad White family, 16305 Wilson Farm Dr.

July winners



Priscilla Dawn Baker, 3 Pittsfield Court



Ursula & John Kittner, 1915 Sumter Ridge Court

Chesterfield lawn pro shares tips to get yards in shape this autumn

By Brian Winka

Parks Maintenance Supervisor

Fall is a good time to get on track for a great lawn next spring. Here's a summary of lawn care tips for established tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass in Chesterfield:

Apply fertilizer in September and November. One pound of nitrogen per 1000 square feet is a good rule of thumb for fall fertilization. Apply again in May only if the lawn will be watered through the summer.

Maintain a grass height of 2.5 to 3.5 inches, even into November. Tall fescue can be mowed higher than Kentucky bluegrass. Mowing height can be dropped for the first spring cutting to remove dead grass blades.

Water in the fall only enough to prevent wilting. If you overseed, keeping the seed moist is the best thing you can do. It must stay moist to germinate, and when it does germinate, the seedlings will die if they dry out.

Aerate your lawn in the fall before you seed so water and air get down to the root

zones of your grass.

Seed in September through mid-October. Sometimes, the weather gets ugly before we reach mid-October, with cold snaps, rain and thunderstorms, etc., so don't wait until the last moment. Seed will germinate when daytime temperatures are consistently 68° to 85° F (soil temperature approximately 55°).

Spring is not a good time to seed. It will germinate, come up well, but when summer hits, and the fescue hasn't had time to develop a root system, the heat will take it out. Also, if you seed in the spring, you won't be able to put down pre-emergents in those areas, so you may have a weed problem. Use about 6-8 pounds of grass seed per 1,000 sq. ft. for tall fescue, and 2-3 pounds per 1,000 sq. ft. if you are planting Kentucky bluegrass.

For dandelions and clover prevention, herbicides are most effective in the fall. Spray in late October or early November on a sunny day that is 50 degrees or warmer.

When the leaves start falling, be sure to remove them from the lawn or mulch them with a mulching



mower. Leaves will block sunlight from reaching the grass blades so don't allow a buildup on the lawn.

CITIZEN COMMITTEES

Opportunities abound for environmental work, recycling

Repairing the Riparian at Eberwein Park

The Citizens Committee for the Environment is hosting an event that will allow our community's youth to help create the new Eberwein Park. It is scheduled Saturday, Oct. 15, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Committee received a grant from the Missouri Wildlife Federation to assist with the cost of installing native plants along the pond in the park grounds. Children of all ages are encouraged to help plant native flora in the park's riparian zone.

Additionally, participants will enjoy kites, Frisbees, hula hoops, and pinwheels, which will be available in limited quantities. A light lunch will also be provided following the planting.

Partners for the event include PNC Bank, Home Depot, Dierbergs, Ameren/Pure Power, Remains, Inc., St. Louis Community College – Wildwood, and the Chesterfield Parks and Recreation Citizens Advisory Committee.

Participants are asked to bring a shovel or trowel. Parking for the rain-or-shine event is limited at Eberwein Park, but additional adjacent parking can be found on the west parking lot of Dierbergs Market Place shopping center. This event qualifies as a Stellar Green Youth Team event.

Stellar Green Youth Team

Are you a young person who cares about the environment? Would you like to be recognized for your efforts and assist the Citizens Committee for the Environment in its numerous community events? Any youth (kindergarten through college) can participate with the CCE in three conservation events, projects or programs and become part of the Stellar Green Youth Team.

More information is available on the City's web site by searching for "Stellar Green."

Chesterfield family chosen for native landscape front yard makeover

The Missouri Botanical Garden/Shaw Nature Reserve, the Missouri departments of Conservation and Agriculture/Grow Native!, and the St. Louis Chapter of the National Wild Ones, chose the Neal Rose family in Bridle Creek subdivision for a front yard makeover. Up to \$1,500 native flora and other landscape materials will be installed in the Rose yard, starting this September.



Volunteers are needed to help install native plants Oct. 15 on sections of the riparian such as this.

Expanded Fall Recycle Drive

Bring your single-stream recyclables (paper, glass, plastics) along with linens and old clothes to the expanded fall recycle drive Oct. 22-30, on the Dierbergs' parking lot along Clarkson Road. Please follow the guidelines posted on the bins.

America/Missouri/Chesterfield Recycles Day set for Nov. 5 at Parks building

Saturday, Nov. 5 – Parks Administration & Maintenance Facility, 17891 N. Outer 40, 9 a.m.-noon

This annual event offers the opportunity for residents to responsibly dispose of and recycle numerous household items. New partners this year include Habitat for Humanity and Midwest Recycling, offering Styrofoam recycling! Items that are being collected – and sponsors – at the free, convenient drive-thru event include:

- All single stream items such as newspaper, glass, and plastics – Allied Waste
- Plastic planting pots and light bulbs – Home Depot
- Electronics (TVs, computers, small appliances) – WITS
- Used clothing, linens, and paired shoes – REMAINS, Inc.

- Shredding of confidential documents (5 box limit) – CINTAS
- Styrofoam and #6 plastics (please bag separately) – Midwest Recycling
- New and used building materials and home supplies – Habitat for Humanity's ReStore program.

Book on Chesterfield's history covers wide range of topics

After conducting five years of research and compiling hundreds of pieces of information, the Chesterfield Historical Commission recently released a book, *Chesterfield, Missouri – From Untamed Wilderness to Thriving Municipality*.

A wide range of topics by eight authors begin with an overview of Chesterfield's pre-history and ends in 2010. Other topics include the life of early German immigrants in the area, Burkhardt Historical District, the railroad, businesses, churches, a POW camp at Chesterfield, the 1967 tornadoes, and the 1993 flood.

The hardbound book is 196 pages and sells for \$25 at Chesterfield City Hall, the Chamber of Commerce, and Chesterfield Arts. For more information call 636.537.4000.

IN REMEMBRANCE: JOAN SCHMELIG

Chesterfield pioneer, Chamber of Commerce president passes away

Chesterfield's "First Lady" and 2010 Citizen of the Year passed away on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011, at age 70.

Joan "Joanie" Schmelig was the president of the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce for more than 25 years – longer than the City of Chesterfield has been incorporated. Noted Mayor Bruce Geiger: "Joanie helped make Chesterfield what it is today – a complete community, with thriving commercial centers and quality recreational opportunities. She had a unique and long-lasting impact upon our community and will be greatly missed."

Ms. Schmelig was known for her tireless energy and for her willingness to always go the extra mile on behalf of the greater Chesterfield community. City Administrator Mike Herring commented:

"Before Chesterfield became a city, Joan Schmelig was the Mayor/City Administrator/Judge and Jury! Yet, when the city incorporated, in 1988, she vigorously worked to forge a strong partnership, between the Chamber of Commerce and our city government. When the Flood of 1993 was imminent, she led efforts to communicate to all of the Valley businesses and even worked to fill sandbags. During and after the flood, she worked tirelessly and was committed to the Valley's recovery and to assisting those most affected by the flood. I have tremendous respect for Joan Schmelig and am honored to have known and worked with her!"

Ms. Schmelig was instrumental in establishing numerous events that Chesterfield residents look forward



Joan "Joanie" Schmelig

to each year, such as the Summer Concerts in Faust Park and the Gumbo Flats Pumpkin Run. Having been an avid softball player and coach, Joanie was also involved in the initial group of leaders who secured and helped purchase the property for what is now the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex.

Among her other awards and accomplishments, Ms. Schmelig was honored by Progress 64 West in 2009 with the "Excellence in Community Development Award" and she was given the "Top Level Award" by the Chamber of Commerce Executives in Missouri in 1994.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Schmelig; a son, Greg Schmelig; a daughter and son-in-law, Cindy and Michael Blake; grandchildren, Madison, Corbin and Sheridan Schmelig, Hunter and Isabella "Izzy" Blake; mother, Hilda Meyer (nee Small); and sisters, Marion Pleis and Janet Nichols.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Chamber's Pumpkin Run set Oct. 29

10th annual event includes popular Children's Fun Run

Hundreds are expected to lace up their running shoes for the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce's 10th Annual Gumbo Flats Pumpkin Run/Walk, Saturday, Oct. 29.

The Chamber is proud to celebrate the 10th anniversary of this annual event, which is considered a fall tradition for many. The 10K (6.2 miles) and the 5K (3.1 miles) courses are out and back. The Chamber again will host a half-mile Children's Fun Run for ages 8 and under. Costumes are encouraged, for kids and adults alike!

Following the race there will be a "Finish Line" breakfast/lunch buffet for all participants at no extra cost. Local businesses and restaurants supply an array of fruits, bagels, doughnuts, sandwiches, pizza, frozen custard and other items to show their appreciation to participants.

Late registration begins at 6:30 a.m. with the run/walk starting at 8 a.m. Run/Walk begins at the corner of Long Road and Edison in Chesterfield Valley. The Children's Fun Run begins at 9 a.m.

Early registration is \$20 and race day registration is \$25. Early registration for youth age 9 to 14 is \$15 and \$20 on race day. Children's Fun Run for ages 8 and under is \$10.

Applications are available at the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce office, 101 Chesterfield Business Parkway, Chesterfield, MO 63005 or at chesterfieldmochamber.com. Participants can also register online at www.active.com, by searching for "Gumbo Flats Pumpkin Run." There is a nominal online registration surcharge. A portion of this year's proceeds will benefit Wings of Hope.

The first 1,000 registered participants to pick up race packets receive a classic long sleeve t-shirt. Shirt sizes will be on a first come, first served basis.

Pumpkin Run
Oct. 29
Early registration: \$20
chesterfieldmochamber.com
or www.active.com



Tables of goodies await participants of Pumpkin Run/Walk.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Short Track Speedskating Championship scheduled for Chesterfield

Some of the United States' top short track speed skaters are returning to Chesterfield.

The 2011 American Cup 1 Short Track Championship is scheduled Oct. 1-2 at the Hardee's Iceplex. The event will help select the U.S. men and women who will compete in the first four World Cup races and start their journeys to the 2014 Winter Olympics.

The competition in Chesterfield, sponsored by the Missouri Speedskating Association, is expected to feature the sport's biggest active names. Katherine Reutter of Champaign, IL, headlines the women's competition. Reutter is a five-time national champion, silver and bronze medalist at the 2010 Winter Olympic Games, 2011 World Cup Champion at 1000M and 1500M, and 2011 World Cup Champion at 1500M. She finished second overall at the 2011 World Championships.

Simon Cho and J.R. Celski will be competing on the men's side. Cho was a bronze medalist at the Vancouver Olympics and won the 2011 World Championship at 500M. Celski also won bronze in Vancouver, and was second in the 2009 World Championship.

Two and a half years ago, Chesterfield played host to the 2009 U.S. Short Track Championships, headlined by Reutter, who trained in St. Louis as a teenager, and eight-time Olympic medalist



Katherine Reutter, an Olympic medalist from Champaign, IL, who trained in St. Louis as a teenager, is expected to headline the women's competition. Photo from www.KatherineReutter.com



Apolo Anton Ohno.

The Missouri Speedskating Association (MOSA) is a non-profit organization that

is celebrating its 85th year of developing competitors. It has produced ten Olympic skaters, five Olympic medals and has placed at least one skater on every U.S. Olympics team since 1968. MOSA has also produced 48 national champions and 11 North American champions.

**Speedskating
Championship
Oct. 1-2
Hardee's Iceplex**

For more information on the 2011 American Cup 1, contact Russ Owen at 314.504.6252, Hardee's Iceplex at 636.537.4200 or www.mospeedskating.org. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door.

ICEPLEX FALL EVENTS

Radio Disney MO Chip ID Night –
Sept. 23

Pink in the Rink Cancer Awareness
Night – Oct. 9

Halloween Spooktacular – Oct. 30

11/11/11 Night for USO – Nov. 11



Friday Night Skate – Every Friday
beginning Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m.

Hardee's Family Skate – 2-4 p.m.
most Sundays

Learn to Skate Program – Tuesdays
& Saturdays starting Sept. 6

The America's Cup Speedskating
Championships – Oct. 1-2

Skate with Santa & Holiday Ice Show
- Sunday Dec. 4

For more details and schedule updates, visit www.HardeesIcePlex.com or contact Eric Finch at 636.537.4200.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Butterfly House seeks volunteers to help teach about butterflies

Docents will work with preschool-eighth grade

Help students discover the world of butterflies and insects. The Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House seeks volunteer docents to teach structured programs to students in preschool-8th grade and to provide informal learning opportunities for visitors. No prior teaching experience is required.

Volunteers help students achieve a greater understanding of butterflies and their importance to the balance of life. Programs at the Butterfly House include classroom interactions

and time in the tropical conservatory, where more than 2,000 butterflies take flight daily, and hundreds of chrysalides are displayed.

Docents must work at least one two-hour shift per week. A minimum commitment of one year is required. Classes are not scheduled during holiday breaks and summer vacation.

Training dates are to be determined. There is no charge to attend, but there is a fee for the volunteer shirt upon completion of training.

For more information or to register as a Butterfly House volunteer docent, call Jessica Deering at 636.530.0076, ext. 12, or email jessica.deering@mobot.org.

The Butterfly House <www.butterflyhouse.org> is located at 15193 Olive Blvd. in Faust Park and is an accredited member of the Association of Zoos & Aquariums and a division of the Missouri Botanical Garden.

Butterfly House events

Sept. 17: Naturally Crafty Saturday. Enhance your Butterfly House visit with a stop in the Lopata Learning Lab to create



Donna Dupske (above), Butterfly House Educator, and a volunteer (left) teach youngsters and parents about butterflies. The organization is looking for additional volunteers to aid in the effort.

handmade souvenirs to take home. This week, let nature inspire your work. Paint using plants, make pounded flower imprints and more. 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Included with Butterfly House admission.

Sept. 25: BUZZ: Monarch Tagging. One of

the greatest migrations is made by one of the smallest animals, the monarch butterfly. Find out about its life cycle and migration patterns and the tagging of live monarchs. For children ages 7 and older with their families. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Included with Butterfly House admission.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS



Examples of corn silk art are among the exhibits at the Faust Park festival.

Folk and Fine Arts Festival highlights fall schedule of events at Faust Park

Faust Folk and Fine Arts Festival

Sept. 24-25 – 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

This Chesterfield tradition merges fine art with folk art and historical activities.

Hay wagons offer free rides to both entrances, where period-dressed staff and artists demonstrate traditional skills in blacksmithing, pottery firing, spinning, doll making, needlepoint, and more. In addition, favorite juried artists will be on site to offer original fine arts and crafts in oil, acrylics, water color, sculpture, wood, leather, jewelry and more.

The St. Louis Carousel offers

free rides! Live music and refreshments are available.

Admission is \$5.

History Hayrides at Faust Park

Oct. 14-15 – 6, 7 and 8 p.m.

Take a 40-minute hay wagon ride around the highlights of Faust Park after dark. After circling the park, wagons continue to the 19th-century homes of the Historic Village, where tours, stories, and refreshments are waiting inside many of the homes. There will also be live music and a bonfire to warm your tootsies! Reserve your place by calling Faust Park or the County Parks reservation line at 314.615.4386. Admission is \$10.

Ferraris, Jaguars roar into Kemp Auto Museum for fall shows

Ferrari Auto Show

Sept. 11, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Enjoy vintage and new Ferraris in a relaxed setting featuring drinks and outdoor fare at the Kemp Auto Museum. This show is a must-see for auto-history and culture buffs everywhere. After the show, the fun continues inside the museum. Visit the museum's display featuring Mercedes-Benz and other award-winning cars on loan from collectors.

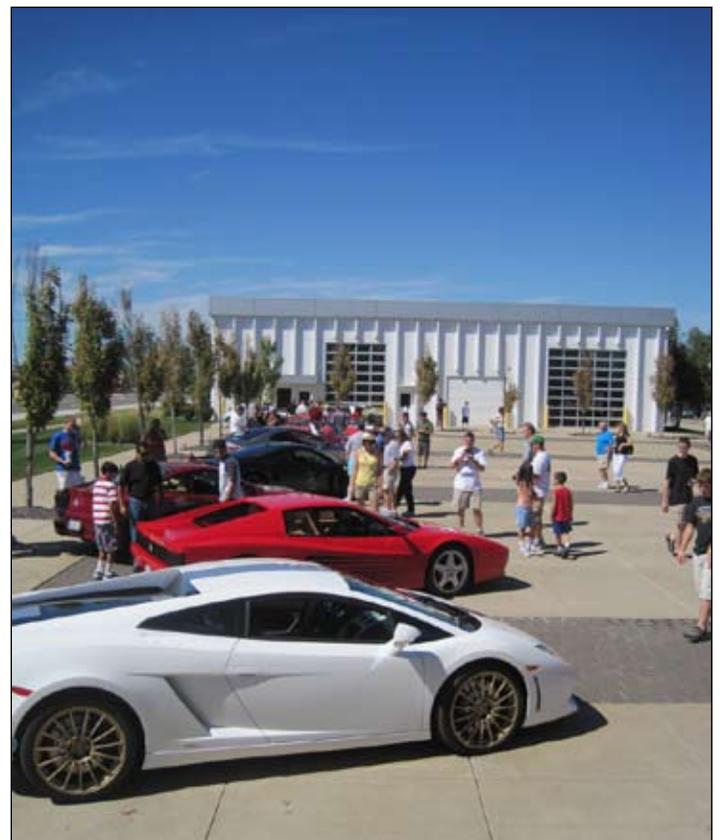
Jaguar Auto Show

Oct. 8, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Join the Jaguar Association of Greater St. Louis for its Annual Concours d' Elegance, featuring more than 60 cars from the early 1930s to present.

Many have been meticulously restored and appear as if they had just rolled off the assembly line at Brown's Lane in the United Kingdom.

Automobile enthusiasts check out the upscale wheels at a previous Ferrari show at the Kemp Auto Museum.



COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Chesterfield Arts features Venice photos, 'Rogue-to-Vogue' fashions

444 Chesterfield Center, Suite 130

Gallery Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, visit www.chesterfieldarts.org or call 636.519.1955.

Colors of Venice – Sept. 9-11

Be whisked away to gorgeous Venice, Italy, during this three-day benefit/exhibit to raise money for visual arts programming at Chesterfield Arts. The show features the work of ten area photographers from a photo workshop trip to Venice with curator Stewart Halperin. Fine wine, fine appetizers, fine Italian music and fine art – all in the intimate setting of The Gallery at Chesterfield Arts. Free and open to the public.

Opening reception: Friday, Sept. 9, 6-9 p.m.

Rogue to Vogue: Fashion Reinvented – Sept. 16-Nov. 5

This juried exhibition showcases a collection of stylish couture assembled from peculiar materials. Coffee filter dresses, hats made of bubble wrap, and much more have inspired this one-of-a-kind exhibit. Visit web site to submit for entry into this exhibition. The exhibit is part of the Biennial Innovations in Textiles 9.

Free and open to the public. Opening reception: Friday, Sept. 16, 6-8 p.m.

6th Annual Elementary Art Showcase and Collaborative Project – Nov. 10-Dec. 10

Exhibit features area private, parochial, public and home school students from grades K-5. Free and open to the public.

Opening reception: Friday, Nov. 10, 5-7 p.m.

River Valley Author Series – Starting Sept. 14, 7-8:30 p.m.

This series will feature authors discussing their books in the casual setting of The Gallery at Chesterfield Arts.



Above, Stewart Halperin, along with 12 local photographers, present "Colors of Venice," featuring work from their recent trip. A color version, along with other photos in this newsletter, is online at the City's web site. Right, the Rogue to Vogue exhibit includes this dress made of coffee filters by Annie Spiller. Photo by Greg Barth.

These entertaining, energetic and down-to-earth authors share life lessons and their publishing success with plenty of time for Q & A. River Valley Author Series is held the second Wednesday of every month, and admission is free.

Art Education

Fall classes begin Sept. 19.

Whatever your skill level or age, expand your artistic horizons with visual arts classes in mediums such as painting, drawing, pottery, and sculpture. Also, try one of our exciting workshops for a creative taste of something new. For a complete list of classes, workshops and fees, or to register, visit web site or call the gallery.



St. Louis Civic Orchestra opens 62nd season featuring work of Brahms, Boccherini

The St. Louis Civic Orchestra is gearing up for its 62nd season this fall, and the community is invited to share in the cultural excellence of Chesterfield and West County. The SLCO offers access to high quality, affordable music for people of all ages.

Concerts are held at 8 p.m. at

the William D. Purser Center on the campus of the Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children/seniors. Visit www.stlouiscivicorchestra.org to purchase tickets and learn more about SLCO musicians and the 2011-12 season. Performances include:

Oct. 29 – Brahms' First Symphony, and Boccherini's Cello Concerto, featuring SLCO cellist Alvin McCall as soloist

Dec. 10 – Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf, a family favorite narrated by the Honorable Justice Steven N. Limbaugh, Jr. and featuring the Kramer Marionettes, as well as

traditional holiday favorites

Feb. 18 – Dvorak's Ninth Symphony "New World," and Ewazen's Shadow Catcher for Brass Quintet and Orchestra

April 14 – Sibelius' Second Symphony, and The Florence Frager Young Artist Concerto Competition Winner



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CHESTERFIELD CALENDAR

September

- 3 **Family Aquatic Center**
*Extended Evening Hours
Half-Price Admission (5-10 p.m.)*
- 5 **City Hall Closed**
Labor Day
- 6 **K-9 Splash**
Family Aquatic Center, 4:30-7 p.m.
- 7 **City Council**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 8 **Planning & Public Works Committee**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 12 **Planning Commission**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 19 **City Council**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 22 **Planning & Public Works Committee**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 26 **Planning Commission**
City Hall, 7 p.m.

October

- 3 **City Council**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 6 **Planning & Public Works Committee**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 10 **Planning Commission**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 15 **Repairing the Riparian Planting & Picnic**
Eberwein Park 11a.m.-1 p.m.

- 17 **City Council**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 20 **Planning & Public Works Committee**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 24 **Planning Commission**
City Hall, 7 p.m.

November

- 7 **City Council**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 10 **Planning & Public Works Committee**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 11 **City Hall Closed**
Veteran's Day
- 14 **Planning Commission**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 15 **Chesterfield/ Missouri/ America Recycles Day**
9 a.m. to noon-Parks Admin. & Maintenance Parking Lot
- 21 **City Council**
City Hall, 7 p.m.
- 22 **Planning & Public Works Committee**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 24 **Turkey Trot 5-K**
- 24-25 **City Hall Closed**
Thanksgiving holidays
- 28 **Planning Commission**
City Hall, 7 p.m.

Dramatic License spotlights Mae West

Before Lady Gaga, there was Mae West. Through the eyes of two adoring fans – Charlie, a shy archivist, and temp/actress Jo – this biographical comedy with music chronicles the early vaudeville to late movie career of the woman Dick Cavett called, “The Eighth Wonder of the World.”

Witness the daring diva as seductress, singer, playwright, producer and star as she wriggles and sashays her way from the 1920s to the 1970s in a heavily male-

dominated industry to become one of the most imitated and beloved characters of all time.

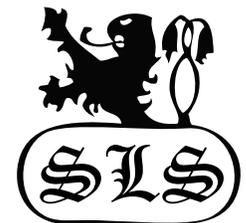
The show contains adult themes and language. Theater goers are invited to come up and see her sometime Sept. 15-Oct. 2. Performances run Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. The theater seats 85 and is located in the ARTropolis arts district in Chesterfield Mall. Call 636.220.7012 or go to: www.dramaticlicenseproductions.org

Strassenfest’s next edition will be summer 2012

The next Stassenfest will take place next summer on Veterans Place Drive and in Central Park, taking advantage of Chesterfield’s new amphitheater.

The festival is returning to its traditional summer roots in hopes of better weather.

The dates will be announced later.



HOLIDAY TRASH & RECYCLING

Labor Day – Sept. 5

No service on Monday.
All routes move forward one day.

Thanksgiving – Nov. 24

Thursday routes will be picked up Friday, Nov. 25
Friday routes will be picked up Saturday, Nov. 26