

Chesterfield joins Missouri Clean Energy District

Special financing for energy efficiency improvements on commercial properties.

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Missouri Clean Energy District

The Chesterfield City Council voted at their January 21, 2015 meeting to approve an ordinance to join the Missouri Clean Energy District. The Property Assessed Clean Energy Act (PACE) was established by the State Legislature in 2010 to promote the use of clean, renewable energy and supports improvements to commercial properties to make them more energy efficient. Owners of qualifying properties can access special funding for these improvements, allowing for financing up to 20 years through the District, rather than using conventional lending.

The District's purpose is to provide sustainable capital for qualifying energy efficiency projects in communities across the state of Missouri. When municipalities join together, they create a broad base of demand for capital and therefore an opportunity for economies of scale resulting in a reduced cost of borrowing for property owners. One of the most attractive aspects of the program to members is cooperation among communities which becomes a gateway to the lowest possible cost in terms of interest rates available.

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River's Edge Park Grand Opening offers outdoor activities for all ages.

Grand Opening to celebrate River's Edge Park

River's Edge, the newest park in the Chesterfield Parks & Recreation system, will celebrate its Grand Opening on Saturday, April 11 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Festivities will include hands on outdoor activities such as a kayaking demo, a nature walk, fishing instruction and paddle boating. Free snacks will be available to the first 200 people to arrive.

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24th Earth Day Festival moves to Chesterfield Mall

The Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment will host the Chesterfield Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Chesterfield Mall, located at 291 Chesterfield Center. This is a FREE community event for all ages to enjoy!

Participants can enjoy visiting with informational exhibitors and vendors selling up-cycled and recycled art and craft items and nearly anything that can be recycled will be collected at the drive-thru recycling area on the parking lot near Jared's Jewelers. Most items are free of charge, however, there are additional fees for some TVs; \$20 for the large tube CRT televisions under 27 inches and \$40 for CRT televisions over 27 inches (no upcharge for flat screens). Items that are not accepted include thermostats, smoke detectors and alkaline batteries. Availability to accept items based on vendor capacity.

First come, first-served.

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New events and sales tax update on the horizon in 2015

It is again my privilege to address our great community and share with you some of the highlights in recent times as well as upcoming events. It seems like the good news just keeps on coming!

This issue of our quarterly newsletter contains the annual Parks & Recreation Guide that is very useful in letting you know what events and programs will be available for our residents and members of the surrounding communities. The first activity that I am really excited about is the Grand Opening of River's Edge Park on April 11, located on the north side of the levee behind Taubman Prestige Outlet Mall. Several improvements have been made to make this area more useful and enjoyable. We will again host Taste of St. Louis on September 18 through 20, and the following weekend we have just been informed that Pedal the Cause has chosen the Chesterfield Amphitheater as the site for the fundraising event on September 26 and 27.

We were also recently informed that we have been awarded a grant that will allow construction of a bike/pedestrian bridge crossing I-64 at Chesterfield Parkway East. This is just one more piece that will add to the inter-connectivity of our city and region.

For those who travel across the Missouri River using the Daniel Boone Bridge, the most recent update from MODOT is that the new eastbound I-64 bridge will be

open by July 15, 2015. After maintenance is completed on the existing eastbound bridge, westbound traffic will be shifted to that span by December 31, 2015. They will then take down the 1930s era bridge in early 2016 and are scheduled to finish the project by June 1, 2016. They are not sure when we will be allowed to reopen the levee trail that goes underneath the bridges. The trail connection in St. Charles County to the Katy Trail is not expected until spring of 2016.

New numbers are in from St. Louis County that shows the distribution of local sales tax dollars for all cities in the county as well as unincorporated St. Louis County. For 2014, all pool cities (including Chesterfield) received approximately \$140 per capita, unincorporated St. Louis County received approximately \$150 per capita, and the average of the point of sale or "A" cities was \$215 per capita. Not that I agree with redistribution of revenues according to population, but if that's the way it's going to be done, then at least it should be done equitably! Obviously, this gross inequity (any way you slice it) is the reason we have been lobbying for change in the state statute that dictates the distribution of sales tax revenues. Our efforts are continuing. Please let me know if you have any questions and thank you for your support!

Due to the generosity of AEP River Operations and several other corporations, the Veteran's Honor Park Committee is over halfway to their goal of \$500,000 in order to match the city's contribution for the completion of the Veteran's Honor Park near Chesterfield Amphitheater. If each resident donated \$10, this would put us over the mark and construction could begin. Please consider helping us to make this a reality to honor all our veterans by visiting vhp.chesterfield.mo.us.

"IF EACH RESIDENT DONATED \$10, THIS WOULD PUT US OVER THE MARK AND CONSTRUCTION COULD BEGIN." (ON THE VETERAN'S HONOR PARK IN CHESTERFIELD).

I hope to see you in our parks or on our trails or out and about in our great city!

Bob Nation

Candidates line up for City Council Election April 7

The following individuals have filed for office as Councilmembers:

WARD I

Nancy Greenwood (incumbent)
Jim Brown
Harvey Rosenberg

WARD II

Bridget Nations

WARD III

Dan Hurt (incumbent)

WARD IV

Bruce DeGroot (incumbent)

To register to vote in St. Louis County, you must be 18 years of age by Election Day, a U.S. Citizen and a resident of St. Louis County.

You can register to vote at City Hall, most libraries and schools and at motor vehicle registration offices. The Missouri Voter Registration Application is available online at stlouisco.com/elections.

Additionally, registration forms can be mailed to you by calling City Hall at 636.537.6717. The deadline to register for this election is March 11.

New city ordinances clarify pet ownership rules; bans texting

On December 1, 2014, the City of Chesterfield City Council approved two new ordinances which are now in effect.

Ordinance 2823 regulates the maintenance and keeping of dogs and cats on residential property. The ordinance states that it shall be unlawful for any person to own, harbor, shelter, keep, control, maintain or possess in or on his/her residential property more than four (4) dogs or six (6) cats or a combination of six (6) dogs and cats provided there are no more than four (4) dogs.

Exceptions of this ordinance include the instance of the birth of a litter of puppies or kittens, wherein they shall be allowed in or on residential premises for a period of four months without violating the limitations of the ordinance.

The restrictions of this ordinance shall not apply to the operation of a pet shop, pet spa, veterinarian's office or kennel engaged in the boarding of dogs and/or cats if such pet shop, pet spa, veterinarian's office or kennel has been properly licensed and approved by the City of Chesterfield.

City Council also passed Ordinance 2824 which prohibits all persons operating a moving motor vehicle on roads exclusively within the jurisdiction of the City of Chesterfield from creating, reading, or

sending a text message or other electronic message. Talking on the phone while operating a vehicle is still permitted.

Exceptions to this ordinance include authorized emergency vehicles, reporting illegal activity, requesting medical or other emergency help or to relay information between a transit or for-hire operator and that operator's dispatcher, in which the device is permanently affixed to the vehicle. This does not apply to any device that is permanently embedded into the architecture and design of the motor vehicle.

Exceptions include being able to text or e-mail if the vehicle is lawfully parked or stopped, and using factory-installed or aftermarket global positioning systems (GPS) or wireless communications devices used to transmit or receive data as part of a digital dispatch system. Additionally, voice-operated technology and the use of two-way radio transmitters or receivers by a licensee of the Federal Communications Commission in the Amateur Radio Service are also excluded.



Who's knocking at my door?

The arrival of nicer weather often means an increase in solicitors – individuals or groups going door-to-door to sell items or services or request donations.

While this activity is legal in Chesterfield, solicitors are required to obtain a permit and might have to pay a fee. Charitable and religious organizations, as well as political canvassers, are exempt from paying a fee.

If someone knocks on your door with something to sell or a cause to promote, you have the right to ask to see their permit, which is a one-page document typed on official City of Chesterfield letterhead, and has the city's raised seal affixed to the document. If they are unable produce a permit, you are encouraged to report the person(s) to the Police Department at 636.537.3000.

"No Solicitors, No Peddlers" stickers are available free of charge at City Hall or you can call Customer Service at 636.537.4000 and request that a sticker be mailed to you.

Holiday trash pickup

MEMORIAL DAY: MONDAY, MAY 25

Monday routes will be picked up on Tuesday, May 26

Tuesday routes will be picked up on Wednesday, May 27

Wednesday routes will be picked up on Thursday, May 28

Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, May 29

Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, May 30

INDEPENDENCE DAY: SATURDAY, JULY 4

Monday through Friday routes will not be affected.

Let's make Chesterfield healthier!

By Louise Nation

Thanks to a talented and enthusiastic group of Chesterfield residents, the drive to improve the city's health is underway! Chesterfield is currently researching other cities, which are in the process of doing a similar project...and we aren't the only ones who want to improve our health!

Look for future articles in newsletters and other local publications. To be really successful, we need YOUR participation. Set a small goal...walk a minute, 10 minutes, or more every day. Chesterfield hopes to have a membership drive in the near future with lots more info to come. Visit chesterfield.mo.us/get-active.html for more information about our Get Active Program.

Safest Place to Live in MO? It's Chesterfield!

Chesterfield was ranked the number one "Safest Place to Live in Missouri", by Movoto Real Estate. This is the second year Chesterfield has been featured on this list, rising two spots from third place in 2014, replacing last year's winner, Town and Country.

The rankings are determined by the FBI's crime statistics from the 2013 Uniform Crime Report from 74 cities with over 10,000 people in the State of Missouri. Movoto is a full-service real estate brokerage firm. For more information on the rankings, visit movoto.com.

PACE program offers low cost and interest rates

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Qualifying property types include commercial, industrial, agricultural, multi-family, not-for-profit and public facilities and is generally used for existing facilities, not new construction. The program is funded through the municipal bond market and is administered by the Missouri Clean Energy District who handles the request from start to finish. Essentially, an additional property tax assessment is placed on the owner's property, which is paid annually up to 20 years. The lien stays with the property, even if the property is sold.

Those wishing to learn more or see if their project qualifies can contact David Pickerill at dpickerill@mced.mo.gov, or call 314.769.8300 or visit mced.mo.gov.

New businesses to the City

Eighty-five new businesses were licensed in the City during the winter. The following are a few of the new businesses providing goods and services in the City:

CHESTERFIELD ANTIQUE MALL.....	16635 OLD CHESTERFIELD ROAD
RIO CREATIVE.....	16630 OLD CHESTERFIELD ROAD
BOMBAY BAZAAR.....	1761 CLARKSON ROAD
DIRTY DOG WASH.....	125 LONG ROAD, UNIT A
LEGACY LEGAL GROUP.....	16401 SWINGLEY RIDGE ROAD, SUITE 110
MARTIN, LEIGH, LAWS & FRITZLEN.....	16305 SWINGLEY RIDGE ROAD, SUITE 350
AGILIS SYSTEMS, LLC.....	16253 SWINGLEY RIDGE ROAD, SUITE 210
BELLA.....	11 CHESTERFIELD MALL DRIVE, SUITE 104
AMERICAN FAMILY INSURANCE.....	17017 N OUTER 40 ROAD, SUITE 167
FIDELITY MORTGAGE.....	16141 SWINGLEY RIDGE ROAD, SUITE 200
H&M STORE.....	TAUBMAN PRESTIGE OUTLETS
PENZEY'S SPICES.....	246 THF BOULEVARD
AERIAL BOUQUETS, INC.....	15450 S OUTER 40 ROAD, SUITE 210
YENZER FAMILY DENTAL.....	17600 CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT ROAD, SUTIE 102
FAMOUS WOK.....	18511 OUTLET BOULEVARD
KAYCI FITNESS, LLC.....	15983 WOODLET WAY COURT
BALKAN GROCERY.....	13393 OLIVE BOULEVARD
SCOTTRADE.....	1666 CLARKSON ROAD
TRANSPORTATION INSURANCE SERVICES.....	100 CHESTERFIELD BUSINESS PARKWAY, SUITE 229
MASS MUTUAL ST. LOUIS.....	16690 SWINGLEY RIDGE ROAD, SUITE 240
MIA GRACE BRIDAL.....	108-109 CHESTERFIELD TOWNE CENTER
THE DYSART LAW FIRM.....	390 S WOODS MILL ROAD, SUITE B-1
YARGER CHIROPRACTIC & ACUPUNTURE.....	510 BAXTER ROAD, SUITE 8
THE STRYKER GROUP.....	100 CHESTERFIELD BUSINESS PARKWAY, SUITE 200
SMART HOME VENTURES, LLC.....	732 CROWN INDUSTRIAL CT
YOGA RENAISSANCE.....	14833 CLAYTON ROAD
RE/MAX EDGE.....	699 TRADE CENTER BOULEVARD, SUITE A
LVS - DESIGNS, LLC.....	18161 EDISON AVENUE, SUITE E

AARP Smart Driver Course scheduled for April 22

The Police Department and AARP will offer another AARP Smart Driver Course on April 22 at City Hall from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. This research based, four-hour course teaches valuable defensive driving skills, provides a refresher of the rules of the road, safety strategies and tips for how to adapt one's driving to compensate for changes that may come about with aging. This is a single morning session and does not involve a test. Fees are \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for others.

Course graduates may check with their auto insurance carriers to see if insurance discounts are available for taking this course.

Reservations are required. For more information or to reserve a seat, please contact Officer Paul Powers at 636.537.6769 or ppowers@chesterfield.mo.us.

Police seek reaccreditation

On March 30, the Police Department will seek its fourth reaccreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA).



This is a three-year process during which the department must adhere to strict international guidelines of policing and organizational practices.

During this time, two outside assessors will review policies and examine procedures to verify compliance with internationally set standards. There will also be an opportunity for citizens to contact these assessors and offer comments regarding the Police Department's efforts in retaining their internationally recognized status during this review period.

Additionally, there will be an open public hearing the week of March 30 where citizens will again have the opportunity to voice their opinions about the department and their efforts in retaining accredited status.

Safety Town registration night is April 15; includes six sessions

Safety Town is a nationally recognized preschool safety program which teaches 4, 5 and 6 year olds about a wide variety of safety issues including bicycle safety, water safety, school bus safety and stranger danger. The program includes classroom activities, as well as outside hands-on activities in the miniature Safety Town city.

The program is hosted and staffed by the Chesterfield Police Department in cooperation with the Chesterfield Rotary, the Chesterfield Kiwanis and the Parkway School District. The program is conducted for six, two-week sessions during the summer months.

Safety Town is one of the department's most popular programs. In addition to commissioned Police Officers, the Safety Town staff includes teen counselors from area middle and senior high schools who assist the Police Officers in leading the program. All Safety Town sessions for 2015 will be held at the Parkway Early Learning Center, located at 14605 Clayton Road in Ballwin. Registration preference is given to those children who have NOT previously attended a Safety Town session.

For more information about Safety Town, please contact Officer Paul Powers at 636.537.6769 or ppowers@chesterfield.mo.us.

Applications for 17th Citizens Police Academy now available

The Citizens Police Academy is a program that allows participants to learn about various areas of the police operation including patrol procedures, traffic and DWI enforcement, crime scene investigation and criminal investigations. The program will also include some role playing activities.

This session will begin on Monday, May 11, and will meet once a week for eight weeks from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. The academy is open to any person 21 years or older. Classes will meet at the Chesterfield Police Department, located at 690 Chesterfield Parkway West in City Hall. Applications may be picked up at the Chesterfield Police Department or downloaded from the city's website at chesterfield.mo.us/citizen-police-academy.html. The deadline for registration is April 20. Class size is limited to 20 participants. For more information, contact Sergeant Steve Rainey at 636.537.3000 or srainey@chesterfield.mo.us.



Safety Town interactive demonstrations.

OPEN REGISTRATION NIGHT

Wednesday, April 15 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall

SAFETY TOWN SESSIONS

Session 1	June 1-June 12 (10 a.m.-noon)
Session 2	June 1-June 12 (1 p.m.-3 p.m.)
Session 3	June 15-June 26 (10 a.m.-noon)
Session 4	June 15-June 26 (1 p.m.-3 p.m.)
Session 5	July 6-July 17 (10 a.m.-noon)
Session 6	July 6-July 17 (1 p.m.-3 p.m.)



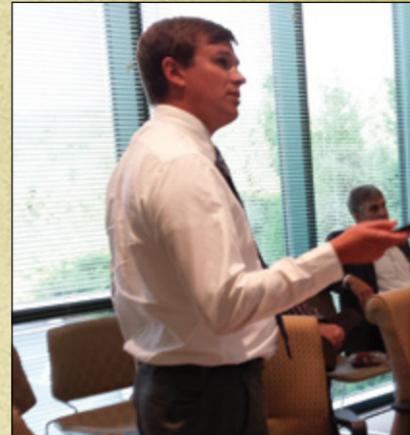
Construction of the Technology Building is planned to begin soon.

Monsanto expands research facility in Chesterfield

Monsanto has recently started construction on the planned upgrades at the research facility in Chesterfield. The four-level garage and greenhouses are near completion. Construction on the four-story Technology Building will begin soon.

HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT ANY OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS? CALL US!

If you have any questions concerning these projects or other city projects, please feel free to contact the Planner of the Day at 636.537.4733 or pod@chesterfield.mo.us.



St. Luke's Hospital, Chesterfield's largest employer, is also planning an expansion.

800,000 sf expansion at Desloge Outpatient Center under review

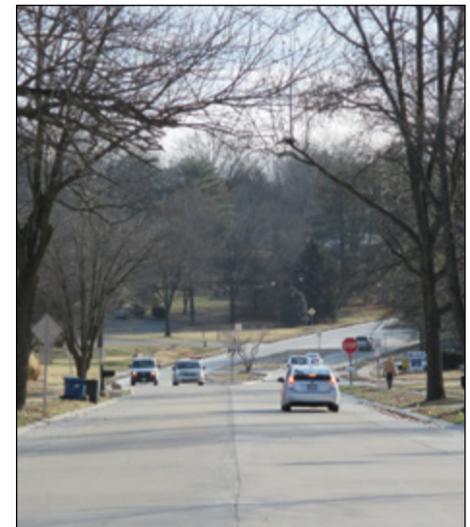
St. Luke's Hospital recently announced plans for an 800,000 square foot expansion of the Desloge Outpatient Center. The city is currently reviewing a planned five-story 106,000 square foot medical office addition.

Ladue road reconstruction project wins award

In 2014, the City of Chesterfield reconstructed Ladue Road from Olive Boulevard to Missouri Route 141. The project, which was substantially completed as scheduled and within budget, provided a new concrete driving surface, sidewalk repairs, handicap ramps and driveway approaches. The City of Chesterfield was recently notified that this project was selected by the Missouri/Kansas Chapter of the American Paving Association as the best concrete paving project in the State of Missouri within 2014 for a project of its size.

We would like to congratulate Millstone Weber (contractor) and Chesterfield staff, Zachary Wolff (Project Manager) and Bob Wilfing (Project Inspector), for their exceptional performance on this project.

LADUE ROAD RESIDENTS: Due to the early onset of cold weather in November, site restoration for this project was temporarily postponed. The contractor will return this spring to perform final grading and seed/straw the disturbed areas.



Completed Ladue Road improvements.



A rendering of the proposed Burlington, located on Outlet Boulevard.

Blue Valley is booming!

Two new projects are slated for construction in the Blue Valley development located at the west end of the Chesterfield Valley.

Gas Mart will be located at the intersection of Chesterfield Airport Road and the relocated Olive Street Road and will include eight pumping stations, a convenience store, a sandwich shop, drive-thru ATM and an automated car wash. Construction plans are currently under review. If approved, construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2015.

Burlington will be located just south of the existing St. Louis Premium Outlets and will be approximately 55,000 square feet in size. The construction of this new store is underway.

The second phase of St. Louis Premium Outlets is moving forward. The site plan for four additional buildings, totaling 78,000 square feet, is also under review with staff and will be presented to the Planning Commission in the upcoming months. These four buildings would be an addition to the eight existing retail buildings for a total of 473,291 square feet of retail outlet space. There are no timelines set or tenant announcements from St. Louis Premium Outlets at this time.

I-64 drive lane addition will alleviate congestion

The Missouri Department of Transportation is adding a drive lane to both eastbound and westbound I-64. The additional westbound lane, currently under construction, will extend from I-270 to Missouri Route 340 (Olive Blvd/Clarkson Rd). The additional eastbound lane, which is scheduled for construction to commence in the summer of 2015, will begin at Missouri Route 141 and will terminate at I-270. All work should be completed by the summer of 2016.

The project is being constructed in an effort to alleviate congestion in the West County area. MODOT is making every effort to minimize the impact to construction on existing traffic, and plans to maintain the current number of through lanes in each direction during the rush period. Similar to the recent I-270 widening project, lanes will be narrowed and all work will take place behind barrier walls.

If you have questions regarding this project, please contact MODOT Project Manager, Tom Montes, or Area Engineer, Michelle Voegelé, at 1.888.275.6636.

New River's Edge Park will offer a scenic trail, lake, pavilion & water sport opportunities

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The Grand Opening will be held at River's Edge on Saturday, April 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. River's Edge is a beautiful 188-acre passive park with a 38.5-acre lake. The park features a 2+ mile crushed limestone walking trail with breathtaking scenery and wonderful wildlife. The park is located on the north side of the levee near the Taubman Outlet Mall at



A serene view of the lake in the winter of 2015.

TREE PLANTING EVENT

The Citizens Committee for the Environment will be planting new native trees to celebrate Arbor Day and honor the opening of the park at 11 a.m. Interested parties should please bring trowels/shovels and make sure to dress for the weather!

the western end of the parking lot. Parking is in the shared parking lot of the outlet mall. The park received a Municipal Parks Grant through St. Louis County. The grant offered assistance to build the crushed rock trail around the park, a 25' x 25' pavilion, a ramp and boat dock for easy access to the lake. The total grant cost was \$297,384 and will cover \$272,000 with a city match of \$25,384.



A park shelter was installed in early 2015.



Aerial view of the lake at River's Edge Park.

RIVER'S EDGE PARK RULES & REGULATIONS

- Motor-free boats are welcome in the lake; however, must be portaged from the road. All motor vehicles or motor boats are prohibited in the lake. No trolling motors.
- All state fishing regulations apply. Visit mdc.mo.gov/fishing/fishing-regulations for more information. All participants must have a Missouri Fishing License or be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian if under the age of 18.
- No trotline, jug or tree limb line fishing.
- For safety reasons, the following activities are prohibited: swimming, hunting, camping, ice skating and skateboarding. No glass bottles or tobacco products, weapons of any kind. Fireworks or explosives are not permitted in the park.

Visit chesterfield.mo.us for all the rules and regulations of the park.

2nd Senior Sampler moves to West County YMCA on April 15

The Chesterfield Older Adult Task Force, in partnership with the West County YMCA, is hosting the 2nd Annual Senior Sampler on Wednesday, April 15 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at West County YMCA, located at 16464 Burkhardt Place in Chesterfield. This free event is for persons 50+ who will be offered sample products, product information, demonstrations and health screenings. For more information, call 636.537.4000.



Bone density testing offered by St. Luke's Hospital at the 2014 Senior Sampler.



Are you 55 or older and interested in making new friends, hearing great speakers, going on exciting trips and playing cards? Meetings of the Lafayette Older Adult Program (LOAP) are open to residents of Ballwin, Chesterfield, Ellisville, Manchester, Wildwood, Winchester, the Parkway School District, and Rockwood School District. For more information, call 636.812.9510.

LOAP MEETINGS

Cost: \$2
Time: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Location: Ballwin Golf Course
 333 Holloway Road
 Ballwin, MO 63011

Coffee, tea, soda and dessert provided. Please bring your own sack-lunch.

*Special luncheons may involve separate fees.

SPRING MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, March 9: Mitzie* (music performer)
Monday, March 23: TBD
Monday, April 13: Accordion music*
Monday, April 27: St. Luke's Speaker Series
Monday, May 11: Parkway SW Middle Band*

* Entertainment subject to change.

CORP to provide tax assistance for low income seniors

The St. Louis County Department of Human Services County Older Resident Programs (CORP) provides free assistance in preparation of simple income tax forms and Missouri property tax credit claims for St. Louis County residents 60 years and older, with incomes of less than \$53,000.

To schedule and appointment, call 314.615.4037. Appointments are available through April 8.

It's Pickleball Time!

Chesterfield will have an outdoor pickleball court located at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex.



The season will start off with a clinic held by an Ambassador for the USAPA in St. Louis on Tuesday, April 21 at 10 a.m. (rain date is April 23). The Ambassador will cover a brief history of the game, explain the rules and will demonstrate how to play. To make reservations, please call 636.812.9500. Games will be on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. beginning on Thursday, April 23 (or April 28 for rain date). Individuals that do

Senior Walking Club starts April 22, meets every Wed

**Wednesdays, April 22 through May 27
 8 a.m. (meet at the Pavilion at Central Park)**

Grab a friend and come out and get some exercise on one of the beautiful trails in Chesterfield! To kick off these walks, City Arborist, Mindy Mohrman, will join the group for a walk through the native landscape surrounding the Central Park lake.

This is a great place to see and learn about native trees, plants and wildflowers and a huge variety of birds. There will be a representative from the Park & Recreation Division and/or the Delmar Gardens of Chesterfield to guide the walk. These walks are co-sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Division, West County YMCA and Delmar Gardens of Chesterfield.

not have their own paddle and balls, can come into the Park Office and can pick up the equipment and return when finished. All that is needed to borrow the equipment is a valid drivers license. Pickleball is a paddle sport created for all ages and skill levels. The rules are simple and the game is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players. This fun sport combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong.



Electronics collected at Recycles Day last year are saved from the landfill.

Monthly electronics recycling moves to Chesterfield Mall

Web Innovations & Technology Services (WITS), a not-for-profit reuse charity, the City of Chesterfield and Chesterfield Mall have teamed up to provide West County residents with a drop-off location for all electronics. Fees of \$8-\$35 will apply to CRT (large back) TVs and computer monitors only. They also collect all sizes of reusable clothes, shoes, toys and baby items that will be donated to families in need.

The e-cycling collection site has a new location in 2015 - Chesterfield Mall, located at 291 Chesterfield Center, on the parking lot across from Dillard's. Items can be dropped off on the 4th Saturday of the month excluding April (March 28, May 30, June 27, July 25, August 29, September 26, October 31 and November 28) from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fees for items containing lead and other materials may apply. Visit witsinc.org for more information.

Recycle, Recycle, Recycle

Learn what is recyclable and help maximize curbside recycling. Obtaining raw materials to manufacture new products is becoming increasingly difficult and expensive and it takes more energy and puts more of a burden on the environment.

Recycling can help create a local demand for jobs. Missouri buries over four million tons of recyclables every year. For every 10,000 tons diverted from landfills, ten recycling jobs or 75 materials-reuse jobs are created.

For more information about curbside recycling, visit republicservices.com.

Safe ways to manage household hazardous waste

Products around the home that contain chemicals which are toxic, flammable, corrosive, or reactive are hazardous household products. These products are safe when used and stored following label direction. However, when the products become unusable and are no longer wanted, they become household hazardous waste.

St. Louis Household Hazardous Waste (HHWSTL) will dispose of residentially generated wastes, including paints (oil-based, craft and hobby paints), stains, varnishes, pesticides, herbicides, poisons, gasoline and other fuels, solvents and strippers, aerosols, motor oil and filters, gas cylinders, fluorescent tubes, rechargeable batteries, antifreeze, brake and transmission fluid, pool chemicals and other acids and bases, car batteries, wood preservatives, driveway sealant and items containing mercury.

HHWSTL is open to residents St. Louis County. Visit the website to see terms and conditions, fees and a list of all accepted and unaccepted materials. Call 314.615.8958 or visit hhwstl.com to set up an appointment.

Items collected at Earth Day Festival at Chesterfield Mall

The popular recycling drive-thru takes place on the parking lot near Jared's Jewelers. Limited capacity exists for most vendors, so **first come/first-served**. The drive-thru is open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 25. The following items are being accepted:

- All single-stream recyclables (glass, plastic, paper, cardboard, etc.).....Republic Services
- Bicycles.....St. Louis Bicycle Works
- Electronics, TVs, computers and small appliances*.....MRC Recycling
- Used clothing, linens and paired shoes.....Remains, Inc.
- CFL light bulbs and tool pack batteries.....Home Depot
- New and used building materials.....Habitat for Humanity
- Buttons, beads, board games and children's books.....St. Louis Teacher's Recycle Center
- Fabric and sewing notions.....Charity Sharity
- Confidential Document Shredding *5-box limit per family; **limited capacity**.....Shred-It
- Prescription and over-the counter medications.....Chesterfield Police Dept. and CAPY

*Fees for some TVs apply.

Got leftover paint? Follow this "5 Point" program



1. BUY THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF PAINT FOR THE PROJECT
2. STORE PAINT PROPERLY TO KEEP IT FRESH
3. USE UP LEFTOVER PAINT
4. REUSE OR RECYCLE
5. DISPOSE OF PAINT PROPERLY THROUGH THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ST. LOUIS FACILITY (SEE WEBSITE HHWSTL.COM FOR TERMS).

Latex paint is accepted at the Household Hazardous Waste facility located in Lemay for recycling at a cost of \$.20 per pound. The program is for residential households only. Commercial entities and businesses are not permitted to dispose of hazardous wastes at these facilities. To set up an appointment or for details on recycling requirements, visit hhwstl.com.

Celebrate Wildlife Week March 9 through 15

National Wildlife Week highlights the connections to wildlife by exploring ways to interact with the wildlife in your area, ways to handle your local predators, and how to keep the wild alive everywhere.

National Wildlife Week is designed around teaching and connecting kids to the awesome wonders of wildlife. The National Wildlife Federation provides fun and informative educational materials, curriculum and activities for educators and caregivers to use with kids. For more information about National Wildlife Week, email nationalwildlifeweek@nwf.org.

City Hall will have an informational display in the lobby the week of March 9 through 15.

Turn out the lights!

Turn out your lights for International Earth Hour on Saturday, March 28 at 8:30 p.m. and show your commitment to a better future. Earth Hour started in 2007 as a lights-off event to raise awareness about climate change. For more information on International Earth Hour, visit earthhour.org.

Milkweed plants, tree & flora giveaways at Earth Day

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A Youth in Science Expo will display this year's Science Fair exhibits in the lower level by Dillard's. Free confidential document shredding will be provided by Shred-It (five-box limit). And the Citizens Alliance for Positive Youth (CAPY) and the Chesterfield Police Department will be collecting prescription and over-the-counter medications, inhalers, ointments and patches. In an effort to help with the Monarch Butterfly population, a limited supply of milkweed plants will also be given away indoors, as well as free tree, plant and native flora giveaways.



Enjoy Blue Morpho butterflies; tea parties this summer at the Butterfly House

MARCH MORPHO MANIA

March 1-31
Closed Mondays
10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Included with Butterfly House admission.
Free for Missouri Botanical Garden members.

March brings a very special kind of madness to the Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House—the annual March Morpho Mania® event! Visit during the month of March, when the Butterfly House floods the tropical conservatory with thousands of breathtaking Blue Morpho butterflies—a perennial favorite.

Native to the forests of Central and South America, the Blue Morpho's dazzling, metallic blue is all in the eye of the beholder: their wings are not actually colored blue, but are lined with many tiny scales that only allow blue light to escape. And what a sight to behold: thousands of these creatures catching the light in our sunny conservatory.

Despite their opulence, wild Morpho peleides prefer to stay in the forest understory, feeding on fermenting fruit, tree sap, even decomposing animals—keeping their wings folded to avoid catching the eye of would-be predators. But during mating flights, Blue Morphos rise high into the canopy, attracting mates with their iridescent splendor.

Throughout the month, visitors will learn about the critical role butterflies play in nature, and how the Butterfly House is involved with butterfly conservation efforts in Costa Rica. Come inaugurate the season with these majestic creatures at the Butterfly House and immerse yourself in a sea of blue—all March long!

BUGJAR CLUB

March 10, 17, 24, 31
April 7, 14, 21, 28
May 5, 12, 19, 26
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.
Included with general admission.



Monarch butterfly making a cameo at the Butterfly House last summer.

Join our BUGjar club and learn more about butterflies and insects. This drop-in program for young children will highlight a different bug each month. The hour sessions will include a bug-themed book, craft and lessons about insects and the natural world from Butterfly House staff members and volunteer docents. Participation in the BUGjar club is included with Butterfly House admission. Visit butterflyhouse.org for more information.

SPRING FLING

Saturdays and Sundays in April
10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Celebrate the important insects that help to make our gardens grow! Each week, Spring Fling will highlight a different beneficial insect through fun facts, crafts, games and other family friendly activities. Come and learn more about bees, ladybugs, ants and of course, butterflies! All activities are included with regular admission.

FANCY TEA WITH MOMMY AND ME

May 3
Morning Tea: 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Afternoon Tea: 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Reservations required.

\$15 members.
\$20 nonmembers.

Feel fancy at the Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House! Grab your favorite gal and come for a tea party. We'll be eating tasty treats and sipping on delightful drinks! No party would be complete without some fabulous take home favors. Learn about the beautiful and fancy butterflies at this "can't miss" party. Space is limited.

SIGN UP FOR NEW CLASSES AT CHESTERFIELD ARTS

Chesterfield Arts is excited to announce summer classes for children and adults of all ages and abilities will begin in June. Participants will be able to explore a variety of mediums and subject matter throughout the summer sessions.

Chesterfield Arts is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that depends on the support of private donations. Please visit chesterfieldarts.org to view the summer schedule, register for classes, or make a donation.

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Step back in time with a visit to the Thornhill Estate at Faust Park

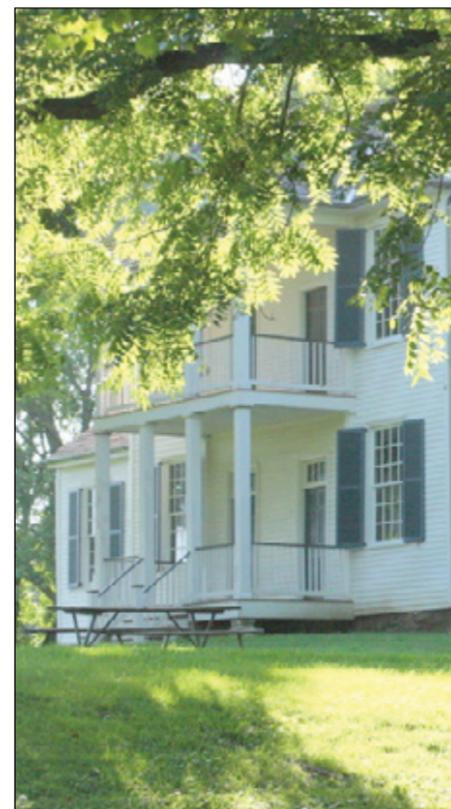
TEA WITH NANCY

Faust Park Thornhill Estate
All ages

Saturday, May 2
11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

Sunday, May 3
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
\$30 per person

Step back in time to the 1800s and join the wife of Missouri's second governor for full tea with all the trimmings. Nancy Bates and her daughters will be hosting in character for this special event on the grounds of Thornhill in Faust Park. Guests are encouraged to wear their "tea party best" (no high heels); then present their personal invitation to the "butler" (sent with receipt). Sunday's tea party is a special mother/daughter event for all ages. Space is limited. Reservations and payment must be made in advance by contacting Lori at 314.615.8336 or lritchey@stlouisco.com.



Thornhill Estate as seen through the trees.



Greeting visitors on the Thornhill porch.

THORNHILL ESTATE OPEN HOUSE

Saturday-Sunday
March 28-29, May 9-10, 16-17, August 29-30
1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Faust Park has added more chances to tour the former home of Governor Frederick Bates. Walk or drive down the gravel road behind the Butterfly House to find this nearly 200 year old treasure. The house was restored to its 1820 appearance and is partially furnished. The estate also includes a detached kitchen, period barns, a smokehouse, ice house, orchard and family cemetery. Period dressed guides offer a glimpse into Missouri's past. For more information, call 314.615.8328.

FAUST HISTORIC VILLAGE OPEN HOUSE

Saturday-Sunday
April 25-26, June 20-21, June 27-28,
July 25-26
1 p.m.-5 p.m.

The historic homes in the Village will be open to tour on select weekends at no charge. Guides in period dress will be available to answer questions about the structures as well as the heritage gardens that are attended to by dedicated volunteers. A varying number of activities and buildings may be open due to staffing availability.



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, March 25, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Persimmon Woods Golf Club
\$25 for members. \$30 for guests.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Thursday, March 26, 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Aflac
Free for members. \$15 for guests.

FIRST THURSDAY COFFEE

Thursday, April 2, 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m.
Assistance League of St. Louis
Free for members. \$15 for guests.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, April 15, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
The Landings at Spirit Golf Club
\$25 for members. \$30 for guests.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Thursday, April 23, 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Taubman Prestige Outlets
Free for members. \$15 for guests.

GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, April 27, 10 a.m.
Persimmon Woods Golf Club

FIRST THURSDAY COFFEE

Thursday, May 7, 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m.
Med Resources
Free for members. \$15 for guests.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, May 20, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Wings of Hope
\$25 for members. \$30 for guests.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Thursday, May 28, 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Lindell Bank
Free for members. \$15 for guests.

For questions about any of these events, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 636.532.3399 or visit chesterfieldmochamber.com.

Residents can save 10% on class registration at STAGES

STAGES registration discount offers a \$16 savings per student.

Registration is now open for musical theatre Spring Break Camps, March 16–20. The week long classes are offered for preschool through 8th grade and include an exciting array of professional musical theatre training, featuring special musical theatre performance workshops; “The Wizard of Oz,” (grades 2–4) and “Defying Gravity” (grades 5–8). Plus, day camps for preschool and new Acting Camps; Clowning and Stage Combat. Classes are held Monday through Friday at various times.

The Academy also has open registration for the Spring 4th Quarter Session, March 2–May 2, featuring classes for all ages, including the Musical Theatre Exploration classes “Heroes and Villains” (grades K–4) and “A Whole New World” (grades 5–8), along with Beginning Musical Theatre, Scene Study Studio, Improv and more.



Seussical: Theater based on the books of Dr. Seuss.

To register, call 636.449.5775 or visit stagesstlouis.org. Chesterfield residents can save 10% on registration, a \$16 savings per student!

Experience the Story at STAGES Performing Arts Academy this spring! Located in the state-of-the-art, Kent Center for Theatre Arts in Chesterfield at Swingley Ridge and

Chesterfield Parkway East, STAGES offers St. Louis the finest classes in the musical theatre disciplines of voice, dance and drama.



Two upcoming concerts on April 19 and May 14 by the St. Louis Civic Orchestra

On April 19 at 3 p.m., the orchestra will once again feature the winners of their Florence Frager Young Artist Competition, which supports young talent in an amazing competition that never disappoints. This year, auditions were held on November 23, 2014 with a total of 10 young musicians auditioning and two winners selected to perform at the April concert.

Eric Cho, a student at Marquette High School, will be performing Dvorak's Concerto in B minor, op. 104, 3rd movement. Joshua Hart, from St. Peters, is home schooled and will be performing Shostakovich's Concerto No. 1 in

Eb Major, 1st movement. Both winners study privately with Catherine Lehr. The orchestra will close the afternoon concert by presenting Wagner's Rienzi Overture and Schumann's Symphony No. 1 “Spring.”

On May 14 at 6:30 p.m., the orchestra will perform for free outside at the beautiful Chesterfield Amphitheater. The ‘Silver Screen Summer,’ will feature a selection of popular and award-winning music from the movies!

For more information, to purchase tickets or to sign up for newsletter updates, visit stlco.org.



Brothers etch Conway name in Chesterfield history

By Ann Chrissos

Chesterfield Historic & Landmarks Preservation Committee

Conway Road begins at Swingley Ridge Road in Chesterfield and travels east to Clayton Road in Ladue. It was named for two brothers, Samuel and Joseph Conway, Jr., who were born and lived in Chesterfield. They were active in the 19th century politics of St. Louis County and the state of Missouri. Both served as Sheriff of the St. Louis County Court and held a seat in the General Assembly of Missouri.

Joseph, Jr. also served as associate justice, second district. In Chesterfield, he is remembered for donating land diagonally across Conway Road from his house for the stone construction of the Bonhomme Presbyterian Church in 1841, which continues to stand today. However, it was their father, Joseph Conway, Sr., who was one of the original founders of the Church and the true Chesterfield pioneer.

In 1796, Joseph, Sr. brought his wife Elizabeth Caldwell Conway and their three children to Bonhomme Township (part of Chesterfield today), settled on a 400-acre Spanish land grant and became one of the earliest families to call Chesterfield home. They built their pioneer home near present day Conway Road and White Road where they established a farm and had seven more children. Joseph was born in Greenbrier County, Virginia on December 14, 1763 to John Conway from Ireland and Elizabeth Bridgewater Conway from England. Joseph's family moved to Kentucky when he was 12 years old and settled at Ruddles Station (a fort).

During the American Revolution, the fort was attacked by British soldiers and their Indian allies. Young Joseph, while attempting to drive off the Indians, was caught, tomahawked, scalped, and left for dead. His injuries were treated by an old lady named Mrs. Wiseman who staunchly the blood flow with cobwebs and nursed Joseph back to



The Conway house is located in the Historic Village at Faust Park.

health. He gradually recovered as the British marched the captured Americans to Detroit. The Conway family was detained by the British for the next four years. After returning to Kentucky, Joseph joined Generals Harmer and Wayne in their numerous campaigns against the Indians. He was scalped three more times as he strove, along with Daniel Boone and many other brave young men, to secure the land east of the Mississippi River. When this land was relatively safe for Americans to inhabit, the adventurous Conway and Boone journeyed to untamed Missouri, where they cleared and cultivated their Spanish land grants.

After the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, President Thomas Jefferson asked Joseph Conway, Sr. to command the exploration of the Missouri River and beyond. Conway declined the appointment in order to care for his family, but he did offer his blessings and good wishes to Lewis and Clark as they embarked on a 1600 mile journey in May 1804. During the War of 1812, Conway was once again called to serve his country against the British. When the war ended in 1815, Joseph returned to his farm where he lived until his death on December 27, 1830, at the age of 67.

Joseph Conway, Sr. is considered to be one of the bravest and noblest men who ever lived in the State of Missouri. He and his descendants continue to be honored today by the many streets and subdivisions which bear the Conway name.

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CHLPC seeking new members

Chesterfield Historic and Landmark Preservation Committee (CHLPC) is looking for you. New members are needed to preserve Chesterfield's history and help serve the community.

The CHLPC is a citizen, volunteer committee which works towards education, outreach, and preservation of Chesterfield's historic and archeological treasures. The CHLPC provides a mechanism to identify and preserve the distinctive historic, archeological, and architectural characteristics of Chesterfield, which represent elements of the city's cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history. Projects of the Committee include, but are not limited to cataloging and identifying historic photos, creation of a yearly calendar, conducting oral interviews of the city's history and documentation of historic structures. The CHLPC meets six times per year on Wednesday evenings. For more information, contact the Chair of the Committee, Tom Rothwell, at tomr@iastl.com or 636.530.1042.



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Over 200,000 people attended the three-day festival last September.

Taste of St. Louis returns for another great year

The Taste of St. Louis has announced that they will return to the Chesterfield Amphitheater on September 18 through 20, 2015. The Taste of St. Louis, also known as "The Ultimate Food Experience," is a three-day festival that offers foodies from around the region the opportunity to sample delicious food in a wide array of culinary delights from the region's finest restaurants along with live entertainment. Details about the event will soon follow.



Pedal the Cause has donated an astounding \$9.36 million in merely five years.

Pedal the Cause moves to Chesterfield

Pedal the Cause, a cycling event that raises funds to support cancer research at Siteman Cancer Center and St. Louis Children's Hospital, has announced that the Chesterfield Amphitheater will be the new host site for Pedal the Cause 2015, set to take place on September 26 and 27. **To register, visit stlouis.pedalthecause.org/register.jsp.**



One hundred percent of funds raised by participants pass through Pedal the Cause and go to a variety of cancer research projects at Siteman Cancer Center and St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Chesterfield area books about history, architecture available at City Hall

The Chesterfield area is featured in current and past calendars and in several books. The topics include ancient peoples, a historical survey of the area, prisoners of war, architecture, cemeteries and a historical coloring book.

These items are available at the City Hall. Additional information on early Chesterfield families is available at chesterfield.mo.us. Finally, speakers on the above subjects for adult and youth groups can be arranged by calling 636.537.4000.