

## Baxter Road work starts next spring

*County will improve section near Parkway West Middle School*

Improvements are coming to Baxter Road from Parkway West Middle School to Heathercroft Drive.

St. Louis County plans call for one thru lane in each direction and one continuous two-way center left turn lane. A new double box culvert will be built at Islevew Drive to replace a structurally deficient existing culvert.

The roadway will have asphaltic concrete pavement, continuous concrete curb and gutters, enclosed drainage, a tree lawn, and five-foot sidewalks on both sides. The vertical alignment will be changed to improve sight distances. There are no significant changes in the horizontal alignment.

Construction is scheduled to begin in Spring 2011 with completion in 2012. Log on to the City website at [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us) for updates.

## Chesterfield Citizen of the Year!



2007: Bud Hirsch      2006: Phil and Kay Folsom      2008: Kathy Higgins      2009: Don Wiegand

### Who will receive the 2010 honor?

Mark Beldner was the first honoree, back in 1989. Renowned artist Don Wiegand was the pick for 2009.

Another Chesterfield citizen –

or maybe a couple – will join this distinguished company as the City bestows its 2010 Citizen of the Year honor.

Do you know somebody who

is deserving? The City is soliciting nominations.

For details on the nominating process plus a list of past winners, turn to **page 3**.

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	WARD I		WARD II		WARD III		WARD IV	
<b>Barry Flachsbart</b>	<b>Barry Flachsbart</b>	<b>Matt Segal</b>	<b>Bruce Geiger</b>	<b>Lee Erickson</b>	<b>Mike Casey</b>	<b>Randy Logan</b>	<b>Connie Fults</b>	<b>Bob Nation</b>
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# Mayor's Message

## Job one is to continue Chesterfield's momentum

It's with a humble and yet excited heart that I take on the duties of Acting Mayor. For those of you who may not already know, former Mayor John Nations has accepted a position as head of METRO, our regional transportation authority and, as a result, resigned as mayor, on Oct. 18.

Chesterfield long has been doing many things very well, and I hope to continue to be a part of that tradition. As someone who was involved in the initial incorporation efforts and for all but four of the succeeding years as a Councilmember, it's probably obvious that I'm pleased with the results of incorporation.

Chesterfield has attracted outstanding civil servants, who run the City on a day-to-day basis extremely effectively. I'd like to list just a few things about them in this message.

At the top, our City Administrator, Michael Herring, was described by former Mayor Nations as "one of the finest city administrators in the country." John had interacted with the mayors of many other cities at the time of that remark, and it wasn't just an idle compliment! Libbey Tucker, as Assistant City Administrator for Community Services and Economic Development, works tirelessly to assist our City Administrator, making sure our internal operations are responsive to the needs of our citizens and businesses. She is constantly promoting the value of living and working in Chesterfield!

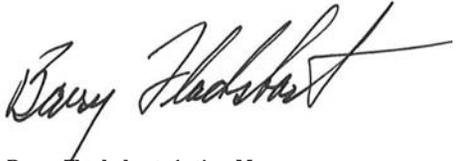
There are five basic divisions within the City: Police, Public Works, Planning, Parks & Recreation, and Administration. Our Police Department is internationally accredited by the CALEA (Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies) and received the honor of selection as a "flagship agency" – an honor not easily obtained. Our police chief, Ray Johnson, was recently named one of 11 individuals worldwide to serve on the CALEA Board. Our Public Works division has received numerous compliments from residents on everything from snow removal to street repair and reconstruction. Its head, Mike Geisel, was selected as Public Works Director of the Year in 2006 by The American Public Works Association. Our Planning division is widely recognized for professional excellence and is able to blend fair processes and procedures for developers with procedures that ensure that citizen viewpoints are heard and taken into account. This was one of the most important goals of the people who originally incorporated Chesterfield. Our Parks & Recreation division has done outstanding work in creating trails for our citizens, along with an outstanding athletic complex and Central Park, and it continues to exceed expectations. Finance and Administration doesn't often get spotlighted. However, our processes of preparing and presenting financial information about Chesterfield and making it available to

our citizens, for example, regularly receives awards from the Government Finance Officers Association. This is clearly an indication that, unlike some government entities, you know how all the money is being received and spent in Chesterfield. Hats off to our Director of Finance and Administration, Kelly Vaughn.

You'll probably notice that there is not much about the Mayor or Council in the above – their role is to set directions and guidelines, which have also been impressively "on-track." Policies like being fiscally conservative, maintaining a reserve fund for rainy days, and ensuring that the outstanding civil servants are competitively compensated have clearly been important.

The visions of mayors who have formerly served Chesterfield and the outstanding input from citizen volunteers in many areas have also been important – and those are worth a separate note, along with discussions about work by so many to improve the quality of life in Chesterfield.

Thank you for the opportunity to share this. Send your comments to: [info@chesterfield.mo.us](mailto:info@chesterfield.mo.us).



Barry Flachsbart, Acting Mayor

### Sign up for the City's e-mail notifications

Receive the latest information in areas such as City news, community events, environmental information, and parks updates in your e-mail inbox! Just sign up by going to the City website at [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us) and click on the Web Mail/E Notifications link on the left of the home page.

### Monarch Levee Trail section scheduled to open this month

Phase III of the Chesterfield-Monarch Levee Trail is expected to be opened this month.

This 2.5-mile extension of the existing multiuse trail runs from the trail head at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex, under the Boone Bridge just to the north of Howell Island Conservation area.

### Christmas tree disposal provided by Allied Waste

Allied Waste will pick up Christmas trees the entire month of January on your regular trash pick-up day at no additional charge.

The tree must be free of all decorations including tinsel, garland, ornaments and lights. It must also be cut shorter than four feet.

# FROM CITY HALL

## Candidate filings for Mayor, Council opens Dec. 14

The first step toward the mayor's office or a seat on the City Council begins Dec. 14.

Candidate filing for mayor and councilmember in each of four wards opens at 8 a.m. in the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 690 Chesterfield

Parkway West. After Dec. 14, hours for filing during the candidate filing period will be 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Candidate filing closes Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2011 at 5 p.m. The election is April 5.

### Qualifications

To run for mayor, candidates

### Voter registration information

Unregistered citizens may register at City Hall or most St. Louis County public libraries.

The Missouri Voter Registration Application is also available online at: [www.stlouisco.com/elections](http://www.stlouisco.com/elections)

The deadline for registering to vote in the April municipal election is March 9.

must be at least 30 years old, a citizen of the United States, and

a resident of Chesterfield at the time of election for two years prior to the election.

To run for a seat on the City Council, candidates must be at least 21 years of age prior to taking office, a citizen of the United States, a resident of Chesterfield for one year prior to the election, and a resident of the ward in which they are running for six months prior to the election.

### Declaration of Candidacy

Declaration of Candidacy forms are available on line at [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us). For additional information, please call the City Clerk at 636.537.6716.

### Term Expirations

#### April 2011

**Acting Mayor**  
Barry Flachsbart

**Councilmembers**  
Matt Segal – Ward I  
Lee Erickson – Ward II  
Randy Logan – Ward III  
Bob Nation – Ward IV

#### April 2012

**Councilmembers**  
Barry Flachsbart – Ward I  
Bruce Geiger – Ward II  
Mike Casey – Ward III  
Connie Fults – Ward IV

## City seeks nominations for Citizen of Year award

The City of Chesterfield is officially requesting nominations for the Chesterfield Citizen of the Year Award.

Many residents contribute to the community in a significant manner each day without reward or recognition. This is an opportunity to nominate people who have brought honor upon themselves and the community as the result of an outstanding accomplishment or simply by being actively involved in the community.

Citizens to be selected for recognition should meet the following criteria:

- Actions being recognized should benefit the overall community of the City of Chesterfield and its residents

### Past recipients

1989 .....	Mark Beldner	1998 .....	Louis Sachs
1990 .....	Greg Franzen	1999 .....	Larry Grosser
1991 .....	None awarded	2000 .....	Lauren Strutman Dick Busch
1992 .....	None awarded	2001 .....	Jade Gardner Bute Betty Hathaway
1993 .....	Reverend Carlton Norton Marilyn Norton Laura L. Frame Jason Goldkamp	2002 .....	Bill and Terry Wunderlich
1994 .....	Pastor Jeff Perry & members of the St. Louis Family Church	2003 .....	Jerry Right
1995 .....	Faith Martens Benton Taylor	2004 .....	Lynn O'Connor
1996 .....	Robert H. Grant Judy LeDoux	2005 .....	Dan Rothwell
1997 .....	Darcy Capstick	2006 .....	Phil and Kay Folsom
	Minna Waldmann	2007 .....	Maurice "Bud" Hirsch
		2008 .....	Kathy Higgins
		2009 .....	Don Wiegand

in some manner through volunteerism, work performed on community projects, and overall civic contributions to the community.

- Individuals nominated should preferably be residents of the City of Chesterfield. If not, the accomplishment should take place in the City.

### Nomination Guidelines

- One nomination per person per household (spouses can be nominated jointly).
- Previously nominated individuals can be re-nominated.
- A nominee cannot serve on the Selection Committee.
- The person nominating an individual cannot serve on the Selection Committee.
- City employees will not be considered for the award.

Nominations can be submitted electronically by filling out the form on the City's website at [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us) and are due no later than Feb. 4.

**PLANNING & PUBLIC WORKS**

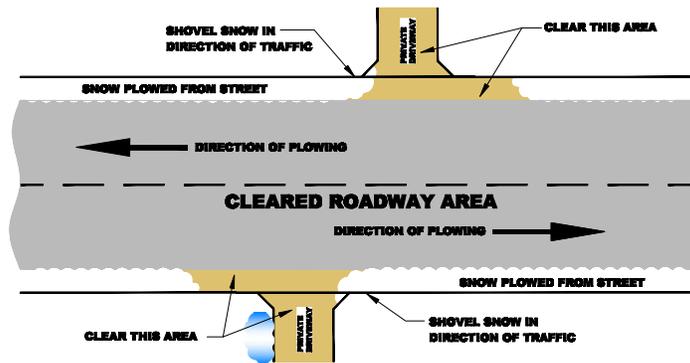
**When it snows, look before you park**

Certain streets within Chesterfield are designated as snow routes and are identified as such by signs posted along these streets.

City ordinances prohibit parking on designated snow routes during snowfall events of two inches or more. Parking that obstructs snow removal equipment is prohibited on all streets during any snow event. If your car is on the street, it can be ticketed and/or towed.

What could prove more inconvenient, the snow plows will be forced to go around the car, and the vehicle may be buried by an icy mound of heavy packed snow.

Parking may resume once the street has been cleared curb to curb. Your cooperation is appreciated and will assist the City in providing the best snow removal possible.



**Tips for clearing snow from driveway entrances**

Clearing snow from the street frequently results in the blocking of driveways that you've worked hard to clear.

Many times during a snow event, a plow will go by and fill in the end of a freshly cleared private driveway with snow from the roadway. City crews know that this can be very frustrating, but snow must be plowed from the center line of the street to the curb. Crews are unable to remove snow windrows from the

more than 16,000 private driveways in Chesterfield.

To help reduce the size of the windrow of snow across your driveway, you can clear an area of the street gutter 10 to 15 feet in advance of your driveway. In doing this, you create a "pocket" for the snow to drop off before the plow reaches your driveway. Please be extremely careful when working next to the roadway, especially when snowplowing operations are in progress.

**POLICE**

**13th Citizen Police Academy starts in February**

The Chesterfield Police Department is accepting applications for its 13th Citizen Police Academy. The program allows participants to learn about various areas of the police operation including patrol procedures, traffic and DWI enforcement, crime scene investigation, and role playing.

This year's adult class will start Thursday Feb. 3, and meet once a week for 9 weeks from 7-9 p.m. Classes will meet at the Chesterfield Police Department, 690 Chesterfield Parkway West. The academy is open to both residents and non-residents of Chesterfield. Class size is limited to 20.

To reserve a spot, call the Chesterfield Police Department at 636.537.6749. Deadline for registration is Jan. 21.

**Street tree inventory will help City manage leafy assets**

The public trees in the City of Chesterfield provide more than the traditional values of aesthetics and shade. They also provide numerous environmental benefits, including temperature moderation and cooling, reduction of air pollutants, energy conservation, and overall increases in property values.

Unlike other components of the City's infrastructure, the tree population, with proper care, will continue to increase in value. For these reasons, the City took a proactive step in 2009 to effectively manage its urban forest by hiring the Davey Resource Group to perform an inventory of street trees located within the public right of way – the area between the sidewalk and the street. The inventory includes collecting data on each tree, including location,



species, size, condition, maintenance needs, and other pertinent information.

This inventory will assist the City in effectively managing street trees and will help budget and plan removals, schedule tree maintenance, and increase species diversity.

To help cover the cost of this inventory, the City applied for and was awarded a \$10,000 Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (T.R.I.M.) Grant through the Missouri Department of Conservation in both 2009 and 2010.

Davey Resource Group data collectors completed the second and final phase of inventory this fall.

**CITIZEN COMMITTEES**

**Calendars on sale**

The Chesterfield Historical Commission 2011 calendars are now available.

The calendars feature 12 or more black and white photographs, maps, plats or illustrations of Chesterfield buildings and sites, as well as people who helped establish the area now known as Chesterfield.

The 2011 calendars sell for \$5. 2001-2010 calendars are available for \$2. A gift pack of 10 oldest calendars (1991-2000) is \$15.

All calendars are available at the front desk of City Hall. For more information, call City Hall at 636.537.4000 or Arland Stemme at 314.275.2031.

## CITIZEN COMMITTEES

### 3 benches donated by committee

The Chesterfield Beautification Committee is proud to present to the City a gift of three benches funded by the proceeds from the 2008 and 2010 Garden Tours.

In choosing its donation, the committee carefully researched items that would benefit the City and provide interest and comfort to its citizens. The benches are fabricated by Trellis Art Designs of St. Louis and are made of iron with die cut designs in the back panel. They will be painted bright yellow, lime green and robin egg blue and placed along or adjacent to Chesterfield Parkway at the most-



used bus stops to offer respite to those using public transportation.

"The benches offer the citizens of Chesterfield a unique example of functional art while serving the needs of the community," Committee Chairperson Kay Folsom said. "It is the hope of the Beautification Committee that these benches will become recognizable symbols of a

simple way public art can enhance and benefit a community."

Plans are to have the benches installed by the end of December.

Committee members are Marilyn Donovan, Pat Hutton, Anne Frohman, Bob Barnes, Carol Barnes, Leon Zickrick, Janet LeGrand, Joanie Schmelig, Kay Folsom, and City Council liaison Randy Logan.

## Committee for Environment offers recommendations

### Back Yard Composting – Be Resourceful

Composting is a natural process that recycles leaves, grass, clippings and small twigs into rich organic matter. This is a sustainable gardening practice. Composting returns organic matter to the earth for reuse, and compost is one of nature's best mulches. It benefits the smallest yard or garden and can be used around trees, shrubs, and in planter boxes. Consult: [www.dnr.mo.gov](http://www.dnr.mo.gov) and search for "composting."

### UnPlug from Media ... and Plug into Nature

The Citizens Committee for the Environment and the National Wildlife Federation encourage Chesterfield residents to plug into nature, bundle up and play outdoors this winter! Choose opportunities which not only improve health through outdoor activities but which improve the

health of the habitat. See [www.nwf.org](http://www.nwf.org) and search "Get Outside" or [www.childrenandnature.org](http://www.childrenandnature.org) for more ideas.

### Seeking Environmentally Conscious Youth

Do you know a young person who is mindful of the environment and wants to make a difference in the community? The Citizens Committee for the Environment has several volunteer opportunities for scouts and other youth at its many events throughout the year. The Committee also recognizes these young people with a Stellar Green Youth Team designation. Call 636.537.4000 for more information.

### Plastics Recycling

Consider these facts and figures:

In 1960, plastics represented 1% of municipal solid waste. In 2008, plastics accounted for 12% of trash going to landfills.

3 billion – the number of plastic water bottles purchased in the U.S. in 1997.

31 billion – the number of plastic water bottles purchased in 2006.

450 years – the estimated time it takes a plastic bottle to decompose.

30 million tons – amount of plastic consumed in 2008.

2 million tons – amount of plastic recycled in 2008.

*Source: Audubon, p. 24, 9/10*

### Alliance for Positive Youth seeks members

The Chesterfield Alliance for Positive Youth is seeking new members. If interested, contact either Valerie Taylor at [taylorvh@att.net](mailto:taylorvh@att.net) or Cheryl Funkhouser at [cfunkhouser@chesterfield.mo.us](mailto:cfunkhouser@chesterfield.mo.us). The group meets the first Tuesday of the month at City Hall. Additional information is available at the City website: [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us).

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

### St. Louis County Adopt A Family project underway in 17th season

Nights are getting colder, and the holiday season is in full swing. With escalating living costs, increasing heating and cooling costs and the unemployment situation, it is harder and harder for families to make ends meet throughout the year.

The 17th annual edition of Saint Louis County Adopt A Family Holiday Project is underway to support needy families through the holiday season.

Because of the generosity and support of individuals, families, groups, businesses and organizations, more than 3,000 needy St. Louis County families have received help during the holidays since the project began in 1994. Gifts of food, clothing, blankets, winter clothing, basic household items, toys and help with rent and utilities have been provided to families so they may enjoy the holiday season.

Potential adopters may view the 2010 catalog of needy families by going to the St. Louis County Government web page at [www.stlouisco.com](http://www.stlouisco.com) or obtain a printed copy of the 2010 catalog at the Office of Family and Community Services 121 S. Meramec, 3rd Floor, Clayton, MO 63105.

#### View needy families:

[www.stlouisco.com](http://www.stlouisco.com)

#### For more information:

Contact Susan Schafers  
[SSchafers@stlouisco.com](mailto:SSchafers@stlouisco.com)  
314.615.4041

# COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

## Smashing Hit

### 9th Gumbo Flats Pumpkin Run attracts 1,500 participants

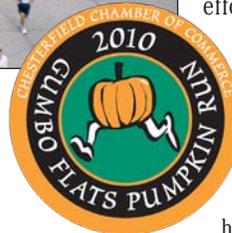
Approximately 1500 runners, walkers and children laced up their running shoes and participated in the 9th Annual Gumbo Flats Pumpkin Run 5K/10K Run/Walk and 2nd Annual Children's Fun Run Oct. 23. The Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce sponsored the event and declared it a success.

"The event was fantastic this year as we were blessed with great weather and many participants," said Joan Schmelig, president of the Chesterfield Chamber. "A thank you is in order to our many volunteers and Chamber staff for their time and efforts. It was wonderful to have the Second Annual Children's Fun Run and see so many younger participants.

"I also want to extend a thank you to all our donators, Finish Line Party Participants, and sponsors – especially our major corporate sponsor, Logan College of Chiropractic – for helping us make this another great event."



Exercise and fun were the orders of the day at the Gumbo Flats Pumpkin Run and Children's Fun Run on Oct. 23.



## EXPO fact: Chamber celebrates 20 years of success hosting business exhibition

The Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce presents the 20th annual Business EXPO and Showcase March 10

Over 75 businesses and organizations will showcase their products and services at the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce Business EXPO and Showcase, Thursday, March 10 4-7:30 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel & Conference Center, 16625 Swingley Ridge Rd. in Chesterfield.

The 2010 EXPO was a sellout with over 75 display booths and more than 2,000 attendees. This year's event is expected to be busier and larger with booth space filling quickly.

Business representatives are encouraged to invite co-workers and clients to attend the

free networking event to build relationships benefitting their organization.

The Business EXPO and Showcase is an excellent opportunity for attendees to view product demonstrations and speak face-to-face with industry professionals in a relaxed atmosphere. Businesses from around the community converge on the scene to promote their

products and services to the thousands attending.

This Chamber sponsored event is a "don't miss" opportunity to make face-to-face connections with potential clients and renew past business

relationships! Exhibitors also offer fabulous giveaways, raffle prizes, food and more.

The Chesterfield Chamber of

**Thursday  
March 10  
4-7:30 p.m.  
Doubletree Hotel  
& Conf. Center  
Info:  
636.532.3399**



Chamber members and guests enjoy over 75 local vendors and businesses.

Commerce strives to represent its members in pursuit of their goals through networking, education and communication. The Chesterfield Chamber believes "a strong business environment is essential to a quality community."

For information on the Business EXPO and Showcase, call 636.532.3399. Vendor information will be available Jan. 1 on the Chamber's website: chesterfieldmochamber.com.

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

# 'This Wonderful Life' opens a run of three Dramatic License presentations

Dramatic License Productions is offering three events at the Dramatic License Theatre, which is on the upper level of Chesterfield Mall, next to Houlihan's restaurant.

### This Wonderful Life

- Dec. 2-19, Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
- By Steve Murray, conceived by Mark Setlock
- Fans of the classic movie, "It's a Wonderful Life," will recognize the myriad of comic and heartwarming characters in this one-man, family-friendly show featuring professional actor/director Alan Knoll.

### A Valentine's Cabaret

- Feb. 11-12
- Features some of St. Louis' best vocalists and musicians performing love songs from Broadway and beyond.

### Driving Miss Daisy

- March 3-20
- Issues of race relations and unconditional friendship arise in the heartwarming production by Alfred Uhry, directed by Washington University theater instructor Annamaria Pileggi. The cast features Sally Eaton as Daisy, B. Weller as Boolie and Dennis Lebby as Hoke.

### Tickets

Tickets: \$20 adults; \$18 seniors

Because you've been VERY good this year...

**This Wonderful Life**  
by Steve Murray,  
conceived by Mark Setlock

December 2-19

Tickets: [www.DramaticLicenseTheatre.com](http://www.DramaticLicenseTheatre.com) or 636-220-7012

DRAMATIC LICENSE PRODUCTIONS

(60+) and students; \$15 groups of 10 or more

Credit/Debit cards accepted at [www.DramaticLicenseProductions.com](http://www.DramaticLicenseProductions.com).

The box office accepts only cash or check. Seating is limited. Reservations suggested: 636.220.7012

## St. Louis Civic Orchestra performs Holiday Concert. Dec. 11

Consider spicing your holiday season with a performance by the St. Louis Civic Orchestra.

Join the musicians for their "No Naughty, All Nice" Holiday Concert, featuring popular holiday classics and a special euphonium soloist.

The Holiday Concert is scheduled for 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11 at the William D. Purser Center of Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and seniors.

The St. Louis Civic Orchestra offers the opportunity for all ages to experience world-class music at an award-winning venue. Visit [www.stlouiscivicorchestra.org](http://www.stlouiscivicorchestra.org) for more information.

## PARKS & RECREATION

# Central Park Amphitheater debuts in 2011

The Parks and Recreation Department will be opening the new Amphitheater in Central Park next spring.

The amphitheater will be an intimate venue that combines stylish, modern architecture and state-of-the-art audio technology with the community charm for which Chesterfield is known.

For more information and to view architectural drawings of the amphitheater, visit the City's website at [www.chesterfield.mo.us](http://www.chesterfield.mo.us).

## Buy Aquatic Center passes early and save

Chesterfield Parks and Recreation Department is offering an early bird special for its 2011 Aquatic Center season passes, starting Jan. 3. Receive 10% off the general or resident rate for a family of four by purchasing a season pass before March 31. Call 636.812.9500 for more info.

## 2011 pavilion rentals set to open on Jan. 3

Beginning Jan. 3, reservation permits for the use of the pavilion may be obtained at City Hall. The pavilion is available seven days a week from 9 a.m. to dusk, April 1-Oct. 31.

### Available Jan. 3

**2011 Aquatic passes**

Phone 636.812.9500

**2011 Pavilion rental**

Reservations made at City Hall



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Chesterfield, MO 63017  
636.537.4000



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## CHESTERFIELD CALENDAR

### December

- 6 City Council  
*City Hall, 7 p.m.*
- 13 Planning Commission  
*City Hall, 7 p.m.*
- 14 Candidate Filing Begins  
*City Hall, 8 a.m.*
- 23-24 City Hall Closed  
*Christmas holidays*
- 30-31 City Hall Closed  
*New Year's holidays*

### January

- 3 City Council  
*City Hall, 7 p.m.*
- 17 City Hall Closed  
*Martin Luther King Day*
- 18 Candidate Filing Closes  
*City Hall, 5 p.m.*
- 19 City Council  
*City Hall, 7 p.m.*

### February

- 7 City Council  
*City Hall, 7 p.m.*
- 21 City Hall Closed  
*Presidents' Day*
- 23 City Council  
*City Hall, 7 p.m.*

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

### Faust Park Carousel events scheduled

#### Candy Cane Hunt

- Saturday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m.  
Candy canes have been hidden in Faust Park by the Carousel Reindeer for children to find. Some candy canes will have special prizes attached! Preregistration is required. Tickets must be purchased in person at the St. Louis Carousel Gift Shop. \$5 per person, ages 2-10

#### Winter Break Puppet Shows

- Wednesday & Thursday, Dec. 29 & 30
- Doors open at 9:15 a.m.
- Show 9:30-10 a.m.  
Treat the kids to a morning of fun during Winter Break. Visit the St. Louis Carousel and enjoy an entertaining puppet show and a complimentary twirl on the carousel. Show titles TBA.

Tickets are \$5 (12 months & under free with paid adult) in advance and \$6 at the door. Call 314.615.8383 or stop by the St. Louis Carousel Gift Shop to purchase tickets.



*Diners enjoy the Sweethearts Dinner at the Thornhill (right).*

### Valentine dinner set for Thornhill in Faust Park

A unique Valentine celebration will take place on Saturday, Feb. 12. Faust Park is currently accepting reservations for the annual Sweethearts Dinner at Thornhill, a four-course catered meal featuring grilled steak and red wine and served by period-dressed staff inside the historic home



of Missouri's second governor, Frederick Bates.

Availability is limited to 40 adults per seating at 5 and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$65 and must be purchased in advance. Proceeds help fund upkeep and repairs of the historic buildings in Faust Park. For reservations, call 314.615. 8328 or 314.615.8332.

### HOLIDAY TRASH & RECYCLING

Because the holidays are on Saturdays this year, collection routes will not be affected.