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TOWN & COUNTRY Times



FIRE & ICE



SATURDAY, JUNE 20 - 6:00 - 9:30PM

The Town and Country party of the year returns to the Town Square! The property just east of Straub's will be transformed for a community celebration! Featherstone Drive Band and bounce houses return for another year of family fun! Visit the Taste of Town and Country local restaurants for dinner, desserts and drinks (cash only). An ATM is available at Midland Bank in Mason Woods Village. New this year is a "Kids Corner" sponsored by "Town and Country Churches." Don't miss the opportunity to explore the fire station and meet our firefighters. Fireworks will launch at dark, approximately 9:15.

The Principia property on the north side of Clayton Road will be open for blankets and chairs to have picnics and watch the fireworks. Clayton Road will remain open throughout the event. The Town and Country Police Department will control vehicle traffic and cross pedestrians.

Consider walking or biking the Clayton Road Trail to the event!

Cars can park at: The Principia; Longview Farm Park; First Church of Christ Scientist; and Mason Ridge School. Shuttles will run between the Fire House and each of the parking locations throughout the event. Mason Woods Village shopping center will remain open during the event. Parking in this center will be for customers only.



Photos courtesy of David Bentley, Bentley Studio, Ltd.

Thank you to our Community Sponsors!



Mari de Villa & The Principia Retirement Community

Questions? Call the Parks and Recreation Office 314-434-1215. PLEASE SEE BACK COVER FOR EVENT MAP!

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Our Town Square - Planning Process Proceeds and Future Opportunities Await



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Summer is a time to slow down, enjoy the outdoors and spend time with good friends, neighbors and family. For me, the start of the summer season is associated with Town and Country's largest celebration—our annual Fire & Ice Event. Borrowing a phrase from the work of the Town Square Task Force, this event gives people a reason to come and a reason to stay—to celebrate the essence of our City in the historical and geographical center of Town and Country.

Fire & Ice is scheduled for June 20th when we will gather in our emerging Town Square—the “front porch” of Town and Country—and celebrate our nation's liberty and our unique identity as a community, with friends, food, music, and fireworks. Much more than just another Fourth of July event, this gathering involves a wide array of activities that distinguish it: “A Taste of Town and Country” where some of our finest dining establishments showcase their culinary specialties, bounce houses for the kids, and musical entertainment from our very own Featherstone Drive Band. At the center of all of this activity are the neighbors and families who gather in this public space—a space with a history as rich as its future is promising.



Town & Country Continues to Gain Inspiration from Its Past



Wirth's Amoco Station, December 1988

While the Altheim Farmers' Club no longer exists, the community spirit it must have engendered is flourishing once again. In fact, a number of new and old community events are truly unifying the City, and many of these activities are coalescing around the intersection of Clayton and Mason Roads. A recent example includes the addition of tennis lessons at Longview Farm Park, utilizing the talents and instructional abilities of a former tennis pro. Right next door, the number and quality of exhibits at the Longview Farm Park House gallery continues to rise, where the work of nationally known artist, Billyo O'Donnell, is currently on display. Similarly, interest in the stables and lake areas within the park is growing rapidly as these two special features add value to our surroundings. By contrast, just down Clayton Road Trail, Drace Park and its recently completed Oge Log Cabin, the newest addition to our 1850s settlement, provides a completely different park experience, given its historic theme and setting.

These and a myriad of other activities are what make us a community rather than just a collection of single-family homes. Successful efforts at place making and community building such as this require a remarkable amount of time and dedication by many people who share a common bond and commitment to advancing Town and Country as an even better place to live and work.



Over the years, we have seen real progress to this end achieved through our volunteer commissions and task forces, all led by the Board of Aldermen and supported by our professional staff. Such contributions of time and talent have laid the groundwork for the next big thing: the establishment of our Town Square.

Our 2020 Vision Brought into Focus by the Town Square Task Force

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1997 Strategic Planning Committee

This promising future, the creation of a true Town Square and corresponding sense of arrival to Town and Country, is captured in our 2020 Vision, which has been the focus of much of my attention in recent communications and largely centered around this important area of our City. There is widespread excitement and interest in the City’s acquisition of the Wirth property, which is strategically located in the very hub of Town and Country. With strong support for the initiative, residents often share one or both of the following sentiments: Any development should not add more traffic volume to the intersection, and the wrong development could adversely affect property values and the existing character of the area. Significantly, however, these precise concerns drove the City’s original decision to purchase the

property. It was quite evident that the 8.8 acres of the Wirth property eventually was going to sell, resulting in another plan being put forward to develop the property to its maximum earning potential for the investor. The City and the surrounding neighbors would once again be thrust into a defensive position to preserve the distinctive charm of the heart of Town and Country. In short, the question was not “if” development would come, but “when.”

Current Direction Supported by Prior Planning

As I’ve often said, success is most viable at the three-way intersection of opportunity, preparation and planning. When key opportunities are presented, taking a proactive stance by putting forth a well-conceived plan maximizes the potential for positive outcomes.

Fortunately, nearly 20 years ago, the members of the 1997 Strategic Planning Committee conducted a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) analysis and identified the opportunity that existed in “*having a say in how undeveloped land is to be used.*” Coupled with the acknowledged weakness of the “*lack of a town center.*” It may be argued that our current planning process is an outgrowth of their visionary planning. When the Wirth property once again became available, your elected representatives unanimously chose to seize the opportunity not only for the present citizens of our great City, but for future generations who will call Town and Country home. Accordingly, our 2020 Vision is not limited to what this area will look like in five years, but what we, collectively, want it to look like 25, 50, and even 100 years from now.

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VISION Statement, Town Square Task Force

Today’s Task Force and Its Subcommittee

Consistent with the foundational report of 1997, I am committed to maintaining the principles of transparency and participation in our current process to further ensure public confidence and a quality outcome. In that regard, I appointed two representative bodies to examine the use of the Wirth property, purchased by the City in December. The Town Square Task Force is an 11-member body representative of all four political wards and commissioned by Resolution to study the issue and make a formal recommendation to the Board of Aldermen. Assisting the Task Force in looking at the impact upon the immediate area surrounding the Wirth property is the second appointed body—the Neighborhood Representatives Subcommittee. This Subcommittee is comprised of representatives of the subdivisions that surround Clayton and Mason Roads, Mason Woods Village, Straub’s, Church of the Good Shepherd, and The Principia. In addition to the Subcommittee’s review of impact upon immediate property owners and managers, funds have been earmarked in our current budget to professionally analyze plan impact upon traffic and stormwater.

A Fully Engaged Community Enhances Our Collective Efforts

All meetings of the Task Force and Subcommittee are open to the public, and every member of the community is encouraged to attend. Time is set aside at every meeting for public input, feedback, and suggestions. There are also opportunities to provide comments through the website and forms available at the Municipal Center and Longview Farm Park House. Unequivocally, the quality of the ultimate outcome of the Task Force's work will be in direct proportion to the depth of community participation throughout the process, so I urge you to offer your insights and suggestions.

Great interest and enthusiastic participation were highlighted in two public input forums at Longview Farm Park last month. Approximately 100 people attended and worked together in groups, providing their vision for Town and Country. The Town Square Task Force and Neighborhood Representatives Subcommittee are still processing the information gleaned from the input sessions. These appointed bodies will thoroughly examine the many ideas and recommendations that emerge from our participatory process to ensure that the final Task Force recommendation, due in October, *reflects the character, personality, culture, and history of the community.*

A "sense of community" is indicated when the residents of Town & Country share a common identity and feeling of satisfaction and pride in their City because of its laws, respect for individual privacy, property values, environmental attractiveness and communal interests.

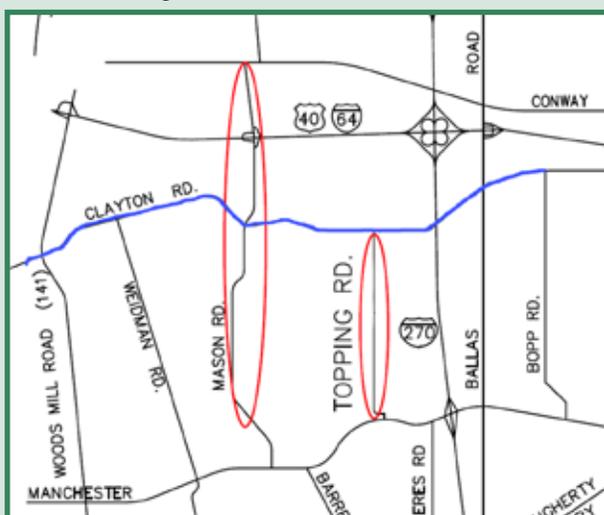
1997 Strategic Planning Committee

This participatory process is community building at its best—with the ultimate plan being developed by the stakeholders from start to finish. While there are diverse opinions on the possible use of the Wirth property, a common vision that has emerged is the desire for a public gathering space that complements those elements already featured in the surrounding area. It is this recurring interest in bringing neighbors together in a public space...a space that would further clarify our unique identity and "sense of community," which underlies the mission statement that grew out of our 1997 Strategic Planning process.

I encourage you to engage in this process as the Town Square Task Force continues its work throughout the summer and early fall. Comments and suggestions at scheduled meetings are welcomed, and again, input may be offered through our city website on the Task Force homepage (www.town-and-country.org), as well.

A Walkable Community Binds the Community

It is quite easy to draw a direct connection between the walkability of a city and its sense of community. The City of Town and Country began to realize the benefits of a walkable community with the completion of the Clayton Road Trail in August of 2013. Walkable communities have been shown to contribute to personal wellness and enhanced connectivity and security as relationships form among neighbors during various outings. To that end, your elected officials and the Parks and Trails Commission are hard at work in the planning process to expand the number of neighborhoods that are connected to our walkable system.



Just like the event planning discussed above, developing plans that balance the needs of the immediate property owners while serving the entire community requires thoughtful effort and application of resources in a respectful manner. This conscientiousness has been applied over the last year to develop funding strategies and application timelines for several locations. Projects of the scale and impact presented along Topping Road and Mason Road, for example, present substantial challenges. These can only be overcome by developing partnerships with outside agencies such as St. Louis County,

the Missouri Department of Transportation and the Municipal Parks Grant Commission. Through these partnerships, we can utilize programs that bring portions of your tax dollars back home to Town and Country. This work will further develop the foundation established in the Parks and Trails Master Plan by expanding the vision of a walkable community to the north and south of the Clayton Road Trail.

It is logical to perceive this plan as the next step following the completion of the work along the Clayton Road corridor. Consequently, many neighborhoods have stepped forward and declared their desire to attain this connection. For example, the Manderleigh Woods and Devonworth neighborhoods have expressed a desire to have greater access to our East/West pedestrian artery along Clayton Road. Numerous communities north of Interstate 64 have also acknowledged that access to our geographic center is vital to their sense of inclusion in the Town and Country community. This places Mason Road squarely in our sights. The Mason Road project has been broken into several phases that would potentially extend trails or sidewalks from our southern city limits to Conway Road. The first phase, from Queeny Park to Clayton Road, could see construction as early as 2016. Similarly, we continue to work toward obtaining outside funding for the multi-phased Topping Road Trail project and anticipate taking substantive steps towards implementation in coming years.

Next Steps and Continued Progress

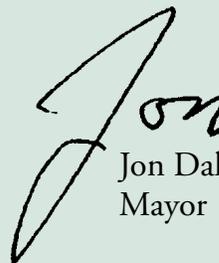
The Town Square Task Force and its recommendations are just the beginning of this exciting opportunity for real place making and community building in Town and Country. A full range of human resources, both staff and volunteer, will be required to set the proper wheels into motion in order to bring the Task Force's vision to fruition. By the end of this year, it is expected that the Task Force will have ascended and conquered the mountain of ideas brought forth by resident input and created a clear view of the future. Ultimately, the Board of Aldermen will seek guidance and direction from our outstanding staff at City Hall, the many Commissions populated by our resident volunteers, and a range of outside experts. Undoubtedly, we will rely particularly on the expertise and guidance of the Planning and Zoning Commission with respect to the controlled application of uses and impacts. By deploying this collaborative, inclusive and deliberative process, we may not break any land speed records, but we will know exactly where we are going so that we may choose the best road to travel together.

The original Trails and Parks Master Plan from 1998 and updated in 2010, like the 1997 Strategic Plan, have provided an excellent blueprint for our City. We are now reaping the dividends from the labor and investment of the men and women who helped develop these important documents. Thanks in part to their work, we are nearing that three-way intersection, and just as our predecessors did before us, may we seize the moment for the generations to come.

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I trust you continue to find the information in this newsletter enjoyable, thought provoking and beneficial. We work hard to assemble materials for each issue that provide you with information not otherwise available. As always, our goal is to facilitate the advancement of our City and to serve its residents to the best of our ability. As we continue to work towards making positive strides for Town and Country, we are hopeful you will take every opportunity to share your ideas and expertise.

Best wishes for a healthy, happy and fun-filled summer. I look forward to seeing you at Fire & Ice!



Jon Dalton
Mayor

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS



At the April 27th Board of Aldermen meeting, recently elected Aldermen were sworn in. Congratulations to newly elected Ward 2 Alderman Tiffany Frautschi, and re-elected Ward 1 Alderman Lynn Wright, Ward 3 Alderman Fred Meyland-Smith, and Ward 4 Alderman Jon Benigas.

Pictured left to right: Ward 2 Alderman Amy Anderson, Ward 2 Alderman Tiffany Frautschi, Ward 1 Alderman Skip Mange, Mayor Jon Dalton, Ward 3 Alderman Fred Meyland-Smith, Ward 4 Alderman Linda Rallo, Ward 4 Alderman Jon Benigas, Ward 3 Alderman Gussie Crawford, Ward 1 Alderman Lynn Wright

MISSOURI BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER TRAIL

The MO BAP Fitness Trail winds through the hospital campus and is open to the public for use. It can be easily accessed from the campus parking lot as well as through the City's trail system at the intersection of Clayton Road and Cedar Valley Road. It was created through a cooperative effort between BJC Healthcare and the City of Town & Country. This marvelous amenity



is meticulously maintained by BJC and provides a loop through naturally vegetated woodlands for all to enjoy. The attached photo shows two bridges which have recently been added to a portion of the trail adjacent to the campus. These insure a dry surface for neighbors and friends in spite of the rainy St. Louis spring.

NEW BUSINESSES

Assisted Recovery Center of America
1585 Woodlake Drive, Suite 110

Guardian Life Insurance Company
1716 Hidden Creek Court, Suite 250

Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches
14153 Clayton Road, in Clayton Village

Nothing Bundt Cakes
159 Lamp & Lantern Village



THE HISTORY OF TOWN & COUNTRY

Part 5

By: *Town & Country Historical Society*
Skip Mange, President

In the 2014 Spring Newsletter I started a series of articles about the history of Town & Country. Part 1 outlined how the Village of Town & Country was formed in 1950. Part 2 was about how the Village became a 4th Class city under State Law in 1974. Part 3 and 4 were about the major annexations of property to the west and north that enlarged the city to its current size.



In 1958, the Village Hall and Fire Station was completed on Clayton Road just west of Ballas Road in a small building. A few years later a mobile trailer was added behind the building for the police department. Since the city sold the building, it has been expanded and now is the offices of the Yavitz Insurance Agency.

Because of the need for additional space for both the administration offices and the Police Department, in May 1987 a new municipal center was constructed on the west outer road of I-270, now Municipal Center Drive. There have been several interior renovations made to the building. The police department garage area was enclosed into offices and a new garage area built behind the building. At the same time the squad and exercise rooms were moved into the basement.



Town and Country Municipal Center

Opening Day Celebration

May 17, 1987

CITY OF TOWN & COUNTRY TOWN SQUARE TASK FORCE

by Alderman Skip Mange, Co-Chairman

In the Spring *Town & Country Times* it was reported that the City had purchased the Wirth property on Clayton Road just east of Mason Road and that the Mayor had appointed a Town Square Task Force to make recommendations about what the City should do with the 8.85 acres. Since that publication a number of very positive steps have been taken.

The Mayor also appointed a Neighborhood Representatives Subcommittee with members from the various subdivisions and property owners who adjoin the Wirth property. Ward II Alderman Amy Anderson is the Chairman of this Subcommittee. The members are: Patrick Wiese, Mason Oaks; Cushie Switzer, Rutherford Lane; Rebecca Rahm, Mason Village Condominiums; Kimberly Sutter, Williamsburg Estates; Bernard Zyk, Wheatfield; Robert Welsh, Kings Glen; Frank Petkovich, Weston Place; Trip Straub, Straub's Markets; Larry Schiffer, Love Management; Peter Stevens, The Principia; and Reverend Pamela Dolan, Church of the Good Shepherd. The role of this subcommittee is to make specific recommendations to the Task Force as to how various ideas will affect the adjoining neighborhoods.

The Town Square Task force has now met three times and in the process has adopted two significant statements. The first is a "Vision Statement" as follows:

"The Town Square should be a safe, welcoming, comfortable, public space that accommodates users of all ages, where friends and family can congregate to shop, dine and socialize through the day and evening. It should reflect the character, personality, culture, and history of the community, while at the same time addressing the interests and concerns of the adjoining property owners. It needs to be a space that gives people a reason to come to it, along with a reason to stay and enjoy themselves."

The second statement is a list of development possibilities that the Task Force has rejected, as follows:

- High-density single family or multiple family housing units.
- High-density elderly/assisted living facility.
- High-density mixed use (commercial & residential together in a multi story building).
- Commercial only District similar to Mason Woods Village.
- New Municipal Administrative Center (City Hall).
- 8.8 acres of open space with no improvements.



Two public input sessions were held by the Task Force. A post card mailed to all residents of the city notified them of the April 23 and May 2 forums. Approximately 100 people attended the meetings. Attendees sat in groups of eight around tables with a "table captain" recording and summarizing comments made. Drawings of the area were on each table, and a short power point briefing was presented. After discussion, "table captains" shared each table's recommendations with the other attendees. A short general discussion followed. Comment forms will be compiled in a summary document that will be used by both the Neighborhood Representatives Subcommittee and the Task Force in drafting recommendations to the Board of Aldermen.

Residents who could not make either of the sessions have other opportunities to share their input. All meetings of the Task Force and the Neighborhood Representatives Subcommittee are open to the public. Notices of meeting are published on the City web site (www.town-and-country.org), and every agenda will provide opportunity for public comment. Also, our web site has a link to the Town Square Task Force and an online comment form. All City newsletters until the work is completed will include updated articles about the progress of the activity.

For questions or more information please contact Alderman Skip Mange (314-401-6129 or skip.mange@att.net), Alderman Amy Anderson (314-724-0790 or andersona@town-and-country.org), City Administrator Gary Hoelzer (314-587-2802 or hoelzerga@town-and-country.org) or City Planner Melanie Rippetoe (314-587-2827 or rippetoem@town-and-country.org.)

EQUINE ASSISTED THERAPY NEWS

by Ginni Harke, RN
Founder/Exec Dir
Equine-Assisted Therapy, Inc.

Hopefully y'all have been able to stop by the barn at Longview Farm Park and get to know this year's herd of therapy horses. There's Brody, Tex, Buddy and Dusty and they've already been keeping us plenty busy!

You may have noticed that they are donning their Spring fashion grazing muzzles. Like some of us, horses will eat until they get sick and even sometimes eat until they die. They are grazing animals. Horses in the wild aren't privy to the luscious forage our T&C guys get, so they can safely graze 24/7, but our guys have to be watched carefully. Too much rich grass and clover added to grain, hay and snacks and our boys could be in serious trouble. The grazing muzzles allow them to enjoy their beloved grasses on a limited scale. Think of it as their Personal Trainer!

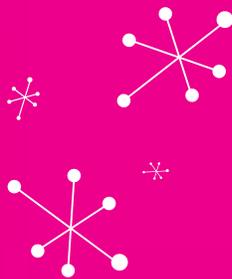
Then, as the sun gets brighter and the bugs come out, we like to protect their eyes with fly masks. This is like a fashionable pair of Foster Grants for horses.

Towards July, you might even pick up the smell of coconuts as we keep the sun off their noses with sunscreen or Avons Skin So Soft which we add to their fly spray and apply daily.

Yes, it has been said that if reincarnation exists, it would be a good thing to come back as an Equine-Assisted Therapy horse! See you all at the park!



Calling all artists & crafters... to participate in the Holiday Boutique!



Talented artists and crafters are needed for our annual Holiday Boutique on Saturday, November 14, when the entire Longview Farm House is converted into a gift shop full of locally handcrafted, trendy jewelry, gifts, home décor and more. The first Holiday Boutique was hosted in 2009, and we are proud to continue this tradition, each year offering both new and familiar items.

Don't miss your chance to be a vendor at this popular boutique. Applications are now being accepted. If you'd like to apply, please go to www.town-and-country.org, click on "I Want To" on the top menu, on the dropdown menu choose "Apply", then click on "Holiday Boutique", or contact Mary Olsen at (314) 587-2804 or email at olsenm@town-and-country.org

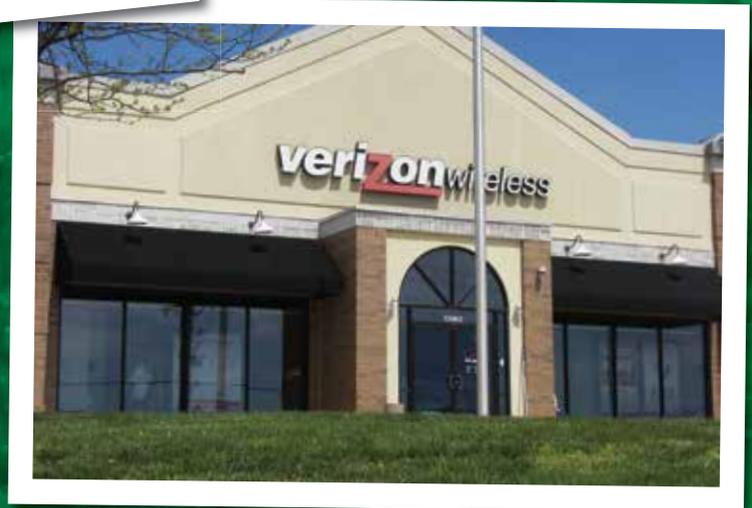


SHOPPERS!
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 14
9AM - 3PM

SHOP TOWN & COUNTRY

From the renowned and established John Mineo's in Mason Woods Village to the newcomers like Nothing Bundt Cakes and Lola & Penelope's, our businesses are an important part of the fabric of our community. They have made a significant investment in Town and Country, providing valuable services and products. Please support them for their contributions in making our City a great place to live and work.





“The role of the city and its residents is to help these useful businesses succeed. Their success, after all, is also our success.”

- Jamie Cannon

WEST COUNTY EMS & FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PARTNERSHIP MEANS ADDED SAFEGUARDS FOR TOWN & COUNTRY

West County EMS & Fire Protection District has entered into a landmark three-year agreement with Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center. The agreement will be of great interest and benefit to families residing in Town & Country. It began in January of this year.

The agreement calls for a partnership between Cardinal Glennon SSM and the District's non-profit Safety House Foundation to offer combined wellness and accident prevention programs aimed at keeping families protected in various types of emergencies. Every Friday morning at Safety House, located directly behind the West County's House 2 at 13790 Manchester, child passenger safety seat installation and inspections will be held free of charge. Reservations are recommended but not mandatory. They can be arranged by calling (314) 612 - 5770.

April 26 hundreds of local families attended the 1st Annual Safe Kids Festival that was held on the grounds of Safety House. It was a joint effort between the Safety House Foundation and Cardinal Glennon. Future programs will include but not be limited to CPR for families, poison control & information, sports injury prevention and much more. For more information, call Safety House at (636) 220 - 9691. The web site is www.westcountysafetyhouse.org.



HOME SAFETY INSPECTIONS OFFERED TO TOWN & COUNTRY FAMILIES



Recently a mother of triplets in Town & Country called West County's Fire House 3 at Mason & Clayton Road wanting to know how she could make her home safer for her family, specifically in the case of a fire. She was particularly interested in developing a family escape and communications plan.

Captain Kevin Klump and his crew made an appointment to come out to the home to inspect it and make recommendations, as well as to educate the children on calling 911 and other vital topics.

If you have concerns of this type about your home and family, call West County at (636) 256 - 2009 for information and a possible home inspection.

YOGA AT LONGVIEW

Stretch, strengthen and center yourself in the beautiful setting of Longview Farm Park. This vinyasa yoga class is suitable to all levels. From the complete novice to an experienced yogi, this class will be tailored to accommodate multiple levels. This class will meet outdoors down by the lake on Tuesdays and Thursdays. In cases of inclement weather, the class will meet inside the Longview Farm House.



LOCATION: Longview Farm Park, 13525 Clayton Road
JUNE TIMES: Tuesday, Wednesday (inside), Thursday: 8-9 AM
NO CLASSES IN JULY | CLASSES RESUME IN AUGUST
FEE: \$15/class; \$60/5-class package; \$100/10-class package
To register on-line go to Salveoyoga.com and click on Store.
Questions? Call the Parks and Recreation Office at 314-434-1215.

Instructor Sara Clem of Salveo Yoga has been practicing yoga for 18 years. She is skilled in tailoring classes to her students' skill level and teaching yoga as a friendly practice anyone can do! Sara is Yoga Alliance certified.



SPRING Cleaning

Your Clean-Up Conway Crew

by Ward 4 Alderman Linda Rallo

In honor of Earth Day and in the general spirit of keeping our community beautiful, a handful of Town & Country residents came together and scoured the sides of Conway and Mason Roads in Ward IV. Together we collected about a dozen bags of bottles, fast food containers, cigarette packs and other unsightly litter that lined the roadway.

Big thanks to Joe Walsh, Sal Ciccolella, Tina Gaffney, Chris Gaffney, Sophie Rallo and Nick Rallo for their hard work and dedication to keeping Town & Country beautiful.

Also, a special kudos to the Walsh Family and Janet Marks, who we learned has been quietly keeping Conway clean for the past ten years by gathering litter from time to time.



Thanks again for all the support!

Adopt a Highway - City Hall Staff Style

On the other side of Town & Country, City Administrator Gary Hoelzer organized a group of 10 volunteer staff members to clean up the outer road from the City's southern limits to past the Moog Center to our north, on the City's designated "Adopt A Highway" area. In a short time of working in teams of two, 20 bags of trash were collected.



\$5 per student each day materials fee

HORSES AS ART

*Registration is required.

Explore the wonder of horses through children's art!

Monday, August 3 - Thursday, August 6

Longview Farm Park Pavilion

(classes will be inside the Longview Farm House in inclement weather)

Students will explore various types of art inspired by horses. Each day will present a new art project, so join us for one day or every day. Age appropriate projects will be presented for younger children.

Ages 4-7 from 9-10am • Students grades 2-6 from 10am-Noon

Classes will be taught by Mary Beth Wilson, Art Instructor and Public Art Commission Member.

*Register online at town-and-country.org or call the Parks and Recreation Office (314) 434-1215.

Longview

farm house
ART GALLERY

***Come inside the Longview Farm House to experience the rotating art exhibits.
Weekly gallery hours are Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM-12:00 PM,
and every 3rd Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.***



Billyo O'Donnell - Landscape Paintings
billyoart.com

On view during June and July
Opening Reception*, Thursday, June 11
5:30 pm - 7:30pm

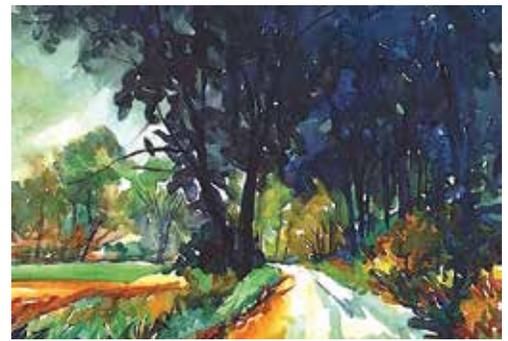
**Opening Receptions are free and open to the public
and refreshments are provided.*

Marilynne Bradley

Images of St. Louis Watercolor Paintings
www.marilynnebradley.com

On view during August and September
Opening Reception*, Thursday, August 27 - 5:30 pm - 7:30pm

**Opening Receptions are free and open to the public
and refreshments are provided.*



In addition to her art shows, Marilynne is well known throughout
St. Louis for her commissioned artwork.
Marilynne's paintings make the perfect gift.

Share the memories of a favorite home, car, pet or place,
portrayed in watercolor.

Nationally recognized artist, Marilynne Bradley call (314) 968.1439
mgbrad@aol.com • www.marilynnebradley.com

For more information, call the Parks & Recreation Office: (314) 434.1215

Make your mark on the City's new Town Square development! Bring the *Discovery* sculpture to life by sending in your donation today! The *Discovery* sculpture project is being paid for entirely by private donations. This is your chance to be a part of this one-of-a-kind artwork inspired by the City of Town & Country. Bronze sculptures have lasting value and your investment will be a beautiful part of the city for years to come.

Public Art Defines a Community



Horse and Dog ... \$139,000

PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE. All donations tax deductible.

Yes! I want to be a donor for the public sculpture DISCOVERY and to further improve the cultural fabric of the City of Town & Country.

Underwriting from the business community and interested individuals committed to supporting the Town & Country Public Arts mission is being sought to support this sculpture project. Levels of sponsorship include:

- \$10,000 Arts Leader Level:** Includes a limited edition maquette (small bronze model) of the central figures and recognition on the bronze donor plaque.
- \$5,000 Benefactor Level:** Includes a limited edition drawing by the sculptor and recognition on the bronze donor plaque.
- \$1,000 Sponsor Level:** Includes a photograph of the completed sculpture signed by the artist and recognition on the bronze donor plaque.
- \$500 Contributor Level:** Includes recognition on the bronze donor plaque.
- Friend Level:** Any amount.

Please make your check payable to the City of Town & Country, 1011 Municipal Center Drive, Town & Country, MO 63131. Please call (314) 434-1215 with questions.

Name: _____ Title: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please charge my Credit Card: Visa MasterCard AMEX

Amount \$ _____ Signature: _____

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

We wish our name to be used in recognition.

We wish to remain anonymous.

Thank you for your contribution!

The Town & Country Public Art Commission chose a representational sculpture by Harry Weber of domestic and wild animals in a natural setting to represent the *Discovery* of nature and the rural lifestyle highly valued by the residents of Town & Country.

Discovery should communicate the essence of the name: Town & Country. It celebrates the confluence of the town experience with the joy and pleasures derived from living with nature...watching Canada geese fly in formation, deer and fox roaming, seeing horses gambol and enjoying abundant varieties of birds. All of these enrich the lifestyle of Town & Country. This sculpture represents those feelings and relationships.

A central large sculpture will serve as a centerpiece to the entire installation offering good visibility to those passing by on Clayton or Mason Road. The sculpture site is at the Clayton Road trailhead, in front of the Firehouse. There is also easy access from the trail allowing intimate interaction with the sculpture.



Harry Weber - World renowned Sculptor commissioned to sculpt DISCOVERY.

REGISTER FOR EVENTS/CLASSES ON OUR NEW WEBSITE!



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NEW! Tennis at Longview Farm Park

Tennis Lessons

Each session consists of five (5), 60 minute long classes. The last day of each session reserved for makeup lessons. Bring a new can of tennis balls, a water bottle and your racket to the first meeting date.

Tennis Pro: Lucian Biesiadecki
Fee: \$50/session

Pee Wee: Ages 4-6

Tuesday/Thursday: 9-10 AM

Session 2 (6/30, 7/2, 7/7, 7/9, 7/14, 7/16-rainout)

Racketeers: Ages 7-10

Tuesday/Thursday: 10-11 AM

Session 2 (6/30, 7/2, 7/7, 7/9, 7/14, 7/16-rainout)

Aces: Ages 11-14

Tuesday/Thursday: 11 AM-Noon

Session 2 (6/30, 7/2, 7/7, 7/9, 7/14, 7/16-rainout)

Cardio Tennis

A fun group activity, featuring a circuit of heart pumping drills to give players of all abilities a high-energy workout! (Limit 8 players.)

Mondays: 8 AM - 6 classes (6/1, 6/8, 6/15, 6/22, 6/29, 7/6, 7/13-rainout)

Tennis Pro: Lucian Biesiadecki
Fee: \$65/session

Tennis Camps

Ages 8-12; 8 AM-10 AM

Ages 12-14; 10 AM-Noon

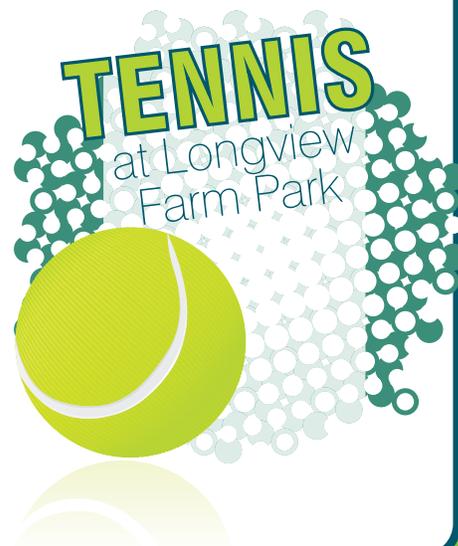
Tennis camp is a fun way to practice drills, matches and games. Bring a can of new tennis balls to your first practice, your racket and a water bottle.

Session 1 July 13-17 (7/13, 7/14, 7/15, 7/16, 7/17-rainout)

Session 2 July 20-24 (7/20, 7/21, 7/22, 7/23, 7/24-rainout)

Fee: \$60/session

About the Pro: Lucian Biesiadecki played professionally on the satellite tour from 1987-1988. He lead Ursuline Academy to its first time state tournament berth and top ten finish. He coached at Sunset Tennis Center working with regional and national ranked junior players. Once completing his Masters Degree he moved to the classroom at Vianney and became head coach of the boy's team advancing to the state tournament. Currently, he coaches Ursuline Academy and Mehlville High School boys. Lucian enjoys coaching all levels of tennis and enjoys coaching in Longview Farm Park.





SUMMER CAMPS!

at Longview Farm House

JUNE 2015

June 22-26: 8:30 - 11:30am - EZT Digital Photography with Web Design, Grades 2-7 • Cost \$150

This is a fun technology-friendly camp that gives students hands on project work when they take their own photos and transform them with photo editing software.

June 22-26: 12:00 - 3:00pm - EZT Video Game Design, Grades 2-7 • Cost \$150

Students create their very own game in this class that involves system-based thinking, problem solving, collaboration, art, storytelling, and digital media literacy.

June 29-July 2: 8:30 - 11:30am - B4K Remote Control Mania, Grades K-6 • Cost ????

Turn your Lego® bricks model into something you can control without a wire!!!

June 29-July 2: 12:00 - 3:00pm - B4K Animal Grossology, Grades K-5 • Cost \$150

If you're fascinated by the weird but true, wild and wacky, gross and yucky, then this is the camp for you! Spend the week discovering the zany biology of our animal friends and building LEGO® brick models of them.

JULY 2015

July 6-10: 8:30 - 11:30am - B4K Minecraft™, Grades 1-6 • Cost \$150

Experience the thrill of playing Minecraft and building LEGO® brick Minecraft creatures and Minecraft crafts... what could be better? No previous Minecraft experience necessary.

July 6-10: 12:00 - 3:00pm - B4K Amusement Park Designer, Grades K-6 • Cost \$150

Get your ticket to ride at our own Amusement Park! Build a new ride each day with amateur robotic and motorized Lego® bricks.

July 13-17: 8:30 - 11:30am - B4K Advanced Robotics LEGO® Mindstorms® EV3, Grades 4-9 • Cost \$185

The latest Mindstorms® from LEGO® - build awesome robotic creations... this is the camp all the kids are looking for.

July 13-17: 12:00 - 3:00pm - B4K Jr. Robotics with LEGO® Wedo®, Grades 1-5 • Cost \$150

How would you like to turn your next LEGO® creation into a robot, programmed to do exactly what you tell it to do?

July 20-24: 8:30 - 11:30am - B4K Space Adventures, Grades K-5 • Cost \$150

This camp is packed full of LEGO® brick models inspired by NASA and Star Wars. Your camper's imagination will blast off each day.

July 20-24: 12:00 - 3:00pm - EPIC Ninjago, Grades K-5 • Cost \$150

Grab your friends and experience a week creating everything spinning ninja-style with LEGO® bricks.

July 27-31: 8:30 - 11:30am - EZT Hour of Code, Grades 1-5 • Cost \$150

Elementary age children can learn to code through playing simple code games.

July 27-31: 12:00 - 3:00pm - EZT Build Your Own Engine, Grades 3-8 • Cost \$150 plus \$40

(additional supplies fee for the take home engine model) What better way to learn how an engine works than to build your own working combustion engine!

AUGUST 2015

August 3-7: 8:30 - 11:30am - B4K Minecraft™, Grades 1-6 • Cost \$150

Experience the thrill of playing Minecraft and building LEGO® brick Minecraft creatures and Minecraft crafts... what could be better? No previous Minecraft experience necessary.

August 3-7: 12:00 - 3:00pm - B4K LEGO® brick Movie Making, Grades 2-7 • Cost \$185

Lights, Camera, Action! Explore the means of making Stop Motion Animation. Set and figures made of LEGO® bricks.

HOW TO ENROLL?

Enroll in Bricks 4 Kidz (B4K) Camps at bricks4kidz.com/chesterfield

At top of page, click on:  Search for Location: **Town and Country**

**Need extra help enrolling? Call (314) 610-4862
or email nancy@easytechllc.com**

Enroll in EasyTech LLC (EZT) Camps at easytechllc.com | Click on CAMPS

Shepherd FARM

*The Reverend Pamela Dolan
Rector, Church of the
Good Shepherd*

When you hear the phrase “church garden” you might think of pretty flowers and shrubs, or maybe a beautiful shady bower for meditation and prayer. At the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, we have pretty flowers and shrubs, and places for quiet meditation and prayer, but we also have Shepherd Farm, a church garden devoted to growing vegetables that will help feed the hungry.

Although Good Shepherd has been part of Town and Country since 1956, our vegetable garden is only a year old. In March of 2014 we broke ground on a 30 by 90 foot plot and got to work tilling and planting—and building a deer fence, because of course we all know about the deer population here! By October we had raised and harvested 2,083 pounds of produce, and given nearly all of that away to hunger ministries in the region.

This year we got started even earlier, and are experimenting with planting in conditioned straw bales as well as our conventional raised beds. We are also working on making the garden more accessible through a graded pathway and other improvements.

We welcome anyone and everyone to come visit our garden. We generally have teams at work on Saturday mornings starting at 9 am, as well as at other times throughout the week. We are eager to partner with individuals and with other groups in the area, including scouting troops and schools, who might be looking for a service project or to learn about growing your own food as well as feeding the hungry.

Shepherd Farm garden is also the focus of our Vacation Bible School, happening this year from June 8 to 12. All are welcome! For more information about VBS or the garden, call our office at 314-576-5502 or email office@goodshepherd.org



Our gardeners range in age from six to 81; some have years of experience gardening and some don't know the difference between a pitchfork and a pitching mound! We all work together in a relaxed and cooperative atmosphere. Please stop by and visit any time.



Thank you to the Parks and Trails Commission, the Community Relations Commission, and Lucky Lane Nursery School for volunteering your time to make Arbor Day 2015 an awesome community event! Longview Farm Park was filled with families selecting seedlings, decorating butterfly wings, making bracelets and being thrilled by science experiments!

Longview Farm House Rentals

Business meetings and corporate retreats
Energize your staff in a lovely park setting!



The Longview Farm House can accommodate up to 85 guests seated, 100 cocktail-style, or as few as 10/12 in the smaller meeting room.

Meeting Room - Intimate space. Board table.

Gathering Room - Larger room with excellent views of the park & gardens.

All rooms can be set up for all of your audio/visual needs.

Parks and Recreation office: hodgelf@town-and-country.org

(314) 434-1215 | www.town-and-country.org



Delicious lunch available through Farotto's, the exclusive caterer. Lunches start at \$6.50 per person, plus delivery fee.

TOWN & COUNTRY GARDEN TOUR

SATURDAY, JULY 11, 10am - 3pm

Attention Gardeners and Garden Lovers! Come explore the beautiful gardens tucked away in the yards of Town & Country homes. This year's tour includes an abundance of beautiful Town & Country gardens. Don't miss out on this rare opportunity!

For more information about the Garden Tour, please contact Anne Bond at 314-469-0127.

For tickets, see Mary Olsen at the Municipal Center, M-F, 8:30am to 4:00pm.

Cost \$15 in advance. Checks only, payable to T&CGC.

Tickets available day of event at Longview Farm House for \$20.

Garden Tour will be held rain or shine.



TOWN & COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB

2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

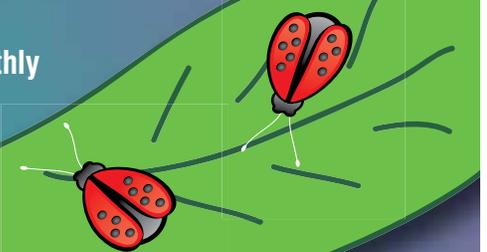
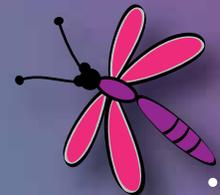
Garden Club programs are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month – they are free and open to the public. Lunch is optional at noon - RSVP required - pay at the door - Longview Farm House.

August - Members' Tour of Bellerive Country Club Grounds – Monday date to be determined.

Please check the online calendar for upcoming programs on September 9 and October 14.

Contact Pam Jokerst at (314) 276-9461 or pamjokerst@gmail.com for reservations.

Additional information about Town & Country Garden Club monthly programs and membership at www.townandcountrygardenclub.com.





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