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STATE OF THE CITY – Building on Our Success for a Bright Future

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Dear Friends and
Neighbors,

As I complete the end of my first term serving as your Mayor, I once again have the privilege of reporting that the state of our city is excellent and that many aspects have exceeded our expectations. Building on our success from last year, I am pleased to report the following:

AAA Credit Rating and Solid Financial Condition

Without reservation, I can proudly report that the City of Town & Country continues to function as an excellent steward of your tax dollars. Through prudent financial planning and fiscal management we were able to continue our city's long-standing tradition of approving a balanced budget for the year 2009. This accomplishment comes in spite of difficult economic times, further illustrating that our city remains financially strong and secure. If budget estimates are realized (and we were conservative in our calculations), the city's general fund reserves by the end of 2009 will increase, resulting in an ending fund balance of about \$13.9 million. This figure represents 136% of the fund's budgeted operating expenditures.

The property tax rate will remain at zero for 2009, making this the 13th consecutive year in which Town & Country has not levied a property tax. With limited revenues, we have been careful to take every opportunity to reduce costs whenever possible while continuing to deliver a high level of service to our residents, including exceptional police, fire, ambulance and emergency medical services. Not only does this strategy work to preserve our property values, but Town & Country remains one of the few cities in St. Louis County that does not impose a residential property tax.

The City's AAA credit rating and stable outlook were reaffirmed by Standard & Poor's in 2008, which is reflective of our strong financial operations, low debt profile and sound management style. The AA+ rating on both of the city's certificates of participation bonds, one of which will be retired in 2009, was also reaffirmed.

Further setting us up to weather the economic storm, sales tax revenues increased by approximately 8% in 2008 with the opening of Town & Country Crossing. Based on preliminary financial results, the general fund operating revenues are expected to exceed operating expenditures by approximately \$1,000,000. Even with this optimistic forecast, however, we continue to be vigilant in operating efficiently, making every effort to stretch our public funds as far as possible and eliminate wasteful spending. In short, we have exercised excellent conservative practices over the last four years, and we are well-prepared for the future.

Continued Progress through Collaboration

In spite of upheaval in the national economy and the downturn in real estate activity, Town & Country remains a very desirable place in which to live and work, and its position as a premier community is secure. Just as with our careful fiscal management and budgeting practices discussed above, our strict adherence to local zoning and building codes as well as our commitment to the preservation of greenspace have ensured that our property values remain high. In this regard, we have demonstrated a consistent respect for our rules in order to further enhance the nature and character of our community.

New Neighbors and Neighborhoods. During 2008, all forms of construction activity in the city continued vigorously, with 360 building permits issued over the course of the year, representing a total construction value of \$22,742,822. In addition

The mission of the City of Town & Country is to maintain a hospitable environment for our residents and other stakeholders and to foster a "sense of community" among ourselves through the following values:

Integrity, Respect, Fiscal Responsibility, Safety and Security, Quality of Life, Community, and Excellence!



to welcoming 15 new neighbors through new residential construction, we also issued 200 permits for office and commercial construction projects, including 32 for construction at our newest shopping center, Town & Country Crossing, and a handsome new office building at 825 Maryville Centre Drive, which is now the new home

for J.W. Terrill, as well as other leading businesses and organizations.

Architectural Review Board Functioning Effectively. After much study, careful planning and input from a number of sources, I appointed our city's first Architectural Review Board in 2007 to develop a system of criteria and standards against which applicants could objectively measure their development plans, and for the city to properly and fully evaluate both residential and commercial projects in Town & Country. Throughout 2008, the ARB reviewed 29 new homes and home expansion projects. Under the direction of Chairman Phil Behnen (Ward 4 Alderman), the ARB carried out its mission of maintaining our high construction standards, while building consensus and a cooperative, neighborly attitude. In addition to project analysis, the ARB has also been reviewing our sign regulations and soon will be forwarding recommendations to the Board of Aldermen. The ARB meets on the second Monday of each month at the Municipal Center.

Partnering With Our Commercial Centers. In an effort to support our local businesses and institutions, Town & Country has continued to reach out to commercial operations in our community in the spirit of partnership. For



example, after thorough consideration during 2008, we streamlined the process for establishing restaurants and outside dining in Town & Country. Since then, we have

welcomed four wonderful new dining establishments to our city. At Town & Country Crossing, we were introduced to Napoli 2, Five Guys Burgers and Fries (a first for the St. Louis metropolitan region) and Qdoba Mexican Grill, and at Lamp & Lantern Shopping Center, we welcomed Hearth Room Café. These new restaurants have added a whole new dimension to the many popular dining options already available in our community. Two major new stores also opened their doors at Town & Country Crossing during 2008—Whole Foods and Target. These organizations not only add new choices for our residents, but also attract shoppers from outside our city limits who contribute sales tax revenue supporting our city budget.

In addition, two of our city's longstanding establishments experienced significant rejuvenation this year—Schnucks Market, which completed a major renovation to its entire store, and Straub's Market, which enhanced its existing facility with state-of-the-art lighting and beautiful new display areas.

We are partnering with the management of Town & Country Crossing Shopping Center to introduce community-wide events in the coming months throughout its gathering spaces and around the lake. The first of these events will be our inaugural Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 25, 2009, in cooperation with the city's new Green Team and our hard-working Conservation Commission.

In this tough economy, Town & Country is not without its commercial challenges. Nowhere in town are these challenges more visible than in Manchester Meadows, where several retailers have closed or relocated. To address this situation, we have been working over the last 18 months or more with the owners of the development and its leasing agents to establish a list of desirable occupants and a plan of action for attracting them to the development. To this end, we have worked cooperatively with Manchester Meadows' management to improve visibility for the center's newest tenant, HomeWorks, and are continuing to discuss options for improved signage and identity for the center as a whole. City staff and ownership of the development have held discussions not only about short-term improvements, but also about future enhancements for the center to maintain its position as a city and regional asset.

Community Assets and Infrastructure

The I-64 Project and the Future of Clayton Road.

Now that the I-64 Project has moved to Phase 2, we can all breathe easier as the heavy traffic loads we experienced during Phase 1 on Clayton, Ballas, Ladue and Conway Roads have generally disappeared. As you know, the I-64 traffic rerouting effort included the modification to Clayton Road at the request and expense of St. Louis County to accommodate a center turn lane from Mason Road to Bopp Road (our eastern city limit), and the signalization of the Clayton and Topping and Clayton and Bopp intersections, which by all accounts have worked well. With the highway's reopening in our area, Clayton Road will once again be under our control, and we will need to decide whether to keep the current three-lane configuration and signals, or return Clayton Road to its original two-lane design. There are several components of the issue that must be coordinated in making this determination, including working with the Missouri American Water Company regarding major work on the main water line that runs along Clayton Road in order to reduce line breakage and disruption in water supplies, the reconstruction of Clayton Road including the addition of pedestrian facilities, and working with the City of Frontenac with regard to consistency in lane layout.



To make certain residents are heard on this important matter, which affects many of our lives on a daily basis, I intend to conduct a city-sponsored online resident survey (to minimize costs and maximize participation) as a means of assisting us in the decision-making process. Moreover, I will once again call upon the Clayton Road Task Force that regularly advised us on key issues leading up to and during the I-64 Project for its recommendations on this important matter.

Clayton Road Pedestrian Enhancements. The city has secured a grant through the East-West Gateway Council of Governments for the first phase of improvements to Clayton Road. This grant will pay for 80% of the cost of installation of a pedestrian facility from Mason Road to just east of Topping Road. The second phase is planned to occur immediately afterwards, and will complete the connection all the way to Bopp Road on the city's eastern limit. Our city is currently in the process of securing professional services for the design of these facilities. Through a collaborative effort of the Public Works and Storm Water Commission, Parks and Trails Commission and The Principia, the selected firm will begin the survey and analysis components this spring.

While the goal of these improvements to Clayton Road has primarily been to create a link for our Clayton Road neighborhoods to the many resources in town along the Clayton Road corridor, the existing commercial development at the intersection of Clayton and Woods Mill Roads was identified as a primary destination in our Parks & Trails Master Plan, and with the advent of the new Town & Country Crossing, this has become an even more important goal for our city. In addition, this link will provide safe and effective access to Drace and Longview Farm Parks as well as retail shops and restaurants at Mason Woods Village. The proposed timeline for implementation will have the first phase implemented by late 2011 and the entire project completed in 2012.



Longview Farm Park House. The long-awaited addition to the Longview Farm Park House was ceremoniously unveiled on the beautiful fall morning of September 26. I was joined in the ribbon-cutting

ceremony by elected officials, the Longview Farm Park House Subcommittee members, residents, architects, contractors, Mason Ridge Garden Club members, city staff and park patrons. After years of anticipation, our city's premier park now has a functional focal point to be enjoyed for generations. Procedures for use and rental of the house will soon be finalized. Upon her return from maternity leave in December, our Parks Director relocated the Parks Department to its new offices in the back portion of the addition, and city and subdivision meeting are already being held in both the public gathering space and the conference room. The house is open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for park visitors to drop in for a visit. Stop in and check out all that the Longview Farm Park House has to offer.



Solid Waste. Spurred on by major changes in solid waste collection and recycling initiated by St. Louis County, over much of 2008 we evaluated public health, safety and welfare concerns (impact on roads from multiple haulers, unsafe and unsanitary trash transfer operations, etc.) over how such matters were handled in our city, including the licensing and regulation of service vendors. Through this analysis and evaluation, it became clear that residents are generally quite satisfied with their current contractors and value their individual freedom of choice on this matter. Respecting residents' wishes, initial findings by a task force on the subject were scaled back accordingly, and through legislation now pending before the Board of Aldermen, local control over these matters will be conferred on each subdivision. Town & Country will continue to work diligently, however, on finding appropriate policies to minimize the negative impact hauler operations have on city infrastructure and the quality of life of our residents, while respecting each family's interest in selecting its own operator.

Road Maintenance. In 2007, all streets in the city were evaluated and prioritized for future treatments. This led to the development of a five-year program to increase the quality of our road network. We are currently in the second year of implementation of this program, which has the dual goals of providing safe, smooth and aesthetically pleasing streets that also reduce the need for ongoing annual maintenance.

In 2008, numerous subdivisions including Takara, Grassy Ridge, Kent Manor and Town & Country Manor received significant treatments to their streets to insure the long-term integrity of their infrastructure. Several

other streets such as Brighton Woods, Topping Manor, Topping Meadows and Huntbridge Forest also received new riding surfaces to extend their quality well into the future. Due to a very challenging construction season and what has been documented as the wettest year for the St. Louis region in some time, a portion of this work is still ongoing and will be completed in the coming weeks.

Continued implementation of this program will occur throughout 2009. We will begin the repair and replacement of damaged concrete street slabs on 17 streets in 8 different subdivisions. The residents of Barrington Place, Dubon Lane, King's Glen, Mason Oaks, Millfield Addition, New Woodfield, Princeton Place and Woodfield Estates will soon be contacted by the city regarding the locations and timeline of this project. The 2009 Slab Replacement Project will replace in excess of 18,000 square yards of deteriorated concrete street pavement at a projected cost of approximately \$700,000.

Snow Removal. The city continues to evaluate its snow removal operations and policies, particularly with respect to private streets and gated subdivisions. In the past year, we have provided additional resources to decrease response times and enhance the level of service provided to our community. This increased effectiveness was evident when the recent snow event had such a limited impact on our residents. We will continue to look for opportunities to increase efficiency and effectiveness by consistently evaluating our procedures and limiting the amount of de-icing agents utilized so as to minimize the adverse effect on our streams and environment.

A Stronger Sense of Community

City-wide Events and Activities. I remain fully committed to the growth of Town & Country's sense of community, and to this end, and I am pleased to report that much progress was made



during the past year. Additional plans for more community-wide activities will be introduced and implemented in the coming months, such as a Youth Fishing Derby to be held on Saturday, May 16th, in Longview Farm Park; an

Earth Day event in partnership with Town & Country Crossing scheduled for Saturday, April 25th; and a Holiday Boutique at the Longview Farm Park House that will take place towards the end of the year.

Once again, Arbor Day, Fire & Ice and our new and improved Fall Festival were popular occasions in 2008. The Town & Country Arbor Day Celebration was moved to Drace Park last year where residents selected free seedlings to plant in their yards. During this event, the Missouri Department of Conservation's Urban Forester presented our city with its Tree City USA award, as well. Fire & Ice brought out the largest crowd in its history and featured the musical entertainment of the Ralph Butler Band, and "A Taste of Town & Country" was expanded to include many more restaurants. In addition, October's Fall Festival was a rousing success, complete with horseback rides, games, storytelling, food, and the newly added interactive performance by Radio Disney that was a real crowd-pleaser.

Regional Connections. The first St. Louis Adventure Challenge turned out to be not only challenging, but a fun and successful event. Held

October 4th, it started and ended in Queeny Park and was a wonderful collaboration among the parks departments of Town & Country, Ballwin, Des Peres, Ellisville and St. Louis County. In the end, the St. Louis Adventure Challenge lived up to its publicity, and was “the race you will never forget,” so if you missed it last year, make plans to participate in the 2009 Challenge.

The Turkey Continues to Trot. The second Annual Town & Country Turkey Trot was held in Longview Farm Park, as well, and for the first time, we were able to provide shelter from the cold before and after the race, thanks to our newly renovated House at Longview Farm Park. Despite the somewhat frigid conditions, community members of all ages turned out in great numbers once again to participate in our new family tradition on the day after Thanksgiving right here in Town & Country. It was



gratifying to see so many members of our community, young and old alike, enjoying not just the 5K race and the Family Fun Run for the kids, but the opportunity to spend some time relaxing together in the Longview Farm Park House afterwards.

Town & Country Times. Did you notice anything new about this edition of the *Times*? Not only has our look changed, but in recent years, the *Times* has also taken a fresh approach to covering current events in our city, including community outreach opportunities, such as the free seminars and classes offered to our residents by Missouri Baptist Medical Center, and community-wide events sponsored by Town & Country. In addition, residents have answered our request for “Neighborhood News” items by sending in articles about news and events in their neighborhoods. With your help, our *Town & Country Times* has grown in both content and community interest and plans on becoming even more valuable as a resource to you in the future. I encourage you to continue sending in news you would like to share with your community. Look for “Neighborhood News” on page 14 of this issue for more information. I hope you will agree that the new look of the *Town & Country Times* is a reflection of the tremendous improvements that our only community-wide newsletter has undergone, as well as a symbol of the renewed pride and spirit of our city in general.

City Website—www.town-and-country.org. Last spring, Town & Country took the necessary steps to keep pace with the latest technology by introducing our new and improved website. Throughout the year, we continued the honing process so that now our website is updated daily with city meeting agendas, meeting minutes and opportunities. The ever-changing “In the News” section on the right side of our webpage is where important events, meetings, cancellations and often-sought information are posted. To accommodate several recent requests from Town & Country citizens for electronic access to legislation prior to Board meetings, the city clerk now posts these documents on the website. Please be sure to check out this new feature “In the News” prior to each Board meeting. Additionally, as a service to our residents, the website has a section under the “Public Notices” section of the “City Government” page where residents may register to receive subscription notices and public notices.

Safe and Secure Neighborhoods

I am extremely grateful for the men and women who have dedicated themselves to serving the citizens of Town & Country in the noble and sometimes dangerous profession of law enforcement. “Service and protection” is a phrase often associated with police departments, but our men and women in blue truly make every effort to manifest the meaning of these words for our community. In short, our police department places great emphasis on ensuring our neighborhoods remain safe.



Several incidents that occurred in 2008 are good examples not only of the high quality of our police department but the effective partnerships that link it with our community. On July 28th, a rare event occurred in Town & Country—an armed robbery at Linens ‘n’ Things. Thanks to an observant member of the community who thought the fleeing subject looked suspicious, Town & Country detectives were able to follow up on the lead, and within three days, had arrested several people involved in the robbery. In another incident, a Town & Country resident called in suspicious activity, our police quickly responded, and the information given was instrumental in bringing a decade-long investigation to a close. Not only was a dangerous predator arrested for child molestation, he was convicted on 37 counts and sentenced to prison for what will probably be the rest of his life.

In 2008, the latest innovation in alerting businesses to crime activity was implemented. Please read the “Biz Alert Notification System Pays Off” article in this edition of the *Times* regarding the “Church Alert” program that helped capture the suspect in a theft from one of our religious institutions.

Captain Gary Hoesler has also written an excellent article, “Town & Country – A Safe Community”, that you will find on page 16 in this newsletter. Please refer to it for valuable information regarding significant ways to safeguard your personal property.

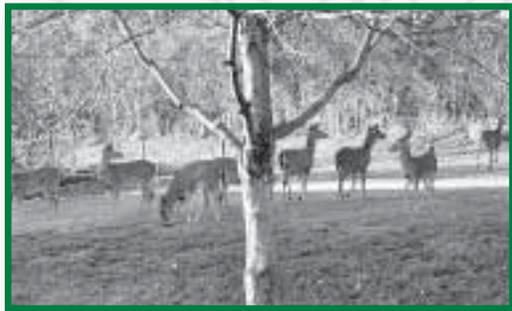
Deer Herd Management

To paraphrase the wise words of President Abraham Lincoln, you can please some of the people all of the time, all of the people some of the time, but you cannot possibly please all of the people all of the time. Without a doubt, this sentiment captures the reception of the Board of Aldermen’s recently adopted comprehensive deer management plan. President Lincoln also once stated that one should leave nothing for tomorrow that can be done today, and perhaps even more aptly, this philosophy reflects the commitment that led to the city’s action on this important public health, safety and welfare issue for our community.

To begin addressing this matter, on November 12, 2007, I established a four-member Aldermanic Task Force on deer management. Over the ensuing eleven months, the group convened for over 25 meetings, which included town hall forums and expert seminars. Many regular readers of my messages and this publication will recall the extended coverage of this debate, not to mention independent websites and communications on the subject along with yard signs expressing residents’ personal feelings on the issue. Moreover, this topic appeared on the Board of Aldermen’s Work Session Agenda approximately eight times during which the subject was publicly debated (outside of Task Force consideration). In all of my years of service to this community, the topic of deer herd management far exceeds any other matter I have encountered in terms of the disparate, passionate viewpoints our residents expressed, and the depth of the feelings those viewpoints represented. Through these communications, I learned a great deal, and I am deeply grateful to everyone who took the time to contact me with respect to this frustrating dilemma.

In our search for solutions, several commonly held principles emerged: (1) that these appealing animals (and other wildlife) are an innate part of the character of our community, (2) that we have too many deer for the size and structure of our suburban environment, and (3) that certain “hot spots” exist in our neighborhoods where the concentration of deer seems unusually high. Conversely, there was a clear polarization of opinions on the use of lethal vs. non-lethal means to cull the size of the deer herd. As most of you are aware, it has been nearly ten years since anything constructive has been done to manage our deer herd, and given the public health and safety issues involved, further inaction was simply not an option.

Last month, after painstaking deliberations and exhaustive analysis of the situation, a comprehensive, long-term, safe and humane compromise was developed to address the problems associated with deer overpopulation in our community. It employs highly monitored, effective lethal means to offer a more expeditious approach to reducing the number of deer in these hot spots on very large (10-plus acre) tracts of land (with property owners’ permission), while adopting non-lethal means as a way to manage the growth of our herd on a long-term basis. While the cost of the non-lethal means seems relatively high on a per deer basis, its results will be felt for many years to come, effectively spreading its costs over substantially more deer than it will be affecting directly. Although the plan is not perfect, fortunately, it has been generally approved by the Missouri Department of Conservation, and funding for its implementation was specifically



included in our 2009 budget, allowing the budget to remain revenue positive.

Unsurprisingly, the deer management plan has not completely satisfied the needs and interests of everyone in our community,

but it is not for lack of commitment or effort on the part of our Deer Management Task Force or anyone involved in the decision-making process. Instead, the Task Force has attempted to find the most rational, conscientious, long-term approach to what has truly been an incredibly divisive issue for our community. Let us be clear—your elected officials would not have supported the frivolous termination of any of our wildlife. Instead, this decision came about after an enormous amount of testimony and study revealed that a serious health and quality of life issue exists for many members of our community.

For more information regarding the deer management plan and its implementation, numerous updates and general information have been posted in the “In the News” section of our website. As you may imagine, there are still several issues pending that will require determination before the plan may be initiated. For example, a “Selected Service Provider” and “Contract Plan Manager” will have to be approved by the Board of Aldermen, with a target date of mid-April of this year. Certain legal and timing issues will have to be addressed, as well.

As you know, one of the main purposes of government is to provide a level of safekeeping of our health and property that we cannot provide for ourselves as individuals. For this reason, I am grateful to the members of the Deer Management Task Force and the Board of Aldermen for taking their charge seriously, demonstrating the requisite courage and leadership to bring this difficult matter to a productive conclusion, and for always endeavoring to find what has often times been the very elusive common ground.

Green Team Established and Moving Forward

I am very pleased to announce the successful launch of Green Team Town & Country. This eco-awareness effort was started after I attended the Greening of the Heartland Conference here in St. Louis and realized that, while much was being done locally to protect our environment, Town & Country could and should step forward as a leading community in this important movement. To help drive this effort, I asked former Alderman Patty Wiggins and resident expert Chris Andrews to serve as co-chairs of our Green Team. Working with our co-chairs, we tapped other area leaders knowledgeable on the subject of sustainable practices, especially those who are responsible for organizational decisions that relate to our carbon footprint. Specifically, key city staff directors became part of the team, as well as Chief Dave Frazier from West County Fire and EMS and Matt Mell from Whole Foods Markets. Once this core group expanded to include interested residents, a mission statement to guide our thinking and direction was developed.



Our GreenPrint for Action has already been outlined, with details being added during our bi-weekly meetings.

Moreover, plans are being developed to revise and expand the role and responsibilities of our current commission on Public Works & Stormwater to include the current responsibilities of the Public Health, Sanitation and Environment Commission (PHASE), and create a new Green Team Commission to promote environmental, ecological and sustainability efforts. Elevating its work to the city commission level reflects the significance we have attributed to this effort, including providing for its leadership through an aldermanic appointment. While the Green Team will be structured in the same way as all other commissions, with two members from each ward and two at-large members, it will have a specific program for subcommittees to extend its activities into area schools, religious institutions, businesses, and other interest groups.

Currently, we are calculating our baseline carbon footprint, and our Green Team will lead us forward with much help from interested residents. I encourage you to get involved in this important effort.

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I trust that this “State of the City” message has provided you with both news of our city’s accomplishments over the past year and insights into exciting new projects on the horizon, not only for the purpose of informing you, but to involve you with the inner workings of our city. Thanks to the steadfast spirit of cooperation we enjoy here in Town & Country, we may all look forward to another year of meaningful progress as we work together for the benefit of our community. I appreciate the tremendous support I have received these past four years, and I pledge to continue earning that support.

All the best,

Jonathan F. Dalton
Mayor



Jon Dalton Candidate for Mayor

It has been a privilege serving Town & Country as your mayor, and while I'm extremely proud of the progress we've made as a community, much remains to be accomplished. With your support, Town & Country will continue to be regarded as a premier community and the standard-bearer in the vital areas of fiscal responsibility, public safety and preservation of greenspace. Working together in a collaborative, cooperative manner on the issues facing our community has been key to our success over the past four years and will be critical in the years ahead as Town & Country further emerges as a regional leader by supporting a healthy business climate while being a responsible steward of our environment.

My record reflects my strong commitment to:

- Support the strict enforcement of our City's Master Plan and Zoning Ordinances to maintain the beauty and character of our community
- Oppose reinstatement of a residential property tax in Town & Country
- Promote fiscally responsible budgeting to deliver the highest quality city services while preserving our property values and quality of life
- Reinvigorate a sense of community spirit by enhancing well-established traditions and creating more city-wide events that bring us together
- Enhance our community assets by improving our infrastructure and facilities, such as our City trail system and the Longview Farm Park House

As an attorney, I have gained skills that have enabled me to fully evaluate all sides of an issue, establish common ground among conflicting parties, and work collaboratively to build consensus on important matters in our City. If re-elected, I will continue providing the type of respectful, professional and effective leadership the citizens of Town & Country not only expect but deserve in their mayor. Together, we will make Town & Country an even better place to live.



John Hoffmann Candidate for Mayor

I'm an alderman representing Ward 2. I am 56-years-old and have an extensive background in public safety having spent 30-years as a police detective, fire investigator and police administrator. I have six years experience in transportation and transit. I have a background in journalism having covered Congress and the Justice Department for several magazines. Also while living in the Washington DC area I covered pro baseball, college football and basketball as a sportswriter.

My wife and I moved back to St. Louis due to failing health of my mother. I work during PM rush hour at MoDot as an editor for a traffic reporting company serving media outlets and MoDot information systems. Also I'm the PA announcer and official scorer for basketball and baseball at Webster University.

In 2006 I led the fight against the Fire District annexation attempt that would have cost Town and Country residents thousands of dollars in taxes. During that effort the city tried to keep me from seeing consultant and committee reports concerning fire service until I hired a lawyer and threatened to sue.

I am concerned with some spending by the city that appears to be wasteful especially during our current economic condition. It is important for there to a mayor who is independent without real or perceived conflicts of interest with a strong background and understanding of delivering government services. The mayor should have support from the community and not from outside special interests. Better oversight of new home contractors by the city staff is needed to keep neighborhoods cleaner and safer with fewer disruptions.

I believe that the city must help our businesses prosper, while keeping our one-acre residential zoning requirements a priority.

As your mayor I would try to remove pretentiousness from and return common sense to city hall.



Lynn Wright Candidate for Ward 1

It has been my honor to serve Ward 1, the residents, businesses and our City, for the past two terms. I earnestly seek your continued support

for my **Re-Election to a Third Term.**

Achieving balance between commercial and residential development has been a high priority in the effort to enhance our quality of lifestyle. Developments should be aesthetically pleasing and in compliance with the City's Master Plan, as evidenced by the successful developments I worked on with Town and Country Crossing and Churchill School.

While serving as the liaison to the Chamber of Commerce, I worked to foster cooperation with the businesses of Town and Country. In the difficult times we face today, it is imperative that our Board continue to listen to, be responsive to and support our businesses to help them prosper so that our tax base is strengthened for the good of the city. Presently we pay 0% in property tax in Town and Country.... lets keep it that way.

Progress Under my Leadership:

The Longview House Sub-Committee - 2 years: Development of the new addition and renovation of the Longview House created a beautiful meeting place for residents while at the park.

Parks and Trails Commission - 3 years: Completed Trail Project extending from Mason Ridge Road to Old Woodsmill Road. The subsequent undertaking is the Clayton Road Resurfacing and Pedestrian Enhancement Project presently underway.

Deer Task Force - 1 ½ years: By far the most challenging and sensitive appointment on which I have served. Presently this committee has presented a plan to the Board of Alderman awaiting approval.

If given the privilege of serving another term, I pledge to continue to listen to all sides of every issue and apply my experience and track record to help make this a better, ever improving, community. **I ask for your vote.**



Barbara Ann Hughes Candidate for Ward 1

Town and Country is unsurpassed in its natural beauty, magnificent parks, and exemplary standard of living. We have come to expect our elected officials to be

diligent stewards of our financial well-being, to act in support of maintaining our public safety, and to ensure transparency in our government. Most of all we expect them to represent the interests of its citizens with professionalism and integrity.

After discussions with my husband Richard along with many of my friends and neighbors, who encouraged me to run again, I respectfully announce my candidacy for Alderman.

As your Alderman I pledge to:

Control City Expenses:

The current financial crisis affecting the international and national economy with its downward impact on state and local communities is overwhelming. Many of us have had to "tighten our belts". The loss of critical revenue from businesses moving out of Manchester Meadows and the current inability of Town and Country Crossing to cover the losses is concerning. I will support prudent spending practices along with careful, fiscal review to ensure the high quality services that we have come to enjoy.

Support Public Safety:

I have addressed the Board on numerous occasions regarding public safety and its relation to wildlife management. I will vote against rescinding the City's Discharge of Weapon ordinance and/or recommending that sharpshooters be hired to kill deer in our residential neighborhoods.

Maintain the Public Trust:

Effective governance requires that elected officials uphold State statues along with City ordinances. Open, transparent government is essential to maintaining the public trust. I will support practices that are inclusive of resident input, build consensus on critical issues and are in accordance with existing laws.

If you also believe in controlling City expenses, supporting public safety and maintaining the public trust, then I would appreciate your vote on Tuesday, April 7th.

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS — FOR WARD 2 & 3



Tim Welby Candidate for Ward 2 *Running unopposed*

I am pleased to announce my candidacy for Alderman in Ward 2. I look forward to serving my constituents and offering myself as a valuable resource. My values haven't changed. I am still a strong defender of one acre residential zoning; protecting and preserving the natural beauty of our neighborhoods, parks, and other green space; and being fiscally responsible in order to maintain a zero percent city property tax. I have worked hard to uphold these principles in the past and plan to continue to do so in the future, as your Alderman.

During my first term as Alderman, I had the privilege to chair: Community Relations Commission, P.H.A.S.E. Commission, Tree Board, Public Works and Storm Water Commission, along with the Clayton Road Task Force, which was created in response to the closure of Highway 64.

Under my leadership:

- Community Relations enhanced several events to create a stronger sense of community in Town and Country. These included expanding both the Fall Festival and the Arbor Day Celebration, creating two fun-filled family events at Longview Farm Park. In 2006 our Fire and Ice Celebration added "A Taste of Town and Country". These changes were overwhelmingly successful and have taken the sense of community to a higher level.
- Public Works and Storm Water, in conjunction with Parks and Trails, has started working to expand the sidewalks on Clayton Road, east of Mason Road to our eastern city limits.
- The Clayton Road Task Force planned a safe environment while keeping traffic flowing during the Highway 64 closure. This ensured pedestrian, cyclist, and motorist safety.

I ask for your vote on April 7th and look forward to representing Ward 2.

Remember, EVERY vote counts!



Fred Meyland-Smith Candidate for Ward 3 *Running unopposed*

I am proud to have served our City as Alderman for two terms and to represent the Board as President for the past three years. I am fortunate to have worked alongside Mayor Dalton throughout my time in office and fully support his re-election. I believe our City's elected officials and staff are dedicated to addressing matters head on and resolving them in a collaborative, factual manner.

I continue with my pledge to maintain Town And Country as a premier residential community. To that end, let's look at my "report card" on what has been accomplished:

- Town And Country Crossings - I chaired the committee that transformed the original site plan from 100% commercial to a mixed use plan that converted 30 acres for residential use. That removed 200,000 square feet of retail space and eliminated 1200 parking spaces. It also led to the improvements in architectural design, building material and the creation of the water feature.
- City's Master Plan - As the aldermanic representative to the Planning and Zoning Commission, I serve on the committee to update our Comprehensive Plan (last revised in 1996). This comprehensive document creates a long term vision for our community including land use strategy. Nearing completion, it will serve to continue our City's position as a highly preferred place to live.
- Deer - The City's herd is too large and represents a real threat to our safety and welfare in terms of vegetation destruction and risk of tragedy from auto collisions. I serve on the Task Force that has developed a balanced plan employing both lethal and non-lethal means to reduce their number. Upon Board approval, I am fully committed to implement that plan.

I value your input. I appreciate your support. I look forward to continuing to serve.



David Karney Candidate for Ward 4

In 1993, you gave me a rare blessing by electing me to serve as one of the first Ward 4 aldermen, and in 2005, you elected me the first mayor

from Ward 4.

By serving in both capacities, I have a unique insight and greater vision that allows me to bring the wealth of my experience to representing you in these uncertain times.

For many years our government concentrated on green space preservation and development of parks. Our sales tax revenues were growing and the city was fortunate that commercial revenue generated the funds to make this possible. In 1997 I co-sponsored a bill to eliminate city residential property tax. From that day to this, as a Town & Country homeowner, you pay only St. Louis County residential property tax.

Our city is faced with dwindling sales tax revenue. I am again committed to making sure that your home will not be taxed by our city to replace lost commercial revenues.

We must prioritize and scrutinize all spending and budgeting practices. As your Mayor in 2005, I brought the latest budgeting techniques to our city, and will again use my expertise to insure that our city operates efficiently without allowing Town & Country homeowners to become a captive source for city spending. Through my efforts, the 2006 City Budget was approved at nearly \$1 Million below the 2005 operating budget without reduction of city services.

I believe my experience will allow me to forge legislation that puts your needs as a homeowner first. It will be a privilege to serve you.

My experience and knowledge of the Town & Country legislative process provides me with an historic perspective that few can claim. **On Tuesday, April 7th, please allow me to continue my service to Ward 4 as your Alderman.**



Thomas Sandifer Candidate for Ward 4

I believe public service is an opportunity to be a part of our society and to participate in issues that touch on things greater

then ourselves. While some may find municipal government to be less than exciting, I find it especially rewarding because it provides the opportunity to touch the lives of the people we come into contact with on a daily basis –the people who share our lives and families.

I am an attorney, and I have practiced law in the St. Louis area for almost twenty years. I currently work as in-house counsel at Midwest Employers Casualty Company. My wife and I moved to this city because it is a wonderful place to live and raise our children. We are the extremely proud parents of two little men who attend Incarnate Word School in Chesterfield. Our boys are very excited about my running for 4th ward alderman and are eager to follow the campaign trail. I am afraid we may have spent too much time watching the last presidential election and the boys now have expectations of primaries and campaign stops.

I do not approach the role of alderman without municipal experience. I served in several different roles while a resident of Chesterfield. I initially served on the Chesterfield Parks and Recreation Committee and then moved on to the Board of Directors for the Chesterfield Development Corporation. Later I was appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission, eventually serving as Vice Chair of that commission. This land use experience gave me vital insights into the importance of managed growth – development that is appropriate to its surroundings and the community's overall goals.

I would be proud to serve as an alderman from Ward IV. I look forward to becoming further acquainted with the citizens of Town & Country.

How Do You Call the Police?

This question is frequently answered by most citizens with the words "call 911". That is, in fact, the best way to contact a police dispatcher for any problem that requires immediate police response. You will never be in trouble for calling for a non-emergency issue. However, there are many services that the Town & Country Police Department provides the citizens that may not need immediate police or medical assistance. An effective working relationship between the citizens and the police department is largely based on communication between the two. This flow of communication, when provided through the most direct channels, can speed the response to your request, and also help us quickly address issues that may not be classified as immediate, imminent, or emergency. The following information provides you with the best ways to contact us, prepares you for what you will be asked when you call, and helps us to continue providing high quality police services.

For situations that require an immediate police response, call: 911

When you call the police regarding a situation requiring police response, the police dispatcher will ask several questions to ensure that the police will be able to respond to your call in the most efficient manner possible. Remain calm and answer the operator's questions to the best of your ability. REMEMBER.....while you are talking to the police dispatcher on the 911 line, a police unit is being dispatched to

the incident scene. Remain on the phone until the police officers arrive or the dispatcher advises you to hang up.

To contact a police dispatcher for non-emergency situations, call:

314-432-1000 which is answered 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

You may also call the Administrative number during normal business hours, **314-432-4696** to request information about a previously reported incident, get information about police reports, fingerprint requests, contact an officer, or other general information.

Another option is

www.town-and-country.org.



Click on "service requests" in the left side column to directly email a department or individual with general and non-time sensitive concerns. Your request will be addressed during business hours. And please remember that depending on the time and day that your email is sent and received, the response may be delayed. While email messages are convenient, they are NOT sufficiently reliable for the reporting of ongoing safety issues.



Crime Prevention Program For Businesses

The Town & Country Police Department, in connection with the Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce, held the first of a year-long series of Business Police Academy seminars. Thank you to Officer Chris Hunt and speaker Judge L. Jack Vasquez, Jr. for making the first event, held on February 17, such a success. There was a great turnout, and all attendees left with useful information regarding Employee/Internal Theft and Best Hiring Practices. These seminars are free, and open to ALL business owners. Please bring your own lunch and beverage. Mark your calendars for the next one.



Officer Chris Hunt, Judge L. Jack Vasquez, Jr., Lila Shepley, TCF Chamber, Captain Gary Hoelzer

**Wed. April 29 - Networking: 11:30 am
Program - Noon to 1 PM**

Longview Farm, northwest corner of Mason and Clayton.

RSVP to TCFChamber@charter.net



DO YOU KNOW...

- 1. WHAT WAS THE ORIGINAL NAME OF HWY 40.**
- 2. WHAT NOTABLE ANNIVERSARY WILL TOWN & COUNTRY CELEBRATE SOON?**
- 3. DO YOU KNOW WHICH PRIMARY ROADWAYS ARE OWNED AND MAINTAINED BY THE CITY, ST. LOUIS COUNTY OR STATE?
(EXCLUDING I-64, I-270 AND HIGHWAY 141)**

Answers found on page 20

BIZ ALERT

NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

PAYS OFF



On January 9th, the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorneys Office issued burglary and stealing warrants on a 32 year old male in connection with a theft that occurred at a Town & Country church. A \$20,000 cash only bond was set. Earlier, the suspect had allegedly entered a church building and asked for bus fare. When he left, a laptop computer valued at \$729 was discovered missing. The next day, Officer Christ Hunt issued a "Church Alert", which is an e-mail information system developed in 2007 with the support and cooperation of the religious institutions in Town & Country. Within two hours, another church called and stated that a subject with a similar description had been in their building a week before asking for money. That subject was identified and after three trips into St. Louis City our detectives were able to locate and arrest the individual. The laptop was later recovered from a home in Jennings.

Currently over 900 people representing businesses and organizations of all types in Town & Country are part of the email alert system known as BIZ ALERT.

If you would like to become a BIZ ALERT member or would like more information, please contact Officer Chris Hunt at (314) 432-4696 or at huntc@town-and-country.org.

FOR THE RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY: THE CPSN

The Crime Prevention & Safety Network (CPSN) is a public information and e-mail service designed to provide timely information concerning crime, crime prevention and safety topics. The service is absolutely free and is available to all residents.

The CPSN is available via e-mail and is released on a regular basis. If a significant incident should occur in or around the City of Town & Country, the Police Department will send out a special alert to keep you informed.

Past issues have included: thefts from autos occurring in the area, burglary prevention, solicitor alerts and severe weather tips

The network has been responsible for solving several crimes as residents provided important information to the police department after reading an alert. So if you would like to become part of this important network that links the community with the police department, your participation is a click away! Visit the City's website, www.town-and-country.org and sign up for the Crime Prevention and Safety Network (CPSN) to receive email updates as soon as they are broadcast.

Enrolling is easy - simply click on "City Government", then go to "Public Notices", then to "Click here to sign up to receive Public Notices via e-mail!" Complete the registration screen and choose the updates you would like to receive.

Additionally, users of our E-mail Subscription list feature may register to receive documents from many of our commissions and boards. Enrolling is easy, so don't delay!

SIGN UP NOW!!

www.town-and-country.org

Vacation Checks

By Officer Chris Hunt

Will you be leaving town for a few days, or a few weeks, on a well deserved vacation or business trip?



Would you feel better if someone was checking your home during your absence? Officers from the Town & Country Police Department will periodically stop by your home to check for open doors, broken windows or any other suspicious circumstances. This is another added security precaution you can utilize to safeguard your possessions and assure your peace of mind while you are away. If anything out of the ordinary is discovered, a member of the Town & Country Police Department will either call you or one of your listed emergency contacts. The officer(s) will not enter your residence unless they have received pre-authorization from you or they believe that a crime is in progress. Enjoy your travels and let us worry about your home.

This is a FREE, but invaluable service provided by the Town & Country Police Department to its residents. To have your residence checked while you are away please call 314.432.4696 and ask that your home be added to the "Vacation Check" database. The person answering the phone will ask you a series of brief questions and record your answers so that they can be shared with the patrol officers who will be checking your home.

- Put lights, a radio and even the TV on timers.
- Arrange for your lawn to be cared for.
- Have a trusted neighbor pick up your mail and newspapers, or have delivery suspended for the duration of your time away.
- Make sure that your doors are locked.
- Leave a key with a trusted neighbor, friend or relative.
- NEVER hide a key on your property; criminals are good at guessing hiding spots.
- If you choose to have a neighbor care for your home while you're away, make sure they know how to contact you in case of an emergency.



Coping With A Wily Neighbor

Although the icy chill of winter lingers on, spring will be here soon. For some of Missouri's more notorious but poorly understood residents, this transition between seasons can mean just one thing – love is in the air! Coyote breeding season is in full throttle, having begun in early February, and as a result, you can expect to see and hear a little bit more of their curious antics. Many of you have likely seen this wily neighbor encroaching over suburbia property lines that gouge through trees and prairies. Are you cohabitating with a coyote?

Coyotes thrive where prey is plentiful, but unlike many predators, they also incorporate fruits and plant matter into their diet. Rodents – a coyote favorite – are bountiful near human colonies which give the coyotes ample reason to visit. A coyote's range can encompass over twenty square miles during mating season. If you've seen a coyote run through your neighborhood, you aren't alone.

Coyotes aren't aware of the precious codes that we humans hold dear, namely in that they don't "keep it down" at night. Their vocalizations include growls, whimpers, barks, yips, and howls. Expect to hear more howling into March during mating season. Coyotes have also been accused of having a staring problem. These animals can be quite curious, but don't be alarmed if you

see one spying in your direction.

If you suspect coyotes inhabiting your neighborhood, there are just a few simple precautions you can take to facilitate a happy coexistence, and a quick call to the Wildlife Center of Missouri will put you in touch with great information. If a particular coyote appears injured or exhibits aggressive behavior, please call us at the Wildlife Center for advice about what to do next. We strongly discourage anyone from taking "negotiations" into their own hands. Humane, live trapping is an effective way to relocate a coyote, but disturbing the coyote should be considered a last resort, especially during pup season. Coyotes are an integral part of Missouri's food chain and help immensely with rodent control – a fact that all property owners can appreciate.

The Wildlife Center of Missouri hopes that your winter season was joyful and that the coming of spring will bless you with its beauty and renewal. For more wildlife tips or if you would simply like to make our acquaintance and learn about our wildlife rehabilitation facility, you are welcome to call or pay visit to:

Wildlife Center of Missouri
1128 New Ballwin Rd
Ballwin, MO 63021
(636)394-1880
Charlotte Kubb, Education Coordinator



American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17,
2 PM-6 PM
AT THE MUNICIPAL
CENTER

SAVE THE DATE!

Check the Town & Country website at www.town-and-country.org in May for detailed information on e-donor online registration.

New Businesses in Town & Country

Altic, Davis, Kraft & Associates
12935 N. Outer 40

Dependable Title
14386 S. Outer 40

Dr. Tamara Ehlert
12855 N. 40 Drive

Fed Ex/Kinkos
1012 Town & Country Crossing Drive

Five Guys Burgers & Fries
1070 Town & Country Crossing Drive

Dr. Steve Frank
12855 N. 40 Drive

Healthcare Group for Women
3023 N. New Ballas

Homeworks
13861 Manchester Rd.

InkStop
1074 Town & Country Crossing Drive

JCM Services
825 Maryville Centre Drive

Kidz Art
14320 S. Outer 40

Susan Lynn's
1122 Town & Country Crossing Drive

Malina Holistic Center
777 S. New Ballas

Missouri Business Forms
12813 Flushing Meadows

Pizazz 2 Interiors
259 Lamp & Lantern Village

Railcar Tracking
13422 Clayton Rd., Ste. 215

Rowland and Fricke
264 Lamp & Lantern

Seattle Sutton's Healthy Eating
14328 S. Outer 40

Smart Wholesale Lending, Inc
12813 Flushing Meadows, Ste. 270

J. W. Terrill
825 Maryville Centre Drive

The Womens Oncology Center, LLC
12855 N. 40 Drive

YOH Company
14323 S. Outer Forty



ATTENTION GARDEN ENTHUSIASTS!!!



You Are Invited To The Town & Country Garden Tour Saturday, June 13, 2009 • 10:00 Am – 3:00 Pm

Cost: \$10.00

Have you ever wondered what beautiful sights are hidden behind that garden gate? Have you ever wanted to get a peek at the neighbor's garden that you have heard so much about? Don't miss this rare opportunity to tour some of Town & Country's most unique and beautiful gardens. Tickets go on sale May 1, and are available at the Municipal Center from 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM,

and at Longview Farm House from 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM, Monday through Friday. Tickets also can be purchased the day of the event at Longview Farm House between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Payment by checks made out to Town & Country Garden Club only, please. For more information contact Mary Olsen at the Municipal Center, 314-432-6606, or olsenm@town-and-country.org.



Calling all Town & Country gardeners – Do you have a garden you would like to show off, and let the community admire the fruits of your labor?

The Town & Country Garden Club is looking for a few good gardens to be part of their first Garden Tour on Saturday, June 13. Plans are to have a variety of gardens, which could be large, moderate-sized, small, a garden of particular horticultural interest, or one that demonstrates the enjoyment and pleasure found in gardening. No garden is too large or too small!

An entry form is available below. Also, the entry form and more information are available at the City website, www.town-and-country.org, "in the news" section, click on Garden Tour, or contact Mary Olsen at 314-432-6606, or olsenm@town-and-country.org.



Don't delay - the entry deadline is April 1.



June 13th Garden Tour Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email address _____

Description of Garden: For example, small, medium, or large; unique features, such as deer resistant plants; specializes in a particular kind of plant; has a water feature, etc. Please give as much detail as possible, and if photographs are available, please include those.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS APRIL 1, 2009

Return entry form to Mary Olsen at the Municipal Center, 1011 Municipal Center Drive, Town & Country, MO 63131, or fax to 314-432-1286.





NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

If you have news to share, let us know. We will be featuring small articles about exciting activities involving our residents in the **NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS** column. Send your news and photos to Mary Olsen at olsenm@town-and-country.org, and we will print as space allows.

SLEDDING FUN AT CEDAR SPRING



EAGLE SCOUT

Cory Christian Johnson, a Boy Scout formerly in Principia Troop 554 and currently in CPOP Troop 630, recently achieved the rank of Eagle. Cory is a senior at Parkway West High School.

Cory was congratulated and received a framed proclamation from Mayor Jon Dalton at the Board of Aldermen meeting on January 26. Congratulations Cory!



Cory Johnson receives a proclamation from Mayor Dalton with the help of Cory's friend and mentor, former Alderman Steve Donaldson.

HOLIDAY GATHERINGS AROUND IN TOWN & COUNTRY



Mason Valley

The Annual Mason Valley Holiday Progressive Dinner kicked off at appetizer & cocktail parties hosted by Suzy and Lynn Gunter and Kristina and Jeff Karrenbrock. Dinner groups were hosted by Lloyd and Annette Brunkhorst (setting for the group photo), Barb and Rick Kelly, Mary and Jim Whaley, Barbara and Mort Brown, and Cathy and Rick Leininger. Dessert was enjoyed at the home of Kathie and Jeff Haferkamp. Heartfelt thanks to the hard working committee of: Inga Holland, Mary Whaley, Kristina Karrenbrock, Davina Elster, and Karen Lenz.



Templeton Place

A great gathering of neighbors assembled at the annual Templeton Place Progressive Dinner in November 2008. The Elsperman's hosted the first stop for cocktails which provided the setting for the group photo. Dinners were held at the homes of Don & Carol Clooney, Betty Smith and Russ & Jeanne Belle. Dessert wrapped up the evening at the home of Les & Chris Krone. Tena Cassidy was also instrumental in getting this festive event off the ground this year.

FREE Community Health Lectures: Missouri Baptist Medical Center

Free Brunch and Learn Lectures:

Tuesday, Apr. 21 - Brunch and Learn

Every day millions of Americans rely on medications to feel better and get well. But sometimes medications can interact with other substances and have dangerous results. Find out about the proper storage of your medications and why it's important to follow the instructions for taking them when Duane Wesche, RPh, Missouri Baptist registered pharmacist, presents "Mind Your Meds: Facts About Drug Interactions" on Tuesday, April 21, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, Auditorium. A continental breakfast will be served. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936 or visit www.missouribaptist.org and click on community programs/wellness events and classes.

Tuesday, May 19 - Brunch and Learn

Is your heart at risk? Many people have high blood pressure and don't even know it. Learn about the diagnosis, risk factors and latest treatment options for high blood pressure - it could save your life! Join Sumera Shah, MD, family medicine, on Tuesday, May 19, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. as she discusses "Take the Pressure Off: An Update on High Blood Pressure." Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, Auditorium. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936 or visit www.missouribaptist.org and click on community programs/wellness events and classes.

Free Health Screenings:

Free Cholesterol Screenings:

Because we care about your heart health, Missouri Baptist Medical Center and Dierbergs Pharmacy will provide cholesterol screenings at your neighborhood Dierbergs Markets. Take advantage of these FREE screenings, which measure your total cholesterol and HDL (good cholesterol). Fasting is not required, however, advance appointments are recommended. Call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433).

Dierbergs Heritage
Thursday, April 23, 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Dierbergs Lemay
Thursday, April 30, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Dierbergs Wentzville Crossing
Thursday, May 7, 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Dierbergs Arnold
Thursday, May 21, 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Dierbergs Deer Creek Crossing
Wednesday, June 3, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Dierbergs Market Place

Thursday, June 11, 3 to 6 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 18, 8 a.m. to Noon - Free Prostate Cancer Screenings

Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of deaths in males, but early detection can identify cancer early on, when treatment is most effective. This FREE screening sponsored by Missouri Baptist and Urology Consultants, includes a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test and digital rectal exam. Take advantage of this free screening, IF you're a man age 50 or over (age 40 or over for African Americans), have a family history of prostate cancer, have not been diagnosed or treated for prostate cancer, and are not currently participating in a PSA study. Advance registration and appointment times are required. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, East Pavilion. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936.

Saturday, May 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Free Skin Cancer Screenings

Skin cancer, the most common form of cancer in the U.S. today is commonly overlooked. That's why it's important that you take charge of health and register for this free screening, which will be conducted by a dermatologist. Telephone registration begins no earlier than Tuesday, Apr. 8 at 8 a.m. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, East Pavilion. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936.

Wednesday, May 27, 5 to 8 p.m. - Free Bone Density Screening (post-menopausal women)

One in two women over the age of 50 will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in her lifetime. This bone density screening helps determine your risk level for osteoporosis, a major health threat for women. The free screening is for post-menopausal women who are not currently being treated for osteoporosis. Appointments are recommended. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, Auditorium. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936.

Free Community Health Lectures:

Wednesday, Apr. 22, 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Human Papilloma Virus (HPV): Link to Cancer Risks

The human papilloma virus (HPV) has long been linked with female cervical cancer and recently has been associated with a dramatic

increase in head and neck cancer. Join us for a discussion concerning the diagnosis, treatment and HPV risk factors and its link to cervical and head and neck cancers when Todd Brickman, MD, otolaryngology and Jennifer Smith, MD, OB/GYN, present this enlightening lecture. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, CNI (Clinical Nursing Institute), Room 100. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936 or visit www.missouribaptist.org and click on community programs/wellness events and classes.

Tuesday, May 12, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Conquering Infertility: Achieve Your Dream of Having a Baby

Learn about the common causes of infertility and the treatment options now available. We will work with you to help you reach your dream of having a baby. Join Todd Deutch, MD, OB/GYN, reproductive endocrinologist, The Fertility Center's newest fertility specialist. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, Auditorium. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936 or visit www.missouribaptist.org and click on community programs/wellness events and classes.

Thursday, May 14, 6:30 to 8 p.m. - Get a Grip on Hand and Wrist Problems

Is a hand or wrist problem interfering with your daily activities? Do you know the difference between arthritis, tendonitis and carpal tunnel? Find out more about the differences and solutions by joining William Feinstein, MD, orthopedic surgeon for this informative lecture. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, CNI (Clinical Nursing Institute), Room 100. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936 or visit www.missouribaptist.org and click on community programs/wellness events and classes.

Free OASIS Program

Tuesday, Apr. 28, 10 a.m. to Noon - Fit for Function (age 60 plus)

Are you fit enough to do the things you want and need to do? Learn what it means to be functionally fit and whether or not you pass the test based on national norms. This program and screening is specifically designed for individuals age 60 and older. Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3015 N. Ballas Road, CNI (Clinical Nursing Institute), Room 100. To register, call 314-996-LIFE (996-5433), toll-free 1-800-392-0936.



Earth Day And E-Cycling Event At Town & Country Crossing Saturday, April 25, 2009 • 10 AM – 3 PM



Earth Day is dedicated to the environmental health of our planet.

Bring the family out to celebrate Earth Day. In conjunction with the City of Town & Country's Green Team and Conservation Commission, Town & Country Crossing plans to provide the tools and resources to educate the local community about creating a healthier environment for ourselves and future generations.

E-cycling event! Free Earth Day t-shirts to the first 100 attendees!

Entertainment! Food! Giveaways!

Activities for children!

Don't throw your electronics in the trash - recycle them! With the digital TV transition, many unwanted television sets will be



discarded. What a great opportunity to get rid of them and save the environment too. This e-cycling event is for collecting residential electronics only (NOT business electronics). For most items there are NO fees, with the following exceptions: computer monitors - fee \$5; TVs - fee \$10; and TVs 30 inches or larger - fee \$20.

Town & Country Crossing is at the SW corner of Clayton and Woods Mill Roads. Most activities will be lakeside (facing Clayton Road), with the e-cycling event on the north side of the Crossing. Look for directional signs the day of the event.

Join us for a day of fun for the whole family and learn how to make Every Day Earth Day!

Town & Country – A SAFE COMMUNITY

Town & Country continues to be a very safe community but the police department is also very aware that we reside along the "main street" of St. Louis (the I-64 corridor). While our location allows our community to enjoy some of the aesthetics of the "country" along with the conveniences of a large metropolitan area, it also is an area where "uninvited guests" can visit to commit crime.

The 2008 statistical analysis has several revealing statistics: residential burglaries continue to remain at historical lows (ten in 2008 compared to 38 in 1993), while theft is on the rise when compared to 2007. Thefts make up 88-percent of the 190 crimes reported to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting system. Twenty-two (22) percent of those thefts involved unlocked vehicles in our residential neighborhoods! But it is not just a matter of protecting a few I-Pods and Garmin's (navigation devices) from thieves.

A lurking danger - One of the dangers of leaving vehicles unlocked is the access this may provide to your home. Many times petty thieves not only find valuables left in unlocked vehicles, but they find garage door openers as well, giving them access to the house (and its occupants). And at times these

petty thieves are actually serious offenders from other parts of the metro area. Leaving your vehicle unlocked is like leaving your key hanging on your door for whoever comes by.

The police department places great emphasis on ensuring our neighborhoods remain safe. Officers logged over 700 special patrols directed at potential problem spots in 2008, conducted over 300 neighborhood traffic surveys, and checked over 1,200 homes with our vacation check program. While on patrol, officers regularly observe conditions that make our residents more vulnerable to crime and they issued nearly 70 written notifications to residents encouraging them to take corrective action.

So, one more time we urge residents—

- To remove valuables from unoccupied vehicles and to lock the doors
- Never leave your garage door open overnight or for an extended period of time
- Report suspicious persons or vehicles to the Police Department as soon as possible by dialing 911 or (314) 432-1000.



Youth Fishing Derby

Saturday, May 16th
Longview Farm Park

Dust off your rod and reel, and meet us in Longview Farm Park for our Youth Fishing Derby! Youth, ages 3-12, can enjoy the morning fishing, participating in the Biggest Fish Contest, raffles, and more! All participants must provide their own fishing pole and bait. We'll provide the FUN! (Youth under age 16 do not need a fishing permit in Missouri.)

Time: Check-in begins at 7:30 AM; Fishing 8 - 10 AM
Registration Required. Cost: \$5 cash/fisher



Fishing at Longview Farm Park

Can't make it to the Youth Fishing Derby? Well, fishing is available every day of the week at the Longview Farm Park Lake. Come test your skills at catching crappie, bass and bluegill. Try to beat the following state records - Small Mouth Bass 7lbs. 2oz.; White Crappie 5lbs.; and Bluegill 3lbs. Ages 16-64 require a MO fishing permit. All fishing in the park is catch and release.



Picnics in the Park!

How about hosting your next family gathering at one of the City's three beautiful parks? They are perfect for a picnic! Each park has a covered pavilion, a playground and restrooms.



Pavilion Information	Cost	Seating Capacity	Parking Capacity
Longview Farm Park	\$50	50	45
Drace Park	\$40	40	25
Preservation Park	\$30	30	30

To reserve a pavilion call Kim at 314-432-6606.





Parks and Recreation

Parks & Trails Master Plan Update

The City is in the process of updating the Parks and Trails Master Plan. **To update this plan we need input from you!** Plan on attending a Parks and Trails Master Plan public forum to contribute your ideas regarding the planning of City parks and trails. The meeting will be held on Monday, April 20th from 7-8:30 PM at the Longview Farm House, 13525 Clayton Rd. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please visit www.town-and-country.org to give your opinions via written survey. (Click City Government, then Parks and Recreation.)

Trail Maps Online

Spring has sprung! Why not get outside and take a walk in one of our beautiful parks? Walking is a gentle, low-impact exercise that can ease you into a higher level of fitness and health. Walking is one of your body's most natural forms of exercise. It's safe, simple, doesn't require practice, and the health benefits are many. If you are interested in tracking your miles in Town & Country parks, check out our trail maps on the City website at www.town-and-country.org. Click on City Departments/Parks and Recreation/City Parks then select the park map you are interested in.

Longview Farm House

The Longview Farm House is now available for subdivision meetings. To schedule your meeting please contact the City Clerk at 314-432-6606. If you would like to schedule a party at the Longview Farm House, we will begin taking those reservations as soon as the City contracts with a party management company. The estimated timeline is sometime in May.

Save the Date!

Fire & Ice

Saturday, June 27th

Westminster Christian Academy
(South of Hwy 40 at Maryville Centre Drive)

All the fun details will be in the summer newsletter.

NEW RESIDENT ARTIST

By Diane Schwartz, Conservation Commission member

Over the past few years surprising creative work has been discovered. A new resident artist lives in Longview Farm Park! The four works of this artist may be seen on the Native Tree ground labels along the sidewalk facing the horse pasture. Who is this artist? A resident squirrel, which desires to stay anonymous, but has been seen creating these works of art! Don't miss this marvel. Soon new labels will replace these creative works.





Parks and Recreation

New Office And Phone Number for the Parks Department!



Not only is the Longview Farm House open and being used for City and subdivision meetings, it now houses the offices of the Parks Department. Park & Recreation Director Anne Nixon moved into the new office, overlooking Longview Farm Park's playground, at the first of the year. If you haven't visited the Longview House yet, stop by on your morning walk for a cup of coffee. The house is open to the public from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM every weekday morning.

**The Parks Department Phone Number is
314-434-1215.**

SPRING PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 9th
from 9 AM to noon

At the upper parking lot at the
Longview House

Mason Ridge Garden Club will hold
a plant sale at Longview Farm Park!

We'll have perennials from our own
gardens, herbs, annuals and tropical
plants for sale (Cash or check, only)

Arrive early for best selection!

Questions? contact Claire Chosid 314-579-9876
ckc@conversource.com



Donate Your Old Garden Tools

Do you have old garden tools or garden hoses that you no longer use? If so, please bring them to Longview Farm Park on Saturday, May 9th between 9 AM and noon. Mason Ridge Garden Club is collecting tools and will make a group donation to Gateway Greening. Gateway Greening has projects all over St. Louis, and is in continual need of garden tools. All types, any condition, it doesn't matter. Questions? Contact Claire Chosid, 314-579-9876 or ckc@conversource.com

Creve Coeur Junior Tennis Camps at Preservation Park

For reservations - call (314) 432-3961

8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Intermediate and teen

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Beginners ages 4 - 8 and 9 - 12

\$100 / week

Week 1	June 1
Week 2	June 8
Week 3	June 15
Week 4	June 22
Week 5	June 29
Week 6	July 6
Week 7	July 13
Week 8	July 20
Week 9	July 27
Week 10	August 3



Churchill Center & School

February 12th, 2009 Churchill Center & School put on a dazzling Dinner Theater for family and friends. The event was well attended and several sidesplitting skits and a plethora of patriotic songs entertained the audience.



FREE EVENTS AT WHOLE FOODS



SATURDAY, MARCH 21

Sampling Event - Celebrate Spring! • 12 - 4:00 pm; Free

The promise of spring brings so many opportunities for a fresh start from spring cleaning to spring vegetables. Come sample your way through the store and be inspired to kick off the season with a renewed spirit.

California Wines and Cheese • 1 - 1:30 pm; Free
With Beth Hadican, Specialty Team Leader

Stop by our wine department for a culinary spring break in sunny California. Whether it's a big Cab or a fresh goat's milk cheese, we will sample our way through the best the state has to offer and delight your taste buds along the way!

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

Whole Payback Day • 9:00 am - 9:00 pm; Free

To show appreciation to our customers in these tough times, each of the first 200 customers on Whole Payback Day will receive a gift card valued from \$5 to \$100 when they enter our store (one per customer only). Additionally, we invite customers to take our store tour to learn how to get the most for your money at Whole Foods Market everyday. Tours begin at the Customer Service Center every half hour throughout the day, and each tour participant will receive a \$5 gift card (again, one per customer only). The day will also be filled with tastings and samples of value-priced items throughout the store.

Saturday, March 28

Sampling Event - Earth Friendly Products • 12 - 4:00 pm; Free

Shop this day to be introduced to many companies and their products that are doing all they can to protect the environment. Learn how you can create a healthier planet with the choices you make each time you shop.

Earth Hour • 7:30 - 8:30 pm; Free

Earth Hour is a worldwide climate change initiative in which people everywhere turn off their lights for one hour to save energy and show their support for environmental protection. You can take part without sitting home in the dark! In conjunction with Earth Hour, we too will turn off some of our lights. We invite you to enjoy dinner by candlelight, wine tastings and acoustic music by Dizzy Atmosphere in our cafe. The first 50 customers shopping this hour will receive a free flashlight.



ANSWERS TO DO YOU KNOW...

1. Missouri State Highway Number 2 was renamed U.S. Route 40. In 1926, the federal government laid out a grid of highways that ran between the individual states. These roads were designated as United States highways, but no federal funding was included for their construction or improvement. In Missouri, several routes were given new names as part of this program. (from MoDOT website <http://www.modot.mo.gov/interstate/MissouriInterstateHistory.htm>).

2. The City of Town & Country will celebrate its 60th anniversary in 2010.

3. East West Roadways: Clayton Road – The City of T&C (excluding sections within the intersections of Clayton and Ballas, Clayton and Mason and Clayton and Woodsmill 141); Conway Road – St. Louis County; Ladue Road – Missouri (MoDOT)

North South Roadways: Bopp Road – The City of Town & Country; Ballas Road – Missouri (MoDOT); Topping Road – The City of Town & Country; Mason Road – St. Louis County; Weidman Road – St. Louis County; Woods Mill Road (North of Clayton - Missouri (MoDOT); Woods Mill Road (South of Clayton – The City of Town & Country

Note: No part of the Manchester Roadway is within the city limits.

WHERE DOES YOUR GARBAGE GO?

Members of Green Team Town & Country, Aldermen and others found the answer to that question firsthand when they experienced the “Trash Tour” on January 30. The group visited three sites to get the big picture of single stream recycling, electronic recycling and a landfill.

The first stop was **Resource Management**, where single-stream recycling was not only explained but observed. Under the single-stream recycling system, all recyclables are collected together by your trash hauler, transported and then mechanically sorted at Resource Management’s recycling plant. A system of conveyor belts, screens, electromagnets and blasts of air separate paper from plastics, glass and other materials. Sorted bales are then ready for sale in the marketplace to make new products.



Conveyor belts with recyclables to be separated

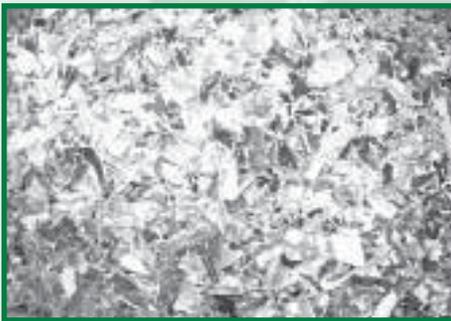


Conveyor belts carrying recycled paper



Baled recyclables

Next stop was **EPC – Electronic Scrap Recovery**. EPC processes more than 1.5 million tons of e-waste each year. The processing involves separating electronics that can be refurbished from e-waste that can’t be salvaged. Workers disassemble unsalvageable equipment and separate their plastic, glass and metal components. The company compacts and packs the different materials in large batches, which it then sells to businesses that supply domestic or overseas manufacturers with raw materials.



A mound of shredded hard drives



Workers disassembling computers



Bins of shredded CDs

Lastly, the group visited **Fred Weber’s Gas Recovery and Disposal System**. For more than 20 years, Fred Weber’s business in Maryland Heights has run a landfill, which accepts more than 2,000 tons of trash per day. It not only provides a place for community-generated refuse but also produces compost from yard waste. The natural gasses produced in the landfill are used to heat several greenhouses, the asphalt plant burner, a concrete ready mix plant boiler, and Pattonville High School. They are currently researching the use of the landfill’s methane gas to generate an energy by-product using mini-turbines that will create electricity to supply local needs in helping reduce utility costs.



A snow covered view of the landfill



Group poses for picture after learning about the gas recovery system

Green Team Town & Country is an environmental initiative formed as part of our “GreenPrint for Action” to raise eco-awareness, implement sustainable practices, and promote stewardship with the goal of reducing our carbon footprint.

RECYCLING QUIZ -

Test Your Knowledge - Are These Statements True Or False?

- 1) Paper can be recycled
- 2) Milk and juice cartons are not recyclable
- 3) Styrofoam cannot be recycled – even if it has a recycle number on it
- 4) It’s okay to put Kleenex in the recycling bin
- 5) Plastic bottles and metal cans should never be thrown in a recycling bin with paper
- 6) Aluminum foil is recyclable
- 7) #6 plastics are not recyclable
- 8) Plastic grocery bags, even those with a recycling symbol and number on them cannot be recycled in home recycling bins
- 9) Books are recyclable
- 10) No motor oil, insecticide, herbicide or hazardous chemical containers can be recycled

Answers to the Recycling Quiz:

- 1) **True**, paper is recyclable. If it tears, it can be recycled! You cannot recycle laminated paper, or paper contaminated with food or liquid.
- 2) **False**, milk and juice cartons (plastic #2 jugs, aseptic packaging and gable top containers) are recyclable.
- 3) **True**, Styrofoam isn’t recyclable in St. Louis County.
- 4) **False**, tissues are a low grade of paper and would break down to almost nothing during the recycling process. So, they are not recyclable.
- 5) **False**, glass, paper, metal and plastic are all processed using a comingled “single stream” process. These items can be recycled at home together and separated by sophisticated equipment at the recycling facility.
- 6) **True**, aluminum foil is made of the same material as aluminum cans and is very recyclable. Throw your “clean” foil with your other comingled recyclables.
- 7) **True**, plastics #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7 are the only plastics that can be recycled now – NOT #6.
- 8) **True**, plastic grocery bags CANNOT be recycled with the comingled recyclables; however, they can easily be recycled at the grocery store in the containers near the front entrances. A better idea would be to carry reusable tote bags for bringing home groceries - thus eliminating the need for plastic bags for purchases.
- 9) **True, and False**, paper back books are recyclable, hard cover books are not.
- 10) **True**, no motor oil, insecticide, herbicide or hazardous chemical containers can be recycled

West County EMS and Fire Protection District Is Going Green!

The West County EMS & Fire Protection District has announced the start of a “Single Stream Material” pilot recycling program. Each of the Districts three firehouses and the administrative offices are participating. The District hopes to implement a recycling policy later this spring.

E-CYCLE-MANIA - May 9

Delmar Baptist Church, 1001 Municipal Center Drive, plans to host E-CYCLE-MANIA on

Saturday, May 9 from 10:00 A.M.- 1:00 P.M.

Bring any e-cycle item (anything electronic or anything with a cord) to our church parking lot. A fee applies for some items. Check out our website delmarbc.org for more details.



MEETINGS & EVENTS

**All meetings subject to change*

MARCH 2009

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
Mar 17	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
Mar 19	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Mar 23	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Mar 23	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Mar 25	Wed	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Staff Review (Municipal Center)
Mar 25	Wed	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)

APRIL 2009

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
Apr 02	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Apr 04	Sat	9:00AM	Arbor Day (Longview Farm)
Apr 07	Tue	7:00PM	Conservation Commission (Municipal Center)
Apr 09	Thu	7:00PM	Community Relations Commission (Longview Farm)
Apr 13	Mon	4:00PM	Architectural Review Board – Staff Review (Municipal Center)
Apr 13	Mon	4:30PM	Architectural Review Board (Municipal Center)
Apr 13	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Apr 13	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Apr 16	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Apr 20	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Adjustment (Municipal Center)
Apr 20	Mon	6:30PM	Parks & Trails Commission (Longview Farm)
Apr 21	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
Apr 22	Wed	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission-Staff Review (Municipal Center)
Apr 22	Wed	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Apr 25	Sat	10:00AM	Earth Day Event (Town & Country Crossing)
Apr 27	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Apr 27	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)

MAY 2009

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
May 05	Tue	7:00PM	Conservation Commission (Municipal Center)
May 07	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
May 11	Mon	4:00PM	Architectural Review Board – Staff Review (Municipal Center)
May 11	Mon	4:30PM	Architectural Review Board (Municipal Center)
May 11	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
May 11	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
May 14	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
May 14	Thu	7:00PM	Community Relations Commission (Longview Farm)

May 16	Sat	8:00AM	Youth Fishing Derby (Longview Farm Park)
May 18	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Adjustment (Municipal Center)
May 18	Mon	6:30PM	Parks & Trails Commission (Longview Farm)
May 19	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
May 25	Mon	HOLIDAY-CITY OFFICES CLOSED	
May 26	Tue	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
May 26	Tue	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
May 27	Wed	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission-Staff Review (Municipal Center)
May 27	Wed	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)

JUNE 2009

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
Jun 02	Tue	7:00PM	Conservation Commission (Municipal Center)
Jun 04	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Jun 08	Mon	4:00PM	Architectural Review Board – Staff Review (Municipal Center)
Jun 08	Mon	4:30PM	Architectural Review Board (Municipal Center)
Jun 08	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Jun 08	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Jun 11	Thu	7:00PM	Community Relations Commission (Longview Farm)
Jun 15	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Adjustment (Municipal Center)
Jun 15	Mon	6:30PM	Parks & Trails Commission (Longview Farm)
Jun 16	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
Jun 17	Wed	2:00PM	American Red Cross Blood Drive (Municipal Center)
Jun 18	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Jun 22	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Jun 22	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Jun 24	Wed	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission-Staff Review (Municipal Center)
Jun 24	Wed	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Jun 27	Sat	6:00PM	Fire & Ice (Westminster Academy)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
Apr 04	Sat	12:00PM	Equine Assisted Egg Hunt (Longview Farm)
Apr 08	Wed	12:00PM	Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce Lunch Meeting (Marriott West)
May 13	Wed	12:00PM	Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce Lunch Meeting (Marriott West)
Jun 10	Wed	12:00PM	Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce Lunch Meeting (Marriott West)
Jun 13	Sat	10:00AM	Town & Country Garden Club Garden Tour



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Saturday, April 4th • Longview Farm Park • 9 AM-Noon ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION



The City is celebrating its 8th year as a designated Tree City USA! To mark this accomplishment we will be passing out **FREE native Missouri seedlings** to all residents. In addition, children can enjoy getting their hands dirty digging for “worms,” pet live bunnies, and enjoy an Egg Hunt (see description below).

10 AM - Presentation by Chris Nejelski, Plants of Merit Program Coordinator from the Missouri Botanical Garden

This year, the City, in coordination with the Mason Ridge Garden Club, is joining the Plants of Merit Program. The program aims to raise the public’s awareness of beautiful and environmentally friendly plants for the home landscape. The program centers on a list -- of regionally proven annuals, perennials, shrubs, vines and trees. Chris Nejelski will present information on the program and designate the Longview Farm House Gardens as a Plant of Merit site.

Saturday, April 4th • Longview Farm Park • Noon EGG HUNT

Equine Assisted Therapy will host a fundraising Egg Hunt beginning at Noon.

Bring your own basket/bag and wear your speedy shoes to hunt for those eggs! After you collect your eggs, they will be weighed and you will earn a gift certificate to go shopping at the Country Store (set up in the barn) where you can “purchase” prizes of all kinds.

Registration is required for this event and will begin at 11 AM in or near the barn. Cost is \$10 and goes towards food and care for the horses.



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