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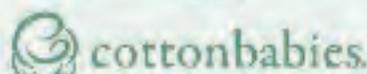
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*The mission of the City of Town & Country is to maintain a hospitable environment for our residents and other stakeholders and to foster a "sense of community" among ourselves through the following values:
Integrity, Respect, Fiscal Responsibility, Safety and Security, Quality of Life, Community, and Excellence!*

AN OVERVIEW OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS AT WORK IN TOWN & COUNTRY



It is often said that “if you love the law or sausage, don’t watch either one being made.” Despite how mind-boggling and frustrating the legislative process under our democratic system of government may sometimes appear, many people have a far better understanding of how our government works on the national and state levels than on the local level. In Town & Country, we take great pride in the inclusive, careful and deliberative process we employ in conducting the City’s business, and I find that the more members of our community learn about how and why the City functions the way it does, the more they grow to respect, trust and appreciate the services it provides. To this end, I would like to provide some insight into the systems and processes which guide the legislative process in Town & Country.

Inclusiveness Over Expediency

Although the issues facing Town & Country are necessarily ultra localized, and thereby lack some of the gravitas associated with matters of state or federal debate, our response to those issues often has immediate and lasting personal impact. As a result, throughout my administration, I have held fast to a guiding principle when considering and enacting legislation—to ensure as much transparency and inclusiveness throughout all stages of the process. In many cases, this commitment may extenuate and complicate the legislative process, but after many years of working in and around government, I have found no reasonable justification for abandoning it in the interest of expediency or otherwise. Stated differently, I firmly believe that government can effect the best results only after sufficient effort is made to solicit input from all interested parties or authorities, the invaluable “body of knowledge” is shared with all stakeholders and decision makers, and efforts to craft productive compromise or comprehensive solutions are made. Several recent examples that reflect this style of governance should give you a deeper understanding of how we do business throughout Town & Country in general and meetings of the Board of Aldermen in particular.



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Longview Farm Parking Situation.

Several months ago, the Board of Aldermen received a recommendation from the Parks and Trails Commission to analyze the parking situation at

Longview Farm Park, given concerns over collected data that reflected parking violations occurring nearly 30 percent of the time. In essence, the recommendation was to hire an engineering firm to perform a feasibility study regarding parking options on existing and/or nearby space, including associated cost estimates.



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The challenge to gain additional parking capability without materially affecting the quality or nature of Longview Farm has been an arduous one. Moreover, a clear understanding of the inadequacy of current parking lots was not put forth, which is certainly a critical prerequisite for considering any alternative plan or action. Given the expense of the proposed study (nearly \$20,000), the Board of Aldermen decided to assess the parking situation internally. To support these efforts, I appointed an ad-hoc committee with instructions to conduct public hearings, gather information on all options (including the possibility that we need not do anything at this time), and to serve as a resource for the City on this apparent public safety concern. This approach not only generated immediate savings for the City, but it also allowed for a comprehensive, objective approach to the issue.

The Ad-Hoc Committee on Longview Farm Parking includes representatives from the City’s Board of Aldermen,

Planning & Zoning Commission, Parks and Trails Commission, Police Commission, and a representative from Wheatfield Subdivision (which directly adjoins the park). Upon formation, the Committee conducted a Town Hall Meeting, during which an array of previously proposed options were presented to all interested parties, along with a cost and impact analysis of each option. In addition, extensive public comments were recorded for future consideration. The Parks and Trails Commission was adamant that green space not be sacrificed to create additional parking, but remained concerned over the apparent parking space deficiency. After considering public comments and associated issues, while taking into account the valuable input from the Parks and Trails Commission, the Committee decided that before any decision can or should be made, we would test the premise by performing a scientific traffic study through this fall, which will better quantify the parking load at Longview Farm Park.

Once the parking data is collected, the Committee will reconvene to review and discuss it, and a report and recommendation will be made to the Board of Aldermen. At that time, after a thorough review of the Committee's findings, the Board of Aldermen will determine whether there is sufficient evidence to support making adjustments to available parking at Longview Farm, and if so, the most ideal proposal to execute.

Clayton Road Improvements and Pedestrian Trail. Over three years ago, a plan for the implementation of a multi-use pedestrian facility along Clayton Road from Longview Farm Park to Bopp Road was conceived by the Parks and Trails Commission as an extension of the Parks and Trails Master Plan. We were successful in utilizing resources available from the federal government in order to make the expanded trail system possible. This multiphase project has numerous moving parts that impact many residents, while unquestionably creating a wonderful public asset for our community that will be enjoyed for generations. Given its magnitude, the City has taken a very



proactive approach to involving all stakeholders in the complex process of project development. First, an ad hoc committee that was put into place consisting of members of the community and supported by city staff. In addition, numerous town hall gatherings were conducted. Significantly, a comprehensive resident survey was employed to make many baseline decisions, such as whether members of the community preferred two versus three traffic lanes. One-on-one

meetings with impacted residents and subdivision trustees have been invaluable in refining the plan, and both new and improved concepts continue to be collected by the Clayton Road Task Force as this major undertaking approaches its ground-breaking.

Going forward, we will maintain our comprehensive trail system utilizing this in-depth process to encourage stakeholders across the community to take ownership in this regionally significant project. Over the next 18 months, the project will become reality when many major areas of Town & Country finally become interconnected.



Solar Arrays. The City recently approved a residential solar collector system, an innovative yet so far not widely used form of home energy production, to enhance the goal of one of our residents to build a so-called "environmentally sensitive home." The forward-thinking work of our Green Team Commission is evidence that our City strongly supports efforts to sustain our environment and conserve energy; however, in this instance, we had to carefully evaluate the impact of this new form of conservation on the surrounding neighborhood. By adopting a thoughtful approach, we were able to successfully support the applicant, while recognizing the project's effect on neighboring homeowners.

Between August 2010, when the resident applied for the permit, and March 2011, when the Board of Aldermen approved it, the City held seven public meetings, including two formal public hearings, to review the application, plans and comments from neighbors and the public. As a result of the intensive, thorough, time-consuming, public review of the plans, as well as many discussions between the applicant and his neighbors, the final plan that our Board of Aldermen approved provides both the energy conservation sought by



Proposed trail as it passes in front of the Town & Country Fire House at the intersection of Clayton Road and Mason Road.

the applicant and the permanent landscape screening important to the neighbors. We applaud the cooperative efforts of all who were involved in developing the final plans for this project, including the gracious nature of the applicant, the tolerance of certain neighbors and the sincere interest and support of the subdivision trustees.

A byproduct of this deliberative process was the identification of potential deficiencies in our existing green space ordinances and public notice requirements, which will be further evaluated now that the project has been approved. While questions of first impression such as this often take longer to conclude given concern over setting precedent, we are in the process of completing a draft ordinance that will address both solar and wind energy collectors for further adjudication on similar applications. We expect to bring this ordinance forward for full public review in the near future.

A Deer Management Update

As you know, among our most challenging issues is the commingling of wildlife with our suburban life. This summer, the Board of Aldermen will receive a staff report that will provide a menu of strategy options related to the ongoing process of deer management, a timeline to reach the population goal, and relevant cost estimates. As always, your elected representatives will evaluate the information and pursue the most appropriate measures to achieve the proper balance between the esthetic and natural qualities of our community and our residents' right to maintain their properties and travel safely on our roadways.

In recent years, our efforts in the area of deer management are an excellent example of the diligence of our elected officials who are dedicated to public service, substantive and qualitative input from community members, and creative solutions to complex issues. In 2007, in response to citizen complaints, I appointed a Deer Task Force that represented a cross-section of views on urban deer management. The Task Force met over twenty times, heard countless hours of testimony, held a public forum attended by several hundred residents, and hosted an Experts Forum in July of 2008. The City also contracted with Dr. Terry Jones of the University of Missouri to further determine the opinions of Town and Country residents on the issues surrounding deer. Based upon the tireless work of the Task Force and many involved residents, an unprecedented plan was developed and implemented in 2009 that blended lethal and non-lethal strategies into a comprehensive program that addressed both short and long-term deer management. In addition, the City demonstrated its commitment to address resident concerns by its substantive financial commitment, expending nearly \$170,000 to implement Task Force recommendations.

Perhaps the best illustration of the collaborative effort and community spirit present in Town and Country occurred in 2010, when a plan was developed that combined both public and private resources to continue the progress that began with the 2009 program, which reduced the deer herd by approximately

eight percent. Citizens not only contributed to the dialogue necessary in the political process, but financially contributed over \$55,000 to support either lethal or non-lethal strategies of deer management, depending on their personal views. In this potentially divisive context, we were proud that we were able to successfully address deer management in this way, and the civility of the process was a superb reflection of the values that make Town and Country such an exceptional community.

Town Hall Meetings and Task Forces Produce Invaluable Information



While this article has referenced several matters that have generated significant community interest as illustration of our commitment to thoroughly and comprehensively evaluate our residents' concerns, the purpose of citizen input goes much further than simply providing a public forum for the airing of differences. In

many cases, such public input provides great ideas, suggestions and much needed direction.



To further demonstrate the City's interest in engaging our residents in the issues facing Town & Country, since 2008, we have held no less than eight major public forums on topics such as Deer Management, Solid Waste/Recycling, Parks and Trails Master Plan, Clayton Road/Clayton Road Trail Improvement, and Longview Farm Park Parking. Of course, public forums represent just one manner in which we gain valuable insight from residents. Whether it is a meeting of the Board of Alderman, Planning & Zoning Commission, Board of Adjustment, or any of our nine commissions and special tasks forces, every official meeting conducted by the City is open to the public, and public comment is welcomed and encouraged.

Public input also comes to me and other elected officials by means of our department heads and various City employees, the

numerous subdivision meetings that City staff and I attend, the emails, letters and telephone calls we receive on a regular basis, and conversations we have with residents at local establishments and while attending events throughout the community.

Why “Eight to Zero Votes” are not Unusual

As should be obvious from the foregoing, a great deal of thought and analysis precedes the introduction of legislation in Town & Country. Stated differently, I firmly believe that simply because one has been endowed with the public trust through elected office, and thereby empowered to enact laws, the best way to discharge



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one’s duties is not necessarily by passing new legislation. Accordingly, before an ordinance is introduced in our City, the impacted subject matter is considered from all perspectives and expert advice is widely sought, as

discussed above. Thereafter, if a new ordinance is deemed necessary, it is carefully drafted and then distributed in order to allow for review by all interested parties.

Once we ensure that the ordinance has been written to address the specific issue, while avoiding the creation of unintended consequences, the bill is placed on our agenda and made public. Prior to each Board of Aldermen meeting, I always schedule a “Work Session”, which is an informal gathering of members of the Board of Aldermen that takes place immediately before the meeting itself and is always open to the public. The purpose of this Work Session is to afford Aldermen the opportunity to discuss all agenda items, hear substantive presentations on matters before the Board and inquire of staff and their colleagues on areas of concern. This open exchange affords me the opportunity to decide if matters before the Board are in a position to proceed, or if further study, evaluation of options, or negotiations toward compromise are merited. If questions remain, a proposed ordinance might require the advice of legal counsel, input from one of our Commissions, or feedback from subdivision trustees or other stakeholders as discussed above. On the contrary, if the circumstances are fully understood, the formal proceedings continue.

After publication on the agenda and during the Regular Meeting, a bill is “first read” by announcing its subject and continuing debate to the next meeting of the Board, which is typically two weeks hence. During the intervening two weeks, or more in some cases, improvements to the bill are considered at numerous levels. Thereafter, at the next meeting, the bill is “second read” and the formal process of amending the bill takes place. After all amendments are considered and either adopted

or rejected, a final roll call vote on the proposed legislation is taken and announced.

Given the extensive consideration afforded all legislation in Town & Country preceding the final roll call vote, we have very few votes that are not unanimous. On this point, I have received comment by some unfamiliar with our collaborative approach to government who have suggested that this is not a desirable result. In light of the extraordinary efforts we put forth to properly evaluate legislation before we can achieve consensus, I disagree with such a conclusion and would submit that in light of our “high touch” deliberations, an 8-0 vote by the Board is not only appropriate, but expected. Naturally, there will always be an exception to the rule, because philosophical disagreements may sometimes prevent finding common ground, but in nearly all cases, our open, honest and engaging process leads to unanimous support. In other words, 8-0 votes do not happen by accident, but rather reflect our ultimate commitment to seek solutions that will have the most positive impact on our community. It is simply how we do business in Town & Country.

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When former U.S. Speaker of the House Tip O’Neill first coined the phrase “All politics is local”, he was describing the inextricable relationship between an elected official’s success and his ability to comprehend and act upon the specific concerns of his constituents. In Town & Country, we continuously strive to not just identify the issues facing our community, but to effect comprehensive, effective and long-term resolutions to those issues. I hope the foregoing has provided you with some insight on not only how your City develops and implements policy, but why we do things the way we do. Nobody in the business world will likely look at our system of government and adopt it as a model of efficiency. Nevertheless, if our goal is accomplishing the best result for our diverse community, while respecting the interests of all of our citizens, Town & Country should be and is recognized for doing things the right way. Understanding that arriving at a solution that will please everyone every time is impossible, we will continue to make every effort to address individual residents’ concerns, while investing sufficient time, effort and resources towards doing what is best for the community as a whole.

On behalf of the entire City of Town & Country, I wish you and yours a fun-filled, safe and relaxing summer.

All the best,

Jonathan F. Dalton
Mayor

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Newly elected Aldermen were sworn in at the April 25 Board of Aldermen meeting. Incumbent Aldermen Lynn Wright, Tim Welby and Fred Meyland Smith were joined by newly elected Alderman Jon Benigas, who was previously an Alderman from 2007-2009.



New Businesses in Town & Country

Apex Systems

520 Maryville University Drive
Suite 420

Design Expressions

1715 Deer Tracks Trail
Suite 140

Paycor

425 S. Woodsmill Road
Suite 225

Synergy Home Care

12225 Clayton Rd.



DIANA KAUFMAN RETIRES

The City of Town & Country would like to wish Diana Kaufman, Administrative Assistant in the Development Office, a very happy retirement! Diana served the City with dedication for the past 15 years. Anyone who has needed a building permit in Town & Country has worked with Diana. She happily responded to countless residents' requests over the years. Her reliability is only topped by her sense of humor - Diana's wittiness and kindness will be sorely missed. The City thanks Diana for her hard work and wishes her all the best in the next chapter of her life!

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

During the early morning hours of March 24, *Gregg Meyer*, a resident who lives off of Topping Road, observed at least two subjects acting suspiciously near their vehicle parked on the street near his house. Concerned about the safety of his neighbors, he called the police.

Upon the arrival of the first police officer, the two subjects fled from the scene. Apparently the subjects were attempting unsuccessfully to load a large screen television into a passenger vehicle when Mr. Meyer had observed them.

It was later determined that the subjects had burglarized a



*Greg Meyer receives award from
Police Chief John Copeland*

nearby house and stole the television, along with other items, while the victims slept. Both subjects were identified and taken into custody.

The alert action of Mr. Meyer brought a quick closure to a crime that could have alarmed our community. For his concern for his neighbors and valued partnership with the Police Department in detecting criminal activity, Chief

Copeland presented Mr. Meyer with a *COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD* at the April 26 meeting of the Police Commission.



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Join Us for our Summer Luncheons

The Town & Country– Frontenac Chamber of Commerce has announced an exciting guest speaker line-up for their monthly membership luncheons this Summer that take place on the second Wednesday of each month.

On June 8

Steve Grelle, Business Development Officer for the St. Louis County Economic Council will discuss business financing options and other services provided through the St. Louis County Economic Council as well as an overview of what banks and other financial institutions look for when doing a small business loan.

On July 13

Meet the new Superintendent for the Parkway School District. Dr. Keith Marty will share his vision for education in our community & for connections with our business partners to improve economic vitality.

On August 10

Bob Boles, local business Columnist and Counselor for SCORE will give an overview of SCORE including what SCORE resources are available to local businesses or anyone who is interested in starting a business, completely FREE of charge.

More Info

All luncheons begin with networking at 11:30am. Cost to attend is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Please visit our website at tcfchamber.com to find out where each luncheon will be held and to RSVP. You do not have to be a member of the Chamber to attend our events.

The Chamber board continuously acknowledge community needs and strive to find solutions and develop benefits to member businesses. Check us out for yourself! *When a Chamber gains and retains members, we can make a greater difference in our community.*

POLICE MEMORIAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

The St. Louis Area Police Chiefs' Memorial Prayer Breakfast is an annual tribute to those men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving in their law enforcement careers. This year marked the 20th anniversary of this moving event. Chairing the committee for this event has been a pleasure and honor for Town & Country Police Chief John Copeland for the past four years, and this year special effort was made to make it extraordinary. On April 28, 920 police officers, mayors, elected officials, administrators, families of previously fallen officers and law enforcement supporters attended the breakfast. Unfortunately, this year, one name was added to the roll call - Sergeant Joe Schuengel, the St. Louis County Police Department pilot whose helicopter crashed last October. Governor Jay Nixon was the guest speaker, and Attorney General Chris Koster made opening remarks. As he has for many years, Joe Buck was the master of ceremonies. The Prayer Breakfast is a visible display of support for those officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty, and for those men and women who face danger every day.



POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

D.A.R.E. GRADUATION AT CHURCHILL

On April 7th students from the Churchill Center and School graduated from the 10-week DARE program. Officer Chris Hunt taught the course that not only helps to equip our next generation of community leaders and citizens to live their lives free from illegal and harmful substances, but the interaction between police officers and the children will hopefully forge a relationship that will last into their adult years.



MENTORING FUTURE LAW ENFORCEMENT LEADERS

The police department is very active in preparing the next generation of criminal justice practitioners in a variety of programs and activities. Here is a sampling of just a few.

A senior at Francis Howell High School shadowed Officer Kent Berry as part of her senior leadership class. Mariah, the granddaughter of retired police clerk Cleta Rosales, intends to enter the field of law enforcement in the area of forensic investigation. She experienced a taste of traffic control duties when the police department had to assist Ameren with closing Mason Road due to a downed tree and wires.

John Mayer, a criminal justice major at Maryville University, completed a 150 hour internship with the Police Department in May. He was very conscientious with the myriad of duties we asked him to perform.

John is the first intern to actually have received a "Good Stop" award that is bestowed upon officers who go above and beyond during their patrol or investigative duties. John was riding with one of our officers when they made a "routine" traffic stop on I-270. After making his initial contact with the two occupants our officer turned his back to walk to his patrol car. Attentive, John noticed that the passenger was making furtive movements in an attempt to conceal an object(s). As soon as the officer got back into the patrol vehicle John conveyed his observations. Already alerted to their nervous behavior, our officer searched the area where the objects were concealed and discovered contraband. Given their prior criminal history for the illegal distribution of drugs, this was a very pertinent observation. In the photo Officer Berry retrieves an item during a frisk and hands it to John. John intends to begin his Police Academy training in June.



MARYVILLE UNIVERSITY TRAINING

In April officers from the police department trained criminal justice students at Maryville University on the correct procedures in conducting car stops, searches, and felony arrests. The students were taking a course to prepare them for the police academy upon graduation. The CJ coordinator from the University gave high accolades to Kent Berry, who coordinated the training, along with Officer Danny Palmer and Sergeant John Flanagan.

SPRING CRIME SURVEY

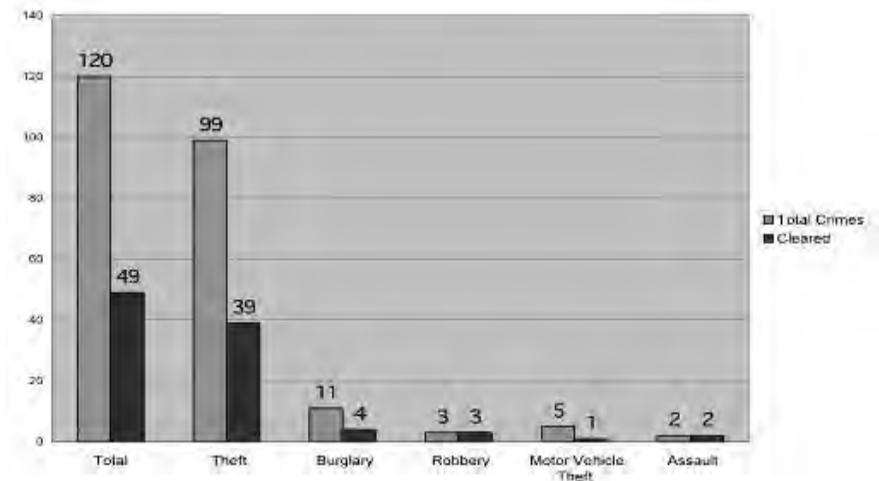
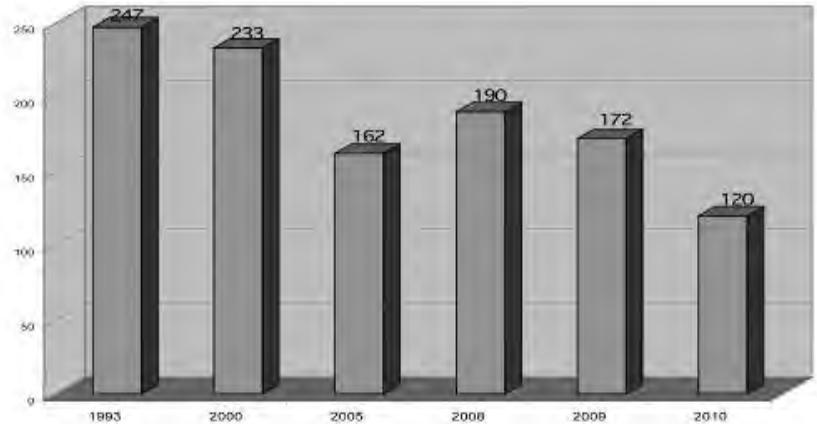
Did you know...

- That 2010 had the lowest crime rate in the City's history since the original annexation of 1983?

Major crime in the United States is categorized as Part One offenses, which are reportable to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting system. Part One offenses include murder, rape, robbery, burglary, arson, theft and serious assaults. This year part one offenses decreased from 172 to 120. The majority of the Part One offenses (99) were thefts. The second chart shows the Part One offenses by category, as well as the number of clearances for each one.

Reducing crime does not "just happen", but takes a concerted effort by many individuals. The patrol strategies employed by the police department have been recognized in national police management publications and the participation of community members in programs such as the Citizens Police Academy and the Community Emergency Response Team are examples of the partnerships necessary for safe communities. There are also over 500 Town and Country households who receive timely notices when crime occurs which are sent out through the email alert system available through the City's website (see the CPSN box on this page).

Together we are making Town and Country not only one of the premier cities in the region, but one of the safest.



Stay Informed With Timely Updates From Your Town and Country Police Department

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 citizens and businesses.

The CPSN is available via e-mail. If a significant incident should occur in or around the City of Town and Country, the Police Department will send out a special alert to keep you informed. So if you would like to become part of this

important network that links the community with your 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) and you will receive email updates as soon as they are broadcast.

Enrolling is easy – once on the city's home page click on "Email Subscription Lists" on the left tool bar and then click on "new subscriber." You can immediately begin to receive Public Notices via e-mail, including crime alerts and notices from your choice of boards and commissions.

TEN YEARS LATER: 9/11 COMMEMORATION

On September 11th the United States will commemorate the tenth anniversary of the attacks upon our nation, and upon liberty, that occurred in 2001. Some leaders from our community have stepped forward and are planning an event in Town and Country that will celebrate our nation's heritage and demonstrate the spirit of patriotism that swept our nation in response to the attacks. Stay tuned for more details!

Photo: The 2009 "March to the Arch," led by Bo Drochelmann, as they near Mari de Villa on Clayton Road. A West County EMS & Fire Protection District fire truck brings up the rear.

The March to the Arch is a 21-mile memorial walk that begins in Town and Country at Duffy's Grill and concludes at the base of the Gateway Arch. The walk was started by St. Louis businessman Bo Drochelmann on 9-11-02 when he walked the route by himself in remembrance of those who lost their lives on 9/11--and for all other fallen Americans. Bo Drochelmann decided to walk the distance at close to four o'clock in the afternoon that day after leaving a note for his wife. "I just felt I had to do something, and it had to be a sacrifice of some sort," Drochelmann said. "It couldn't be easy. Writing a check

would not be sufficient. I almost needed the physical trauma of the walk to cleanse the hurt and anger. It was a momentary release and a feeling of satisfaction that I did something to show these people that I cared."

For more information go to www.marchtothearch.com



TOWN & COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB

Garden Tour

SATURDAY, JULY 9

Our beautiful gardens of Town & Country again will be on a Garden Tour, Saturday, July 9, 2011.

This year's lovely gardens include a "passion for pink" garden, a water garden and a cottage garden.

Tickets can be purchased at the Town & Country Municipal Center for \$12 prior to the Tour (please call first for ticket availability – 314 587-2804). On the day of the Tour, tickets will be available for \$15 at the Longview Farm House, 13525 Clayton Road from 10:00AM until 2:00PM. Cash or checks only, please.

For information regarding tickets, please call Mary Olsen at the Municipal Center at 314-587-2804. For information about the tour, please call the Town & Country Garden Club President, Ann Barron at 314 229-8686.





The West Central Dispatch Center is in full operation, providing public safety communication services for Town and Country, Creve Coeur and Frontenac. The center is housed at the Town and Country Municipal Center.

The new center features four dispatch consoles, state of the art equipment, and interoperability with other agencies. The Center is staffed by a General Manager and 12 full-time Dispatchers.

A quick overview for Town and Country telephone numbers is provided below:

911

- Medical or fire emergencies
- For all incidents involving an ongoing threat to life or property
- “In-progress” calls, such as suspicious persons or suspicious vehicles
- Vehicle crashes
- Any incident in which a timely police response is necessary

314-737-4600

- To request non-emergency police services
- To report a crime or incident that is NOT “in-progress” or “just occurred”
- To report an incident in which there is not an imminent threat to life or property

314-432-4696

- Main telephone number for general inquiries
- To request police reports, vacation checks, or to speak to administrative staff

www.town-and-country.org

Attention Local Artisans and Crafters

The Town and Country Community Relations Commission is seeking talented artisans and crafters to participate in the annual

**TOWN & COUNTRY
TALENTS AND TREASURES
HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE**

**Saturday, November 12
Longview Farm House**

For more information, please go to www.town-and-country.org, click on Holiday Boutique in the right side column for vendor application, or contact Mary Olsen at olsenm@town-and-country.org or 314-587-2804

SHOPPERS – SAVE THE DATE!!



**TOWN & COUNTRY
VETERINARY
HOSPITAL
SELECTED AS ONE
OF THE "BEST
PLACES TO PAMPER
YOUR PET"**

Congratulations to Town & Country Veterinary Hospital for finishing as one of the "Best Places to Pamper Your Pet" as selected by readers of Ladue News. Town & Country Veterinary Hospital, owned by Dr. Stacey Wallach, has received this award each year the hospital has been open. Town & Country Veterinary Hospital is the only veterinary hospital in the St. Louis area to receive this prestigious award as given by the general public.

Dr. Wallach can be seen on Sunday mornings on KSDK (channel 5) during the 9am newscast several times per month covering pet related topics. Dr. Wallach also provides the community with answers to their pet related questions through a column at Patch.com (Town and Country-Manchester).

Town & Country Veterinary Hospital is proud to serve a regular clientele from all over the St. Louis area and surrounding counties.

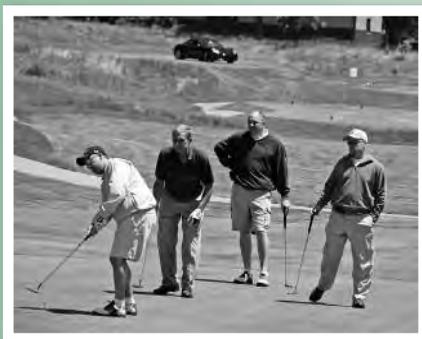
GREENS FOR GREENS CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Carson MacInnis, Mike Caruso, Al MacInnis and Ken Butler.

The annual Greens for Green charity golf tournament was held at Annbriar Golf Course in Waterloo on May 16th. The police charity has raised over \$100,000 for Missouri Special Olympics, BackStoppers, domestic violence victims' advocacy organizations and numerous other charities. The tournament was a huge success thanks to all of the corporate sponsors, donors and participants. Our "celebrity" golfers included Aldermen Steve Fons, Phil Behnen, and Al Gerber; as well as sports celebs that included Hall of Famers Al MacInnis and Whitey Herzog. Also on hand were Blues head coach Davis Payne and former Blues player Tony Twist.

Early figures indicate that this year's tournament raised over \$15,000 for area charities. The 501 (c) (3) charitable organization has earned well over \$100,000 since its inception that began in the '90's with Special Olympic softball tournaments. Officer Paul Wilson donates much of his time to make this one of the most sought after golf tournaments in the area.



Town & Country police officers Tom Walker, Dan Wagener, Chip Unterberg and Chris Moore.



Rams players Craig Dahl, Josh Brown and Brit Miller.

Captain Gary Hoelzer, West Co. EMS & Fire Chief Dave Frazier, Mayor Jon Dalton, Alderman Al Gerber, Alderman Steve Fons

Save the Date!

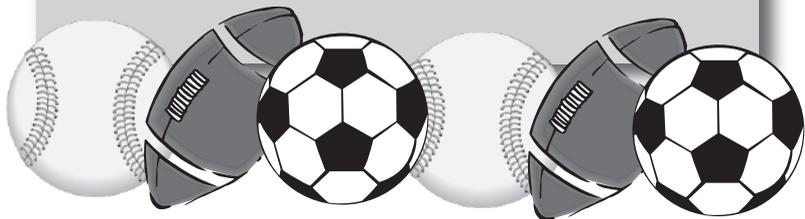


Fall Festival & Clayton Road Classic October 22

The same great Fall Festival will be held in conjunction with the NEW Clayton Rd. Classic bicycle ride. The ride is being organized by the Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce, the City of Town & Country, and the City of Frontenac. Both events will take place on Saturday, October 22.

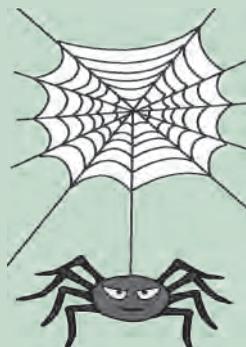
FIELD LOTTERY NEW PROCEDURES!

CBC High School is going to host the fall field lottery. Please check the CBC website www.cbccadets.org for the date and procedures. You may also contact the CBC Athletic Director, David Hill, at 314-985-6100 for more information.



Poisonous and Venomous Things

Are you or your children leery about going outside for fear of snakes, spiders, or poison ivy? Well, have no fear. With a bit of know-how you can easily learn to identify some common outdoor hazards and safely enjoy the great Missouri outdoors.



Date: Tuesday, July 19

Time: 9:30-10:15 AM

Location: Drace Park Pavilion

Instructor: Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) Naturalist

Age: 6 & Older

Fee: FREE!

Call 314-434-1215 to register. Space is limited!

APRIL PARK MILES COMPETITION WINNERS!

Congratulations to the following park walkers and runners. They logged the most miles in their respective park during the month of April.

Kathy and Craig Anderson-35 miles each-
Longview Farm Park

Claire-22 miles-Drace Park



TOWN & COUNTRY/ CREVE COEUR JUNIOR TENNIS CAMPS

Preservation Park Tennis Courts (12625 N. Outer 40)

Learn the fundamentals of tennis!

8 am - 10 am Intermediate and teens

10 am - 12 pm Beginners ages 4-8 & 9-12

Week 1 June 6 -10

Week 2 June 13 -17

Week 3 June 20 - 24

Week 4 June 27-July 1

Week 5 July 11 -15

Week 6 July 18 - 22

Week 7 July 25 - 29

Week 8 August 1 - 5

Week 9 August 8 - 12

\$120/week

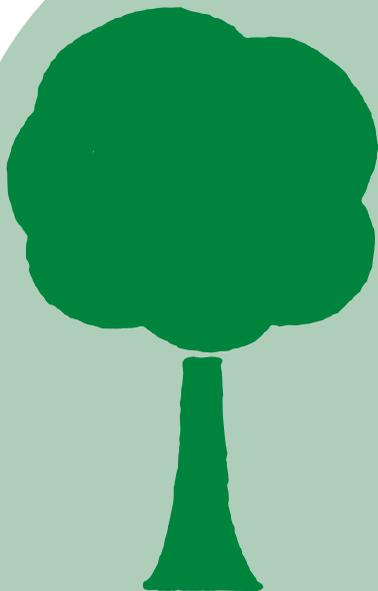
To register call Theresa at 314-432-3961.



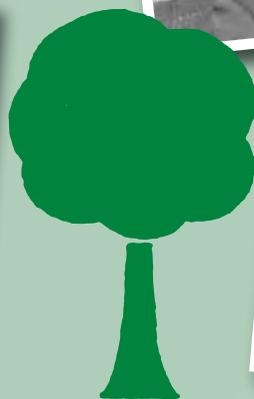
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Parks and Recreation

ARBOR DAY



The City's Arbor Day celebration was held on April 16th. A steady stream of Town & Country residents braved the cold, windy day to get their free seedlings. Children enjoyed the refreshments, the earth-friendly crafts, and the emergency vehicles provided by West County Fire & EMS! Thank you to the aldermen, garden clubs and commission members who volunteered to make this event possible!



Missouri Baptist Medical Center Community Outreach

All programs are free-of-charge (except the AARP drivers safety program) and reservations are required. Please call 314-996-5433, or 800-392-0936, for reservations and specific locations or visit www.missouribatpist.org.

Health Screenings

Cholesterol & Glucose Screenings at Your Neighborhood Dierbergs.

Cardiologists recommend that you monitor your cholesterol and glucose on a regular basis. To make it easy, Missouri Baptist will provide FREE screenings in the pharmacy department at your neighborhood Dierbergs Markets. This screening is FREE and measures your glucose, total cholesterol and HDL. No fasting is required – advance appointments are recommended.

- Dierbergs Warson Woods – Wednesday, July, 27, 3-6 p.m.
- Dierbergs Wildwood Town Center, Wednesday, August 10, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Dierbergs Manchester, Wednesday, August 24, 3-6 p.m.

Bone Density Screening

This FREE bone density screening can help determine your risk for osteoporosis. This screening is only available to post-menopausal women, who are not currently being treated for the disease. Appointments recommended.

Thursday, August 25, 4-7 p.m.

Missouri Baptist Outpatient Center – Sunset Hills, 3844 South Lindbergh Blvd.

Prostate Cancer Screening

This year, experts predict nearly 200,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer. Early detection and effective treatment can make a difference. This FREE screening sponsored by Missouri Baptist and Urology Consultants, includes a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test and digital rectal exam. Please take advantage of this screening, if you are a man age 50 and 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.

Saturday, Sept. 17, 8-noon, Missouri Baptist Cancer Center

Lunch and Learn...

Carotid Artery Disease and Stroke: What's Your Risk?
Brent Allen, MD, vascular surgeon

Carotid artery disease usually develops slowly and often goes unnoticed. The first outward clue may be a stroke or a transient ischemic attack. In fact, approximately 75 percent of carotid artery disease patients do not have any symptoms. Join Dr. Allen for lunch and a discussion about your risk for carotid artery disease, how it's diagnosed, what symptoms to look for, and what treatments are available. Box lunches will be provided. Tuesday, August 16, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Jewish Community Center – Staenberg Family Complex, Arts & Education Building, 2 Millstone Campus Dr.

Evening Programs

Heart Disease: The Latest Diagnostic and Treatment Therapies

|Michael Mauney, MD, cardiovascular surgeon
Karthik Ramaswamy, MD, electrophysiologist
David Sewall, MD, interventional cardiologist

One in three Americans is affected by heart disease, the #1 killer of women and men in the United States. Learn more about the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of heart disease when a team of leading cardiac specialist share the latest information on the diagnosis, treatment and prevention from three perspectives: intervention, cardiovascular surgery and electrophysiology. Bring your questions concerning atrial fibrillation and other heart rhythm disorders, pacemakers, congestive heart failure, valvular heart disease, coronary artery disease, heart attacks, coronary catheterizations and stents and the new transcatheter aortic-valve implantation procedure for our panel discussion. Refreshments will be served.

Thursday, August 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Hilton St. Louis Frontenac, 1335 South Lindbergh

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Jewish Community Center – Mildred Fox Complex, 16801 Baxter Road

Multiple Sclerosis Breakthroughs: Advancing Care

Barry Singer, MD, neurologist
Mark Tullman, MD, neurologist

Thanks to pioneering new oral and antibody multiple sclerosis treatment options, individuals living with MS can look forward to a brighter future. Join us for a discussion on the latest research news including positive new clinical trial results. A Q&A session will follow the presentation. Refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, Sept. 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Hilton St. Louis Frontenac, 1335 South Lindbergh

Please call 314-996-5433, or 800-392-0936, for reservations and specific locations or visit www.missouribatpist.org.

AARP Drivers Safety Program

Mike Callahan, AARP, course instructor

This four-hour training will help you tune up your driving skills and discuss normal age-related physical changes and ways to adjust for these changes. Space is limited.

Tuesday, August 9, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Town and Country Municipal Center, 1011 Municipal Center Drive

Fee: \$12 for AARP Members; \$14 for non-AARP members, payable to AARP the day of training.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Thank you to the following groups for giving your time and talents to your local parks. Your dedicated service serves the whole community!

Mr. Hoff's Second Grade Class – The Principia

Youth from Trinity Lutheran Church-Be Like Jesus Event

Upper School Community Service Group-The Principia



Street Improvements

The Public Works Department recently completed the repaving of 10 streets throughout the City. As a part of our ongoing street maintenance and improvement program, the City's roadway network which consists of approximately 60 centerline miles of streets is constantly evaluated and prioritized for improvement. This spring, Delvin Drive, Delvin Court, Barrett Station Road, Tidewater Place, Greenwich Green Lane, Windmoor Place, Ridgemoor Lake Court, Westmoor Place, Town & Country Lane and Covington Place Estates were resurfaced with a 2" asphalt overlay which will extend the life of these streets as well as provide a safer, smoother riding surface for the traveling public.



MEETINGS & EVENTS

**All meetings subject to change*

JUNE 2011

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
June 2	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
June 6	Mon	6:30PM	Conservation Commission (Longview Farm)
June 7	Tue	6:00PM	Public Art Commission (Longview Farm)
June 9	Thu	7:00PM	Community Relations Commission (Longview Farm)
June 13	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
June 13	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
June 16	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
June 20	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Adjustment (Municipal Center)
June 20	Mon	6:30PM	Parks & Trails Commission (Longview Farm)
June 20	Mon	7:00PM	Public Works & Stormwater Commission (Longview Farm)
June 21	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
June 22	Wed	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Staff Review (Municipal Center)
June 22	Wed	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
June 25	Sat	6:30PM	FIRE & ICE - TOWN & COUNTRY CROSSING
June 27	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
June 27	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)

JULY 2011

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
July 4	Mon		HOLIDAY-CITY OFFICES CLOSED
July	TBA	6:30PM	Conservation Commission (Longview Farm)
July 5	Tue	6:00PM	Public Art Commission (Longview Farm)
July 7	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
July 9	Sat	10:00AM	TOWN & COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB GARDEN TOUR
July 11	Mon	4:30PM	Architectural Review Board (Municipal Center)
July 11	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
July 11	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
July 14	Thu	7:00PM	Community Relations Commission (Longview Farm)
July 18	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Adjustment (Municipal Center)
July 18	Mon	6:30PM	Parks & Trails Commission (Longview Farm)
July 18	Mon	7:00PM	Public Works & Stormwater Commission

(Longview Farm)

July 19	Tue	6:00PM	Green Team Commission (Municipal Center)
July 19	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
July 21	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
July 25	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
July 25	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
July 27	Wed	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission-Staff Review (Municipal Center)
July 27	Wed	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)

AUGUST 2011

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
Aug 1	Mon	6:30PM	Conservation Commission (Longview Farm)
Aug 2	Tue	6:00PM	Public Art Commission (Longview Farm)
Aug 4	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Aug 8	Mon	4:30PM	Architectural Review Board (Municipal Center)
Aug 8	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Aug 8	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Aug 11	Thu	7:00PM	Community Relations Commission (Longview Farm)
Aug 15	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Adjustment (Municipal Center)
Aug 15	Mon	6:30PM	Parks & Trails Commission (Longview Farm)
Aug 15	Mon	7:00PM	Public Works & Stormwater Commission (Longview Farm)
Aug 16	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
Aug 18	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Aug 22	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Aug 22	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Aug 24	Wed	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission-Staff Review (Municipal Center)
Aug 24	Wed	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)

SEPTEMBER 2011

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
Sep 5	Mon		HOLIDAY-CITY OFFICES CLOSED
Sep 6	Tue	6:00 PM	Public Art Commission (Longview Farm)
Sep	TBA	6:30PM	Conservation Commission (Longview Farm)

MEETINGS & EVENTS

**All meetings subject to change*

Sep 8	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Sep 8	Thu	7:00PM	Community Relations Commission (Longview Farm)
Sep 12	Mon	4:30PM	Architectural Review Board (Municipal Center)
Sep 12	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)
Sep 12	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Sep 19	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Adjustment (Municipal Center)
Sep 19	Mon	6:30PM	Parks & Trails Commission (Longview Farm)
Sep 19	Mon	7:00PM	Public Works & Stormwater Commission (Longview Farm)
Sep 20	Tue	6:00PM	Green Team Commission (Municipal Center)
Sep 20	Tue	7:00PM	Police Commission (Municipal Center)
Sep 22	Thu	7:00PM	Court (Municipal Center)
Sep 26	Mon	6:00PM	Board of Aldermen Work Session (Municipal Center)

Sep 26	Mon	7:00PM	Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)
Sep	TBA	7:00PM	Planning & Zoning Commission-Staff Review (Municipal Center)
Sep	TBA	7:30PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting (Municipal Center)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING (LOCATION)
June 8	Wed	12:00PM	Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce Lunch Meeting
July 13	Wed	12:00PM	Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce Lunch Meeting
Aug 10	Wed	12:00PM	Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce Lunch Meeting
Sep 14	Wed	12:00PM	Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce Lunch Meeting

Our Commission is a Mouthful

By Mariette Palmer

We are the Town and Country Conservation and Historical Preservation Commission. Journey through neighborhoods like Wheatfield, White Stable Farms, Chatfield and Essex Point to behold the magical little gardens in the center of their cul de sacs, gardens complete with shade trees, flowering plants, benches and stepping stones. Who wouldn't delight in living amongst such lovingly cared for mini-parks, brought into fruition through the Conservation Commission's Beautification Grants, bringing neighbors together and getting neighbors involved with their city government?

Listen into our conversation with Town and Country Historical Society members, Skip Mange, Dennis Bolazina, Jamie Cannon, Claire Chosid, Charlies Hudson, and Mariann Hoffmann as we plan for the opening of their room at Longview Farmhouse. Skip cites the need for a new storage place other than the ones in his basement and the basement at city hall. Claire has been collecting interviews, oral histories, while Mariann has been organizing her book of the history of our city, her oral histories now complete. Jamie Cannon says we need to prioritize structures of significance, those older than

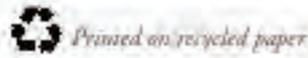
fifty years, those built by renowned architects, such as Bernoudy and the Frank Lloyd Wright home, those occupied by noteworthy persons. Dennis Bolazina states an inventory of every structure needs to be made and recorded.

Attend our festival booths at the Arbor Day Celebration and the Fall Festival, featuring the breaking open of geodes for all young celebrants, digging for archeological treasures at the site designed by Sandra Murdock, rocket stomping spurred on by Dick Palmer. Participate in our meetings where we discuss wildlife management, both non-lethal, as well as lethal methods of population control, acquisition of greenspace, including a current discussion of an available piece of property boasting a home by Bernoudy, our bonds for our present parks having been paid off. Read our booklet *Living with Wildlife*, written in part by our beloved and well-remembered Vice-Chairman Diane Schwartz.

We are the Conservation Commission, residents serving residents for a beautiful, loving, livable community. We are Chairman Al Gerber, Staff Member Anne Nixon, Don Barr, Adrienne Biesterfeldt, Sandy Camillo, Laura Chaney, Hera Gerber, Sandra Murdock, Carl Strasser and Mariette Palmer.



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 June 25
 6:30 pm**

FIRE & ICE

Come enjoy an evening outdoors with your friends and neighbors! Live music by Featherstone Drive Band and co-performances by the Town & Country Symphony Orchestra will fill the air throughout the evening. Come for dinner and enjoy "tastes" and drinks from local restaurants (cash only, please). You will recognize returning favorite restaurants as well as new additions! Children can run and play on the bounce houses for FREE throughout the evening! Bring a lawn chair or blanket as the seating is on a grassy hillside. The night will be capped with a spectacular fireworks display!

Enter the shopping center from Clayton Rd. or Woods Mill Rd. The Town & Country Police Department will be on-site to direct traffic and parking.

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