



# Winchester Newsletter

March 2018

City of Winchester - 109 Lindy Blvd., Winchester, MO 63021-5299

## City Calendar



- March**
- 7 - Court, 7 p.m.
  - 14 - City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
  - ☉ 11- DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins-  
“Spring Forward” - when you turn your  
clocks forward, *change the batteries in your  
smoke detector.*
  - ☘ 17 - ST. PATRICK’S DAY
- April**
- 1 - Reber Park Pavilion & Gazebo may be reserved for dates from April 1<sup>st</sup> - through Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>. Reservations began @ City Hall on February 1<sup>st</sup> -must be made in person (see page 3)
  - 2 - Ballfield Reservation Permits begin April 2<sup>nd</sup> (Weather Permitting) through June 30<sup>th</sup>
  - 3 - MUNICIPAL ELECTION DAY  
*See Location of Polling Place → →  
City Hall Open*
  - 4 - Court, 7:00 p.m.
  - 11- City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.



## NOTICE OF ELECTION

CITY OF WINCHESTER

ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI

**TO:** Qualified Voters of the City of Winchester,  
St. Louis County, Missouri

### TAKE NOTICE:

Notice of a General Election in the City of  
Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri on:

**TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2018**

**for the election of one (1) Alderman from Ward I  
and one (1) Alderman from Ward II, each to serve  
a two (2) year term.**

### HOURS OF ELECTION:

**6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

**Central Daylight Time**

### LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE:

for LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP PRECINCTS 042, 044  
& 045, and QUEENY TOWNSHIP PRECINCTS 026  
& 027 (all of Winchester) the polling place is:

St. John United Church of Christ

332 Old Sulphur Springs Rd.

Manchester, Missouri 63021

Given under my hand and the corporate seal of the City  
of Winchester, Missouri, this January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Barbara Beckett, CMC  
City Administrator/Clerk

### Winchester City Hall

Voice-TDD: 636/391-0600

FAX: 636/391-6365

Email: [cityhall@city.winchester.mo.us](mailto:cityhall@city.winchester.mo.us)

### Business Hours

9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Monday through Friday

Board Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, 7:30 P.M.

### MAYOR

Gail M. Winham

Term Expires April, 2021

636/394-6023

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN

#### WARD I

Marie Bach

Term Expires April, 2019

636/227-6344

Sarah Gibbs

Term Expires April, 2018

309/749-7003

#### WARD II

Tony DeLuca

Term Expires April, 2019

314/220-2119

Michael Schmidt

Term Expires, April 2018

314/706-8169



**CANDIDATES FILE FOR OFFICE**  
**APRIL 3, 2018 ELECTION**

The following persons have filed for office (the names are listed in the order filed with the City Clerk):

**ALDERMAN** (Two Year Term):

WARD I: **Carol J. Kraft**

**ALDERMAN** (Two Year Term):

WARD II: **Michael Schmidt\***

(\* - Denotes incumbent)

The City of Winchester is divided into two Wards known as Ward I and Ward II. The dividing line between Ward I and Ward II shall be a line beginning at the intersection of the center line of Sulphur Springs Road and the eastern prolongation of the south rear property line of Hillcrest Boulevard; thence westwardly along the south rear property line of Hillcrest Boulevard to its intersection with the center line of Lindy Boulevard, thence northwardly along the center line of Lindy Boulevard to its intersection with the center line of Hillcrest Boulevard thence westward along the center line of Hillcrest Boulevard, to its intersection with the southern prolongation of the west rear property line of Lindy Boulevard, thence northwardly along said west rear property line to its intersection with the north rear property line of Hillcrest Boulevard, thence westwardly along said north rear property line to its intersection with the west city limits of the City of Winchester.

Ward I shall constitute all of the area with the boundaries of the City of Winchester that lies South of the above described line dividing Ward I and Ward II.

Ward II shall constitute all of the area within the boundaries of the City of Winchester that lies North of the above described line dividing Ward I and Ward II.



**REMINDER** - Bulky items are

defined as household materials that are too large to fit in with your regular waste collection container and that are not bundled into 4-ft or less bundles. Examples of bulky items: furniture, carpet, old bicycles, and some household construction materials. Wood, drywall etc. is limited to (1)-32gallon can per pickup. (Carpet must be bundled 4ft x 2ft or less). Containers may weigh no more than 50 lbs. Bulky items will be picked up at no additional charge, but there is a 2 item limit per week.

In addition, Republic Services still picks up "white goods" - appliances, etc. These also have a limit of 2

items per week at a charge of \$25.00 per item , the cost of which can be charged to the account.

To order either a bulky or an appliance pickup, please call customer service at 636-947-5959 before 3 pm the business day before pickup.



The following information is presented from MSD Project Clear and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**Reminder: Your toilet is not a trash can!**

Cleaning and disinfecting wipes, personal hygiene products, baby wipes... they all are "disposable", so why not flush them down the toilet? Quite simply, because disposing of such items in the toilet, even those labeled "flushable", instead of in the trash causes big problems, both for the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District and for homeowners.

Mounds of disposable materials clog sewer lines, pumps and lift stations. They can cause sewer backups and damage plant equipment. Clearing such materials from the wastewater stream is time-consuming and labor-intensive. Even dental floss flushed down the toilet can cause problems. Dental floss is very strong and durable. It can get tangled up in pumps and equipment, or worsen minor clogs within pipes by "binding" materials together.

These items are also a big problem for property owners' home plumbing and sewer laterals which are smaller in diameter and more susceptible to clogs. The sewer system is not designed for disposable wipes, dental floss, or similar items. Sewer clogs caused by these items can result in considerable cleanup expense and potential harm to our environment.

Please don't use your toilet as a trash can. Only human waste and toilet paper should be flushed down your toilet. Put everything else in the trash, where it belongs.



**GRASS & WEEDS** - The growing season is fast

approaching – Please keep your yard looking neat by mowing your lawn. Property Owners or occupants who allow their grass and/or weeds to grow to a height in excess of seven inches are in violation of a City Ordinance. Be a responsible neighbor and help to promote the beauty and integrity of our City.

*Municipal Code Section 215.130*



**FAIR HOUSING** - The City of Winchester is committed to Fair Housing for all of its citizens. It is unlawful to discriminate against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, age, handicap, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation. The City of Winchester has enacted a Fair Housing Ordinance which prohibits unlawful discrimination and spells out the process for filing a complaint. If you, or anyone you know, believe that you have been unlawfully discriminated against, call the City Hall at (636) 391-0600.

**PARK & RECREATION NEWS**

**All municipal parks in the City of Winchester shall be closed between the hours of Dusk and 7:00 AM and a person shall not be in the parks during those hours except as authorized by Pavilion or Gazebo permit.**



**REBER PARK PAVILION & GAZEBO RESERVATIONS**

Reservations for the pavilion and gazebo were available the first business day in February. The facilities may be reserved individually and/or together. Hours are from 7a.m. - 8:00 p.m., April through October. These facilities are great for special functions, family reunions, barbeques, and birthday parties. Restrooms are specifically designated for the parties reserved. **Cost to reserve the pavilion is \$45, the gazebo, \$30.** Both residents and non-residents are eligible to reserve the facilities.



**2018 BALLFIELDS** - not all fields have been assigned... Fields will be available beginning **April 2<sup>nd</sup>** ... or when the fields are deemed usable by City Hall..until the last week of June each year. Each team is limited to one practice session each week.

**Notice for All Ballfield Users**  
 Signs will be posted on the ballfields if conditions are deemed unacceptable for use.  
 →Please be sure to adhere to the posted sign.←  
 Call the park at 636-527-5148 for a recorded message.  
 Help keep our fields in great shape. Maintenance works hard trying to keep our fields in top shape for play.



**REPUBLIC SERVICES  
 THE RECYCLING BIN'S  
 DIRTY DOZEN**

Below is the Dirty Dozen hit list of the worst recycling contaminants that must *not* go in the recycling bin. Please help make “Comingled Recycling” a success by keeping these materials out!

1. **NO Plastic Bags**  
 Plastic bags are the worst contaminant in the recycling container. Plastic bags can be recycled at various locations if they are clean, dry and empty, such as the grocery store or Wal-Mart.
2. **NO Materials in Plastic Bags**  
 Workers have to slow the conveyor belts to rip open bags that contain recyclables and then add the bag to the heap of bags bound for the landfill. These inefficiencies waste time and money.
3. **NO Plastic Lids or Caps**  
 Plastic lids and caps are not recyclable on or off the bottle. They, too, are a non-recyclable plastic without a market.
4. **NO Glass**  
 Glass can break easily and pose a safety hazard while being separated.
5. **NO Non-Recyclable Plastics**  
 While we have added new plastic items, many plastics are still not recyclable. Plastic lids, Styrofoam® and any other plastics not listed in these guidelines are not recyclable because stable markets do not exist for these materials.
6. **NO Caps or Lids on Containers**  
 Left on the bottle, caps and lids keep liquid inside the container (see item #7). Please remove and recycle metal caps and jar lids separately. Please throw away plastic caps and lids!
7. **NO Liquids**  
 When we compact bottles for shipping, liquids drip, splatter and explode all over the floor, creating a sticky stew with a stench. Please completely empty and quickly rinse out all containers before recycling.
8. **NO Ceramics or Non-Recyclable Glass**  
 Ceramic, china, dishes, mirrors, light bulbs, Pyrex® porcelain and window glass should not go in the bin! Their different melting points and chemical compositions will ruin new glass bottles. If our buyer sees just one of these on the top of a load of glass, the entire load could be rejected.

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9. **NO Diapers or Bio-Hazardous Waste**  
Syringes and needles, diapers and other sanitary products are not recyclable OR compostable.

10. **NO Hazardous Waste**  
Hazardous waste such as paint, automotive fluids, car batteries and pesticides must be taken to an approved recycling center.

11. **NO Scrap Metal**  
Scrap metal items of any size should not go in your curbside bin. These items cause excessive damage to the recycling equipment.

12. **NO Frozen Food Boxes**  
Paperboard boxes that were designed for freezer foods, such as frozen pizza and entrees, have a plastic polymer sprayed on them to protect against freezer burn. That same coating prevents the box from breaking up in the recycling process. These materials are not recyclable OR compostable.

Reduce  Reuse  Recycle  
*Naturally!*

### LAFAYETTE OLDER ADULT PROGRAM (L.O.A.P.)



#### EXPERIENCE THE FUN!!

A partnership between: Ballwin, Chesterfield, Ellisville, Manchester, Parkway and Rockwood School Districts, Wildwood and Winchester. For questions or more information, call the City of Manchester at 636-391-6326 ext 401.

Are you interested in making new friends, hearing great speakers, going on exciting day trips, or playing bingo and cards? If you are 55 plus, this is a great group for you to become involved in! Participants will meet the second and fourth Monday of every month between the months of September and May.

Meeting times are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and cost \$2.00/per person. \*\*\* Please note that special luncheons and day trips are optional and involve separate fees.\*\*\*

Meetings are held at the Ballwin Golf Course, which is located at 333 Holloway Road. Free coffee, soda and dessert are provided; we ask for you to bring a sack lunch. Trip space is limited and is first come-first serve. Pre-payment is required for all upcoming special luncheons and trips. Detailed information and registration forms are available at all L.O.A.P. meetings.

### Saint Louis COUNTY POLICE DEPT



*(Tips from law enforcement)*

#### SLIDING GLASS DOORS AND WINDOWS

Below are some tips that may help you prevent crime. But remember—the most important single act you can do is to call the Police to report crimes or suspicious activities! If law enforcement is not aware of problems, they cannot resolve them. Here are some tips for homeowners to use so that they can help the anti-crime effort.

Sliding glass doors present a major security problem if they do not have the proper locks and special steps are not taken to prevent removal of the door. Sliding glass doors can be lifted from the track and removed by pushing in the bottom of the door. To prevent the doorframe from being opened in this manner it is recommended that 1-1/4" pan head sheet metal screws be inserted into the top of the door frame at both ends and in the middle. The screws should be adjusted so that the door barely clears them when it is operated.

Once screws are in place, to prevent the door from being lifted while it is closed, lock the door handle and place a wooden dowel or metal rod in the floor track. This should make your sliding glass door secure. *For additional security*, a safety film for glass is available. The film is applied to the glass and if the window is ever shattered, the film holds the glass together making entry difficult if not impossible. Call Dispatch at 636-529-8210 to report burglaries, thefts, vandalism, prowlers or suspicious activities.

**Use 911 for all emergencies.**



#### CORP - County Older Resident Programs

CORP is part of St. Louis County Government's Department of Human Services. Residents of St. Louis County 60 years of age and older are eligible for a wide variety of services. CORP is currently in need of volunteers to provide transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, etc. Training and mileage reimbursement are available. To find out more about how you can make a difference in an older person's life call 314-615-4516.