



# Winchester Newsletter

Jan - Feb, 2014

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

## City Calendar



- JAN - 2 - Ballfield Permit Applications**  
available @ City Hall at 9:00 a.m.
- 8 - **City Meeting**, 7:30 p.m.
- 20 - **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**  
*City Hall Open*
- 21 - **Candidate Filing for April Election**  
*closes @ 5:00 p.m.*

- FEB 5 - Court**, 7:00 p.m.
- 12 - **City Meeting**, 7:30 p.m.
- ♥ 14 - **VALENTINE'S DAY**
- 17 - **PRESIDENT'S DAY**  
*(City Hall Open)*

- MAR 5 - Court**, 7:00 p.m.
- 9 - *Daylight Savings Time Begins*
- 12 - **City Meeting**, 7:30 p.m.
- ♣ 17 - **ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

**A Municipal Election** will be held in the City of Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, to elect **one Alderman from Ward I and one Alderman from Ward II, each to serve a two (2) year term.**

A candidate must be a qualified voter properly registered under the laws of the Constitution of the State of Missouri. A Candidate must not be in arrears in any unpaid City of Winchester taxes and must have been a resident of the City of Winchester for at least one year preceding the election.

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

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**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, 2017

636/394-6023

### WARD I

Marie Bach

Term Expires April, 2015

636/227-6344

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Carol J. Kraft

Term Expires April, 2014

636/399-0859

Tony DeLuca

Term Expires April, 2015

314/220-2119

### WARD II

Michael Schmidt

Term Expires, April 2014

636/394-7592

Website: [www.city.winchester.mo.us](http://www.city.winchester.mo.us)

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.

Barbara Beckett, CMC  
City Administrator/Clerk



## CITY MEETING NEWS

In service to the community, your Board of Aldermen took the following action during November/December, 2013:

### ORDINANCE

**#1026** - An Ordinance authorizing the City of Winchester to enter into a contract with Cintas Document Management to ensure the safe disposal of outdated City records.

**#1027** - An Ordinance providing for the execution of a contract between the City of Winchester and the St. Louis County Police for full time police service within the City of Winchester, Missouri, and providing for payment thereof.



**TAX FORMS** - For several years, because of the continued growth in electronic filing and the availability of free options to taxpayers, individual and business taxpayers no longer receive paper income tax packages in the mail from the IRS. Federal Income Tax Forms and Publications can be found at the [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). The State of Missouri *will not be supplying* individual tax forms. You can obtain tax forms by visiting the MoDOR website at: [www.dor.mo.gov/tax](http://www.dor.mo.gov/tax). Both of the previously mentioned website's forms are "Fill-in". In other words, you can fill them out on line and print them. You may obtain forms by using the automated Fax-on-Demand system (Form by Fax) at 573-751-4800.

Saint Louis  
**COUNTY**  
**POLICE DEPT**



## WINCHESTER NEIGHBORHOOD STATION SAFETY TIPS

### *If your home is broken into:*

If a door or window has been forced or broken while you were away, **DO NOT** enter or call out! Someone may still be inside. Use a cell phone or neighbor's phone immediately to call the police and wait there until they arrive.

### *When you call the police:*

Try to remain calm.

Use 911 for medical emergencies, fires and crimes in progress. Someone should respond within a few minutes on a call of this type. In many situations, an officer may be dispatched while you are still providing information to the Communications Specialist.

Call Dispatch at 314-889-2341 or 636-527-2341 to report burglaries, thefts, vandalism, prowlers or suspicious or disruptive activities. **You will be asked to provide:**

Your name, address and phone number

What happened? Describe as briefly as possible.

When Did it Happen? Tell if the crime is in progress or when it occurred.

Who did it? Name or describe the suspect or vehicle, if there is one.

Where Did They Go? Which way and how did they leave?

Wait for the officer to arrive or to return your call. The time it takes for an officer to arrive will depend on many factors. The officer may ask you questions similar to those asked earlier. Please be patient.

In many situations it may be unnecessary for an officer to come to you. Nearly 15% of all police cases are handled over the telephone. Keep track of the case number you are given by the officer. It will be needed by your insurance company if you file a claim. All future police activity related to that event will be linked to that number. If there is enough information, the case will be passed on to a follow-up detective. It will be a few days before you are contacted. If you have new information to give to the detective, be sure to reference your case number.



(Information from St. Louis County website)

Putting a recycling “bin” in several places in your home will help you recycle everything you possibly can. Don’t forget the laundry area! When single stream recycling, all of the recyclables go into the same container. When recycling, labels and lids are okay! Give items a quick rinse to keep your bin clean.

**Here is an extensive list of recyclables:**

**Plastic** - Recycle all plastic containers such as plastic tubs, screw-top jars, jugs, cups, all types of bottles. The ONLY exception to the plastic container rule is polystyrene or Styrofoam. Styrofoam cannot yet be recycled at the curb.

**Paper** - All sorts of paper can be recycled.

**Metal** - recycle all aluminum bottles, foil, pans and cans. All steel/tin cans, such as soup cans, are recyclable.

**Glass** - Recycle all of your glass jars and bottles.

**Cardboard & Paperboard** - Any size box can be recycled curbside. Break down boxes to make room inside your recycling cart for other recyclables.

**What NOT to Recycle:**

**NO** plastic bags can be recycled at home. You can take them to a grocery store to be recycled.

**NO** plastic wrap, food wrappers, sandwich baggies or bread bags - if it is not a container, do not recycle it.

**NO** tissues, paper towels or napkins may be recycled.

**NO** scrap metal may be recycled curbside.

**NO** drinking glasses, window glass, mirror glass or Pyrex glass may be recycled.

Reduce  Reu Recycle  
Naturally!



**CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL**

Allied Waste will dispose of your Christmas Tree at no additional charge to you. Please consider that trees will not be picked up if they are in plastic bags.

- \* Remove all tinsel and garland from your tree and
- \* Place your tree curbside before 7:00 a.m. on any regularly scheduled pick up day.



Happy New Year!



**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 permit.



**TRICK OR TREAT** - Despite the cool, rainy weather, the Halloween Safety Center at Reber Park was a success. The St. Louis County Police, along with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Winchester, gave out glo sticks, candy and popcorn to the Trick-or-Treaters until just past 8:00 p.m. Halloween brought great weather. Approximately 150 “trick-or-treaters” visited the park. Winchester Officers, along with City officials, were there to greet the youngsters.



**BALLFIELD RESERVATIONS** -

Reber Park’s two ballfields are available for Organized League Team Practice from April 1<sup>st</sup>, or when the fields are deemed usable by the City, until the end of June each year.

Ballfield Reservation Forms are available at City Hall at 9:00 a.m. on Jan. 2, 2014. Applications will be processed on a first come, first served basis, depending on field availability. Teams are required to pay a per season user fee of \$50.00. Each team is limited to one practice session each week. Practices sessions are two hours and are available:

**Weekdays (Mon-Fri)**

4-6 p.m. *or* 6-8 p.m.

**Saturdays**

8-10 a.m. *or*

10 a.m.- Noon

## **Health Department Urges All Residents To Get Vaccinated Against Seasonal Flu**

Flu season has arrived and the Saint Louis County Department of Health is urging all residents six months of age and older be vaccinated against the seasonal flu. Even those who aren't worried about catching the flu should be vaccinated.

"For many, flu is just an inconvenience, but for some it can be life threatening," said Dr. Dolores J. Gunn, director of the health department. "Getting vaccinated is not just about protecting yourself. It's also about protecting others. If you don't catch the flu, then you can't spread the flu."

This year's seasonal flu vaccine offers protection against several different strains of flu based on recommendations from experts around the world who determine each year which types are most likely to be circulating in the fall.

To find out where to go for seasonal flu vaccinations, residents are encouraged to visit the Saint Louis County Department of Health's flu website: [www.SaintLouisCountyFlu.com](http://www.SaintLouisCountyFlu.com)

Depending on the severity of the outbreak, between 15 and 60 million Americans are infected by seasonal flu each flu season. Over 200,000 people are hospitalized every year due to flu-related complications and around 36,000 of them die.

Other standard precautions being urged by the county health department are:

Wash your hands frequently with soap and water.

Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your sleeve.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.

Try to maintain a distance of three feet between you and others.

Stay home when you are sick or think you may be getting sick.

## **REMINDER**



***The City of Winchester has a LEASH LAW*** - Neither dogs nor cats are permitted to run at large. Any pet must be on a leash, in an enclosed area, or properly restrained.

For the safety and enjoyment of all Winchester residents, City Hall encourages dog and cat owners to be responsible and leash or confine pets whenever outside.

*Municipal Code Section 205.190*

**Pet waste can provide food for rodents.** It also comes into contact with storm water which carries pollutants into the storm sewer system and cause viruses and parasites that can infect humans with dangerous pathogens such as salmonella. Studies by the EPA have found that bacteria levels are often elevated 100% after a rain. One way to reduce that level is to clean up after your pets.

***Remember, residents who walk their pets must be responsible and prepared to clean up after their animals on any city property. Not doing so is a violation of Municipal Code.***

*Municipal Code Section 205.230*



**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS** - The West County Senior Center at 14535 Manchester Road needs volunteers for Meals on Wheels. If you can help or know a homebound senior in need of a hot lunch, please contact Janice Fischer at 636-227-3882.

Volunteers are asked to give one hour a week. Pick up for the deliveries is at 10:30 a.m. in the Manchester area. The more volunteers, the more seniors that can be helped.

**MEAAA** serves older adults in the counties of St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin. The West County Senior Center is open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. Hot lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Anyone over 60 years of age is welcome to participate in the activities.





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

### EXPERIENCE THE FUN!!

Are you interested in: making new friends, hearing great speakers, going on exciting trips, playing Bingo or cards *and* are **over 55**, this is a great group in which to become involved!

Participants will meet the *second and fourth Monday of every month between the months of September and May. Meeting times are 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and cost \$1.00/person.* Meetings are held at the Ballwin Golf Course which is located at 333 Holloway Road. Free coffee, tea, soda and desert are provided... we ask that you bring a sack lunch. Entertainment will be from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. and lunch will immediately follow. Bingo will be from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. with card games from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Day trips and special luncheons are optional and involve separate fees.** Trip space is limited and is first come-first served. Pre-payment is required for all luncheons and trips. Detailed information and registration forms are available at the L.O.A.P. Meetings.

City of Ballwin, Colleen Ahearn:	636-227-8950
City of Chesterfield, Becky Dooley:	636-812-9510
City of Ellisville, Sherri Klekamp:	636-227-7508
City of Manchester, Stephanie Hardesty	636-391-6326
Parkway School District, Diana Stewart	314-415-8069



**REMINDER: Recreational vehicles and utility trailers** must be attached to a vehicle when parked on the City streets. Failure to do so will be in violation of Municipal Code Section 365.120 and a traffic ticket will be issued.

Zoning code Section 405.135 enacted in 2007 pertains to **Temporary Storage Units, or PODS.** In general, the user must obtain a no-fee permit. Only one POD shall be allowed for a dwelling at any one time; placed either in the driveway or in an approved paved, parking area and not within any public right-of-way, including sidewalks; be no greater than 1,100 cubic feet in size; placed on the property for a period not to exceed fourteen (14) calendar days, unless approved by the Code Enforcement Officer of up to a maximum of twenty-eight(28) days in a given calendar year.



The following information is presented from the stormwater library of the Phase II Stormwater Management Plan which has been initiated by the Federal Government through the EPA.

### ILLEGAL DUMPING AND LITTERING

Illegal dumping is the disposal of waste generated at one location and disposed of at another location without legal permission. Illegal dumping is the disposal of trash, tires, yard waste, appliances and other waste materials disposed of *on both private and public property* without permission of the property owner.

People illegally dump in unsecured vacant lots, remote spaces, roadways, parking lots, abandoned buildings, poorly lit areas and waterways, including creeks, drainage swales, rivers and dry weather ditches.

This disrespect for other's property and the environment can cause health hazards including: physical injuries from sharp and pointed objects, diseases from rodents and insects, fires from flammable materials, flooding from material blocking flood control channels and storm drains. Economic concerns include: decrease in property values and the expense to clean up the pollutant loads in our storm water facilities.

If you see any illegal dumping happening in the City of Winchester, please call the local police department at 636-527-2341.



**REMINDER** - RNA Worldwide in Arnold is holding an **ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Paul A. Schroeder Park, 359 Old Meramec Station Road, Manchester, MO 63021. *A good thing to remember after the Holidays!*

They offer FREE PICK UP services for computers, electronics, appliances and scrap metal recycling throughout the year. Their office number is 314-338-6048. RNA is registered with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and strictly abides by EPA guidelines which is extremely important for the proper disposal of hazardous materials. They will pick up anything with metal in it, batteries, car parts, etc., and are often working in this area.