




# Winchester Newsletter

Nov-Dec, 2014

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

## City Calendar

- NOV** 5 - **Court, 7:00 p.m.** 
- 12 - **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
- 27 - **THANKSGIVING**  
*City Hall Closed* No trash service today! Holiday Schedule
- 28 - **City Hall Closed - Holiday Trash Pick-Up TODAY!**
- DEC** 2 - **STREET SWEEPING**
- 3 - **STREET SWEEPING, RAIN DATE**
- 3 - **Court, 7:00 p.m.**
- 10 - **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m..**
- 16 - **Candidate Filing** for April 7<sup>th</sup> Election opens @ 8:00 a.m.
- 24 - **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**   
*City Hall Closed*
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*City Hall Closed*
- 26 - HOLIDAY Trash Pickup Today
- JAN** 1 - **NEW YEAR'S DAY CELEBRATED**  
*City Hall Closed*
- 2 - **Ballfield Permit Applications** available @ City Hall
- 2 - HOLIDAY Trash Pickup Today
- 7 - **Court, 7:00 p.m.**
- 14 - **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
- 20 - **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**  
*City Hall Open*
- 20- **Candidate Filing for April Election closes @ 5:00 p.m.**



## NOTICE OF ELECTION DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY CITY OF WINCHESTER



A **Municipal Election** will be held in the City of Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 7, 2015, to elect **one Alderman from Ward I and one Alderman from Ward II, each to serve a two (2) year term.**

Declaration of Candidacy for said offices must be received by the City Clerk, Monday thru Friday, during regular business hours. Filing begins on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. The closing date will be at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 20, 2015.

A candidate must be a qualified voter properly registered under the laws and 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 the center line of Hillcrest Boulevard thence westward along the center line of Hillcrest Boulevard, to its intersection with the southern

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**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

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN

**WARD I**  
Marie Bach  
Term Expires April, 2015  
636/227-6344

Carol J. Kraft  
Term Expires April, 2016  
636-399-0859

Tony DeLuca  
Term Expires April, 2015  
314/220-2119

**WARD II**  
Michael Schmidt  
Term Expires April, 2016  
314/706-8169

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

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 actions during **October, 2014:**

**ORDINANCE #1037** - An ordinance approving a settlement agreement with Centurylink, Inc. Centurytel of Missouri, LLC, dba: Centurylink; Centurytel Long Distance LLC, dba: Centurylink Long Distance, Embarq Missouri, Inc., et. al.

**ORDINANCE #1038** - An ordinance changing the parking on Ballwin Avenue between Lindy Blvd. and Solley Drive *to the South side of the street from the North side of the street.*



**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR  
FOR STREET SWEEPING ON DECEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>  
(Rain Date-December 3<sup>rd</sup> )  
REMEMBER..... DO NOT PARK  
ON CITY STREETS!**



**NOTICE to all Winchester pet owners....**Even though Winchester does not require pet tags, it remains a county ordinance for both dogs and cats to be vaccinated against rabies. **REMINDER...**It shall be unlawful for the owner of **any dog or cat**, whether vaccinated or not, to permit such dog or cat to run at large or to go

off the premises of the owner unless such dog or cat is under restraint.

When walking your pet on a leash, properly dispose of pet waste by 1) putting pet waste in a sealed bag and placing it in the trash; 2) flushing pet waste down the toilet...do not flush plastic bags or kitty litter; 3)burying waste in the soil at least 6" deep but NOT in a garden or compost pile or 4) having pets defecate in tall grasses over 4" located away from storm inlets. The grass acts as a filter and allows the waste to naturally break down.



**WINTER WONDERLAND**

Since 1986 Saint Louis County Parks has been providing an extraordinary experience to the residents of St. Louis County and the surrounding area through the Winter Wonderland light display at Tilles Park. Guests are able to enjoy music during their drive through the Winter Wonderland.

The display is open to vehicular traffic Sunday through Friday from 5:30-9:30 p.m., beginning Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 - through January 1, 2015. The display is closed Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. Saturday is reserved for horse-drawn carriage rides only, and those reservations must be made in advance.

*No credit or debit cards accepted for admission fees.* Prices are \$10 per family vehicle, \$20 per limousine; \$40 per commercial transport van and \$90 per tour bus. No reservations are needed and admission is paid as vehicles exit the park.

Once again, St. Louis County Parks is offering the opportunity again to recycle old Christmas lights. Just drop them off when you come to Tilles Park for Winter Wonderland from Nov 27 - Jan 1 and we'll recycle them for you. You can also bring the old lights from Jan 2 - Jan 19 to Tilles Park and deposit them in the barrel by the playground restroom.

**St. Louis - The Missouri Botanical Garden** is bringing back its Garden Glow for the second year in a row. The popular festival features more than 500,000 lights that illuminate the garden as well as create some unique installations. Holiday music, festive food and drinks,

and a winter wonderland are also part of the six-week event.

Garden Glow runs from Nov. 22 through Jan. 3, and tickets are on sale now. MoBOT recommends visitors buy tickets in advance because only a certain number of guests will be allowed in during each time slot.

### CHRISTMAS IN KIMMSWICK

Kimmswick, MO **December 5 - December 7, 2014**  
Friday & Saturday: 10 am - 9 pm; Sunday: 10 am - 6 pm  
in downtown Kimmswick.

Enjoy the sights and sounds of Christmas. The shops will be decked out in their holiday splendor, carolers will be strolling the streets, and horse drawn carriage rides will carry you back to a time gone by. With over 25 unique shops. The event also features the annual Kimmswick Christmas Cookie Walk with a cookbook filled with favorite cookie recipes from each participating shop in Kimmswick. Take your goodie bag from shop to shop and receive a cookie made from each of the recipes for you to sample. Cost is \$20 for the "Cookie Walk Cookbook" and samples. For more information call 636-464-6464.


### CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

Allied Waste/Republic Services 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!

 **HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE** - The Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, will change our regularly scheduled pick up to Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. Since Christmas and New Year's Day fall on a Thursday, Winchester's trash pickup schedule will be pushed back until Friday to accommodate customers that would have normally had a Thursday pickup .

## 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 park during those hours except as authorized by Pavilion permit.



### 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 City Hall...until the last week of June each year.* Ballfield Reservation Forms will be available at City Hall beginning Friday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9 a.m. Walk-in applications will be accepted for time slots on a first come, first served basis. You will know when, and on which field you will be practicing, before you leave City Hall.

In order to recoup certain expenses, it has been determined that each athletic team using the ballfields in Reber Park will be required to pay a one time per season user fee of \$50.00 as partial recoupment.

Each team is limited to one practice session each week.

Practice 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

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## WINCHESTER NEIGHBORHOOD STATION

*Is Santa bringing anyone a bicycle?* Here are some safety tips from the St. Louis County Police Department for young riders.

Always let your parents know where and with whom you are going to ride. Be sure to let your parents know when you will return. Dismount and walk across streets with heavy traffic. Do not perform stunts on the street. If you try

stunts, try them in a safe area away from vehicles and use proper safety equipment.

HELMET SAFETY is important. Cyclists who go without a helmet are seven times more likely to suffer a head injury in a crash and is 20 times more likely to die than a cyclist who suffers from any other injury. When worn correctly, the helmet should be level, covering most of the forehead and all straps should be tight when the chin strap is buckled. To maximize a helmet's useful life, do not leave in it in a car trunk or in the sun on a hot day. Regardless of its condition, a helmet should be replaced every five years.

Be seen, be predictable, watch out for cars, make repairs well off the road, do not hitch rides by clinging to moving vehicles.

Obey the St. Louis County traffic regulations. Some of these are: always ride with traffic and as near the right curb or edge as is safe; obey all traffic signs and signals; ride at a legal and safe speed. For night riding, bicyclists are required to have a lighted front head lamp and standard bike reflectors. Children under 17 years of age are required by ordinance to wear protective headgear. A horn or bell may be required on some bike/pedestrian paths.

Can you identify your bike? If your bike is stolen or lost, the police will need the make, model, color and serial number in order to help find and perhaps return it to you. Keep this information in a safe place.



**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 once again 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.

**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? If you are over 55, this is a great group in which to become involved!

As residents of Chesterfield, Ballwin, Ellisville, Manchester, Winchester, or part of the Rockwood or Parkway School Districts you are welcome to participate in this program.

Regular meetings are from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month from September through May at the Ballwin Golf Course, 333 Holloway Road. Regular meetings cost \$1; special luncheons involve separate fees.

For additional information call:

**L.O.A.P. REPRESENTATIVES**

City of Ballwin, Colleen Ahearn:	636-227-2357
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



**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.





*(From St. Louis County, Department of Health)*

With single stream recycling, all of your recyclables go into the same bin. When recycling, labels and lids are okay! Give items a quick rinse to keep your bin clean.

**What TO Recycle Curbside**

**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 (#6).

**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**

- Plastic bags - take them to a grocery store to be recycled
- Plastic wrap, food wrappers, baggies or bread bags
- Tissues, paper towels or napkins
- Scrap metal cannot be recycled curbside
- Drinking glasses, window glass, mirror glass or pyrex glass

**Reduce**  **Reuse**  **Recycle**  
*Naturally!*

*Remember the Needy*

*Donate \$\$\$ or*



Keep in mind that during the holidays hard times seem magnified to those people that have lost their jobs and are in a bad way financially. Local food pantries and churches will be needing help collecting food.

*Please give generously*



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.

**Residential Salt Usage**

**Salt improves Winter Driveway Conditions but Harms Ecosystems**

Keeping roads and parking areas free of ice and snow is an essential part of modern life. Road salt, one of the main tools used to achieve this task, contains chloride as its principal ingredient in both sodium chloride and potassium chloride based products. Chloride does more than melt snow and ice, it negatively impacts local lakes and rivers. As snow and ice melt, they drain into landscaped areas or storm sewers and then to natural bodies of water. Waters from a deiced area contain high levels of chlorides which do not degrade and there is no cost effective way to remove it. Excessive levels of chlorides can severely impair the ability of plants to absorb water and nutrients. These negative effects are common to both aquatic and terrestrial plants in residential gardens, as well as landscaped areas and rivers. Fish and other aquatic organisms are then impacted by the decline in habitat. In surface waters such as lakes, ponds and streams, salt can harm or kill aquatic life, including fish and plants.

**What can I do to help?**

- Shovel (or use a snow blower) before you use any product; never put a deicing product on top of snow
- Adopt the “Just Enough” principle, putting down just enough product to keep high traffic areas clear of ice
- Sweep up undissolved product after a storm is over for reuse
- Consider switching to a non-chloride deicer
- Support changes by your municipality to minimize salt usage
- Inform a neighbor about the impacts chlorides have in our streams and rivers