




Winchester Newsletter

Nov-Dec, 2016

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

City Calendar

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- NOV** 2 - **Court, 7:00 p.m.**
 9 - **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
 24 - **Thanksgiving Day**
City Hall Closed No trash service today! Holiday Schedule
 25 - **City Hall Closed - Holiday Trash Pick-Up TODAY!**
- DEC** 6 - STREET SWEEPING
 7 - STREET SWEEPING, RAIN DATE
 7 - **Court, 7:00 p.m.**
 13 - **Candidate Filing** for April 5th Election opens @ 8:00 a.m.
 14 - **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
 23 - **Christmas Eve Holiday,**
City Hall Closed
 26 - **Christmas Day Holiday,**
City Hall Closed
- JAN** 2 - **NEW YEAR's DAY Celebrated, City Hall Closed**
 3 - **Ballfield Permit Applications** available @ City Hall, 9 a.m.
 4 - **Court, 7:00 p.m.**
 11 - **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
 16 - **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**
City Hall Open
 17- **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 4, 2017, to **elect a Mayor for the term of 4 (four) years and 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 13, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. The closing date will be on Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

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: 2nd 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, 2017
636/227-6344

Sarah Gibbs
Term Expires April, 2018
309-749-7003

WARD II

Tony DeLuca
Term Expires April, 2017
314/220-2119

Michael Schmidt
Term Expires April, 2018
314/706-8169

Website: 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 action at a special meeting on September 28th.

ORDINANCE #1058 - establishing the annual rate of tax levy for the year 2016 on all property within the City of Winchester.

The following ordinance was passed at the regular October Board of Aldermen meeting:

ORDINANCE #1059 - An ordinance prohibiting the crossing over property to avoid traffic control devices and the operation of a motor vehicle on private property for the purpose of avoiding the right-of-way in the City of Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri.



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" and located away from storm inlets. The grass acts as a filter and allows the waste to naturally break down.

THINGS TO DO FOR THE HOLIDAYS

(In St. Louis County Parks)

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. Winter Wonderland is open Nov. 23, 2016 - January 1, 2017. (Closed Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve). The display is open for vehicular traffic and carriage rides Sunday-Friday, 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. Saturday is reserved for horse-drawn carriage rides only and those reservations must be made in advance. No vehicle reservations are needed and admission is paid as vehicles exit the park. No credit or debit cards are accepted. Tickets go on sale Oct. 20, 2016, and are available online at www.metrotix.com or by telephone at (314)534-1111 beginning 10/20/16.



FAUST Park - This year Faust Park is offering Candlelight Tours of Thornhill on December 9, 6-9 pm and December 10, 5-9 pm. The price is \$8 per person. Experience the beauty of a holiday at Thornhill, the home of Governor and Mrs. Frederick Bates located in Faust Park. The customs of the 1820s will surround guests on this self-guided tour through the festively adorned rooms with historically dressed docents in attendance. For additional information call 314-615-8328.

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!





QUEENY Park offers a candy cane hunt Saturday, December 3rd, 2016, beginning promptly at 10 a.m. Candy canes will have been hidden in Queeny Park by the park deer.

Advance registration is required and will be available after October 1st. Call 314-615-8472 to purchase tickets. This event is for children ages 2-10; and the fee is \$6 / person.



HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE - The Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday, November 24th, will change our regularly scheduled pick up to Friday, November 25th. Since Christmas and New Year's Day both fall on a Sunday, Winchester's solid waste pick-up schedule will be on Thursday, as usual.

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 1st...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 Tuesday, January 3rd 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

(Info taken from the St. Louis County Police Home Safety Handbook)

Do your outside doors have a deadbolt lock?

Most doorknobs have locks in them; however, it is best to install an additional deadbolt lock.

The deadbolt lock should have at least a 1" throw and meet the following guidelines:

- *Throw should extend 1" in the locking position.
- *The portion of the lock that will be mounted outside should contain a cylinder guard to prohibit twisting the lock with a wrench. The guard should be solid metal and not casting or stapled metal.
- *The connecting screws that hold the lock together should be made of case hardened steel. No exposed screw heads should be on the outside.

* NOTE: if your door has glass panes or there are windows within reach of your deadbolt lock, you should take extra precautions. You should consider installing some type of reinforced glass to keep a burglar from simply breaking the glass, reaching in, and turning the lock to the open position.

In order to make a deadbolt effective, you must reinforce the strike plate. The strike plate is the piece of metal which attaches to the door frame and receives the deadbolt. In the locking position, most screws that come with commercial strike plates only secure the strike plate to the decorative framing around your door and not the structural piece of wood behind the door frame. You should secure the strike plate with four to six 3-inch brass wood screws. The screws should reach into the structural wood behind the frame. If your exterior door is not of solid core construction, you should add a metal reinforcement sleeve when installing the deadbolt lock.

Alert to Winchester Residents: With the holidays just around the corner, our police officers are concerned about the possibility of

increasing incidents of theft from automobiles. Remember to 1) keep your valuables in the trunk or under the floor mats if you do not take them with you when you exit. Keep a record of model and serial numbers of your property. 2) roll up windows & close sunroof; do not leave car running unattended (a bad wintertime habit); lock your vehicle; do not hide car keys in or on the vehicle; activate car alarms and use steering wheel locks. 3) *pay attention to your surroundings...* be proactive, park in well-lit & public areas, pay attention to suspicious activity in the area, report suspicious activity to the police, don't linger around or in your vehicle. Most importantly, minimize distractions, remember where you parked and have your keys ready.

CITY OF WINCHESTER

On October 8th, the City of Winchester partnered for the first time with Midwest Recycling Center to host a *drop-off* e-cycle, scrap metal and tire clean-up event. There was a transfer of 3,192 pounds of materials consisting of miscellaneous e-waste - scrap material, "blue" e-waste meaning possibly reusable waste and two refrigerators. The event was considered a success.



The following is informational material presented by MSD's *Project Clear* program to raise awareness of the complexity of the wastewater collection and treatment system servicing the greater St. Louis area.

Drug Disposal Option for unused medicine

MSD is an affiliate partner with the ST. Louis County Police, Missouri American Water and the St. Louis College of Pharmacy, and funded in part by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, in a program to encourage a responsible disposal option for unused medicine.

Four out of five patients leave their doctors' offices with a least one prescription. As these medications expire or go unused, they accumulate in medicine cabinets, along with unneeded over-the-counter medicines, creating

an abundance of unwanted drugs. Missouri Prescription Pill and Drug Disposal (Missouri P2D2) gives you a safe way to dispose of unused medicines at secure collection boxes in local police stations, protecting your health and your environment by:

***Helping to reduce drug abuse.** According to the 2012 Missouri Student Survey, 11.5 percent of students said that it was "not wrong at all" or "a little wrong" to use prescription drugs that had not been prescribed to them by a doctor.

***Reducing accidental poisoning.** Removing unneeded medicines from homes helps reduce the risk of childhood poisoning.

*** Protecting our environment.** Flushing medicines down the toilet sends them to wastewater treatment plants and then into our rivers and streams. Proper collection and complete destruction is a better environmental solution.

*** Drop box location.** You may take your items to St. Louis County, West County Precinct at 232 Vance Road, Valley Park. OPEN 24/7.

Items accepted are prescription medications, all over-the-counter medications, pet medications, vitamins and supplements, medicated ointments, lotions, creams and oils, liquid medication in leakproof containers, homeopathic and herbal remedies and suppositories.

Items not accepted are illegal drugs, needles/sharps, syringes with needles, thermometers, IV bags and tubing, bloody or infectious waste, personal care products, empty containers, hydrogen peroxide, aerosol cans and inhalers.





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.

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OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Home Improvement Program (HIP) is a federally funded program to provide technical and financial assistance to qualified homeowners for a variety of home repairs. Funds for this calendar year are still available. The program is administered by St. Louis County's Department of Planning, Office of Community Development. **APPLICANTS ARE NEEDED.** Do not assume you are not eligible to participate. Contact Debby at the **St. Louis County Department of Planning, Office of Community Development** at 314-615-4025.

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



Are you 55 or older and interested in making new friends, hearing great speakers, going on exciting trips, and playing cards? The group meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays at Ballwin Golf Course, 333 Holloway Road, Ballwin, MO from 10 am - 2 pm. Cost \$2 per meeting. Please bring your own sack lunch. Coffee, soda and dessert provided.

**Special luncheons may involve separate fees.* Meetings of the Lafayette Older Adult Program (LOAP) are open to residents of Ballwin, Chesterfield, Ellisville, Manchester, Wildwood and Winchester as well as the Parkway and Rockwood School Districts. For more information, call 636-812-9500.



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

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(From St. Louis County, Department of Health)
A reminder of an important change in recycling of aluminum cans. As you know, the City of Winchester has long been encouraging all of our residents to participate in single stream recycling. Aluminum cans are causing a problem at recycling facilities. Crushed aluminum cans are not making it through the sorting processes. Flattened cans may slip through the cracks of the system and cause damage to the equipment. Republic Services asks that residents do not crush aluminum cans.

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



**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR
FOR STREET SWEEPING ON
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6th**
(Rain Date-December 7th)
**REMEMBER..... DO NOT PARK
ON CITY STREETS!**