



# Winchester Newsletter

April, 2017

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

## City Calendar



- April**
- 1 - Ballfield Reservation Permits begin**  
(Weather Permitting) through June 30<sup>th</sup>
  - 1 - Reber Park Pavilion & Gazebo reservations begin**
  - 4 - MUNICIPAL ELECTION DAY**  
*See Location of Polling Place → → City Hall Open*
  - 5 - Court, 7:00 p.m.**
  - 8 - Egg Hunt @ Reber Park**  
**11:00 a.m. - Bring your own baskets**
  - 12- City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
  - 15 - Egg Hunt Rain Date**
- May**
- 3 - Court, 7:00 p.m.**
  - 10 - City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
  - 29 - MEMORIAL DAY observed,**  
*City Hall Closed*
- ( June )**
- 1 - No trash service today!**  
Holiday Schedule
  - 2 - Holiday trash pick up TODAY!**



## **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 4, 2017**

to elect a mayor for the term of four (4) years, 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

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, 2017

636/394-6023

## **BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

### **WARD I**

Marie Bach

Term Expires April, 2017

636/227-6344

Sarah Gibbs

Term Expires April, 2018

636/399-0859

### **WARD II**

Tony DeLuca

Term Expires April, 2017

314/220-2119

Michael Schmidt

Term Expires, April 2018

314/706-8169



**CANDIDATES FILE FOR OFFICE**  
**APRIL 4, 2017 ELECTION**

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

**MAYOR** (Four Year Term):

**Gail M. Winham\***

**ALDERMAN** (Two Year Term):

WARD I: **Marie Bach\***

**ALDERMAN** (Two Year Term):

WARD II: **Tony DeLuca\***

(\*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.

**CITY MEETING NEWS**



In service to the community, your Board of Aldermen took the following action during March, 2017:

**ORDINANCE**

**#1063** - An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Winchester to enter into an agreement with One Way Lawn Care for the Reber and Pocket Parks area grass cutting.

**#1064**-An ordinance adopting the International Residential Code 2009 as the residential code of the City of Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri.

**#1065** - An ordinance adopting the International Building Code 2009 as the building code of the City of Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri.

***Odd Jobs List***

If you like to cut lawns, babysit, or do any variety of home jobs, then complete the form on the lower half of the outside of the newsletter and return it to City Hall. Any resident in need of someone to cut grass, rake leaves or complete any other odd job can come into City Hall or call 636-391-0600. We will be happy to provide names from the returned form. Please consider:

- ▶ This list is being compiled as a service to Winchester residents only
- ▶ The City will not make recommendations as to the qualifications of the applicant or the quality of work done
- ▶ The fees charged are to be negotiated between the resident and the applicant
- ▶ The City has no control over the fees charged or the work performed
- ▶ **We do not keep previous years' forms.**

***If you are interested, call or come into City Hall to request a form.***



**TORNADO SIREN POLICY**

To help the public prepare for tornado situations, a **TORNADO WATCH** and **TORNADO WARNING** program has been developed. A *tornado watch* means that conditions are favorable for tornado development. This is the time to prepare. You should keep alert by listening to radio, television or weather radio for the latest weather information. A *tornado warning* means a tornado has been sighted or indicated by radar. When a warning is issued, the sirens will be activated. It is important that local media sources or weather radio be monitored for the duration of the warning. The siren system does not sound an "All Clear" message so please listen to the National Weather Service for this information.

***KNOW YOUR RIGHTS***

*(From "A Missouri Consumer Guide")*

The following are *Missouri State Agencies* to contact for various types of assistance:

**Attorney General's Office:**

Consumer Protection: 800-392-8222

No Call Hotline: 866-662-2551

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**Crime Victims' Compensation Program:**

Provides financial assistance to violent crime victims or their dependents: 573-526-6006  
800-526-6006

**Department of Health and Senior Services:** Investigates reports of abuse, neglect or financial exploitation.  
800-392-0210

**Division of Finance:** Handles complaints about mortgage bankers, debt collection and harassment, credit bureaus, payday and title loan stores and other lenders:  
573-751-3242

**Department of Insurance and Consumer Affairs:** Handles complaints regarding insurance companies and will verify credentials of insurance sales representatives:  
800-726-7390

**Public Service Commission:** Investigates complaints against public utilities and manufactured housing (such as mobile homes) defects: 800-392-4211

**Office of Chief Disciplinary Consul:** Processes complaints against attorneys in Missouri: 573-635-7400

**Secretary of State:** Toll-free hot line handles complaints and inquiries about stockbrokers, broker-dealers and investments. Provides information on registrations of corporations, fictitious names and benevolent organizations: 800-721-7996 & 573-751-4153

### *Federal Agencies*

**Americans with Disabilities Act:** Provides information on federal guidelines for the disabled: 800-514-0301

**Federal Trade Commission:** Federal consumer protection agency: 877-382-4357

**Federal Information Center:** Provides phone numbers and general information about federal agencies and programs: 800-333-4636

**Labor Department, Wages & Hour Division:** Handles wage disputes: 866-487-9243 or 314-539-2706

**Social Security Administration:** Provides information on retirement, disability and benefits for dependents and survivors: 800-772-1213

**CORP - County Older Resident Programs**

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 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 call 314-615-4516.

**Saint Louis**COUNTYHEALTH

*(Info from St. Louis County website)*

**Bats and Wildlife Control****Preventing Rabies in People and Pets**

Saint Louis County Animal Care & Control is committed to keeping people and pets safe in Saint Louis County. With that said, we share this County with many native wildlife species. In general, wildlife found outdoors should be left alone. Animal Care & Control will respond to remove and test any wild mammal that has had contact with person or pet and could have transmitted rabies through a bite wound. Without the risk of rabies transmission, Animal Care & Control defers calls about wildlife outdoors—as well as in attic, crawl spaces, and other non-living quarters—to the Missouri Department of Conservation, Powder Valley at 314-301-1500 for wildlife control only.

Officers can be routed to you by the County Police Department. Please call the police non-emergency line at (636) 529-8210 and ask for an Animal Control Officer to come to your location. If no one in the house and no pets had contact with the wildlife, *and* you can safely do so, try to allow the wildlife the opportunity to leave on its own—open doors and windows, turn on lights, and don't stand between them and an exit. If the bat or wildlife DID come into contact with a person or pet in the household, or if you are unsure, KEEP IT CONFINED—Animal Control will remove the wildlife and help you assess your level of risk for disease exposure. To confine a bat, turn all the lights on in the room—this can help to keep the bat from flying around. Keep an eye on its location, so that the Officers can quickly locate and capture it.

The most common species of animals to carry rabies in the State of Missouri are bats and skunks. Bats are the species most commonly found to carry this disease in the Saint Louis Region. A very small number of bats come into contact with people or pets each year and require testing for rabies—less than 3% of those tested Statewide are actually carrying the disease. For more information, check out the CDC's web page on Rabies: <http://www.cdc.gov/rabies>

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 636-391-6326 ext 401.



**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 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.



**The Annual Egg Hunt** will be held at the gazebo in Reber Park on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. (Rain date April 15<sup>th</sup>).

Children through age 10 can hunt for eggs filled with candy as well as special "winner" slips with prizes for gift certificates from Wendy's.

Remember:

- ★ Each child needs to bring their own basket for egg gathering.
- ★ Only children are allowed in the hunt areas.

## 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 permit.**



The pavilion and Gazebo at Reber Park is available for use from **April through October** of each year, 7:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m. for special functions, family reunions, barbecues, and birthday parties. The City offers both a pavilion and gazebo available to be reserved individually and/or together. ***The cost to reserve the pavilion is \$45, the gazebo, \$30.***

Reservations **must** be made in person; fees are non-refundable. You are encouraged to call City Hall to inquire whether a specific date is available. Both residents and non-residents are eligible to reserve the facilities.

### 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.** ←

Help keep our fields in great shape. Maintenance works hard to keep the playing fields in top shape for play. Practice times can still be reserved.

If interested, call City Hall for information.

## Saint Louis COUNTY HEALTH



*(Information from St. Louis County website-  
Continued from the March Newsletter)*

## Recycling Frequently Asked Questions

### Q. What about caps or lids?

**A.** Leave the caps or lids on the containers. If the cap or lid is placed in the recycling separate from the container, it is so small it is likely to be removed at the end of the process with all the other small residuals and discarded as trash.

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**Q. Can I recycle pizza boxes with cheese stuck to the inside?**

**A.** Go ahead! Recycle pizza boxes unless they have excessive food residue inside.



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

**Q. Do I have to flatten boxes and plastic bottles?**

**A.** Flattening is not required; however, the hauler may not collect boxes that are stacked next to the recycling cart. If you frequently run out of room for recycling, flattening plastic bottles and boxes is an easy way to increase storage capacity between collections.

**Q. Can I recycle disposable plates, cups and utensils?**

**A.** *Plastic utensils cannot be recycled.* Paper cups and plates that aren't very soiled with food can be recycled.

**Q. Why can't I recycle anything with a recycling symbol on it?**

**A.** The manufacturer of a product decides whether to use the recycling symbol on a product but the use of the symbol is not regulated. Use of the recycling symbol can range from designating recycled content to "green-washing", meaning its use is merely to help the product sell. See the county accepted materials list to find out what is recyclable and what is not. If you still have questions, call 314-615-8958.

**Q. Can I still recycle at my local church/school?**

**A.** Yes! In fact, St. Louis County encourages you to do so. The St. Louis County Department of Health has worked with many schools and churches to set up these programs and it remains as supportive as ever of such efforts. Please take your paper and aluminum cans to these locations. With all that can be recycled single-stream, you will have plenty to put in the recycling cart.

MSD alone cannot keep the region's waterways clean. They need the support, resources and actions of concerned citizens, businesses and municipalities to improve local water quality. Since waterways and sewers are shared public resources, there are many steps that you can take to help maintain both.

Prior to urban development, rain provided nourishment to a natural landscape of forests and wetlands. With development, we replaced these forests and wetlands with buildings and pavement, sending stormwater into sewer pipes, ditches, culverts and out falls. This stormwater runoff carries pollutants into our local streams and rivers, damaging local ecosystems and watershed health and threatening our public health and quality of life.

This is where "going green" can help. Green infrastructure is cost-effective, sustainable and environmentally friendly because it captures and reuses stormwater to maintain or restore natural hydrologies.

Examples of green infrastructure include rain gardens, porous pavements, green roofs, infiltration planters, trees and tree boxes and rainwater harvesting (rain barrels). For more information see [www.stlmsd.com](http://www.stlmsd.com).



**Regis - iPayCourt**

**Pay Your Ticket Online**

The City's Municipal Court has made arrangements for selected Court Payments to be paid online by Credit Card - Discover, MasterCard, Visa and American Express. The iPay Court program may be reached at <https://www.ipaycourt.com/winchester>. A nominal fee is charged for this service. If you have any questions, please call 636-391-0600.



**SNOOPING IN THE TRASH**

The United States Supreme Court has ruled that once trash is placed near the curb for disposal, all expectation of privacy has been forfeited by the resident and anyone may legally examine the contents, including taking any items if they so desire. *In other words, it is legal for someone to go through your trash after you place it near the curb for disposal.* Therefore, police officials warn residents to be attentive to what they throw away (credit card statements, bank statements, other private information) so that they do not become a victim of identity theft.