

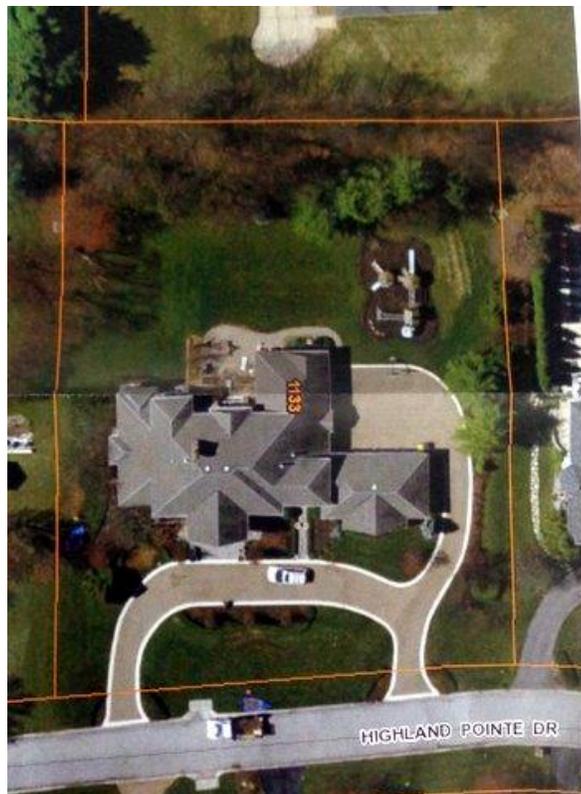
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June 12, 2017

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT TURNS DOWN REQUEST FOR A SWIMMING POOL AT MANSION ON HIGHLAND POINTE. James and Jennifer Gould own a 5,822 square foot house on 1-acre, that they paid \$2,100,000 in 2005. Its value is now estimated at \$1,700,000. They also own two Mercedes Benz autos and a Cadillac SUV.

However the one thing they don't have and want is a swimming pool. Unfortunately they are below the required 75% green space and the swimming pool project would reduce it another 8.45%.



The Goulds wanted to put the swimming pool on the southwest coner of their backyard. Due to a huge circle drive, they claim they need for guests, a large concrete area by the garage and a patio at the rear of the house, the Gould's are well below the 75% require greenspace.



1133 Highland Pointe

The next door neighbors to the south, Gil and Sigalit Vardi object to the pool, testifying at the May 30 T&C Board of Adjustment meeting. The said it would be too close to their property and force them to look at the Gould's pool when they looked out their rear window. The Vardis have a swimming pool on the northside of their backyard.



The Vardi's small bungalow at 1139 Highland Point.

The Goulds have to show practical difficulties or a unique hardship to gain a variance from the Board of Adjustment. Chair James Crowley asked what their hardship would be and the Goulds said it would be a financial hardship. I found this a little odd because if they did not get the variance and did not build the pool and deck they would save a lot of money. Chairman Crowley told them financial hardships can't be considered.

At one point the Goulds mentioned that the pool and deck would be built by the same company that built the "beautiful pool" next door to the north at the house of former Cardinal Baseball pitcher Andy Benes and his wife Jennifer at 1127 Highland Pointe.

This caused the Vardis to make a rebutal statement that if the Gould's pool was going to be as nice of the Benes pool they should build it next to the Benes property line.



The Benes modest abode.

The Board of Adjustment vote was 5-0 not to issue a variance for the pool. A possible option for the Gould's would be to buy the house behind them on Clayton Place and tear it down giving them an additional 1-acre of greenspace.

NO TOWN AND COUNTRY PARADE FOR 2017: In 2015 the First Annual Town and Country put together by Fred Wiesehan, president of Marie de Villa retirement/nursing home with the help of City Officials. The parade was held on the first Saturday of October in connection with the Fall Festival. It was a chilly Saturday but there was a large turn out. There were several floats with live music plus a lot of former St. Louis Cardinal and Football Cardinal players.



2015 & 16 Grand Marshal



In 2016 the parade was moved to June in connection with the Town and Country Fire and Ice event. It had stormed all afternoon. The parade was suppose to start at 4pm, but it was raining hard. The rain slowed down at 4:40 and by 5 PM it had stopped and the parade started with almost no one on the street to watch and no music floats.



The Second Annual Town and Country Parade in 2016 could not be called a success. Six weeks of hard work planning and then nobody shows thanks to some prolonged heavy thunderstorms. In 2015 for the first parade with the good size crowd had everyone wearing jackets or coats. It turned out to be the only cool weekend in the entire month of October. Putting on parades can be a tough businesses.

In 2017 I have been told the Third Annual Parade will not happen. “They decided to take this year off,” said City Administrator Gary Hoelzer.

COURT RECORD DISAPPEARS: We were tracking the case of Joshua C. Burton who was arrested on 12/31/16 at 10:50pm for speeding 111 mph in a 60 zone on I-270. 11 months earlier he had Town and Country Prosecutor Ed Sluys reduce a speeding citation to “Illegal Parking.” I had that case printed out, but as the June 1, 2017 court date for 111 MPH approached I wanted to get a copy of the 80/60 speeding citation issued on 8/29/15 at 8:01 am and adjudicated as a parking violation on 01/21/16 with a \$225 fine.

I sent an email as a Sunshine request to the Town and Country Police Department. They have always been straightforward in handling these requests. A few days later I got a response that that they could not find a computer file of the citation and the court administrator said there was no such case.

I then left a copy of my printout of the citation at the police department. The next day I got a copy of the citation from 2015 that showed Burton was doing 80 mph in a 60 MPH zone at 8:01 am during Saturday morning on 8/29/15.

I was told the information of the case being amended to a Parking Violation was no longer in the computer system, but the court staff did find a copy of the ticket. No one could give an explanation why it vanished from the public computer data base. The next day the case had not been reentered into the computer data base.

Neither Burton or his attorney were in court on Thursday June 1 so the 111 mph case is not resolved.

Uniform Citation

Violator's Copy



ORI NO. MO 0957200 TOWN AND COUNTRY POLICE
STATE OF MISSOURI
DIVISION OF 21st CIRCUIT COURT

140064514

STATE OF MISSOURI		DIVISION	
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TOWN AND COUNTRY MUNICIPAL		COUNTY 1	
COURT ADDRESS (Street, City, Zip) 1011 MUNICIPAL CENTER DRIVE DR, TOWN AND COUNTRY, MO, 63131			
COURT DATE	COURT TIME <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM	COURT PHONE NO.	
10/01/2015	7:00	(314) 432-1420	
I, KNOWING THAT FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY LAW, STATE THAT I HAVE PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT:			
ONABOUT (Date)	AT TIME	HWY CLASS	UPON / AT OR NEAR (LOCATION)
08/29/2015	0801 HRS		EB IS 270 BE IS 64
WITHIN CITY / COUNTY AND STATE AFORESAID,			
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE) BURTON, JOSHUA, CALEB DESTIN			
STREET ADDRESS 1 ██████████ SUMMERHOUSE DR APT 3			
CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE
SAINT LOUIS		MO	63146-2973
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DID THEN AND THERE COMMIT THE FOLLOWING OFFENSE. THE FACTS SUPPORTING THIS BELIEF ARE AS FOLLOWS: EXCEEDING SPEED LIMIT 60 MPH ZONE PATROL LASER #5 @ 896.1 FT ---- FAST LANE			
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OFFICER	BADGE	TRP / ZONE	DATE
/s/ Sat. Giacopelli	00106		08/29/2015

29-YEAR FROM SOUTH COUNTY GETS NO POINTS FOR DRIVING 33 MPH

ABOVE SPEED LIMIT: On 01/29/17 Paul Albert Tevik, 29, of South County at 8:16 on a Sunday morning was clocked doing 93 MPH in a 60 MPH zone on I-270 at Clayton Road.



He hired a lawyer from Sunset Hills and his case was moved to the Associate Circuit Court in Clayton, but it was still prosecuted by Town and Country prosecutor Ed Sluys.

Uniform Citation		Violator's Copy	
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STATE OF MISSOURI		DIVISION 1	
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TOWN AND COUNTRY MUNICIPAL COUNTY 1			
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STREET ADDRESS 400 JETT AVE			
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	
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ON INFORMATION, UNDERSIGNED PROSECUTOR CHARGES THE DEFENDANT AND INFORMS THE <input type="checkbox"/> RSMO COURT THAT ABOVE FACTS ARE TRUE AND PUNISHABLE BY: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORD.			

On 04/27/17 he pled guilty before Judge Mary Ott. He left the courthouse with NO-Points, NO-FINE and NO-Public record after he was given an SIS Probation term. He received a similar deal when he was 17 when a Highway Patrol Speeding citation was reduced to less than 5 mph over the limit, meaning no points.

STOPPING AT THE GREEN LIGHTS WILL GET A POLICE OFFICER'S ATTENTION:

Reiko Anderson, 49, of Clayton who on December 3, 2015 at 4:13 AM got the attention of Town and Country Police Officer Sapienza when she stopped in the left turn lane on Eastbound Clayton Road at Mason with no other traffic present and then drove straight.

Officer Sapienza then watched Anderson weave in and out of her lane in her silver 2008 BMW as she continued east on Clayton Road, At Clayton and Des Peres Road Anderson again stopped for a green light. At this time Officer Sapienza pulled her over on Clayton Road just past I-270.

Officer Sapienza immediately found that Anderson was drunk when he contacted her. He asked her to step out of the car but instead she drove further down the shoulder of Clayton Road before stopping and getting out. Here are Officer Sapienza's observations immediately after contacting Anderson:

OFFICER'S OBSERVATIONS	
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CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: BLACK T SHIRT, BLUE JEANS WINTER COAT SOILED BY: N/A
UNUSUAL ACTIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> PROFANITY <input type="checkbox"/> HICCUPS <input type="checkbox"/> BELCHING <input type="checkbox"/> VOMITING <input type="checkbox"/> FIGHTING <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: N/A
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: IRRATIONAL, UPSET, CRYING



Anderson either failed or could not perform or refused to do field sobriety tests.

She was arrested but then resisted being handcuffed requiring two officers to handcuff her.

At the police station she refused to take a breath test.

She was released to a sober friend on citations charging her with DWI, Improper Lane Use and Resisting Arrest.

OUTCOME: Anderson hired Clayton attorney Richard Rodemyer. Town and Country Prosecuting Attorney Ed Sluys dismissed the Resisting Arrest charge. I mean why should the city prosecutor back up police officers making arrests at 4 o'clock in the morning? On 11/17/16 she pled guilty to the Improper Lane Use and was fined \$225 and got a couple of points on her license.

She also pled guilty to DWI and was placed on a No-Fine, No-Points Probation 2-year probation by Town and Country Judge Dean Waldemer.

SHOPLIFTING ST. JOHN POLICE SERGEANT LEFT QUITE A FEW STORIES AT DES PERES DIERBERG'S STORE: There are more than a few stories floating around about the shoplifting arrest of Matthew Barthelmaass on April 21, 2017 at the region's largest supermarket, the 75,000 square foot Dierberg's Supermarket in Des Peres.

Barthelmass had hidden \$30 worth of hamburger down his pants and then checked out without his groin being scanned and his paying for the hamburger, Once outside he was stopped by store security.

The interesting thing was at the time Barthelmass was a police sergeant with the St. John Police Department. He resigned shortly after being issued a summons for stealing.



Barthelmass lives in the 700 block of Craig Drive in Kirkwood not far from Des Peres. According to the security officer's report Barthelmass begged for the police not to be called as it would cost him his job.

An article by Denise Hollinshed in the Post-Dispatch reported that Dierberg's policy was to always call the police if the theft was \$30 or more. The hamburger was valued at \$30.

Here is what else we have heard in the rumor mill since then:

1. The Des Peres Officers who responded to the scene asked Dierberg's to reconsider pressing charges.
2. That Barthelmass had been stopped by store security in March for stealing and let go with no charges.

CAR BREAK-IN IN THE MORNING AT LONGVIEW PARK: This alert from the Town and Country Police:

Thieves Target Vehicles at Longview Farm Park

Last week on Thursday, June 1st between 7:30 and 8:00 AM, two vehicles parked at Longview Farm Park were broken into and purses were stolen from both vehicles. The driver's side window of both vehicles had been shattered. Video surveillance showed a small silver vehicle back into a park space adjacent to one of the victim's vehicle and moments later leave the area. By the time the incident was reported to police a credit card belonging to one of the victims was used at a Wal-Mart store in Manchester, MO. Other communities have reported similar incidents in their parks involving the same suspects and vehicle.

The pictures below are from Wal-Mart's video surveillance of the two suspects and their vehicle.



The vehicle appears to be a late model Silver 2016-2017 Hyundai Veloster.

If you see a vehicle matching the above pictures in any of our parks you are urged to call the police immediately by dialing 9-1-1.

To minimize the likelihood of becoming a victim we urge you to remove or store valuables out of site and lock your vehicle(s)

Please share this information with your neighbors.

Town & Country Police • 1011 Municipal Center Drive • Town & Country, MO • 63131 • 314-432-4696

UNAPPROVED CHESTERFIELD NEWSLETTER 226



June 12, 2017

CHESTERFIELD CITY COUNCIL VOTES TO END THE BIG SPORTS BASEBALL DOME-POWERPLEX DEAL AFTER CONTRACT TERMINATED. BUCK AND MATHENY DIDN'T HAVE FINANCING BY JUNE 1 AS STIPULATED WITH CHESTERFIELD CITY COUNCIL. YOU PERHAPS CAN CALL THE CHESTERFIELD BASEBALL DOME, THE BASEBALL DOOM!

Dan Buck, the front man for the Big Sports Sport's Dome project or as we called it at the time, "The Sports Doom" has submitted a number of letters from banks dated either May 30 or May 31 claiming multi-million dollar loans are in the works. But he could not show the \$23-million in philanthropic contributions and the bank letters of possible intent to loan money did not meet the agreed upon requirements.

This is the Buck promise on page six of the contract agreement with the city. (The entire contract is on our homepage)

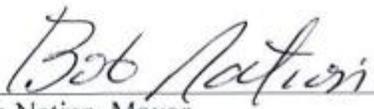
If the June 1 Deliverables are unsatisfactory to the City, in the City's sole and absolute discretion, the City shall have the absolute right to terminate this Agreement by written notice to the Developer not later than June 21, 2017 (the "**Termination Notice**"). The Termination Notice shall automatically work a termination of the Ground Lease in such event. Additionally, if Developer fails to provide each and every one of the June 1 Deliverables on or before June 1, 2017, then this Agreement and the Ground Lease shall automatically terminate. The June 1, 2017 deadline is not subject to extension due to any condition of Force Majeure (defined below), nor is it subject to any notice and cure periods that may otherwise be provided for a breach or default under this Agreement (including as provided in Sections 5.1 and 7.2 hereof).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Lessor and Lessee have caused this Ground Lease to be executed in their respective names and the City has caused its seal to be affixed thereto, and attested s of the Effective Date.

LESSOR:

CITY OF CHESTERFIELD, MISSOURI

SEAL)



Bob Nation, Mayor

BIG SPORTS PROPERTIES, LLC

By: 

Daniel Buck, *Managing Partner*

BUCK STARTS THE DAY WITH AN ATTACK IN THE MORNING: Former state senator and current Monarch Fire District Director Jane Cunningham sends out a newsletter to people (mostly Republicans who have backed her in past House and Senate elections) on a semi-regular basis. She sent one out very early on Monday morning concerning the Chesterfield City Council meeting that night on June 5. She led off with a paragraph on the Big Sports Baseball Dome situation, how the contract with the city that included the city to buy 22 acres of land and then lease the property back to Big sports over 50 years had expired and how the council might vote to extend the time on the agreement with Big Sports.

Jane's message seemed to be pretty upfront and factual.

The agenda will include:

1) *The Big Sports Properties contract with Chesterfield to lease 50 acres expired on June 1 and Dan Buck, the managing partner is requesting an extension of the contract.* This seems like an opportunity to renegotiate the lease if the Council believes it is in the best interest of the taxpayers. Additionally since, according to the mayor, Libby Tucker, a middle management Chesterfield staffer, negotiated the lease, the Council could also now bring in an expert legal negotiator who is experienced and capable of handling this magnitude of a multi-million dollar deal to ensure it is fair for the taxpayers.

Prior to June 5 Cunningham had little to say on the Baseball Dome project as long as the Fire District would be compensated for the costs of doing inspections and running calls to the complex. She also has refused to meet in private with Buck, avoiding the claims of secret meetings that occurred in 2016 when City Council members met in groups of two, to avoid Sunshine Law requirements, at Busch Stadium for a baseball game or at city hall.



Jane Cunningham



Dan Buck

However Dan Buck clearly went ballistic after someone sent Jane's email to him. He wrote a nasty name calling email to Jane with copies to Mayor Bob Nation, City Administrator Mike Geisel and Development Director Libby Tucker. The email is too long for this newsletter. But it is posted in its entirety on our website. Here are some of the highlights from Buck's email: (We have both emails in their entirety on the homepage of our website)

Jane - Your blind ignorance and lack of understanding on this project is sad. I've gone from being angry at your uninformed campaign to derail this project to actually feeling sorry for you and the complete and utter lack of knowledge you have on this project and the benefits it can bring to the entire region. What is most saddening is how you have no desire to learn the truth.

You very well might be able to get all the councilmen that you make political contributions to, to vote NO for an extension to St. Louis County - that is merely asking for 60 more days to get their infrastructure financing packaged completed. However, your uninformed assumption that a "new contract" will be negotiated is completely false. We will be DONE with the Chesterfield site and will move the entire project to one of our two alternate sites/cities, with neither located in St. Louis County. This is not a threat, just a fact of business. We are FULLY funded and

ready to move and will not delay through another city of Chesterfield negotiation. If the county, doesn't deliver the financing for infrastructure in 60 days, the deal is dead anyway. And Yes, Jane, you will win... You'll be able to take full credit for keeping the weed infested, flooded acreage in tact!!! You singlehandedly can be proud of sending \$60 million of new annual economic, tourist driven traffic somewhere else in the bi-state region. You'll also be assured that St. Louis County will NOT bring the \$10 million investment for sewers and waterlines, knowing how reckless the city council acted in sending our \$54 million project somewhere else... ... the land will remain dormant until long after we both are dead. You'll feel good every time you drive past it... and I'll always think about how amazing that campus would've been.

By the way, Your refusal to meet with me to discuss the project one-on-one because of your belief in "public transparency" is a joke and it's completely hypocritical. You've had tons of PRIVATE meetings with people about this project in your attempt to derail it... the public has no idea about any of those "back ally, private lunches and sideline conversations" including your multiple attempts to sway NO votes with the council. Be assured the media will know about your "private" political works behind the scenes. There will be a strange irony that all the NO votes we likely will receive came from the same council members that receive campaign financing from Jane Cunningham. Everyone will know who thwarted this project. They won't blame the Mayor, not the county council or Steve Stenger. They'll blame the puppet master pulling the strings of council members... a woman who refused to learn the facts, ignores the truth when given to her and thinks the only VALUE of this project to the city is a land lease on dormant, undeveloped ground.

This is just part of the email. Buck clearly is not a man who uses a load of personal charm to win people over. Later in the night he got into a shouting match with Councilwomen Barb McGuinness at the City Council meeting. It appeared that Buck enjoyed trying to push women around. While McGuinness and Cunningham both had celebrated their 65th birthdays a few years ago, they were not the types to get pushed around. Cunningham went from a neutral player to showing up to the meeting and having her arms crossed during the Buck presentation. McGuinness made a motion to kill the city purchase of the 22 acres for \$2,050,000 that was to be lease back to Big Sports. The land purchase offer was dead since the Big Sports deal died on June 1, but also the land offer would have expired on June 8 without the legislation to kill it.



THE COUNCIL MEETING:

The Speakers: The meeting started off with remarks from the public. Most read not from notes, but printed speeches. Also most now referred to the project as the PowerPlex and not the Big Sports complex or Baseball Dome, making me think they had a little coaching.

#1 **Dr. Eric Nepute** began how diabetes and obesity were huge medical problems. This Power-plex has a huge educational component.

#2 **Tracy Ellis** asked, "Why is this causing any controversy? PowerPlex is costing the city almost nothing. (Not true it is costing \$2,050,000 of city money to buy land and lease it back to the developers over 50 years and lease another 30 acres of city land for the 50-years with n profit for the first 25 years.) This will get visitors from eight states to visit our community."

#3 **Michael Ebert**, Owner of the Comfort Inn Hotel in Chesterfield Valley. "It is really a win-win."

#4 **Colleen O'Neill**, general Manager of the Taubman Outlet Mall. "I don't think anyone can deny the Powerplex would be good for Chesterfield. It will drive thousands of customers to our shops. Traveling sports families spend money."

#5 **Quinn Buck**, son of Dan Buck. I would like to talk about not the financial effect of the Powerplex. I want to talk about what the Powerplex will teach youth.”

#6 **Rick Seems** of Clarkson Valley who is the president of the Base Foundation (Baseball and Softball Education). “I just got back from Peoria (where there is a baseball complex). Their complex draws 400 teams a week.”

#6 **Nora Amato**, Executive Director of the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce. “The Parks Department does not have a financial obligation in this. (They wanted to take the \$2,050,000 to buy the 22 acres from the Parks Department reserves, leaving the Parks Department with almost no reserve cash.) All they (Big Sports) are doing is asking this council for more time. This will answer the question whether this project will be somewhere else or in Chesterfield.”

#7 **John Hammond**. “I think it is a wonderful project. I think it is wonderful. I also I’m a taxpayer and I think the rent is bad. I don’t know who negotiated the rent, but we should get a proper rent. I’m in favor of them buying the land.”

#8 **Ron Cawood**. Tonight is a good example of mom, baseball and apple pie. Well for this mom, baseball and apple pie, I want it done with private funds and not tax money.”

#9 **Dick Shafer**. I’m 83. I take trips across the country to see my grand kids play sports. I’d love to have this in our backyard where we can do the entertaining.”



Nepute



Ellis



Ebert



O'Neill



Q. Buck



Seems



Amato



Hammond



Cawood



Shafer

THE PRESENTATION: Dan Buck, who the more I see him reminds more and more of Professor Harold Hill, without the charm, began his presentation by attacking who he sees as his attackers whether real or imagined.



Harold Hill



Dan Buck

“There have been a lot of falsehoods put out on this project,” said Buck. (I was unaware of any falsehoods against Buck and company. The only false hoods were from Buck and Cardinal manager Mike Matheny starting by avoiding open government records and meeting laws by holding secret private meeting with one or two elected officials at a time. Buck submitted letters from banks claiming they met contract obligations, but they didn’t.)

“We are very anxious to get this started. This council can let this race finish or have it more to another community.” (I thought he was talking baseball and softball. Now he is talking track and field.)

“15 months ago a group of guys, good guy, Christian guys came together with this plan.” (Does this mean you should not look for the next Hank Greenberg or Sandy Koufax to emerge out of a Buck facility? Just Christians! Why even bring religion up?)

“We call ourselves the best baseball city in the country. We want this place to prove it.” (Chesterfield is not in my baseball memory bank. Sportsman Park on North Grand, Busch Memorial Stadium and the new downtown stadium with naming rights for sale to the highest bidder make up the “The Best Baseball City in America.” If you listen to some groups who have shown up at City Council meetings in the last year wanting free fields or tax money you would swear that Chesterfield is the “Best Hockey City” or “The Best Soccer City” or “Best Cricket City” in the region.

“Why with league tournaments that get better market leases what are you concerned about. 1.25-million visitors generating \$500,000 in new taxes.” (First 50% of those new taxes will be shared with 89 other municipalities. Secondly those 1.25 million visitors will cost more in police services, public works services and create quality of life issues.)

“We are anxious to close on the property, but it is all dependent on tonight.” (This is exactly what he said in February when he got a 4-3 vote to enter into an agreement which Buck agreed to a June 1 deadline for all of his promised financing and land deals to be completed. Buck and Matheny started pitching this project to the city in March of 2016. This means he has had over a year to firm up financial obligations.)

In January Buck said “that not one dollar of tax money would be used to build the project.” Apparently the \$2,050,000 in city funds to buy 22 acres and leased back to Buck and company and the 30 acres of city property purchased for \$3.8 million in 2009 now valued at \$2.7-million to be leased to the Buck group for 50 years at a discount price does not involve city tax money and assets. (It does!)



Harold Hill about to lead the River City Band. Dan Buck trying to lead the Chesterfield City Council. River City Iowa Mayor George Shinn (Paul Ford) and Chesterfield Mayor Bob Nation both buying a load of promises.

“I cannot believe the backstabbing agenda by people who cannot build anything. It takes courage to see in the future for a project like this in the mud,” said Buck, insulting a number of members of the City Council.

THEN THE POLITICIAN: Buck briefly turned over the floor to **County Councilman Mark Harder** (Rep). Harder claimed that County Executive Steve Stenger (Dem) was a big supporter of the project. This seems a little odd since Stenger has proven to be highly partisan, with Chesterfield being a Republican stronghold. Democratic Maryland Heights just north of Chesterfield with plenty of undeveloped land in flood plains just like Chesterfield makes more sense for Stenger support.

The infrastructure costs had exploded from around \$4-million at the first of the year to \$12-million now. The County was now supposed to bring in revenue through bonds or financing to help pay for the additional \$8-million.

“This project is like a Swiss watch. Parts are dependent on other parts.” (I have news to Mr. Harder all watches have parts dependent on other parts, including the American watch I have and even the Chinese watch that was given to me as a gift when I taught Western style Fire and Arson Investigation in China. But I guess using a Swiss Watch as an example is appropriate in West County.)

“We want an extension of time for 60 days. This will be referred to as the Chesterfield Power-plex; not the Maryland Heights Power-plex; not the St. Louis Power-plex. Together we can make great things happen,” said Harder.



County Councilman Mark Harder

QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL:

Barb McGuinness: You have four deliverables. You have not delivered any of them. According to the contract it terminated on June 1. (She then reads the portion of the March contract signed by Buck concerning his obligations and the termination date. Buck then begins shouting at her to keep reading more.)

Buck: The infrastructure financing has been a problem, but we have letters...

McGuinness: Mr. Graville (city attorney Chris Gravelle) have they met the terms of the contract.

Graville: In my opinion, no they have not.

Mayor Nation: I think that is understood (the contract is now terminated and void)

McGuinness: I don't think he knows it.



Barb McGuinness



Mayor Bob Nation and City Atty Chris Graville

Nation: The Simmons Bank agreement seems to have a lien on the philanthropic contributions.

Barry Flachsbart: I'd like to suspend the rules and move agenda item #11 (the purchase of 22-acres) to the front of the agenda. (He did not get a second.)

Buck: Councilwoman McGuinness why do you care where the financing comes from?

McGuinness: It was a deliverable in a contract that you prepared and signed.



Pissed off Dan Buck Shouting at Councilwoman McGuinness

Dan Hurt: Everyone agrees that the contract you signed has terminated. But I want to say something else. When you closed your statement saying courage is needed to build something in the mud. There are a few people here sitting on this dais tonight who in 1993 saw that Valley completely underwater and had the courage and vision to see what has been built in the Chesterfield Valley. I didn't appreciate you saying we did not have courage to see something in the Valley.



Councilman Dan Hurt dressing down Buck over his comment about leaders not having courage.

Buck: That comment was not meant toward you. It was for the people who have a backwater operation to stop this who have refused to meet with us independently.

Guy Tilman: Do we have an agreement or not?

Nation: I agree with Councilwoman McGuinness, that we are outside of the contract.

Tom DeCampi: There is nothing to vote on to extend it.

When it became clear there was no extension, Buck and his followers left.



Buck would be a terrible poker player. As the night went on, he defensively folded his arms and his face was going to a beet red color.

AND THEN THERE WAS THE LAND PURCHASE AGREEMENT: The deal appeared to be dead for a Sports Complex. But there was still the agenda item to buy the 22 acres for \$2,050,000. This would expire on June 8 if they did nothing. But that did not stop things from getting ugly.

Barb McGuinness made a motion to kill the deal since Big Sports' contract agreement terminated. Senior councilman Barry Flachsbart then dressed down his fellow councilpersons.

Flachsbart: I'm really disturbed by the lack of vision of this council. I think 30 or 40 years from now people will look back and say how stupid this council was. I can't wait until tomorrow when our citizens find out what happened.

I think that was short sighted and stupid and I hope citizens noticed who voted against it.

Hurt: Mr. Flachsbart that was totally inappropriate. Who was the only one who voted against the TIF for Chesterfield Valley after the flood? YOU DID!



Flachsbart



Hurt



Logan

Randy Logan: I agree with Mr. Flachsbart. This council will be remembered for this.

Guy Tilman: We were presented with a project that would provide long term revenue for the city. On one hand we are turning over rocks looking for nickels and dimes. This is a real shame. Elections matter. I think people will take notice.

McGuinness: The contract terminated on its own. We didn't do anything.

Ben Keathley: It was inappropriate to buy this piece of land. It is inappropriate to do it again. We are taking money from the Parks' budget.



Keathley

DeCampi: It has been flawed from the start. It was done with a lack of transparency. It is a raid on the Parks' fund. The product tonight is finished and a new one presented if they desire.

Randy Logan then moved to send the entire project to staff for 60 days to review. That failed on a 5-3 vote with Logan, Flachsbart and Tilman voting for it.

Hurt: I see the next area for change will be Chesterfield Mall. We should not consider this (Big Sports) as the Holy Grail.

Barb McGuinness then moved to kill the 22-acre land deal immediately even though it would expire in three days. That vote ended in a 4-4 tie with Michelle Ohley being a surprise NO vote, joining Logan, Tilman, and Flachsbart. Mayor Nation broke the tie by voting no.

However, 10 minutes later as a prevailing voter, Ohley moved to reconsider the motion to kill the land purchase deal immediately.

She then switched her vote joining Hurt, McGuinness, Keathley and DeCampi and the purchase of the 22-acres was killed at 10:10pm on June 5.



Ohley and DeCampi

MEDIA: POST-DISPATCH COMPLETELY MISSED THE POINT. The day after the Council meeting a front page article appeared in the Post-Dispatch with the byline lead being Jacob Barker a business writer, instead of Ashley Lisenby who covered the meeting. This article was factual, but dull. There was a limited amount of space and it took a lot of words to explain everything.

However on Tuesday night for Wednesday's edition a very unfair and slanted article appear with Buck's groundless claim that Jane Cunningham torpedoed the project.

http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/why-did-chesterfield-back-out-of-sports-complex-deal-dan/article_d15adfea-727a-5545-bc9c-35fb4444e3f3.html?mode=comments

Business

Why did Chesterfield back out of sports complex deal? Dan Buck blames Jane Cunningham

- [By Jacob Barker St. Louis Post-Dispatch](#)
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The article did not produce any facts backing up Buck's claim. Barker did call Cunningham and got a quote, but still it was sad and read as being one sided. Barker interviewed Mayor Nation, but he failed to interview McGuinness, Hurt, DeCampi, Ohley or Keathley. We posted the below comment on the Post-Dispatch online edition on the Barker article. j

I have covered Chesterfield politics, crime and other news for a newsweb site since 2013. The Post-Dispatch has completely missed the real story here. CHESTERFIELD DID NOT KILL THIS DEAL. Just like Donald Trump did not end Kathy Griffin's career, Dan Buck killed this deal.

He wanted the City to wipe out its Parks Department Reserve fund by spending \$2,050,000 to buy a 22 acre piece of land and then lease it along with a 30-acre piece of land that the city owns back to them for 50 years. The city would not see a profit for at least 20-to-25 years. The city agreed to do this if Buck had all his financing in place by June 1, 2017. Buck thought the infrastructure costs would be around \$4-million. It turned out they would be closer to \$12-million. Buck then went to the County to get the money. Buck failed to live up to the sign contract agreement deadline of June 1 and the deal died. Jane Cunningham had nothing to do with it. Nor did she ever politic against it. She just insisted as a Director of the Monarch Fire District that any talks with Buck should be done in public and not behind close doors.

Five members of the City Council are suspicious that Buck actually has the financing for this project and don't want to throw money into a black hole. However the entire Council would support this project if the Buck group would simply buy the 22 acres they want to the city to buy and the 30 acres the city owns. In fact they would be willing to sell the 30-acres at a loss.

Dan Buck killed this deal and the City Council would love to rezone the land if Buck would privately build the complex. They are not willing to spend millions of dollars of city money for a less than certain project. In other words they are looking after the residents' money.

I have a number of stories dating back to last spring on the homepage of my website and it will be updated with the latest news by the weekend. To look at it go to <http://johnhoffmann.net> or just google "News from Snoburbia."

CHESTERFIELD CITY COUNCIL VOTES AGAINST REFORMING THE MUNICIPAL COURT. The Chesterfield City Council decided that Municipal Court reform was not for them and they would stick with the same old system where people who could afford to hire a lawyer got a deal and poor people who could not afford one got screwed. (We will have more on this in next week's newsletter.)

The Council voted 5-3 to reappoint Tim Engelmeyer to another 4-year term as Prosecuting attorney. Here are the councilpersons who wanted to start reforming the Municipal Court and voted against the Engelmeyer reappointment:

Tom DeCampi Michele Ohley Ben Keathley

Here are the five who wanted ethically challenged business as usual to continue:

Barb McGuinness Dan Hurt Barry Flachsbart Randy Logan Guy Tilman

And of course **Mayor Bob Nation** clearly doesn't want reform as he reappointed Engelmeyer in the first place.

PAIR COMBINE FRAUDULENT RETURN AND STRAIGHT UP SHOPLIFTING AT WALMART. On Saturday January 2, 2016 at about 3:39 in the afternoon a pair of thieves from St. Charles County decided to hit the Chesterfield Wal Mart twice. First they came to the store with a receipt and then picked up some of the items listed on the receipt from shelves and racks and went to the return desk. Secondly afer making a very small amount on the return scam that was witnessed by store security, the female did some old school shoplifting.

Sarah Sohaib, 24, of O'Fallon, Missouri and John Matreci, 22, of St. Charles were both arrested.

Chesterfield Officer McBride was on the scene at the time of the thefts and made the arrest. This is from his report.

Once inside the office, both were handcuffed, searched for weapons or contraband, and placed on a bench inside the office. A search of the male revealed the receipt and the cash, both were seized and the money was returned to Wal-Mart. A search of the female revealed 5 Xbox games in her purse, and she removed 1 Xbox game from her sweatshirt and a Xbox controller.

Total Value recovered including the Xbox games, controller, and cash was \$199.01.

Sohaib had given Officer McBride a false name. After her release on a summons to court he checked a mug shot data base and found a mug shot of the person under the name given by Sohaib and it was a different person. At the time of their arrests McBride also noticed two keys to the America's Best Value Inn in Lake St. Louis. Officer McBride notified Lake St. Louis PD that the couple was staying there and committing shoplifting thefts.

The following is from a supplemental report by Officer McBride concerning of he arrest of Sohaib's arrest by lake St. Louis PD.

I was later contacted by a Lake St. Louis supervisor and informed that the female had been taken into custody after a brief foot chase. She had been in possession of heroin and drug paraphernalia at the time of their arrest. The supervisor also explained that they found a felony warrant out of St. Charles County on Sarah Sohaib and she was going to be transferred to them soon.

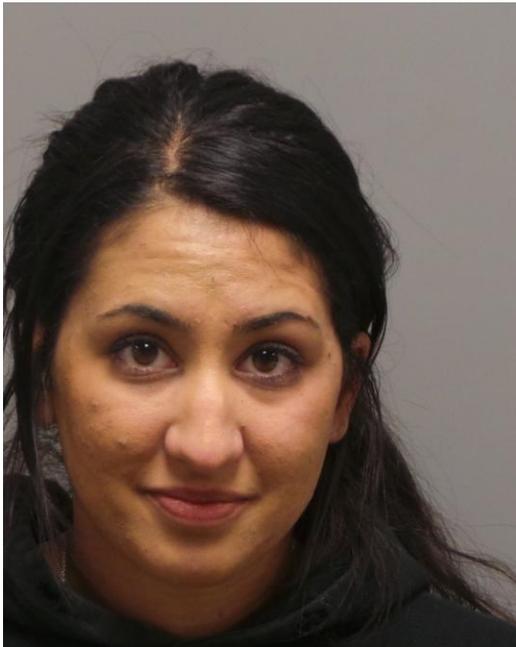
Sarah Sohaib's arrest record.

07/23/14	Driving While Revoked	O'Fallon MO PD
10/31/14	Misdemeanor Stealing	St. Charles CO PD
	02/23/16 Pled Guilty 2 years SIS probation term	
03/07/15	Felony Stealing Over \$500	Maryland Heights PD
04/23/15	Felony Possession of Controlled Sub	O'Fallon MO PD
	Driving While Revoked 10 days jail	
	02/23/16 Pled Guilty to Drugs charge and placed on SIS probation	
	01/23/17 Violated probation sentenced to 4 yrs prison but placed on SES Probation	
	03/02/17 and 05/04/17 new probation violations filed	
01/02/16	Stealing	Chesterfiled PD
	Possession of Theft Device	

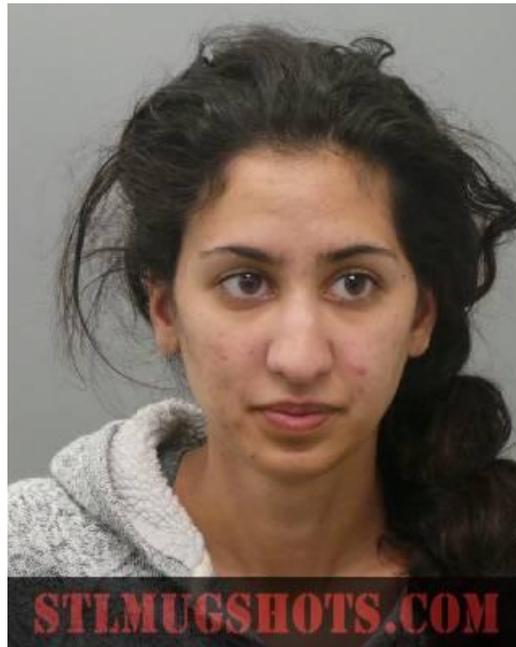
Gave False Identiy (see below for disposition)
 01/02/16 **Felony Possession of Controlled Substance** Lake St. Louis PD
Felony Resisting Arrest
 01/23/17 PG sentenced to 7 years prison but placed on SES probation for 5-years
 05/04/17 Probation Violation noticed filed

John Matreci's arrest record:

06/25/11	Prior Offender DWI Misdemeanor	O'Fallon MO PD
	05/22/12 Pled Guilty SES probation term	
01/02/16	Stealing (Ord Violation)	Chesterfield PD



2016 Mug Shot for stealing



2014 mug shot for drugs

OUTCOME: Sohaib After her attorney moved the cases to the Associate Circuit Court in Clayton, something unusual happened She pled guilty to all the original charges. Tim Engelmeyer did not give her any amended charges. She was fined \$150 for stealing, \$75 for Possession of Theft Device and \$50 for Providing False Identiy. At the time of the plea she did have the felony stealing (amended to felony Receiving Stolen Property) pending against her. The no reduction move was easy for Engelmeyer in this case since Sohaib was going to prison on other charges.

OUTCOME: Matreci On October 18, 2016 Tim Engelmeyer did amend the charge against Materci, who pled guilty to Littering and was fined \$350.

CHESTERFIELD POLICE BLOTTER:

**CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
Media Report
May 31, 2017 - June 6, 2017**

<u>Time of Occurrence</u>	<u>Generic Address</u>	<u>Business/Location Name</u>	<u>Incident Type</u>
06/01/2017, 1307 06/06/2017, 1300	16XX TIMBERLAKE MANOR PKY		Fraud Scam
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject attempted to convince victim to send money after receiving a check to purchase items on Craigslist.			
06/04/2017, 1624 06/04/2017, 1627	2 CAPRICE DR	Lou Fusz Ford	Stolen Vehicle Automobile
Brief Narrative Description: 26 yo male stole victim's vehicle from car repair lot. Vehicle and suspect later recovered in other jurisdiction.			
05/31/2017, 1802 06/02/2017, 1218	13XXX OLIVE BLVD	Phillips 66	Fraud Credit Card
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's debit card information to make cash withdrawals.			
06/05/2017, 2040 06/06/2017, 2058	17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD	Lion's Choice	Larceny under \$750 Employer
Brief Narrative Description: 27 yo female took money from cash registers while working.			
06/06/2017, 2100 06/06/2017, 2100	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Polo	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects grabbed clothing and ran out of store without paying.			
06/06/2017, 1840 06/06/2017, 1900	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 24 yo male and 47 yo female concealed sunglasses and clothing and left store without paying.			
06/05/2017, 1643 06/05/2017, 1650	17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD	Jason's Deli	Assault Common - Actual Assault
Brief Narrative Description: 31 yo male struck victim in the head after argument causing minor injuries. Subject then threatened victim with a knife. Upon police arrival, subject ran away and fought with officers upon arrest causing minor injuries to officer and subject.			
06/05/2017, 0522 06/05/2017, 0522	2XX RIDGE TRAIL DR		Drugs Paraphernalia
Brief Narrative Description: 19 yo male in possession of marijuana paraphernalia after suspicious person check.			
06/05/2017, 0830 06/05/2017, 0930	18XX STILL HOLLOW CT		Larceny Over \$750 Residence
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took money from residence.			
06/05/2017, 1053 06/05/2017, 1053	2XX CROWNRIDGE DR		Assault Common - Actual Assault
Brief Narrative Description: 49 yo female scratched victim's arms after argument causing minor injuries.			
05/30/2017, 0800 06/01/2017, 1200	18XX BRAUMTON CT		Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took license plate tabs off of victim's vehicle.			
06/05/2017, 1655 06/05/2017, 1655	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Polo	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting

Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects grabbed clothing and ran out of store without paying.			
06/05/2017, 2219 06/05/2017, 2219	N WOODS MILL RD & OLIVE BLVD & WOODS MILL RD		Drugs Possession - Felony
Brief Narrative Description: 39 yo male in possession of heroin after being stopped for DWI.			
05/23/2017, 1200 05/23/2017, 1200	16XXX WESTBORO CIRCLE DR		Fraud Other
Brief Narrative Description: 41 yo male reported charge on victim's credit card as fraudulent and took the money returned from the credit card company.			
06/04/2017, 1643 06/04/2017, 1643	17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD	AT&T	Forgery Other
Brief Narrative Description: 19 yo female and 21 and 20 yo males used fake identifications to buy cellular phones and forged signatures to complete their purchases.			
05/31/2017, 1200 06/01/2017, 2359	15XX FOXHAM DR		Fraud Credit Card
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's debit card information to withdrawal money.			
05/20/2017, 1620 06/02/2017, 1700	2XX S WOODS MILL RD 3208	Brooking Park	Larceny Over \$750 Residence
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took ear ring from victim's residence.			
06/03/2017, 1643 06/03/2017, 1727	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 39 yo female concealed sunglasses and left store without paying. Also in possession of stolen clothing from other store.			
06/03/2017, 2249 06/03/2017, 2249	SWINGLEY RIDGE DR & W CHESTERFIELD PKY		Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor
Brief Narrative Description: Four 18 yo males in possession of marijuana and alcohol after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
04/01/2017, 2300 06/02/2017, 0700	5XX WHITE RD	Westchester House	Larceny under \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's medication.			
05/26/2017, 0800 06/01/2017, 1200	22XX KITTRIDGE CT		Fraud Identity Theft
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's information to open up credit card account.			
06/02/2017, 1324 06/02/2017, 1324	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Polo	Larceny under \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took credit card from card reader after it was left behind in store.			
06/02/2017, 1525 06/02/2017, 1525	CHESTERFIELD CTR & LYDIA HILL DR & W CHESTERFIELD PKY		Assault Common - Actual Assault
Brief Narrative Description: 14 yo male struck victim in head and chest after argument causing minor injuries.			
05/23/2017, 0137 05/23/2017, 0157	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	Larceny under \$750 Employer
Brief Narrative Description: 25 yo male took electronics while working for employer.			
05/19/2017, 0017 05/31/2017, 0257	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	Larceny under \$750 Employer
Brief Narrative Description: 27 yo male took electronics while working for employer.			
06/01/2017, 1419 06/01/2017, 1419	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 19 yo male concealed sunglasses and left store without paying.			
06/01/2017, 1440 06/01/2017, 1440	1X THF BLVD	Old Navy	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 23 yo female grabbed clothing and ran out of store without paying.			
06/01/2017, 1410 06/01/2017, 1515	5X WHITE PLAINS DR		Property Damage to Mailbox

Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject knocked over victim's mailbox.			
06/01/2017, 1118 06/01/2017, 1118	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 36 yo male concealed video games and left store without paying.			
06/01/2017, 1219 06/01/2017, 1219	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	Earthbound	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 20 and 17 yo females concealed clothing and jewelry and left store without paying.			
06/01/2017, 1351 06/01/2017, 1351	4X CHESTERFIELD MALL	Macy's	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject concealed clothing and left store without paying.			
05/31/2017, 1946 05/31/2017, 1946	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Polo	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects grabbed clothing and ran out of store without paying.			
05/31/2017, 2133 05/31/2017, 2133	16XXX BURKHARDT PL	YMCA	Property Damage to Vehicle
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject broke out window on victim's vehicle.			
05/31/2017, 0000 05/31/2017, 0500	1XX SAN ANGELO DR		Property Damage to Vehicle
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject egged victim's vehicle.			
05/31/2017, 1249 05/31/2017, 1249	4X THF BLVD	Target	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 36 yo male concealed playing cards and left store without paying.			
05/31/2017, 1300 05/31/2017, 1300	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Two 16 yo females concealed sunglasses and left store without paying.			

The Assault and Knife Display and Assault on police officers effecting the arrest at Jason's Deli will be covered in more detail in next week's newsletter.

NEARBY POLITICS: CANDIDATE FOR MARYLAND HEIGHTS MAYOR

ANNOUNCES EARLY: State Rep. Mary Nichols has announced her intention to run for the mayor of Maryland Heights. Mayor Mike Moeller has been in office since 2002. Controversy came to Maryland Heights in the summer of 2016 when Moeller suspended the police chief and assistant police chief. The chief was later reinstated while the assistant chief retired.

Rep. Nichols (Dem) is in her final 2-year term before being term-limited out of office at the end of 2018. The filing for non-partisan municipal offices in St. Louis County is not until the second week in December. However the early announcement by Nichols does let Moeller know he will have some competition if he expects to win a fifth 4-year term.



REAL ESTATE 42 Huntleigh Woods, Village of Huntleigh In 2014 Gregg Badami sold his company Eagle Nonwovens, Inc. with a 170,000 sq ft factory. Now his 12,459 square foot house on 2/3 acres in Huntleigh Village is for sale for just \$8,200,000. The real estate taxes last year were a mere \$47,207.



One of the features of the house is a nine-car heated garage.

Here is the list from County Tax Records of some of the vehicles filling that garage:

Description	Year	Make	Model	F
Auto	2010	Chev	Camaro	
Auto	2013	Jeep	Wrangler	
Auto	2015	Cad	Escalade	
Auto	2015	Gmc	Yukon	
Auto	2016	Chev	Corvette	
Auto	2016	Chev	Corvette	
Motorcycle	2008	Bigdog	1916Cc	
Motorcycle	2014	Honda	49Cc	
Motorcycle	2014	Honda	49Cc	
Motorcycle	2016	Fbi	G3 Razor	
Trucks	2013	Toyo	Tacoma Double Cab	
Trucks	2015	Gmc	Sierra 1/2Crewcab	
Trucks	2015	Gmc	Sierra 3/4 Crew	



Nine car heated garage.

I have to admit that the main entrance looks like it is to a very high end hotel that is not ADD compliant.



But what I liked the most was this; a washer and dryer in the closet!:



FOR ALMOST HALF AS MUCH YOU COULD GET THIS HOUSE IN LADUE: 31

Somerset Downs: This house is 11,888 square feet so it is smaller than 42 Huntleigh Woods, but the lot is bigger at 3.12 acres. The asking price is just \$4,199,000. The taxes are almost as much at \$41,035 vs \$47,207 for Huntleigh Woods, which leads me to think that Huntleigh Woods might be overpriced!.



One drawback is that it only has a five-car garage (but I think you could squeeze in a sixth one if you tried), however the owners only show 3 autos registered to the house.



There are two other drawbacks here. One is stairs. Rich people seem to get old faster than regular people, maybe because they aren't super rich until their 50s.



The other problem area compared to 42 Huntleigh Woods is there is no washer/dryer in the closet!



This pad at 31 Somerset Downs is owned by Thomas W. Moller, President and CEO of Eclipse Capital Management of Clayton, MO and his wife Jill. They built the house in 2003.



RESTAURANT REVIEW Das Bevo AKA BEVO Mill. June 2, 2017



1974



2017

The Bevo Mill was originally built in 1917 on Gravois by August Busch as a halfway point from the brewery and the family mansion on Grant's Farm in St. Louis County.

Not only was the place a successful St. Louis destination restaurant it was also a landmark for the German neighborhood that surrounded it. Most of the Germans are gone, replaced by the largest Bosnian population in the United States.



The Bevo Mill then 1960s



The Bevo Mill 1940s



Same room today. The tables with white table clothes and napkins are gone with paper napkins now stacked on the table.



They changed the name from the Bevo Mill to Das Bevo. (The Bevo)



Outside dining is there now and they are adding more as they are currently tearing up the upper parking lot turning it into a Beer Garden.

The one thing I really remember from the Bevo Mill was the accordion player and violinist who would stroll from table to table and play music for every diner. I feel bad I was unable to find any photos of them on the web.

The Food and Drink:

My wife started out with a Manhattan. She said it was great partially because it was made with two real cherries, like they had just arrived from Michigan.

Das Bevo is open from 3pm to late on weekdays, 11am on Saturdays. They plan to be open for lunch in late June or July six days a week. On Sundays they do have a Sunday Bunch starting 10 AM. So on a Thursday I made it a point not to eat anything before showing up at 3pm.

We started with an appetizer of Pork Belly Perogies (\$9) that arrived piping hot. We were planning on eating one each and take the rest home. A short time later all five had been consumed.



My wife ordered the “German Board” (\$12) consisting of bratwurst, kraut, hot German potato salad and a long pretzel. The pretzel was thick enough to cut in half and use it as a bun for the brat, plus beer mustard was on the plate.



The potato salad wasn't potato salad at all, but roasted potatoes that were perfectly done however had a touch of vinegar that I was not crazy about.

The owners have contracted the kitchen out to the people who own Sugar Fire BBQ. However, don't expect any BBQ on the menu. As close as you can get is a grilled chicken sandwich with BBQ sauce. I swore in our waiter as an official "consultant" and asked if I should get the hamburger smothered with hand cut fries and grilled with a béarnaise sauce, plus coleslaw or the chicken sandwich. He said I should just try the burger and not add cheese.



The burger patty was long. The béarnaise sauce was cooked into the burger. The burger was very tasty. While two weeks earlier we had trouble actually tasting the burgers at the Twisted Tree, Das Bevo served a very flavorful burger, however next time I get one. it will be with cheese.

The hand cut fries were great and are offered as a side for \$4. The drawback was the coleslaw. A week earlier we had some great coleslaw at King Edward's on Watson Road. However at Das Bevo, the vinegar on the coleslaw was overpowering. After one bite I was trying to wash the taste out of my mouth.

Being the first customers of the day we were treated to a short tour by the hostess Erinn, who is from Rolla, but whose husband is from Webster Groves. She gave us a great history lesson that was a treat. Not to be outdone by Erinn, toward the end of our meal, Amanda the manager who grew up and still lives in the Bevo neighborhood added more information. It included that the three apartments in Bevo Mill that were used by August Busch and are currently occupied by pigeons are going to be remodeled with evictions to the birds and rented out as AirBnB units.

Part of the tour by Erinn included the banquet room at the west end of the first floor where the murals that were from the late 1800s and installed by Busch when the Bevo Mill was built.



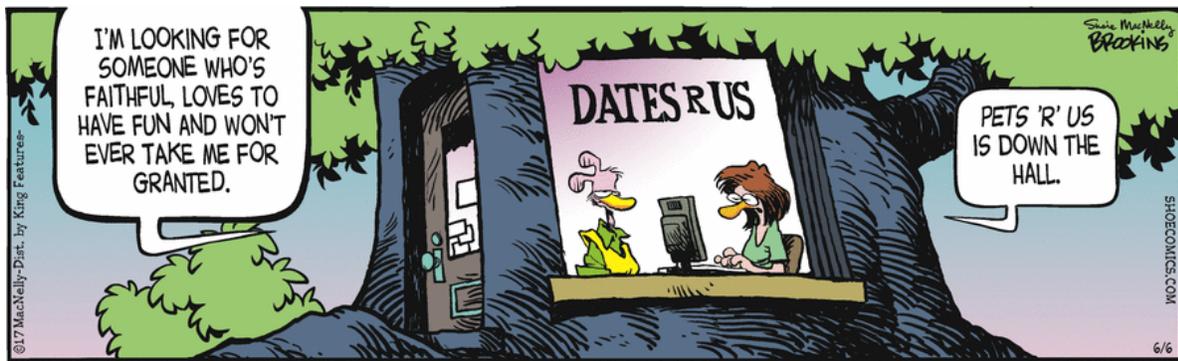
I have to admit that return to Das Bevo will be more because of the history and the destination, but the food was fine and the prices were reasonable.

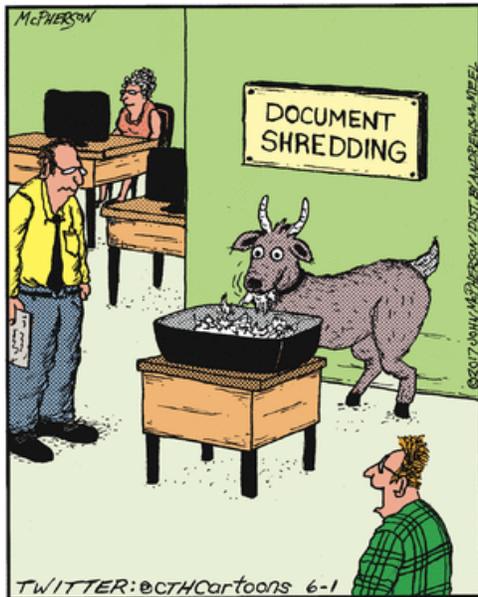
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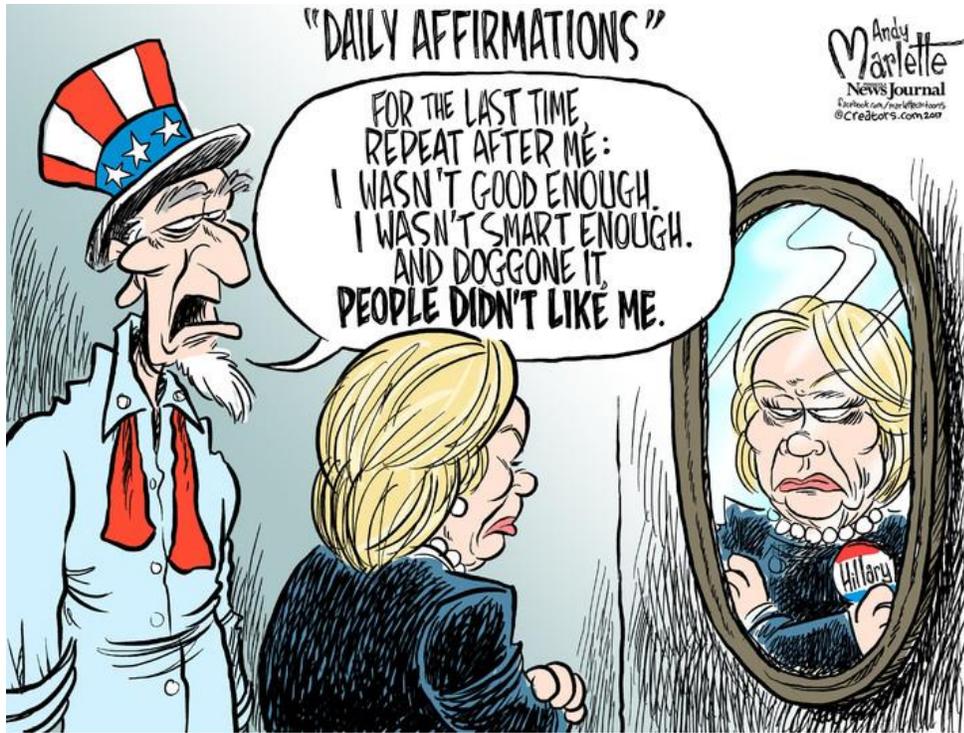


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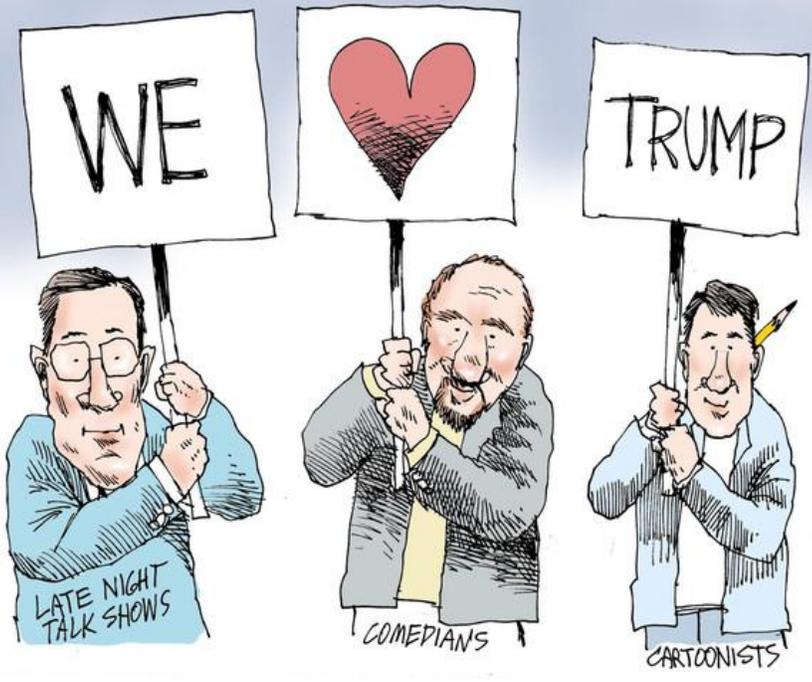
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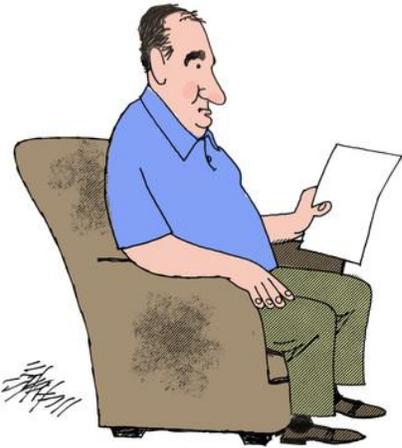
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