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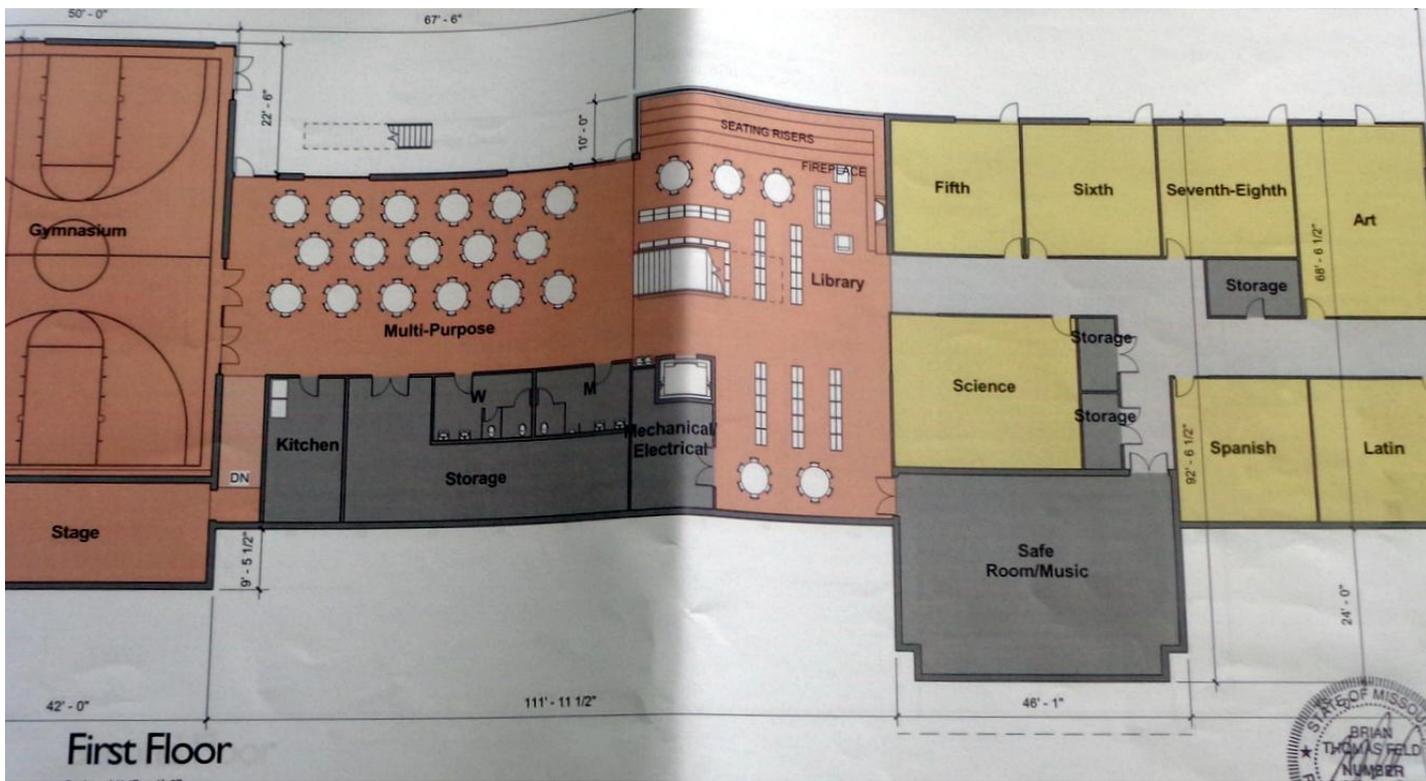
NEW CATHOLIC SCHOOL PLANNED FOR DES PERES ROAD NEXT TO DESTINY CHURCH. IS THIRD TIME A CHARM FOR ST. AUSTIN? St. Austin is currently renting space from the very large Non-Denominational Destiny Church on Des Peres Road. St. Austin is an independent Catholic school, grades k-to-8 not associated with the St. Louis Archdiocese. The planned two-story building is to be on land immediately to the north of the Destiny Church. The plans are on file at the Town and Country City Hall and are on the agenda for the June 20 Planning and Zoning meeting. Here are some photos of the property and of plans submitted by consulting engineer George Stock for St. Austin:

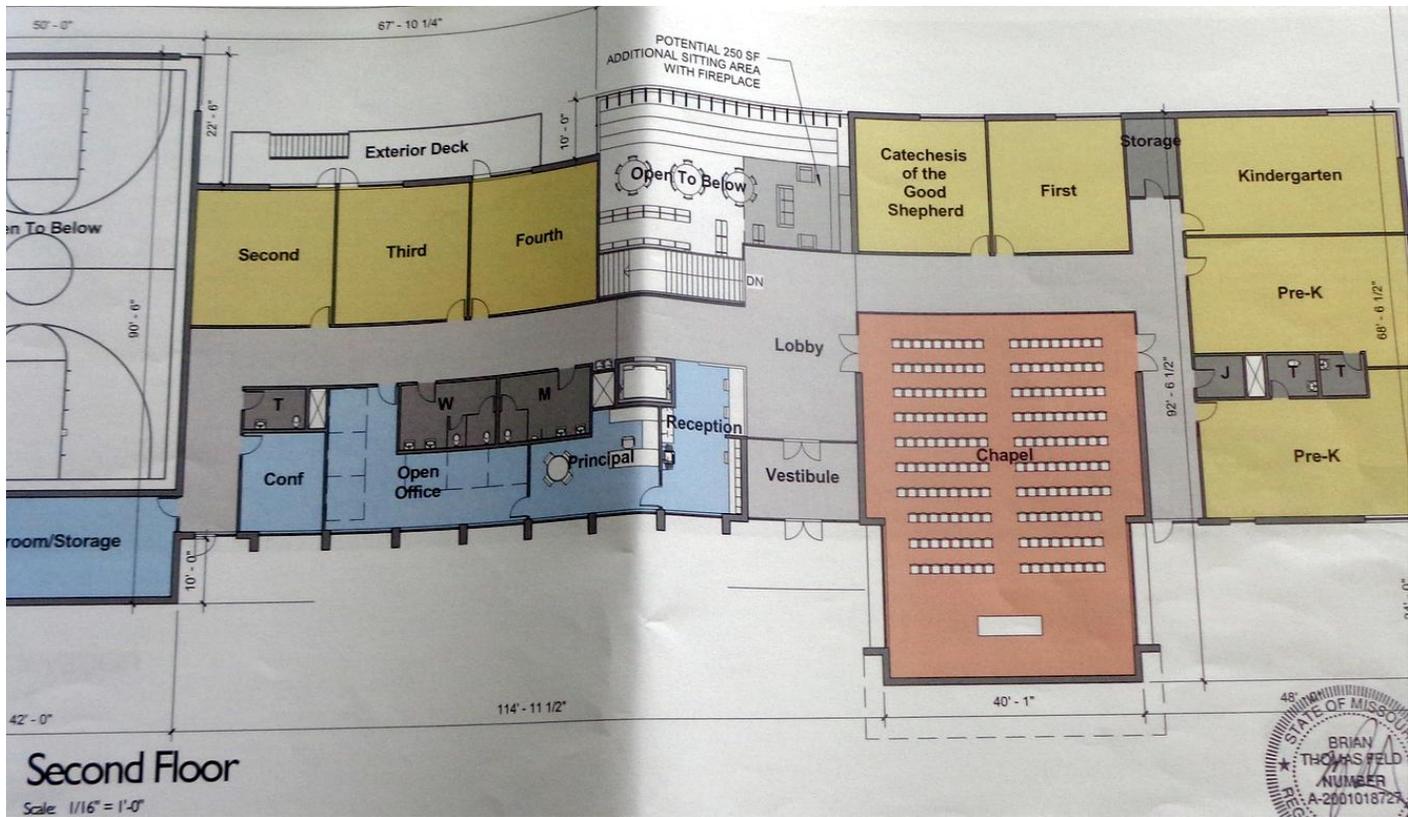




Proposed school location in yellow area.







This is the third time in recent years that St. Austin has attempted to find a permanent location for the school. St. Austin had originally wanted to buy the Convent of St. Peter Claver where only two elderly nuns remain and build the school there on Woods Mill Road just south of I-64/Hwy-40. The measure passed the Planning and Zoning Commission in 2014 but was voted down by the Board of Aldermen when residents in nearby subdivisions complained about a possible increase in traffic.

St. Austin was next supposed to move into the old B'Nei El Jewish temple and school building on North Outer Forty in Frontenac. The City of Frontenac Board of Aldermen approved a permit for St. Austin to occupy B'Nei El but the deal fell apart due to costs to bring the building up to code. Now they are at the Destiny Church with these new plans.

Tuition at St. Austin is listed at \$7,000 a year.

The odd thing about this request is how the Board of Aldermen refused to allow St. Austin to build a school on the nun's convent property next to Alderman Jon Benigas' subdivision. I hope they have some better luck this time.

THIEF HITS NEW AT&T PHONE STORE: Monday at 5:30 PM the new AT&T Phone store located at Clayton Road and Woods Mill in front of the Schnuck's store was the victim of a \$2,300 theft when a person stole two I-Phones. The same person stole phones from a Bridgeton AT&T store the week before. He left the scene in a black Chevy SUV with rust on the right side. AT&T disabled the phones' signals so they are useless.

Here is the press release from Town and Country Police Detective Chris Hunt:

On Monday, 06/04/18, at approximately 5:30 PM the attached individual (**Hispanic Male, Beard / Mustache, wearing a baseball cap, mirrored sunglasses, red short sleeve "Flash" T-shirt, and stars and stripes shorts**) stole (2) two I-Phone X's from the AT&T store located at 1030 Schnucks Woodsmill Plaza (Corner of Clayton and Woods Mill Roads) in Town and Country. The phones were valued at just under \$2,300.00. The suspect left the Town and Country location in a **black Chevrolet Trail Blazer with noticeable "rust" on the passenger side**. The vehicle was driven by a black male who was most likely serving as a look out while the theft was being committed.

Additionally, (1) one day last week the same individual stole I-Phones from the Bridgeton AT&T retail location - Photo also attached (Black T-Shirt with writing).

Detective Chris Hunt
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Suspect at Bridgeton AT&T Suspect at Town & Country AT&T

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CHESTERFIELD EX-CON ARRESTED BY HIGHWAY PATROL ON DRUG AND FIREARM CHARGES: Matthew E. Reutter, 42, of 15625 Summer Lake Drive was arrested by the Highway Patrol on May 31 at 4:49 AM in the City of St. Louis for Possession of Cocaine, Illegal Possession of a Firearm and Possession of a Firearm with a controlled Substance. He was released pending warrant application.

Reutter was sentenced to prison in 2002 after he killed Thomas Coughlin while DWI and involved in a crash. (Do Not confuse with T&C Alderman Dr. Matt Rueter.)

| Person Name | Person Age | Person Gender | Person City/State | |
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| REUTTER, MATTHEW E | 42 | MALE | CHESTERFIELD MO | PATROL CHARGE - POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE (COCAINE), UNLAWFUL USE OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA, UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF FIREARM AND UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A FIREARM WITH A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE |

Here is part of Reuter's record:

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|----------|--|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 03/27/02 | DWI | 6-months jail | St. Louis Co PD |
| 05/30/02 | Manslaughter | DWI 7-years prison | St. Louis CO PD |
| | Assault 2 nd Degree | DWI with Injury 7-yrs prison | |
| | Driving While Lic Revoked | 1 year jail | |
| 10/05/04 | Wrongful Death Judgment in Amt of \$209,608. | | Not Yet Satisfied |
| 2014 | DWI with DOR Action on 01/06/15 | | |

FERGUSON TRIO CREATE HAVOC. SOFT JUDGE AND PROSECUTOR ENCOURAGE TROUBLE IN CHESTERFIELD: Last week on the Chesterfield Police Blotter there was a case involving three thieves that were a handful for responding police officers. Here is the Blotter entry:

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| 05/25/2018, 1747 05/25/2018, 1747 | 1XX THF BLVD | Walmart | Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting |
| Brief Narrative Description: 25, 24, and 19 yo males concealed watches and a pair of ear buds and left store without paying. 24 and 19 yo males ran away from officers but were taken into custody a short time later. The 19 yo male caused damage to a police vehicle and booking cage after arrest. | | | |

We obtained some more information on the incident and learned the three thieves were all from Ferguson and all related, apparently brothers.



Alante Burrow

Glenn Burrow

Javonte Burrow

This is from the Chesterfield Police:

Alante Burrow age 24, resides Ferguson, arrested 100 THF, 5/25/18 557 PM, summons for Stealing

Javonte Burrow, age 25, resides Ferguson, arrested 100 THF 5/25/18, 557PM, summons for Stealing, Resisting Arrest

Glenn Burrow, age 19, resides Ferguson, arrested 100 THF 5/25/18, 600PM, summons for Stealing, Destruction of Property, Resisting Arrest

RECORDS:

JAVONTE BURROW

- 03/22/11 Felony Stealing (Probation revoked Prison sentence) St. Louis PD
- 04/18/11 Felony Stealing (Probation Revoked Prison sentence) St. Louis PD

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| 04/22/12 | Robbery; Felony Resisting Arrest (Prison Sentence) | St. Louis PD |
| 01/26/13 | Stealing (Shoplifting) Guilty No sentence info | Hazelwood PD |
| 02/07/13 | Failure to Obey a Police Officer (Pled Guilty) | Hazelwood PD |
| | Assaulting a Police Officer (Pled Guilty) | Hazelwood PD |
| | Resisting Arrest | Hazelwood PD |
| 04/13/13 | Unlawful Possession of a Firearm (160 days jail) | St. Louis CO |
| 02/17/17 | Peace Disturbance (Pending) | Richmond Hts PD |
| 02/17/17 | Disorderly Conduct (Pending) | |
| 02/17/17 | Assaulting a Police Officer (Pending) | |
| 05/25/18 | Stealing (Shoplifting) | Chesterfield PD |
| | Resisting Arrest | |

Javonte Burrow has three Stealing Convictions, including two felonies that he served prison time for, plus an armed robbery conviction. Any new Stealing offenses should be felonies.

ALANTE BURROW

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| 05/25/18 | Stealing (Shoplifting) | Chesterfield PD |
| 03/07/18 | Fail to Registered Vehicle (Pending) | Hazelwood PD |
| 08/16/17 | Speeding & No Insurance (Pending) | Northwoods PD |
| 02/22/16 | \$1,815 judgment (Not yet satisfied) | St. Louis Co Courts |
| 06/26/15 | Major Stop Sign Violation (Pending) | Berkley |
| 10/01/14 | Stealing (Pending) | Florissant PD |

GLENN BURROW

We found no prior record

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|----------|--|-----------------|
| 05/25/18 | Stealing, Destruction of Property, Resist Arrest | Chesterfield PD |
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Glenn Burrow damaged the door of a police car and the door to a station holding area by kicking them.

THE PROBLEM THAT BRINGS SHOPLIFTERS AND DRUG ADDICTS TO CHESTERFIELD TO COMMENT CRIMES: Here are the people responsible for Chesterfield not having a tough reputation on criminals:

Chesterfield draws shoplifters and drug addicts from North County for two reasons. There are a lot of targets (stores) in Chesterfield busy with shoppers. But the other

reason is that the City Council could do something to reform the Municipal Court so it protects the public and not help defense attorneys get charges dismissed. But the Mayor and Council have refused to do so, and the municipal court is soft on crimes.

Most recently only Tom DeCampi, Michelle Ohley and Ben Keathley have attempted to make a change when they voted against the reappointment of Engelmeyer and Brunk. The two new councilpersons did not see a problem and voted for the reappointment of Judge Rick Brunk.



Tim Engelmeyer



Rick Brunk



Michelle Ohley Tom DeCampi Michael Moore Dan Hurt Mike Geisel



Ben Keathley Barb McGuinness Barry Flachsbar Mayor Bob Nation, City Atty Chris Graville Mary Ann Mastorkas

Here are two articles I wrote on the DWI and lack of enforcement in Municipal Courts for AOL's Patch news sites.

<https://patch.com/missouri/ladue-frontenac/chesterfield-needs-to-get-tough-on-dwis-starting-witha5d1685a06>

<https://patch.com/missouri/chesterfield/chesterfield-city-court-features-the-judge-whisperer>

Here is an article from the Post-Dispatch citing conflicts involving Chesterfield's Judge Rick Brunk.

http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/municipal-mercenaries-often-thrive-off-of-contrary-roles/article_46094377-d311-53ee-9776-7110e98fd03f.html

HEAD IN THE SAND: Mayor Bob Nation has shown he has no interest in leading a city that is one of the first to reform its Municipal Court. City Attorney Chris Graville is not a person to go to for advice. He is the prosecutor in Clarkson Valley and Ballwin, where in 2016 he reduce more that 1,500 serious moving violations to “Illegal Parking.”

REFUSES TO GET INTO IT: Chesterfield Police Chief Ray Johnson has been in law enforcement for over 50-years. However he has refused to say a word about how the hard and dangerous work of his officers is ignored by City Prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer and Judge Rick Brunk.



CITY COUNCIL AGAIN REFUSES TO REFORM THE MUNICIPAL COURT: Three Chesterfield Councilpersons were pissed with the mayor. The three voted against the reappointment of prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer (who will only deal cases to non serious charges if you have a local lawyer). Now they were given just three days notice of the mayor’s reappointment of Judge Rick Brunk to the municipal court. The term will only be 3-years as Brunk will turn 75 in three years and will be forced to retire. (Circuit and Associate Circuit judges have to retire at 70 by law.)

Things started out in the Agenda Review Meeting.

Ben Keathley, the chair of the Public Health and Public Safety Meeting, started things off.

“I think Judge Brunk’s reappointment should be moved to the proper committee to be vetted. We did that with the city attorney and prosecutor. Those are appointments, he said”



Ben Keathley

Dan Hurt responded by saying they were first time appointments or in the case of Tim Englemeyer, he requested the meeting. (He used the meeting to lie and attack what we had written about him after reviewing and researching cases.)

Then Mayor Bob Nation checked in with some odd remarks.

“I for one would believe it would be completely inappropriate to have the council involved in interviewing the city judge,” he said. Mayor Nation wants the council to vote without doing any research. That is a strange way to run a government.

“The council has to vote on it. So, I think it would be good for the council to do its own vetting,” **added Keathley.**

“Give us a heads up before it appears on an agenda three days before a meeting. Just because it is always they way we do it doesn’t make it right,” said Councilman **Tom DeCampi.**

Mayor Nation then stopped the debate and took a vote to go into a closed secret meeting kicking the public out of the conference room to discuss another matter.

Brunk was at the regular council meeting. Before the start of the meeting he walked along the dais and shook each councilperson’s hand. When he got to Barb McGuinness she addressed him by saying, “Your highness!”



Rick Brunk

At the regular meeting **Dan Hurt** moved to approve the reappointment of Brunk. **Mary Ann Mastorakos** seconded Hurt's motion.

Then **Ben Keathley** made a motion to refer the Brunk appointment to the Public Health and Safety Committee. That was seconded by **Tom DeCampi**.

Dan Hurt then spoke up. "If there is vetting it should be done by the full council and not a committee."

"I move we have a Public Health and Safety meeting as a Council of the Whole," said **Tom DeCampi**.



DeCampi

"I think this goes to the larger issue of Court Reform," said **Barb McGuinness**, who apparently realizes there is a problem but wants to reappoint one of the key reasons for the problem. That put the ball back in Tom DeCampi's court.

“Any key appointments we asked for 60 to 90 days to consider it. We were blindsided when this came up three days ago. Public safety is our top priority. We are sending a message we are a country club,” **said DeCampi.**

McGuinness responds! “This is not a country club. You can vet anyone. Where have you been?”

The mayor goes back in time toward the beginning of the discussion. “The idea of being blindsided is without merit!”



Mayor Nation

Ben Keathley: “There was no official announcement. You did not call me to tell me.”

Tom DeCampi: “This is where we dispense justice.”

Barb McGuinness: “Couldn’t we make this a part of a larger thing? Purpose a court reform committee.” (You will never reform the municipal court with Tim Engelmeyer as prosecutor and Rick Brunk as judge.)

Bob Nation “Everyone of us has the opportunity to come up and sit with the judge. If I thought we were being ill served by Judge Brunk I would do something immediately.” (A councilperson has to sit next to Judge Brunk, because he does not hold court in public. He calls local defense lawyers and their clients up to the dais and he whispers about the deal they are getting so the public has no clue what is going on in his court. If you Google “Rick Brunk” the first three items that appear are three articles critical on Brunk and the Chesterfield Municipal Court.)

Barb McGuinness: “What you purpose is not a horrible thing. But what you did tonight is not a good idea.” (Comment directed at Keathley and DeCampi)

Tom DeCampi: “I keep hearing about ‘court reform.’ Why are we kicking this can down the road.” (Instead of taking action.)

There were then three votes taken, each was 5-to-3. Sending the Brunk reappointment to the Public Health and Safety Committee with the Council as a Whole (entire city council participating) was defeated 5-3.

Sending the reappointment to the Public Health and Safety Committee’s four members was defeated 5-3.

Approving the reappoint of Brunk for 3-years until his 75th birthday. Approved 5-to-3.

For Brunk reappointment

Mike Moore
Dan Hurt
Mary Ann Mastorakos
Barry Flachsbart
Barb McGuinness

Against Brunk Reappointment

Tom DeCampi
Ben Keathley
Michelle Ohley

MORE MEN NEEDED ON PLANNING COMMISSION ACCORDING TO MAYOR AS HE MOVES TO ELIMINATE WOMEN MEMBERS:

This first involved the appointment by Mayor Bob Nation of Gene Scheneberg to the Planning Commission. Scheneberg had been a member of the Planning Commission and was appointed to City Council to fill a midterm vacancy and was defeated in the election.

Mayor Bob Nation sent out the below email directly to a couple councilpersons and then copied everyone else. Someone then forwarded it me.

In the email he included a reason for appointing Scheneberg, to take over the vacancy caused when Wendy Geckeler announced she did not want to be reappointed, that he wanted a “more balance ratio of male to female.”

This was amazingly stupid on Nation’s part in the middle of the “Me Too” movement. The rather efficient Planning Commission had a 6-to-3 female to male membership. It appears as if Nation has his way it will soon be 4-to-5.

Below is the Nation email.

Please see forwarded e-mail and attached resume from ward 1 resident Gene Scheneberg. I am asking for your support and cooperation in appointing Gene to the Planning Commission in place of Wendy Geckeler (Wendy has informed me that she does not wish to be re-appointed after her term expires on 6/19/2018). Historically, (although I know of no official guidelines) we have had the additional member of the planning commission come from ward 4 since the majority of development has occurred in that sector of town. My intent would be to appoint a ward 4 resident to the next vacancy that occurs in ward 1. **If we can get this done, there will be a more balanced ratio of male to female.**

As you can see, Gene has previously served on the Planning Commission, and was appointed as a councilmember replacing Jane Durrell in 2008. He was defeated by Matt Segal in the 2009 election. If you concur, Gene would be interviewed by P & PW Committee and then voted on by council. Please call if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

Another woman gone? Ben Murphy who was active in city politics a decade ago spoke at the start of the meeting and brought up another Planning Commission issue. He told me that Laura Lueking whose term on the Planning Commission expired on June 4 would not be reappointed by Bob Nation. Instead he would nominate former City Councilman Guy Tilman to take her spot. This is a little odd, as Tilman just decided not to run for reelection to the City Council citing personnel and family issues he had to deal with. That begs the questions if Tilman was too busy to be on the City Council that meets twice a month, how does he have time to serve on the Planning Commission that meets twice a month?

We later did some checking and found out the Nation does indeed plan not to reappoint the longest serving member of the Planning Commission with years of knowledge about local planning issues and replace her with Tilman.

We understand that many on the Planning Commission are upset with this move and Lueking is livid about it.

The Deal is Done: On Thursday Guy Tilman was at the Planning and Public Works Committee as the new nomination to the Planning Commission. He answered some softball questions and then there was an interesting vote.



Guy Tilman being interviewed at the Planning and Public Works Committee; .Mayor Bob Nation and Committee Chair Michelle Ohley.

I asked Guy if he was aware that the woman he is replacing is the longest serving member of the Planning Commission and didn't want to leave. "I talked to her twice today," said Tilman.

He added that he had no control over appointments.

Michelle Ohley directed this statement/question at Tilman:

"We had a conversation where you said you didn't want to come and replace someone who was being forced out."

Tilman answered, "I don't want to be a lightning rod that is disruptive. If its going to disturb things to take someone's place, we should say it now!"

Interesting Switch: Mary Ann Mastorakos voted against Scheneberg at Monday's City Council meeting, apparently on the Bob Nation gender issue. That resulted in a 4-4 tie (see below). Ward-1 Councilwoman Barb McGuinness voted for Scheneberg because he was from Ward 1. Tilman and Mastorakos are both from Ward 2. She did not vote on the gender issue set out by Mayor Nation but voted for Tilman. P-PW chair stay, Ohley stayed consistent and vote against him, announcing it was in response to Nation's gender position. Barry Flachsbart and Mike Moore (filling in for Dan Hurt) also voted for Tilman. The next vote will be before the full Council.

Ben Murphy then spoke at the start of the City Council meeting. His remarks resulted in Bob Nation taking a shot at me.



Murphy: “Thanks to Mr. Hoffmann we learned how Mayor Nation wants to balance out the gender on the Planning Commission. It looks like you are dealing with politics. The case of Laura Lueking is an example. I understand she is being passed over for reappointment to the Planning Commission. For her to be passed up is not right. This is looking more like a swamp that needs to be drained.”

Mayor Nation: Instead of just thanking Mr. Murphy for his comments Mayor Nation responded dealing with the gender issue. “I asked Nancy Greenwood to run for mayor. I appointed Barb McGuinness to the city council. I can’t control who you read.” (Meaning this website and weekly newsletter. However Mayor Nation is shoveling shit, because everyone is commenting on an email he wrote that is open to the public because he sent it to the City Council.)

MCGUINNESS voting for him regardless: Just before the start of the meeting Ward-1 Councilwoman Barb McGuinness said the following to Ward-1 Councilman, Barry Flachsbart; “He (Scheneberg) is from Ward-1 so we are voting for him right?”

THE DEBATE: Things started out with Ben Keathley stating he was concerned with Nation’s email and the reason for the appointment being “gender” balancing. At the point Mayor Nation asked Keathley to read his entire email. Keathley did. It was not like the gender balancing vanished. It was still there. Here are some other comments:

Decampi: “I’m concerned because there is a lack of representation for Ward-4. Ward-4 has the lion share of development, while Ward-1 has the least. And why does gender have a role in this appointment?”

Nation: “There is no ward representation required for statutory positions (commissions required by state law).”

Keathley: “I want to make sure this deal does not affect Ward-2 representation.”

Nation: “Mr. Scheneberg expressed his interest sometime ago.”

Ohley: “Chair Hansen (Planning Commission Chairwoman Merrell Hansen) and me come to you with a candidate from Ward-4. You have not answered the question asked by Mr. DeCampi about gender.”



DeCampi: “We are ignoring the elephant in the room, that genitalia has something to do with!”

Ohley: “You still have not answered the question about gender.”

Nation: “I have nothing more to say.”

The Vote: Barb McGuinness does not go with the “anti-gender” balance group and goes with Harvey Weinstein and Ward-1 always first and voted to appoint Gene Scheneberg.

Here is how the vote went down:

AYE

- Dan Hurt
- Mike Moore
- Barry Flachsbar
- Barb McGuinness

NAY

- Tom DeCampi
- Mary Ann Mastorakos
- Michelle Ohley
- Ben Keathley

4-4

Mayor Bob Nation AYE It Passes 5-4

The real victim in all of this was Gene Scheneberg. He was never the issue. It was ward representation and Nation's email stating he was upset with the gender balance of the commission.

CHESTERFIELD POLICE START PLACING POLICE BLOTTER ON THEIR

WEBSITE: In an effort for the Police to be more transparent Chief Ray Johnson started a new program where the daily police blotter including the names of persons arrested will be posted on the Police Department's city website section.

Chief Johnson stated there was a discussion whether to list people arrested for domestic violence. It was said the victim and suspect could be embarrassed with a listing. I agreed with Chief Johnson's position that you cannot pick and chose the crimes people are arrested for to put on a list. Also there is the "Me TOO" movement where people could accuse the police of trying to cover up crimes involving males assaulting women.

In Missouri all arrests even those when no official charges are filed are open records for 30 days. If charges are filed the arrests remain open indefinitely if there is a conviction or until the case is cleared by being dropped by the prosecutor or the defendant being found not guilty.

To read the daily police blotter go to the city's website, click on police department and then scroll down and click on "Crime Reports" or just save this link

<https://www.chesterfield.mo.us/crime-statistics.html>

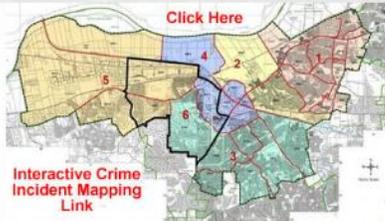
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Crime Reports

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Interactive Crime Incident Mapping Link

UCR Index Crime Reporting System
 The Uniform Crime Report (UCR) has served as the primary tool for the collection and analysis of crime data in the United States for many years. Since 1935, the FBI has served as the UCR data clearinghouse; organizing, collecting, and disseminating information voluntarily submitted by local, state, federal and tribal law enforcement agencies. The UCR report splits reported data into two separate categories, the eight 'serious' crimes and twenty-one less commonly reported crimes. The eight serious crimes are known as Part I index crimes. The additional twenty-one crimes are considered Part II index crimes.

Part I Index Crime Offenses
 The most frequent means of comparing crime statistics from city to city is through the use of Part I Index Crimes. Part I Index Crime incidents are divided into two categories: VIOLENT CRIMES and PROPERTY CRIMES. Aggravated assault, forcible rape, murder, and robbery are classified as violent crimes while arson, burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft are classified as property crimes.

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Chesterfield Crime Reports

| Name | Last Modified | Size |
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| PDF NEW 6-4-2018 Crime Report.pdf | 06/04/18 10:49 | 16.70 KB |
| PDF NEW 6-1-2018 Crime Report.pdf | 06/01/18 09:08 | 8.67 KB |

MONSANTO NO MORE: Bayer announced that after 117 years effective Monday June 11 the name Monsanto will be dead. I asked Chesterfield Director of Planning Justin Wyse if Bayer would have to go through the process including permitting to change the Monsanto signs at the Chesterfield campus to Bayer. He said they would not if the sign is replaced by one the same size. However if it is a big round one, they would need to get permits.



JOHN NATIONS QUITTING AS BI-STATE – METRO TRANSIT CEO IN FALL: Former Chesterfield Mayor John Nations announced he would be quitting as the CEO and President at Bi-State/Metro Transit this fall. Nations' \$325,000 contract (plus MAC membership) runs through 2020. Nations resigned as Chesterfield mayor in 2010 to go to Bi-State.

Many thought the job was given to Nations because he delivered the West County vote to help pass a tax increase for Metro Transit. The campaign even involved threats of discontinued service for the handicapped, which was untrue.

The tax passed with a heavy "yes vote" from West County and the next thing you know Nations was hired as CEO. At the time I had worked five years as the law enforcement officer for the Montgomery County Maryland Transit Services. I knew more about transit than Nations, and I was completely unqualified for the job, just like Nations was.



Nations was Chesterfield mayor when the city entered into the 10-year Doorack \$800,000 lease for an one-acre empty lot that the city never used and that Nations and the council hid from the public until we and other reporters forced it out in the open six years later.

Will Nations try to get reelected or will a 2016 front page Sunday Post-Dispatch corruption article over the Doorack keep him from entering Chesterfield politics again? Nations' reason for leaving Bi-State is the same reason you read all the time by people who are forced out or who are escaping before the shoe drops...he wants to spend more time with his family.

CORRECTION: Two weeks ago we reported that at a Planning and Public Works meeting there was an attempt to kill a resolution to the city council dealing with specialty lighting. By doing nothing the proposal would die. Instead of doing nothing Councilman Barry Flachsbart rewrote the proposal for it to die and not be included in future city council agendas. I wrote that Flachsbart's work would go to the City Council to formally

kill the proposal. I was wrong. It died in committee. I was right that it was a complete waste of time.

GOOD BYE FOOD TRUCK: A food truck exploded and burned on Friday June 1 around 5PM. We understand from Monarch Fire Protection District Fire Marshal Roger Herin it was due to a gas leak. The truck was one of five food trucks at the Chesterfield Amphitheater for a concert. You have to wonder if these trucks should be inspected regularly by officials before they blow up while a line of people are present.

It is believed to have started due to a gasoline leak from the generator, which was located directly underneath the propane tanks. The truck was located on the street in front of the amphitheater.

Roger Herin, MCP
Fire Marshal



Photo Monarch FPD



Photo Monarch FPD

FOX AND HOUND CLOSES: The long time Chesterfield Valley restaurant and bar, The Fox and Hound closed in late May.



Here is a possible reason why from someone who was a semi-regular who stopped spending much money there.

Honestly, I didn't see how they were staying open as long as they did. People said the food & drinks were both high priced & terrible tasting. A deadly combination for any restaurant.

This person told me that with Sybergs moving next door with cheaper prices and better food, he did not think it would long for the Fox and Hound.

CHESTERFIELD VALLEY TOUGH AREA FOR RESTAURANTS: Annie Gunn's is clearly the exception, there has been an amazing turnover of restaurants in Chesterfield Valley. Several popular price steak places are gone with a breakfast only place moving into one building and a novelty "wings" joint into another.

Further west on Edison and Long restaurants come and go, especially in the Chesterfield Town Center. After getting rave reviews and moving up into a larger building PM BBQ is no more.



The Hangar Bar and Grill saw a down turn in the quality of food. They went out of business in 2017. They had replaced the Longstreet Bar and Grill in 2011. Nothing has moved into the empty Hangar space in over a year..



The Scarecrow moved from Chesterfield Parkway East and I-64 to Chesterfield Town Center, moving in where the Wild Horse Grill and later Weber's were located and went out of business.



We were amused to see that across the street from the closed Fox and Hound where the Villa Faratto's restaurant was located and closed several years ago, that the building is now a St. Luke's Hospital Urgent Care facility. It is tough having a restaurant in Chesterfield Valley.





BALLWIN COLLEGE STUDENT AND MARQUETTE GRAD IN CRASH AND

ARRESTED BY HIGHWAY PATROL: 19-year-old Allie Goring of Ballwin, a grad from Marquette High School and a recent student at Missouri state University was arrested by the Highway Patrol at 11 AM on Saturday in Phelps County. She was charged with DWI (At 11 in the morning!), Careless & Impudent Driving Resulting in a Crash, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverage While Driving. It was a one-vehicle accident on I-44.

| Person Inform | | | | |
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| Person Name | Person Age | Person Gender | Person City/State | |
| GORING, ALLIE p | 19 | FEMALE | BALLWIN, MO | 1)OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLE IN A CARELESS AND IMPRUDENT MANNER INVOLVING A CRASH 2) |
| Charge | | | | Where Held |
| 2)UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA 3)DWI - ALCOHOL 4)CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE WHILE DRIVING | | | | PHELPS COUNTY JAIL |



Allie Goring

CHESTERFIELD RESIDENT REAR ENDED ON HWY 94 IN ST. CHARLES: On Tuesday June 5 at 12:15 in the afternoon Chesterfield resident Theresa Taylor, 42, of Canyon Forest Court was driving her 2018 Audi when she was rear ended by 53-year-old Brenda Kassebaum of O'Fallon, Missouri. Taylor was wearing a seat belt and the Highway Patrol reported no injuries to her. Kassebaum was not wearing a seat belt, was injured and was taken by ambulance to St. Josphe's Hospital in St. Charles. To make matters worse for Taylor, Kassebaum was reported to be uninsured.



CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT Crime Report

| <u>Time of Occurrence</u> | <u>Generic Address</u> | <u>Business/Location Name</u> | <u>Subdivision</u> | <u>Incident Type</u> |
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| 05/23/2018, 1106 05/31/2018, 1100 | 16XXX BARRISTER LN | | BAXTER CROSSING | Larceny Over \$750 Residence |
| Suspect(s): | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took jewelry from victim's residence. | | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 1100 05/30/2018, 1130 | 8XX W CHESTERFIELD PKY | Homewood Suites | HOMEWOOD SUITES | Larceny Over \$750 Person |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's cell phone after it was left unattended in work cart. | | | | |
| 06/03/2018, 1835 06/03/2018, 1904 | 17XX CLARKSON RD | Mobil | CLARKSON SQUARE | Stolen Vehicle Automobile |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's vehicle after it was left running and unattended at gas pump. | | | | |
| 06/03/2018, 1909 06/03/2018, 1909 | 15XX SAIL ISLAND CT | | CLAYMONT WOODS | Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor |
| Arrested: Juvenile W 15 M | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 15 yo male in possession of marijuana after suspicious persons check. Other subjects with juvenile identified as suspects for previous graffiti property damage. | | | | |
| 05/26/2018, 0111 06/02/2018, 0030 | 14XXX GREENCASTLE DR 5 | | VILLAGE GREEN | Larceny Over \$750 Residence |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took electronics and jewelry from victim's apartment after it was rented out. | | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 1200 06/02/2018, 1013 | 16XXX BARRISTER LN | | BAXTER CROSSING | Larceny under \$750 Residence |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took prescription medication from victim's apartment. | | | | |

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| 06/02/2018, 1708 06/02/2018, 1708 | HIGHLAND PARK DR & OLIVE BLVD | | | Drugs Possession - Felony |
| Arrested: Cotton,Lamar B 50 M | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 50 yo male in possession of Xanax without a prescription and marijuana after being stopped for a traffic violation. | | | | |
| 06/02/2018, 1230 06/02/2018, | 9XX E CHESTERFIELD PKY | Walgreens | WALGREENS CHESTERFIELD | Larceny under \$750 from Auto |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took tool bag from the back of open work truck. | | | | |
| 06/02/2018, 2012 06/02/2018, 2012 | 17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD | Solstice | CHESTERFIELD OUTLETS | Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject concealed sunglasses and left store without paying. | | | | |
| 06/01/2018, 0900 06/01/2018, 1108 | 16XXX SWINGLEY RIDGE RD | Doubletree Hotel | DOUBLETREE | Ordinance Violation Leaving Animal in Vehicle |
| Arrested: Quigley,Dack W W 50 M | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 50 yo male left dog unattended in vehicle during hot weather conditions. | | | | |
| 06/01/2018, 1100 06/01/2018, 1230 | 20XX CANNON HEIGHTS DR 1 | | VILLAGE GREEN | Fraud Scam |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject convinced victim to send iTunes gift cards for fraudulent arrest warrant scam. | | | | |
| 06/01/2018, 1841 06/01/2018, 1841 | 15XXX HIGHCROFT DR | | HIGHCROFT ESTATES | Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor |
| Arrested: Lunsford,Christopher J W 41 M | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 41 yo male in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia after suspicious vehicle check. | | | | |
| 06/01/2018, 2010 06/01/2018, 2010 | 15XX SAIL ISLAND CT | | CLAYMONT WOODS | Property Damage Neighborhood Association |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject spray painted graffiti on common ground property and Ameren UE utility box. | | | | |
| 06/01/2018, 2319 06/01/2018, 2319 | 13XX WESTMEADE DR | | WESTBURY PARK | Assault Common - Threat |
| Arrested: Lutz,James D W 57 M | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 57 yo male was intoxicated and threatened victim after argument. | | | | |

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| 06/01/2018, 2328 06/01/2018, 2328 | 16XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD | Ethan Allen | CHESTERFIELD COMMONS EAST | Drugs Possession - Felony |
| Arrested: Summers,Shawn J W 45 M | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 45 yo male in possession of methamphetamines and narcotic paraphernalia after suspicious vehicle check. Subject resisted arrest prior to be taken into custody causing no injuries. | | | | |
| 06/04/2018, 2133 06/04/2018, 2133 | 164 HWY E & SPIRIT ST LOUIS | | | Drugs Paraphernalia |
| Arrested: Combs,Kathryn E W 26 F | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 26 yo female in possession of marijuana paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation. | | | | |
| 06/03/2018, 1700 06/03/2018, 1800 | 15XXX OLIVE BLVD | Shell | EQUILON SHELL | Larceny Over \$750 Person |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's cell phone after it was left unattended on counter in store. | | | | |
| 06/03/2018, 1200 06/04/2018, 1050 | 14XXX GREENCASTLE DR 6 | | VILLAGE GREEN | Larceny under \$750 from Auto |
| Arrested: | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took keys. | | | | |
| 05/22/2018, 1330 05/22/2018, 1344 | 16XXX CHAMPION DR | | | Harassment/Threat Phone |
| Brief Narrative Description: 26 yo male left threatening voice mail message on victim's phone. | | | | |
| 05/23/2018, 1106 05/31/2018, 1100 | 16XXX BARRISTER LN | | | Larceny Over \$750 Residence |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took jewelry from victim's residence. | | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 0004 05/30/2018, 0004 | CLARKSON RD & KEHRS MILL RD | | | Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor |
| Brief Narrative Description: 18 yo female in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation. | | | | |
| 05/21/2018, 0900 05/27/2018, 1400 | 6XX HIGHLAND PARK DR C | | | Larceny under \$750 Residence |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took autographed baseball from residence. | | | | |
| 05/25/2018, 1430 05/29/2018, 0700 | 13XXX OLIVE BLVD | Chesterfield Grooming | | Burglary Commercial - Business |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject forced open rear door of business and took money from desk. | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's information to open up bank accounts. | | | | |
| 05/12/2018, 2200 05/28/2018, 1000 | 17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD | Froyo | | Larceny Over \$750 Employer |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took bank deposits from safe in rear of business. | | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 1150 05/30/2018, 1210 | 14XXX CLAYTON RD | Mobil | | Larceny under \$750 Gas Drive Off |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject pumped gasoline and drove out of gas station without paying. | | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 1207 05/30/2018, 1207 | 18XXX OUTLET BLVD | Nike | | Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting |
| Brief Narrative Description: 55 yo male concealed shoes and left stores without paying. | | | | |
| 04/08/2018, 1852 05/05/2018, 2100 | 1XX THF BLVD | Sam's | | Larceny under \$750 Employer |
| Brief Narrative Description: 27 yo male took groceries while working for employer. | | | | |

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| 03/01/2018, 1506 05/27/2018, 0000 | 14XXX COUNTRY RIDGE DR | | Larceny Over \$750 Residence |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took jewelry from victim's bedroom. | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 1506 05/30/2018, 1506 | 18XXX OUTLET BLVD | Sunglass Hut | Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting |
| Brief Narrative Description: Two 18 yo males and one 17 yo male concealed sunglasses and left store without paying. | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 1700 05/30/2018, 1700 | 18XX CLARKSON RD | Sunrise Assisted Living | Assault Common - Threat |
| Brief Narrative Description: 27 yo male threatened victim after argument. | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 1417 05/30/2018, 1417 | 17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD | Sunglass Hut | Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting |
| Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects concealed sunglasses and left store without paying. | | | |
| 05/30/2018, 2019 05/30/2018, 2019 | 18XXX OUTLET BLVD | Tommy Hilfiger | Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting |
| Brief Narrative Description: 33 yo male concealed clothing and left store without paying. | | | |

GUN SHOP BURGLARIZED IN CHESTERFIELD AND TECH STORE BALLWIN.



Thieves in Ballwin Tech Shark Store before going to the Adventure Shooting Sports store in Chesterfield on Chesterfield Airport Road, breaking in and stealing 20 firearms in the early morning hours of June 6.

Here is a statement from the Chesterfield Police:

Hi John,

There is no press release or photos at this time. The ATF has requested we not release any video/photos while they investigate

Here is a brief summary:

A little after 3 am this morning, what appears to be 2 suspects broke out the front window of the gun shop with a large metal or cast iron pipe. They entered the store and stole several handguns and some long rifles. The Store owner is still performing an inventory to see exactly what he is missing. In total, the suspects were in the store a little over 1 minute.

Our detectives are conversing with Ballwin Detectives to see if a burglary they had in their venue last night prior to ours is related.

REAL ESTATE: Hard to figure out this price:

The house at 466 S. Price in Ladue is for sale for a mere \$3,750,000. The house is 5,900 square feet with four bedrooms and five baths. It is a tear down with construction completed in 2017 on a 1.04 acre lot.

It was originally listed on 7/14/17 for \$3,495,000. On 01/03/18 the price jumped to \$3,535,000. The property is owned by Everblake, LLC. The Registered agent for Everblake is Robert Slavin of 44 Overhills Drive in Ladue.



Slavin Realty was listed as the agent of record from July 14, 2017 until March of 2018. Gladys Manion became the agency of record on 05/19/18 when the price went to \$3.75M.

I'M GETTING BAD IN GUESSING REAL ESTATE PRICES OR SOME PLACES ARE JUST GROSSLY OVERPRICED!: I'm the son of a rather successful real estate agent for the old Ira E. Berry company. Every Sunday was open houses and many Sunday nights it was hunt and peck by my mother on an electric typewriter completing a contract. But I have to admit that I'm getting bad sometimes understanding house pricing.

The below house is at 547 Flanders in Warson Woods. It has 4,255 square feet with 4 bedrooms on 1/3 of an acre.



It last sold on 12/22/11 for \$333,470. According to the current description it had a major overhaul, but still when it was listed on May 5, 2018 at \$850,000 the price seemed not to be connected with reality. On May 16 the price dropped to \$815,000. Then on May 26 the price fell to \$799,900. Stupid me sees this as \$580,000-to-\$600,000 house.

CREVE COEUR RESIDENTS IN THE SUN SWEPT SUBDIVISION FIGHTING CONDO PLAN BETWEEN MONSANTO HQ AND THEIR BACKYARDS. Much of the opposition to a planned projects involving four and five story condos on the south side on the Monsanto complex in Creve Coeur is coming from residents of the Sun Swept subdivision.



The subdivision is on the west side of Lindbergh Blvd. just past (for your old people) where Howard Johnson's used to be located) between Olive Blvd and Ladue Road.

The houses in the subdivision were designed by architect Ralph Fournier (best known in Chesterfield for his four houses in Arrow Head and in Town and Country for his six houses on Greenwich Green) a famous “suburban modernism” designer and built between 1956 and 1958.

Here is a feature on Fournier by Joe Hollerman of the Post-Dispatch.

http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/columns/joe-holleman/spotlight-brentwood-man-flew-bombers-in-world-war-ii-then/article_2ef6e90d-fa60-5106-9de1-1366b2affe2.html

Here is one I did for AOL:

<https://patch.com/missouri/chesterfield/trip-to-art-gallery-results-in-meeting-with-last-of-a-breed>

The homeowners on Sun Swept are not too keen on having multi-story condos on already elevated land looking down on them.

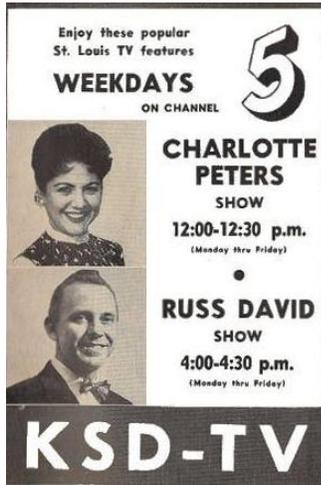


The elevated property for the proposed Creve Coeur condo project is just beyond the backyard of this house on Sun Swept.

Here are some of the houses in Sun Swept:



AND FOR ALL THE OLDER PEOPLE: In the late 1950s Ralph Fournier also designed and helped build the house for St. Louis' TV Variety Show hostess super star Charlotte Peters, on Bellevue Avenue, between Rock Hill Road and Lockwood in Webster Groves.



We went by the house (no longer owned by anyone in the Peters family for decades) on Thursday and found it was over grown by ivy and other vegetation. The only photo I was able to take was up the driveway of the front door. I have a feeling that this house's days might be numbered.



SPECIAL SCREENINGS: It was the 50th anniversary of the movie, *The Producers*, which originally had a working title of *Springtime for Hitler* but was changed by screen writer and producer Mel Brooks in fear that some theaters would not show it under that title.

For the 50 anniversary in a deal with a promotion firm and Turner Classic Movies “*The Producers*” was shown on big screens across America last Sunday and Wednesday. Another Mel Brooks film, *Blazing Saddles*, was on the big screen after Gene Wilder’s death in 2016.



I was sure this would be a popular and crowded event, so I arrived at the remodeled Des Peres movie theater 25 minutes before show time. We thought we would get a private showing. It was only me and my wife in the theater until 1:55 when seven other people came in.

The tickets were \$14.50 each for a 2 o’clock matinee. I had been hoping since it was the film’s 50th anniversary showing they would have 1968 ticket prices.

I always liked the second half the producers the best. The highlight of the 2 hours was the interview with Mel Brooks before the start of the movie. I think I may prefer the Nathan Lane-Matthew Broderick version after their Broadway Play run in 2006.



BEFORE SPENDING BETWEEN \$60 AND \$250 WATCH THEM ON NETFLIX: Steve Martin and Martin Short are returning to St. Louis, appearing at the Fox on December 1. Before spending a huge amount of money, watch on Netflix a filmed performance of Martin and Short on stage in South Carolina. It was 70 minutes long and it was not that funny.



TOWN AND COUNTRY'S RED SCHOENDIENST:



Red sharing his Parade Grand Marshal car with special needs honoree "Joey."

I have written this before, but for new readers Red Schoendienst has been associated with Town and Country for a long time. Back in 1960 Joe and Georgana Linneman opened Mari de Villa nursing home on Clayton Road at Weidman.. A silent backer of Mari de Villa was St. Louis Cardinal second baseman, Red Schoendienst. Red and Joe

Linneman played semi-pro baseball together in Illinois in the early 1940s before Red signed a \$75 contract with the Cardinals in 1942.

My grandfather, E.J. Wallace, was one of their first residents in 1960. At the time Mari de Villa was in unincorporated St. Louis County as the Town and Country City Limits stopped just west of Topping Road. The annexation in 1983 would change that.

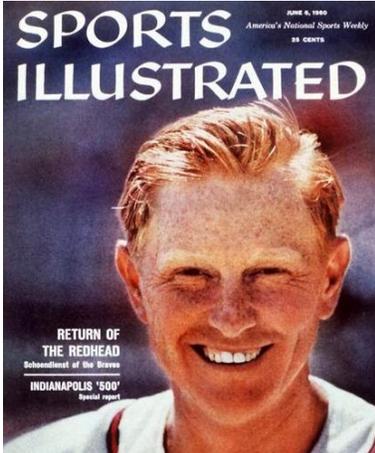
I can remember going out with my mother to visit my grandfather and how I would take my baseball glove and a ball. If Joe Linneman could spare five or ten minutes he would play catch with me on the front lawn and give me pointers.

When I was 9-years-old in 1962 the Cardinals had special fan event the day before the opening game. There was a stage or open trailer in the middle of closed downtown street and the players in uniform were seated across the each other. I got to go to this even though it was a school day. I remember getting autographs, but what I still remember today was how Red Schoendienst was the only player who actually talked to me. Stan-The-Man asked how I was doing, but Red asked where I lived and if I played ball.

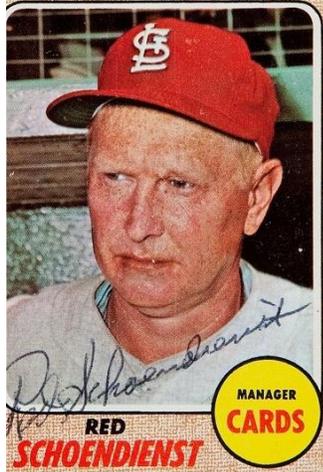
Over the years Red managed the Cardinals to two World Series. He was the manager from 1965 to 1976. After being fired by the Cardinals he coached two years (77 & 78) with the Oakland Athletics before returning to the Cardinals as a coach in 1979.

Red moved into a condo at Mari de Villa after the death of his wife Mary. He was active on the field with the Cardinals during pre-game batting and fielding practice until two years before his death.

He died at his Mari de Villa condo in the afternoon on June 6, 2018. An operating room nurse whose mother lives in Mari de Villa condo was talking to me at a park commenting how she thought Red was very ill or dying due to all the cars parked at his condo. During that conversation she received a news alert on her phone that Red had died several hours earlier at age 95. Red had been the last living player from the 1946 World Series between the Cardinals and the Boston Red Sox and the oldest member of Baseball's Hall of Fame.



Player

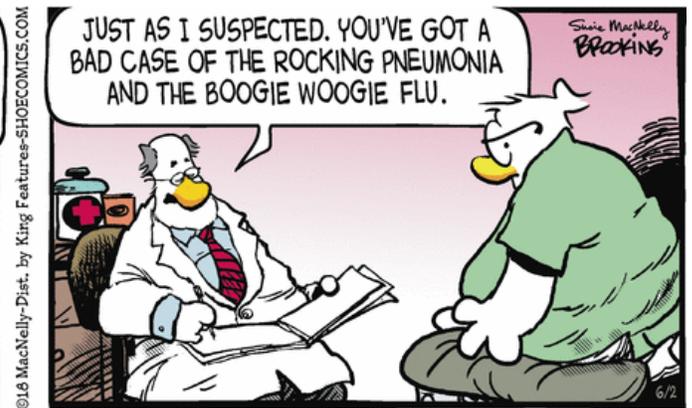
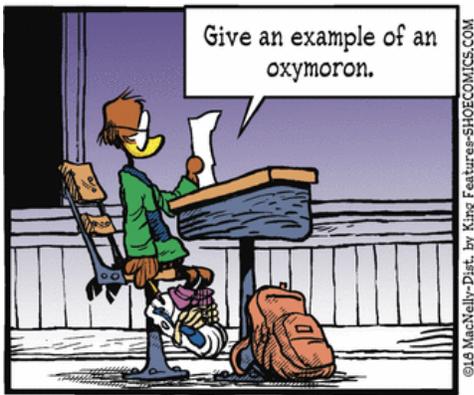


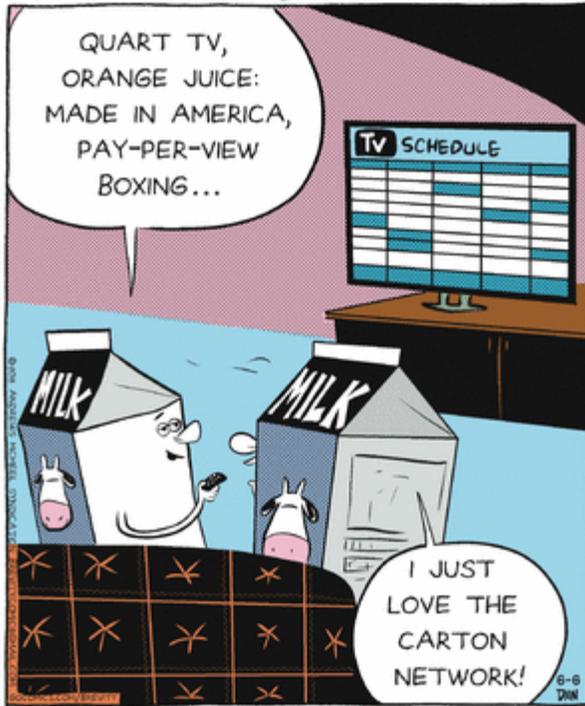
Manager



Hall of Famer

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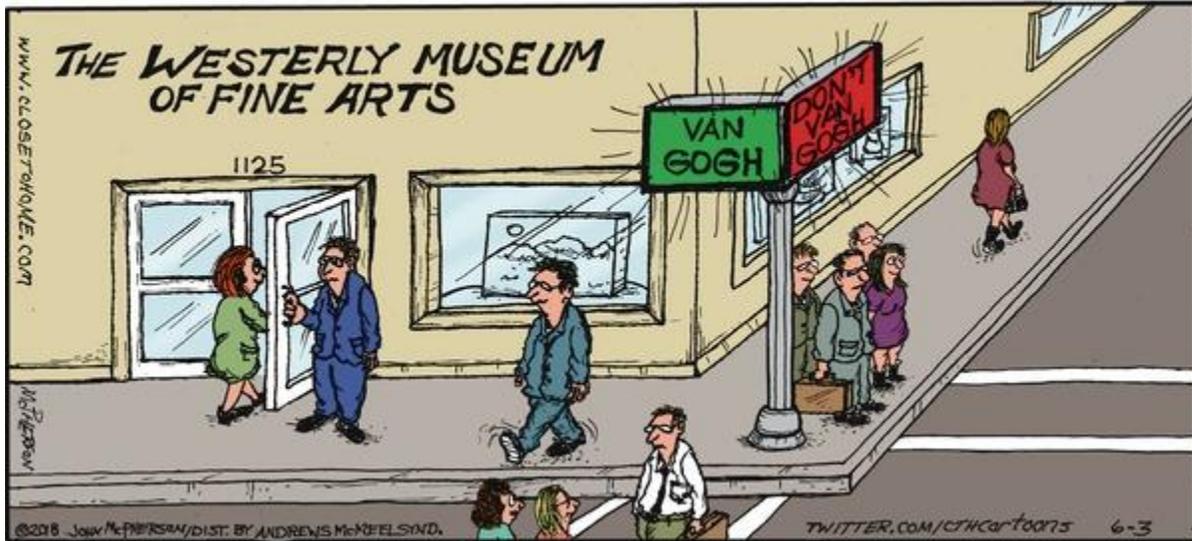


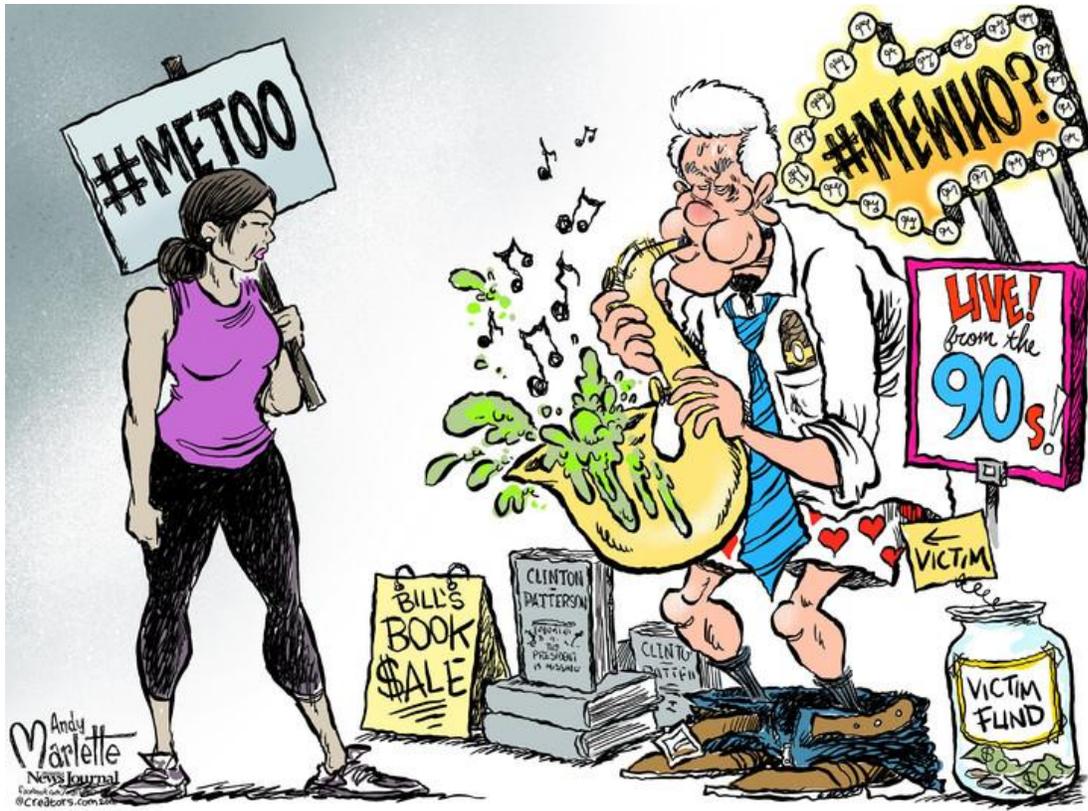


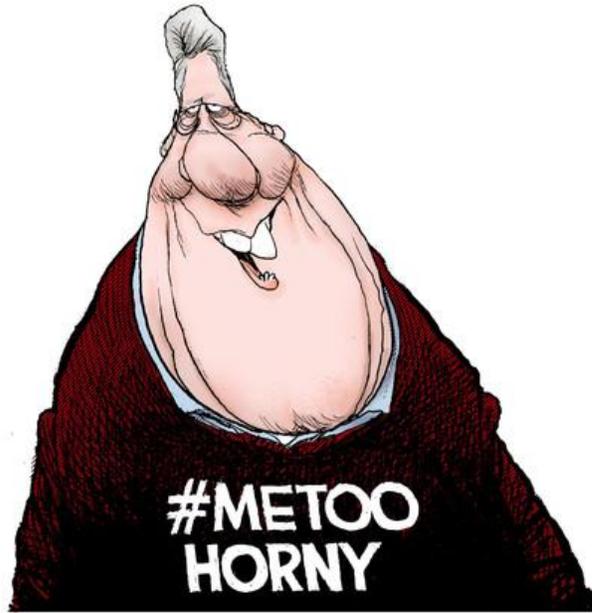
Frank carried through on his threat to wear a thong to the beach any time his daughter was late for her curfew.

CLOSE TO HOME

BY JOHN MCPHERSON



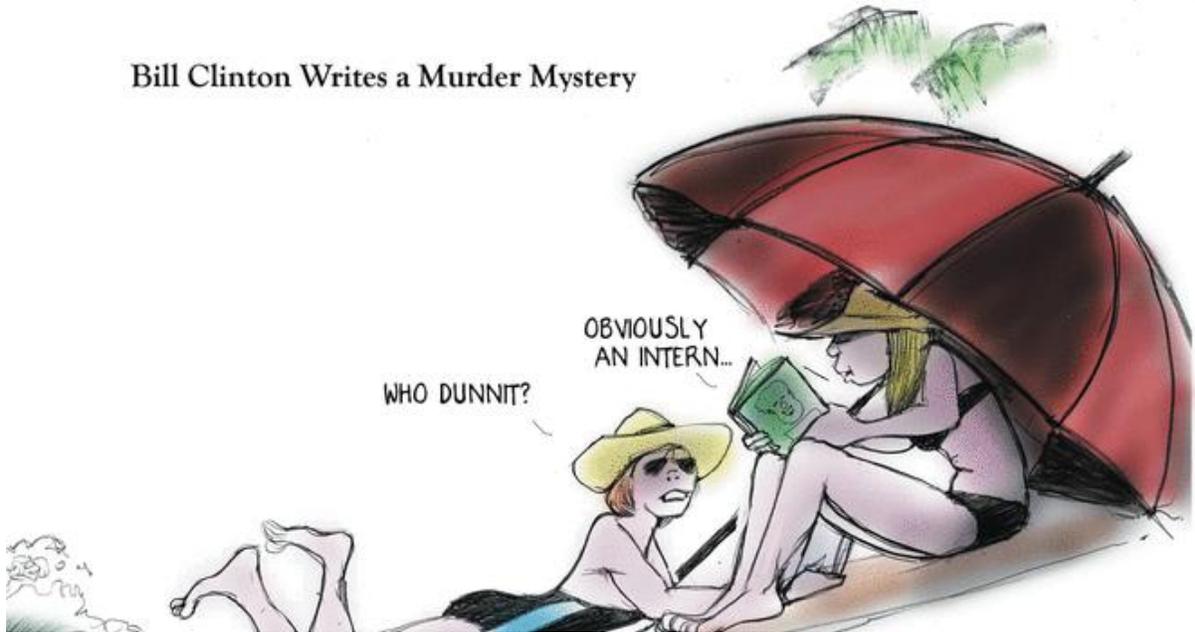




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Bill Clinton Writes a Murder Mystery







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