

EX ALDERMAN NEWSLETTER 462 AND CHESTERFIELD UNAPPROVED 407



January 16, 2021

THE RACE IS ON: The mayoral election race in Town and Country is now interesting. It appeared as if Alderwoman Tiffany Frauthschi might be able to run unopposed to replace the highly ethically questionable lobbyist, wheeler dealer Jon “stealer of widow’s business and property for a parking lot to a nightclub district that never got built then got hit with a \$900,000 judgment for under paying her” Dalton. However, on Monday January 11, 2021 someone filed against her.

That someone is 71-year-old internist at Mercy Hospital Charles H. Rehm, Jr, MD who has lived for over 20 years at 1016 Wellington Terrace in Ward-3.



Tiffany Frauthschi Charles H. Rehm, MD

There are a couple big differences between the two right away. He is 71. She is in her 40s. He is a guy and she is a mother with kids in school. She is active with school groups meaning she will get lots of mom votes. Doctors are normally too busy to go vote in a municipal election. Doctors in their 70s are normally looking at retirement is for no other reason than liability and increases in insurance.

MASON ROAD SIDEWALK/TRAIL DISASTER/ FIASCO COSTS THE CITY \$261,938 WITH NOTHING EVER BUILT. Back in 2018 and for several years before that the Town and Country Parks and Trails Commission wanted extra wide sidewalks (trails) on Mason Road from Clayton Road to Queeny Park. But at least five homeowners would not sell easement rights next to the street and Mayor Jon Dalton, never wanting to piss off a voter refused to use eminent domain. So the Parks Commission thought they should use grant money to simply put a new sidewalk/trail over an existing sidewalk.



OOPS: So the work began in October of 2018 for two days until St. Louis County ordered the work stopped. Mason Road is a County Highway road and sidewalk. The city under Public Works Director Craig Wilde never got a permit or permission from the County, nor did the contractor, T. Hill Construction.

T. Hill charged the city **\$58,944** for two days of tearing things up in October and another \$20,250 in December to make temporary repairs so the sidewalk could be used. 15 months later the County still had not given permission. Finally in March of 2020 it looked like permission might be granted but the grant was gone. An alderman was missing and there was a 4-3 vote to continue the work. That was a losing vote as you need a majority of 5 of the 8-aldermanic seats for expenditures to pass. Then nine months after that T. Hill Construction finally returned the sections they tore up back to concrete sidewalks and newly engineered road shoulders for a cost of **\$52,396**.

This means Mayor Jon Dalton assisted by former alderwoman Lynn Wright and her Park Commissions cost the city **\$261,938** for a sidewalk/trail that never got built. Of course T. Hill Construction and the Parks Commission did not replace these trees killed for the sidewalk/trail project that never happened. Public Works Director Wilde left the city three months after the Stop Work order.



MAYOR DALTON THE NURSING HOME MAN: When the plans for the then Stonecrest Assisted Living Facility (now Anthology Senior Living) behind the Schnucks Store at the end of Woods Mill Road, Mayor Jon Dalton was the facility's legal rep on file with the State of Missouri and was a registered lobbyist for the Kansas City company that was building it. NOT MUCH OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, HUH? He did not recuse himself or bother to tell anyone with the city until former alderman Al Gerber came to a Board of Aldermen meeting and pointed out that Dalton had an unethical and illegal conflict of interest. Dalton then recused himself from the nursing home getting board approval to be built and get city construction permits.

Mason Pointe, The Lutheran Senior Services nursing home and senior apartment facility is a client of Dalton's. But in November Dalton lost a nursing home project in nearby Frontenac that was to be built by another Dalton client, Bob Brinkman, who built and ran up the costs of the Town Square project costing the city \$10,000,000 and diving the city budget into the red. Brinkman also built Stonecrest.

Here is a copy of the letter from Dalton to the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee pulling out of the planned assisted living project at Clayton Road and Spoede Road behind some just built high-end condos.



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November 2, 2020

Via Electronic Mail:

The Hon. Jack Bondon
Chairman
Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee
3418 Knipp Drive
P.O. Box 570
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re: The Grove in Frontenac; Project #5047 RS

Dear Chairman Bondon,

On behalf of the owner and operator of The Grove in Frontenac, Project #5047 RS, we hereby notify the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee of our clients' decision to voluntarily forfeit the certificate of need issued in support of this project. Accordingly, we request that the Program Staff make note of this forfeiture and present the same to the Committee in due course.

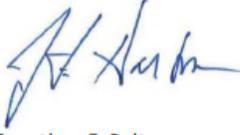
We wish to sincerely thank you, the Committee and Staff for your on-going interest in and collective patience with respect to this meritorious project. Unfortunately, after years of disputes with local authorities, including extensive federal and state court litigation, our options at the approved site were exhausted. Thereafter, Mr. Bob Brinkmann and his organization endeavored to identify an appropriate alternative site for the project and present the same to the Committee for its consideration.

Those efforts, however, have proven more challenging than anticipated, and our clients remain without any good options for this project in the foreseeable future. This is a loss for the local market and the residents that would have been served by the project. Nonetheless, Mr. Brinkmann can no longer in good faith and conscious request additional time to advance this proposed development with the potential that doing so would negatively impact other applicants and proposals.

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As always, we appreciate your consideration of this matter. Please let us know if you have any questions or need anything further at this time. Thank you for your service, and best wishes for continued success.

Yours truly,



Jonathan F. Dalton

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December 2, 2020

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Statement as of November 30, 2020
Statement No. 154293

Matter Id: T102-10

Research and preparation of opinions

Professional Fees			Hours
11/3/2020	EJS	Research and draft EMS fire contract amendment; Email related to same; Research related to calculating cost adjustment.	0.60
11/4/2020	SWG	Research fire district issue. Review substitute PDD bill. Revise substitute bill. Revise Claymark findings. Review fence correspondence.	1.20
11/4/2020	EJS	Research related to fence code enforcement issue; Research related to PDD amendment issue; Research related to EMS contract amendment issue.	0.60
11/5/2020	SWG	Research PDD issue.	0.40
11/6/2020	SWG	Research fire contract issue. Review documents received from Tim Randick regarding easements.	0.80
11/9/2020	SWG	Research fence issue. Research fire district issue. Review substitute PDD bill. Research county contract issue.	1.30
11/9/2020	EJS	Research pertaining to fence and code enforcement issue.	0.40
11/10/2020	SWG	Draft closed minutes. Review and revise fire contract amendment.	0.60
11/10/2020	EJS	Research related to EMS contract; Revise draft addendum related to same.	0.50
11/11/2020	SWG	Review easement documents.	0.20
11/11/2020	EJS	Legal research related to fence code issue.	0.40
11/12/2020	SWG	Research delinquent business license issue and responses received regarding delinquent business license letters.	0.20
11/12/2020	EJS	Emails related to fence issue; Research regarding same.	0.20
11/13/2020	JNR	Review email and updated spreadsheet regarding past due licenses.	0.22
11/16/2020	SWG	Research CUP issue. Research set back and fence issues. Research St Louis County contract issue. Research fire issue.	1.30
11/17/2020	SWG	Research fire contract issue. Review documents received from Bob Shelton regarding fire contract. Research CUP issue. Meeting with Bob Shelton regarding contract matters.	1.30
11/17/2020	EJS	Legal research regarding to code enforcement/fence issue.	0.60
11/18/2020	SWG	Review and revise resolution regarding PD matter. Research fire contract issue.	0.50
11/18/2020	EJS	Research related to EMS fire contract; Research related to code enforcement issues.	0.60

11/19/2020	SWG	Research fire contract issue.	0.30
11/19/2020	EJS	Research related to EMS agreement.	0.20
11/20/2020	SWG	Research fire contract issue. Research CUP issue.	0.60
11/23/2020	SWG	Research and review amendment regarding construction time issue.	0.20
11/23/2020	JNR	Prepare follow up letters to businesses delinquent on 2020 business licenses.	0.30
11/23/2020	EJS	Legal research related to fence issue.	1.00
11/24/2020	SWG	Revise Watters fence letter. Research fence issue. Revise business license letters. Research fire contract issue.	1.20
11/25/2020	SWG	Research SL issue.	0.20
11/25/2020	EJS	Research related to fence regulations issue.	0.20
11/30/2020	SWG	Research fence issue. Review fence documents.	0.60

Sub-total Fees: 2,314.37

Rate Summary

Steven W. Garrett	10.90 hours at \$ 140.00 /hr	1,526.00
Jaime Reifsteck	0.52 hours at \$ 90.00 /hr	46.37
Edward J. Sluys	5.30 hours at \$ 140.00 /hr	742.00
Total hours:	<u>16.72</u>	

COMING SOON TO TOWN AND COUNTRY:

JUST WHAT T&C NEEDS ANOTHER GATED SUBDIVISION: This one is at the end of Barrett Station Road just before the Thornhill Subdivision. It is Lochen Heath. The houses are not exactly "moving fast."



AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT: A true modern house proposed for 932 Claymark (off of north side of Clayton Road west of Topping Road).





Here is the original house built at 932 Claymark:



Original new plans: This was the 2019 plan for 932 Claymark. The plans have changed a bit in 2-years.



An Explanation from the city staff: The people that designed the house two years ago sold the property a couple months after their ARB approval. So this new design is from a new property owner.

OPPOSITION TO A STATE AUDIT FROM A DALTONITE AND LOSER FOR

ALDERMANIC SEAT: Will McKnight lives in Mason Valley and he appears to be heading opposition to the attempt to get a State of Missouri Audit of Town and Country. He also was pushing "The sidewalk to nowhere" that just cost the city \$261,000 not to build it.

McKnight is considered by many to be closely tied to Mayor Jon "Conflicts of Interests" Dalton. In 2018 reformer Alderwoman Lindsey Butler handily beat back an attempt by McKnight to unseat her. McKnight had been appointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission by Dalton and had to resign in 2018 to run against Butler. Dalton backed McKnight as much as he backed Lauer Baer who ran against Tiffany Frautschi and lost by more than McKnight. After McKnight lost to Butler, Dalton promptly reappointed him to the P&Z Commission.

Mayor Dalton is afraid of a possible audit by the Missouri State Auditor's office. While annual city audits make sure the books balance, a state audit looks for conflicts of interests, ethics violations and question awarding of contracts. In 2018 aldermen voted to have a performance audit but in 2019 they refused to fund it.

Here is the email from McKnight full of incorrect and simply false and wrong statements. It is followed by a response from Lindsey Butler.

From: Will McKnight <will_mcknight@msn.com>

Date: January 9, 2021 at 5:31:40 PM CST

To: Will McKnight <will_mcknight@msn.com>

Subject: My Views on the Town and Country Audit Efforts (Just say "No")

Friends and Neighbors,

By now, you have been bombarded with 'logical sounding' words on the need for an independent audit of Town and Country by the State Auditor. Although they may sound logical, they are NOT!

Town and Country already pays for an independent yearly financial audit. Yes, the state audit will include more than just the financial piece, but, it would include paying again for a financial audit that we don't need. The city projects mentioned by the group demanding an audit have been incredibly open and transparent in their inception and execution. Each had numerous public meeting for input and progress and we already have a clear view of issues that came up during the process. Interestingly, many of those issues can be tracked back to the very people now demanding an audit. There is a reason that Town and Country has not had a state audit in the history of our city. It is because we have not needed one. We don't need one now. If you check the state website you'll notice that most of our neighboring cities have also never had a state audit. This audit proposal is a waste of money and time, and ultimately will not even accomplish what little goals the group advocating for it suggest.

Some key points:

1. **The audit is not free.** - It is estimated that it will cost the city \$100-130K to complete.
2. **The result will be less than desired.** - Most audits of similar cities amount to a 20-30 page report for the \$100K investment. If you care to review other audits run by the state you can see them here:
 - a. Brentwood
- <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/AuditReports/CitzSummary.aspx?id=183>
 - b. Crestwood - <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/Repository/Press/2005-17.htm>
 - c. Florissant - <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/Repository/Press/2010-91.htm>
 - d. Pacific - <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/Repository/Press/2011-104.htm>
 - e. Pine Lawn - <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/Repository/Press/2000-108.htm>
 - f. St. Peters - <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/Repository/Press/2008-05.htm>
 - g. University City - <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/Repository/Press/2011-14.htm>
 - h. The full list can be found at: <https://app.auditor.mo.gov/AuditReports/AudRpt2.aspx?id=67>

The example of a city that is using “performance reporting” provided on the “citizens4TC” website ([Clayton](#)) isn’t on this states list of cities audited in the past 20 years. That’s because the incorporation of “Performance Management” into city operations is completely separate from a state audit. If you look at the content of the audits, they do not map to the Brentwood example at all.

If adding “performance reporting” to our city reporting is a good investment. Perhaps a better use of the \$130K would be to hire a consultant to help make that happen.

3. City processes can always be improved, but many of the “errors” pointed out by the [pro-wasteful audit group](#) can be pointed back the very people requesting the audit.
 - a. The sidewalk project was stopped after spending most of the city’s contribution by a vote to not complete the engineering required by the county to proceed. This meant we lost the \$240K grant from the county and forced the project to be abandoned after the city paid over \$200K. Those votes were by the two Ward 2 aldermen and one Ward 1 aldermen who knew the outcome of the vote and voted to waste the cities money in spite of it.
 - b. There was never a “guarantee” of a restaurant in town square. That was made very clear to anyone (including those now condemning the project) in the numerous public meetings and aldermanic meetings discussing the project.

One of the “issues” raised in the “citizens4TC” website is completely fabricated. On the site they state that “The Board of Aldermen actually rejected a recent recommendation from its own planning

and zoning commission chairman to conduct a performance audit.” I serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission and have confirmed with the commission chair that he “...never recommended it. And I strongly oppose it in fact. It’s a complete fabrication.”

I have also included an open letter, written by Gary Hoelzer (a long time T&C employee serving as a Police Chief and/or City Administrator during many of these projects.) His words summarize the views of so many of us that have worked diligently to better the great city of Town and Country.

Ultimately, signing or not signing the petition is your decision. I will not be signing it. It is a waste of time and money.

(As an FYI – if you already signed the petition, you have a right to have your name removed.)

Thank you for your time,

Will McKnight

- Member of the Town and Country Planning and Zoning Commission
- Neighborhood Trustee

Please feel free to forward this to any of your friends or neighbors.

THE REBUTTAL INCLUDING POINTING OUT MISSTATEMENTS AND ERRORS:

Former Ald. Lindsey Butler points out mistakes in McKnight’s case.

From: Lindsey Butler <lindseybutlersgirls@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 10, 2021 12:29 AM

To: will_mcknight@msn.com

Subject: Response to your letter

Will,

I hope that you are doing well and that your family stayed healthy over the Holidays.

I received your email from some of your neighbors and I wanted to respond directly to you. Feel free to pass along my response as you see fit.

First, it is important to note that Ald. Frautschi has not been involved at all with the petition, so any of your questions can be directed to me or any of the other residents from several wards that have been interviewed for TV and print, submitted emails to the city, or are listed on the petition website.

Second, the information shared on the website, which has been made by a Ward 2 resident who is actively engaged with the group requesting the petition audit, is “logical” because it is based on the minutes, recordings, and documents from the city. I would suggest that you reach out to him if you have any issues with the site.

In response to your comments:

1) Town and Country has not had a performance audit.

The annual financial audit, which you referenced, is conducted by a CPA firm, chosen by the city board, and is required by law for every municipality. The CPA firm is chosen by the board members, so it does open up the process to conflicts of interest as seen in a recent recusal by an alderman from the vote for the current CPA firm. It may also help if you review the minutes or video recording(I will try and locate them for you)from that last financial audit review when I was on the board. During this brief annual review, I asked the CPA firm if their audit would uncover issues with performance. My specific example during the work session was a situation where when we were charged for landscaping for Town Square did the firm look to see if we were charged a correct amount or if we even received the items for which we were charged. She stated “no” on the record. The firm looked to see if we had a bill for an amount and if we paid that bill. Please call the State Auditor’s office or review their website to see the difference between the financial audits we have to have and the performance audit conducted by the state.

2) You incorrectly state that the city projects have been “incredibly open and transparent “. This is an understandable misstatement since you are not privy to nor have you been in the meetings or closed sessions regarding these projects. The very short conversations that the board was allowed to have in public wouldn’t have shown you what was being asked or discovered behind closed doors.

3) You are correct that there is a reason that the city of TC hasn’t had a state performance audit. That reason is that the state doesn’t perform them without being asked by the governing body or the residents through a petition, which is the route being taken currently. Your statement that the reason is because we haven’t “needed one” is false because that isn’t the process allowed by law. I do wonder why you state that the audit would be a waste of time since you are ultimately suggesting that the State Auditor position is unnecessary or are you suggesting that the State Auditor’s office would be providing subpar work product.

4) Addressing your key points:

* Perhaps you haven’t seen the petition or you would know that every person who has signed had to sign a piece of paper from the State with the exact estimate listed on it.

****The cost is a direct result of the banker boxes full of city minutes, sunshined documents, and city recordings that were already turned over to the auditor almost 2 years ago. The scope was expanded by the State Auditor’s office due to the issues already seen by their office.****

* The result will be the recommendations to correct the issues that residents in every ward have been sending in to their elected representatives for many years, including your own emailed complaints regarding the South Mason sidewalk. It should give you comfort to know that the complaints you consistently raised about Mason sidewalk will be independently reviewed and assessed. Additionally, any actions that need to be taken by state agencies can happen since the auditor will turn these over.

*** Please notice that our own St Louis County Council voted to have a state audit done recently and that audit uncovered many major issues that never surfaced under the mandatory annual financial audits.**

* Have you called each of the cities you listed and been told that their audits by the state were a waste of time and money?

Response to your 3(a): the engineering for Mason had been done numerous times as can be seen in minutes and budgets. The vote that I think you are referencing was unrelated to engineering. I will send the minutes to you if you wish.

The failure of the Mason sidewalk was due to:

- 1) inaccurate information regarding easements being given to the board prior to a vote to apply for the grant.
- 2) these essential easements then changed the entire scope of the project and the applicability of the grant-causing delays and additional engineering costs
- 3) city-hired contractors started work with no approval given for the plans to start work
- 4) no permits were pulled or approved to start work
- 5) project sat with a temporary fix for almost 2 years

I know that you brought up this sidewalk project when you ran for office, but the facts remain the same.

I asked for safety measures, police data, other options due to both of these items, and to not waste money on a project that didn't do as intended, which was to build a sidewalk that connected to Queeny Park. The largest portion of the failure happened prior to my time on the board and escalated into a very expensive mess.

3(b) I stated prior to running for office and all throughout my time on the board that we shouldn't be stating that a restaurant will go into a building that we don't own. However, prior to my time on the board, the Town Square Task Force focused on this asset as seen here:

<https://www.town-and-country.org/DocumentCenter/View/952/Board-of-Aldermen-Report---Town-Square?bidId=>

And the Mayor had a resident survey conducted, using city funds, that focused on a restaurant being at Town Square.



Lindsey Butler



Here is McKnight talking to bully Fred “I didn’t pay city or state sales taxes on my last new car by getting Illinois license plates” Meyland-Smith.

TOWN AND COUNTRY BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING:



Mayor announces big news: Time is not important to the pompus, as Mayor Jon Dalton took the time to announce that this was the first regularly scheduled nighttime board of alderman meeting at city hall or by zoom that he was not wearing a suit or tie.

She has not been a member of the Board of Aldermen since June but she was the center of attention at Monday’s meeting. We are talking about Lindsey Butler who Jon Benigas took great exception to along with the petition drive for an audit by the State Auditor’s Office. Benigas, the marriage counselor who only has men for clients, attacked Butler, despite men also being behind the audit petition drive claiming it was all politically directed against a man, Mayor Jon Dalton.



Benigas



Butler



Dalton

Despite Dalton saying he would welcome audits as mayor to KTVI's Elliott Davis and then shortly afterwards announcing he would not be seeking reelection, Benigas claimed the audit was unwelcome. Here is what he said:

Since the certification of the June 2020 election, there have been 6 actions brought forth against the City of Town & Country at the state and local levels, all of which have been initiated by a former Alderman. All the allegations in question occurred while the former Alderman was in office with full voting authority. City transparency is a crucial and a key component of all projects initiated by staff and elected officials. Below is a recap of the 6 actions with corrective and/or additional information that has been omitted from communication with our community through personal social medial platforms, a letter to a local news publication and contribution to a television news broadcast. These actions include:

Sunshine Request of Documents (1) the day prior to end of the former alderman's tenure. This request of documents, including materials and staff time, have cost the city approximately 31.75 hrs of staff time, resulted in 1505 pages to compile, 141 pages copied. This does not include the legal hr/fees the City incurred.

- Charges brought before the **Missouri Ethics Commission (2)**. The charges and allegations were dismissed by the MEC on November 19th, 2020.
- A complaint was presented to the **Attorney General's** office (3). At this time, no

corrective action has been communicated.

- **Letter to the Editor (4)** of a local news publication. The letter from the former alderman made allegations regarding the conduct of other elected officials, city projects, and related project costs. All projects in question required Board of Aldermen (BOA) approval by vote. Throughout the processes which required numerous rounds of voting, this former alderman voted for the project and any subsequent changes/costs the large majority of the time. All members of the public have the opportunity to comment on all projects and may access project information on the city's website. The letter to the editor requests the current BOA investigate the allegations. However, the former alderman submitted her allegations to the MEC and MO Attorney General, both of which have dismissed these claims.

- Initiated a resident-request of a **State Performance Audit (5)**. The State's Performance Audit has a starting price of \$100,000 for a city our size with potential to increase considerably. Our city is 100% responsible for all fees. It is important to note that the BOA could pursue a Performance Audit with a firm that specializes in municipal structured entities which would come at a fraction of the cost of the State Audit. Research indicates the cost of a Performance Audit for a city our size would be approximately \$25,000. Results from the Performance Audit, at either State or Local levels, are presented in the same form as a *recommendation* to the City. The significant cost of initiating a State Performance audit, and the option of initiating a Performance Audit at the local level (and projected lower cost of \$25K), was omitted from the petition Google document. The main concern by this approach by the former alderman is that it is incomplete at best, and purposefully misleading at worst. We believe that full transparency is critical in making significant decisions regarding our city and this effort clearly does not disclose full and transparent information.

- **Town Square** - A conceptual design and initial cost estimate for Town Square was presented in 2016 in a resident survey. After review of the survey, Town Square Task Force recommendations and public input, the BOA approved the

developer, final site plan and cost at \$5.2M. The final site plan incorporated enhancements to the *conceptual* plan outlined in the resident survey. All documents, changes and meetings are public record and all aldermen voted in favor of the project and associated costs. During construction, \$1.3 million in change orders were appropriated by the BOA, which then increased total development cost of Town Square to \$6.5M. The former alderman was in office when this total of \$6.5 million of funds were appropriated for Town Square and voted in favor of 94%, or \$6.1M in appropriations. Of the remaining 6%, the former alderman voted against 3% and was absent for the remaining 3%. This is the same alderman now petitioning residents to overspend on a Performance Audit.

- Former Alderman made a statement regarding “city has put a big burden on our taxpayers” on a **local news broadcast (6)**. The trigger word “taxpayers” is an inaccurate representation of the revenue funds in our city’s budget. Residents have not paid a tax to T&C for over 20 years. The residents in T&C pay a property tax to the COUNTY not the City of Town & Country as misrepresented by someone who held office for 4 years and had oversight on the budget and appropriating funds.

- **Ballas/Clayton** –With the completion of the 5-mile 8ft wide multi-use path on Clayton Road in 2013, the intersection of Ballas (County Road) and Clayton (City Road) crosswalk project was initiated with a unanimous approved ordinance (3758) agreement between STL County and the city for the intersection improvements. Four conceptual designs were considered. The City was awarded a Federal Service Transportation Program (STP) grant to improve the conditions and performance of the public road, pedestrian, and bicycle infrastructure. The approved design included:

- Ballas Rd. north-bound – addition of a designated right-turn lane onto Clayton Rd.
- Clayton Rd. west-bound – widen the exiting designated right-turn lane onto Ballas Rd.
- Clayton Rd. west-bound – extension of existing right-hand lane roadway, merging at Kirken Knoll Rd.
- All crosswalks ADA compliant Project oversight included a Task Force

comprised of residents in Ward 1 and a community-wide Open House. Budgeted items for the project included design/engineering (40%) and right-of-way acquisition (43%). The project failed due to inability to acquire the Scott Property easement. In effort to add value to the monetary offer, the City was able to increase Scott Property's confined parking space through a negotiated agreement with the property owner adjacent to the Scott Property Building.

Scott Property customers would have access to an adjoining parking lot. Scott Properties countered the city's monetary and additional parking spaces offer with an amount 6 times higher than the monetary offer or an increase of 83%. The BOA unanimously decided to terminate the project and return the grant.

Note: from 2013 to 2020 every ordinance, resolution and closed session vote passed unanimously. LB and TF were present for every vote while in office.

LEGISLATION

8/2013- Ordinance agreement with County

2/2014 – R03-2014 Authorized grant application for intersection improvement

9/2014 – Ordinance authorized STP agreement for Clayton/Ballas crosswalk improvements with MoDOT through MHTC

10/2015 – Ordinance authorized agreement with Burns & McDonnell for engineering design associated with crosswalk improvements

5/2017 – Ordinance authorized engineering services fee amendment with Burns & McDonnell for crosswalk improvements

9/2017 – Ordinance authorized agreement with Mueller and Neff for property appraisal serviced related to the crosswalk improvement project

AND NOW THE RESPONSE: After the ZOOM meeting Lindsey Butler sent the following email to all alderpersons:

From: Lindsey Butler <lindseybutlersgirls@gmail.com>

Date: January 11, 2021 at 8:45:36 PM CST

To: City Council <CityCouncil@town-and-country.org>

Subject: Tonight

Dear Board,

Thank you to those that allowed my letter to be read this evening. I agree that being consistent with all residents is important in government.

A couple of thoughts from the discussion:

1) Ald. Benigas stated that the audit is being done for political purposes and is not needed.

The original performance audit was suggested by the Public Works Chair in 2018 after speaking with a former executive for a large corporation that lives in our city and witnessed the poor performance of Mason and Weidman sidewalk projects and the Town Square. The board at the time had a chance to perform one and voted yes to select a firm. The only no votes on record came about when it came time to pay for it. Hopefully those who voted yes for the city admin to solicit a firm didn't just waste his time.

The current petition is being run by a group of residents, none of whom are in office or running for office, so not political in any way. If you think an audit will hurt any elected official then that should concern you.

Lastly, many residents sent in emails to the City in 2018 requesting an audit of Town Square and this petition with the current ~400+ signatures represent your neighbors who have asked for a thorough review to be done. It is curious why the elected officials are shouting that there is nothing wrong, but the will of their people is to find out why the issues that have been uncovered aren't being addressed.

Immediately following Benigas' statements that there is no need for a performance audit, Bob Shelton states that the city is conducting the first ever internal performance assessment. I appreciate Bob trying to make our city better. Interestingly, this is exactly the purpose of the audit except it will not be done in house and will dig deeper.

2) Clayton and Ballas:

The docs turned over to you and the additional ones coming, show the actual comments and conversations had behind the scenes. When do you think people are most honest, when talking to an elected official or in internal emails? I am fine with the decision that you made this evening, but the docs show that TC abandoned this project, not County. This is another performance issue unrelated to any certain property owner. The history of this project shows TC dragged their feet and had to request extensions for the grant unrelated to easement talks. For those of us in the closed sessions, the issues of acquisitions exist and have been turned over to multiple agencies. Please reread the dates of the valuations, the dates of the closed sessions, and the dates and emails were

behind the scenes talks of increasing amounts beyond the value were discussed and then presented to the board. I realize many of you have personal feelings towards me that cloud your ability to hear and see truth, but please consider the actual docs you have in front of you and put your opinions of me aside. Each of you will be getting a USB full of docs if you wish to review.

THEN THERE WAS BUTLER’S CITIZEN COMMENT ON JOINING ST. LOUIS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT ON THE CLAYTON – BALLAS PROJECT THAT THE CITY ALREADY BACK OUT OF ONCE HAVING TO RETURN FEDERAL FUNDS:

During the regular meeting a final reading on a bill to accept \$22,361 for work done on widening the intersection of Clayton and Ballas Roads and repaying the Federal Government’s \$261,392 which was grant money since the project was not completed. Lindsey Butler submitted a written comment and asked that it be read.

“I OBJECT!” Shouted Alderman Jon Benigas in having Butler’s comment read.

Alderwoman Sue Allen, who often puts on the appearance that she does not have a clue also objected.



Sue Allen

“I oppose this. Recently we have been putting these letters in the record without reading them.”

Push Back: Tiffany Frautschi and Barbara Ann Hughes disagreed with Allen.

“We have been reading documents and letters,” said Frautschi. “We have read letters,” said Hughes. Mayor Dalton told Ashley McNamara to read the comment.

Dear Board of Aldermen,

This evening the board will be voting on agenda item #1 to enter into an amended agreement with St Louis County where the City of Town and Country will expect County to reimburse them about \$22k and T&C will payback about \$261,000 in grant funds because of the failed Clayton and Ballas intersection upgrades and associated sidewalk, which the city asked to be built.

Please ask, prior to voting, if the County has agreed to these terms. It states very clearly in the email from County, that they were concerned with TC not holding up our end of an agreement. According to the documents, discovered during a Sunshine Law request of County's records, which have been turned over to all of you previously, this project was delayed due to T&C requesting handling of the easements instead of allowing County to do so. Additionally, the cost overruns for engineering and easements were known to the city a long time prior to the board members being told that the project was not moving forward. In fact, the city, not the County, made the decision to abandon this project even after spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on easements and legal bills, which can be seen repeatedly in the County's sent emails.

This project is another reason for an independent state performance audit and I would encourage you each to reach out to County prior to voting this evening. I am attaching the email that I sent previously to you for the record and will be sending the remainder of the records to city hall for your review and public disclosure.

This isn't a comfortable conversation, but in light of the additional information that you have at your disposal, you may wish to look at all of the docs prior to making a decision.

Thank you,
Lindsey Butler

The Bill passed on an 8-0 vote.

SIGN ORDINANCE CHANGES: In the Public Hearing portion of the meeting Director of Planning Ryan Spencer gave a presentation on a proposed new sign ordinance. Here is part of his Power-Point presentation.

Background

- The current sign code was established as an independent code chapter in 1989.
- Prior to that time signage was regulated within the Zoning Code
- The current code has only been amended 5 times in previous 31 years.

- Definitions
- Graphics
- Process
- General Requirements
- Zoning Districts

- Updated terminology and elimination of “content-based” definitions
 - 25 additions
 - 13 amendments
 - 25 deletions
 - 16 unchanged

3. Process

- ⦿ Fee increased from \$75 to \$100
- ⦿ Expiration of Permits
 - Elimination of annual renewal requirement
- ⦿ Revocation of Permits
 - Would be an administrative process and not Aldermanic
- ⦿ Variances & Appeals
 - Sign Variances = Board of Adjustment
 - Conditional Signs = PZ Review and BOA approval
- ⦿ Unified Sign Plans
 - Established a *Purpose* subsection, an Application Process subsection and materials to be submitted

4. General Requirements

- ⦿ Consolidated various technical specifications into one specific section.
- ⦿ Eliminated maximum color requirements
- ⦿ Expanded maximum letter heights
- ⦿ Expressly prohibited digital signs

Digital Signs

- ⦿ There is only one approved digital sign within the City:



- ⦿ Approved via sign variance on April 23, 2012
- ⦿ Regulations pertaining to digital signs were in the draft code amendments based on approved sign variance
- ⦿ **Extended discussion, but in the end the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended that they be prohibited.**

(The lone Digital sign is in front of bully and former alderman Fred Meyland-Smith's church.)

Letter Heights

- ⦿ Current code is very restrictive for letter heights
 - 12" for non-residential uses in residential
 - 18" for office/medical uses
- ⦿ 30+ variance approvals in past 10 years.
- ⦿ Majority for office buildings along freeways.
- ⦿ Planning and Zoning reviewed variance data and surrounding city regulations and recommends:
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 - Letter sizes above permitted height will require a conditional review process

UNAPPROVED CHESTERFIELD NEWSLETTER 407



CHESTERFIELD 2020 DEER INCIDENT AND CITY HUNTING REPORT: We normally do the Town and Country and Chesterfield Deer Reports together, but Town and Country has not finished the December report two weeks into the new year. We hope to have the T&C report next week.



City Deer



Suburban Police Deer

December Reports:

DAY / DATE	TIME	LOCATION	NOTES
Tuesday 12/01/2020	1749	Wild Horse Creek/Baxter	Deer found injured in middle of road.
Wednesday 12/09/2020	1736	Clarkson/Clarkson Farm	Deer ran into path of vehicle causing vehicle to strike both deer and another vehicle.
Friday 12/11/2020	1422	16573 Wild Horse Creek	Deer found injured on side of road.
Monday 12/14/2020	2051	Chesterfield Airport/Spirit of St. Louis	Deer ran into path of vehicle.
Wednesday 12/16/2020	1746	Vineyard/Country Ridge	Deer found injured on side of road.
Monday 12/21/2020	0726	14401 Conway Meadows Ct. W	Deer stuck on private property fence.
Friday 12/25/2020	0355	Chesterfield Parkway East/Elbridge Payne	Deer ran into path of vehicle.

Hit by police car damage to front end of car

Tuesday 12/29/2020	1859	Olive/White Plains	Deer found injured on side of road.
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2020 Chesterfield Deer v Vehicles Jan 01 to December 31 53

I-64 5
Hwy 141 3
Baxter Road 3
Cazado 1
Chesterfield Airport Road 2
Chesterfield Lakes Rd 1
Chesterfield Parkway 4
Clarkson Road 5
Clayton Road 3
Conway Rd 1
Country Ridge Rd 1
Eatherton Road 1
Justus Post Rd 1
Kehrs Mill Rd 1
Ladue Road 2
North Forty Outer Road 1
Olive Blvd 8
Schoettler Rd 1
Wild Horse Creek Rd 6
Woods Mill Road 3

Deer Taken from City and Private Property on Approved Hunting Locations

Location	December 2020	Buck/Doe YTD	YTD
City Parks	0	11 Does, 3 Bucks	14
Ambridge Ct.	0	2 Does	2
Ansonborough	0	1 Buck	1
Baxter Lakes	0	2 Does	2
Baywood Condos	0	1 Doe	1
Boxford Ct.	0	2 Does	2
Chamisal	2	1 Doe/2 Bucks	3
Chesterfield Lakes	0	2 Does	2
Chesterton	1	1 Doe, 4 Bucks	5
Conway Rd.	0	2 Bucks	2
Deerhorn Dr.	0	3 Does	3
Forest	1	2 Doe, 1 Buck	3

Fox Hill	0	1 Doe, 1 Buck	2
Griffith	0	1 Doe	1
Hickory	0	2 Does	2
Isleview	0	1 Doe, 2 Bucks	3
Kaywin Ct.	1	3 Does	3
Los Padres	0	1 Doe	1
Manor Lake	0	2 Does	2
Olive	0	2 Does	2
Pacland Place	0	1 Doe	1
Redondo	0	2 Does	2
Regency Estates	0	1 Doe	1
Ridge Crest	0	3 Does	3
Ridge Trail	0	1 Buck	1
Rogue River	0	2 Does	2
Rooster Ridge	0	1 Doe	1
Shadow Wood Ct.	1	2 Does	2
Silver Buck	0	1 Buck	1
Strollways	0	4 Does	4
Sunny Hill	0	1 Doe	1
Sycamore Manor	0	1 Doe, 1 Buck	2
Timberlake Manor	0	1 Doe	1
Towles Farm Ct.	0	2 Does	2
Walnut Hill	1	1 Doe/2 Bucks	3
Walnut Rail	0	1 Doe	1
White Rd.	0	2 Does	2
17000 Wild Horse Creek	0	1 Buck	1
Wilson Farm	1	2 Does	2
Wilson Manor	1	2 Does, 1 Buck	3
TOTAL	9	71 Does/23 Bucks	94

Hunting Continue until January 15, 2021

CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT Crime Report

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 6, 2021

21-50 Suicide - Subject residing on Creve Coeur Crossing was found deceased by a family member. It is believed the subject committed the act sometime between last

night and this afternoon. ME notified and responded to the scene. Detective bureau notified.

21-51 Suicide - Original call for shots fired off of Baxter Ridge was found to actually be a subject who was found by officers deceased via suicidal means. ME notified and responded to the scene. Detective bureau notified.

21 52	01/06/2021, 1600 01/06/2021, 1600	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS	6	4	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Arrested: Hays,Cheston W W 51 M							
Brief Narrative Description: 51 yo male took merchandise from store and returned it to customer service for credit. Subject then took other merchandise and walked out of store without paying. Subject in possession of prohibited theft device and also charged with Trespassing due to prior theft incidents.							

21-52 Larceny - Subject at Wal-Mart was arrested for attempting to complete fraudulent returns. SEU investigating.
Cheston W. Hays 51



01/06/21	Stealing, Trespassing. Poss of Theft Device	Chesterfield PD
10/25/20	Violate Order of Protection pending	Ellisville PD
07/19/20	Felony Drug Possession, No Veh Insurance	MO Hwy Patrol
06/23/20	Poss of Stolen Lic Plates, Trespassing pending Unreg Veh. No Insurance	Chesterfield PD
02/21/20	Stealing pending	Town & Country PD
11/09/19	Stealing Guilty 2-yrs probation	Manchester PD
08/24/19	Stealing Guilty 2-yrs probation term	Manchester PD
09/01/18	10/01/18, 11/01/18 3-cts Non-support pending	St. Charles Co
05/17/19	Poss Drug Para, No Op Lic, No Ins, Exp Lic Plate	Ballwin PD
02/05/05	Distribute Drugs probation revoked 9-years prison	St. Charles Co
05/24/04	Driving While Revoked Guilty 10 days jail	St. Charles City PD
01/02/04	Driving While Revoked Guilty 10-days jail	St. Charles City PD
11/25/02	Felony Stealing Guilty probation revoked 7 yrs pris	St. Charles City PD
09/30/97	Distribute Drugs Guilty probation revoked 5-yrs pris	St. Charles Co
09/24/97	Distribute Drugs Guilty probation revoked 5-yrs pris	St. Charles Co
09/23/97	Distribute Drugs Guilty Probation revoked 5-yrs pris	St. Charles Co

No Report - House fire on Rainey Lake. Nothing suspicious noted by FD. Believed to have started via a **chicken coop warmer**.

THURSDAY JANUARY 7, 2021

21 57	01/06/2021, 2200 01/07/2021, 0830	15XXX PEACH HILL CT 701		PEACHTREE	2	2	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject broke out window on victim's vehicle and took power tools.							

21-0057- Larceny From Vehicle, Destruction of property report Peach Hill Ct.-Victim reported that suspects broke the windows in his vehicle and **stole tools**

21 58	01/07/2021, 1206 01/07/2021, 1206	1XX THF BLVD	Best Buy	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS	6	4	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject concealed video game controllers and left store without paying.							

21-0058- Larceny report THF Blvd.- Suspect took two game controllers and fled the retail store without paying for the items. SEU investigating.

21 59	01/07/2021, 1333 01/07/2021, 1333	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Ugg	CHESTERFIELD BLUE VALLEY	5	4	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Arrested: Scott,Ronald L B 75 M Walls, Janeane F. B 57 F							
Brief Narrative Description: 57 yo female and 75 yo male concealed boots and left store without paying.							

21-0059- Larceny report Outlet Blvd.= Suspects stole UGG boots and fled the scene in their vehicle. The vehicle was observed on the highway by officers and stopped at which point both suspects were taken into custody and the merchandise was recovered
Janeane F. Walls 57



01/07/21 Stealing

Chesterfield PD

08/07/20	Felony Stealing pending	St. Peters PD
12/01/19	Stealing Guilty \$450 fine	Des Peres DPS
12/01/19	Felony Stealing pending	Des Peres DPS
08/16/19	Stealing Guilty \$500 fine	Chesterfield PD
06/01/16	Misd Stealing Guilty 1-year jail	St. Peters PD
05/09/16	Felony Stealing Guilty 1-year jail	St. Peters PD
01/31/14	Stealing Misd Guilty 1-year jail	St. Peters PD
03/06/06	Felony Stealing Guilty 5-years prison	Cape Girardeau PD
02/10/06	Driving While Revoked Guilty 10-days jail	MO Hwy Patrol
05/29/05	Receiving Stolen Property Guilty 7-years prison	St. Peters PD
12/06/04	Misd Stealing Guilty 6-months jail	St. Peters PD
11/14/04	Felony Stealing Guilty \$500 fine	Des Peres DPS
04/08/04	Receiving Stolen Property Guilty 7-years prison	St. Peters PD
12/22/03	Misd Stealing Guilty 30-Days Jail	Cape Girardeau PD
11/24/95	Felony Stealing Guilty 7-years prison	St. Louis Co PD
10/21/95	Felony Stealing Guilty 7-years prison	Des Peres DPS
12/29/89	Felony Stealing Guilty 6-years prison	St. Louis Co
10/13/88	Felony Stealing Guilty 6-years prison	St. Louis Co
12/13/85	Felony Stealing Guilty 3-years prison	St. Louis Co

Delayed Report

<u>Report Number</u>	<u>Time of Occurrence</u>	<u>Generic Address</u>	<u>Business/Location Name</u>	<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Sector</u>	<u>Ward</u>	<u>Incident Type</u>
21 62	01/06/2021, 1540 01/06/2021, 1540	BAXTER RD & CLAYTON RD			3		Peace Disturbance Road Rage
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Known subject disturbed the peace of victim after road rage incident.							
21 63	01/06/2021, 1623 01/07/2021, 1030	15XXX PEACH HILL CT 1018		PEACHTREE	2	2	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject broke out window on victim's vehicle and took a car battery jumper box.							

21-0063- Larceny report Peach Hill ct.- suspect broke window in car and stole a car jump box. Investigation to continue.

21 74	12/27/2020, 1718 01/07/2021, 1653	1XX THF BLVD	Sam's	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS	6	4	Larceny Over \$750 Employer
Arrested: Thomas,Tychila B 18 F							
Brief Narrative Description: 18 yo female took money from cash registers while working for employer.							

21-74 Larceny: Employee arrested for a felony theft at Sam's Club.



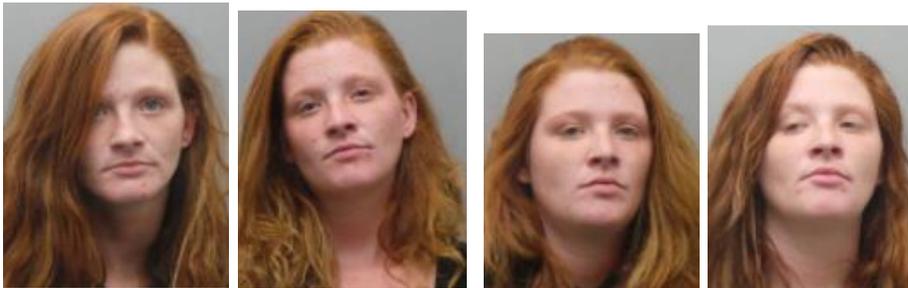
Tychila Thomas, a senior at Lafayette HS

FRIDAY JANUARY 8, 2021

21 76	01/08/2021, 1637 01/08/2021, 1637	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS	6	4	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Arrested: Thornhill,Alexis D W 25 F Adolph,Garrionn A B 25 M							
Brief Narrative Description: 25 yo male and 25 yo female placed merchandise in cart and walked out of store without paying. Also in possession of prohibited theft device, methamphetamine, and narcotic paraphernalia. After arrest, officers discovered subjects also took merchandise from nearby store.							

21-76 Larceny: Two suspects, one male and one female, were arrested for felony theft from Walmart.

Alexis D. Thornhill 25



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| 01/08/21 | Felony Stealing | Walmart | Chesterfield PD |
| 10/23/20 | Stealing | City of Fenton | St. Louis Co PD |
| 06/16/20 | Stealing | pending | Chesterfield PD |
| 05/24/20 | Misd Stealing | | Washington PD |
| 04/08/19 | 3-counts Felony Forgery | | Pacific PD |
| 12/11/18 | Burglary & Fel Stealing | | St. Louis Co PD |

Garrionn A Adolph B/M 25



01/08/21	Felony Stealing	Walmart	Chesterfield PD
05/02/20	Unreg Veh, No Auto Ins	Warrant	Pacific PD
02/22/20	Unreg Veh, No Headlights at Night, No Auto Ins		Shrewsbury PD
01/09/20	No Auto Insurance.	Wildwood	St. Louis Co PD
12/16/17	No Auto Insurance	\$100 fine	MO Hwy Patrol

21-77-Harassment-Milbridge

The victim stated her ex-boyfriend is harassing her through social media and the phone because the victim is dating someone else

21 78	01/09/2021, 0020 01/09/2021, 0028	20XX SETTERS HILL CT		MEADOWBROOK FARM	3	3	Overdose Accidental
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: 31 yo male overdosed on suspected fentanyl. Officer administered Narcan and subject was transported to hospital.							

21-78-Overdose-Setters Hill Court

Officers responded to a heroine overdose on Setters Hill Court. NARCAN was administered by an Officer. Paramedics arrived on scene a short time later and transported the subject to the hospital.

SATURDAY JANUARY 9, 2021

21 80	01/09/2021, 0410 01/09/2021, 0416	10XX WILMAS HOLLOW DR		ARBORS AT WILMAS FARM	5	4	Larceny Over \$750 From Auto
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took shoes.							

21-80 - Larceny Report

Person/s unknown went through the victim's unlocked car and stole a pair of Nike shoes.

21 81	12/31/2020, 1254 01/07/2021, 1727	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Coach	CHESTERFIELD OUTLETS	4	4	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Known subject took purse and wallet and left store without paying.							

21-81 - Larceny Report

SEU officers handled a shoplifting call at 17017 North Outer 40 Road.

21 83	01/09/2021, 0400 01/09/2021, 0400	14XXX TIMBERBLUFF DR		THOUSAND OAKS	3	3	Larceny Over \$750 From Auto
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took an iPad, medical equipment, and credit card.							

21-83 - Larceny Report

Person/s unknown went through the victim's unlocked car overnight and stole a lap top, credit cards, and some medical equipment, total value of \$1,500.00. The vehicle was processed and the victim had video of two subjects on his ring doorbell but we were unable to identify the subjects or vehicle they came in. The subject's also attempted to use the victim's credit cards at Chick Fila in Des Peres and the Walmart in Manchester, but both purchases were declined. The case will be forwarded to the Detective bureau for further investigation.

21 84	01/02/2021, 1404 01/09/2021, 1400	14XXX MARKHAM LN		GREENFIELD VILLAGE	1	1	Larceny under \$750 Front/Rear Residence
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took patio furniture from victim's front porch.							

21-84 - Larceny Report

Victim reported person/s unknown stole two metal chairs and a table from his front porch sometime in the last week. Officers did locate two houses nearby that had surveillance cameras but it is unknown at this time if they captured any images. They will call the department if any are found, no other witnesses or evidence was located.

PAY YOUR TRAFFIC TICKETS:



Arrest Date	Arrest Time	Arrest County	Person Name	Person City/State
01/09/2021	10:19AM	CALLAWAY	SILVESTRI, DAVID J	CHESTERFIELD, MO

Charge

1.) MISDEMEANOR ST CHARLES COUNTY WARRANT - FAIL TO REGISTER MOTOR VEHICLE 2.) DISPLAY PLATES OF ANOTHER

53-year-old **David J. Silvestri** of Country Mill Ct in Chesterfield was originally issued the traffic citations on February 1, 2019 by the St. Charles County PD for Improper Lic Plates not another vehicle and another person. A warrant was issued for his arrest on July 31, 2019 when he failed to pay the citations or come to court. He was arrested by the Highway Patrol and got to spend his morning in the Calloway County Jail in Fulton.



David Silversti

Delayed

21 85	01/05/2021, 1850 01/05/2021, 1850	22XX KEHRSGLEN CT	Clarkson Valley	KEHRS MILL ESTATES			Larceny Over \$750 By Deceit
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Arrested:

Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject failed to send puppy that was purchased online.

21 86	12/25/2020, 1556 01/09/2021, 1100	15XX BEDFORD FORGE CT 18		BRANDYWINE	4	2	Violation of Ex-Parte/Full Ord Ex-Parte
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Arrested:

Brief Narrative Description: Known subject violated the conditions of a court order of protection by emailing victim.

SUNDAY JANUARY 10, 2021

WHAT A GREAT GUY: A female was eating with her boyfriend at Ruth Chris Steak House. Upon completing their meal, the boyfriend tried to use several different credit cards, however, all were declined. The boyfriend then left to go to an ATM, leaving the girlfriend at the restaurant. The boyfriend never returned. The girlfriend left her house keys and several other items in the boyfriends car prior to him leaving. After numerous attempts to contact the boyfriend and two attempts to locate him at his residence, he was located at his parents home three hours later. Keys and personal items were returned. At this time Ruth Chris has not been paid. The Bartender thought they were just going to write it off at this time but will check with her manager at a later time.

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21 91	01/10/2021, 0517 01/10/2021, 0517	14XXX CAZADO DR		CHESTERFIELD WEST	1	1	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took sunglasses.							

MONDAY JANUARY 11, 2021

21 97	01/08/2021, 1800 01/11/2021, 0800	17XXX EDISON AVE	Midwest Machinery	SPIRIT TRADE CENTER	5	4	Larceny Over \$750 From Auto
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject cut off catalytic converters from business vehicles.							

21-97 Stealing- Catalytic converter cut off a 2003 Ford F-250 parked at a business on Edison Ave.. Theft occurred sometime between 1/8/21 and 1/11/21.

21-98 Stealing- Theft at J&J inside Chesterfield Mall under investigation by SEU.

21 99	01/09/2021, 0249 01/10/2021, 0249	3XX PALOMINO HILL CT		ESTATES AT BAXTER POINTE THE	6	4	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took an Apple watch.							

21 101	01/11/2021, 1436 01/11/2021, 1436	4X THF BLVD	Ulta	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS EAST	6	4	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject concealed fragrances and left store without paying.							

21-101 Stealing- Theft at Ulta under investigation by SEU

21 102	11/01/2020, 1200 11/01/2020, 1200	13XXX RIVERWAY DR F		RIVER VALLEY CONDOMINIUMS	1	1	Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took license plate off of victim's vehicle.							

21-102 Stealing- Resident on Riverway Dr. reported a front license plate stolen. The theft was discovered when the resident received notice from the Florida Department of Transportation demanding payment of \$14.29 for Toll Road fees.

TUESDAY JANUARY 12, 2021

21 113	01/11/2021, 1935 01/11/2021, 1935	15XXX CONWAY RD	Sonesta Suites	RESIDENCE INN	4	2	Larceny under \$750 Employer
Arrested:							
Brief Narrative Description: Known subject took money while working for employer.							

20-113 Stealing- A former employee at Sonesta Suites stole \$40 from an office cash drawer. Theft captured on video.

19-3311 Supplement- St. Louis County Latent Fingerprint Section identified fingerprints lifted from a stolen vehicle by a Chesterfield Crime Officer.

CHESTERFIELD WOMAN SENTENCED TO 21 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON:

The Post-Dispatch reported that Lynese Cagill, formerly of 2113 Fairway Bend in Chesterfield before her 2019 divorce from Brian Hoffman was sentenced to 21-months in Federal prison. Cagill founded PR firm Common Ground with Denise Bentele. Cagill was vice president and in charge of money.

From 2008 to 2020 Cagill stole \$785,000 through check and credit card frauds. She pled guilty in October and was sentenced Tuesday.



Lynese Cargill



2113 Fairway Bend

The rear all the details of the crime see the charging documents in our newsletter #448 dated October 10, 2020 at http://johnhoffmann.net/combined_340.pdf or go to our webpage and click on the “newsletters” link.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 13, 2021

21-119 Stolen Vehicle - Victim on Timber Valley used a remote starter to start his vehicle. The remote starter does not allow him to lock the vehicle. While he left the vehicle running, an unknown subject(s) entered the vehicle and drove it from the area. No suspect info at this time. Vehicle entered as stolen.

THE COVID-19 100 MPH CLUB PART 3: We completed Part 3 of the COVID-19 100 MPH Club, which consists of motorists caught doing 100 MPH during the pandemic. Parts 1 and 2 went from April to July, when traffic was especially light and the police in Town and Country suddenly found a lot of people driving at speeds in excess of 100 MPH. Traffic has picked up from August to the end of the year, but it is still lighter than in 2019.

The citations and driving records of speeders can be found on our homepage. Of the 22 drivers at 100 mph or more in Part 3, the top model was a Honda, but at number two with two were Ford (sedan and pick up truck), and two Maserati very high dollar sports cars. Also drivers doing 100 MPH or more included two drunk drivers. We counted one that wasn't at 100 MPH. They were 45 MPH over the 40 MPH limit on Ladue Road approaching Hwy 141.

There were no 100 MPH club members from Town and Country, but several from Chesterfield.

MONEY TO JOSH HAWLEY: There are 300 pages of contributions to Hawley, here are just a few with local connections or familiar names.



Brinkman Construction has given a mere \$10,800 to Josh Hawley when he was running against Claire McCaskill. Brinkman Construction owns the mostly empty retail stores at the Town Square. The donations were made by Kimberly Brinkman, the CEO of the company run by Bob Brinkman. Hawley is a logical choice for donations. If he can give his fist of approval to terrorists about to do hundreds of thousands of dollars of damage to a government building meaning construction work in 2021.

Former Senator **John Danforth** also gave \$10,000 to Hawley. If backing Hawley was the biggest mistake Sen. Danforth ever made, giving Hawley more than \$10-grand has to be his second biggest.

The Schnucks family gave over five-figures to Hawley. Dem. Jill Schupp who lost in an attempt to unseat Rep. Ann Wagner in Congress needs to shop at Dierbergs. The

Schnucks gave dozens of contributions to Wagner in 2020. They also gave Hawley \$8,100 in 2017 to run against Claire McCaskill who shops at the Des Peres Schnucks.

Of course **James Dierberg**, the CEO of Dierbergs handed over \$5,200 to Hawley over two years,

Former Town and Country Alderwoman and County Council member **Colleen Wasinger** gave Hawley \$6,000 in 2019.

In October of 2018 then U.S. Attorney General **William Barr** made a \$2,000 donation to Hawley.

Kirk Syberg of Syberg's restaurants and the Twisted Tree gave \$1,000 in 2018.

EVEN LATE FOR RUSSIAN CHRISTMAS: Our edition of the weekly West Magazine December 16 Christmas edition arrived on January 9, 2021. This edition arrived even two days after the January 7th celebration of Russian Christmas.



This is caused by several reasons including the Postal Service having a huge amount of packages due to people staying at home and ordering items instead of shopping in person, Postal employees off sick due to COVID-19 and of course the new Postmaster General appointed by Donald Trump, who started disabling sorting equipment in an attempt to slow down mail-in ballots (it didn't work). Advertisers will be hard pressed to place ads in publications like West Magazine when they won't know when the ads will reach possible customers.

IT IS THE CAPITOL POLICE NOT THE CAPITOL HILL POLICE: I worked in law enforcement in Washington DC for 12 years and worked part time and full time as a journalist covering Congress and the Justice Department for national and international police management magazines for seven years.

When I heard network news reporters calling it the Capitol Hill Police, I was taken back. That is not the name of the department. The name is "The United State Capitol Police."



I had contact with them as a reporter and as an assistant police chief. Young officers found good pay and benefits with the Capitol Police, but they rarely found action back in the 1990s. Officers would often be assigned to a chamber or a hallway to stand in for 8-hours.

The Capitol Police had their area of jurisdiction increased to 14 blocks in any direction of the Capitol. This was to add a police presence. Members often lived closed to the Capitol or walked from the building. Officers had total jurisdiction but would be in trouble if they made DWI arrests or did other self-initiated activity. They were on patrol to create a presence or help members of Congress and their staff. A number of officers quit, took a cut in pay to work at regular police departments where they patrolled and answered calls. I had a very good former Capitol cop working for me. They were not allowed to work off-duty police or security jobs. I know one who was a store detective at Sak's Fifth Avenue. He convinced them he worked in sales and dressed to prove it, but instead he was very good at arresting thieves.

Clearly the Capitol Police have had extensive training since I left DC in 2005, but geez what happened there kind of reminded me of the days of normally bored cops suddenly thrown into a battlefield.

IT MUST BE BREED SPECIFIC: Is it breed specific? We have always had Springer Spaniels for our at home security agents. Since moving back to St. Louis we have found that they are very good in hunting out delivery vehicles. When we had our Welsh Springer Spaniel (Tegan) and our English Spaniel (Sadie) they kept a specific order when locating a delivery vehicle.





Our current Welsh Spring Spaniel (Gwen) has developed the same delivery vehicle locating skills.



The chase is on.

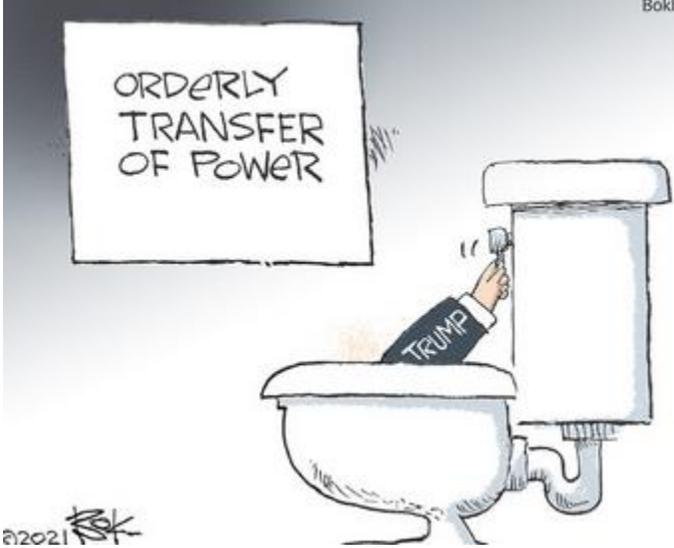


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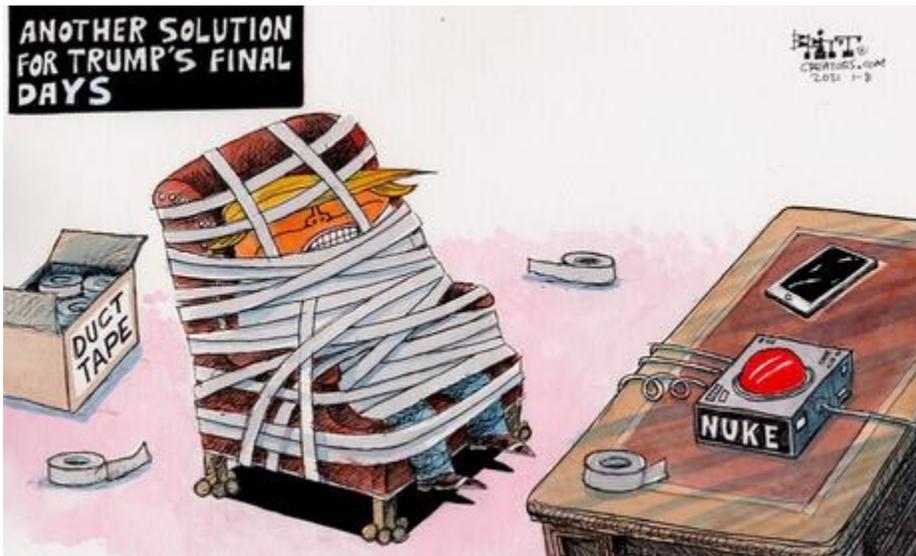


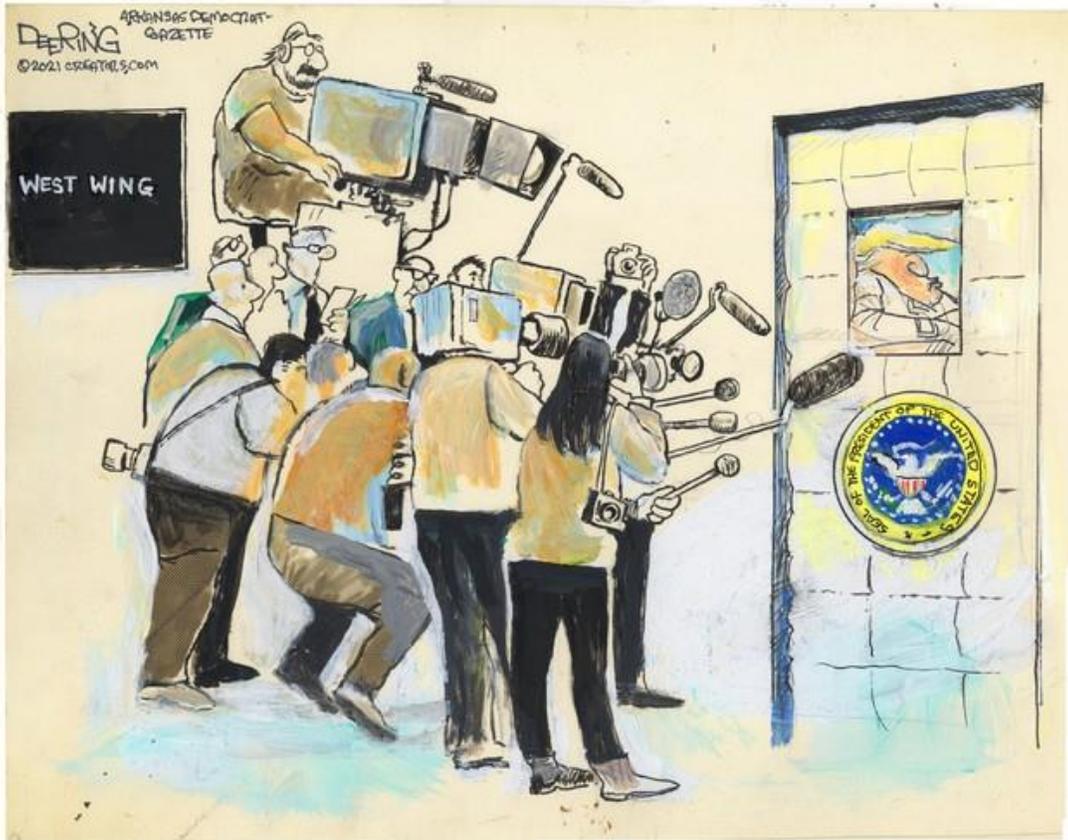


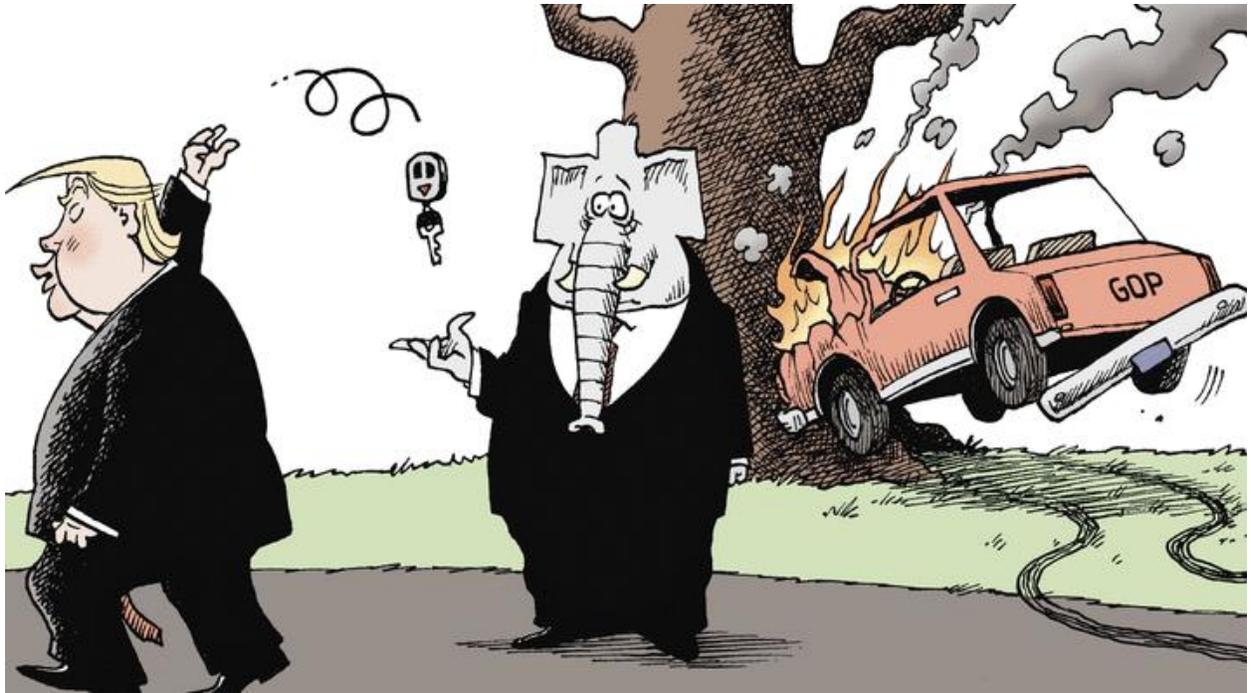
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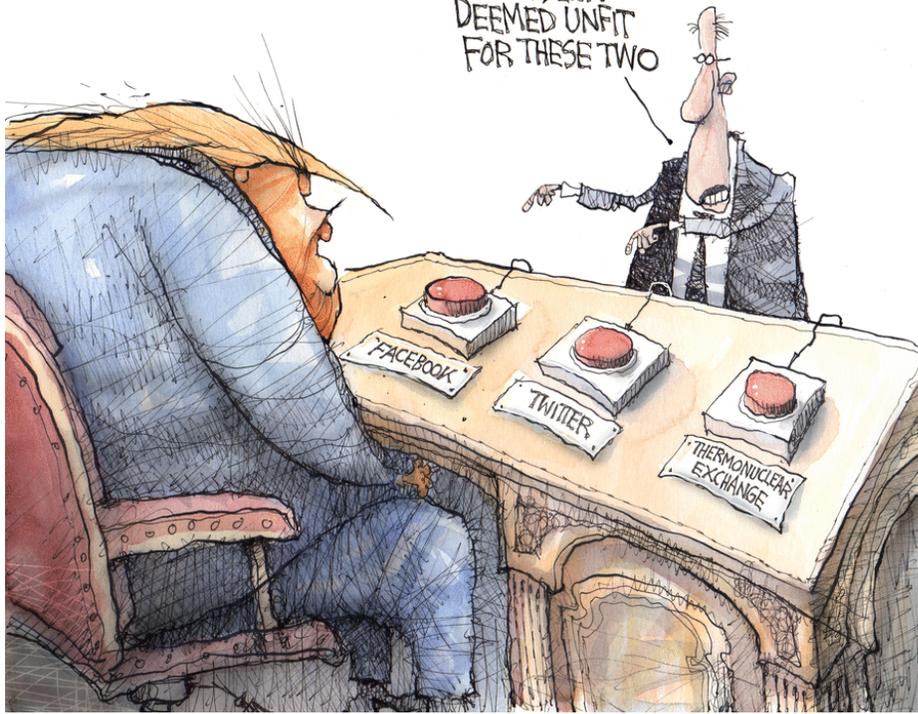
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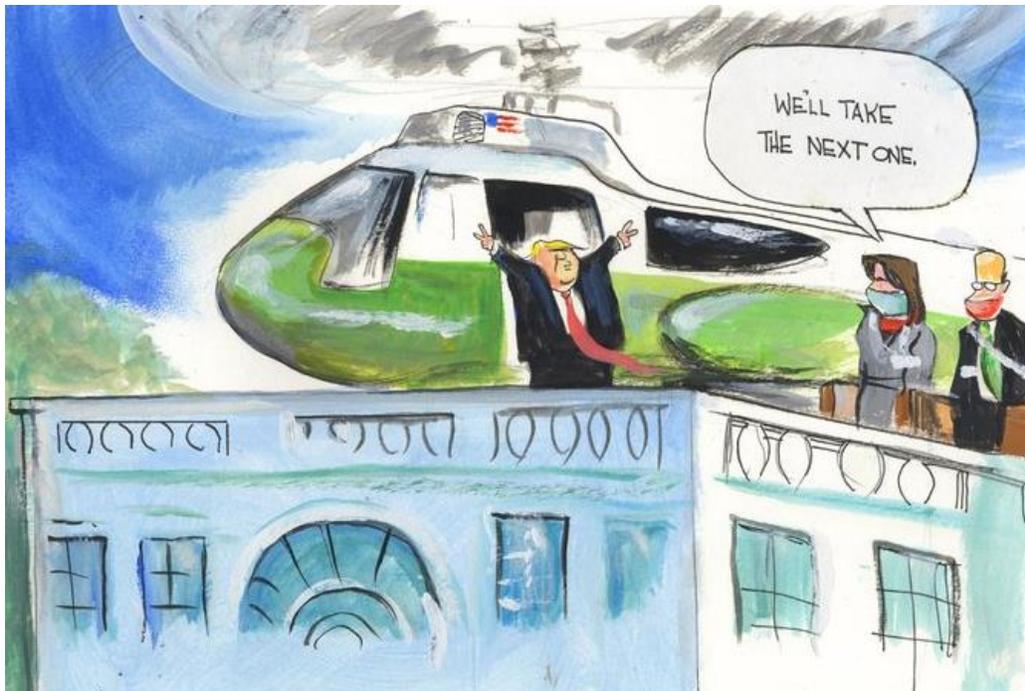


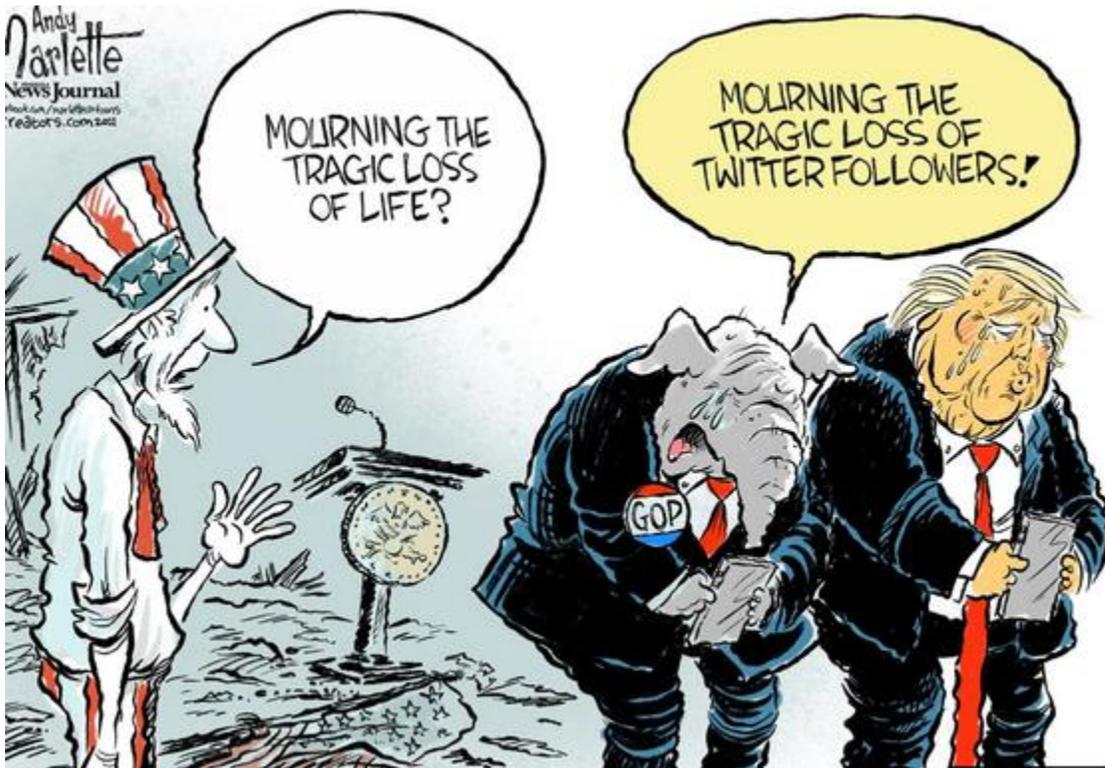
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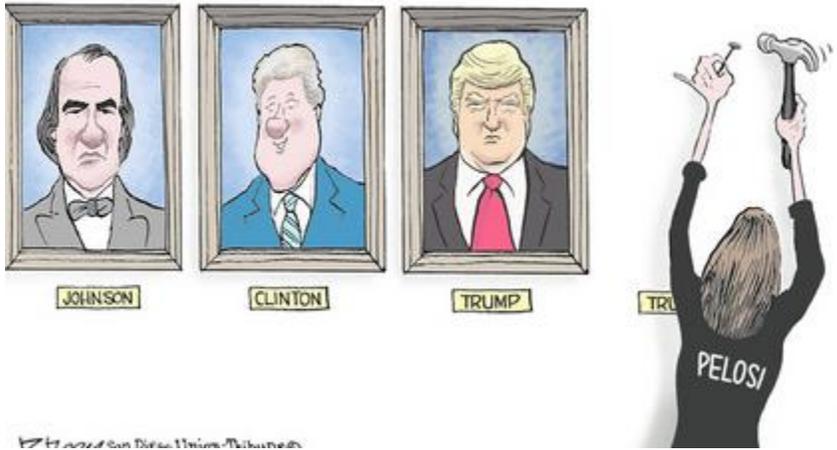






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