

EX ALDERMAN NEWSLETTER 493 AND CHESTERFIELD UNAPPROVED 438



August 21, 2021

TOWN AND COUNTRY POPULATION IS UP 2.7%: The 2010 population in Town and Country moved upwards from 10,815 in 2010 to 11,640 in 2020.

The reason for the increase in a community with mostly one-acre residential lots? First it appears as if more retirees have moved out and more families have moved in, judging by the number of people pushing baby carriages while walking the dog I see. That said 29.5% of the T&C population is over 65.

Of course the other reason has to be the increase in retirement senior living facilities and nursing homes, including the expansion of the Lutheran Senior Living condos on the South Outer 40 Road and the nursing/senior living home that former mayor Jon Dalton was the lawyer for with the breathtaking views of traffic on Hwy 141 and trash dumpsters at the Schnucks' supermarket.

84.8% of the 11,640 are White while 1.3% are Black, with 13.3% being Asians. 14.1% of the population in T&C are foreign born. I'd love to see the percentage of the population that are doctors.

The listed median value of a house in Town and Country is \$734,800.

The median household income is listed at \$192,983. The Ladue median household income is \$214,875.

98% of the population 25 years-old or older have graduated from high school and 75.5% have a college degree.

94.3% of households have internet service.

The average time to drive to work from Town and Country for residents is 20.7 minutes or 2.3 minutes less than someone in Chesterfield.

Population per Square Mile: 926

<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/dashboard/townandcountrycitymissouri,chesterfieldcitymissouri/POP010220>

MAYOR REHM PUTTING HEALTH AND SAFETY FIRST: The mayor announced on Monday August 16 that after holding three Aldermanic meetings live in the Board Chambers he has ordered the next meetings to be on ZOOM.

Following CDC advice Chesterfield moved their City Council meeting back to ZOOM.

“I decided today to go to zoom meetings for the BOA meetings. It is very unfortunate that we need to do that but it is the safest course of action,” said Mayor/Dr. Rehm. He also put a message about masks in the Fall edition of the City Newsletter.

<https://www.town-and-country.org/DocumentCenter/View/5799/August-2021>

I heard that one elected official in West County was complaining about the ZOOM meetings saying if they said something stupid during a meeting, an opponent in the April Municipal Elections could use it against them.

A FIRST IN 16 YEARS: The Fall Town and Country Newsletter, which is online due to the tight budget during the pandemic, had a first since I have been a resident in January of 2006.

Normally former mayor Jon, Cigarette Lobbyist and Stealer of a widow’s property and business for a parking lot to a nightclub that never got built, Dalton normally took four or five pages in a City newsletter for his back-patting “Mayor’s Message.” Once he only used three pages and I had to write about that.

In new Fall Town & Country newsletter Mayor Charles Rehm only used 3/4 of a page.

For Rehm, a well-respected doctor and administrator at Mercy Hospital, it might be too late to teach him something new...like how to paragraph. You could tell the mayor did not have a City Hall staffer work on his message. It was 20 sentences and no second paragraph. I hate to imagine what his prescriptions look like.

A Message from Mayor Rehm



In the short time that I have been Mayor the one topic that I've received multiple emails about is the Saint Louis County mask mandate. As I am sure you are well aware at the present time there is a temporary restraining order on that mandate. As with most issues in our society the final outcome on this or most any issue will be decided in the courts. The City of Town and Country will be in compliance with whatever the final decision turns out to be in this matter. I have had several people email me urging me to join the mayors from some other municipalities in opposing the mask mandate. I cannot do that. I know that to many people they see this as an issue of government overreach. I see it as a public health issue. No matter where one stands on this issue there is one undeniable fact and that is the number of cases has risen dramatically. In our state it was not that long ago we had under 150 cases a day and now we are approaching 3500 new cases a day. I also know that this resurgence of the pandemic has taken a toll on our health care workers. More than anything they are extremely frustrated because in their opinion this has been an unnecessary resurgence of the pandemic. If everyone wore a mask would this make the pandemic go away? No it certainly would not, the masks are of limited help but they do help. Would it help if more of our population was vaccinated? Yes it would be a very big help but government mandated compulsory vaccinations are not the way to go. This is a decision that should be left up do the individual and individual businesses and their employees. I believe that all of us are looking forward to our young people getting back to school, our favorite community wide events coming up and spending holidays with loved ones so it is my sincere hope that if we do all we can to mitigate this pandemic we will be able to avoid another full shutdown. I also want to commend the City staff for their dedication in this trying time to continue to execute the City's mission each day regardless of the challenges they are facing . Don't forget to sign up to receive [Notify Me notifications](#) direct to your email for real time updates from the City. Thanks for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles H. Rehm".

CAR CLOUTING AND CAR THEFTS RETURN TO TOWN AND COUNTRY: Tuesday morning August 17 between 3am and 6am five cars were clouted (broken into) and two were stolen. The crimes happened in subdivisions along Clayton Road from Mason Ridge to Hwy 141.

While Chesterfield has had continued car break-ins, they had stopped in Town and Country for over a month.

This is an email from the T&C Police:

Between the hours of 3am and 6am this morning, three vehicles were tampered with and two were stolen in Ward 3; specifically within Templeton Place, Winchester Estates, Kings Cove, and Strathmore. One of the stolen vehicles has since been recovered. Any resident that may have seen or heard anything suspicious between those hours is asked to contact Detective Katie Exline at 314-587-2866. We also ask that residents in those areas who possess exterior home video surveillance please check the footage during that aforementioned time period for suspicious activity.

The first car stolen was a pretty easy recovery. It was found in the middle of the street one block away on Templeton Place. The second was a little tougher. Det. Katie Exline used the on-star and was able to trace and then recover the second car stolen to Ferguson at the Canfield Apartments (if that jogs your memory to seven years ago.)



The Canfield Apartments in Ferguson.

THE REAL GATHERING PLACE: Last Saturday evening at 6:30 I was up at the Town Square checking on the new DWI Producer, I mean wine bar that was still under construction. The jewelry store was closed as was the boutique. But there was a crowd. It wasn't in the \$10,000,000 park area. They were all gathering at the nail salon.



BUDDIES AT QUEENY PARK:



Our security agent Gwen (left) takes a break before leaving the Dog Park after R&R and a Wednesday afternoon game of Chase followed by Wrestling with Pal Joey.

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CHESTERFIELD COMES UP ONE SHORT: Get used to it for the next 10-years. It will show up on City Limit Signs in the future. The Census Bureau is currently showing the 2020 Chesterfield population at 49,999.

The population in the 2010 Census was 47,484, so there was a gain of 2,515 in Chesterfield's population, but just not enough to reach the 50,000-mark.

82.1% of the Chesterfield population is White while 3.8% is Black and 11.5% is Asian.

The Over-65 population makes up 24.2% of the total population.

MONEY: The average household income is \$113,315. The median value of a house in Chesterfield is \$379,800.

98.6% of people in Chesterfield have high school diplomas. 69.2% are college graduates.

Only 92.5% of the 49,999 people have internet access.

The average drive to work for Chesterfield residents is 23 minutes. (I think the Census Bureau people have too much time on their hands.) Check out all the numbers below.

<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/dashboard/chesterfieldcitymissouri/POP010220>

CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime Report

FRIDAY AUGUST 13, 2021

21-2985: Sexual Assault (Baxter Ln) – Delayed report of a sexual assault. Detective bureau investigating.

<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 2986	08/13/2021, 1331 08/13/2021, 1331	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Chesterfield Premium Outlets	CHESTERFIELD BLUE VALLEY	5	4	Drugs Paraphernalia
Arrested: Hampton, Darnell B 27 M							
Brief Narrative Description: Suspicious vehicle resulted in traffic and drug arrest							

21-2986: Drug Violation (Premium Outlet Mall) – Officers witnessed suspect concealing his license plates before entering the mall property. Traffic stop resulted in arrest for drug paraphernalia and various traffic charges. Suspected stolen merchandise seized as well.

Darnell Hampton 27

08/13/21 Drug Possession and Traffic Violations

Chesterfield PD

09/24/11 Felony Assault Guilty 1-yr jail

Maplewood PD

21 2987	08/13/2021, 1517 08/13/2021, 1536	20XX MEADOWBROOK WAY DR		MEADOWBROOK FARM	3	3	Fraud Identity Theft
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Identity used to fraudulently open Citi Bank Credit Card							

21 2991	08/13/2021, 1000 08/13/2021, 1601	14XXX GATWICK CT		PADDINGTON HILL	1	1	Fraud Scam
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Victim scammed into purchasing \$1900 of giftcards.							

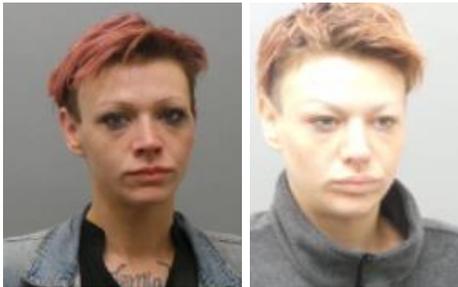
21 2993	08/13/2021, 1821 08/13/2021, 1821	I 64 Hwy E and Long Rd W			5	4	Drugs Paraphernalia
Arrested: Harrington, Brooke W 30 F							
Brief Narrative Description: Drug paraphernalia located during routine traffic stop.							

Brooke Harrington 30
08/13/21 Drug Violation

Chesterfield PD

21 2996	08/13/2021, 2039 08/13/2021, 2043	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS	6	4	Larceny under \$750 Business
Arrested: Keeven, Elizabeth W 31 F							
Brief Narrative Description: Walmart loss prevent reported subject under-ringing merchandise at self checkout.							

Elizabeth Keeven 31



08/13/21	Stealing	Chesterfield PD
10/23/20	Felony Drug Possession Pending	St. Peters PD
09/20/20	Domestic Assault Guilty \$116 fine	O'Fallon PD
11/26/19	Felony Drug Possession Pending	Wentzville PD
09/30/19	Trespassing	St. Ann PD
08/19/19	Stealing/ Trespassing	Breckenridge Hills PD
05/04/16	Littering \$350 fine	MO Hwy Patrol

21 2997	08/13/2021, 2306 08/13/2021, 2306	Clarkson Rd and Kehrs Mill Rd			3	4	DWI Alcohol
Arrested: Kist, Graham W 33 M							
Brief Narrative Description: Driver was involved in a motor vehicle accident and subsequently found to be intoxicated.							

21-2997 and 21-2998 DWI: An on-view motor vehicle accident at Clarkson and Kehrs Mill resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI. A breath sample revealed a BAC of .181.

Graham Kist 33
03/13/21 DWI

Chesterfield PD

21 2999	08/13/2021, 2301 08/13/2021, 2305	8XX W CHESTERFIELD PKY	Homewood Suites	CHESTERFIELD RIDGE CENTER	2	1	Larceny under \$750 Business
Arrested: Tilley, Patricia W 75 F							
Brief Narrative Description: Subject refused to pay cab fare.							

21-2999 Larceny: Dispute at Homewood Suites between a taxi driver and his elderly passenger. The passenger refused to pay the fare which prompted the driver to retain the passenger's walker. Even after police arrival, the passenger refused to pay the fare. Subsequently, the passenger received her walker back along with a SIL for the theft of services.

Patricia Tilley 75 Chesterfield

08/13/21 Theft of Services

Chesterfield PD

SATURDAY AUGUST 14, 2021

21-3002: ANIMAL BITE: Wildhorse Creek Rd: Resident reports that his neighbor's dog freed itself from its leash and bit him. Medical treatment refused and victim declined to prosecute, but incident was documented.

21 3003	08/02/2021, 1345 08/14/2021, 1201	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	Chesterfield Mall	CHESTERFIELD VILLAGE MALL	4	2	Property Damage to Business
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Three males damaged floor cleaning machine at Chesterfield Mall.							

21 3004	08/14/2021, 1525 08/14/2021, 1547	6XX BROADMOOR DR		FOUR SEASONS	1	1	Assault Domestic
Arrested: Wood, Johnathan B 26 M							
Brief Narrative Description: Boyfriend and girlfriend with conflicting stories got into an argument about a cell phone.							

21-3004 Assault 4th - Couple on Broadmoor going through a break-up got into an argument about property. A physical assault was alleged; however, officers found no evidence of that, and a primary aggressor could not be determined. Parties were separated and case will be referred to municipal court.

21-3007 Injury - A 10yr old at the City Park (Amphitheater) fell off a concrete ledge he was walking on, slightly injuring his arm. On scene EMT treated the injury. Photos were taken and Parks personnel were notified.

21 3009	08/14/2021, 2305 08/14/2021, 2311	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS	6	4	Larceny under \$750 Business
Arrested: Carrell, Jennifer W 39 F Sullivan, Eugene W 38 M							
Brief Narrative Description: Suspects switched the price tag on a fishing rod with a cheaper item and under-rang merchandise at self checkout.							

Jennifer A. Carrell 39 Foristell, MO

08/14/21 Stealing Chesterfield PD
09/20/19 Felony Stealing Pending St. Peters PD

Eugene Mark Sullivan, Jr 38 Foristell, MO

08/14/21 Stealing Chesterfield PD
09/24/19 Resisting Arrest Lincoln Co SO
09/20/19 Felony Stealing Pending St. Peters PD
10/11/18 Felony Domestic Assault pending Warren Co SO
09/17/18 Resisting Arrest Jury verdict Guilty 30-days jail Warren Co SO
05/04/18 Burglary Pending Warren Co SO
04/28/18 Domestic Assault Pending Warren Co SO
03/16/18 No Valid Op Lic \$170 fine, Moving Vio to Loud Muffler \$100 fine Warren Co SO
03/02/18 Moving Vio reduced to Parking Vio \$167 fine MO Hwy Patrol
11/06/11 Moving Vio reduced to Loud Muffler \$125 fine MO Hwy Patrol
10/05/07 Moving Vio reduced to Loud Muffler \$150 fine St. Charles Co SO
04/14/05 DWI Guilty Probation Revoked 180-dys jail St. Charles Co SO
Resisting Arrest Guilty 30-days jail
Moving Vio reduced to Loud Muffler \$100 fine
11/03/03 Felony Leaving Scene Injury Acc Probation revoked St. Charles Co SO
4-years prison
10/23/01 Moving Violation reduced to Loud Muffler \$160 fine St. Charles Co SO

21 3014	08/15/2021, 1820 08/15/2021, 1829	15XXX STROLLWAYS DR		MEADOWBROOK FARM	3	3	Robbery With Gun
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Juvenile victim robbed at gunpoint; airpods and \$100 cash stolen.							

21-3014 Robbery - Juvenile victim on Strollways reported that while conducting a sale in a vehicle that he had arranged online, one of two suspects pointed a gun at him and demanded his property and then forced him out of the vehicle. Video from the victim's residence and surrounding neighbors showed part of the incident and audio appears to show the victim yelling he had just been robbed after he exited the vehicle. The victim was an acquaintance of

MONDAY AUGUST 16, 2021

21-3021- Officers responded to Heathercroft in reference to **homicidal/suicidal subject** threatening to shoot his ailing wife and then himself. Officers arrived and took the suspect into custody and made sure that the suspects wife was safe. The suspect was transported to Mercy for evaluation and his wife was transported to St. Luke’s for medical evaluation. (Wife suffers from Parkinson’s disease)

21 3028	08/16/2021, 1530 08/16/2021, 1553	11XX POMPEII DR		FORUM APARTMENTS	1	1	Assault Common - Threat
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Suspect made threatening gestures while protesting at their apartment complex.							

21-3028 Assault: A female subject protesting at Magnolia apartments allegedly told a couple she was going to put them in a grave. The couple felt threatened and wished to pursue charges. The female denied making any statements of that nature. The case will be forwarded to the Chesterfield Municipal Prosecutor for consideration of charges.

21 3029	08/16/2021, 1710 08/16/2021, 1710	16XXX CHESTERFIELD GROVE RD	Hilton Garden Inn	CHESTERFIELD GROVE	4	2	Prostitution
Arrested: Richmond, Kendra W 33 F							
Brief Narrative Description: Suspect placed online advertisement soliciting sexual acts for money in Chesterfield.							

21-3029 Miscellaneous Report: The Special Enforcement Unit investigated an ad for a female providing escort services at the Hilton Garden Inn. Subsequently the female was arrested for prostitution.

Kendra Renay Richmond 33 Overland Park Kansas Orig from Ft. Smith Ar



08/16/21 Arrested for Prostitution offense, charged for Op Bus Chesterfield PD
Without License or Permit

TUESDAY AUGUST 17, 2021

21 3037	08/13/2021, 0000 08/17/2021, 0809	18XXX WILD HORSE CREEK RD		NO SUBDIVISION WARD 4	5	4	Larceny Over \$750 Front/Rear Residence
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Snow plow stolen from behind neighboring property.							

21-3037 Larceny report Wild Horse Creek Rd.- Vitim reported missing snow plow from residence.

Officers responded to the report of a **missing Alzheimer's patient** from a business on the Pines Rd.- Officers canvassing the area found the missing person near Olive and Old 141 unharmed and returned her home.

21 3044	08/17/2021, 1656 08/17/2021, 1710	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Chesterfield Premium Outlets	CHESTERFIELD BLUE VALLEY	5	4	Larceny Over \$750 Business
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Male suspect stole \$1250 of merchandise.							

21 3046	03/01/2018, 1545 08/17/2021, 1932	6XX W CHESTERFIELD PKY	Chesterfield City Hall	CHESTERFIELD GOVERNMENT CENTER	2	1	Fraud Identity Theft
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Victim's identity was used in a 2018 crime.							



21 3047	08/17/2021, 1400 08/17/2021, 1954	18XX STENTON PATH		CHESTERFIELD MEADOWS	6	4	Larceny under \$750 Front/Rear Residence
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Package containing a smart watch stolen off porch.							

21 3049	08/17/2021, 1959 08/17/2021, 2015	6XX HIGHLAND PARK DR		FOUR SEASONS	1	1	Property Damage Other
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Suspect smashed victim's phone on concrete.							

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 18, 2021

21 3051	08/17/2021, 2230 08/18/2021, 0732	13XXX CANTINA DR		WEST HILLS	1	1	Property Damage to Vehicle
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Rear windshield of vehicle shattered, no property stolen.							

21-3051 destruction of property report Cantina Dr.- Suspect broke rear window out of victim's vehicle.

21 3054	08/05/2021, 1200 08/18/2021, 1418	15XXX CLAYMONT ESTATES DR		CLAYMONT WOODS	3	3	Fraud Identity Theft
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown suspect used victim's social security number to apply for unemployment benefits.							

21-3054- Identity theft- Resident had someone assume his identity in another state and is using same to charge electric bill to victims name.

21 3055	08/18/2021, 1439 08/18/2021, 1444	18XX ASTON WAY		WILSON MANORS 2	6	4	Fraud Identity Theft
Arrested: N/A							
Brief Narrative Description: Victim's social security number used to open fraudulent utility account.							

21 3056	08/18/2021, 1637 08/18/2021, 1637	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	CHESTERFIELD COMMONS	6	4	Larceny under \$750 Business
Arrested: Rabushka, Logan W 26 M							
Brief Narrative Description: Suspect failed to scan a pressure cooker at self checkout and left the store with the item.							

21-3056 Larceny (THF) – Suspect failed to pay for a pressure cooker at self-checkout. Arrested and booked at the station.
Logan Eric Rabushka 26



08/18/21 Stealing Walmart Chesterfield PD
 01/16/18 Operated a M/V without a Calid Lic Guilty \$100 fine MO Hwy Patrol
 06/02/17 DWI Breath Test Refused St. Louis CO
 08/23/15 Moving Violation reduced to Parking Vio \$268 fine Ellisville PD

21 3058	08/18/2021, 1944 08/18/2021, 1944	15XXX BAXTER RD		LORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH	3	3	Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor
Arrested: Anderson, Theo B 20 M Fultz, Cortez B 20 M							
Brief Narrative Description: Drugs located during routine traffic stop.							

21-3058 Drug Violation (Baxter) – Traffic stop resulted in two SILs for Possession of Marijuana.

Theo James Andre Anderson 20

08/18/21 Possession of Marijuana Chesterfield PD
 10/11/19 Disobeyed Stop Sign, Unreg Veh, No Auto Ins Velda City PD
 10/01/19 Disobey Stop Sign, No Auto Ins Pending St, Ann PD
 06/10/19 Speeding, Unreg Veh, No Auto Ins Pending No Co Pol Co-op
 06/03/19 Unreg Veh, FTA Warrant Berkley PD
 04/12/19 Disobeyed Stop Sign, Unreg Veh, No Ins Pending No Co Pol Co-op
 04/09/19 Speeding, No Auto Ins, Unreg Veh Pending No Co Pol Co-op
 03/26/19 Unreg Veh, MV reduced to Parking Vio fines No Co Pol Co-op
 01/29/19 2 Moving Vios both reduced to Illegal Parking \$133 No Co Pol Co-op

Cortez Fultz 20

08/18/21 Possession of Marijuana Chesterfield PD
 03/20/21 Speeding Pending Woodson Terr PD
 08/29/19 Speeding 20-25 MPH over Limit, No Auto Ins No Co Pol Co-op

21-3060 Warrant Arrest (141/Ladue) – Traffic stop resulted in arrest for Ballwin warrant.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS The Agenda Review meeting started at 6pm on Monday and went to 6:29 when the Council went into closed secret executive session. No one

raised their voice and there did not seem to be anything controversial on the agenda. That would change at 7pm.

The Council was minus Tom DeCampi at the ZOOM Agenda Review Meeting.



Agenda Meeting



Regular meeting

SIGNS: Window signs are now going to be allowed on any first or second floor window on the side of a building with an entrance. Only 25% of the window can be covered.

The red wording below involves the changes. The bill was first read.

Window Signs.

- 1) Window Signs shall not occupy more than twenty five percent (25%) of any single window area. The window area may include multiple panes of glass separated only by supporting framing materials but not separated by architectural elements. Such signs are solely permitted on a window of that particular tenant space and solely on a façade that has an entrance to said tenant space.
- 2) Window Signs are solely permitted on the first and second floor of a building.
- 3) A sign permit shall not be required for any window sign.

SIGN, WINDOW

A sign placed on the surface of a window or other transparent surface and is visible from the exterior of the window or surface.

THE OPENING ACT OF THE REGULAR MEETING: David Stokes spoke over ZOOM. Stokes works for billionaire Rex Sinquefeld’s group Better Together St. Louis, which has been trying merge St. Louis City with the County and eliminate a number of municipalities.

The issue was **ACCEPTING MONEY FROM DEVELOPERS FOR LEGAL SERVICES:** Stokes was speaking on the proposed agreement to accept \$100,000 from the Downtown Chesterfield Redevelopment, LLC (developer Staenberg Group) and Wildhorse Village developer. Each would give the city up to \$50,000 for consultant and legal services to review their plans.



Stokes from a July meeting

Stokes was maintaining that it was ethically questionable to have the developers pay to have their plans with the city reviewed.

“It seems clear the developers will be getting what they want. I’d be surprised if someone didn’t say you need these tax incentives,” said Stokes.

This immediately set off Councilwoman Barb McGuinness who said this was an opportunity to save the residents from paying for an independent consultant that the city would choose.

The discussion and debate continued into the meeting when the matter was called for a vote.

“It looks like they want a CID (Commercial Improvement District sales tax). I feel we are flirting with corporate welfare,” said Councilman Tom DeCampi.

The Vote to agree to accept the money for consultants and lawyers passed 7-to-1 with DeCampi voting NO.

ANOTHER \$40,000 FOR LOBBYISTS:

The other issue that had some chatter was the resolution to retain Jefferson City Lobbyist Firm Gamble and Schlemeier. New Councilman Gary Budoor asked for some background and Mayor Nation sang the praises for the lobbyist, saying how they helped the city get the sales tax change where it was it getting a higher percentage of general sales tax collected in the city. He added how the firm has also made city staff aware of possible legislation in Jefferson City affecting Chesterfield during the 4 ½ month legislative session.

Tom DeCampi said the city should save the \$40,000 and not hire the firm annually but only when there were issues in the Statehouse affecting Chesterfield.

The measure passed 7-to-1 with DeCampi voting NO.

REPUBLICANS IN THE STATEHOUSE SEEM TO BE SHOOTING THEMSELVES IN THE FOOT: The Republicans in the Statehouse seemed to have made a mistake in their goal to reduce voters and now candidates.

Chesterfield just voted to change their candidate registration period to meet the new State Law.

The state reps and senators voted to shorten the time people have to file as candidates for municipal elections from five weeks to three weeks.

It used to be filing for the city elections held the first Tuesday in April opened in the middle of December and ran to the middle of January. Now with the change the filing for the 2022 Municipal Elections will close on December 29.

Let's face it, who in Missouri goes out to their Ski Lodge in Colorado or to a resort in Hawaii for over the Christmas holidays. It is suburban Republicans, of course. Now some can forget about staying out of town past New Years. They will have to cut their trip short to get back by Wednesday December 29.

Of course, city clerks should like this, getting candidate filings out of the way, but of it is also when many City Clerks are on vacation. The change also gives candidates a chance to say something stupid shortly after filing and not worrying about someone rushing to city hall to run against them.

THE VANISHING COUNCILMAN: Ward-4 Councilman Tom DeCampi, who had the encounter with Chesterfield Police over the last Thanksgiving weekend when he and his son would not put on masks while inside the Best Buy store in the Chesterfield Valley.

His encounter with police went public as the police officer on the call made a video recording. At first you could only get a transcript of the encounter, but soon the video was available. Two weeks later DeCampi would file for mayor and Mayor Bob Nation posted the encounter and made an apology to Chesterfield residents for DeCampi's actions. DeCampi would later withdraw from the race. His council term goes until April of 2022.

Recently Tom has not been appearing at City Hall Agenda Review meetings or those Review meetings on ZOOM. He also has not appeared at the latest closed executive session council meeting. He was also a no show at the groundbreaking ceremony for the newest city park at Logan University. He does appear at all the regular City Council meetings where agenda items are voted on.



26-YEAR OFFICER AND POLICE COMMANDER LEAVING CHESTERFIELD PD: Capt. Mike Thompson, one of the three captains under Chief Ray Johnson announced his resignation this week after 26-plus years with the department.

Capt. Thompson is taking a management position with Global Cyber Security T Enterprise Holdings. (I knew that Mike was a bit of a geek, but never knew he was this big.)



Mike Thompson

Police Captain

Jul 2017 – Present · 4 yrs 2 mos

Commander - Division of Special Operations
Emergency Management Coordinator for City of Chesterfield

Police Officer

Jan 1995 – Present · 26 yrs 8 mos

Police Lieutenant

Mar 2011 – Jul 2017 · 6 yrs 5 mos

Commander - Bureau of Criminal Investigations, March, 2011 - June, 2015
Commander - Bureau of Special Operations, June, 2015 - Present

Police Sergeant

Mar 2005 – Mar 2011 · 6 yrs 1 mo

Patrol Supervisor, March, 2005 - January, 2009
Detective Sergeant, January, 2009 - March, 2011

Reserve Police Officer

May 1992 – Jan 1995 · 2 yrs 9 mos

CHESTERFIELD POLICE LOOKING FOR HELP IDENTIFYING TIRE SLASER ON VIDEO:

We are attempting to identify the subject in the video. On 7/24/21, he was involved in a verbal altercation with 2 subjects inside the business at 158 Long Rd. After exiting the store, the

subject punctured the tire of the vehicle driven by one of the people he was in the verbal altercation with. If you have any information, please contact 636-537-3000



If you recognize the suspect's SUV, T-shirt or him give the Chesterfield PD a call.

BREAKING GROUND FOR THE LOGAN PARK: Members of the City of Chesterfield staff, City Council, Logan University and Mayor Nation and off of Schoettler Road for the groundbreaking of the Logan Park.



Councilperson Mary Ann Mastorakos had been working on getting the first park in Ward 3 for several years.

HIGHLY UNUSUAL TRANSFER...SHE IS THAT GOOD: You don't normally see the Navy getting musicians from other branches of the service for the National Navy Band in Washington, DC. They usually come up through the Navy ranks having performed with regional Navy Bands. That is what is so unusual that Webster Groves High School grad Ally Haney Albrecht will move from the Air Force Band of the Golden West at Travis Air Force Base as an Airman to the National Navy Band's Commodes, jazz band, stationed in Washington DC as a Seaman.

We first saw Ally when she would come with Dan Smith, a jazz trumpet player and father of a friend of Ally's at WGHS, to Jimmy's and then Sasha's to sit in with jazz trumpet master Jim Manley.

After graduating from WGHS Alley went to North Texas State, then to the Manhattan School of Music and then into the Air Force. She will now be a Seaman. Last year we featured some Christmas music from Ally, on our website.

We saw a lot of the Navy Band and Navy jazz band in the 15 years we lived in the Washington, DC suburbs.



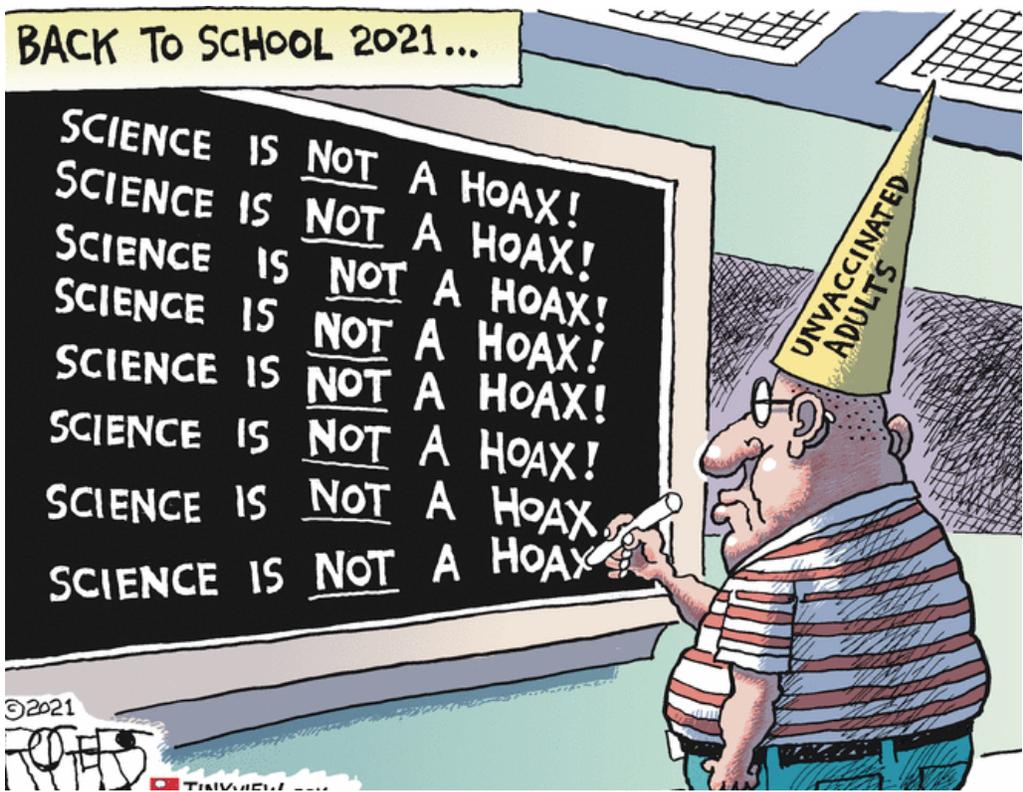
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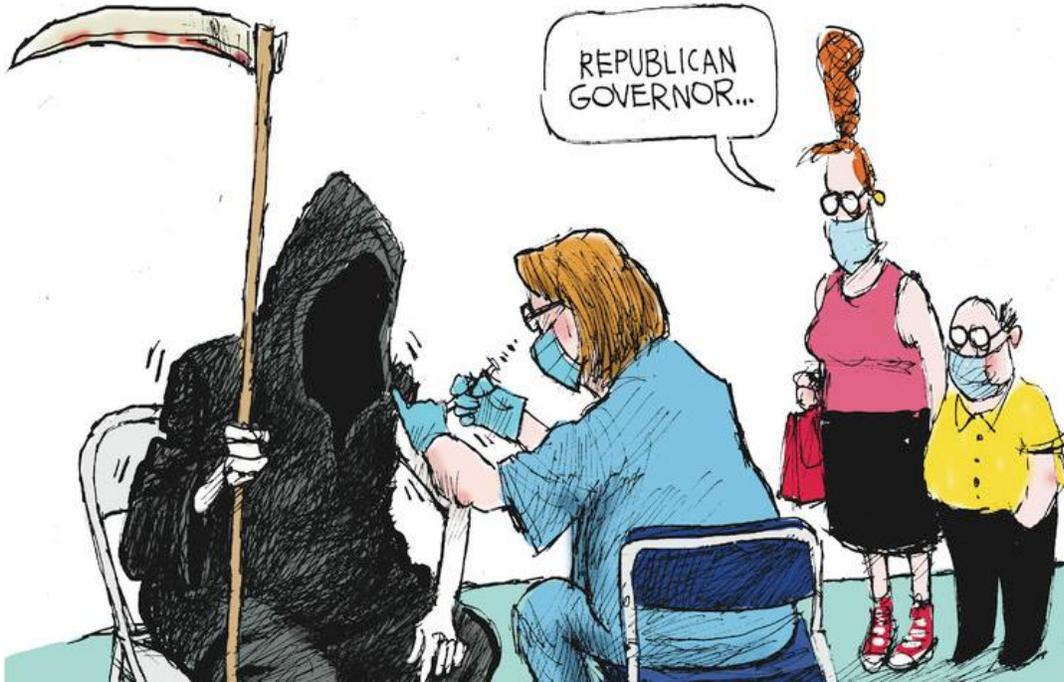


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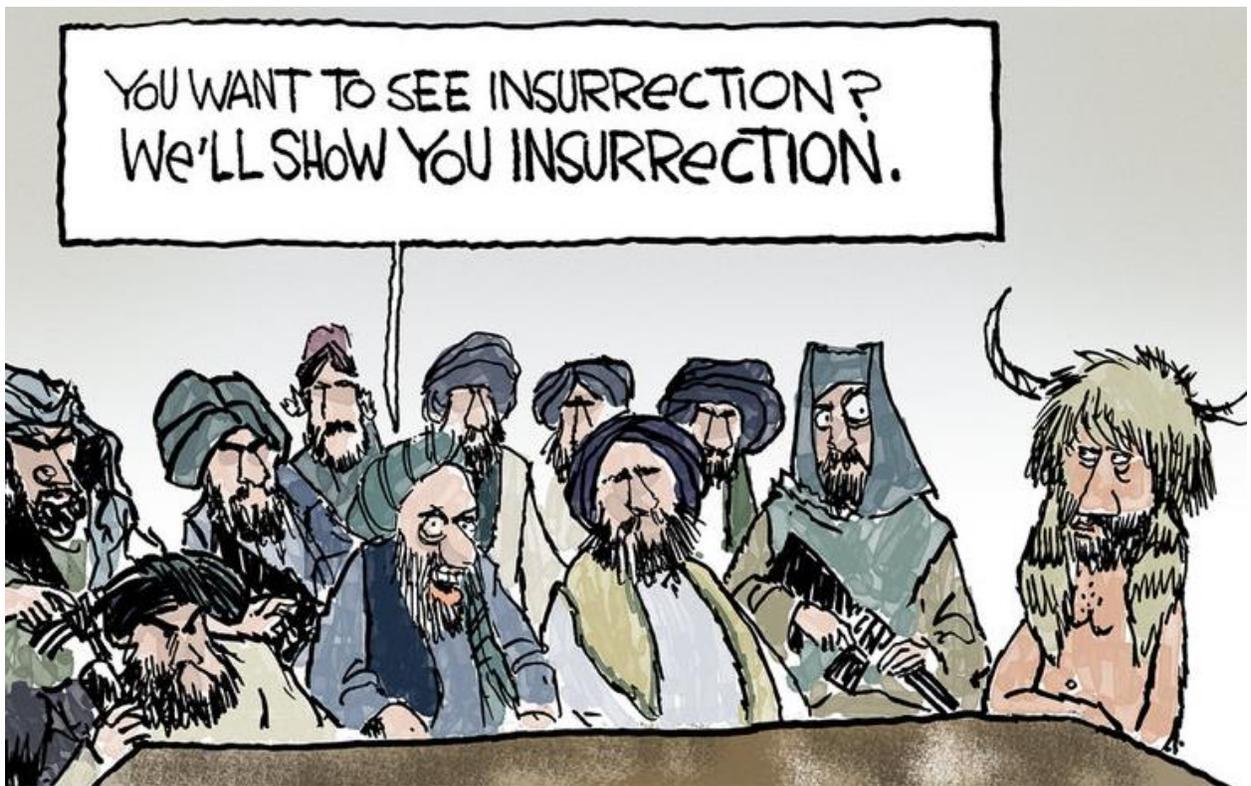


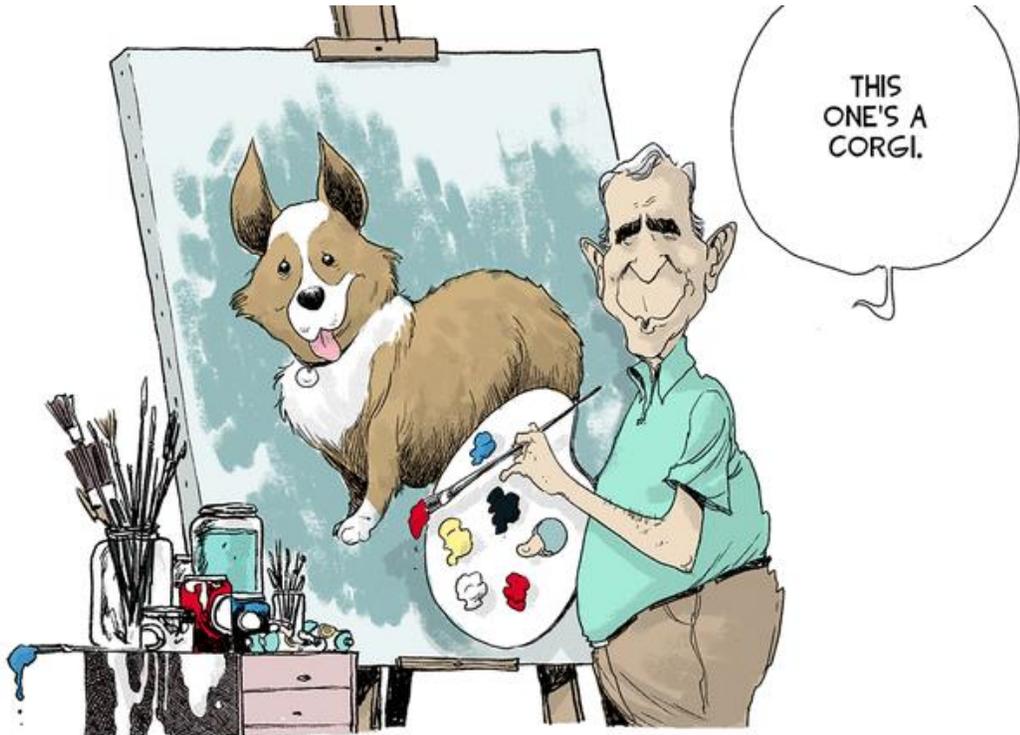












THE ARCHITECT OF THE AFGHAN WAR OFFERS HIS THOUGHTS ON THE WITHDRAWAL

