

EX ALDERMAN NEWSLETTER 206 AND CHESTERFIELD 151



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UNFAITHFUL EX-WIFE RAGE, NOT ROAD RAGE, CAUSES ST. CHARLES EX-CON TO USE HIS DUMP TRUCK AS A WEAPON AND PUT MOTORISTS LIVES IN JEOPARDY. CHESTERFIELD POLICE JUST ISSUE CITY TRAFFIC TICKETS AND A PEACE DISTURBANCE CITATION, WHILE THE CITY PROSECUTOR DROPS CHARGES TO "LITTERING." David S. Coldewe, 34, of St. Charles had been upset with Matthew Burbes, 34, for over a month. It appeared as if it involved Coldewe and lost affections of a woman to Burbes. (the victim in this case).

This is from Chesterfield Police Officer Lantz's redacted report:

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Everything began with **MORNING RUSH HOUR!** On Monday April 20, 2015 around 7:15 or 7:20 Coldewe was driving a dump truck and was east bound on I-64 in St. Charles County when he saw Burbes on the road also driving eastbound in a pickup truck.

Here is the statement of Witness "T" :

The dump truck and pick-up truck were having some kind of road rage. I saw the dump truck swerve at the pick-up truck a couple of times. Then at about Chesterfield Parkway, the dump truck cut in front of the pick-up truck and slammed on his brakes. There was no way that pick-up truck could have avoided that accident. The guy in the dump truck is nuts. He was going ballistic and was trying to get the guy in the pick-up truck out to fight him.

Here is the statement of Witness "A":

I first saw them coming across the Boone Bridge. They were both swerving at each other like they were trying to ram each other. I saw the dump truck cut across all four lanes of the highway and was slamming on his brakes to make the pick-up truck run into the back of him. The dump truck driver jumped out of his truck, screaming and cussing at the other guy. He was ready to fight him.

This is what Witness "F" reported:

I was in the right lane coming through the valley. I saw the large dump truck come flying down the shoulder at about 70 - 75 MPH. He was cutting in and out of traffic and he cut across all the lanes of the highway to cut the white truck off and slammed on his brakes. There was nothing that white pick-up truck could have done. I think he cut him off and slammed on his brakes on purpose.

When Chesterfield Police Officer Lantz arrived on the scene, Coldewe claimed that Burbes was driving recklessly and rear ended his dump truck.

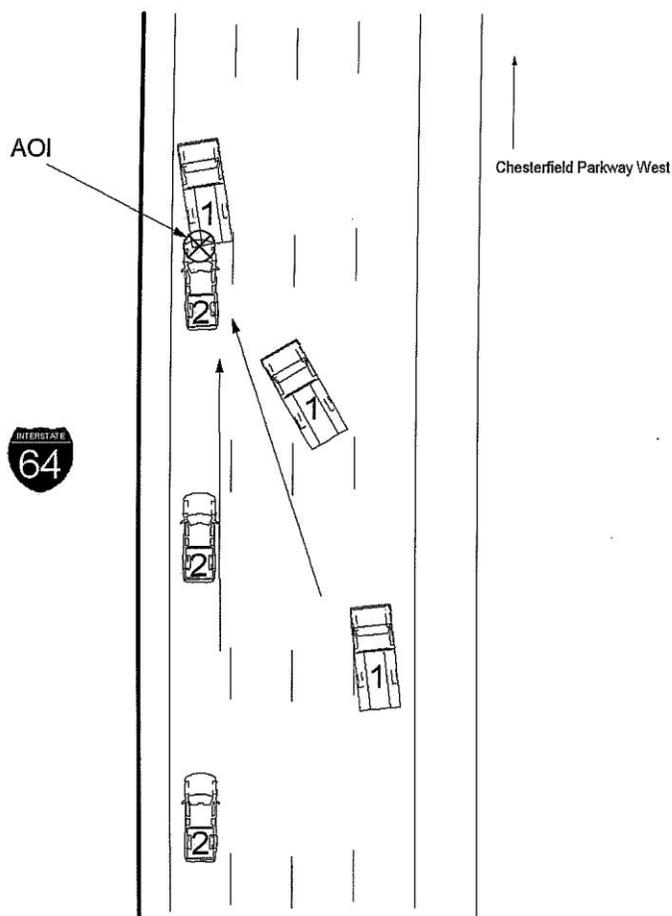
Burbes had a different story. This is from Officer Lantz police report:

We were going back and forth since highway 94. We have a history and he saw me and tried to run me off the road. He has been trying to fight me for a while. All of a sudden, he is next to me, trying to ram me and force me off the road. I was able to get ahead of him for a while, but he caught back up to me. All through the valley he was trying to ram my truck, he was throwing things out the window hitting my truck. I was trying to get away from him. All of a sudden, he was cutting in front of me and slamming on his brakes. I tried to stop, but he cut right in front of me and there was nothing I could do. I tried to pull over onto the shoulder, but he stopped on the highway. I was finally able to pull off onto the shoulder, and he jumped out of his car charging at me. I called 911 and I stayed in my truck. He was cussing and trying to get me out of my truck to fight. He threw something at my truck, I think it was change. He kept screaming wanting to fight. Then you guys showed up.

Burbes was able to show me text messages on his phone from Coldewe. It appeared that Coldewe was trying to get Burbes to meet up with him to fight. Some of the text messages were all the way back from March.

Based on witness statements and the statement of the victim, Burbes Officer Lantz wrote this synopsis of the event at the beginning of the report:

Davis Coldewe and M█████ B█████ were both eastbound on I-64 through the Chesterfield Valley. As reported by multiple witnesses, Coldewe and B█████ were involved in a road-rage incident. Coldewe was intentionally swerving at B█████ as to strike his vehicle. B█████ accelerated away at a high rate of speed eastbound on the highway to get away. Coldewe used the shoulder to pass a vehicle, cutting in and out of traffic attempting to catch up to B█████. Just behind the Chesterfield Parkway West Exit, Coldewe cut in front of B█████ and proceeded to slam on his brakes. Subsequently B█████ rear-ended Coldewe.



Coldewe complained of back pain and was transported to St. Luke's Hospital by a Monarch Fire Protection District Ambulance.

Officer Lantz issued Coldewe citations for Aggressive Driving, Careless and Impudent Driving and No Insurance and a non-traffic citation for Peace Disturbance for challenging the victim to a fight.

Here is part of the police report that clearly establishes motive for the attack:

I went and talked to Coldewe again. Coldewe started yelling that B [REDACTED] was "banging" [REDACTED]. He then admitted they were road raging starting

He was referring to his ex-wife Rebekah, but called her his wife in the spontaneous statement to Officer Lantz. Coldewe and his wife were divorced on March 4, 2015, 47 days before this incident.

UNDERCHARGING: The charge Aggressive Driving requires multiply violations, which occurred in this case. Careless and Impudent Driving requires two violations which also occurred in the case. However with the evidence in this case the County Prosecutor's staff should have been contacted for a warrant for assault charges.

However the bigger charge which was ignored totally was "Assault with Intent to Kill or Maim with a Deadly Weapon." Of course the weapon in this case was a dump truck. A state traffic charge with 12-points would be Assault with a Motor Vehicle. I have no idea why this case was put in the hands of city prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer who always is looking to reduce charges and collect big bucks for non-moving violations.

Coldewe put a number of motorists who were in Monday morning rush hour traffic at serious risk and it was clear he was trying to injury the victim. Why he was not charged with a felony I don't know. He has charged with C&I Driving, Aggressive Driving, No Proof of Insurance and Peace Disturbance.

Background: Let's take a look at Mr. Coldewe's background,

These are all from St. Charles County:

03/25/02 Coldewe is arrested for **Felony Stealing Animals (Rustling)** that occurred on 03/22/02 . He pled guilty on 06/21/02 and was placed on probation. On 03/21/05 Coldewe was found in violation of his probation. However he was placed on a new 3-year probation term. **On 10/20/05 his new probation was revoked for probation violations and he was sent to Prison.**

08/22/02 Arrested for Driving with Revoked Drivers' License. He was sentenced to 20 days in jail.

10/13/02 Arrested again for Driving with a Revoked drivers' License. 20 days County Jail.

11/18/02 Arrested again for Driving on a Revoked Lic. 20 days County Jail

08/24/04 Careless and Impudent Driving 30 Days County Jail

08/28/04 Arrested for Driving on Revoked Lic. 30 Days County Jail

11/13/04 Coldewe was charged with **Animal Abuse** by the City of St. Charles Animal Control. He pled guilty on 03/31/2005 and the abused animal was ordered to be permanently removed from Coldewe's possession. He was fined \$104.50 which according to court records he had not yet paid.

02/06/09 **Judgment for Failure Pay Employment Security** for employees \$312 & \$311

06/22/09 **Judgment of \$1,280 for Failure to Pay Employment Security**

11/20/11 Arrested for Domestic Violence/Third Degree Assault PG \$350 fine

03/29/12 Paternity Judgment \$312 a month in child support ordered.

03/04/15 Contested Divorce Judgment \$600 a month child support

03/17/15 Full Order of Protection Order against David Coldewe ordering no contact, no stalking of victim.

09/23/15 Speeding 20 MPH over limit Pending

04/30/15 **Ten days after the Chesterfield incident** Coldewe was **cited for a moving violation** in St. Ann, MO. On 08/18/15 Coldewe pled guilty to a reduced charge of "Parking Violation" and was fined \$166.50

Over the last 14 years we counted over 15 other traffic violation citations not listed above that were heard in State courts where Coldewe was cited for moving violations with many being reduced to non-moving Parking Violations and Loud Muffler citations with average fines being around \$115.

OUTCOME OF CHESTERFIELD CASE: This joins our list of most outrageous dispositions ever. For the guy trying to seriously injure a man on I-64, who was doing

75 MPH on the shoulder during morning rush hour and intentionally caused an injury accident, Chesterfield Prosecutor Tim Englemeyer dismissed the Aggressive Driving citation and reduced the Careless Driving Citation to Illegal Parking with No Points. Coldewe plead guilty to Illegal parking and was fined \$250.50. He also pled guilty to the Peace Disturbance charge and was placed on a SIS probation term with no fine by Judge Joseph Dueker.



Englemeyer and Dueker both public safety hazards.



David Coldewe

WHERE THE POLICE DROPPED THE BALL: In my opinion this was not a "Road Rage" case at all. In several emails and discussions I had with police officials they continued to use the words "Road Rage." "Road Rage" is when someone loses their temper after a traffic incident, such as being cut off in traffic, not being let in from a merge lane, or an aggressive driver being upset with a slower driver in front of them or a driver being tailgated. A horn is honked or someone flips a middle finger and things escalate from there.

In this case none of those things happened. Coldewe saw Burbes. Simply the mere presence of Burbes caused Coldewe to want to injure him and damage his vehicle. It just so happened this all occurred on I-64 during morning rush hour.

The police ignored Motive!

Coldewe made a spontaneous (res gesti) statement to Officer Lantz after being confronted with three witnesses' statements that it appeared as if he (Coldewe) was trying to hit Burbes' pickup truck with his dump truck. His statement was "He was banging my wife!" Burbes had a month worth of text messages from Coldewe threatening him.

The police apparently ignored three independent witnesses who all claimed it looked like Coldewe was trying to hit Burbes' pickup truck with his dump truck.

This was going to happen. It could have been on the parking lot of a supermarket, at the hardware store or at McDonalds. It just happened the first place Coldewe saw Burbes which was on I-64. Keep in mind after his divorce an Order of Protection was issued by a judge against Coldewe. This guy is dangerous.

Police Did Not Seize The Evidence:

I was amazed that the police report clearly stated that no photographs were taken. Here is a person who wants to smash a dump truck into someone he doesn't like and risks the well being of many other morning rush hour drivers. The damaged caused to Burbes' pickup truck would be important in any court case, but no photos of the totaled truck were taken.

EVIDENTIARY PHOTOS TAKEN <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	BY WHOM	AVAILABLE FROM <input type="checkbox"/> Investigating Agency
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Coldewe's style dump truck versus Berbes' model pickup truck

One police official in discussing this with me said a felony charge would be difficult as it would be hard to show Coldewe's state of mind. However, I think a State or City charge of Assault Third Degree where someone is placed "In Fear" of harm would have surely been appropriate. I also think his statement to police of "He is banging my wife," clearly showed his state of mind.

NO ATTEMPT TO FILE IN STATE COURT: This was a serious enough case that the police should have done whatever was necessary to keep it out of city prosecutor's Tim Engelmeyer's hands. An attempt should have been made to file charges of some kind with the County Prosecutor and file it in city court only if the County Prosecutor refused to issue charges.

THE CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR CONTINUE TO REFUSE TO ACT ON ENGELMEYER. When he was last reappointed as prosecutor by Bob Nation only the late Councilwoman Nancy Greenwood had the good sense to vote no.

It is time for the Council and Mayor to ask for Engelmeyer to resign or for them certainly to never reappoint this guy again as prosecutor as he continues to show a complete lack of desire to keep Chesterfield residents safe.

IRONY: While the Saga of Coldewe trying to seriously injure someone on I-64 in morning rush hour and putting other motorists at risk was never told in the general mainstream press. I was amused to read the following headline on a story that appeared recently in The Washington Post.

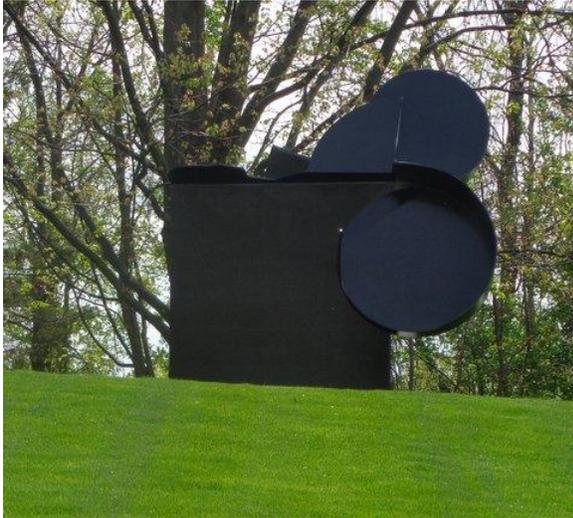
Man throws sandwich at another man in Fairfax shopping center parking lot and flees

TOWN AND COUNTRY NEWS

WE WERE RIGHT, BUT COMMONS SENSE OFTEN IS NOT POPULAR WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS AND STAFF MEMBERS IN TOWN AND COUNTRY If you remember last summer the Arts Commission was all excited and announced plans to up light the black Trova sculpture in the middle of a field at Longview park. Many residents have comment how ugly the 'art work" is and how it looks like a couple of discarded satellite dishes.

Immediately after it was announced that the Arts and Parks Commissions were going to up light an all black sculpture located off the road in a dark park area, I wrote who it was

a STUPID IDEA and added what was the point in lighting something black at night. It is a waste of time and money, plus it puts more artificial light in our community where we don't need it.



Trova in Longview Park



Street view of Trova

The Arts Commission was first going to have a cocktail party and an "Official Lighting" ceremony in August. They then decided to wait until November after daylight savings time was over and have the lighting ceremony when they held an Art and Wine event.

An hour before the Art and Wine event they held a meeting of the Arts Commission. Parks Director Anne Nixon announced they had tests of different lights and found that with all the lights they tested you COULD NOT SEE THE SCULPTURE at night. Nixon also said that the next day they were going to dig a trench for the electrical wiring to power the lights that didn't illuminate the art work that looks like trashed TV dishes.

The Arts Commission voted to delay any more work toward installing lights. It just seems in this case no one other than me and hundreds of readers of this newsletter had the common sense to see that this would not work, while staff, and elected official (Lynn Wright) and commission members didn't have a clue and were ready to spend tax money.

DALTON APPOINTS A THIRD COMMITTEE ON THE TOWN SQUARE TASK

FORCE: Mayor/Cigarette Lobbyist/Snatcher of a Widow's Business and Property By Eminent Domain for an Underfunded Nightclub District Jon Dalton bought the 8.8 acres of the Wirth Property after making the deal and then talking the Board of Aldermen to approve it. Nobody was quite sure what to do with the property the city just bought for \$2.3 million increasing an already deficit budget for 2014. At best only 7-acres can be

used as the lot drops 45 feet and storm water retention would take up about 2-acres. The Wirth family was unable to sell it for 10 years.

Dalton appointed two large community committees to come up with a plan. The committees were told not to consider costs. (An interesting concept for running a tax supported government.) Those committees picked the most expensive plan submitted by five architecture and design firms. They wanted the front of the land to be commercial-retail space with one or two a restaurants and the rear area to be a park.

Now Dalton has appointed a third committee, the Town Square Technical Advisory Subcommittee. This is one made up of developers, Larry Schiffer of Love Development, George Stock (Stock Engineering), retail development architect Larry Mitchell and Chuck Gillum of Maune Company, plus Alderpersons, Skip Mange, Linda Rallo, Fred Meyland-Smith and Tiffany Frautschi.

The meeting opened with City Administrator Gary Hoelzer making an interesting statement.

"Some of the retail shops in Mason Village (The shopping area next to the property) have struggled," said Hoelzer.

That was followed up by Larry Schiffer of Love Development which owns Mason Village, who made the following statements:



Larry Schiffer in the middle and Ald. Skip Mange to the left in his usual defensive pose when someone is talking about changing the design.

"A couple of restaurants would be successful."

"Retail is not in demand."

"I think having more than one restaurant would be better."

"A couple of stores (in Mason Village) have moved out from Clayton (City of Clayton) and have suffered. I cannot imagine more retail spaces."

"We have to create a destination and for that you need more than one restaurant."

"With allowing drive-through you have a better chance getting restaurants."

The "drive through" comment caused Ald. Linda Rallo to pipe up with a tongue-in cheek comment, "Maybe a Sonic (Drive-in car hop restaurant) could go in there."

It is interesting that Schiffer was the enemy of the residents two years ago because he was one of the driving forces behind the proposed Allegro Assisted Living and Memory Loss facility on the property. Schiffer and his partners spent \$750,000 on the engineering, architectural plans for the project only to face large and very hostile opposition to their rezoning proposal and did not get one vote from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

(For those residents who thought they came before money in the eyes of elected officials we understand that on the recommendation of an elected official in Town and Country Schiffer's group hired then State Rep. John Diehl to represent Allegro project in Jefferson City. I heard a comment that the biggest work they saw from Diehl was his preparing monthly bills.)

It appears as if Schiffer is protecting his retail renters at Mason Village by directing Town and Country toward putting in restaurants instead of retail shops. Mason Village does not have enough parking to sustain a popular restaurant. John Mineo's is located in the shopping center but the bulk of their business is the dinner crowd after most of the retail shops are closed.

PARKING ISSUES AND PARKING ISSUES AND PARKING ISSUES. Ald. Fred Meyland-Smith once again brought up how the shopping center at Clayton Road and Henry often has no parking spaces at dinner time due to the two restaurants there, Mia Sorella and Circle 7 Ranch Restaurant. Meyland-Smith doesn't have a clue. Mia Sorella is not drawing the huge crowds. It is the Circle 7 with beer taps at every table and large TVs and even kid friendly menu items is filling all the parking spaces. The shopping center lease with Circle 7 only allows it to be open for lunch Friday-through-Sunday so the parking spaces for retail shops don't vanish on weekdays.

Larry Schiffer responded to Meyland-Smith's concerns.

"The answer is, you will have parking issues. Town and Country is a 'Driving City.' People drive places. To handcuff a developer and tell them 'you can only have X and not Y isn't fair," Schiffer said.

Chuck Gillum piggy backed onto Schiffer's statement on the importance of having enough parking.

"If you have one spot and it goes dark (out of business) you will have trouble filling it with a new tenant," he said.

Linda Rallo then got into the fray but moved it away from parking.

"Is this a restaurant area with a park or a park with restaurants? Will these generate revenue for the city? What is feasible? Is it something we need to start with or is it an amenity or economic development area?

This caused Ald. Tiffany Frautschi to bring everyone's attention back to PARKING. Plans call for either 100 or 120 parking spaces. Longview Park has 88 spaces.

"If those parking spaces are filled up for the restaurants, where are the people come for the park going to park?"



Tiffany Frautschi and Mayor Dalton had about a 4-minute whisper conversation ignoring what the rest of the committee listened speakers.

Larry Schiffer responded with some sage advice, I think everyone should have already been aware of.

"In all of these positions, you can't please everyone," he said.

Mayor Dalton then apparently spoke just to hear himself talk.

"I know the Board of Aldermen is excited about this. I also know that the Board of Aldermen is a little scared."

MONEY, MONEY MAKES THE WORLD GO AROUND: Linda Rallo brought the subject back to an important and often forgotten issue...MONEY!

"We need to price it up. But it would be wasteful to spend money to find out we can't afford it," she said referring to the very expensive plan chosen by the Task Force.

"How much does it cost to figure out how much it costs."



Linda Rallo



Gillum (left) and Stock

Schiffer and Gillum spoke to the subject, but engineer George Stock really got going. It was pointed out to save money they should get rid of the island with a bridge in the retention pond. He also said that after studies you might want to reduce the retention pond from 2 acres to one acre or less and make it deeper. He added to answer these questions you need engineering studies on the property. None of the experts were going to mention a price but it seemed to be in the \$100,000 or more neighborhood. The city staff estimated it would cost the city \$1.6-million to develop the property. Added with the \$2.3-million purchase price and suddenly it purchase is at \$4-million. Then if you add on the minimum estimated maintenance costs of \$70,000 a year and you are talking real money. This little land purchase could easily eat up 33% of the city's reserve funds.

BUDGET QUESTIONS BY ALDERWOMEN SHUT DOWN BY MAYOR AT PUBLIC HEARING: At the November 23, 2015 Board of Aldermen meeting there was a public

hearing with a court reporter present to take down every word. As usual there was no one there from the public to speak.

However, Ald. Tiffany Frautschi spoke up and said she had a problem with Beautification Grants in the budget. Now Ald. Frautschi is a member of public and has every right to speak at a public hearing. However, Mayor Dalton told her the matter would be open for debate at the December 14 meeting. That shut up Frautschi who did not make her views known on the public record.

That was too bad. She had every right to put her position on the record and again at the next meeting when the budget would be up for a vote. In fact it would have been better for her to speak and allow other alderpersons time to consider her comments. It looked to me as if Dalton was being a bully.

In a meeting in 2011 Alderman Al Gerber left the dais and went to the mic stand/podium and spoke at a public hearing. Dalton told him he didn't need to go down there and he could have spoken from his seat on the dais. Apparently for Dalton that is not the case for Ald. Frautschi.

BAD WEEK FOR THORNHILL SUBDIVISION NEXT DOOR NEIGHBORS:

\$486,473 JUDGMENT AGAINST THORNHILL DOCTOR IN CIVIL SUIT! Dr. Abid Nizar, who lives in the house at 13300 Thornhill Drive (that many call the Thornhill Marriott) was hit with a judgment of \$486,473. The total includes attorney fees for the plaintiff in a medical malpractice case.



Nizar pled guilty in Federal Court in 2012 for importing cancer drugs that were mislabeled, misbranded and unapproved by the FDA. He then billed Medicare and Medicaid over \$1,000,000 claiming the drugs were approved US drugs and not the unapproved one he obtained from the Middle East. He was fined \$25,000 and ordered

to reimburse the United States \$1,000,336. His medical licenses to practice in Missouri and Illinois were suspended for one-year.

In the latest case, Loretta Anderson a patient of Nisar sued him over the fraud involving use of unapproved drugs in her treatment. John Newcomb of La Jolla, California was one of the suppliers of the drugs. Newcomb faces a \$166,432 judgment handed down by the judge.

On November 9, 2015 Judge Tom DePriest returned a verdict against Nisar and Newcomb. Nisar was hit with a \$325,000 judgment for malpractice (medical negligence). There was another \$125,000 against him for violation of Missouri Merchandising Laws, plus attorney fees for the plaintiff's lawyers and court costs.

In his ruling Judge DePreist wrote that the credibility of Nisar was "suspect" saying his testimony was contrary to prior sworn testimony.

FIVE YEARS PROBATION FOR NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR : Living directly to the east of Nisar are Albert Mason Brown and Gwendolyn Brown. Mason Brown is an ex-con having been convicted of a \$100,000 Medicare fraud in 2003. In 2015 Brown pled guilty to a \$80,000 IRS Tax Fraud. He was sentenced a year and a day in Federal Prison.

His wife was also charged with the Tax Fraud. The Browns operate a church in South St. Louis that includes a day care facility. Mason Brown had the title of Pastor. Gwendolyn was director of the day care center, something that Mason's earlier conviction prohibited him from being involved with.



Gwendolyn and Mason Brown, part of Criminal Row in the Thornhill Subdivision.

Gwendolyn had pled guilty to the Tax Fraud in September. On November 13th she was sentenced to 5-years probation on the charge.

CITY TO PUT CAR SALES TAX ON THE APRIL BALLOT. MAYOR DALTON HOPES TO GET FINANCE COMMISSION BACKING FOR THE TAX. The state sales tax for cities on cars (cars, boats and trailers bought out of state or in person transactions) is about to die. The only way to keep it in effect is for residents of individual cities to vote to keep the tax.

Mayor Jon Dalton plans to put the issue on the April 2016 ballot. Also a nexus tax, which would require city taxes to be included on items you buy online from companies out of state, will be on the ballot.

It is estimated that Town and Country could lose \$100,000 without the car tax. I don't know about you, but if I buy a used car from an individual and if I can save a few dollars here and there I surely will appreciate it.

The city saw strong and unexpected sales tax revenue by the end of this year from brick and mortar retail stores.

The citizens could use a break from the car sales tax, but the city will need money now that Mayor Dalton has created a black hole to throw tax dollars down. It is known as the Wirth Property or the Town Square. The project is estimated to cost several million to develop and maintain.

Also I don't see why I should be paying a local sales tax when I purchase something from L.L. Bean in Freeport, Maine or Lands End in Wisconsin. Those companies are not using any city services. If they need a cop or an ambulance or the street plowed at L.L. Bean the City of Town and Country is not responding. This is a money grab pure and simple.

Dalton has called for a special meeting of the Finance Commission on December 17 so he can show how he has citizen support for these taxes. Of course he really doesn't want to hear from all the citizens. The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 IN THE MORNING. That is a sure fire way not to get the public to show up.

MEMBER OF THE GANGS OF TOWN AND COUNTRY CHARGED WITH FOUR FELONIES FOR BEATING, ROBBING AND SENDING KIRKWOOD MAN INTO SEIZURES. A SECOND TOWN AND COUNTRY RESIDENT AND CHESTERFIELD RESIDENT ARE ALSO CHARGED IN ATTACKS. Graham Redington who grew up on Foxleigh Court in Mason Valley and was living there at the time of his first felony arrest in 2011 is back committing felonies and getting caught. He was joined by

Alexander Dale Frost of Town and Country and **Ryan Mogus** of Chesterfield, plus **Mathew Tamasi** of Kirkwood.

Longtime newsletter readers should remember that on March 24, 2011 in the middle of the night Redington and two cohorts broke into an occupied home on Horton Lane and stole a very big large-screen TV from the basement.

The trio was carried the TV through the woods to their getaway car parked on Kent Manor at Topping Road. The problem was the TV was too large to fit into the car. The noise of the group got the attention of an early riser on Kent Manor who called the police. Redington was convicted of Burglary, served shock time in jail and was placed on probation. The State has been attempting to revoke his probation since July of 2015 and the hearings have been continued several times. The latest is set for December 12. We think he should be able to make that one, since he is sitting in the County Jail.



Redington in 2011



Redington in 2015

In March of 2013 as a 19-year-old he was arrested in Town and Country for C& I Driving, Possession of a Fictitious Driver's License and Minor in Possession of Alcohol after attempting to use a fake drivers' license to buy booze at the Schnuck's store.

In 2015 he was arrested in Clayton and Webster Groves for Driving with a Revoke License. He was placed on probation for both of those offenses with No Fine and No Points. .

However Redington stepped back up to Felony Crimes on the day after Thanksgiving. On November 27 Redington with three others savagely beat a Kirkwood man with metal pipes until he went into seizures while robbing him of his wallet and backpack.

The other suspect from Town and Country is Alexander Dale Frost, 23, of Middlebury Lane off of Old Woods Mill Road. Ryan Mogus of Sun Flower Court in Chesterfield was a third suspect from the Snoburbia area. All are being held on \$150,000 bond.

Frost was arrested on September 22, 2015 for Felony Drug Possession in St. Louis. He was released on 10% of a \$2,500 bond on the drug charge.

On October 2, The Office of the Attorney General of The State of Missouri filed suit against Frost to seize \$2,320 taken from him at the time of his drug arrest.

Mogus has a pending felony forgery charge from Chesterfield. He is represented by high dollar mouthpiece Scott Roseblum.

Mathew Tamasi shows an address in Kirkwood, but his mother lives in Chesterfield.



Frost of Town and Country Ryan Mogus of Chesterfield Redington Mathew Tamasi of Kirkwood

Redington's last name was misspelled with an extra "D" being added. Redington is currently using an address in Manchester. Below is the charging document against Redington, but it would read the same for all four.

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI
-VS-**

GRAHAM REDDINGTON
792 ARBLAY DR.
BALLWIN, MO 63011

Aliases:

Defendant

RACE: White SSN:
SEX: Male OCN: BN007650
DOB: 09/21/1993 CASE ID: 189355420
HGT: 6'00" RPT NO: 15-3136
WGT: 200lbs. CT. NO:
P.D.: Kirkwood
ORI Number: MO0954300

CHARGES

- Count: 01 ASSAULT 1ST DEGREE - SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY - A FELONY
- Count: 02 FELONIOUS RESTRAINT – CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 03 ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION - UNCLASSIFIED FELONY
- Count: 04 ROBBERY 1ST DEGREE- CLASS A FELONY
- Count: 05 ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION - UNCLASSIFIED FELONY

COMPLAINT

State of Missouri)
County of St. Louis)^{SS}

Comes now the State of Missouri by and through the undersigned Assistant Prosecuting Attorney on information and belief that there is probable cause to believe that the above named defendant committed the following crime(s):

COUNT: 01 ASSAULT 1ST DEGREE - SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY - A FELONY

That Graham Reddington, in violation of Section 565.050, RSMo, committed the class A felony of assault in the first degree, punishable upon conviction under Section 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about November 27, 2015, at 126 Prospect, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant, acting with others, restrained victim David Poe and beat him with metal objects for an extended period of time and such conduct was a substantial step toward the commission of the crime of attempting to cause serious physical injury to David Poe, and was done for the purpose of committing such assault, and in the course thereof inflicted serious physical injury to David Poe.

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COUNT: 02 FELONIOUS RESTRAINT

That Graham Reddington, in violation of In that on or about November 27, 2015, 126 Prospect, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant, acting with others, in violation of Section 565.120, RSMo, committed the class C felony of felonious restraint, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 560.011, RSMo, in that the defendant knowingly restrained David Poe unlawfully and without consent so as to interfere substantially with his liberty and exposed David Poe to a substantial risk of serious physical injury.

1603099.0

COUNT: 03 ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION - UNCLASSIFIED FELONY

That Graham Reddington, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, the defendants acting together committed the felony of armed criminal action, punishable upon conviction under Section (571.015.1) (571.015.2) (571.015.3), RSMo, in that on or about November 27, 2015, at 126 Prospect, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendants acting together committed the felony of Assault First Degree - A Felony charged in Count 1, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, committed the felony of Assault First Degree - A Felony, and the defendant, acting with others, committed the foregoing felony of Assault First Degree - A Felony by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a dangerous instrument.

3101012.0

COUNT: 04 ROBBERY 1ST DEGREE- CLASS A FELONY

That Graham Reddington , in violation of Section 569.020, RSMo, committed the class A felony of robbery in the first degree, punishable upon conviction under Section 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about November 27, 2015, at 126 Prospect, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant, acting with others, forcibly stole victim's wallet with currency and victim's backpack owned by David Poe, and in the course thereof the defendant, acting with others, used a dangerous instrument against David Poe.

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COUNT: 05 ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION - UNCLASSIFIED FELONY

That Graham Reddington, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, committed the felony of armed criminal action, punishable upon conviction under Section (571.015.1) (571.015.2) (571.015.3), RSMo, in that on or about November 27, 2015, at 126 Prospect, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant, acting with others, committed the felony of ROBBERY FIRST DEGREE, CLASS A charged in Count 4, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, committed the felony of ROBBERY FIRST DEGREE, CLASS A, and the defendant, acting with others, committed the foregoing felony of ROBBERY FIRST DEGREE, CLASS A by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a dangerous instrument.

3101012.0

The undersigned Prosecutor informs the Court on information and belief that the above offense(s) herein charged were committed.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Ct. No.
Missouri

Div. Circuit Court of St. Louis County,

UNAPPROVED CHESTERFIELD NEWSLETTER 151



December 9, 2015



JANE PAINTED IN ROLE OF CALAMITY JANE BY PRESS: I wrote several less than complimentary columns for AOL Patch.com concerning Jane Cunningham while she was a Missouri Senator. Two of her bills I had fun with, including her bill to remove child labor laws so it would not be illegal for a 14-year-old to shovel your walk or cut your yard (I don't think this has ever been a concern or any evidence of enforcement, plus try and find a kid who wants to shovel your drive in Town and Country). The other one was to make it illegal for school teachers to use social media to contact students.

<http://patch.com/missouri/chesterfield/following-cunninghams-money-doesnt-explain-child-labor-bill>

<http://patch.com/missouri/chesterfield/this-year-s-special-session-is-really-special>

Some of the far right wing stuff that Jane was pushing in Jefferson City didn't make a lot of sense to me because even with a Republican controlled house it was not going to pass. However, I found when Jane kept right wing politics out of the picture and stuck to basics of government, such as providing good services at a reasonable price, while providing fair wages and benefits to employees, as a director of the Monarch Fire District she was extremely capable. Now her effort to try and get the Chesterfield City Council to follow state law on spending matters is commendable.

However, her Senate bill about not allowing teachers to use social media to post assignments or changes was like telling teachers in 1940 that they couldn't use telephones.

But the social media issue would be a good one for her to follow and as an elected representative to stop using Twitter or facebook postings on right wing political issues. After the fatal shootings by the nut job at the Colorado Springs Planned Parenthood facility Jane made the following Tweet:

Jane Cunningham @JCunninghamMO Nov 27

Shooter at CO Springs Planned Parenthood. Reporting "loss of life". Tragedy, but loss of life is a daily event at Planned Parenthood.

Jane was just restating her longtime position against Planned Parenthood and abortion. However, this was a bad time to restate something that most everyone already knew.

Her tweet has caused the Police Officers Association reps to demand her resignation since a police officer was killed in the attack and opened the door for liberals to attack her.

Here is exactly what appeared on her Twitter account including responses Jane made from the most recent to her original post: (Oddly it included a comment by Charles Jacco.)



Jane Cunningham @JCunninghamMO Nov 29 [Florida, USA](#)

Jane Cunningham Retweeted Alex Petrakis

You are right. God knows. Jeremiah 1:5

Jane Cunningham added,

Alex Petrakis @Trakis

@BestFansStLouis @JCunninghamMO are you god? do you know when life begins?

1.



Jane Cunningham @JCunninghamMO Nov 28 [Florida, USA](#)

My heart goes out to the CO police officer and all those who lost their lives and their families. [#tragedy](#).

2.



Jane Cunningham @JCunninghamMO Nov 27 [Florida, USA](#)

Jane Cunningham Retweeted Timothy McBride

Agree, none of these killings is justified. I wish there was this much reporting and outrage over the babies too.

Jane Cunningham added,

Timothy McBride @mcbri-detd

Justify the killing of police officers? There are no words. [twitter.com/JCunninghamMO/...](#)

3.



Jane Cunningham @JCunninghamMO Nov 27 [Florida, USA](#)

Jane Cunningham Retweeted Mark Edwards

As I said in first tweet, the death of police officers, civilians and babies are all tragedies. At PP, it is daily.

Jane Cunningham added,

Mark Edwards @markedwards

@JCunninghamMO you think it's OK for a police officer and two civilians to be killed at Planned Parenthood? And you're an elected official?

4.



Jane Cunningham @JCunninghamMO Nov 27 [Florida, USA](#)

Jane Cunningham Retweeted Charles Jaco

Come on [@charlesjaco1](#), Get accurate. I said shooting is a tragedy but so is all the babies who lost their life [@PP](#).

Jane Cunningham added,

Charles Jaco [@charlesjaco1](#)

This apologist for domestic terrorism helps run a major fire department in StL area. Attn: [@FBI](#) [@DHSgov](#) [twitter.com/JCunninghamMO/](#)...

2 retweets 0 likes

5.



Jane Cunningham @JCunninghamMO Nov 27 [Florida, USA](#)

Shooter at CO Springs Planned Parenthood. Reporting "loss of life". Tragedy, but loss of life is a daily event at Planned Parenthood.

In response to an inquiry Cunningham sent me this email:

Definition of **tragedy** - An event causing great suffering, destruction and distress.

I recognized and emphasized that the "death of police officers, civilians and babies" all bring great suffering, destruction and distress and "my heart goes out" to all affected by the events at Planned Parenthood. The mention of any group does not in any way minimize the suffering of another group. Just as I tweeted, "the death of police officers, civilians and babies are all tragedies."

I don't see that my comments are any different than people talking about gun control after the San Bernardino shootings. I don't call them names for expressing their opinion and say they don't care about the victims.

I wrote when Todd Akin was running for Senator he made a big mistake hiring his son to be his campaign manager. Your son isn't going to tell you "NO! You are not doing any interviews with Charles Jaco or anyone else. You have a 20 point lead. Keep your mouth shut.!" Aiken didn't and the "Legitimate Rape" interview went worldwide.

It might be wise that while Jane has irons is several fires to cool the activity on the Twitter account for a while.

Jane was doing such a good job trying as a citizen to clean up a lack of openness at Chesterfield City Hall but now she might be drawing barbs over this tweet that didn't need to ever be posted. (But it won't be from Connie Fults on this issue. Fults is a hard right winger on Catholic Church doctrine.)

THE RESPONSE TO THE TWEET: Local 2665 of the Firefighters Union tried to get union members and the public to attend the December 3 Monarch Fire Board Meeting and state their displeasure with Cunningham. Recently Jim Erickson of West Magazine and I have been the only ones to attend meetings. There would be only one off-duty County Police Officer to provide security. After evidence of the Fire Union trying whip up a hostile crowd, there were three officers at the December 3 meeting.

I was there and two other men were present at the start of the meeting. One was with a fire supply company who was there for opening of bids. The other was a representative of the District's work comp provider. I left shortly after the start of the meeting, leaving three police officers to watch two people. I'm glad the leaders of Local 2665 do a much better job at fighting fires and providing medical care than creating an angry crowd.

CHESTERFIELD BUDGET: THE 2016 CHESTERFIELD BUDGET was presented before the November 16 Council meeting. The presentation was not by the mayor or the finance director, but by City Administrator Mike Herring who likes to be sure to tell council members how well the city is being run and then tell them again and then them a third time. His presentation went long and the regular meeting started about 15 minutes late. On the positive side Councilman Dan Hurt was not present so 10 minutes of questions and jokes were eliminated.

Rather than us try and tell you the information the power point slides did a nice job of saying what the budget was. I'd suggest Chesterfield residents just glance at this in case a project is in your neighborhood or an aspect of city government affects you.



City Administrator Mike Herring doing all the talking for 90 minutes while presenting the budget.

		<h2 style="text-align: center;">FY2016 General Fund Projected Activity</h2>	
Fund Balance as of 12/31/15		\$	<u>12,359,054</u>
Estimated Revenues			22,014,716
Estimated Expenditures			(19,955,994)
Transfers In/Out			
Debt Service - City Hall	\$ (1,526,101)		
Transfer from Sewer Lateral Fund	<u>53,889</u>		
			<u>(1,472,212)</u>
Fund Balance Increase			<u>586,510</u>
Fund Balance as of 12/31/16		\$	<u>12,945,564</u>
Available ABOVE our 40% Policy		\$	<u>3,831,514</u>
Available ABOVE the 40% Policy on 12/31/15		\$	3,108,808



FY2016 Proposed Budget General Fund - Expenditures

	2015 BUDGET	2016 PROPOSED BUDGET	PROPOSED- 2015 BUDGET % INCREASE	GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
Executive & Legislative	\$ 78,799	\$ 78,561	-0.30%	0.39%
Department of Administration*	2,180,347	2,194,606	0.65%	11.00%
Central Services**	1,285,130	1,299,127	1.09%	6.51%
Police Department	9,606,474	9,262,556	-3.58%	46.41%
Public Services	7,273,344	7,121,144	-2.09%	35.68%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 20,424,094	\$ 19,955,994	-2.29%	100.00%

	2015 PROJECTED	2016 PROPOSED BUDGET	PROPOSED- 2015 PROJECTED
Executive & Legislative	\$ 71,757	\$ 78,561	9.48%
Department of Administration*	2,134,125	2,194,606	2.83%
Central Services**	1,245,030	1,299,127	4.35%
Police Department	9,301,134	9,262,556	-0.41%
Public Services	6,934,976	7,121,144	2.68%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 19,687,022	\$ 19,955,994	1.37%

*Includes - Court, Finance, Community Services & Economic Development, City Clerk, City Administrator and IT.

**Includes - Insurance, legal fees, and software. There are no employees in the Central Service function.

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FY2016 Proposed Budget General Fund - Revenues

	2015 APPROVED BUDGET	2015 PROJECTED	2016 PROPOSED BUDGET	% INCREASE / DECREASE	% of Total Revenues
Utility Taxes	\$ 7,651,022	\$ 7,324,740	\$ 7,361,681	0.5%	33.4%
Sales Tax	6,911,844	6,903,284	7,110,383	3.0%	32.3%
Intergovernmental *	4,196,193	4,298,917	4,402,506	2.4%	20.0%
Licenses and Permits	1,573,888	1,580,948	1,597,594	1.1%	7.3%
Charges for Services	93,717	144,154	144,254	0.1%	0.7%
Court Receipts	1,238,558	1,113,757	1,059,798	-4.8%	4.8%
Other Revenues	312,281	459,157	338,500	-26.3%	1.5%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$21,977,503	\$21,824,957	\$22,014,716	0.9%	100.0%

* Intergovernmental revenue sources include motor fuel tax, motor vehicle tax, cigarette tax, road & bridge tax, grants, and others.



Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund Upcoming Grant Funded Projects (2 of 2)

	2020 Budget				
	Total Cost	Grant Funded		City	
		Portion		Cost	
Schoettler Rd Phase III Design	\$ 438,200	\$ 350,560	80%	\$ 87,640	20%
Schoettler Road Phase II ROW	500,000	400,000	80%	100,000	20%
Schoettler Road Phase I Reconstruction	3,589,400	2,871,520	80%	717,880	20%
	<u>\$ 4,527,600</u>	<u>\$ 3,622,080</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>\$ 905,520</u>	<u>20%</u>

	2021 Budget				
	Total Cost	Grant Funded		City	
		Portion		Cost	
Schoettler Road Phase IV Design	\$ 438,200	\$ 350,560	80%	\$ 87,640	20%
Schoettler Rd Phase III ROW	500,000	400,000	80%	100,000	20%
Schoettler Road Phase II Reconstruction	3,589,400	2,871,520	80%	717,880	20%
	<u>\$ 4,527,600</u>	<u>\$ 3,622,080</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>\$ 905,520</u>	<u>20%</u>

Note: The City of Chesterfield plans to apply for Surface Transportation Program (STP) grant funding to improve Schoettler Road, beginning near Clayton Road and progressing north. If the City is successful in obtaining an STP grant, the design Phase I would likely begin in 2018 with future phases following as shown above.



FY2016 Proposed Budget Parks Sales Tax Fund - Revenues

	2015	2015	2016	2016 BUDGET VS	
	AMENDED	2015	PROPOSED	2015 PROJECTED	
	BUDGET	PROJECTED	BUDGET	\$	%
Sales Tax	\$ 7,488,514	\$ 7,154,839	\$ 7,369,485	\$ 214,646	3.0%
Intergovernmental	535,048	535,048	-	(535,048)	-100.0%
Charges for Services	1,598,850	1,755,702	1,728,983	(26,719)	-1.5%
Other Revenues	137,097	143,398	41,000	(102,398)	-71.4%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 9,759,509	\$ 9,588,987	\$ 9,139,468	\$ (449,519)	-4.7%

REAL ESTATE: Regular readers know that we only look at real estate if the house is listed for real money, in other words at least \$3-million. Anything else in West County would be considered chump change. 2 Upper Warson Road meets that definition being listed at \$3,720,000. It has 5 bedrooms and 6 full baths and is 6,537 square feet on 3.6 acres. However the place only has a 4-car garage. That is means you just have room for your summer and winter cars and no room for the kids' cars.



The place is owned by Greg and Sarah Daney. Greg apparently owns Real Estate Investor Wholesale, LLC. in Maryland Heights, which as best as I can figure out is a loan company for house flippers. He also owns LoanSum, LLC. Daney is one of the bigger people in the foreclosure business, both buying foreclosed property and foreclosing on people he had made loans to.



Daney and his wife have owned the property in Ladue since 2004 but built the monument to excessive spending in 2011. The real estate taxes on the land went from \$8,062 in 2011 to \$40,267 in 2014.

There are only two lawsuits listed in St. Louis County involving Daney. One was a countersuit case between him and Homesforrehab that was settled out of court. The other resulted in a mechanics lien of \$4,425.

NEW LISTING HITS ITS SIXTH MONTH: The for sale sign in front of 1337 S. Mason Road has been up since June 12. It now enters its sixth month claiming the 13,652 square foot house is still a "new listing." I'm guessing I will be taking a photo of the "New Listing" sign when there is snow on the ground. With a sale price of \$4,900,000 for a house on a busy street is really an "Overpriced Listing" has not been a "New Listing" in any sense of the word since the end of July.



EX CON DRUG DEALER'S HOUSE BACK ON THE MARKET WITH FORECLOSURE REALTY FIRM AND NOW ON ONLINE AUCTION: The former house of ex-con drug dealer and internet schemer with a number of fraud judgments against him, Brian Marchant-Calsyn, once again has a for sale sign in front of it. This time the realtor is the Golden Realty, a firm that specializes in foreclosures, with hundreds listed in the St. Louis region. The house is on a large 3.27 acre flag lot at 1861 Topping Road.



Marchant-Calsyn

The house has been vacant since 2012 when Marchant-Calsyn moved out. He had listed it for sale, with well known local agent Carla Bogard, but he did not accept any offers.

The house has not had utilities in over three years. For the last two years the City of Town and Country has paid a contractor thousands of dollars to harvest the high grass and weeds adding an additional lien to the property. The house was going to be sold on the courthouse steps in January of 2015, but at the last minute Marchant-Calsyn declared bankruptcy which delayed the foreclosure.

The house and property is listed at \$1,299,000. However we hear from several sources that the house is now likely a tear down with multiple interior issues, including mold, thanks to no heating or cooling. Of course if you believe one acre lots are going for \$400,000 perhaps it is priced right. An online auction started on Dec. 5 and ends on Dec. 9 with a starting bid of \$700,000.

WILDWOOD CABIN THEFT ARREST: I can now remove Alderman Skip Mange, a known collector of log cabins, off the suspect list and stopping keeping an eye out for logs to show up at Drace Park in the case of the theft of the entire log cabin from 1870 stolen over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend from property owned by the Essen family in Wildwood at 822 Highway 109. A suspect has been arrested and has confessed.



Gregory Cole log cabin thief

This is from the County Police Press release:

On Friday, December 4, 2015, the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office issued charges on Gregory Cole, 54 years of age, of the 600 block of Scotti Court, Wentzville, MO 63385, for one count of Stealing Over \$25,000. Cole is being held on a \$40,000 bond.

Victim's son-in-law discovered on November 30, 2015, that the cabin and its contents had been completely removed from the property, with the foundation and roof left behind. City of Wildwood

officials estimated the value of the log cabin timbers to be \$50,000.00. Police publicized the theft in news media, and an anonymous caller provided information indicating that the cabin timbers were at a location in Wentzville. Police responded to the specified location and found the stolen property behind defendant's apartment building. Defendant was arrested and confessed to stealing the log cabin timbers and the contents of the cabin. He said he grew up in the area where the cabin had been located and that his mother still lives there. He was also familiar with the cabin itself and decided to steal what he could from the cabin in order to sell it.

In October Cole was arrested in Wentzville after being found sleeping in the bedroom of a child. He was charged with Burglary and Harassment or Intimidation by Conduct. In February he pled guilty to Possession of Marijuana after an arrest by the Highway Patrol in 2013 in St. Charles County. He pled guilty in 2015 to destruction of property in Warren County. He also had a prior burglary conviction in 2012.

MUSIC: RAT PACK NIGHT ON MONDAY DECEMBER 14 Dean Christopher will have had a busy week doing his Sold Out Christmas Show at the St. Peters Arts Center on Friday December 11 and a matinee of his Christmas Show at the Wildey Theater in Edwardsville on Saturday December 12. But on Monday night December 14 he will be at the One-19-North in Kirkwood at 7:30 for his regular monthly Rat Pack Monday performance with Jim Manley on trumpet and Chris Swann on the keyboard.

Manley should be warmed up too as he will have put on his Christmas Show four times at Jazz at the Bistro during the prior weekend. It's free at the One-19-North, buy a drink or some food and enjoy 2 hours of fun.

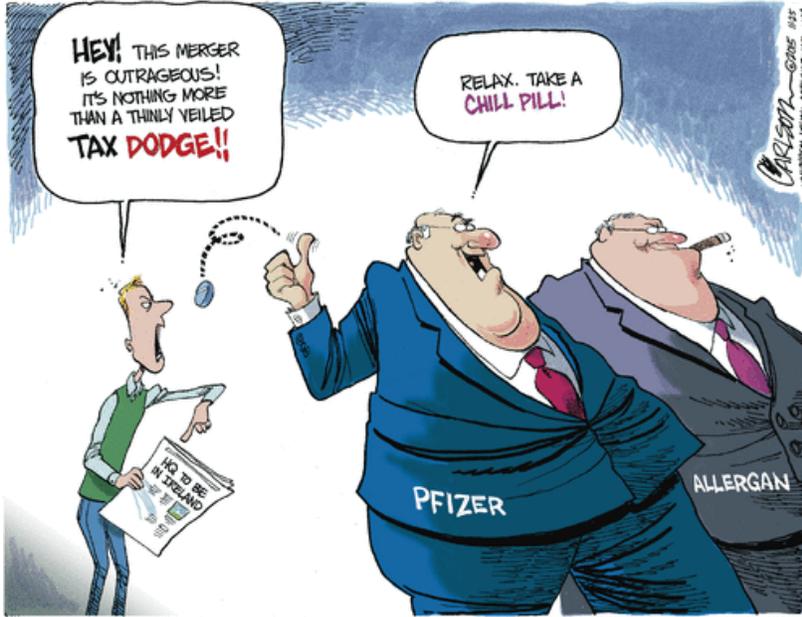


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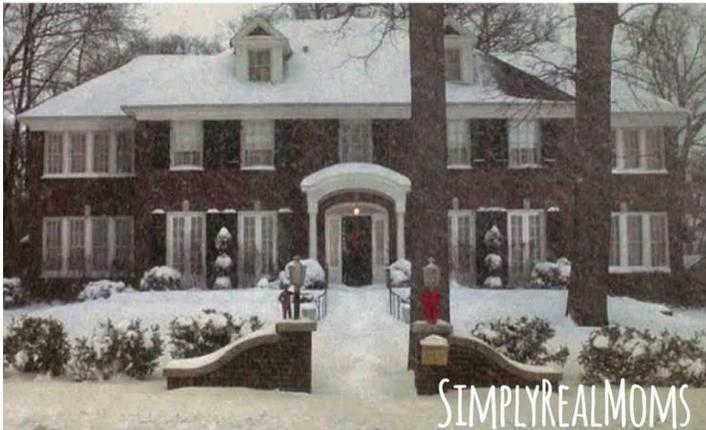


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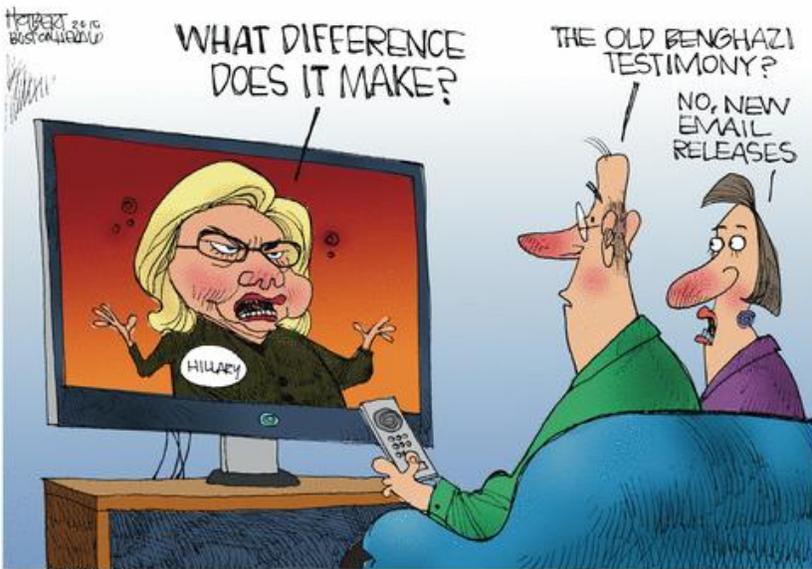




YOU KNOW YOU'RE OLD WHEN



YOU WATCH HOME ALONE AND WONDER
HOW MUCH THEIR MORTGAGE IS...



Still the funniest cartoon (Shoe) I have ever posted! From the Oct 10, 2009 Alderman Newsletter, with a punch line only us folks who have watched 1950 era movies will get.

