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CHURCH OF THE FOURTH, FIFTH AND SEVENTH CHANCE PART 2:

We continue our look at drunk drivers who plead guilty to felony drunk driving (third arrest) and have their sentences delayed for three years as they enter a special probation program. Despite their guilty pleas we cannot get the police reports concerning their arrests as they won't be sentenced for three years.

Last week we wrote about some cases that might seem outrageous if it wasn't for the ones we are featuring this week.

TOWN AND COUNTRY:



Bobby Barnes 4 prior DWI convictions when arrested for fifth DWI on August 23, 2015. Barnes Pled guilty to his fifth DWI on July 7, 2016. His next court date for sentencing is July 8, 2019.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI

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JOAN N
CIRCUIT CLERK,

-VS-

BOBBY L BARNES
1202 PINYON
BALLWIN, MO 63021

RACE: White SSN:
SEX: Male OCN:
DOB: 12/01/1971 CASE ID
HGT: 5'08" RPT NO:
WGT: 165lbs. CT. NO:
P.D.: Town and Country
ORI Number: MO0957200

Aliases:

Defendant

43TH

CHARGES

Count: 01 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED-CHRONIC OFFENDER-CLASS B FELONY

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COMPLAINT

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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 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED - CHRONIC OFFENDER - CLASS B FELONY

That Bobby Barnes, in violation of Section 577.010, RSMo, committed the class B felony of driving while intoxicated, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 577.023, RSMo, in that on or about August 23, 2015, on I-64 at MO Hwy 141, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant operated a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, and

on or about August 1, 2002, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on October 7, 2001, in St. Louis County Circuit Court in Cause No. 2102R-00081-01 and;

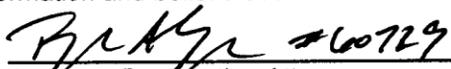
on or about August 1, 2002, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on February 10, 2001, in St. Louis County Circuit Court in Cause No. 2101R-02187-01 and;

on or about October 4, 2000, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on October 21, 1999, in Greene County Circuit Court, Associate Division in Cause No. 399CM8822 and;

on or about July 27, 1995, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated for events occurring on December 8, 1994, in Greene County Circuit Court, Associate Division in Cause No. 395CM0043.

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


Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Date: August 24, 2015

I, Joseph P. Giacobelli, DSN 0106, Town and Country Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true. I have probable cause to believe that on August 23, 2015, at I-64 at MO Hwy 141, Bobby Barnes, White, Male, DOB 12/01/1971, 5'08", 165lbs, committed one or more criminal offense(s).

Count: 01 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED-CHRONIC OFFENDER-
CLASS B FELONY

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On routine patrol, Officer observed a vehicle fail to maintain a single lane by weaving within its own lane and repeatedly crossing over into a second lane. Officer contacted Defendant, the driver, and observed Defendant to have an odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from his person. Defendant's eyes appeared watery, bloodshot and glassy. Defendant's balance was poor, as he swayed and staggered. Defendant performed poorly on standard field sobriety tests. Defendant admitted to consuming alcoholic beverages prior to operating the vehicle. A record check revealed that Defendant has at least four prior intoxication-related traffic offenses.

Joseph P. Giacobelli, DSN 0106, Town and Country Police Department

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Rick O'Neal Town and Country arrest

Rick O'Neal is an interesting case because he was arrested by both Town and Country and also Chesterfield on different dates and charged with Felony repeat Chronic Drunk Driving in Town and Country and only a misdemeanor in Chesterfield. Instead of getting some kind of stiff sentence O'Neal was placed in the special program.

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

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-VS-

**RICK A. O'NEAL
4875 CALVIN AVENUE
SAINT LOUIS, MO 63115**

**RACE: Black SSN:
SEX: Male OCN:
DOB: 08/04/1962 CASE
HGT: 6'01" RPT N
WGT: 158lbs. CT. NC
P.D.: Town and Country
ORI Number: MO0957200**

Aliases:

Defendant

43TH

CHARGES

Count: 01 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED PERSISTENT OFFENDER - D FELONY

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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 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED PERSISTENT OFFENDER - D FELONY

That Rick O'Neal , in violation of Section 577.010, committed the class D felony of driving while intoxicated, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011, 560.011, and 577.023, RSMo, in that on or about January 18, 2015, at or near I-64 and Timberlake Manor, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant operated a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, and on or about 12/09/2009, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 12/30/1996, in the Circuit Court - Municipal Division - Creve Coeur, in Court Case No: T000903702B, and on or about 02/26/1987, the defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 12/17/1986, in the Circuit Court - Municipal Division - Hanley Hills, in Court Case No: 86900107.

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


Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Date: 2/9/15

I, Josh Hamel, DSN 0126, Town and Country Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true. I have probable cause to believe that on January 18, 2015, at I-64 and Timberlake Manor, Rick O'Neal, Black, Male, DOB 08/04/1962, 6'01", 158lbs, committed one or more criminal offense(s).

Count: 01 **DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED PERSISTENT OFFENDER - D
FELONY**

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

1. The Defendant was observed operating a motor vehicle in St. Louis County, State of Missouri.
2. Officer observed visual DI detection cues that included Defendant weaving across lane lines; slow response to Officer's emergency lights.

3. Officer observations of Defendant, prior to arrest, that were consistent with intoxication, included the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage; bloodshot eyes.
4. Defendant admitted drinking.
5. Officer observed at least 8 clues of intoxication during Defendant's performance of Field Sobriety Tests.
6. Defendant refused to take Preliminary Breath Test.
7. Defendant was arrested; given his rights pursuant to the Missouri Implied Consent law; Defendant refused to provide a breath sample to determine the alcohol content of his blood.

Defendant has the requisite prior Intoxication-Related Traffic Offenses as defined in section 577.023 RSMo for the offense charged.

RICK O'NEAL CHESTERFIELD ARREST For some reason that I don't know the Chesterfield case was issued as a Misdemeanor, while the Town and Country case was filed as a felony. O'Neal had four prior DWI convictions when he was arrested for a fifth time by Chesterfield officers.

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

-VS-

<p>RICK A. O'NEAL 4875 CALVIN AVENUE SAINT LOUIS, MO 63115</p> <p>Aliases: Rick A. O'Neal</p> <p>Defendant</p>	<p>RACE: Black SEX: Male DOB: 08/04/1962 HGT: 6'01" WGT: 158lbs. P.D.: Chesterfield ORI Number: MO0959A00</p>
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CHARGES

Count: 01 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED - B MISDEMEANOR

**COMPLAINT
(REISSUE)**

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 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED - B MISDEMEANOR

That Rick O'Neal , in violation of Section 577.010, RSMo, committed the class B misdemeanor of driving while intoxicated, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 560.016, RSMo, in that on or about March 22, 2014, on MO 340 Olive at Ladue Rd, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant operated a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Date: 2/24/15

I, Sanda Smajlovic, DSN 0268, Chesterfield Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true. I have probable cause to believe that on March 22, 2014, at MO 340 Olive at Ladue Rd, Rick O'Neal, Black, Male, DOB 08/04/1962 6'01", 158lbs, committed one or more criminal offense(s).

Count: 01 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED - B MISDEMEANOR

The facts supporting this belief are as follows: Suspect was pulled over for a traffic violation. Police contacted suspect and observed clues of intoxication including watery eyes and the faint odor of alcohol. Suspect performed poorly on the field sobriety tests. Suspect was placed under arrest and submitted to a chemical test of his breath. His BAC was .228

OUTCOME TOWN AND COUNTRY CASE: In the Town and Country case O'Neal pled guilty to Felony DWI on 11/04/15 before Judge Barbara Wallace. He was placed in the special program with no sentencing scheduled until 11/05/18.

OUTCOME OF CHESTERFIELD CASE: Like the Town and Country case O'Neal pled guilty to the misdemeanor Chesterfield case before Judge Wallace on 11/04/15 and he was placed in the special program. Sentencing is set of 11/5/18. O'Neal was unable to pay the hundreds of dollars in court costs and those were waived.



CHESTERFIELD RESIDENT/BALLWIN CASE: The Chesterfield Police have arrested **Joe Carbone** at least six times for DWI, but his most recent arrest was in Ballwin. Ballwin Police also charged Carbone with a hit-and-run accident that occurred when he backed his brother's car out of a parking space at the French Quarter bar in Ballwin and fled the scene. He was not charged with DWI because he was not found and arrested for two days after the accident.

Carbone, who has had his license revoked for decades often tried to give his brother's name and date of birth when arrested as his brother had a good drivers' license and no prior DWI convictions. Once he was caught in Chesterfield because his brother showed up to bond him out of jail and gave the same name as the person posting bond as the person who was in jail.

His seventh or eighth DWI arrest occurred on April 13, 2015.

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

-VS-

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CIRCUIT

JOSEPH A. CARBONE
15740 PLYMPTON LANE
CHESTERFIELD, MO 63017

RACE: White S
SEX: Male C
DOB: 01/30/1942 C
HGT: 5'08" R
WGT: 140lbs. C
P.D.: Ballwin
ORI Number: MO0950200

Aliases:
Joseph A Carbone

Defendant

43M

CHARGES

Count: 01 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED-CHRONIC OFFENDER-CLASS B FELONY
Count: 02 DRIVING WHILE REVOKED/SUSPENDED - CLASS D 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 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED-CHRONIC OFFENDER-CLASS B FELONY

That Joseph Carbone , in violation of Section 577.010, RSMo, committed the class B felony of driving while intoxicated, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 577.023, RSMo, in that on or about April 13, 2015, at or near Clayton Road and Meadow Bridge, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant operated a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, and on or about 06/08/2012, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 06/17/2009, in the 21st Circuit court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 09SLCR04714801, and on or about 10/11/2002, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 04/24/2002, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 02CR002165, and on or about 11/16/1999, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 07/11/1999, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 99CR003068, and on or about 12/16/1999, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 03/16/1997, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 98CR001668, and on or about 05/10/1999, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 09/03/1998, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court case No: 98CR006566, and on or about 10/09/1998, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 03/16/1997, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 98CR001668.

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COUNT: 02 DRIVING WHILE REVOKED/SUSPENDED - CLASS D FELONY

That Joseph Carbone , in violation of Section 302.321, RSMo, committed the class D felony of driving while license was revoked, punishable upon conviction under Sections 302.321, 558.011, and 560.011, RSMo, in that on or about April 13, 2015, in the county of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant operated a motor vehicle on a highway, at or near Clayton Road and Meadow Bridge, during a time when the defendant's operator's license was revoked under the laws of this state, and knew that the defendant's operator's license was revoked, and the defendant has two or more convictions pursuant to section 577.010 RSMo, in that on or about 06/08/2012, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 06/17/2009, in the

21st Circuit court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 09SLCR04714801, and on or about 10/11/2002, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 04/24/2002, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 02CR002165, and on or about 11/16/1999, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 07/11/1999, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 99CR003068, and on or about 12/16/1999, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 03/16/1997, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 98CR001668, and on or about 05/10/1999, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 09/03/1998, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court case No: 98CR006566, and on or about 10/09/1998, the defendant had been found guilty of driving while intoxicated, for events occurring on 03/16/1997, in the 21st Circuit Court - Clayton, in Court Case No: 98CR001668.

Just in case you missed all of Carbone's offenses hidden in the charging documents, here is a quick list. He last was featured Carbone in our December 24, 2015 Drunks and Thieves Newsletter.

1991	DWI	unable to find report	
10/18/95	DWI		Chesterfield PD
03/16/98	DWI	Felony	Chesterfield PD
09/03/98	DWI	Felony	Chesterfield PD
		Driving Revoked	
		3-years prison but placed on probation/probation revoked	
07/11/99	DWI	Felony	Chesterfield PD
		Driving While Revoked	
		Sentenced to 4-years prison, served 2-years	
04/24/02	DWI	Felony	Chesterfield PD
		Driving While Revoked	
		Giving False Identity	
		Sentenced to 3-years prison	
02/22/07	Leaving Scene of Accident		Ballwin PD
	Careless Driving		
		Fined \$2,000 for LSA and \$1,000 for C&I	
06/17/09	DWI	Felony	Chesterfield PD
		Driving While Revoked	
		Giving False Identiy	
		Sentenced to 7-years jail, but served only 120 days	
04/15/15	DWI	Felony	Ballwin PD
		Pled guilty 2/24/17 place in Program continued to Feb. 2020	

CARBONE Pled guilty on 02/23/17 and was not sentenced on his seventh DWI. Instead he was entered into an alternative program, His sentencing was set for 02/24/20. However that did not start well on March 3, 2017 he was taken into custody for "unauthorized driving" and served 30 days in the county jail.

On 04/07/17 he was put back into the Alternative Treatment Program. The prosecutor's office appealed the alternative program ordered by Judge Michael Burton.

PARKS COMMISSION MEETING REVEALS SEVERAL MEMBERS SAYING THE SAME THING THAT ALDERPERSONS BUTLER AND FRAUTSCHI HAVE BEEN BRINGING UP. In the past Park Commission members criticized Lindsey Butler and

Tiffany Frautschi and now they are saying exactly the same thing about wasting money on the Queeny Park Trail. A number of homeowners on Mason Road won't sell a small amount of land for the sidewalk and Mayor Jon Dalton refuses to use eminent domain.

At the recent Park Commission meeting both members Stephanie Peterson and Meg Johnson brought up the subject.

"Is it even worth going through the whole thing," said Peterson. "If these people are going to say 'no way Jose' shouldn't we go somewhere the people want the trails (sidewalks)? Maybe if I die (running on Mason Road) we can get a trail. Can the Parks Commission take away the grant money?"

The answer was "Yes." But Ald. Lynn Wright said they would give it one more try to get the property owners to sell land for a sidewalk easement.

Other news:

Preservation Park: Lynn Wright announced, then did not add any further information that the city is in talks with two "sources" concerning Preservation Park. The Park is where the city tennis courts are located that are supposed to be maintained by CBC High School, but have not been in recent years. The city closed the west entrance to the park 18 months ago due to vandalism.

Of course being "in talks with two sources" makes no sense what so ever but that has been a hallmark of Lynn Wright's time on the Board of Aldermen. We made some additional inquiries and learned that the city was talking to CBC High School (which has not had much money recently) and Missouri Baptist University. The City would take a loss on the sale but would save money in the long run unloading maintenance costs of the property.

LONGVIEW BARN TO CHANGE TO RED: It was also announced at the Parks Commission that the long time white barn at Longview Park will be red later this year when the metal siding is replaced.



PLANS TO REMOVE THE DIRT FROM THE "DIRT DIGGING AREA" Town and Country Parks Director Anne Nixon announced how she plans to remove all the dirt of her nature kids play area feature called "Dirt Digging" and replace it with a mix of pea gravel and sand.



UNAPPROVED CHESTERFIELD NEWSLETTER 220



May 1, 2017

NEW SHOPLIFTING DETERRENT USED BY H&M GUARD AT CHESTERFIELD MALL AND TAUBMAN OUTLET MALL RESULTS IN FELONY ARRESTS OF THE GUARD:

Shaun Ivy, 36, who lives in the 600 block of Nancy Drive in St. Charles was a store detective for H&M at Chesterfield Mall and at the Taubman Outlet Mall in Chesterfield Valley. He was arrested and charged with two cases where he stopped female shoppers and made a one-sided deal. Rather than turn them over to the police, he would take them to his house and rape them.

Officers with Des Peres Department of Public Safety uncovered the scheme. On April 15 a young woman contacted Des Peres Officers at West County Mall and reported that her girlfriend was supposed to meet her at West County Mall but was stopped by a security officer at H&M at Chesterfield Mall and she never showed up or contacted her.

Des Peres contacted Chesterfield PD and the investigation was on and travelled to St. Charles where Ivy lived and committed the rapes. The charges were filed in St. Charles County. The second probable cause statement below was especially creepy.

Police were able to connect Ivy with another rape from March 2. In both Probable Cause statements from court files on each case we blacked out the victim's initials.

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT I, Officer J. Bromwich, with the St. Charles Police Department, a law enforcement agency, state that the facts contained herein are true to my best knowledge and belief and that any false statements made are punishable by law.

1. On 03/02/2017 (date of crime) at Nancy Drive, St. Charles (location of crime) in St. Charles County, MO, Shaun A Ivy did:

commit the crime of kidnapping and rape by unlawfully removing victim [REDACTED] without her consent and confined [REDACTED] at Nancy Drive for a substantial period of time for the purpose of committing a sexual assault on victim [REDACTED].

Suspect Shaun Ivy detained [REDACTED] at his place of employment and coerced her into getting into his vehicle with the threat of incarceration and police action if she did not comply. Suspect Shaun Ivy then removed victim [REDACTED], from Chesterfield shopping mall without her consent and transported her to his place of residence, in St. Charles. Subsequently at the residence Shaun Ivy told the victim, to remove her clothing, in fear for life, victim [REDACTED] did eventually remove her pants. Suspect Shaun Ivy removed victim's underwear and inserted his penis inside victim's vagina.

[REDACTED] was identified as victim during the investigation of Shaun Ivy kidnapping another victim. It was found that [REDACTED] was detained and Shaun Ivy did not report the detainment to the Chesterfield Police Department although his reports document otherwise. Shaun Ivy used the threat of police action to intimidate [REDACTED].



We had made requests for more information on this case beginning on April 19, but were ignored until late Friday April 21, 2017. Here is what Chesterfield PD provided us:

Shaun Ivy age 36, resides in St. Charles, was arrested on 4/15/2017 at 20:00 Hrs at 17057 N. Outer 40 Road. He was booked for Kidnapping 3rd degree and released pending application of warrants.



Chesterfield mug shot Shaun Ivy.

Here the statement of probable cause we obtained on the April 15 incident:

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

I, Officer J. Bromwich, with the St. Charles Police Department, a law enforcement agency, state that the facts contained herein fare true to my best knowledge and belief and that any false statements are punishable by law.

1. On 04/15/2017 (date of crime) - at 643 Nancy Drive, St. Charles in St. Charles

County, MO, Shaun A. Ivy did: commit the crime of kidnapping by unlawfully removing victim [REDACTED] without her consent and confined [REDACTED] at 643 Nancy Drive for a substantial period of time for the purpose of committing a sexual assault on victim [REDACTED].

Suspect Shaun Ivy detained [REDACTED] at his place of employment and coerced her into getting into his vehicle with the threat of incarceration and police action if she did not comply. Suspect Shaun Ivy then removed victim [REDACTED], from Chesterfield shopping mall without her consent and transported her to his place of residence, in St. Charles. While en route, suspect, Shaun Ivy told victim he did her a favor now she needs to do him one. Subsequently at the residence Shaun Ivy told the victim, this was a business/pleasure relationship. Suspect Shaun Ivy told [REDACTED] the business was completed and he wanted the pleasure.

Victim texted a friend during this encounter and was put in contact with a police officer as well. She expressed fear for her life and advised she believed Shaun Ivy would kill her.

Shaun Ivy was taken into custody and evidence was located in his personal vehicle and his home belonging to the victim.

Chesterfield Police Department confirmed Shaun Ivy did not report the detainment of [REDACTED] to their agency.

SWEARING IN AND NEW COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS IN

CHESTERFIELD: Not even some of the newly sworn in members of the Chesterfield City Council had the guts to ask for City Clerk Vicki Hass to swear them in instead of the ethically challenged Municipal Judge Richard Brunk.

As usual Brunk was not sitting in the audience at the Council Chambers. No he was standing in the back hallway waiting for his name to be announced and then made his usually grand entrance. It is like he is a star at a rock concert and makes the big entrance.

Every person to be sworn in was done separately. It would have saved time and cut down on the Brunk show if the four plus he mayor simply raised their hand and got the oath of office from City Clerk Vicki Hass.

First up was Barb McGuinness who was uncontested in her reelection bid. McGuinness is becoming famous taking no crap and asking tough questions. However for the third straight time in 18 months (Special appointment Nov, 2015, 1-year term 2016 and now a two-year term) she cried. Before being sworn-in each councilperson made a short speech also delaying the time for them to go for 20-minutes to eat sweets in the city hall

lunch room with friends and family. She was followed by Ben Keithly, then Dan Hurt, Michele Ohley and finally Mayor Bob Nation.



In Town and Country the swearing in is much more civilized and time saving. The city clerk swears everyone in at once except the mayor because his oath has different wording.



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If you notice the alderperson don't sit by ward. The youngest females sit next to Mayor/Cigarette Lobbyist Jon Dalton.

NEW CHESTERFIELD PRESIDENT PRO TEM: It had been all prearranged! Councilman Tom DeCampi made a motion to nominate Dan Hurt as president pro temp of the Council and it passed on an 8-0 vote. How did we know it was prearranged? Hurt had the council assignments for 2017 already printed out! Here they are:

Planning and Public Works	Finance and Administration	Public Health and Safety
Guy Tilman Chair	Tom DeCampi Chair	Barry Flachsbart Chair
Barry Flachsbart	Barb McGuinness	Michele Ohley
Michele Ohley	Randy Logan	Dan Hurt
Dan Hurt	Ben Keathley	Guy Tilman

Parks: Randy Logan Chair, Barb McGuinness, Tom Decampi, Ben Keathley

THE CHESTERFIELD TRAILER PARK EVENT: It was the second time in less than a year that Consulting Engineer George Stock was the front man for a very unpopular project involving apartments. The first one was the high-end apartment proposal for Schottler Road at South Outer 40 Road. The opposition from wealthy people living along Schottler Road was so stiff and the Planning Commission appeared to be against it, that the developer withdrew the plans. They have not been heard from since. Stock told us they are still considering options. We heard they may have lost one of their financial backers.

Now Stock is the front man for another new apartment complex proposal. Just like the last one the rich people stopped; this one needs a zoning change. The difference is this time it is poor people and their advocates who are the opposition as the out of town developer wants to tear down a 50-year-old trailer park and replace it with 298 \$1,000-to-\$2000 a month apartments.

The Chesterfield Mobile Home Park is owned by Laclede Mobile Home Park, LLC which was Lawrence Behymer. In 1995 Secretary of State records showed an address of 2511 Kehrs Mill Road Chesterfield, Mo 63005.. That address is now the Schucks store on the corner of Clarkson and Kehrs Mill Road and is actually in Ballwin. It has never been updated with the Secretary of State.

Behymer died in 2000 at age 76. His wife died in 2008. Behymer, as the listed Registered Agent has been dead for 17 years. Laclede Mobile Home Park in lawsuits from 2004, shows an address at 15510 Olive Street Suite 100 Chesterfield, MO. But they have other trailer parks in Franklin and St. Charles Counties DBA Victoria Gardens Mobile Home Park. They showed an address 10 years ago of 9990 Manchester Road Glendale, MO which is now a Royal Bank building. Rest assured there has never been a mobile home park in Glendale or across the street in Warson Woods.

However, a lawsuit filed against a tenant of Chesterfield Manor Trailer Park was done under the name IREMCO, Inc. with an address of Laclede Mobile Home park at 15510 Olive Street Suite 100. IREMCO does property management.

The president of IREMCO is Thomas Elfrink and the vice president is Kimberly Elfrink who live at 2238 Kehrsgrrove Ct. in Clarkson Valley.

County Property Records of the trailer park take us back to Laclede Mobile Home Park, LLC and Mr. Behymer who has been dead for 17 years.

FIRST LETS LOOK AT THE TRAILER PARK AND SEE WHAT THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD AND THE MONARCH FIRE DISTRICT HAVE REFUSED TO DO:

When I was a cop in Liberty, Missouri, then 20,000 and now over 30,000 residents, we had four trailer parks Three were stereo typical white trash areas. But the fourth one was like trailer parks you can see in Florida. It was a very nice subdivision. All the trailers and lots were in excellent condition. The Chesterfield Mobile Home Park would fall into the general description of the first three I dealt with in Liberty, only much worse.

The general condition of the Chesterfield Mobile Home Park is deplorable and frightening considering how many small children live there and play in the street.

Let's take a look at the living conditions in the trailer park and tell me if you think the City of Chesterfield and the Monarch Fire Protection District are doing their job making sure the people and especially all the small children have a safe place to live. (On the positive side there was an effort to put smoke detectors in all of these fire traps.)



(Left) Junk unlicensed car and trash both city code violations. (Right) Junked rusted out engine and transmission on the curb. The trash is breeding ground for rats. A child on a bicycle taking a fall and landing on a rusted out car engine could result in some serious injuries.



Cloth car seats by the curb sitting out in the sun and the rain. A car on blocks! How safe is this if a kid's soccer ball goes under this car and the kid goes after it.



Junk unlicensed car with weeds growing around it. Another site with a junk unlicensed car surrounded by trash.



This is a car axel on wooden pallets in the front yard (left photo). If you look to the carport, that is a worker's light meant for temporary use, strung across the ceiling as a permanent carport light. Right photos shows trash in the front yard and unsafe steps to a cluttered porch.



(Left) Unsafe steps, but what got our attention was the washer. At first I thought perhaps it was being thrown out. However we saw several other trailers where the washer and dryers were on the porch with extension cords to them. I later learned this was not uncommon. Apparently there was no room for them inside and no place for vents for the dryers. Some people will bring in the washer for the winter, but the dryer stays out year round. There is nothing like enjoying a nice quiet night when suddenly your neighbor's spin cycle on their washer goes out of balance. (Right) This was quite a clear code violation. The backdoor (with no steps) had a hole punched in it and an extension cord running out of it.



(Left) This is sitting pretty. Two couches with insulation and debris sitting on them in the elements. (Right) "Trailer For Sale or Rent. Rooms to let 50-cents." Actually it is for sale.

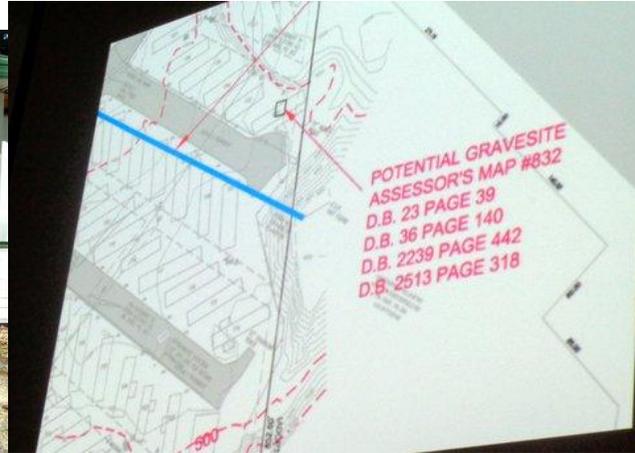
This was just the beginning I could have taken photo after photo at trailer site after trailer site of similar violations and dangerous situations. However **there were a few nice well kept sites also. Here are some of those:**



(Left) The trailer and lot of Ed Ernstrom was in perfect condition. (Right) So was the white trailer with the flowers on an entry way.



(Left) One of the two trailers used by the Journey Church in giving tutoring lessons and after school activities. (Right) This shed made me think of American Pickers and Frank and Mike.



(Left) This is the second Journey Church trailer. (Right) is a diagram prepared by consultant George Stock working for the apartment developer where a probable grave site is located from the 1870s. It turns out that according to Stock's diagram, the Journey Church trailer is possibly on top of the grave of a member of the Long family.

A COMPLAINT: I did send the photos of clear dangerous situations and obvious long term code violations to city hall making a complaint. I spoke with Guy Tilman on the night of the public hearing and his position it would not be fair to enforce the city law now as it would make the city look like they were working with the developers trying to force people out. Keeping people safe is apparently a secondary concern.

Mayor Bob Nation called me within 90 minutes of my email. "We will be damned if we do and damned if don't," said the mayor concerning enforcing the code.

Whose to blame? These unsafe conditions just didn't start in the last few months. Mayors and councilpersons have ignored these violations. Guy Tilman campaigned in the trailer park in his run for the city council in 2016 and did not report them. These hazardous conditions did not seem to bother Derek Grier or Bridget Nations. Frankly I doubt if they ever spent anytime in the trailer park. Bob Nation did not bring this up as mayor, but neither did Bruce Geiger or John Nations who served as mayor for over a decade.

But the people who are paid to look after everyone's health and safety 24 hours a day apparently have done little. Police officers patrol the streets. They have to see the same things I did, plus they are answering calls inside some of these trailers. They haven't seemed to report any of the serious code violations or if they did it was ignored.

Firefighters and paramedics answer EMS calls in the trailers. One member of Monarch FPD mentioned that on an EMS call they were told not to step on the throw rug as it

was covering a hole in the floor and they could fall through. There is no evidence of Monarch first responders reporting any of these type of violations to the city.

As a former fire investigator I'm very aware that mobile homes burn rapidly. To make matters worse most of these trailers are from the 1960s meaning most of the required fire proofing today did not exist then and these trailers are tinder boxes. Porches and doorways need to be in good shape and clear of debris, stored items and washers and dryers.

Not only is there a safety issue to the residents of the trailer park, but there is a safety issue for the first responders to the trailer park. That is why the residences need to meet the minimum safety and code requirements. Cosmetic violations like peeling paint clearly can be ignored for a time. A one-year warning could be issued.



A possible avenue for enforcement. The residents have to own the trailers or rent them from a third party. They have to pay \$350-\$375 a month rent for the pad to Chesterfield Mobile Home Park. The city could start enforcing safety issues against the Chesterfield Mobile Home Park for unsafe conditions on their property while warning the trailer owners for violations with their trailers and giving them lots of time to fix the non-safety violations before citing them.

LIABILITY: If the city refuses to enforce health safety codes over an extended period that it enforces everywhere else in the city there is a chance it could lose its Sovereign Immunity status due to gross negligence and be partially libel for injuries and death.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING ABOUT THE PROPOSED APARTMENTS TAKING OVER THE TRAILER PARK The Planning Commission meeting where citizens could comment on the proposed apartment complex to be built where the trail park is now was held on Monday April 24. The city council chamber was standing room only. The Amerwest Development Company of West Palm Beach, Florida has a contingent contract with the the trailer park owners, the

dead Behymers apparently that currently owns the property and has let it fall into disrepair while charging \$375 a month rent of the land a trailer sits on.

Jessica Henry of the City went first and gave details of the property and the current code C-7 which allows.

This area allows the following:

Truck terminals	Railroad switching Yards	Dog Kennels/Pet Grooming
Dry Cleaning Plants	Welding & Metal Works	Office Buildings
Some retail shops	Public Utilities	Boat storage
more similar		

George Stock got 15 minutes to put on the case for the apartment complex. Stock said if the zoning change was approved no one would have to vacate until the summer of 2018 after the 2017-18 school year.



Stock

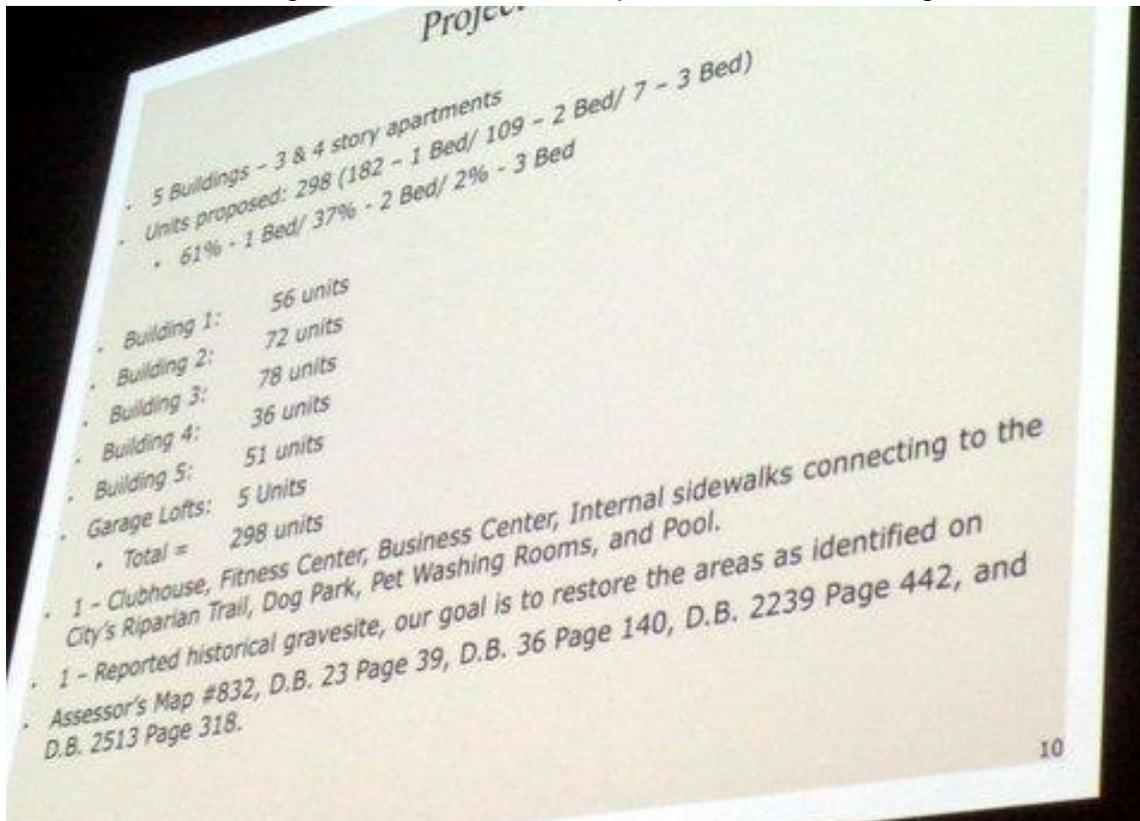


Proposed Apartments



Aerial view of current mobile home park

Here are the buildings and where the 298 apartment units would go.



THE DILEMMA: In the United States people have a right to sell their property. The owners of the trailer park could sell immediately to anyone that wants to have a business that meets the C-7 zoning, such as a dry cleaning plant.

However for apartments the zoning has to be changed. If a change in zoning doesn't affect other property owners and the request for change is reasonable can the city deny it?

Meanwhile there is a groundswell of good natured people who do not want to see the low income residents of the trailer park be forced to move, especially out of the Rockwood School District. We have heard there are several trailer parks in the region that have offered to help move trailers to their parks. However they are out of the Rockwood School District.

Here is how the comments went for two hours at the Planning Commission meeting.

James Moore, Social Justice for All, an organization of seven-Catholic Parishes and one other church in West County.

"People have expressed dismay since the Presidential election. You have an obligation to promote the welfare of the people of Chesterfield in a minority enclave. (A large number of Hispanics live in the Trailer Park).

Charles Oaks, Resident of Trailer Park.

"The mobile home park is available to low income families. The children of the families in the mobile home park go to the Rockwood Schools. Where will they go to school and what kind of education will they get if they are force to move? The mobile home park can look rough on the outside, but it looks magical on the inside."

Lisa Oaks, Resident of Trailer Park

"We have more kids playing outside than in most neighborhoods. I work at the mall. It is important to live close. Most of the trailers here are old. Many places (other trailer parks) will not take trailers as old as ours".

Steve Robinson, Chesterfield farms subdivision. Robinson said he has a special needs daughter who with some difficulty was able to graduate from high school. She wanted to live on her own. She is living in the trailer park. She walks to work. She now has a boyfriend living with her and she is pregnant. Robinson said this is the only place she could afford to live and be on her own.

"There is a lot of open land in Chesterfield. Why can't this project go somewhere else?"

Marlin Manner, Resident of Trailer Park

"I moved out here 25 years ago. We (he and his wife) can't afford to live anywhere else."

Kimberly Paddock-O'Reilly, Executive Vice-President of Academic Affairs, Logan University

"Our students buy mobile homes and then upon graduating sell the homes to new students."

Mike Collins, Chesterfield resident

"My mother is 88-years-old and lives at the Sunrise Assisted Living. My other mother (mother-in-law) Winnie doesn't want to live with us. She wants to be on her own. She lives at the Chesterfield Mobile Home Park. She is living on a \$900 a month Social Security check. It (the trailer park) is a unique place. It would do my mother-in-law terrible harm if she was forced to move."

Elaine Collins, Chesterfield resident

"My mother, Winnie, is 87-years-old. She is in a community and at home. She goes to a church in the Chesterfield Valley. She doesn't have a car. She takes her bicycle anywhere she wants to do. This would be like taking a subdivision and telling 140 people they have to leave, 'we don't want you here anymore.'"

Bill Mueller Chesterfield resident

"In the 23 years I have lived here I pass the mobile home park regularly. I have never seen a problem there. The people in that mobile home park have never done anything to hurt anyone."

"The Chesterfield mall is having problems. That land will be available soon for apartments. *I don't think you want to throw these people out."

Anthony Todes (sp) Ladue Bluffs

" It feels improper to displace 140 families for 298 that don't exist. The target residents would be Millennials. They don't stay one place too long. The rents at the apartments would be \$1,400 for a one-bedroom and \$2,000 a month for a 2-bedroom. By rezoning it and forcing these people to leave you will send a message to the community on what people are worth.

Lisa Vey, Ballwin

"I was raised in a mobile home park. I'm fully supportive for these people."

Laura Elaina Zumora, Trailer Park Resident

"I settled here 13-years ago. I can pickup my grandchildren at the bus stop. This is all I can afford, no more."

Bernie Schmidt Chesterfield resident (Schmidt was one of the only people to speak in favor of the high dollar apartments planned for Schottler Road that never got approval.)

"I'm here tonight to say that you have to think about the humanity crisis you would have on your hands. I don't think you would want that on your record. I don't see a plan in place to take care of these families."

James Wells, Trailer Park resident

"11-years ago I moved into the Chesterfield Mobile Home Park. I paid \$4,200 for a really old trailer. I rebuilt this whole trailer one room at a time. I have \$10,000 invested in that trailer. Please don't take my home away."

Bob Ernst, former urban planner Mr. Ernst spent more time giving everyone his background of his education and jobs as an urban planner and college instructor than his comments. Here is all I wrote down for his remarks:

"Human dignity? What kind of city does Chesterfield want to be?"

Richard Miller, Ballwin

"My heart goes out to these people."

Carlos, Trailer Park resident Carlos read from written notes in broken English.

"For 12 years I'm a resident. It is affordable for my income. My children attend Rockwood Schools."

Patrick Fisher, Principal of Wild Horse Creek Elementary School (Fisher had at least 11 kids from the trailer park that attend his school lined up behind him.) He spoke that the people making money on this deal would be out-of-town developers. Also he spoke of the important of diversity in schools in Chesterfield. He ended with: "Please keep in mind these kids."



Pastor Rev. Margaret Phillips, United Wild Horse Creek Church

"Church members have found a place for tutoring in the mobile home park. This is a question of who we want to be as a community."

Debbie Cram (???), teacher

"140 children would be displaced. They add an element of diversity to our schools."

Andrew Williams, Trailer Park resident

Mr. Williams was the only person to talk about the bad condition the trailer park is in. He added he lives in a 1968 trailer and pays \$370 a month rent for the pad.

Melisa Earhart, Russell Bld. St. Louis, MO After School Programs (has 100 kids in the program from Trailer park area)

"I'm a Millennial. You don't want a community (apartment residents) that come in and then move out two years later. Millennials are social. They will not rent apartments where they moved out elderly and families. **If you move these kids from this school district it will be literally stealing the futures from these kids.**"

Aaron Layton, St. Charles Elder Journey Church

"I volunteer doing tutoring two days a week in the trailer park. The thought of this land being rezoned and not seeing these kids everyday is frightening. The senior pastor asked us 'how long are we in for this program.' I told him 'we are in until Jesus comes back.'"

Sandra Carr Baxter Ridge Drive Chesterfield

"I believe in 'It takes a Village to raise a child.' If the zoning is changed Chesterfield refuses to raise the child."

Ms. A.C. Perez Trailer Park Resident

"I'm a mom with three kids. I used to have to work two jobs to pay rent. I'm happy I moved there. I can give my girls all day on Saturday and Sunday."

Renee Schultz Chesterfield resident and realtor

"If the trailer park is closed I know these people cannot find another place in Chesterfield. It would be a tragedy to force these people out for the almighty dollar."

Kalila Jackson, Attorney for the Metro St. Louis Equal Housing and Opportunity Council

"We were brought in by a letter that said it (rezoning and apartments) would wipe out affordable housing in Chesterfield. Many of the residents are Hispanic and are a protected class."

Lillian Rivelle, Translator Rockwood School District

"If you rezone you will be taking their schools away. They love their schools."

Ed Ernstrom, Chiropractor Trailer Park resident

"We had less than four weeks notice this meeting was coming. We have had no notification from the property manager or the city. We first found out about it in February when KMOV TV news crew came out.

I understand the city wants to grow. Traffic with the 298 apartments is going to be a big issue. With 140 homes is there anybody in this room that can claim the park creates a traffic problem." (Ernstrom then ran out of time and was cut off by Planning chairman Stanley Proctor.)

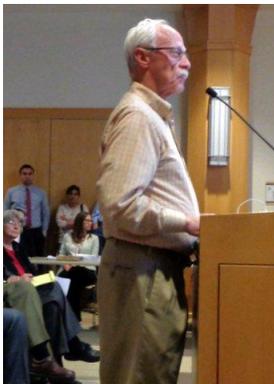
Venita Lake Waterman Ave in St. Louis (she spoke on historical research)

"This (the property were the trailer park is located) was the home of the Long family. They date back to Land Grants including one from 1797 dating back to Spanish Control. Lawrence Long (1755-1803) is buried there (somewhere on the old Long property.)

Jane Durrell Former Councilwoman, member of Chesterfield Historical and Landmarks Commission

"I only found out a few days ago there is a gravesite involved. I have lived in Chesterfield 48 years. This trailer park has been there as long as I can remember. My request to you is to leave it there."

Photos of speakers:



James Moore



Charles Oaks



Lisa Oaks



Steve Robinson



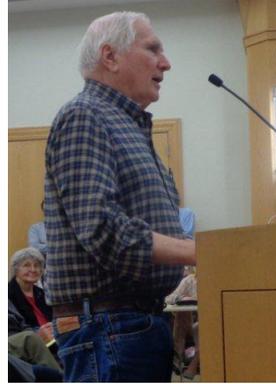
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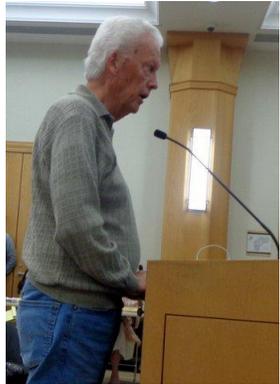
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Venita Lake



Jane Durrell

CHESTERFIELD POLICE BLOTTER: Here are the calls and activity handled by the Chesterfield Police Officers last week:

CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT Media Report April 19, 2017 - April 25, 2017

Time of Occurrence	Generic Address	Business/Location Name	Incident Type
04/25/2017, 0748	15XXX OLIVE BLVD	Faust Park	Fraud trafficking in

04/25/2017, 0748			stolen identiti
Brief Narrative Description: 35 yo male and 40 yo female in possession of materials capable of producing fake credit cards after suspicious vehicle check. Further investigation ongoing with the assistance of federal agencies.			
04/25/2017, 1417 04/25/2017, 1417	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Heavy Duty Equipment	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 26 yo female took chainsaws and ran out of store with paying.			
04/20/2017, 1519 04/21/2017, 0000	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	Kay's Jewelers	Larceny Over \$750 Employer
Brief Narrative Description: 44 yo male took jewelry while working for employer.			
04/08/2017, 1800 04/09/2017, 0900	20XX WINTERHAVEN CT	Larceny under \$750 Residence	
Brief Narrative Description: 17 yo female took jewelry from victim's residence.			
01/11/2017, 1055 03/13/2017, 0952	1XX HILLTOWN VILLAGE CTR	US Bank	Forgery Check
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject forged stolen checks at bank.			
04/24/2017, 2136 04/24/2017, 2136	16XXX BURKHARDT PL	YMCA	Larceny under \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took wallet from unlocked locker.			
04/23/2017, 1630 04/24/2017, 0810	14XX WESTMEADE DR	Larceny under \$750 from Auto	
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took a wallet.			
04/24/2017, 1210 04/24/2017, 1210	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 22 yo male concealed sunglasses and left store without paying.			
04/24/2017, 1230 04/24/2017, 1230	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	Victoria's Secret	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects concealed clothing and left store without paying.			
04/24/2017, 1509 04/24/2017, 1640	15XXX OLIVE BLVD	Taco Bell	Larceny under \$750 Employer
Brief Narrative Description: 28 yo female took cash deposit envelope from employer.			
04/23/2017, 1300 04/23/2017, 1400	17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD	Culvers	Larceny Over \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's cell phone after it was left behind in restaurant.			
04/24/2017, 1800 04/24/2017, 2045	NORTH OUTER 40 & BOONES CROSSING	Possession of Stolen Property Clothing	
Brief Narrative Description: 19 and 17 yo females and 18 yo male in possession of stolen clothing after suspicious vehicle stop.			
04/24/2017, 1740			

04/24/2017, 1740	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Polo	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 26, 21, and two 19 yo females concealed clothing from multiple stores and left without paying.			
04/22/2017, 1615 04/22/2017, 1700	16XXX BURKHARDT PL	YMCA	Larceny under \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took wallet from unlocked locker.			
04/23/2017, 2030 04/23/2017, 2123	10XX NOONING TREE DR	Property Damage to Vehicle	
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject broke out windows on victim's vehicle.			
04/23/2017, 2158 04/23/2017, 2158	1XX RIDGE CREST DR	Drugs Possession - Felony	
Brief Narrative Description: 25 yo male in possession of heroin and paraphernalia after overdosing. Subject revived and transported to hospital for treatment.			
04/22/2017, 0945 04/22/2017, 1010	13XXX PRIMWOOD DR	Assault Common Assault - Actual	
Brief Narrative Description: 30 yo female slapped and threw glass item at victim after argument causing minor injuries.			
04/21/2017, 1800 04/22/2017, 1230	14XXX HARMONY MEADOW CT	Property Damage to House	
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject broke window and spray painted graffiti inside house under construction.			
04/20/2017, 1544 04/20/2017, 1544	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	Fraud Credit Card
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's debit card information to make purchases.			
04/19/2017, 0000 04/21/2017, 1003	3XX WOODS MILL TERRACE LN	Fraud Checks	
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject created fraudulent checks using victim's information and cashed them.			
04/21/2017, 1258 04/21/2017, 1258	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 19 yo female failed to scan items at self checkout and walked out of store without paying.			
04/21/2017, 1441 04/21/2017, 1450	2XX THF BLVD	Lowe's	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 25 yo male concealed chainsaw blades and left store without paying.			
03/22/2017, 1200 04/17/2017, 1600	2XX THF BLVD	Lowe's	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject concealed copper wire and left store without paying.			
04/21/2017, 1830 04/21/2017, 1905	9XX E CHESTERFIELD PKY	Walgreens	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject concealed electronics and left store without paying.			
04/20/2017, 1100 04/20/2017, 1500	17XX CLARKSON RD	Petco	Larceny under \$750 from Auto

Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took money and a watch.			
04/20/2017, 1737 04/20/2017, 1737	1XX THF BLVD	Walmart	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 41 yo male took two small appliances and walked out of store without paying.			
04/20/2017, 1328 04/20/2017, 1328	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	Animeggroll	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 23 yo male concealed clothing, wallets, and jewelry from multiple stores and left without paying. Also in possession of Xanax.			
03/02/2017, 1100 03/02/2017, 1100	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	H&M	Abduction
Brief Narrative Description: Ongoing investigation of abduction involving security officer.			
04/19/2017, 0640 04/19/2017, 0640	164 HWY W & BOONES CROSSING	Drugs Possession Misdemeanor -	
Brief Narrative Description: 24 yo male in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
04/04/2017, 0000 04/07/2017, 2359	13XX CHERRY GLEN CT	Fraud Credit Card	
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's credit card information to make purchases.			
04/15/2017, 2200 04/16/2017, 0200	2XX S WOODS MILL RD	St. Luke's Hospital	Larceny Over \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took money out of victim's wallet which was left unattended in room.			
04/19/2017, 1432 04/19/2017, 1432	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Villa Fresh Italian Kitchen	Fraud Counterfeit Bills
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject passed counterfeit currency to business.			
04/19/2017, 2040 04/19/2017, 2040	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Kays Jewelers	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject grabbed jewelry and ran out of store without paying.			
04/19/2017, 2029 04/19/2017, 2029	OLIVE BLVD & PEACH HILL LN	Drugs Possession Misdemeanor -	
Brief Narrative Description: 21 yo female in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
04/13/2017, 0000 04/19/2017, 1018	18XXX EDISON AVE	Property Damage to Vehicle	
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject damaged lock on container truck.			
08/12/2016, 1200 08/12/2016, 1200	5X CLARKSON WILSON CTR	Dynasty China	Checks Insufficient Funds Misdemeanor -
Brief Narrative Description: 32 yo female passed insufficient funds check to business.			

FORMER COUNCILMAN BRUCE DEGROOT FEATURED IN A NOT TOO KIND TONY MESSENGER COLUMN. WE LOOK AT WHO IS GIVING HIM CONTRIBUTIONS SO FAR IN 2017:

As a councilman, Bruce DeGroot and I would exchange phone calls. Normally I would get one when he was upset about something I wrote and I would call him when I was looking to confirm something. We were always friendly and got along even when Bruce was pissed at me. However, I had considered Bruce on the ethics line and finally wrote him off when he voted to keep the documents and emails secret involving the Doorack \$8000,000 lease for an empty lot in November of 2016.

Now Post-Dispatch columnist Tony Messenger published a piece in the Sunday April 23rd edition of paper ripping DeGroot up one side and down the other. Messenger was upset that DeGroot as a lawyer had gone to bat for people against debt collectors who buy pennies on the dollar loan default judgments and then go after poor people.

However DeGroot switched sides and was working for the Debt Collectors while he was on the Chesterfield City Council and when he won a seat in the Missouri House of Representatives. Here is the link to the Messenger column:

http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/columns/tony-messenger/messenger-missouri-lawmaker-switches-teams-files-bill-to-help-debt/article_e9b41a91-51af-594d-ac47-aaf7802d004a.html



Messenger's column was posted on the Post-Dispatch website at the same time I was reviewing DeGroot's first quarter campaign contributions.

Keep in mind DeGroot was replacing Don Gosen, who resigned in mid-term due to a sex scandal when he convince a young woman in Jefferson City that he was divorced when he started a sexual relationship with her and in fact he was married with a wife and kids at home in Ballwin. When the new girlfriend she said she wanted to get

married he tried to break it off, only to have her drive to his home on a weekend wearing just an overcoat to surprise him only to find his wife at home.

So in other words DeGroot has some moral high ground he needs to retake.

Here are some of his contributors in the first three months of a non-election year, 2017 along with our wise ass comments on the first two :

Debt Collection Agencies

Hawthorne Recovery Columbia, MO \$250 ("Welcome to Jefferson City. You have done good work for us in the past. Keep it up!")

Non-Brand cigarettes:

X-Caliber \$250 ("Welcome to Jefferson City. Remember we need you to continue to keep cigarette taxes in Missouri the lowest in the free world.")

Lobbyists, Special Interest Law firms and Lawyers:

Francis Flotron registered Lobbyist with 48 special interest clients \$150

William Logan Attorney Chesterfield \$500
Scott Walterbach Attorney Kansas City, MO \$500
Miller & Steeno St. Louis, MO
Gusdorf Law Firm St. Louis, MO \$300
Thomas Ward St. Louis \$500

Insurance Companies

Farmers Agents PAC \$300
Shelter Insurance \$500

Builders

McBride and Sons Chesterfield, MO \$1,000
Independent Electrical Contractors \$300
Home Building Industry \$325

Commercial Real Estate

Trident Group, LLC Chesterfield \$1,000

Political Action Groups

Leadership for America PAC Eureka \$500

Alliance for Progress, LLC Jefferson City Mo \$1,000 This LLC was organized by a Clayton Lawyer, with a Kansas City address and an Ethics Commission address in Jefferson City.

MO Majority PAC Perryville \$1,000

Healthcare

Missouri Nurse Anesthetists \$500

St. Louis Home Health \$250

Physical Therapists of MO \$500

ELLISVILLE MAYOR TAKES \$1,119 from Ameren Union Electric for one Hockey game: In the quarterly lobbyist reports the name of Ellisville mayor Adam Paul popped up. A lobbyist for Union Electric/Ameren provided tickets to Paul and a friend worth \$1,020 plus \$99 in food and drink to attend the St. Louis Blues outdoor Winterfest hockey game held at Busch Stadium.



Adam Paul

Tim Pogue, Ballwin mayor only took one ticket to the hockey game, that along with food came to \$609. **Chris Thornton, mayor of Brentwood** also took the \$609 ticket and food from Union Electric/Ameren.



Pogue



Thorton

Do you really think it shows high ethical standards when the leaders of cities take \$600 and \$1,110 handouts from the region's largest utility?

MEDIA: St. Louis-Post-Dispatch Washington Correspondent Doesn't Know Crap About Route 66! Adam Aton, the P-D's Washington Correspondent wrote a short piece about an Illinois congressman taking a trip down Route 66 in Illinois. Slow news day! People from all over Europe come to the U.S. to drive Route 66 every year. The problem with Aton's short article of April 19th is that it contains two glaring errors.



http://www.stltoday.com/business/with-legislation-pending-davis-motors-route-to-tour-businesses/article_0395a9b4-ac26-58a5-8d96-afeb268877f6.html

First the story is about Illinois Rep. Rodney Davis taking a tour of Route 66 Illinois. So they run a photo of Carl's Drive-In in Brentwood, MO. From the article:



This is in Brentwood, MO not Illinois.

In addition to the King Cole Trio song "(Get Your Kicks on) Route 66," the highway earned its place in American culture through the early 1960s television show "Route 66" that followed two teenagers crossing the country in their Chevrolet Corvette Convertible.

It was one of the first series to film entirely on location, showcasing the country's varied landscapes and landmarks as a different backdrop each week.

Then Aton has the following:

In their words

"Now you go through Saint Looey
Joplin, Missouri,
And Oklahoma City is mighty pretty.
You see Amarillo,
Gallup, New Mexico,
Flagstaff, Arizona.
Don't forget Winona,
Kingman, Barstow, San Bernardino."
— Nat King Cole

While the Nat King Cole Trio recorded the song, the words actually belong to Bobby Troup who wrote the song and pitched it to Nat King Cole.

Here is what I wrote in the Post-Dispatch comment section. By later on Wednesday morning the piece was pulled from the P-D's website :

John Hoffmann ·

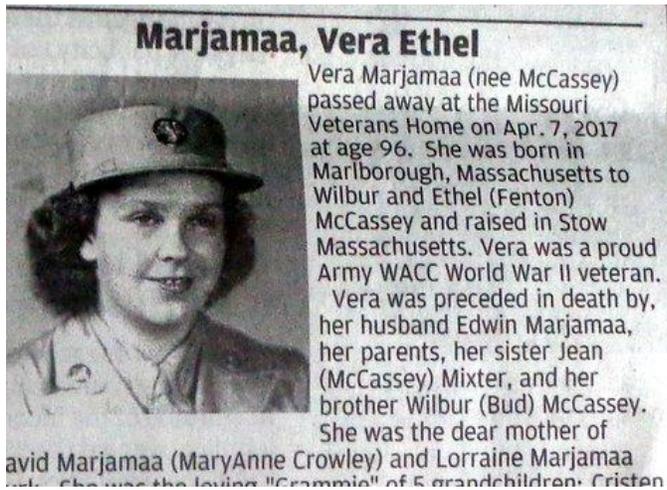
Town and Country, Missouri

Jesus! Why can't Adam Aton at least Google up some facts. The Route 66 TV show was not based on two teenagers in a Corvette. Martin Milner who was 29-year-old when the TV show first went on the air and had already appeared in the several movies in the 1950s including Mr. Roberts in 1955, played Tod Stiles, a recent college graduate. Stiles along with his friend Buzz Murdock who as an adult worked for Tod's father, played by George Maharis, who was 32 years-old when Route 66 first aired. These guys were never portrayed as teenagers until Mr. Aton got near the keyboard.

It would be so nice if the Post-dispatch would bring back some editors.

Aton also had lyrics from the song at the end of the piece and wrote "Nat King Cole" inferring Nat wrote the song. The song was written by Bobby Troup and he pitched it to Nat King Cole who agreed to record it just as soon as Troup finished writing the rest of the song. So much for accuracy from our former great newspaper and misinformation from a Washington Correspondent. .

OBIT PHOTO OF THE WEEK:



CARTOONS: Space was too tight for our normally cartoon offering. We only had room for these three.



