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July 10, 2017

JANE CUNNINGHAM ANNOUNCES HER RESIGNATION AT THE END OF JULY FROM THE MONARCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS. SHE AND HER HUSBAND PLAN TO MOVE TO LAKE OF THE OZARKS.

I had a nice hour long chat Sunday July 1 with former State Senator and current Director on the Monarch Fire Prevention District Board, Jane Cunningham. She said she planned to announce on Thursday at the Monarch FPD meeting that she would resign at the end of the month. She did that and handed in a letter of resignation.

“I don’t want to be like Elliot Grissom (former Chesterfield City Councilman) and break Missouri law by moving out of the district and continue to serve. (Grissom had moved to Wildwood and was living there the last five months of his council term, but continued to serve and collect a paycheck despite have moved out of the city.)



Jane Cunningham at a meeting while a resident of the district. Elliot Grissom at a Chesterfield City Council agenda meeting long after he had moved to Wildwood and should have resigned.

Here is the story from Jane. She and her husband, lawyer and former presidential appointee to several positions in Washington, DC, Gary Cunningham were planning on putting their house on the market and moving to their house on the Lake of the Ozarks in Camden County after her term with Monarch expired in April of 2019.

Jane said she and Gary were cleaning out their basement and started having regular piles of items by the curb. She added that realtor contracted them and said she might have a person interested in their house if they were selling. Without the house going on the market there was a contact offered that will close at the end of July.

Cunningham told us that while her term is not up until April 2019, she felt she got a lot accomplished dealing with the District's spending, lowering worker comp insurance and firefighter union issues. She said she was sure directors Rick Gans and Robin Harris could find a good replacement on the board for the remaining 20 months of her term. Cunningham was elected in 2013 and with Robin Harris moved the Board of Directors from a "pro union" board to a "pro-taxpayers" board. Rick Gans, a former board member defeated by Steven Swyers in 2011 then replaced Swyers after he resigned while being in the minority on the board. Gans was unopposed in last April's election.



Cunningham said she would keep watching the goings on in Chesterfield and Monarch.

Cunningham said her biggest disappointments locally was the positions taken by Chesterfield mayor Bob Nation on the city spending money on the Dan Buck baseball complex that involved the city buying land for the developers and for Nation's vote to continue a Chesterfield TDD tax district after its expiration date for a hockey rink. (The Buck deal fell through when he could not meet contract requirements.)

She is still unhappy with some of the comments Nation has directed her way after she supported him when councilpersons Connie Fultz, Elliot Grissom and Mike Casey were pushing for his impeachment after the assistant city administrator complained about him swearing about actions of the city administrator in her office.

How Quickly they forget: Below are photos of Jane Cunningham speaking against the censure of Mayor Bob Nation before the 7-0 vote of the City Council for censure (left). A month later Cunningham and Nation's biggest detractor Concilwoman Connie Fults went at it. Fults with Cunningham's help was voted out of office in 2016, replaced by Tom DeCampi.



Cunningham has not ruled out her seeking an elected position again. The current state senator in Camden County is term limited out at the end of 2018. She said she might consider running for the seat unless he is supporting another candidate.

Here is her letter of resignation:

July 6, 2017

Mr. Rick Gans, President
Mr. Robin Harris, Treasurer
Monarch Fire Protection District Board
13725 Olive Blvd.
Chesterfield, Missouri 63017

Dear Directors Gans and Harris:

Per 190.052 RSMO, I am reluctantly resigning from the Monarch Fire Protection Board of Directors effective the end of this month because of the sale of my residence within the District boundaries.

It has been my honor and privilege to represent and serve the taxpayers of Monarch going on my fifth year. It is satisfying to leave the Board in such committed, experienced and capable hands as you two. Despite the move, rest assured I will remain engaged in Monarch and our community.

Most Sincerely,

Jane Cunningham, Director
Monarch Fire Protection District

LUTHERAN SENIOR SERVICES AT TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING BUT VP PWOERPOINT PUTS THEIR BUILDINGS IN CHESTERFIELD.

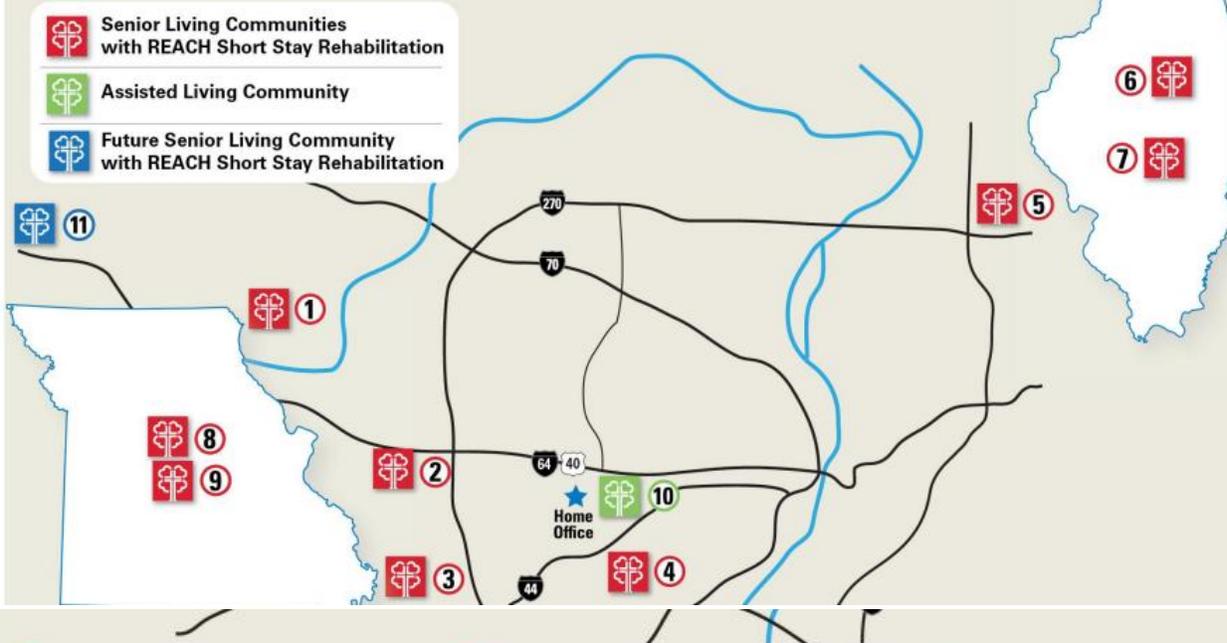
They also claim their Webster Groves and Richmond Heights facilities are in St. Louis. If they don't know where their property is why would you want to rezone them?

On Wednesday night June 28th at the Town and Country Planning and Zoning Commission meeting Lutheran Senior Services wanted to rezone to expand their facility on the South Outer Road near Mason Road. In the power point presentation they had a slide of their facilities in the area, including the one called Mason Pointe. There was just one problem they didn't know where many of them were located.





Missouri / Illinois Service Area



- 1 Breeze Park, St. Charles, MO
- 2 Mason Pointe, Chesterfield, MO
- 3 Meramec Bluffs, Ballwin, MO
- 4 Laclede Groves, St. Louis, MO

- 5 Meridian Village, Glen Carbon, IL
- 6 Lutheran Hillside Village - Peoria, IL
- 7 Concordia Village - Springfield, IL
- 8 Lenoir Woods - Columbia, MO

- 9 Heisinger Bluffs & St. Joseph's Bluffs - Jefferson City, MO
- 10 Richmond Terrace, St. Louis, MO
- 11 Lake Pointe, Lake Saint Louis, MO

Mark W. Schoedel was giving the presentation after consulting engineer George Stock's opening remarks. Schoedel was talking about all the facilities Lutheran Senior Services had. He was facing the Town and Country Planning and Zoning Commission. There should have been no mistake about where he was as there was a huge T&C logo on the wall directly in front of him. However on his screen it listed the Mason Pointe facility being in CHESTERFIELD! (See above)





After his presentation I asked him if he was aware that he was at the Town and Country City Hall and the the Chesterfield City Limitis were two to three miles west of his property, but he claimed it was listed by zip code in Chesterfield. He immediately fell into our trap by saying it had a Chesterfield zip code.

I stated that was odd since his facility in Webster Groves has a Webster Groves (63119) zipcode but he lists that as being in St. Louis. The facility in Richmond Heights has a unique Richmond Heights zipcode (63117), but his graphic lists it in St. Louis. Schoedel is not from the St. Louis area and is unaware that many people don't want to live in the crime ridden City of St. Louis, so it might be wise to properly list his facilites located in the suburbs as being in the suburbs.

The new buildings would house 156 new units beginning at 900 square feet per unit with most being larger with two bedrooms. The plans were approved

SHORT GUY SNYDROME AT THE PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING: The chair in the middle of the dais is the BIG chair, for the mayor or the chair of a P&Z Commission, Board of Adjustment and Architectual Review Board. At the start of the meeting P&Z chairman Ron Sulewski complained the large centerbacked chair was stuck on the highest position and would not retract.

The person who normally sits in the chair is the short-guy mayor, Jon Dalton who has appeared to have a "little guy" complex" since I first met him. He always has on the most expensive suit, always has cuff links, has women his size or a little shorter sit next to him on the dais and will often stand on a step if one is availabe when talking to taller normal sized people.



Sulewski switched the chair with one that had a smaller back when he could not adjust the seat to lower it. It was not a big surprise. Dalton, although a member of the P&Z rarely shows up for a meeting so he won't have to piss someone because the way he voted, showed. It was his first meeting in over a year. Dalton was there because his "black hole" to shovel money into something called the Town Square" was on the agenda.

Dalton gladly sat in his high chair.



In his special chair Dalton has about an inch on the much taller Sulewski.



Here Dalton is drawfed by average height PW Director Craig Wilde and Attorney Ed Sluys. (I know you should not make fun of people's height, but when Sulewski complained about the chair being stuck on the high position I had to laugh out loud.)

THE HIGH RISE GEZABO IS REJECTED: Kenneth Hohlt, 62, of 88 Hawthorne Estates (next door to the batting cage house we reported on last week), built a 27-foot 7-inch high gezabo and obsersvation platform over a year ago in his backyard. The structure is 75% over the maximum allowed for a gezabo. He never obtained a building permit or any kind of permission from the City. A neighbor complained and the city staff contacted Hohlt about the violation. He then applied for a conditional use permit and the already built structure was before the Planning and Zoning Commission for approval.



Kenneth Hohlt makes his plea.

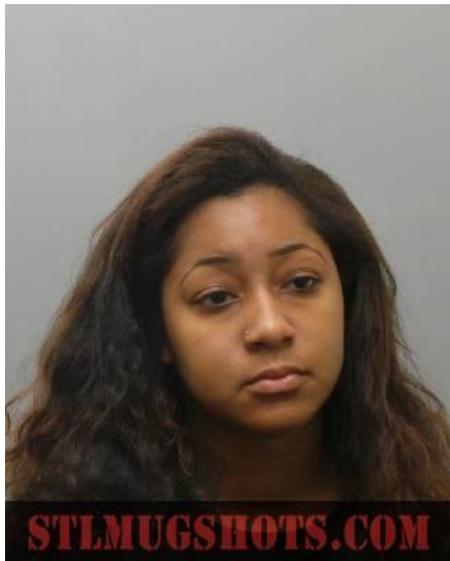
Hohlt was asked how he knew it was safe without an architect or engineering designing it. He replied that he graduated from Washington University school of Architecture in 1966. His online resume also cites degrees from Washington University in Structural Engineering and Building Design. However, he was never a practicing architect.

His request for a Conditional Use Permit was turned down on a 7-2 vote.

Oh and The Town Square? It passed on an 8-to-1 vote. Only Dennis Bolazina who voted against it. I left after several residents complained about parts of the project and were ignored by everyone except Bolazina. After 3-hours and 45-minutes I drove to Sasha's in Clayton to hear the third and final set of jazz for the night. I learned of the vote the next day.

FORMER EMPLOYEE PROVES TARGET WAS RIGHT TO FIRE HER:

On April 17 the Town and Country Target Store fired 17-year-old Brianna Richards of 1518 Westmeade Drive in Chesterfield. Four days later she came back to the Target Store with two Target Gift Cards. She was still in the store's computer system. She found unused registered and loaded each card with \$500, The next day she went to two different Target Stores and used both cards.



Here are the charging documents:

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

-VS-

CIRCUIT

BRIANNA RICHARDS 1518 WESTMEADE DRIVE CHESTERFIELD, MO 63017	31 W	RACE: Black SEX: Female DOB: 08/20/1999 HGT: 5'07" WGT: 125lbs. P.D.: Town and Country	SS OI C/ RI C'
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Aliases:

CHARGES

Count: 01 STEALING - \$750 OR MORE - CLASS D FELONY

COMPLAINT

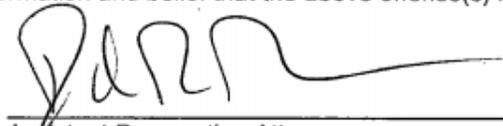
State of Missouri)
County of St. Louis) SS

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 STEALING - \$750 OR MORE - CLASS D FELONY

That Brianna Richards, in violation of Section 570.030, RSMo, committed the class D felony of stealing, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.002 and 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about April 21, 2017, at 1272 Town and Country Crossing Drive, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant appropriated U.S. currency, of a value of at least seven hundred fifty dollars, which property was in the possession of Target, and defendant appropriated such property without the consent of Target and with the purpose to deprive Target thereof.
570.030-035Y20172399.0

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



Assistant Prosecuting Attorney 44360

I, Chris Hunt, DSN 0073, 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 April 21, 2017, at 1272 Town and Country Crossing Drive, Brianna Richards, Black, Female, DOB 08/20/1999, 5'07", 125lbs, committed one or more criminal offense(s).

Count: 01 STEALING - \$750 OR MORE - CLASS D FELONY

The facts supporting this belief are as follows: Defendant was an employee of the Target store in Town and Country who was fired on April 17, 2017. Four days later, she entered the store and loaded two gift cards with \$500 apiece, entering the information into the register herself, but providing no payment for the gift cards. Defendant had apparently not been removed from the store's computer system subsequent to her firing, allowing her to access the register and load the cards. Defendant went to two different Target stores the following day and redeemed the cards for \$500 cash. Defendant was arrested several days later and confessed to loading the cards and then, after an unsuccessful attempt to use the cards to purchase different gift cards, redeeming them for cash. She said she had used the money to fix her car, to buy gas and food, and to help a friend pay a traffic ticket.

Chris Hunt, DSN 0073, Town and Country Police Department

[Signature]  Date: 05/16/17

DID HE CUT THE RIBBON AS MAYOR OR AS AN EMPLOYEE? Perhaps when you have to ask that question there is a problem. On Tuesday June 13 the ribbon at the Stonecrest of Town and Country Senior Living facility was cut.

Who was in the middle of the scrum to cut the ribbon? It was none other than Town and Country Mayor Jon Dalton. But wait on May 5, 2016 didn't Dalton recuse himself of all city duties involving Stonecrest? He said he did.

Of course it was five days after he filed paper work with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior and Senior claiming to be the representative for the owners of Stonecrest of Town and Country. On May 5 there was an article in the St. Louis Business Journal. The one odd thing was that Dalton was also mayor of Town Country, a government that would oversee the part of the construction of Stonecrest and after construction issue business licenses plus provide police, EMS services and more.

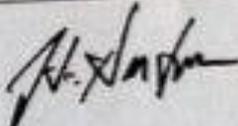
After being outted by the STLBJ article Dalton reluctantly recused himself as mayor from anything to do with Stonecrest. Here is the Missouri HSS Representative form:

Certificate of Need Program
REPRESENTATIVE REGISTRATION

(A registration form must be completed for each project presented.)

Project Name Stonecrest Town & Country		Project # 5186 RS
<i>(Please type or print legibly.)</i>		
Name of Representative Jonathan F. Dalton		Title Legal Counsel
Firm/Company/Association of Representative (may be different from above, e.g. law firm, consultant, etc.) Armstrong Teasdale LLP		Telephone Number 314 259-4702

the names and addresses of the project. Any person signing and registering represents in relation to the named project. Any person signing and registering shall be subject to the penalties specified in § 105.478, RSMo.

Original Signature 	Date 05-01-2015
Attachment I Project #5186 I	

Dalton worked for the owners of the nursing home, Northpoint Development of Riverside, MO (Kansas City suburb) on May 1, 2016 when he signed the form as their representative. Then on May 5, 2016 he continued to work for them. He listed the owners of nursing facility as a client for his work as a lobbyist. They continue to be listed at this time.

Lobbyist's Name	LOBID: L000232 Jonathan F Dalton	Received Date: 1/27/1994
Lobbyist's Address	Armstrong Teasdale LLP	Registered Through: 12/31/2017
Lobbyist's Address2	7700 Forsyth Boulevard Suite 1800	Termination Date:
Lobbyist's C/S/Z	St Louis, MO 63105	
Telephone:	(314) 259-4702	
Telephone (2):	314-486-9991	

NORTHPOINT DEVELOPMENT 5015 NW CANAL STREET RIVERSIDE M) 64150 816-888-7381	A 5/5/2016
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Remember after being caught as the representative of Northpoint on the Stonecrest of Town and Country project and mayor at the same time, he recused himself. But here on June 13 as Mayor of Town and Country he is in the center of the group of people including alderperson at the ribbon cutting, plus he is also an employee of the nursing home company.

What have we gotten used to calling this?



The Dalton Two-Stop



TOP ST. LOUIS AREA PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN ENGLISH SKILLS:

Last week we looked at the top public schools in math according to the Missouri Assessment Program. This week we look at the best schools in English.

1. Metro High (4015 McPherson St. Louis) 100%
2. Collegiate School of Med & Bio 96.0%
3. New Haven High (New Haven, MO Franklin CO) 94.3%
4. Parkway West 93.2%
5. Lindbergh High 93.1%
6. Parkway South 92.7%
7. Francis Howell 92.1%
8. Kirkwood 92.0%
9. Fort Zumwalt West 91.2%
10. Fort Zumwalt South 90.9%

TOP MISSOURI PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN ENGLISH SKILLS:

1. Metro High (4015 McPherson St. Louis) 100%
Fordland High School (east of Springfield, MO) 100%
3. Richland High (Essex, MO) 98.3%
4. Winona (between Cape Girardeau and West Plains) 97.0%
5. Skyline Urbana, MO 96.3%
Richmond High School (Richmond MO) 96.3%
7. Collegiate School of Medicine and Biology 96.2%
Cole Camp High (south of Sedalia) 96.2%
9. Liberty High (Wentzville School District) 95.5%
10. Lee's Summit West 95.5%

LOWEST MISSOURI PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN ENGLISH SKILLS:

1. Excelsior Springs Tech 1.4%
2. Southeast High (KCMO) 18.3%
3. Genesis School (KCMO) 25.7%
4. Confluence Prep (St. Louis) 29.2%
5. Central Academy of Excellence (KCMO) 32.7%
6. Normandy 32.1%
7. Beaumont 33.3%
Clarkton High 33.3%
9. Bunceton High 35.3%
10. Paseo Academy (KCMO) 36.9%

For all the people waving the **Mason Ridge** Blue Ribbon School banner, Mason Ridge is 48th in the state in English Skills for elementary schools with a 85.1% score.

OMG! THE CABLE IS OUT! Charter (It is going to take a while for me to call this company Spectrum) sent an entire repair strike force to Topping Road on Wednesday June 28. There were four trucks with crews working on a repair job. Nothing worse than no computer service to download Netflix for a movie or British TV Show or cable to watch a baseball game on a hot summer night.



SO MUCH FOR THE TREE CITY USA STUFF: Topping Road from just south of Manchester Road to Pringy Place used to be a MoDot controlled road, part of the Highway 100 (Manchester Road) intersection.

A number of years ago Town and Country took over the entire road, but the land off of Manchester on both sides of Topping remains MoDot right of way. MoDot allowed Town and Country to fence off the west side easement and plant Prarie Grass (done by the late Janet Williamson), but due to a lack of maintenance it has turned into a Honeysuckle farm.

A newsletter reader pointed out that the grass on the east side of the road is dead and a number of trees are dying. It appears as if the area was sprayed with herbicides or pesticides. Town and Country proudly claims itself being Tree City USA.

We contacted Town and Country Public Works and Planning Director Craig Wilde who stated that the city did not spray this area and suggested that MoDot may have since the vegetation is on their property. He was right.



We wrote MoDot and here is their reply:

John –

Thank you for your e-mail.

I checked with our maintenance team and we did spray the guardrail area there in an attempt to keep the weeds down. There was some overspray that apparently caused the trees to brown.

We are continuing to monitor the trees, but our maintenance team believes that there shouldn't be a lasting impact and that the trees will bounce back next year.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

ANDREW GATES

Communications Specialist

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

UNAPPROVED CHESTERFIELD NEWSLETTER 230



July 10, 2017

NINE NEW FELONY CHARGES FILED AGAINST SUSPENDED MONARCH FIRE CHIEF CHUCK MARSONETTE.

Monarch Fire Chief Chuck Marsonette had four theft charges filed against him in August of 2016 in connection with his old job with Reliant Care as a pilot and a head of safety. After the felony charges were filed Reliant Care sued Marsonette for \$33,000 in alleged stolen money. That lawsuit has been moved to Federal Court.

Marsonette was first suspended without a pay and then due to a clause in his employment contract he had to be paid unless convicted of a crime, the Fire District resume paying him his \$144,000 annual salary.

Then there was the 2012 \$71,721 default judgment against him by the Old Republic Insurance Company over a boat sinking at the Lake of the Osages. That judgment has not been paid. Also there was the 2008 DWI conviction in Camden County, MO.

Now the nine new felony charges from 2014 were filed on June 29, 2017 afer an investigation by the Maryland Heights Police Department.

The new charges include:

4 courts of felony forgery

3 courts of felony Tampering with an Aircraft

2 counts of felony Fraudulent Use of a credit card device

Some board members believe these eights charges will replace the original four felony theft charges amended to Receiving Stolen Property. But that has not happened yet. Word from the prosecutors office is that some of the original charges might be “refined.” Currently he has 13 felonies filed against him.

None of these charges involve anything Marsonette did while Fire Chief. His contract expires at the end of the year. He has told some that he believes all charges will be dropped. I think the new charges were filed so he would be convicted of something!



From the court files here are the new charges:

I, Sean Fanning, DSN 0153, Maryland Heights 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 between August 1, 2012 and December 29, 2015, at 3127 Creve Coeur Mill Road, Wayne Marsonette, White, Male, DOB 11/09/1969, 6'04", 240lbs, committed one or more criminal offense(s).

- Count: 01 FORGERY – CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 02 FORGERY – CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 03 FORGERY – CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 04 FORGERY – CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 05 TAMPERING WITH AIRPLANE 1ST DEGREE - CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 06 TAMPERING WITH AIRPLANE 1ST DEGREE - CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 07 TAMPERING WITH AIRPLANE 1ST DEGREE - CLASS C FELONY
- Count: 08 FRAUDULENT USE OF CREDIT DEVICE (VALUE \$500 OR MORE) - CLASS D FELONY
- Count: 09 FRAUDULENT USE OF CREDIT DEVICE (VALUE \$500 OR MORE) - CLASS D FELONY

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

Defendant, Wayne Charles Marsonette, was employed by Reliant Care Management Company (RCMC) as a director of safety from 2010 until June 14, 2014. Marsonette was also employed with a RCMC subsidiary, The Big Blessing Inc. (TBB), as a pilot from 2010 until December 2015. Marsonette was provided with a company credit card to use for business related expenses, and the company paid the credit card company directly. Marsonette was also given a \$160/month stipend to cover a cellular phone.

On multiple occasions, Marsonette used the company issued (RCMC) credit card for personal, not work-related, expenses such as the purchase of personal items, firearms, meals, and personal travel. An audit of Marsonette's expenses revealed that Marsonette charged his AT&T cellular bill to the company credit card and kept the \$160 cell phone stipend for himself. The audit also showed that Marsonette submitted expense reports and received reimbursements for hotels, meals, and other purchases that were charged on the card and thus paid directly by RCMC to the credit card company.

In December 2014 and January 2015, Marsonette stayed at hotels in the St. Louis area despite having a house in the area. In-town hotel stays were not permitted. These hotel bookings totaled over \$500.

In July 2014, Marsonette used TBB aircraft to give flight lessons to T.S. Marsonette was permitted to use TBB aircraft to give lessons but was obligated to report those flights and reimburse TBB for the flight time and plane use. Marsonette charged T.S. a fee for the lesson and the flight time, but on three occasions, he did not report those flights and failed to reimburse TBB for the use of the plane. Rather, Marsonette pocketed the money from T.S. himself.

In June 2014 and July 2014, Marsonette altered or omitted records of flight time for the three TBB aircraft that he managed as aviation manager to cover the hours used for flight lessons or personal travel and did not reimburse TBB for the use of the aircraft.

Sean Fanning, DSN 0153, Maryland Heights Police Department

MEANWHILE AS RELIANT CARE TRIES TO GET \$30,000 FROM MARSONETTE AS THEY AGREE TO REPAY \$8,368,000 STOLEN FROM MEDICARE: Reliant Care has a lawsuit trying to get \$33,000 they claim Marsonette stole from them They originally filed it in State Court but have since moved it to Federal Court.

On July 5, 2017 the Justice Department issued a press release saying how Reliant Care of Maryland Heights has agreed to pay back \$8,368,878 they fraudulently obtained in over billing or falsely billing Medicare. This is from a Department of Justice press release:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Wednesday, July 5, 2017

U.S. Reaches \$8.3 Million Civil Settlement with Reliant Care Group and Reliant Affiliated Entities

Submitting False Claims to Medicare for Providing Unnecessary Therapy to Nursing Home Residents

St. Louis, Missouri: The United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri announced today that the United States, Reliant Care Group, Reliant Care Management Company, Reliant Care Rehabilitative Services, and a number of Reliant affiliated skilled nursing facilities (Reliant) reached a civil settlement that will resolve the United States' claims against Reliant under the False Claims Act for knowingly submitting false claims to Medicare for providing unnecessary physical, speech, and occupational therapy to nursing home residents.

According to the United States' allegations, from January of 2008 through April of 2014, Reliant provided unnecessary physical, speech and occupational therapy to nursing home residents who had a relatively high level of independence and who were residing in a skilled nursing facility primarily because of a psychiatric condition. The United States alleged that Reliant provided the unnecessary therapy and then sought the inflated reimbursement from Medicare influenced by its own financial considerations. The United States further alleged that some Reliant Care Rehabilitative Services management pressured therapists to provide therapy to residents even when the therapists believed that the therapy was not medically necessary.

As part of the settlement, Reliant will repay the United States \$8,368,878.

Reliant has also entered into a five-year Corporate Integrity Agreement with the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General (HHS-OIG). Pursuant to the terms of the Corporate Integrity Agreement, Reliant must comply with a number of reporting obligations to ensure that Reliant remains compliant with Federal health care program requirements.

It is interesting that Reliant Care is going after Masrsonette for what turns out to be chump change as they have been stealing approximately \$1.4-million a year over six-years from Medicare which in essence is the same as stealing the from taxpayers or you and me.

SHOPLIFTER OPENS MOUTH TWICE AND MOVES FROM SHOPLIFTER TO

ROBBER TWICE: FIRST CASE: David Leslie Harris, 25, of St. Louis was shoplifting with another person at the Foot Locker store at the Taubman Outlet Mall on Wednesday June 29, 2016 at 5:34 in the afternoon.

Harris (listed as suspect #2 in the report) and another suspect were described as:

Subject 1 was described as a black male with dreadlocks of medium build in his mid-twenties wearing a surgical mask, a white Nike brand tank top, dark colored shorts, and white/silver Nike shoes.

Subject 2 was described as a black male with short hair of medium build in his mid-twenties wearing a head band with a fake hair bun on top, a black with gray Nike brand tank top, and yellow and black Nike shoes on.

Subject 2 was also wearing a white satchel worn across the body. He was also described as being effeminate.

Harris had a performance down pat with one problem. When store employees became suspicious of the pair and watched them closely Harris would accuse them of being racists and demand they keep a close eye on the white customers.



Harris in 2014 mug shot

Here is where Harris made his big mistake. As he attempted to leave the store employees tried to block his way he said the following (from the police report):

"you're going to make me shoot you over some shoes."

This escalated the stealing of a \$120 pair of shoes to Felony ROBBERY! Once you inferred you have a deadly weapon and/or put a victim in fear you are committing a robbery.

Harris's other mistake was coming back to an area where he had been arrested before and was known by the police. Upon reviewing the in-store video Chesterfield Police Officer Meyer immediately recognized suspect #2 as David Harris having arrested him before.

Officer Meyer put together a mug shot line up and had another officer who was not involved with the case (so no one could accuse an officer of gesturing to the suspect) show the photos to the witnesses. They all picked Harris.

CASE 2: On Monday August 1, 2016 around 3 o'clock Harris was back in Chesterfield. This time he was at the Saks Fifth Avenue Outlet Store at the Premium Outlet Mall. This time he went for the high dollar jeans and took an arm full of jeans valued at \$1,000. He pulled the same theater production he used at the Foot Locker in March of accusing the staff of watching him because he was black and then threatening to strike a female employee and shoot another. This is from the police report:

"When the male approached the front door next to my co-worker, we both began to walk away from the suspect when he began to raise his voice about us watching him. He turned to another associate and told her that we were assuming he was stealing and began to yell saying that there were other people in the store why we were following him. Yelling saying he doesn't steal, he then told K [REDACTED] he would slap her in the face and called her a hoe. I was standing behind her the whole time and told him to lower his voice. He was making a scene that no one said he was stealing, he then told me to back up or he would shoot me in the face. I told him to chill and he started say words under his breath and turned to the doors and walked out and ran to his car."

On August 24, 2016 the St. Louis Police arrested Harris as a fugitive from Chesterfield. The Chesterfield police detectives went to St. Louis to pick up Harris. While at the St. Louis Police Headquarters, they immediately interviewed Harris, who confessed to the Saks 5th Avenue and the Foot Locker offenses.

Harris told officers that he loved to come out to Chesterfield and also confessed to thefts at the Sunglass Hut, Ultra, Dick's Sporting Goods and Macy's. Harris also admitted to being a heroin addict. He gave the names of two accomplices and referred to one male as "his girlfriend."

He denied making threats to store employees. He told officers he was merely making suggestions as to what could happen to them if they tried to stop shoplifters.

07/29/16 Receiving Stolen Property (Felony Theft)
04/21/17 sentenced to 7 years prison

St. Louis CO PD

OUTCOME: On the Chesterfield Robbery cases Harris pled guilty and was sentenced to 10-years in the Missouri Department of Corrections. He was sentenced to 7-years in prison to be served concurrently for thefts in Creve Coeur and Brentwood. When he gets out of prison there should be arrest warrants in Des Peres and Overland waiting for him on Municipal cases.

BILL MCCLELLAN RECOMMENDS THAT FORMER MAYOR JOHN NATIONS BE FIRED AS HEAD OF METRO TRANSIT. On Donnybrook on Thursday night June 29th on KETC, host “Boston” Charley Brennan was fixated on people in Webster Groves putting out lawn chairs days in advance to watch the 4th of July Parade.

Bill McClellan didn’t waste any time on the first topic where he suggested that former Chesterfield Mayor and current Metro Transit President and CEO John Nations be fired over continued security issues and the fact that non-fare paying criminals are on trains and on platforms since the system does not have fare card gates. There have been continuing armed robberies on platforms, assaults on trains and murders from shootings on train platforms.

McClellan reasoned that since the St. Louis County Executive, the St. Louis City Mayor and St. Clair County Illinois County Supervisor are all elected officials, the only person who can be fired is Nations and with all the robberies and murders at Metro Stations someone has to go.

If that wasn’t enough two days later Elliott Davis of KTVI is grilling Nations over Metro Link security while flashing his \$325,000 salary on the scene.



Nations



McClellan



Davis

When Nations was first hired for \$250,000 plus a membership to the Missouri Athletic Club (now \$325,000 plus MAC membership) I pointed out that it was only because Nations helped get a Metro Transit sales tax passed in West County and that he had no experience in the transit business. In fact having worked for over five years as a criminal investigator and enforcement agent for a public transit department on the East Coast, I had more experience than Nations in transit (and I certainly shouldn't be running Metro Transit).

CHESTERFIELD POLICE ON PATROL IN CLARKSON VALLEY: On July 1 Chesterfield PD took over all police duties in the City of Clarkson Valley (Pop. 2,648 and 2.7 sq miles). Clarkson Valley has a major High School (Marquette) and a middle school. There is no retail in Clarkson Valley unless you count food and vending services at a country club and golf course in the middle of town. Although the city limits are near and in some cases across the street from large retail areas in Ballwin and Ellisville there is no sales tax being generated in Clarkson Valley to speak of.

Chesterfield will be paid \$407,000 a year to patrol Clarkson Valley for five years. Five officers will patrol Clarkson Valley and two will be assigned to the high school and middle school.

St. Louis County had provided police service for the last 10 years and Ballwin provided policing for 25 years prior to that. Here is what the Chesterfield Police cars assigned to Clarkson Valley look like.





I don't think there are 44 cars assigned to the five officers in Clarkson Valley so the squad car number is a little misleading. Also I wonder the need of the American flag on the cars. Clarkson Valley is in the middle of the United States nowhere near the Canadian or Mexican borders. I don't think anyone will be confused what country they are in.

SEN. ROY BLUNT MAN OF THE PEOPLE (RICH PEOPLE THAT IS) BRINGS BACK MEMORIES: The Post-Dispatch article that appeared last week about Roy Blunt and his wife Abigail, a DC Lobbyist, on the list as people being considered for membership at the Chevy Chase Club certainly brought back memories of the seven years I worked for and was assistant police chief for Chevy Chase Village. The Chevy Chase Club was actually in unincorporated Montgomery County but the street in front and the property to the south was all in Chevy Chase Village and the Club had a contract with the Village to provide police services instead of Montgomery County.

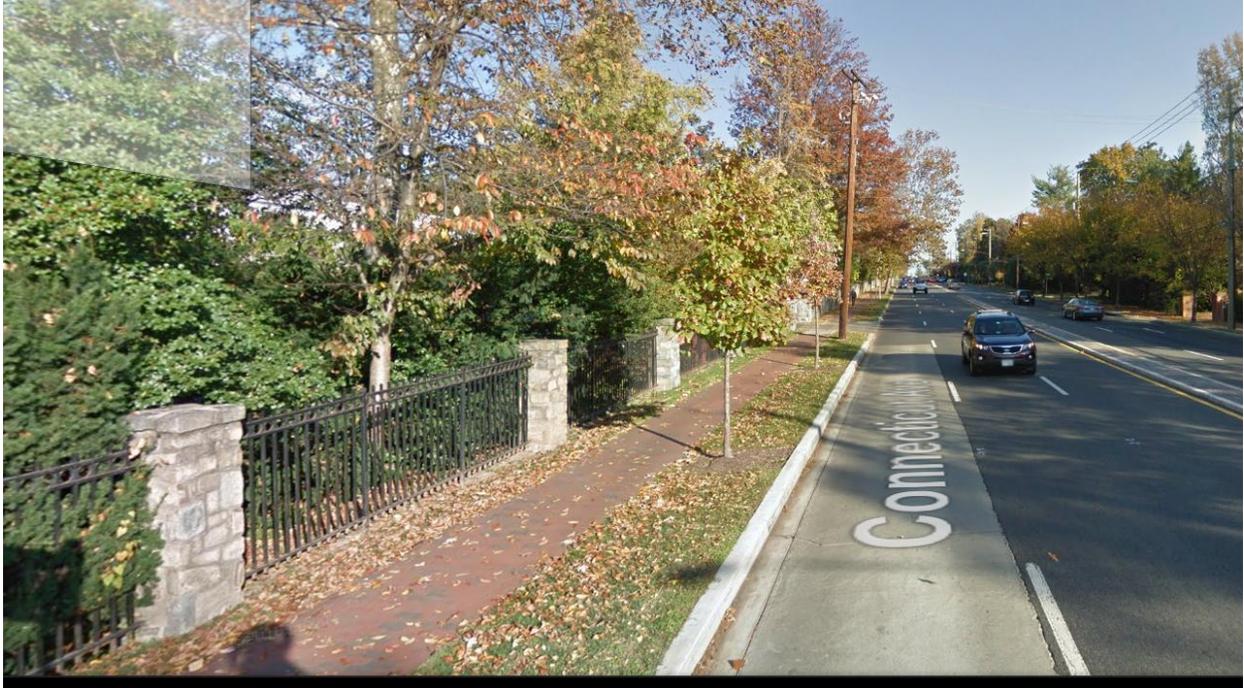


Abigail and Roy Blunt



The Chevy Chase Club was almost as large land wise as Chevy Chase Village. In the 1990s the Club was still known as being “exclusive” meaning no Blacks or Jews were members. The Columbia Country Club located about 10 blocks further up Connecticut Avenue was known as the “less restrictive” club and is where former Washington Post columnist and ESPN host of Pardon the Interruption, Tony Kornheiser is a member.

By applying to join the Chevy Chase Club Blunt is showing he is anything but a man for all people.



The view to the left is the Chevy Chase Club. You have to wait until all th leaves are off the trees before you can get a glimpse from the street. Below is the club’s logo and the main entrance.



The rumored membership fees for the Chevy Chase Club are \$80,000 or more with annual dues around \$6,000.

In 1990 I remember when on the midnight shift as a cop stopping at the Chevy Chase Club and collapsing in a very comfortable chair as the overnight manager (the club has a number of guest rooms) and I tried to keep each other awake from 4 am to 5 am by telling stories of about rich people.

The most exclusive club in the area is the Burning Tree Golf Club started in the 1920s by four golfers pissed off at the slow play by a foursome of women in front of them at the Chevy Chase Club. The 600 member Burning Tree does not allow women on the property. The ban includes employees.

There are four streets across from the Chevy Chase Club. One of them is Oxford St. The below house used to be owned by Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. Its estimated value is over \$2,000,000.



As a side note and a tip of the hat to Town and Country Alderwoman Linda Rolla's reluctance to accept a statute of Thomas Jefferson to be placed on city land is the story of former Nevada Senator Francis Newlands. He was one of the money bags who helped build homes in what is now Chevy Chase, beginning in 1890. A fountain in the middle of Chevy Chase Circle on Connecticut Avenue that separates DC and Maryland

was named Francis Newlands Fountain. There is also an exclusive street one block south of Oxford Street that is also across from the south end of the Chevy Chase Club named after Newlands.

Francis Newlands was an avowed racist and segregationist. There has been a public movement since 2014 to rename the fountain (that most people simply call The Chevy Chase Circle Fountain). This is 84 years after the fountain was built.



In this photo the right side of the fountain is Chevy Chase Maryland and the left side is Washington DC.

(As a side note Chevy Chase was originally named by George Calvert the first Lord of Baltimore and was where he had his hunting grounds. He named the area after The Battle of Cheviot Hills between the Scots and English. The Cheviot Hills were basically the border between Scotland and England. Later it was in a ballad called The Ballad of Chevy Chase, which was popular from 1430 into the 1600s.)

CHESTERFIELD POLICE BLOTTER: This is what the police dealt with through the Forth of July.

**CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
Media Report
June 28, 2017 - July 4, 2017**

<u>Time of Occurrence</u>	<u>Generic Address</u>	<u>Business/Location Name</u>	<u>Incident Type</u>
07/03/2017, 2200 07/04/2017, 0730	3XX E CHESTERFIELD CTR	Drury	Property Damage to Vehicle
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject broke out window on victim's vehicle.			
07/03/2017, 1750 07/03/2017, 1812	1XX THF BLVD	Sam's	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects took alcohol and walked out of store without paying.			
07/03/2017, 1803 07/03/2017, 1803	N WOODS MILL RD & OLIVE BLVD & WOODS MILL RD		Drugs Paraphernalia
Brief Narrative Description: 25 yo male in possession of marijuana paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
07/03/2017, 1920 07/03/2017, 1925	6XX SPIRIT DR	MOHELA	Harassment/Threat Phone
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject made threatening phone call to business.			
06/30/2017, 1353 07/03/2017, 0000	19XX SANDBURG CT		Fraud Credit Card
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's credit card information to make purchases.			
07/03/2017, 2105 07/03/2017, 2105	SWINGLEY RIDGE DR & W CHESTERFIELD PKY		Drugs Paraphernalia
Brief Narrative Description: 21 yo male in possession of marijuana paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
06/29/2017, 1200 06/29/2017, 2300	11XX N WOODS MILL RD		Fraud Identity Theft
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's personal information and accessed his online accounts.			
07/02/2017, 1110 07/02/2017, 1122	2XX THF BLVD	Lowe's	Ordinance Violation Leaving Animal in Vehicle
Brief Narrative Description: 52 yo male left dog in car while shopping in store. No injury to dog reported.			
07/02/2017, 1445	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting

Brief Narrative Description: 25 yo female concealed sunglasses and left store without paying.			
07/02/2017, 0034 07/02/2017, 0034	14XX TIMBERLAKE MANOR PKY		Trespassing Private Property
Brief Narrative Description: 16 yo female found swimming in subdivision pool after closing.			
06/30/2017, 2200 07/01/2017, 1000	14XX TIMBERLAKE MANOR PKY		Trespassing Private Property
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects entered subdivision pool area and threw furniture into pool.			
07/01/2017, 1708 07/01/2017, 1708	8XX TARA ESTATES CT		Incorrigible Juvenile Behavior
Brief Narrative Description: 16 yo male becoming out of control with parent.			
06/30/2017, 0900 07/01/2017, 1500	14XXX BANTRY LN 22		Fraud Scam
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject convinced victim to send money for fraudulent relative in jail scam.			
06/30/2017, 2212 06/30/2017, 2212	ARNAGE BLVD & CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD & PUBLIC WORKS DR		Liquor Violation MIP
Brief Narrative Description: 18 yo male in possession of alcohol after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
06/30/2017, 2256 06/30/2017, 2256	14XXX EAGLE MANOR CT		Violation of Ex-Parte/Full Ord Ex-Parte
Brief Narrative Description: 45 yo male violated the conditions of a court order of protection by showing up at victim's residence.			
06/23/2017, 2050 06/23/2017, 2102	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Nike	Larceny under \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's wallet after it was dropped in store.			
06/30/2017, 1900 06/30/2017, 1930	16XX CLARKSON RD	Mattress Direct	Larceny Over \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's cell phone after it was left unattended on desk.			
06/30/2017, 2028 06/30/2017, 2028	CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD & CHESTERFIELD COMMONS XING & BOONES XING		Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor
Brief Narrative Description: 23 and 22 yo males in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
06/03/2017, 0100 06/04/2017, 2359	18XX CLARKSON RD	Sunrise Assisted Living	Larceny under \$750 Person
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject took victim's debit card and used it to make purchases.			

0800 05/15/2017, 1700	4X PICARDY HILL DR		Fraud Credit Card
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's credit card information to make purchases.			
06/29/2017, 1050 06/29/2017, 1050	16XXX W CHESTERFIELD PKY 248	Joel Kamil & Associates	Forgery Check
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject forged two checks from victim business.			
06/29/2017, 1330 06/29/2017, 1330	4X THF BLVD	Target	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: 23 yo female concealed merchandise and left store without paying.			
06/29/2017, 1548 06/29/2017, 1548	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject concealed sunglasses and left store without paying.			
08/01/2016, 1200 06/10/2017, 1200	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Abercrombie & Fitch	Larceny over \$500 Employer
Brief Narrative Description: 18 yo female conducted fraudulent returns in exchange for clothing while working for employer.			
06/29/2017, 2013 06/29/2017, 2013	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Polo	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subjects grabbed clothing and ran out of store without paying.			
06/23/2017, 1300 06/28/2017, 1300	15XXX WILLOW LAKE CT		Assault Common - Actual Assault
Brief Narrative Description: 16 yo male threw Tupperware and water bottle at victims as they were riding bikes causing no injuries.			
06/29/2017, 1900 06/29/2017, 2100	9XX E CHESTERFIELD PKY	BP	Fraud Credit Card
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject used victim's credit card information to make purchase.			
05/11/2017, 0600 06/16/2017, 0600	1XX HILLTOWN VILLAGE CTR	US Bank	Forgery Check
Brief Narrative Description: 25 yo male forged victim's checks and cashed them at bank.			
06/28/2017, 1937 06/28/2017, 1937	16XXX SWINGLEY RIDGE RD	Chesterfield Athletic Club	Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
Brief Narrative Description: Citizen report of stolen vehicle license plates.			
06/28/2017, 2130 06/28/2017, 2130	15XXX OLIVE BLVD	Shell	Liquor Violation Fake Identification
Brief Narrative Description: Unknown subject attempted to purchase alcohol and tobacco with fake ID.			

SPEAKING OF RIBBON CUTTINGS. The walkway over I-64 at Chesterfield Parkway East is almost complete. As of July 3 they were waiting on the railing to install. The project is costing just under \$2,000,000 and with a Federal grant paying 40% and the City of Chesterfield paying slightly over \$1.1-million of the cost. This is a city project, despite Chesterfield Parkway being a St. Louis County Road and I-64 under the control of the Missouri Department of Transportation.

Chesterfield Director of Public Works Jim Eckrich hopes the walkway will be open by July 11. There doesn't appear to be any ribbon cutting ceremony proposed. For this I say "Good for them." Open the bridge and let the people start using it instead of an opportunity for politicians to practice making speeches.



REAL ESTATE: Berkshire Hathaway Real Estate Agents don't know where their listings are located. Here is a newspaper ad for a house listed by Sonny Brockman with Berkshire Hathaway:

1198 McKinley Ave. • Webster Groves
Brick 2 BR, 1 BA charmer, FR off kitchen opens to HUGE deck,
freshly painted, refinished hardwood, gas FP, detached garage.
\$180,000 **843-6500**
www.sonnybrockman.com

The ad claims the house is in Webster Groves. However it is about two blocks from the southern Ladue City Limits on Old Warson. It is about five blocks from the eastern city limits of Warson Woods and about 1 mile from the city limits of Glendale. But it is not close to the long established City of Webster Groves with large elegant homes. That is because it is in the City of Rock Hill. How would I know this? I was a cop in Rock Hill for five years from 1974 to 1979!

I would think it might be hard to get too many people interested in a 2-bedroom 1-bath 1,021 square foot house in Rock Hill. So why not claim it is in Webster Groves.

SECURITY AGENT COMING OFF DISABLED LIST: Our security agent has been on the disabled list for three weeks and came back to full service duty last week. When it comes to deer, squirrels and chipmunks there is no room for compromise. However dogs are another story. The security agent seems to enjoy wrestling with them regardless of size. We believe this is how she sprained her shoulder and had to go on light duty.





RESTAURANT REVIEW: SUGARFIRE OLIVETTE OFF HOURS: Several times a year we will go to the original Sugarfire Smoke House BBQ joint in the strip shopping center on Olive Blvd at Price Road in Olivette. We made a trip to Sugarfire a week after our worst meal of the year at Phil's BBQ, just for some good BBQ.

We once had a couple of Londoners who retired to an island between Holland and Germany staying with us for a few days. They were doing a road trip on Route 66 having flown into Chicago and rented a car to be dropped off at LAX.

I told them if they were smart they would get to LA early and then drive up California Highway 1. They did exactly that.

But while they stayed here the first night was at the Kirkwood Brewery where we ate off bar tables and listened to the Dave Dickey Big Band, the next night was at Sugarfire where they ate off of trays lined with wax paper with no plates and the third night it was O'Connell's Irish Pub where the meals were served on a paper plates. After dinner stops included Ted Drewes the first night time on my suggestion and the second time on their last night in town on their insistence. .



Bob and Rosemary from across the pond eating off wax paper at Sugarfire. Why take them to Tony's if they haven't had BBQ?

When we went to Sugarfire last month we did so in between the lunch and dinner rushes. Often you can show up with a line going out the door and signs up saying they are sold out of favorites. Our 3 o'clock appearance on a Thursday resulted in none of that.



There is no table service at Sugarfire. It is a cafeteria style line. There are menus, but the ones most people use are the handwritten ones on the wall.



It was National Bourbon Day and one of the specials was the Billy Idol single beef rib in bourbon glaze and a side (\$12.99). That was what my wife picked. I went with the combo of brisket, ribs, two sides and a drink (\$14.99).



The lone beef rib had lots of meat. It was warm and I thought tasty, but my wife thought it had way too much fat. Then she added something far too healthy to go with a BBQ meal. (see above)

Mine was another story. My sides were hand cut fries. How can you go wrong with that? I'll tell you in just a second. I also went with the green beans that between butter and spices were not especially healthy but perfect with BBQ.



My ribs were GREAT. I prefer “fall off the bone” ribs, but real BBQ people tell you the meat should be tender and easy to remove from the bone, but not “fall off the bone.” These ribs had meat still attached to the bone. They were warm and very tasty. The green beans were also very good. (Much better than they looked) However the brisket was a disappointment. It was not warm and it was chewy.

Being a Midwesterner and for 15 years a fat guy (I recently lost 40 pounds and still qualify as a fat guy) there is rarely a cooked potato that I don’t like. These looked good but were stone cold. Also they were stuck together. This could have been a result of frying, but I think it was more the case of grease gelling.



Cold French fries stuck

together

Sugarfire is a joint where you add the BBQ sauce but they give you plenty to choose from on every table.



The one other caution about Sugarfire is they serve off-brand soda. The Lucky Cola, which I think is made in Breeze, Illinois is some of the worst I have ever tasted. Luckily I had the misfortune of having it at the Urban Chestnut Brewery (one of our worst experiences in 2016) so I knew better. I tried the root beer. Although I prefer root beer in a frosted mug and no ice, it was acceptable in a paper cup with ice.



Here is the gamble with Sugarfire. If you go at the height of lunch or dinner there will be long lines, a full parking lot and full tables. Also they might be out of popular favorites. However the food should be hot. If you go in the middle of the day there are no lines, plenty of food, but some of it might be cold.

MUSIC SUMMER MEANS SOME LAST CHANCES TO SEE SOME MUSICIANS: I

mention Wednesday's at Sasha's for 3-hours of jazz as you never know who might sit in with Jim Manley and Chris Swan. I know one thing I almost never run into a Newsletter reader there.

This summer we will see a few faces you won't see this fall on a regular basis.

The very talented 24-year-old trombonist **Andrew Meyer** of Webster Groves will be leaving town for Chicago and the DePaul University music masters program.

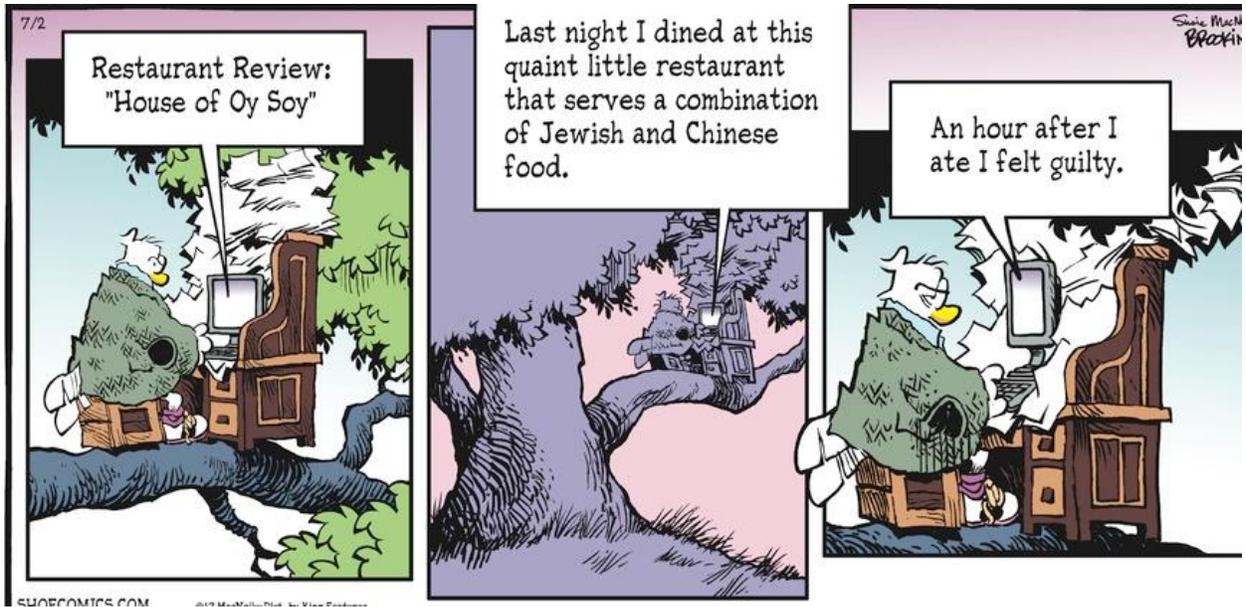


Also the area's top sax player **Larry Johnson** is only seen out on weeknights if he is at a paying gig or if it is summer. Larry teaches band at a middle school, a high school and saxophone at the college level at Lindenwood University nine months of the year.



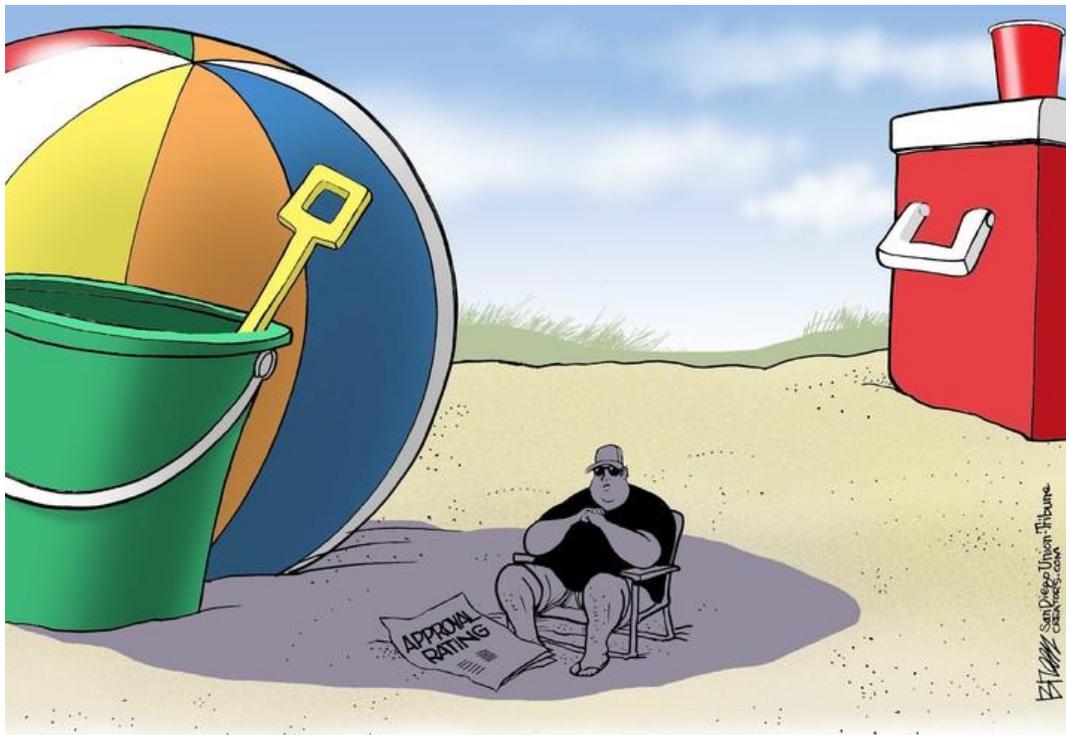
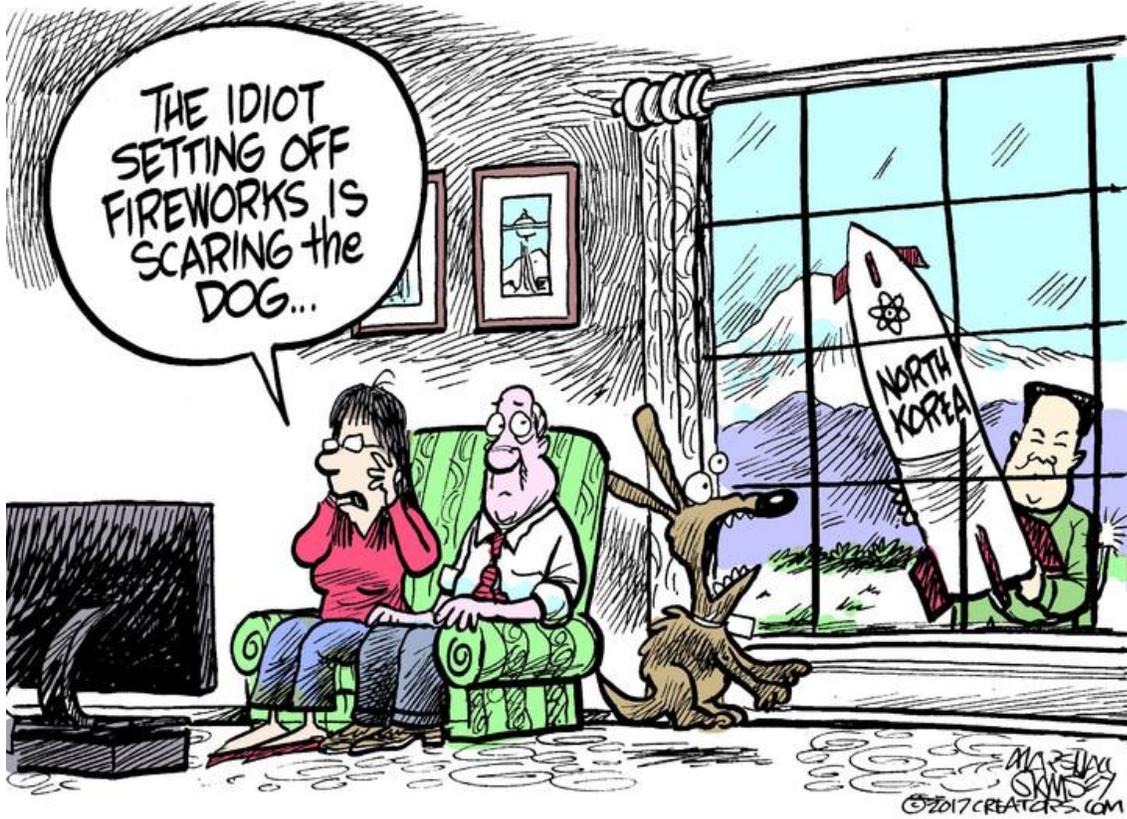
CARTOONS: This week we go to the beach.



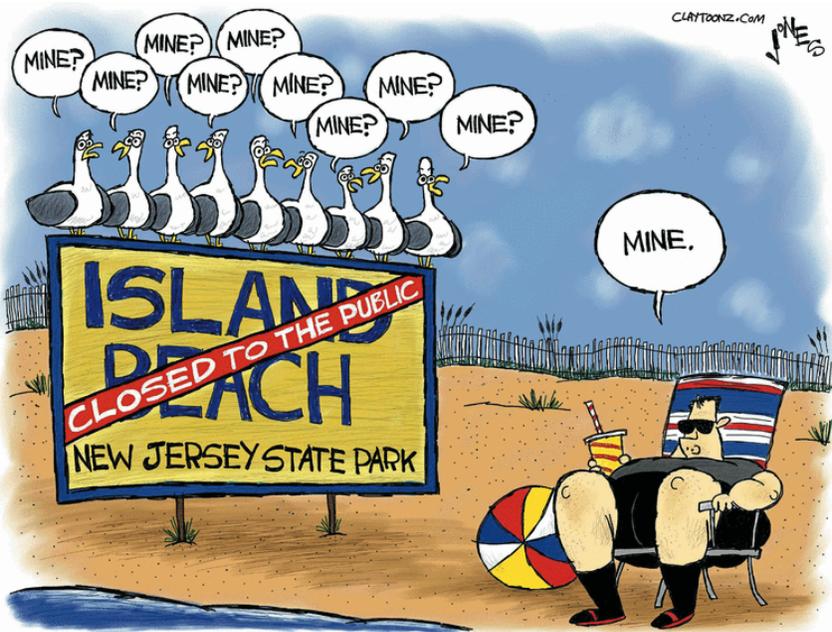
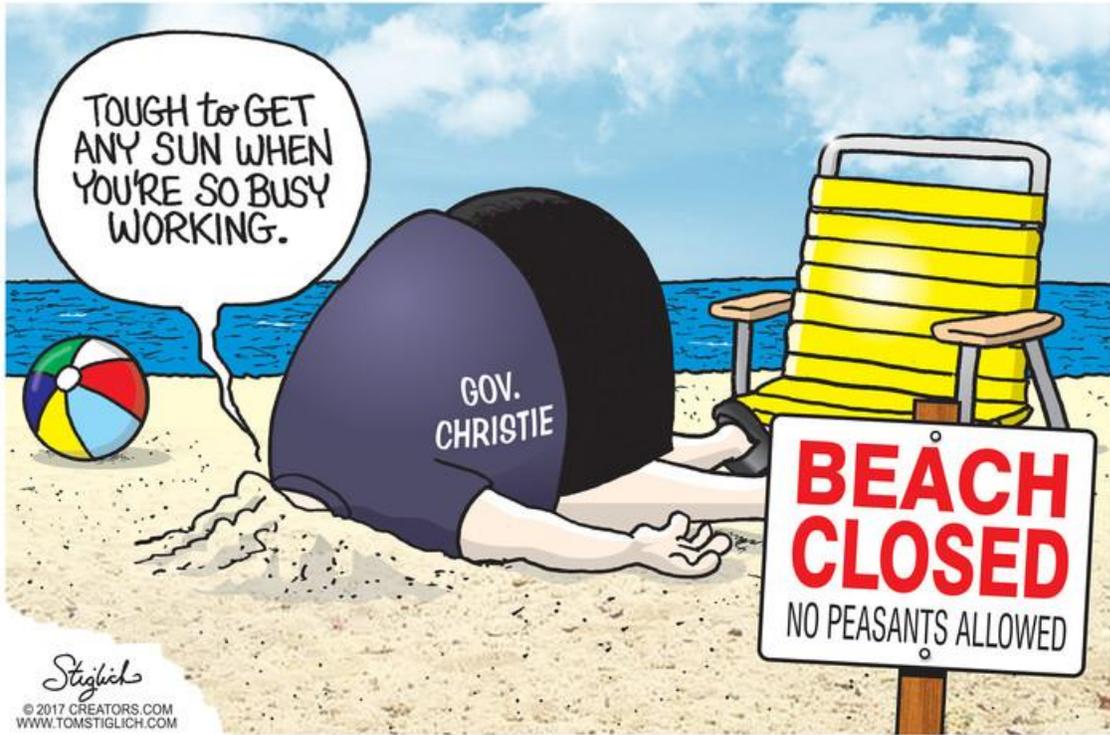


The Shlurman's reputation for being lousy tipppers was getting around.





"He did not get any sun."
—Spokesman for Governor Christie

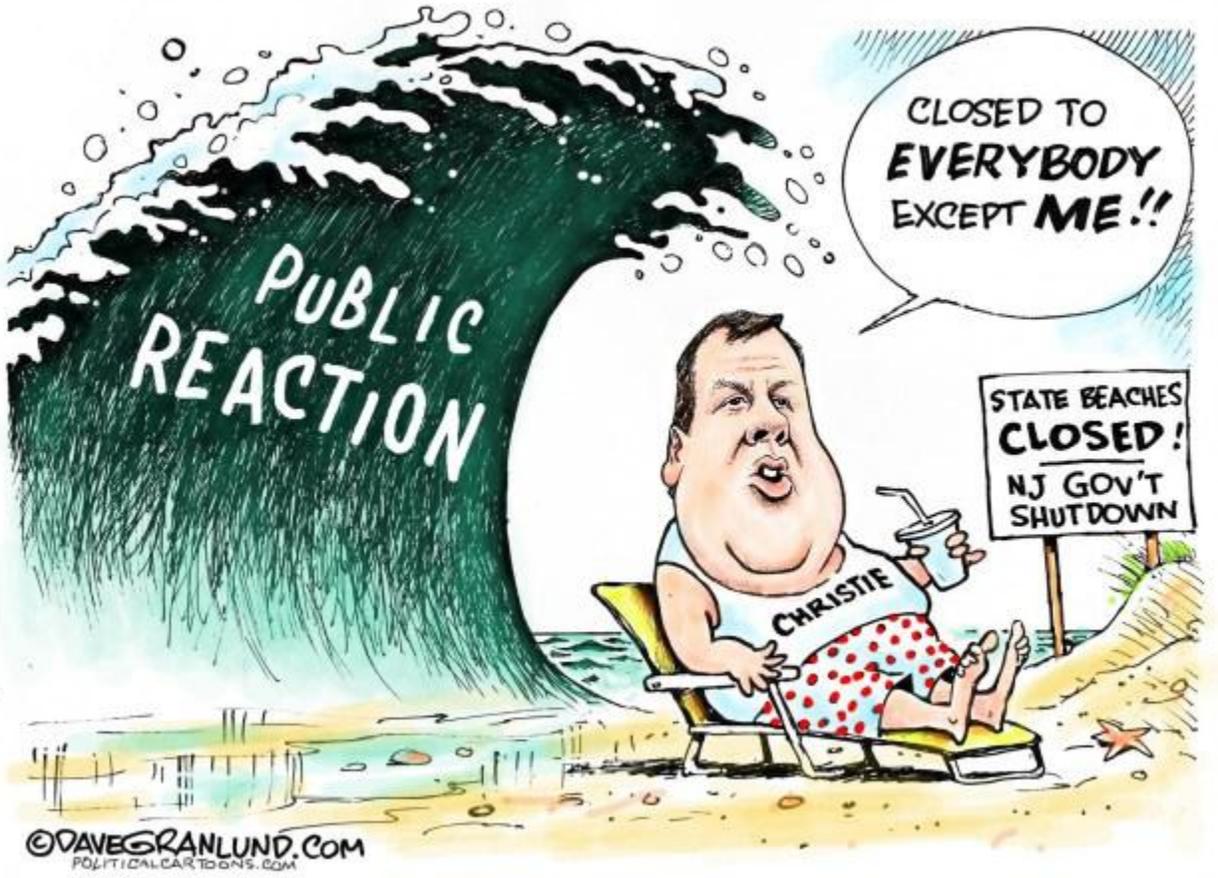




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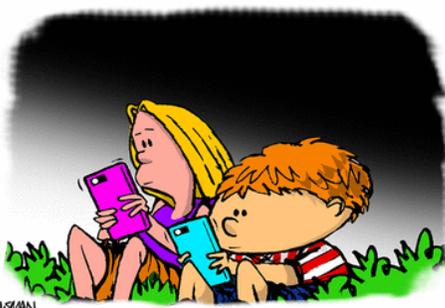
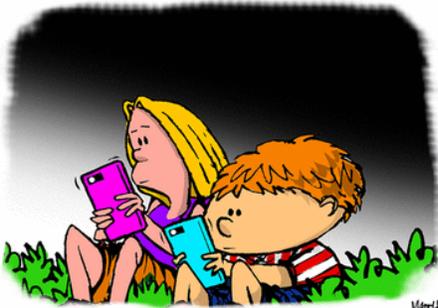


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