

## EX ALDERMAN NEWSLETTER 289 AND CHESTERFIELD 234



**August 6, 2017**

**CORRECTIONS:** Last week we repeatedly referred to the Chesterfield Blue Valley TDD Board. Of course it is a CID taxing board which has a higher sales tax rate than the TDD. I had been writing about the Chesterfield Valley TDD so much that I failed to change gears to the more expensive Chesterfield Blue Valley CID tax board and the taxing board. Our apologies.

**CORRECTIONS FROM THE TOWN SQUARE: This is what we wrote:**

***EXPENSIVE TO RENT:** One of the City's consultant on the town square project is Mike Convy, whose expertise is in retail development and management. He mentioned the likely rent for space at the Town Square Retail area would be about \$201 a square foot, due to multiple levels for each store, instead of \$100 for most flat store space..*

At the rates I quoted monthly rent would be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars to a million dollars a month. Someone was kind enough to point out that those were construction numbers for a portion of the building not rents.

**CORRECTIONS FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY:** This concerns me bringing up the Sgt. Chip Unterberg's suspension and Officer Shannon Woolsey's complaint and later lawsuit.

This is from Gary Hoesler who was a Police Captain at the time and is now Town and Country City.

**Sent:** Monday, July 31, 2017 2:04 PM

**To:** [johnhoffmann@charter.net](mailto:johnhoffmann@charter.net)

**Subject:** Newsletter

Inaccurate information reported in your newsletter:

You reference a personnel matter with:

- 1) incorrect charges...he was never investigated for harassment or intimidation
- 2) Incorrect disciplinary recommendation both in terms of length and person (those are done by a Personnel Committee, not by me)
- 3) Seeming confusion in events. You open by referencing circumstances that occurred in 2002, which had nothing to do with your reference to a dispatcher, and Unterberg left the Department in 2012.

Very shoddy journalism or blogging.

*After an investigation of sexual harassment and intimidation of the department's only female officer Shannon Woolsey by her supervisor Sgt. Chip Unterberg, Hoelzer was going to suspend him for five days. That was not nearly enough for what Unterberg was getting away with which included having an affair with a police dispatcher.*

*However, John Copeland as Police Chief and City Administrator cut that suspension to one-day. Unterberg would later resign and begin an exciting career as a North County car salesman.*

**Gary Hoelzer**

City Administrator

**FOR NEW READERS:** If you have not read the lawsuit against the City of Town and Country by Woolsey, it is red hot with claims that were never contested.

We stand corrected by Mr. Hoelzer that the 5-day suspension recommendation was not from him but a police personnel board. And it was for only 3-days, which is pretty sad. But that suspension was reduced to 1-day by John Copeland, even sadder.

To make up for the very shoddy journalism or blogging we are posting the facts direct from the lawsuit. I don't know if this was what Mr. Hoelzer was hoping for, but we want to be as accurate as possible. The entire lawsuit is located on our homepage. You might want to put on some sunglasses before reading these portions of the lawsuit.

7. At all times during her employment, plaintiff performed the duties of her job in a satisfactory manner. In 2008, Plaintiff received an award of excellence from the St. Louis County Police Critical Incident Team for her response to a situation involving a mentally ill subject.

8. Throughout most of her employment with Town and Country, plaintiff was the only female police officer in the department.

9. During plaintiff's employment with Town and Country, plaintiff was subjected to unwelcome and offensive sexual remarks directed at plaintiff by other police officers. Such remarks include but are not limited to:

- a) "why don't you scratch your throat my dick itches," said on or about March 2, 2004;
- b) asking plaintiff how she liked her husband to touch her, said on or about June 19, 2004;
- c) "shut your man pleaser," said on or about June 25, 2005;
- d) asking plaintiff whether she had performed oral sex on the Chief of police, said on or about June 24, 2001;
- e) "we like dirty girls," said on or about June 26, 2001; and
- f) instructions to plaintiff to think of pulling the trigger on a gun like having sex, said on or about April 27, 2010.

10. During plaintiff's employment, including the period within 180 days of the filing of her charge with the Missouri Commission on Human Rights, officers and supervisors made sexually suggestive comments in plaintiff's presence. Such comments include but are not limited to:

- a) repeated discussions of the size of one officer's penis, from on or about April 26, 2001, to mid-2002;

- b) discussions regarding officers' sex lives, some of which included sexual encounters in a squad, occurred throughout the entire period of plaintiff's employment with Town and Country, including within 180 days of April 8, 2011, the date on which plaintiff filed her Charge of Discrimination;
- c) on or about June 17, 2004, talk of strippers and the "shower scene" at the strip club Roxy's in East St. Louis;
- d) repeated use of the word "man-gina" on a nearly daily basis throughout the entire period of plaintiff's employment with Town and Country, including within 180 days of April 8, 2011, the date on which plaintiff filed her Charge of Discrimination;
- e) from approximately 2008 through 2010, references to the vaginas of teenage girls that officers would encounter in their daily duties; and
- f) on or about August 30, 2004, talk of masturbation, internet pornography and pornographic websites.

11. During the course of plaintiff's employment, plaintiff was present on multiple occasions when officers made statements that women should not be in police work.

12. Several times throughout 2002, plaintiff complained to supervisors that she was being treated differently than male officers. In particular, plaintiff believed she was harshly criticized for actions that she had seen male officers undertake without criticism. No investigations or remedial actions were undertaken in response to plaintiff's complaints.

13. On or about September 21, 2002, while on duty, plaintiff's supervising sergeant Chip Unterberg, told plaintiff that he and plaintiff were obviously attracted to each other and should meet for sex once a month.

14. On or about October 29, 2002, plaintiff reported Sgt. Unterberg's conduct, including other sexually explicit and derogatory comments that he had made to plaintiff, to Capt. Gary Hoesler and Lt. Robert Arthur. Plaintiff was asked to write out a brief statement of the incident and was told that Lt. Rick Kranz, the department designee to handle claims of sexual harassment, would investigate. On information and belief, Lt. Kranz was a good friend of Sgt. Unterberg. Capt. Hoesler and Lt. Arthur assured plaintiff that the investigation would be kept confidential and someone would go over the final report with her.

15. On information and belief, as a result of the investigation, Sgt. Unterberg was suspended for one day and had to attend a class on sexual harassment training.

16. On or about November 1, 2002, plaintiff began being shunned by nearly all the other officers in the department, indicating to her that news of the investigation into Sgt. Unterberg had leaked. Additionally, at or around that time Officer John Nienhaus called plaintiff at home to ask about the investigation into Sgt. Unterberg.

17. No one went over the final report of the investigation with plaintiff.

18. Following her reporting of Sgt. Unterberg's sexual advances and other comments and behavior to supervisors, Plaintiff began to experience what she believed were acts of retaliation. She reported these incidents to superior officers. These incidents included, but are not limited to:

- a) defacement of a nameplate on the wall recognizing plaintiff's perfect attendance record;
- b) the envelope containing plaintiff's paycheck being opened in her mailbox; and
- c) a box containing clothing from the uniform shop meant for plaintiff had a face drawn on it and the face had been stabbed repeatedly with a knife.

19. On numerous occasions in 2003, plaintiff complained to superior officers that the investigation into Sgt. Unterberg clearly had not been kept confidential and that as a result she was being shunned and retaliated against. Plaintiff was told that nothing could be done and to wait for time to pass for things to get better.

20. On or about June 18, 2004, plaintiff was sent home for not qualifying with rifle and forced to use ten (10) hours of vacation time until she was able to qualify. On information and belief, male officers who failed to qualify with firearms were not sent home or forced to use vacation time until they qualified.

21. On or about October 14, 2004, plaintiff applied for a position in the Community Affairs Division. The position was very desirable because it involved regular working hours and an opportunity to learn other aspects of police work. Plaintiff was not selected for the position.

22. On or about November 15, 2006, plaintiff reported to superior officers that the sealed, confidential fitness assessment report left in plaintiff's mailbox had been opened by someone. Plaintiff received no response to this complaint.

23. At some point in 2007, Sgt. Steve Nelke yelled at plaintiff in front of other officers when plaintiff objected that he allowed a less senior officer to pick days off before plaintiff picked her days off. When plaintiff phoned Sgt. Nelke about the outburst he hung up on her. Plaintiff explained the situation to Lt. Kranz who, on information and belief, relayed the incident to Capt. Hoelzer. Plaintiff complained to Capt. Hoelzer that the department seemed amenable to Sgt. Nelke yelling at her and hanging up on her. Plaintiff noted that when she had a

supposed outburst in the past she had been referred to the Employee Assistance Program for counseling. Capt. Hoelzer said that plaintiff could file an official complaint. Plaintiff pointed out that if she filed a complaint she would be retaliated against and labeled a “troublemaker,” but if no action was taken then the male officers would simply run over plaintiff. On information and belief, defendant never undertook any corrective or remedial action in response to Sgt. Nelke’s outburst toward plaintiff.

24. Plaintiff applied for assignment to the detective bureau three times. Each time she was denied the position and the position was awarded to a male officer. The last two times plaintiff applied, the officers who received the positions had less seniority than plaintiff. Capt. Hoelzer had informed the department that officers who had not already been in a special unit would get precedence over those who had already been assigned to such units. Plaintiff had not been in a special unit. In 2008, the final time she applied for the detective bureau, a male officer who had already been assigned to a special unit received the position.

25. On or about July 7, 2010, plaintiff reported to Sgt. Chuck Frohock that officers were complaining that they did not want to be plaintiff’s “tow bitches.” The officers were referring to how back up officers had to wait for a tow truck on arrests because by policy the department towed an arrested person’s vehicle. At the time, plaintiff was assigned to a vehicle with an expensive recognition system used to gather intelligence. On information and belief, other officers had been un-assigned from the vehicle due to the fact that they were not utilizing the equipment to make enough arrests. Plaintiff was told to ignore the comments.

26. In August 2010, plaintiff applied for a position in the newly formed Special Operations Squad (known as “E Squad”). This was a desirable position due to better hours and it would allow the opportunity to gain experience in a variety of areas beyond patrol. Plaintiff was

not selected for E Squad. Male officers with less seniority and training than plaintiff were selected for one or more of the positions on E Squad.

27. On or about October 19, 2010, plaintiff asked Lt. Arthur about not being selected for E Squad. Lt. Arthur told plaintiff that negative comments about plaintiff from other officers were part of the basis for the decision.

28. On or about October 23, 2010, Lt. Nelke assigned plaintiff to work permanent midnight shifts on a squad led by Sgt. John Flanagan. Plaintiff had requested on multiple occasions to not be assigned to Sgt. Flanagan's squad because he had previously harassed her. After the assignment, plaintiff expressed to Lt. Nelke her desire to work for the other midnight supervisor. When Lt. Nelke would not change his mind, plaintiff complained to Lt. Arthur. Lt. Arthur told plaintiff that it was Lt. Nelke's decision. Plaintiff asked if she should bring this matter to Capt. Hoeszler's attention and was told that the captain was aware of and supported the decision. Plaintiff concluded that it would be useless to further pursue the matter.

29. On or about November 16, 2010, plaintiff was told to report to the shooting range to qualify again. Plaintiff had met the department standards for firearms qualification the previous week. The head firearms instructor told plaintiff there was a new policy, and that if plaintiff did not qualify under the new policy then she would have to use vacation/comp time, get outside coaching and not return until she was able to satisfy the new policy. Plaintiff knew of no other officer who had to satisfy this "new" policy. Plaintiff was never shown the written policy.

30. At some point during the time period 2009-2010, a Town and Country police officer emailed a picture to plaintiff's cell phone. The image was of men and women engaging in an orgy involving not only sex but also other offensive acts. The officer told plaintiff that the image had been circulating around the department.

31. On the evening of February 28, 2011, plaintiff's sergeant, John Flanagan, called plaintiff into a meeting in the sergeant's office. Plaintiff, Sgt. Flanagan and Cpl. Moore (both of whom were Plaintiff's supervisors) were present at the meeting. Sgt. Flanagan and Cpl. Moore verbally berated, intimidated, threatened, bullied and ridiculed Plaintiff for seven hours. They yelled at plaintiff for leaving the meeting to go to the bathroom, and after that point plaintiff felt that she could not leave the office. Throughout the interrogation, Sgt. Flanagan and Cpl. Moore criticized plaintiff's performance as an officer and discussed her 2003 sexual harassment complaint against Unterberg.

32. Immediately following this meeting plaintiff felt physically ill with a severe headache, chest pain, nausea and dizziness. After several days plaintiff continued to experience physical symptoms and sought treatment through her primary care physician. Plaintiff received a medical note to be absent from work.

33. On or about May 1, 2011, plaintiff resigned from her position with Town and Country.

**IN RESPONSE TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR:** While Mr. Hoelzer claimed Sgt. Unterberg was never investigated for harassment or intimidation, Shannon Woolsey gave specific incidents of harassment or intimidation and general dates when she filed complaints. If these charges were not investigated as claimed by Mr. Hoelzer something was seriously wrong with the police department.

We erred by inferring that Sgt. Unterberg's sexual relationship with a subordinate occurred at or near the time of Shannon Woolsey's first complaint. It happened 10 years later after Unterberg allegedly had attended a seminar reference sexual harassment in the workplace. I would have to think that hitting on and having a sexual relationship with a married subordinate might have been covered in the seminar.

Gary Hoelzer was also upset that the 3-day suspension (reduced to 1-day) was by him. He said it was by the Personnel Board. This is still sad. Unterberg should have been looking at a demotion, not an unpaid vacation.

Here is what we wrote on this in 2013 in Ex Alderman's Newsletter #88:

**POLICE CHIEF/CITY ADMINISTRATOR COPELAND DISREGARDED STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION IN SEXUAL HARRASMENT CASE AND DRASTICALLY REDUCED PENALTY:**

It has now come out that the command staff of the Town and Country Police Department had recommended that Sgt. Chip Unterberg be suspended for three days and placed on six months probation for his sexual harassment of Officer Shannon Woolsey.

However the Town and Country city administrator and police chief John Copeland disregarded that recommendation and instead suspended Unterberg for one day and did not place him on any probation period.



City Administrator/Police Chief John Copeland at his last police commission meeting before his retirement on April 30



Officer Shannon Woolsey

**MARRIED POLICE SARGEANT ALSO HAD 'SEVERAL YEAR" SEXUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH SUBORDINATE:**

It has also been revealed that after being accused of sexually harassing Officer Woolsey, Sgt. Unterberg was transferred to

support services. In that position he had a "several years" long sexual relationship with a female civilian employee under his direct supervision.

The command staff was made aware of this relationship after the female employee reported it to then Assistant Police Chief Gary Hoelzer. It then was suggested that Unterberg consider resigning which he did in the summer of 2012.



former Town and country Police Sgt. Chip Unterberg.

There was a glowing piece in the latest city newsletter and Mayor Dalton reelection publication, the Town & Country Times on John Copeland. It told of all the great things John did and including getting a better pension plan for employees. It did not mention anything on how John failed to protect female employees and in fact during the January 1, 2010 layoffs, only women were laid off.

**NEW TO THE HOMEPAGE:** The latest edition of Drunks and Thieves Part has been added to the homepage of the website. This involves cases we have reported on in the last nine months.

[http://johnhoffmann.net/drunks\\_and\\_thieves\\_073117.pdf](http://johnhoffmann.net/drunks_and_thieves_073117.pdf)

## **NEW TOWN AND COUNTRY JUDGE ACCEPTED HUNDREDS OF AMENDED MOVING VIOLATIONS TO ILLEGAL PARKING LAST YEAR AS FRONTENAC JUDGE:**

As we reported last week Mayor Jon Dalton's proposed appointment to the bench of the Town and Country Municipal Court, Andrea Niehoff, will represent "Business as Usual" in the areawide ethically questionable and at time corrupt municipal court systems.

It is too bad because Niehoff as a Federal EEOC Hearing Officer is not on the municipal court merry-go-round as a defense attorney or prosecutor. However her time as the Municipal Judge in Frontenac has apparently been enough to get her indoctrinated into the system of taking care of local defense attorneys by reducing charges to "Illegal Parking."



In 2016 as the Frontenac Judge Niehoff accepted and allowed 685 moving violations, many serious, to be reduced to "Illegal Parking."

Frontenac holds court once a month. That means Niehoff allows and accepts 57 moving violations a month that have been amended to "Illegal Parking." She has allowed more cases to be amended to "Illegal Parking" than even T&C prosecutor Ed Sluys and former Judge Dean Waldemer, while Town and Country police write many more traffic tickets than the smaller Frontenac PD.

Niehoff's actions compromises the safety of police officers enforcing laws on busy interstate highways and narrow local roads. Regular meter maids do not have to go out in traffic doing 70 MPH. But Niehoff's acceptance of amended moving violations has in effect turned police officers into mere parking control meter maids. We attended Niehoff's first night as the interim judge in Town and Country and the gross discrimination we witnessed next week.

Once again judges like Niehoff, Tim Engelmeyer and prosecutors like Chris Graville, Tim Engelmeyer and Ed Sluys force good drivers who don't get moving violations to underwrite the thousands of bad drivers whose insurance companies don't know about their bad records because all of the serious offenses have been turned into Parking Violations that don't go on their driver's license records.

Here is the breakdown the moving violations reduced to "Illegal Parking" for 2016 in the West County area.

Town and Country 483  
Chesterfield 1,415  
Des Peres 326  
Creve Coeur 2,024  
Ellisville 420  
Clarkson Valley 314  
Ballwin 1,202  
Frontenac 685

**TRAVEL WARNING!!!** In July of 2017 the NAACP issued a travel warning to people coming to Missouri concerning possible treatment by police. I feel the treatment by police is likely to be much better than the treatment of a number of municipal courts, if you cannot afford to hire an attorney or pay a \$225 Illegal Parking charge in place of a \$125 speeding citation with points.

I would issue the following **Travel Warnings due to unfair courts:**

- 1) Creve Coeur (Tim Engelmeyer Judge)
- 2) Chesterfield (Tim Engelmeyer prosecutor)
- 3) Ballwin (Chris Graville prosecutor)
- 4) Clarkson Valley (Chris Graville prosecutor)
- 5) Frontenac (Keith Chueng prosecutor, Andrea Niefhoff judge)
- 6) Town and Country (Ed Sluys prosecutor, Andrea Niefhoff judge)
- 7) Ellisville (George Restovich prosecutor, Donald Anderson judge)
- 8) Des Peres (Tim Engelmeyer prosecutor, Charles Billings, Jr. judge)

**30 MILES OVER THE LIMIT IN A CONSTRUCTION ZONE GETS A NO-FINE, NO-POINTS VIOLATION FOR CHESTERFIELD MAN WITH 8 PRIORS. DID HE DESERVE THE BREAK? ABSOLUTELY NOT! DID HE GET ONE? OF COURSE HE DID.**

Dennis Perksy is 65. He lives at 1974 Chesterfield Ridge Road. He is a financial advisor. He drives a 2016 Mercedes Benz. He gets lots of traffic tickets. These are the traffic citations and “deals” he has gotten prior to the 2016 30 MPH over the limit in a construction zone that I could find, there are probably more.

12/23/91	Moving Violation reduced to Illegal Parking	\$75 fine	St. Louis CO PD
12/23/91	Moving Violation reduced to Illegal Parking	\$10 fine	St. Louis CO PD
01/10/92	Moving Violation reduced to Illegal Parking	\$70 fine	MSHP St. Louis CO
03/21/94	Moving Violation reduced to Illegal Parking	\$70 fine	MSHP St. Louis CO
07/31/04	Speeding reduced to 1-5 MPH over Limit	\$100 fine	MSHP St. Louis CO
10/20/05	Speeding reduced to 1-5 MPH over	\$110 fine	MSHP St. Louis CO
08/16/11	Moving Violation reduced to Illegal parking	\$240 fine	MSHP St. Louis CO
02/10/14	Moving violation reduced to Illegal Parking	\$200 fine	St. Charles Co SO

On Monday August 22, 2016, not late at night but at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon Perksy was cited by Town and Country Officer Hamel on radar for traveling 80 mph in a 50 MPH construction zone with narrow lanes on EB I-64 at Mason Road.

**OUTCOME:** Despite having eight prior moving violations reduced to either non-moving violations or moving violations that carry no points (1-5 MPH over limit) Town and Country Prosecutor Ed Sluys had no problem with a plea deal where Perksy would plead guilty on May 22, 2017 before County Judge Mary Ott and get a No-Fine, No-Points, No-Permanent record SIS probation. Perksy is a rich white guy represented by Chesterfield lawyer Eric Martin.

Meanwhile the good drivers of Missouri who don't received nine moving violation tickets over 25 years underwrite the insurance for this lead-foot in his Mercedes, since his insurance rates don't go up since nothing goes on his driving record. Perhaps Ed Sluys could say anyone without one prior moving violation in 10 years should be eligible for a special deal, no lawyer required. But this guy has eight priors that I could find and probably more. Of course the poorer defendants who can't afford an attorney get screwed in Town and Country Municipal Court because they don't get any special deals.

**UNIFORM CITATION**  
 ORI NO. MO 0857200 TOWN AND COUNTRY POLICE  
 STATE OF MISSOURI  
 DIVISION OF 21st CIRCUIT COURT

**160250841**

STATE OF MISSOURI DIVISION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF **TOWN AND COUNTRY MUNICIPAL** COUNTY **1**

COURT ADDRESS (Street, City, Zip)  
**1011 MUNICIPAL CENTER DRIVE DR, TOWN AND COUNTRY, MO, 63131**

COURT DATE **09/22/2016** COURT TIME **7:00**  AM  PM COURT PHONE NO. **(314) 432-1420**

KNOWING THAT FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY LAW, STATE THAT I HAVE PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT:

ON **08/22/2016** AT **1301** HRS HWY CLASS **EB IS 64 AF CRD MASON RD** UPON / AT OR NEAR (LOCATION)

WITHIN CITY / COUNTY AND STATE AFORESAID,  
 NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)  
**PERSKY, DENNIS, JAY**

STREET ADDRESS  
**19 CHESTERFIELD RDG**

CITY **CHESTERFIELD** STATE **MO** ZIP CODE **63017**

DATE OF BIRTH **07/06/1952** RACE **W** SEX **M** HEIGHT **600** WEIGHT **180**

DRIVER'S LIC. NO. **[REDACTED]** CDL:  YES  NO STATE **MO**

EMPLOYER

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, Zip)

DID UNLAWFULLY  OPERATE/DRIVE  PARK  C.M.V.  WITH HAZ. MAT

VEHICLE	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	STYLE	COLOR
	2016	MERCEDES-BENZ	E350	SD	BLK
LICENSE	REGISTERED WEIGHT	L I C	NUMBER	STATE	YEAR
			<b>[REDACTED]</b>	MO	2017

DID THEN AND THERE COMMIT THE FOLLOWING OFFENSE. THE FACTS SUPPORTING THIS BELIEF ARE AS FOLLOWS:  
**SPEEDING IN A CONSTRUCTION ZONE**  
**LANE 1. FRONT RADAR CAR 7. SAME DIRECTION. ' WORKERS PRESENT.**

Subject taken into custody. (Complete "For Issuance of a Warrant" section on reverse side.)

DRIVING **80** MPH POSTED SPEED LIMIT **50** MPH DETECTION METHOD  STATIONARY RADAR  WATCH (AIR)  PACE  LASER  MOVING RADAR  WATCH (GROUND)  OTHER

IN VIOLATION OF: STATUTE/ORDINANCE - CHARGE CODE  
 RSMo. **320.090** **90006050**  
 ORD.

SEAT BELT VIOLATION: STATUTE/ORDINANCE - CHARGE CODE  
 RSMo.  
 ORD.

IN FATAL CRASH  IN CRASH  DWI / BAC,  OCN  
 SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ZONE  SCHOOL ZONE  
 CONSTRUCTION ZONE  COMPLIANCE

OFFICER **/s/ P.O. Hamel** BADGE **00126** TRP / ZONE DATE **08/22/2016**

ON INFORMATION, UNDERSIGNED PROSECUTOR CHARGES THE DEFENDANT AND INFORMS THE  RSMO



## **AND THEN THERE WAS THIS DRUNK DRIVER DOING 132 MPH**

**MAYBE THE BEST TIME TO OPEN IT UP AND SEE HOW FAST YOUR NEW CADILLAC WILL GO IS NOT AFTER YOU HAVE BEEN DRINKING.** Town and Country Officer Yaakub was on the overnight shift Thursday into Friday morning on January 22, 2016. He was travelling south on I-270 at 12:37 AM when a vehicle was rapidly approaching from the rear.

Michael Schumacher, 41, who had just moved to Brentwood from New York City was driving his new Cadillac CTS sports coupe on southbound I-270 approaching Officer Yaakub. Shumacher is an investment banker, who I think is supposed to be smart. But is it smart to be drunk and pass a marked police car at 132 MPH?



Officer Yaakub clocked Schumacher's Cadillac doing 132 MPH in the 60 MPH zone.

Schumacher had to slow down to exit onto Dougherty Ferry Road. Officer Yaakub eventually got Schumacher stopped to the top of exit ramp.

Officer Yaakub observed that Schumacher was drunk. At first he denied having anything to drink. It would change to two glasses of wine and then 75% of a bottle of wine, then "drinking with a girl at my house" and then he went back and forth between the 75% of a bottle to a full bottle of wine. This is from the police report:

I approached the driver's side and made contact with the driver, identified by his valid New York Drivers License as MICHAEL SCHUMACHER W/M 07/18/1974. He immediately stated, "I just got this car. I have not driven in over 20 years." I advised him of his speed of 132 and he replied, "Is that right?" While speaking to him, I could smell a very strong odor of what I normally associate with that of someone who has consumed an intoxicating beverage. I also observed that his eyes were bloodshot and glassy and his speech was slurred. I asked Schumacher if he had any alcohol to drink and he replied, "No." He then changed his story and stated, "I had 2 glasses of wine." I advised him that I could smell the alcohol and then he stated, "I've been drinking but not drinking."

Upon arrival at the station, I advised Schumacher of the Missouri Implied Consent Law. He stated he understood and agreed to submit to a chemical test of his breath, which resulted in a BAC of .119%. I also advised Schumacher of his Constitutional Rights per Miranda at which time he stated he understood his rights. During my investigation, he advised me he consumed a full bottle of wine with the girl at his home. He also stated he consumed approximately 75% of the bottle.

Based on his condition and the BAC reading of .119% BAC Schumacher he was issued citations for DWI and Speeding 132 MPH in a 60 MPH zone.

**OUTCOME:** Schumacher's Clayton attorney, Travis Noble, had the case transferred to Clayton in front of Judge Mary Ott. On June 22, 2017 Schumacher pled guilty to speeding. He was fined \$473.50 and sentenced to four-days in jail, sort of. His jail was house arrest in his condo in Brentwood supervised by the Department of Justice Services.

He also pled guilty to DWI and was placed on a No-Points, No-Fine, No-Permanent Record 2-year SIS probation. Maybe if you see Judge Mary Ott's name on a ballot to retain judges, you might think about voting "no."

I'm sorry but I really have a problem with a drunk driver doing 132 MPH getting any kind of No-Record, No-Fine probation. Jayson Werth, a starting outfielder with the Washington Nationals (Werth was formerly with the Dodgers and Phillies) was caught cold sober in 2014 on a Sunday morning driving his sports car at 105 MPH by a Virginia State Trooper on the Washington Beltway. He was sentenced to 180 days in jail but 170- days were suspended so he got 10 days in jail and served the 10 days. I knew him for three years when as a baseball writer and covered Orioles farm clubs. Werth was a first round pick by the O's out of high school. Werth having a Porsche and driving 105 MPH on the Beltway did not surprise me.

In Maryland and Virginia the judges are state judges and not also practicing lawyers who take care of their friends like here. The Virginia judges are known to be tough. I think there would be fewer outrageous traffic offenses and DWIs if there were more sentences like the one Werth served.

**RED KIA, NO FRONT PLATE, BLACK MALE DRIVER SUSPECT IN PARKED CAR BREAK-INS AT PARK:**

**Thieves Target Vehicles at Cadet Park**

On Saturday, July 29 at 3:50 PM, three vehicles parked at Cadet Park near the baseball diamond were broken into and purses were stolen from the vehicles. Video surveillance showed a red KIA Soul parked near the vehicles. A black male suspect exits the KIA Soul and is seen walking around the parked cars. Minutes later the suspect returns to the KIA and it is seen leaving the area.

In less than six minutes the suspect identified vehicles containing valuables; shattered the windows; reached in and stole the items; returned to the get-away car and was able to leave the park without being discovered.

The Town and Country Police have increased patrols in the City parks but they rely on an informed and observant citizenry to assist them in their efforts to prevent crime and keep the community safe.

The suspect vehicle is a late model red KIA Soul with no front license plate.

If you see a vehicle matching this description in any of our parks you are urged to call the police immediately by dialing 9-1-1.

To minimize the likelihood of becoming a victim we urge you to remove or store valuables out of site and lock your vehicle(s)



*Example Photograph*

***Please share this information with your neighbors.***

**UNAPPROVED CHESTERFIELD NEWSLETTER 234**



**August 6, 2017**

**MAN CHARGED WITH STEALING \$2,800,000 FROM EMPLOYER WAS CHESTERFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TREASURER IN 2015:**

Ramon “Trey” Luina was charged in Federal Court last week with stealing \$2.8-million from his employer in Chesterfield, CMS Communications. It is interesting to note that in 2015 Luina was the treasurer of the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce.

It should be noted that on July 17 Brian Voyles of the Chamber of Commerce read a statement at the City Council meeting bad mouthing members of the City Council for not giving Dan Buck an extension on his proposed baseball complex when Buck could not produce financing as promised. While the City Council was being financially vigilant, apparently the Chamber was less so when they had an active embezzler as treasurer less than two years earlier.

**OLDER WOMAN SHOPLIFTING AT VICTORIA’S SECRET RUNS FROM POLICE TO NO AVAIL:** We usually don’t post a mug shot at the start of one of these articles. But here is an exception to that rule:

This woman was stealing from Victoria’s Secret! Do you think she looked a little out of place at a Victoria’s Secret? We wrote about her arrest in our October 24<sup>th</sup> Ex Alderman newsletter #248. Now that she pled guilty we can give you the whole story.



Do you think that Victoria’s Secret can help Ms. Hackney look sexy?

Senora Hackney, 64, on Sunday October 9, 2016 was at the Chesterfield Mall inside the Victoria's Secret store stealing. Just her luck, as she was leaving the store Chesterfield Police Officers Paubel and McBride part of the special unit that covers the retail stores from Chesterfield Mall to all of Chesterfield Valley were on foot patrol in the Mall and observed her leaving the store with a very old Victoria's Secret shopping bag.

Since the bag looked like it could be used in shopliftings, Officer Paubel followed Hackney, while Officer McBride went into the store and was told Hackney was seen trying to shoplift.

Officer McBride went outside and joined Paubel as Hackney first began walking faster then tried to run. She was stopped and the officers found \$243 worth of merchandise from Victoria's Secret that had not been paid for. They were:

**1. Brand: H&M  
Model: Black Jacket.  
Value: \$59.99**

**2. Brand: H&M  
Model: Cargo Pant  
Value: \$29.99**

**3. Brand: Victoria's Secret  
Model: Black Leggings  
Value: \$64.50**

**4. Brand: Victoria's Secret  
Model: Blue Leggings  
Value: \$69.50**

**5. Brand: Victoria's Secret  
Model: Sports Bra  
Value: \$20.00**

**Total value recovered is \$243.98.**

Hackney also had a Talbot's bag, however there is no Talbot's store in Chesterfield Mall. The Talbot's bag contained merchandise stolen from the H&M Store.

Victoria's Secret staff reported that they caught Hackney trying to steal perfume at which time she quickly left the store walking into the path of the police officers.

Here is part of Hackney's record that we were able to find:

03/20/81	Felony Stealing	St. Louis Co Circuit Court
	04/09/81 Pled Guilty sentenced to 1-year jail	
01/10/94	Misdemeanor Stealing	Richmond Heights PD
	01/17/95 Pled Guilty sentenced to two days in jail	
03/04/97	Judgment of \$5,297 Credit Acceptance v Hackney	St, Louis Circuit Court
10/30/14	Felony Stealing amended to Rec Stolen Prop	Chesterfield PD
	11/10/16 Pled Guilty sentenced to 5-year SES probation term	
04/19/15	Stealing (Richmond Heights Muni Court)	Richmond Heights PD
	05/11/15 2-year SES Probation Term	
10/09/16	Stealing	Chesterfield PD

If you have three prior stealing convictions future cases can be upgraded to felonies. The Chesterfield Police did not apply for a felony Stealing warrant despite Hackney having four priors.

**OUTCOME:** On 02/21/17 Hackney pled guilty to Stealing in Chesterfield Municipal Court and was fined \$450 and costs. We believe she did not have an attorney because there was no reduction. Also as of June 19, 2017 no one from Chesterfield had notified either Richmond Heights or St. Louis County of the arrest and conviction. The Richmond Heights probation expired in May of 2017. The St. Louis County probation is active through 2021 and involves a felony Stealing from Chesterfield. Why Chesterfield had not attempted to revoke this probation term is a mystery to me.

**NEW MONARCH DIRECTOR HAS TAX JUDGMENTS:** Last week we reported how the two Monarch directors, Rick Gans and Robin Harris announced they are appointing Jean Millner to replace Jane Cunningham on the Board of Directors. Cunningham moved out of the District effective July 24.

Jean Millner's actual first name is Jeannine Millner. She is a widow. There are several things that are positive about her appointment. She is a woman and it is important to have 51% of the population represented on a government body. She lives in an apartment. People living in apartments are grossly underrepresented in local government. She is the director of food services for an assisted living/retirement facility. This means she is familiar with budgets, dealing with personnel issues and to some much lesser extent medical care.



However, since we are a naturally suspicious person, we did a quick check on Ms. Millner and found that there are two court order judgments against her filed by the Department of Revenue. They are very possibly in connection with a failed business run by her late husband, Richard Millner.

On October 28, 2016 a judgment and tax lien from the Missouri Department of Revenue was placed against her in the amount of \$1,995.

On July 14, 2017 there was both a judgment in court and a tax lien by the Department of Revenue against Millner and her late husband, who died on May 4, 2015. The judgments were in the amount of \$5,274 each.

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING DRAWS A CROWD.** A case of Foot in Mouth Disease by an elected official will often draw a crowd. That was the case on Monday night July 31 at a special meeting of the Chesterfield City Council that was called as much as a seminar and special secret session (probably to talk about the police contract negotiations). When it was scheduled no one from the public was likely to be there. Instead the Council Chamber was full with three TV stations plus a reporter for the Post-Dispatch in attendance.



This crowd was created by the mouth of Mayor Bob Nation. Bob was originally against the Prop P ½-cent sales tax for “Public Safety” which most voters felt would go to the police. That thought was brought out by an ad campaign featuring the County Police Chief Jon Belmar and County Executive Steve Stenger urging people to vote for Prop P. There was a row of police officers standing behind them.

Chesterfield’s shopping areas would raise about \$7,000,000 but the city would only receive about \$2,300,000 in the money back. The rest would go to St. Louis County and the multitude of small municipalities with police forces. The Council led by Nation voted not to support the tax.

The tax passed by a wide margin. Then Mayor Nation said they city didn’t need it. Next after the first ever police contract negotiations began, Mayor Nation read a statement saying all the Prop P funding would have to go to just maintain current police salaries and benefits. (They have a terrible pension plan. Rock Hill PD has a better pension plan (LAGERS Local Government Employees Retirement System).

A week after that statement Mayor Nation changed course and said they didn’t need the money and it could go to fixing the streets and snow plowing since that is public safety too. His statements were on KMOV and in a front page story above the fold of the Sunday Post-Dispatch. However those jobs are not under the Police Chief. They are under the Director of Public Works. The Public Health and Safety Committee does not deal with snow plowing or street rebuilding, the Planning and Public Works Committee does. It almost appears as if Mayor Nation has lost his way.

On Monday July 31 there were even signs in front of city hall to support the police with a greeter at the front doors.



The Council was not on the dais. Instead they sat around four tables. That is fine for a seminar, but with a packed room and with many of the people staying through the first half of the meeting, it was next to impossible to hear what was being said, especially from Barb “Mumbles” McGuinness, who I think asked some good questions if only I could have heard them and I was sitting in the front row.



The people speak: The unexpected crowd was ready to speak. Here are some of the comments. They were mostly directed toward Mayor Nation. The nicest one was actually from the widow of County Police Officer Blake Snyder, who was gunned down while answering a call in South County last October. After each speaker finished there were loud applause from the crowd.

“It is very embarrassing for people of Chesterfield voting to pass Prop P. Voters have spoken for Prop P, for the police and not for personal vendetta purposes,” said **Warren Lanz**.

**Elizabeth Snyder** was next and Mayor Nation expressed his condolences for the loss of her husband.

“When I heard Prop P might not go to police officers but to pot holes I was very disappointed,” said Snyder.

I took four different photographs and Mayor Nation did not look at Snyder once while she was speaking.



Planning Commission member **Wendy Gekler** spoke. I often make fun of some of the comments and statements she makes. But tonight she seemed to be on the mark.

“I don’t want the Prop P money to go to pot holes. I want it to go to diversity training, to two-officers in a car. We say we appreciate our officers, but we need to support them with a bigger paycheck.

**David Kaplan** spoke next. He ran against Barb McGuinness in 2016 and lost getting just 36% of the vote. He still thinks McGuinness is too fiscally conservative.

Like a good politician Kaplan misspoke and twisted the facts. He complained about the Clarkson Valley 5-year police service contract, claiming the Chesterfield Police lost manpower and money taking on policing the smaller neighboring city to the south. However, in fact Chesterfield has replaced the five officers assigned to Clarkson Valley and the salaries two officers assigned to the high school and middle school in Clarkson Valley and are being reimbursed by the school district.

Chesterfield resident **Jamie Dolby** was the last speaker.

“When I read the article in the paper of our mayor saying the money could go to pot holes, I thought this is not what the voters wanted. Mayor and city council take what we voted for. Not to is illegal (it isn’t) and morally wrong (probably is). Think about what the voters wanted when they voted for this. Then think about the next election.



Jamie Dolby

Prop P was not on the agenda and after Dolby spoke Mayor Nation went on with other agenda items. But about 30 minutes later no one had left. Nation announced a 15 minute break. As soon as he announced it he was surrounded by the press and TV cameras.



Mayor Nation stated that he had been “misquoted.” However it is almost like Donald Trump denying a tweet he sent out two weeks earlier. He was featured on a KMOV newscast talking about using the money for road repairs.

I was at the meeting when Nation quipped about succeeding from St. Louis County and joining St. Charles County. It was over the fact that over 50% of the general sales tax raised in Chesterfield went into the County Tax Pool while older cities got to keep almost all of their tax money. Nation said it as an offhand sarcastic joke. However a stringer for the Post-Dispatcher, a reporter for West Magazine and I used it. I was the only one to admit it was joke. Now three years later Nation is still be quoted in the mainstream press accurately but out of context.

You would think he might of learned something from that, but he apparently did not. He has talked about road repairs and snow plowing being public safety.

A reporter asked him what his definition of “public safety” was and he said the reporter should ask the city attorney. The city attorney is a guy who last year as a prosecutor in neighboring towns amended thousands of moving violations to “Illegal Parking” tickets for traffic violators who hired local attorneys, so I’m not sure if he really understands “public safety” at all.

**SPEAKING AS A FORMER 30-YEAR COP:** In 2013 Chesterfield had two officers die. Both were near or at what would be considered retirement age. Both died of heart attacks, including a 56-year-old detective who died in the police department workout room. They really do need a better pension plan.

**5-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN:** Possible loss of revenue. At the meeting there was a brief discussion of a 5-year.

“We are in the middle of a dramatic change in retail sales,” said City Administrator Mike Geisel. “We are further disadvantaged as we don’t have a “use tax.” (A sales tax on items bought over the internet and shipped to Chesterfield.) Because of the volatility of retail, we are going to have issues.”

**Randy Logan then brought up one area where there has been a 20% drop in revenue. That is from the Municipal Court.** Finance Director wrote that the police are filing fewer citations and the police cannot charge people with Failure to Appear as a separate charge any more. I think White is only partially right.

Police so far in 2017 have written 300 fewer citations over last year through June. 4389 in 2017 compared to 4,690 after six months in 2016. This should not be a big surprise with some of the statements being made by Mayor Nation during contract negotiations.

But to me the big deal is that all the Tim Engelmeyer amended citations from speeding 20 or 30 over the limit and even Leaving the Scene of an Accident to “Illegal Parking” are now capped at a max fine of \$225 per the Missouri Supreme Court. High rates of speed, Careless Driving and Leaving the Scene of an Accident, if not pled down to no-point parking violations would be getting \$500 fines. But God forbid they actually reform Municipal Court and Tim Engelmeyer and Judge Rick Brunk stopped taking care of local lawyers who are hired to get the no-points Parking Violation reductions.

**CHESTERFIELD FINANCE DIRECTOR RESIGNS:** Craig White, the city’s finance director has quietly announced his resignation effective August 18. Craig told us on July 31 that he is going to work for Open Gov, a government accounting software company located in San Francisco. He told us he would be working part of the time in San Francisco and most of the time out of his house here in Missouri to start.



White has been with Chesterfield for 3 ½ years. I asked who the assistant finance director is and learned Chesterfield does not have one.

**CHESTERFIELD PARKWAY FOOT BRIDGE OVER I-64 NOW OPEN:** Due to construction delays the opening of the footbridge over I-64 at Chesterfield Parkway East opened three weeks late on Monday July 31. This was a \$2,000,000 project funded partially (40%) by Federal Highway money. There was a “sort-of” walk area on the traffic bridge but if you lost your balance you would in all likely hood be crushed by a passing vehicle.



**CHESTERFIELD POLICE BLOTTER:** Chesterfield PD is a well run department on first look. However it is a little thin. The staff officer who is prepares crimes stats, is the CALEA (Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies) rep and firearms training officer. However, when he is on vacation, in training or sick there is no one to do those duties. Vacation delayed last week’s Police Blotter so this week we have two.

# CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Media Report

### July 19, 2017 - August 1, 2017

<u>Time of Occurrence</u>	<u>Generic Address</u>	<u>Business/Location Name</u>	<u>Incident Type</u>
08/01/2017, 0248 08/01/2017, 0248	1XX CHESTERFIELD VALLEY DR	Bar Louie	Property Damage to Vehicle
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 29 yo male damaged co-workers vehicle after argument.			
08/01/2017, 0659 08/01/2017, 0659	22XX VILLAGE GREEN PKY	Kindercare	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject broke out window on victim's vehicle and took a purse.			
07/26/2017, 0800 08/01/2017, 0955	14XXX LADUE BLUFFS CROSSING DR	St. Louis County Communiations Tower	Property Damage Building
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject damaged lock on door.			
07/29/2017, 1700 08/01/2017, 1300	2XX AMBRIDGE CT 304		Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took license plate from victim's vehicle.			
07/28/2017, 1600 07/28/2017, 1700	21XX WOODLET PARK DR		Property Damage to House
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 13 yo male damaged pool liner in friend's pool.			
07/14/2017, 1359 07/31/2017, 1359	14XXX PHEASANT HILL CT		Fraud Identity Theft
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject used victim's information to change financial account information and to apply for a loan account.			
07/27/2017, 2200 07/28/2017, 0600	1XX GLEN COVE DR		Larceny Over \$750 From Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject entered three unlocked vehicles in victim's driveway and took a cell phone, clothes, money, and a backpack.			
07/31/2017, 1300 07/31/2017, 1310	1XX HILLTOWN VILLAGE CTR	Schnucks	Peace Disturbance Other
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject created a disturbance inside a store after complaining of services received.			
07/31/2017, 0945 07/31/2017, 0945	BROOKING PARK & WOODS MILL COVE DR		Assault Common - Threat
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 51 and 18 yo males threatened each other after road rage incident.			
07/29/2017, 0800 07/31/2017, 1700	15XXX OAKTREE ESTATES DR		Tampering with a Victim Family Member
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 53 yo male threatened family members over future court testimony.			
07/18/2017, 2300 07/18/2017, 2315	17XX CLARKSON RD	Mobil	Larceny under \$750 Business
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject broke into vacuum coin machine and took money.			
07/28/2017, 1130 07/28/2017, 1140	17XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Chesterfield Walking Trails	Larceny Over \$750 Person
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took bicycle after it was left abandoned on walking trail.			
07/30/2017, 1525			Larceny under \$750 Gas Drive

07/30/2017, 1525	14XXX CLAYTON RD	Shell	Off
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject pumped gasoline and drove out of gas station without paying.			
07/29/2017, 1400 07/29/2017, 1500	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	St. Louis Premium Outlet Mall	Larceny Over \$750 Person
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took victim's cell phone after it was left behind in restroom.			
07/23/2017, 1500 07/30/2017, 1730	14XXX FORESTVALE DR		Larceny Over \$750 From Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took victim's watch.			
07/30/2017, 1850 07/30/2017, 1850	E/B HWY 64 & CLARKSON		Resisting Arrest
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 49 yo male resisted arrest after leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident. No injuries reported.			
07/30/2017, 1030 07/30/2017, 1230	16XXX BURKHARDT PL	YMCA	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took a wallet.			
07/28/2017, 1745 07/29/2017, 0400	15XX TIMBERLAKE MANOR PKY		Harassment/Threat Computer - Email
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject sending harassing texts to victim and threatening to take over her social media accounts.			
07/27/2017, 1409 07/29/2017, 1500	16XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Ice Sports Complex	Property Damage Other
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 62 yo male damaged business sign to closed business.			
07/29/2017, 1554 07/29/2017, 1554	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 19 yo male concealed sunglasses, clothing, and cologne and left stores without paying.			
07/29/2017, 1803 07/29/2017, 1803	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Rocking Rooster	Assault Common - Actual Assault
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 34 yo male shut victim's hand in door after argument causing minor injury.			
07/29/2017, 1806 07/29/2017, 1806	15XXX OLIVE BLVD	Faust Park	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject broke out window on victim's vehicle and took a purse.			
07/29/2017, 1600 07/29/2017, 1813	16XXX LYDIA HILL DR	Chesterfield City Park	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject broke out window on victim's vehicle and took a purse.			
07/27/2017, 2230 07/28/2017, 0700	1XX MARCREST DR		Stolen Vehicle Automobile
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took victim's vehicle which was parked in driveway.			
07/27/2017, 2230 07/28/2017, 0700	1XX MARCREST DR		Larceny under \$750 from Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took clothing, a GPS unit, and a DVD player.			
07/27/2017, 1620 07/27/2017, 2000	17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD	Rock N Brews	Larceny under \$750 from Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject entered victim's unlocked vehicle and took a wallet.			
07/28/2017, 1245 07/28/2017, 1311	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	V Stock	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 63 yo male concealed cell phone and attempted to leave store without paying. Also in possession of stolen property from other stores.			
03/15/2017, 1200 07/15/2017, 1200	6XX BROADMOOR DR E		Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 48 yo male took license plate off of victim's vehicle.			

07/01/2017, 1600 07/02/2017, 0956	13XXX OLIVE BLVD	Arminia Cemetery	Littering
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 48 yo male threw yard waste back onto cemetery property after it was cleaned up.			
07/28/2017, 1615 07/28/2017, 1620	2X JENNYCLIFFE LN	Clarkson Valley	Assault Common - Actual Assault
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 55 yo male and 33 yo female stated they were struck by the other party. No injuries reported.			
07/28/2017, 2016 07/28/2017, 2016	XX FOUR SEASONS SHPG CTR	Dierberg's	Larceny under \$750 Person
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took victim's wallet from shopping cart. Wallet later recovered with only cash missing.			
07/27/2017, 1125 07/27/2017, 1125	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	V Stock	Possession of Stolen Property Other
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 37 yo male in possession of stolen video games and DVD's while attempting to resell them at store.			
07/14/2017, 0800 07/25/2017, 0800	14XXX BOXFORD CT		Fraud Deceptive Sale/Advertising
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject convinced victim to send money for puppy that was never delivered.			
07/27/2017, 1800 07/27/2017, 1800	17XXX SUGARBERRY CT		Fraud Identity Theft
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject used victim's information to open up credit card account.			
07/24/2017, 0600 07/24/2017, 1500	14XXX NORTH OUTER 40 RD	Delmar Gardens	Property Damage to Vehicle
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject scratched victim's vehicle while parked in parking lot.			
07/26/2017, 1028 07/26/2017, 1028	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Max Studios	Harassment/Threat Texting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 28 yo male sending numerous and unwanted text messages to ex-girlfriend.			
07/25/2017, 1900 07/26/2017, 1100	14XX WESTMEADE DR		Property Damage to Vehicle
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject scratched victim's vehicle while parked in apartment parking lot.			
07/14/2017, 1800 07/16/2017, 0910	16XXX SWINGLEY RIDGE RD	Hampton Inn	Larceny under \$750 Person
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took prescription medication from victim's hotel room.			
07/26/2017, 1241 07/26/2017, 1241	N OUTER 40 RD & SPIRIT OF ST LOUIS BLVD		Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 19 yo male in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation.			
07/26/2017, 1308 07/26/2017, 1308	18XXX CONVENIENCE WAY	Cavenders Western Wear	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject concealed clothing and left store without paying.			
07/12/2017, 2250 07/12/2017, 2300	14XXX GREEN CIRCLE DR		Fraud Identity Theft
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject used victim's information to change financial information and to open up a credit card.			
07/26/2017, 1840 07/26/2017, 1848	14XXX CLAYTON RD	Shell	Larceny under \$750 Gas Drive Off
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject pumped gasoline and drove out of gas station without paying.			
07/25/2017, 0014 07/25/2017, 0120	S WOODS MILL RD & ST LUKES CENTER DR		Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 38 yo male in possession of marijuana and an open container of alcohol in his vehicle after being stopped for DWI.			
07/25/2017, 0230 07/25/2017, 0230	15XXX ELK RIDGE LN		Runaway Juvenile

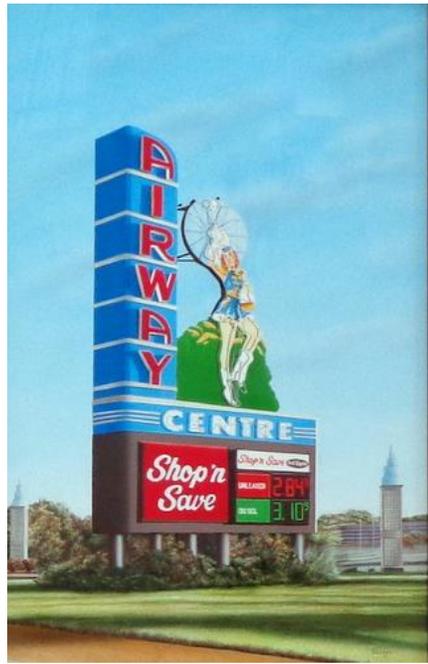
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 16 yo female ran away from but later returned unharmed.			
07/23/2017, 2300 07/24/2017, 1500	1X CROWN MANOR DR	Clarkson Valley	Property Damage Lawn
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject damaged victim's lawn with unknown chemical.			
07/12/2017, 1200 07/20/2017, 1200	17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD	Raising Cane's	Larceny under \$750 Employer
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 22 yo male took cash while working for employer.			
07/25/2017, 1030 07/25/2017, 1030	17XXX CHESTERFIELD AIRPORT RD	Courtyard By Marriott	Property Damage to Vehicle
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 18 yo male damaged co-workers vehicle after argument.			
07/24/2017, 2130 07/25/2017, 1130	2X FOREST CREST DR		Property Damage to House
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject damaged flag pole on front of victim's residence.			
07/25/2017, 1100 07/25/2017, 1200	1XX KENDALL BLUFF CT		Fraud Identity Theft
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject used victim's information to open up credit card account.			
07/13/2017, 2048 07/13/2017, 2048	14XXX DEERHORN DR		Fraud Identity Theft
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject used victim's information to change her financial records.			
07/14/2017, 1300 07/25/2017, 1300	14XXX OLIVE BLVD	Petromart	Larceny under \$750 Business
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject broke into vacuum coin machines and took money.			
04/12/2017, 0700 07/17/2017, 0700	14XXX CUANDO DR		Fraud Identity Theft
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject used victim's information to open up PayPal account.			
06/14/2017, 1318 07/24/2017, 1319	18XXX OUTLET BLVD	Jared's Vault	Larceny Over \$750 Employer
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took jewelry from business inventory.			
07/23/2017, 2100 07/24/2017, 1415	14XX TIMBERLAKE MANOR PKY	Thousand Oaks Clubhouse	Trespassing Private Property
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject entered subdivision pool after hours and threw furniture into water and spread trash around pool deck.			
07/10/2017, 0000 07/24/2017, 1530	15XX CHARLEMONT DR		Property Damage to Vehicle
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject scratched victim's vehicle with an unknown object.			
07/24/2017, 2229 07/24/2017, 2229	1XX LONG RD	Express Gas Station	Flourishing Firearm
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject flourished a firearm at victim after he followed suspect vehicle from his place of employment.			
07/23/2017, 1000 07/23/2017, 1030	10XX TOREADOR DR		Assault Common - Actual Assault
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 28 yo male pushed victim after argument causing minor injuries.			
07/22/2017, 1800 07/22/2017, 2115	1XX RIVER VALLEY DR		Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took license plate off of victim's vehicle.			
07/23/2017, 1424 07/23/2017, 1424	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	Spencers	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 22 and 21 yo males concealed sunglasses and clothing and left stores without paying.			
07/22/2017, 0000 07/22/2017, 2230	7X RIVER VALLEY DR		Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Citizen report of stolen license plate off of vehicle.			

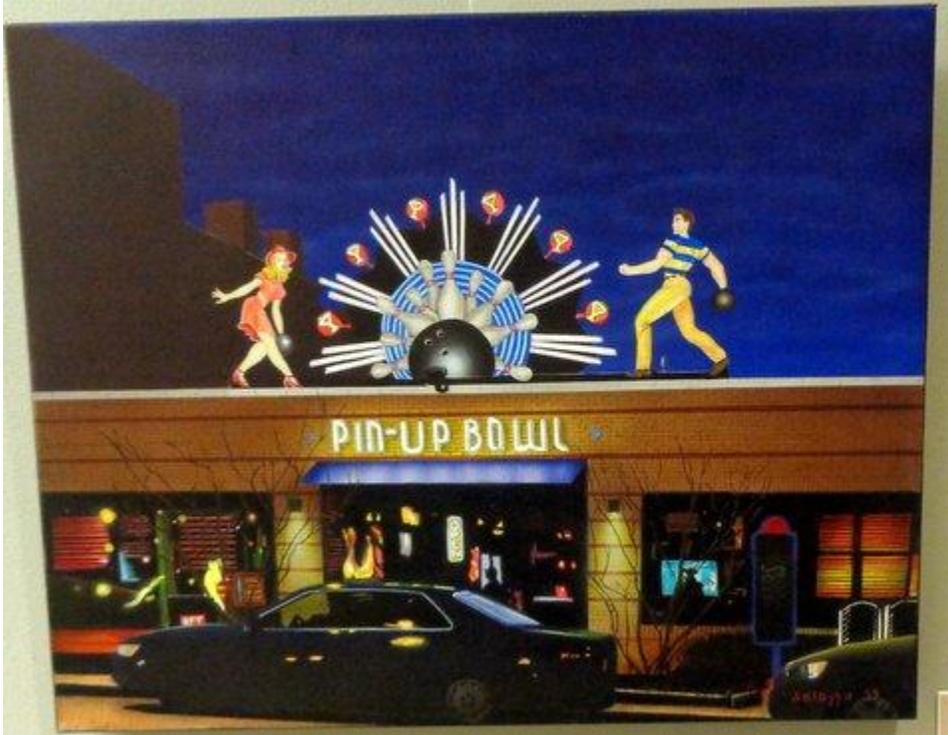
07/22/2017, 1626 07/22/2017, 1626	4X CHESTERFIELD MALL	Macy's	Larceny Over \$750 Shoplifting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 49 yo male grabbed clothing and ran out of store without paying.			
07/22/2017, 1718 07/22/2017, 1718	16XX CLARKSON RD	Chipotle	Recovered Auto Stolen Elsewher Auto
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Recovered stolen auto from St. Louis County located in parking lot. Vehicle towed and returned to owner.			
07/22/2017, 1803 07/22/2017, 1815	9XX DORESAY LN		Property Damage to House
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 65 yo male damaged front door on ex-wife's residence. After confrontation with police officers, subject attempted to run over officer with car but stopped without further incident.			
07/21/2017, 0800 07/22/2017, 1100	4XX WILLOW WEALD PATH		Larceny under \$750 Residence
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took chair from front porch of residence.			
07/17/2017, 1224 07/21/2017, 0000	17XX BLACK BIRCH DR		Fraud Scam
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject convinced victim to wire money for fraudulent shipping scam after selling furniture online.			
07/21/2017, 1727 07/21/2017, 1727	18XX ROCKMOOR DR		Assault Common - Actual Assault
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 57 yo male pushed victim after argument causing no injuries.			
07/20/2017, 1120 07/20/2017, 1120	1X THF BLVD	Old Navy	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 25 yo female and 28 yo male concealed clothing and left store without paying. Also in possession of stolen clothing from other stores and prohibited theft device. Male subject initially ran away from officers when stopped but was taken into custody later without incident.			
07/18/2017, 0915 07/18/2017, 0920	15XXX CLAYTON RD	Clarkson Valley	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject concealed clothing and left store without paying.			
07/19/2017, 0300 07/19/2017, 0725	8XX GRIMSTONE DR		Assault Common - Actual Assault
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 51 yo male struck victim in the face after argument causing minor injury.			
06/28/2017, 0800 06/29/2017, 0800	2XX RIVER VALLEY DR	Riverbend Elementary	Property Damage School
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject damaged school playground slide with fireworks.			
07/17/2017, 1700 07/18/2017, 1730	3XX S WOODS MILL RD 301	Brooking Park	Larceny under \$750 Residence
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took ring from victim's room.			
05/07/2017, 0800 05/09/2017, 1200	18XX CLARKSON RD		Larceny under \$750 License Plate/Tabs
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Citizen report of stolen license plates.			
01/01/2017, 0000 04/30/2017, 0000	2XX WOODCLIFFE PLACE DR		Fraud Identity Theft
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject used victim's information to open up cable service account.			
07/19/2017, 1929 07/19/2017, 1929	13XXX E WOODLAKE VILLAGE CT		Larceny under \$750 Person
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> Unknown subject took victim's blank check that she sent off in the mail.			
07/19/2017, 2000 07/19/2017, 2020	BRITTANIA DR & BUCKINGTON DR		Drugs Possession - Misdemeanor
<b>Brief Narrative Description:</b> 20 yo male in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia after suspicious person check.			
07/19/2017, 2037 07/19/2017, 2037	2XX CHESTERFIELD MALL	Sunglass Hut	Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting

**Brief Narrative Description:** 18 yo male concealed sunglasses and left store without paying. When confronted by police, subject ran and resisted arrested when caught. No injuries reported. Subject also in possession of other stolen property and prohibited theft devices.

**ART AT THE CITY HALL:** Three artists are featured this month. We have examples from all three. However for the life of me I don't know why the entire exhibit was not the work of John Salozzo, a graphic and digital artist who has had work appear in national magazine print ads, a rock album cover for Boston and much more. The final five of our photos from the art exhibit are by Salozzo.







**READERS COMMENTS:** Here are some comments from readers on various topics covered in recent editions of the Newsletter.

**On Mayor Bob Nation and President Frank Underwood:**

Have you watched the latest season of House of Cards? Kevin Spacey with white hair looks so much like Bob Nation .... or Bob looks like him. Either way, it's eerie!

**On The Town Square:**

This Town Square Project would be the death of everyone in City Government in any other Municipality, this will be the biggest mess in the History of Town & Country, I'd be interested in a City Referendum Vote on this before spending another dime during the next elections, I am SURE it would fail. While Tiffany & Linda may be stewing about this, I have got to believe others are quietly having real second thoughts & looking for a way to save face on this. And nobody has addressed the traffic issues of left turns in & out of this mess.

**On Town and Country Police, Fire & EMS Commissioners getting badges (from a former commissioner)**

yep

only sworn personnel should get badges!

## **On using the Navy song instead of the Air Force song:**

*John on your article about the young lady joining the Air Force you titled it, Anchors Away. That is the Navy's song, the Air Force's song is The Wild Blue Yonder. (early version of newsletter that was corrected)*

(The other guy I wrote about was in the Navy Band. I got confused. I corrected it on the online version. My favorite service song is the Coast Guard song, Semper Paratus, Always Ready. For new readers, the song was written by Coast Guard Captain Francis Von Boskerck over a five year period. He wrote the words in 1922 in Savannah, Georgia and five years later the music while stationed in Alaska. Below is a link from a recording of the song made by Rudy Vallee during World War II. You have to be over 60 to remember who Vallee was. He was a singer best known in the 30s and 40s. He was also an actor. Most of his work was on TV, but his biggest role was in the 1967 film How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying. )

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHPMAHsn6v4>

## **FROM A READER IN CALIFORNIA:**

READ WITH INTEREST THAT A FORMER STANFORD SOFTBALL COACH WAS GETTING SOME CEO POSITION AT THE FAILING SPORTS COMPLEX BOONDOGGLE IN CHESTERFIELD. AFTER A 0-24 RECORD AT STANFORD. HUM, I THOUGHT.

WHY IS SOMEONE WHO COULD COACH STORIED STANFORD SOFTBALL PROGRAM GOING TO PODUNK OPERATION BY SLEAZY OPERATORS IN CORRUPT MO. RIVER TOWN?; THERE'S GOT TO BE FRIEND THERE IN THE WOODWORK. BUT THEN FOUND UGLY HISTORY BEHIND. DONT KNOW IF YOU SAW, CARED OR CHECKED, BUT IT DOESNT BOD WELL FOR HER MANAGEMENT EXPERTISE. NOTE HOW SHE SUSPENDED THREE TOP PLAYERS, WHO PROMPTLY LEFT [REPEAT, LEFT STANFORD] AND THEN TEAM WENT WINLESS.

## **A T-FED SIGHTING AND A COMMENT ON MUNI COURTS:**

teddy may still be in st louis, but not sure. i was told he is driving a white 2017 Ford F250 Super Duty King Ranch with VA plates - VVK5331, last seen on July 23. told truck was a rental, but not sure i believe it. i'm not sure if he is now living in VA or still in SC??? head is shaved with a long beard. real peace of work. will st louis ever clean up our municipal court system and circuit court??? sick of the pay to play BS.

**A TOWN AND COUNTRY OUTRAGE (sort of):** When I get a car wash I normally go to the Waterway Car Wash on Clayton Road at Woods Mill. (I don't buy gas there since they sell under the logo of BP, the company that murdered 12 people and killed thousands of animals in the Deep Water Horizon incident.) But I go there because they hire high school and college students (both men and women). Granted few are from Town and Country and most are from Ballwin, Manchester and parts of Chesterfield, but it is local kids earning a buck, what's not to like.

Last week I was there and found out they had raised prices \$2 across the board for car washes. But they did not pass along any of that in even slight pay raises for the kids out in the summer heat and winter cold making our cars look nice.



### **RESTAURANT (SORT OF) REVIEW 3-Bays BBQ. July 27, 2017**

40 years ago you could possibly take a really good limited menu, put it in a non-traditional place with limited seating and maybe with some luck you could have wait lists and reservations weeks in advance from people wanting an adventure in dining. The place we went to twice meets part of that recipe, but not the most important part.

Let's start in Bartlesville, Oklahoma where the Phillips 66 company decided that mechanical repairs could only be done at Phillips 66 stations not owned by the oil company. The Phillips 66 stations leased out could only sell gasoline and operate convenience stores. No more replacing burned out headlights, oil changes, front end alignments, new water pumps or tune ups.

The long time operators of the Phillips 66 station at the corner of Clayton Road and Woods Mill Road had mechanics, three bays for them to work in and loyal customers including the Postal Service. The place is owned by Phillips 66 and is now a gas station, convenience store and car wash.



So what to do with the three empty auto repair bays? In this case they made it into an exclusive BBQ restaurant, only open three days a week (Wed-Fri) and is only open 3 ½ hours a day (10:30 am to 2 pm).

The first time I went there for lunch I arrived at 2:15 only to find it closed. My wife was with me and after she eyeballed the place she said she was not coming back. That meant I would have to come back twice.

I arrived for my first visit on a Thursday at 1:10 and learned they were sold out of ribs, so I ordered a brisket sandwich (\$8.99) that came with one side. I asked what the most popular side was and was told “homemade chips” but I was never told whose home they had been made at.



There were so many chips I could barely see my sandwich, which might have been the plan.

The meat was tough and chewy. The BBQ sauce was KC Masterpiece which you had to put on yourself. It didn't help. If my cardiologist is reading this, I did not finish all of the sandwich and only ate half of the chips.



This is where you got your water, BBQ sauce bottle and plastic knives and forks.

When I first arrived I asked what their most popular sandwich was. I was told the "pulled pork." I was given a forkful as a sample. That was when I ordered the brisket.

I could have gotten the refillable gas station soft drinks that went from a 16 oz for 79-cents to a 44oz for \$1.09. A bottle of water was 69-cents. I elected for a free glass of water, which I served myself into the smallest glass (actually paper cup) that I have ever seen in association with a restaurant. It was smaller than the salt shaker.



Note the generous size of the free water cup.



This is the spacious dining area with three picnic tables that seat 18.

I returned eight days later early enough before they ran out of ribs. The full rack of baby back ribs was \$22.99. There was no half-rack of ribs instead there was a 4-bone rib sandwich with the bones removed. I have mentioned this before, my of my favorite places for ribs was outside of Baltimore. The baby backed ribs were so tender it was hard to ever order anything else. So of course even though I was not in Cockeysville, Maryland, I ordered the Baby Back Rib sandwich (\$8.99). Instead of chips I talked them into a half order of slaw and a half order of potato salad.



On the positive side, you got a lot of meat and the potato salad was pretty good.

However, the meat was very difficult to eat and just wasn't that tasty. It was thick and tough to the point where they should have offered a complimentary 1-foot long string of dental floss with each serving and the staff should have been trained in performing the Heimlich maneuver. I could only do one bite of slaw.

Here is our advice. If you want a brisket sandwich and you are on Clayton Road, go to Charlotte's Rib at Clayton and Kehrs Mill Road or stop by Smitty's at Clayton and Baxter Roads where brisket sandwiches as a special are served several times a week. The same is true for sides. Both places have very good side orders. If you want ribs go to Sugarfire on Olive Blvd at Price Road. If you want gas or a quick car wash go to the Phillips 66 station at Clayton and Woods Mill.



**REAL ESTATE:** Just on the market in June for \$4,775,000. The house at 25 Upper Ladue Road was built 84 years ago. It is in the name of Robert J. Trulaske, Jr. Trust. Turlaske was a business man who also had a number of charitable organizations. He died 10-years ago.

The house sits on 3.5 acres and is 10,724 square feet. It has a four car garage. To me the selling point is the subdivision fees are only \$400 a year. Mine are twice that and my house is not quite in the \$4,775,000 price range.

It comes with six full baths and two half-baths along with eight bedrooms and an annual real estate tax bill of \$49,982.

The front entrance almost looks modest. But when you see the aerial view of the entire house you realize you will need a guide for the first month of occupancy.



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From this aerial photo it looks like there might be some needed roof repair.

**CARTOONS:** Clearly I like the comic strip Shoe, that Jeff MacNelly's wife has kept alive after the death of her husband and later a replacement cartoonist. Some weeks I find

the puns and a jokes a little weak and don't pick any. This week I liked all of them and picked three.



You have to be 60 or at least 55 to get this one after have watched the Late Show or TCM. But if you liked Edward G. Robinson, Barbara Stanwyck and Fred MacMurray it is a nice trip back to 1944 Film Noir.



The long running BC comic strip by Johnny Hart started in 1958. Hart died at his story board in upstate New York in 2007. His grandsons Mason and Mick Mastroianni now write and draw the strip. This panel was by Mason.

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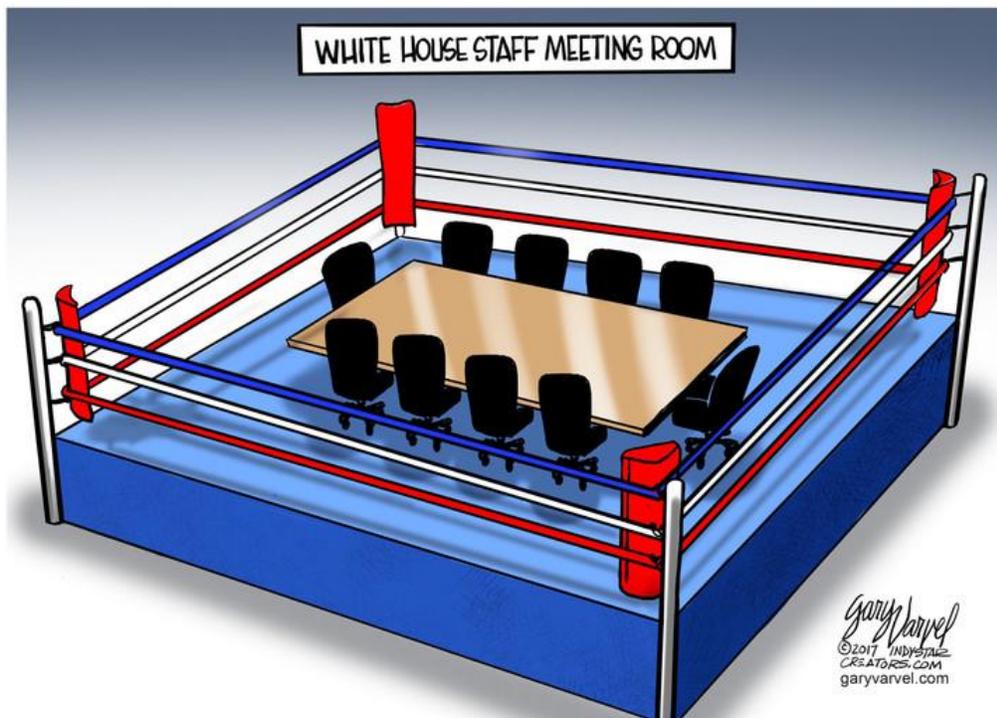
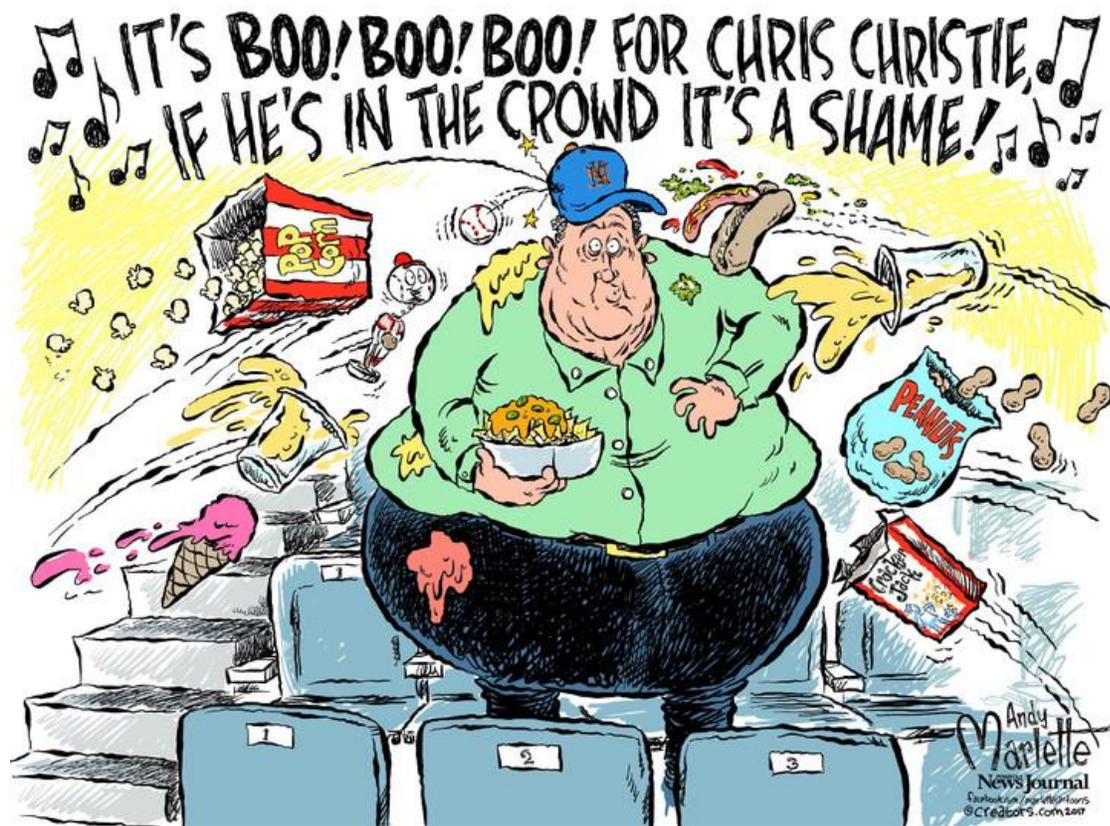
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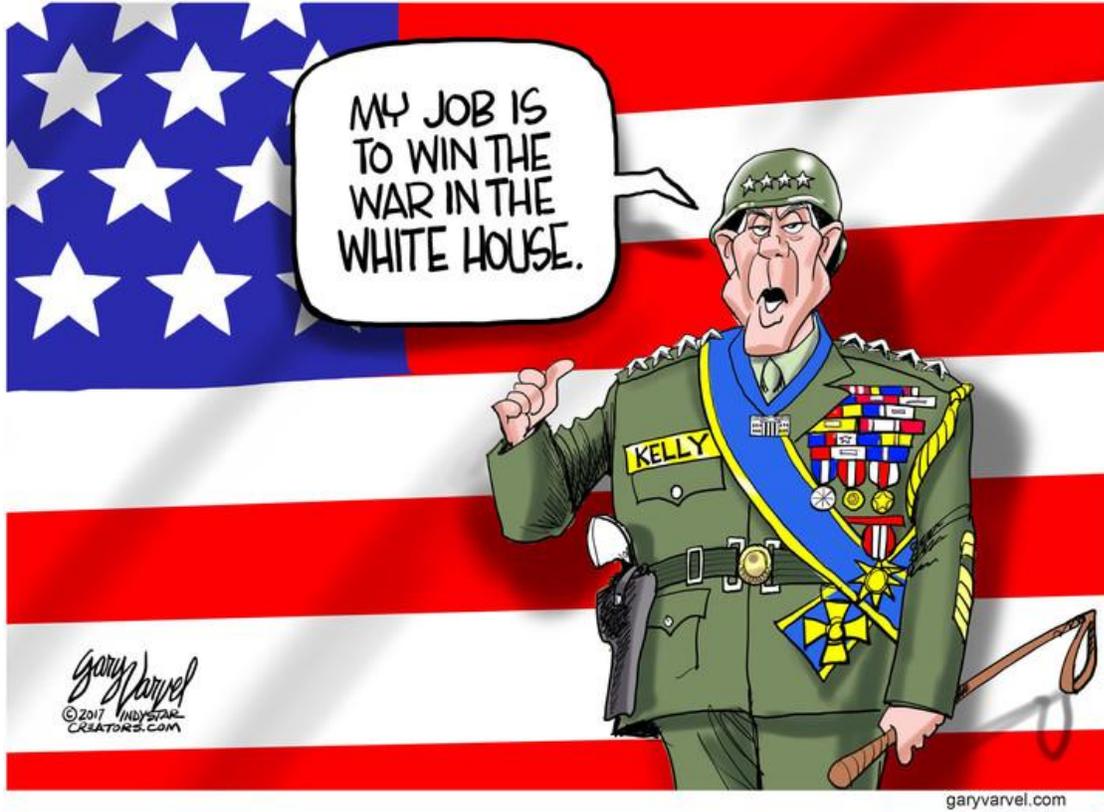




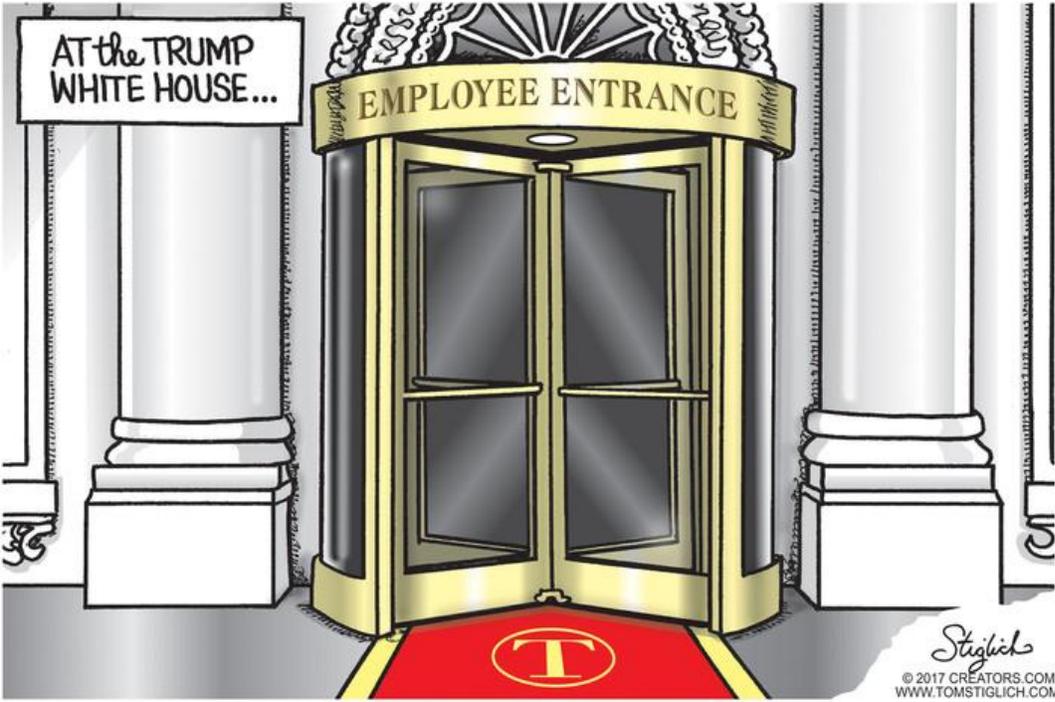
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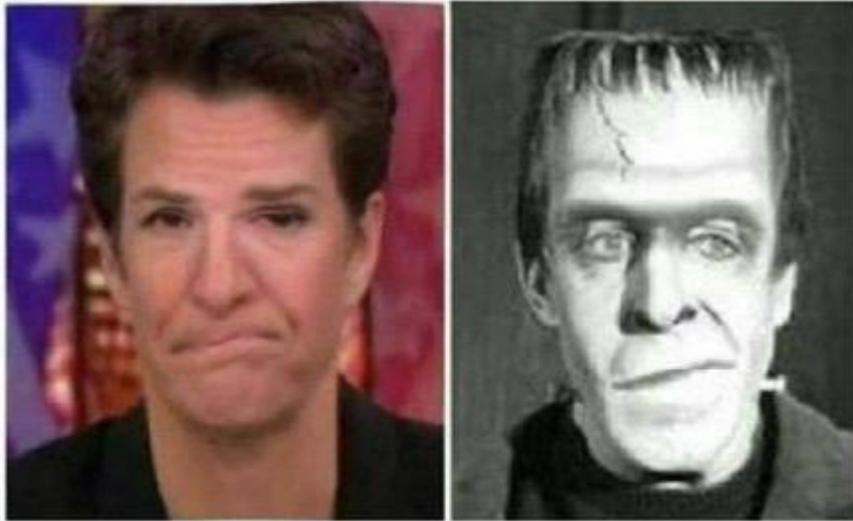








I get right wing emails often with tasteless cartoons or sayings which I delete. But I have to admit this one made me laugh.



**The family resemblance  
is amazing, isn't it?**