

## EX ALDERMAN NEWSLETTER 133 and Chesterfield 78



**June 30, 2014**

**FIRE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN FINED \$1,000 FOR LITTERING AFTER HIS ARREST OF ATTEMPTING TO PAY FOR SEX WITH TEENAGER:** West County EMS & Fire Protection District Chairman, Richard Rognan who resigned last week, had been arrested for Patronizing Prostitution in Velda City after offering \$150 to have sex with a person he believed to be a 19-year old UMSL coed.

While we were able to obtain the police report, the court clerk refused to give us the disposition. Three days after making a request for the disposition of the case we received a copy from the court file. It turns out if you try to pay for sex with a teenager in Velda City you can get the case reduced to "Littering" and pay a \$1,000 fine.



According to court records Rognan was represented by Charles H. Billings, who is the Des Peres Municipal Judge and the lawyer for the West County EMS & Fire Protection District. Some people including myself might believe that Billings who had been hired to protect and represent the Fire District would have a clear conflict of interest in representing an elected official on a serious morals charge. Apparently Billings didn't see the conflict.

The deal was made 15 days after Rognan's arrest on August 23. Velda City prosecutor Patrick Chassaing amended the charge of Patronizing Prostitution to Littering. Chassaing along with Velda City Attorney Steve Garrett work for the Clayton law firm of Curtis, Heinz, Garrett and O'Keefe. The firm's lawyers represent 15 cities as city attorneys, nine cities as prosecutors and Ladue, Missouri as a judge. The law firm also apparently believes adult men who travel to a community with the intent to pay to have sex with a teenager should have their charge reduced to "Littering."



Chassaing



Billings

Here are the court documents in the case.

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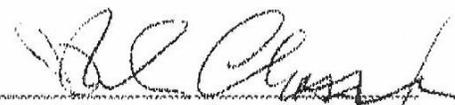
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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS  
STATE OF MISSOURI

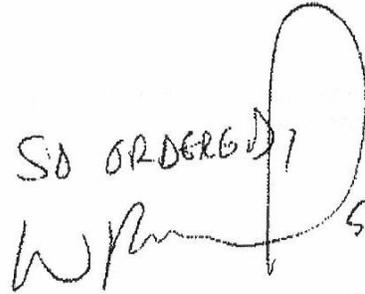
CITY OF Velda City,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	Cause No. 13-519
v.	)	
	)	
RICHARD ROGNAN,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

MEMORANDUM

Comes now the City of Velda City, by and through Prosecutor Patrick Chassaing, and hereby amends the charge plead herein to Littering. Defendant Richard Rognan enters his plea of guilty to the charge of Littering, with a total fine and court cost assessment of \$1,000.00. Defendant and surety hereby transfer and apply bond proceeds under bond number 17903 as and for satisfaction of fines and court costs.

  
 Patrick Chassaing, Prosecuting Attorney  
 City of Velda City 8/21/13

  
 Richard Rognan, Defendant

SO ORDERED  
  
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August 29, 2013

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1735 S. Big Ben Blvd  
St. Louis, MO 63117

	Re: Velda City vs:	Rognan, Richard	Defendant	
<u>Case #</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Cost</u>
M120951860-7	Prostitution Prohibited	Amended to Littering	\$973.50	\$26.50

Total \$1,000.00

Disposition is not docketed until plea is entered and payment received. If you agree to accept the recommendation's and disposition on the above basis, you **Must execute and return the "Acceptance" form together with payment in full, to the court, on or before the court date listed below.**

Court Date of October 02, 2013 at 5:00 pm or a court appearance will be required.

If this form and full payment have not been received by the Court Date, the recommendations will be withdrawn. The case will be scheduled for a trial date and will result in a warrant for arrest. This may result in suspension of drivers license.

### Acceptance

The undersigned enters appearance as attorney for the defendant and accepts the above recommendation, and enters a plea of guilty to charge's as amended on behalf of defendant. **Payment of fine's and/or court cost enclosed.**

**Payment Must Be Made In Money Order or Cashier Check.**

**Personal checks are Not accepted by the court.**

Attorney:

MBE# \_\_\_\_\_

Return Original Signed with Payment

**ANOTHER ARREST IN THE THORNHILL BURGLARY/BEATING CASE:** Another suspect has been arrested in connection with May break-in, severe beating, theft and auto theft on Thornhill Drive. The suspect, a long time boyhood friend from Bel Ridge of the first suspect Daniel Denzel Martin, was arrested last week by another agency. A number of police departments were looking for the suspect for various felonies. The Town and County case involving the Thornhill Drive break-in against the latest suspect has been submitted to the St. Louis County prosecutor's office and the police are awaiting to see if formal charges are going to be issued.

**MAYOR DALTON'S BALANCED BUDGET NOW OVER ONE MILLION IN THE RED:** For the last three or four years Mayor/Cigarette Lobbyist Jon Dalton has told neighborhood groups how he has a another balanced General Fund budget. He neglects to tell them how the overall budget is swimming in red ink. In 2013 his General Fund started the year with a mere \$14,020 of excess funds. However the entire 2013 budget began with a **\$2,427,890** deficit. By the end of the year the overall budget was showing a **\$4.2-million deficit**.

2014 began with the General Fund budgeted at \$9,527,640 with a reserve of \$35,850. However the entire budget began the year with another deficit of **\$857,320**. Six months into the year that deficit has grown to over a million dollars, but Dalton will still tell homeowner groups how he delivered another balanced budget.

Here are the latest new expenditures and the total amount of red ink the budget is in so far in 2014:

**-\$857,320** Approved Budget overall deficit January 1, 2014  
\$125,000 added for snow removal February 2014  
**-\$982,320**  
\$ 1,000 Board of Elections increase for city election April 2014  
**-\$983,320**  
\$ 25 added to irrigation for garden April 2014  
**-\$983,345**  
+ \$ 3,687 for gasoline and food to Major Case Squad detectives May 2014  
**-\$987,032**  
+ \$ 7,300 for pump for fountain in Longview Park May 2014  
**-\$994,332**  
+ \$ 18,000 for increase in property insurance premium June 2014  
**\$1,012,332**

**AMY STOPS A BILL FROM BEING PASSED:** We were upset at newly elected Ward-2 Amy Anderson's first meeting when she abstained from voting for Mayor Jon Dalton's Planning and Zoning Commission nominee, Will McKnight. Anderson ran on a loud campaign platform to protect residential zoned property from being rezoned. McKnight was present at the April 28th meeting and under questioning from Linda Rallo, who also ran on a platform of not rezoning residential property, McKnight said he agreed with the rezoning of residential property on Conway Road so Maryville University could relocate a maintenance facility and two athletic fields.

Rallo answered with a no vote and the best Anderson could do was abstain.

However at the June 23rd Board of Aldermen meeting Anderson and two residents stopped a bill to spend \$4,200 to enter into an agreement with the U.S. Green Building Council to hire a college intern to do a carbon footprint of the city.

The bill would also require the City Administrator to join ICLEI, International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives.

The bill was sponsored by Alderman Jon Benigas who is chairman of the Green Team Commission and returned to the Board of Alderman as a favor to Mayor Jon Dalton in a move that forced disgraced alderman David Karney to withdraw from the race after it was determined that Karney was sending quasi threatening emails to Alderman Fred Meyland-Smith under a fictitious name and email account.

Benigas' Green Team Commission which has always been short of members and often has problems making a 40% quorum for meetings, sent the proposal to the Aldermen.

Benigas was out of town for the meeting, but attended the "agenda" meeting via Skype.

"Getting a carbon footprint is the first step," said Benigas who apparently had been buttonholing by phone his fellow alderpersons by telephone during the day.



Jon Benigas center on screen at agenda meeting. You have to be present to vote, so the Skype connection with Benigas was not a the regular meeting.

However there was an email campaign to stop the bill and residents were calling their alderpersons and the mayor.

The ICLEI program would require the city to complete sections or mileposts. The complaining residents didn't like that fact that government would either be telling them what to do or suggesting it.

"By delaying we will reduce the quality of the intern we can get for the project," said Benigas.

Linda Rallo asked if the study would just involve the city government buildings and vehicles.

"Looking at the City government footprints would be done, but it is larger than that and we would look at the whole city," said Benigas.

Rallo said she had looked at the Richmond Heights study of their carbon footprint where they found the biggest contributor to the footprint was public works vehicles and police cars. She asked if the city wanted to roll back police patrols to improve our carbon footprint.

Benigas did not give her a straight answer but said how one member of the Green Team Commission has a truck that runs on grease from fast food restaurants. He also said that the city was not obligated to continue in the program.

"It seems silly to start this and not finish it," said Anderson.

Dalton wanted someone to agree to make a motion to continue the bill. The consensus was no one wanted to continue it. In the agenda meeting it appeared as if the bill would pass in the regular meeting on a 4-2 vote with Meyland-Smith announcing that he was going to abstain as he "didn't feel comfortable having my name behind it" (the bill) but apparently didn't have the balls to vote against it.



Fred Meyland-Smith apparently missing a pair or something for the meeting.

**THE WORM TURNED IN THE MEETING:** In the regular meeting the bill to spend the \$4,200 was introduced by Lynn Wright and seconded by Tim Welby. Amy Anderson spoke at length why she was against the bill. Despite the fact that Amy's shrill voice can be a little tough on the ears, she made a very good and compelling presentation.



"I had a lot of people contact me about this bill. I didn't know them before the election. I think we really need to be careful. It looks like we are just beginning with an intern to do a study, but the whole thing has a bigger agenda. Once we get our software from ICLEI we are going to need more people to just get to Milestone 2," said Anderson who was clearly taking a "less government" stand on the issue.

Linda Rallo then said how she would like to talk to the Green team and see what the ultimate end is.

Next members of the public spoke. First it was Lindsey Butler who lives on Mason Woods Drive, spoke for six minutes on the research she had done on the U.S. Green Building Council-Missouri Gateway Chapter and on ICLEI.

"What are the costs of being associated with the USGB and ICLEI? Since we (Town and Country) were members of ICLEI and we let our membership expire, why do we want to join again," she asked.

Tiffany Frautschi of South Mason Road then spoke for four minutes and asked what the mandates were and said since the alderpersons can't answer that question how can they vote on the issue.



Tiffany Frautschi marches to the podium with her research .

After all the discussions Skip Mange tried to make a motion to continue the matter. For a former mayor he either never knew much of Roberts' Rules of Order or had forgotten a lot. A motion was on the floor to vote on the matter, he could not make a new motion. Dalton tried to explain this. It was clear that many of the members had lost their good feeling about this. Finally Dalton asked who introduced the bill. He was reminded just 15 minutes earlier it was Wright who introduced it with a second from Welby. He asked Wright if she would like to withdraw her motion.

It was like we were in North Korea and Dalton was playing the role of the Kim Jong-un the Beloved Leader when he asked follower Lynn Wright if she would move to withdraw the bill. She did and there was a quick voice vote approving the withdrawal of the bill. Next Dalton asked if there was a motion to continue the bill for an undetermined time. Someone moved to do just that and it passed with only Welby voting no on the voice vote.

**LET'S GET REAL:** The City now has a \$1,000,000 deficit. What is a carbon footprint study by a college kid going to prove?...that there are a lot of large yards with green lawns in Town and Country. Let's face it...we know there is a low carbon footprint in T&C. I'm sure if businesses can realize a savings by going green...they will without local government telling or suggesting them to do so.

The one thing the city could do is not forcing residents who want to add solar panels not to put the panels facing south if the house faces south. The city has already forced one resident to be less energy efficient by the P&Z Commission banning his panels from facing south. If they eventually approve the carbon footprint study the city leaders are going to show they have a clear double standard.

I would suggest that alderpersons and the people speaking against this bill attend several Green Team Commission meetings so they can see the dynamics of this commission.

**READING BETWEEN THE LINES...A NEW TOWN SQUARE:** It seems as if Mayor/Cigarette Lobbyist Jon Dalton has looked into his crystal ball and sees Town and Country morphing into another Clayton, Webster Groves, Kirkwood or maybe Edwardsville. In the latest issue of the Town and Country newsletter Dalton wrote extensively about turning the area around the intersection of Clayton Road and Mason Road into a town square. Most town squares are built around a courthouse. I don't see that happening here.

Here is just part of what Dalton wrote in his newsletter about Mason and Clayton.

**2020 Vision: Bringing Value to the Center of our Town**

It is widely recognized that the area surrounding Clayton and Mason Roads is the hub of our community wheel. From the pastures and playgrounds at Longview Farm Park, to the quaint shops and amenities in and around Mason Woods Village, this has been and will long be a central gathering place. The recent completion of the Clayton Road Trail, with its trailhead feature in front of our iconic firehouse, has connected many neighbors and neighborhoods to this special location, with additional connector trails in various phases of discussion or planning. In fact, the idea that you can drive through Town & Country, but you cannot drive to Town & Country, is slowly beginning to change as our sense of place and identity continues to coalesce in this area. With Longview Farm Park, the shops at Mason Woods Village, our firehouse and even our community garden, we have the building blocks of a traditional town square...

Dalton thinks a small shopping center with an overpriced grocery store, a popular Six-Bucks...I mean Starbucks and an expensive Italian restaurant where the "manager" and

owners' son is a convicted felon having cheated banks in various mortgage frauds and who holds court in the place like he is a member of the Sopranos should be our town square. Give me a break!

For a number of years both the police department and the city hall staff have complained about being over crowded at the city hall/police building. Back in 2007 when Principia floated an idea of having a 100 year lease of the open ground along Mason Road for a combination residential and commercial area, a selling point was to move the city hall there. The plan created a firestorm of protest from nearby residents and quickly died.

However after reading Dalton's comments, I can smell an effort to do something like selling off Preservation Park to Missouri Baptist University, use the money to buy the Werth property located on Clayton Road behind the Straubs' store and building a new city hall and let the police department take over the current building. I can't wait for the people who live on Rutherford Lane that were concerned about a retirement/nursing home being built on the property, deal with overflow crowds for aldermanic, planning and zoning meetings or court night.



**THE MAIN ELEMENT IS MISSING:** Dalton wants to see Town and Country be something it cannot be. Webster Groves and Kirkwood are served by one central high school that brings the communities together. In Town and Country children attend four different public high schools (Ladue, Kirkwood, Parkway Central and Parkway West) plus there are four private high schools in the city and a dozen more close by. The Webster and Kirkwood downtown districts have been active since 1900.

Too many residents are drawn to Town and Country for snob appeal (of course I'm not referring to you or your friends) and not a sense of community. Others love their big lots and houses but aren't ready to start the Town and Country Lions' Club.

**A WARPED DEFINITION OF "ICONIC"** Dalton calls the Town and Country Fire Station "iconic." It is a modern building that was built for style with no thought to function 24 years ago. The architects gave absolutely no thought to the function of a firehouse. The vaulted ceilings made it extremely expensive and ineffective to cool in the summer and the glass and non-insulated doors kept the heating bills off the chart. The city had to close the "iconic" firehouse in 2012 for six months to fix all the problems the architects created.

In the 1990s I did a continuing pictorial of old still operating police stations and firehouses around the world for a public safety magazine, believe me the T&C Fire Station is nowhere close to iconic status.

Here are some photos Iconic Firehouses I grabbed off the internet:



This one is not:



## **POLICE: MAY ACITIVITIES:**

Officers responded to a total of 1,574 calls for service and wrote a total of 199 reports, including:

77 Vehicle Crashes

30 Criminal Reports

21 Driving While Intoxicated arrests (1-felony, 1-misdemeanor, 19-ordinance)

53 Misc Arrests (Traffic charges, Fugitive charges, Failure to appear charges, etc)

499 Traffic citations issued (337 speeding)

## **YEAR TO DATE JANUARY THROUGH MAY:**

### **Year to Date:**

339 Vehicle Crashes

178 Criminal Reports

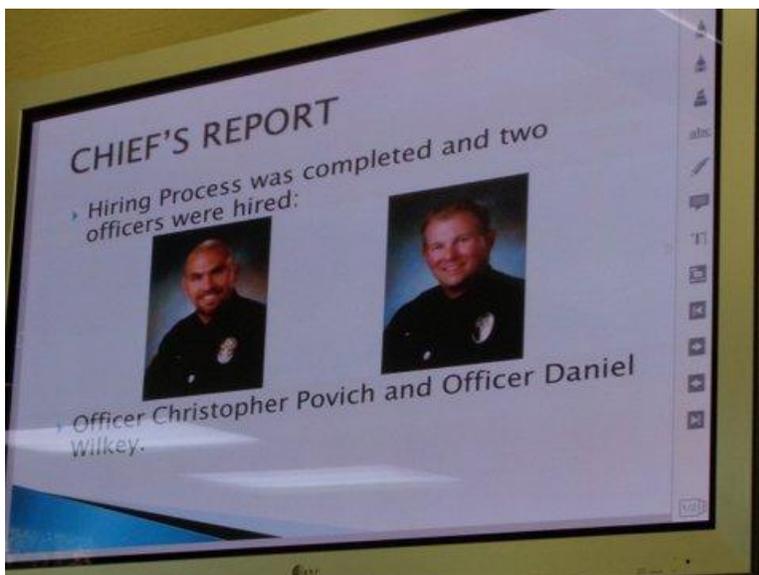
116 DWI arrests

252 Misc Arrests

2463 Traffic citations

1666 Speeding Citations

**TWO NEW OFFICERS:** Christopher Polich has been hired from the St. Louis County Police Department. Daniel Wilkey was hired at the same time from the Crystal City Police Department in Jefferson County.



## UNAPPROVED CHESTERFIELD NEWSLETTER 78



June 30, 2014

By John Hoffmann

**NO BIDS FOR ANOTHER 7 YEARS OF TRASH SERVICE WILL EQUAL 21 YEARS WITHOUT A COMPETITIVE BID...BUT PROPOSED RATES LOOK GOOD:** Instead of putting another 7-year trash service contract out for bid, the city council received a proposal from Republic Services that went through a special committee of city staffers. The committee consisted of Public Works Director James Eckrich, Development Director Libbey Tucker, City Administration staffer James Mello and the City Administrator Mike Herring. Don't forget that Herring received \$250 in free World Series tickets to the Republic Services' private box suite in 2011.

After consideration the committee decided not to recommend to put the seven-year contract up for bids a second time. This means the contract would run for 21 years without a competitive bid.



Their reason for not taking the ethical high ground was multi faceted. First they said Republic had been providing excellent service with very few complaints. Next they cited the prices proposed by Republic over the life of the contract with no increase the first and last years are just 1.5% increases each other year. Finally Jim Eckrich said with Chesterfield being one of the largest municipalities in land size and population in the

County, a new trash provider would have a large immediate expense in buying new trucks and hiring new employees.

The report given Council members showed the monthly costs to each household for weekly Republic trash and recycling pick up. Here are the monthly rates proposed.

<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Aug 1, 2014-July 31, 2015</b>	<b>\$13.51/Senior rate \$12.16</b>	<b>0% increase</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Aug 1, 2015-July 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$13.72/Senior rate \$12.35</b>	<b>1.5% increase</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Aug 1, 2016-July 31, 2017</b>	<b>\$13.93/Senior rate \$12.54</b>	<b>1.5% increase</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Aug 1, 2017-July 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$14.35/Senior rate \$12.73</b>	<b>1.5% increase</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Aug 1, 2018-July 31, 2019</b>	<b>\$14.57/Senior rate \$12.92</b>	<b>1.5% increase</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Aug 1, 2019-July 31, 2020</b>	<b>\$14.79/Senior rate \$13.12</b>	<b>1.5% increase</b>
<b>Year 7</b>	<b>Aug 1, 2020-July 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$14,79/Senior rate \$13.12</b>	<b>0 increase</b>

That is just a \$1.28 increase in the monthly rate over 7 years or 8.6%. I'm paying almost twice as much in Town and Country where my HOA rules require rear yard trash and recycling pick up. In the Washington, DC Maryland suburbs in 2005 I was paying \$13 a month for twice weekly trash pickup as the County picked up recycling weekly at no charge.

The down side is of course Republic is operating the landfill that has the underground fire, is polluting the air and possibly the ground outside of the landfill, plus has issues with radioactive containments. They also have been giving the \$250 or more in the World Series tickets in violation of local governments' personnel rules. Finally there is the good government blueprint for always having competitive bidding.

The resolution proposal to the full Council came out of the Planning and Public Works Committee on a 2-2 tie with Councilman Dan Hurt and Councilwoman Nancy Greenwood voting against it, saying competitive bidding should always be done. Connie Fults and Elliott Grissom voted for it.

At the June 16 City Council meeting Nancy Greenwood was absent nursing a summer illness. She would have been a likely "no" vote.

"They provide a good service. I would hope they would win the bid," said Dan Hurt at the agenda meeting championing the need for competitive bidding.

"For basic service Chesterfield is the very lowest," said Public Works Director Jim Eckrich.



Councilman Dan Hurt at the agenda meeting wanting competitive bids and behind him Public Works Director Jim Eckrich who was supporting a second 7-year contract extension.

"Bringing in a company that can do it cheaper but not as good is a risk not worth taking," said Mayor Bob Nation.

At the regular meeting the 7-year extension passed on a 5-2 vote with Hurt and Bruce DeGroot voting against it. Had Greenwood been present it would have likely been a 5-3 vote.

#### **RESIDENT UPSET WITH LACK OF ENFORCEMENT OF TOO MANY DOGS:**

Maureen McNeil of 33 Arrowhead Estates Lane presented a petition to the Chesterfield City Council requesting that the city not allow more than four dogs per home. McNeil said that her small Lhasa Apso was killed when a large Chow mix dog got out of a neighbor's yard and attacked her dog. She said the neighbor who lives on West Drive has 10 dogs and cannot control them.

It turns out that Chesterfield has a dog law that requires people with more than four dogs to get a kennel license and a variance. The problem is that the ordinance is not enforced by the police or the city's single code enforcement officer but by the planning department.

Councilman Dan Hurt asked McNeil where her dog was when it was attacked. She admitted it was out of her yard and in the street.



**FROM FACEBOOK:** Chesterfield's Joe Mancuso made me laugh on Thursday with this Facebook post:

[Joe Mancuso](#)

[12 hrs](#) ·

I was at the Mobile On The Run today in Chesterfield... filled up the gas tank, made a quick independent film in the restroom and then off to my next errand!

**DWI FEATURE HAS THE MAYOR FRUSTRATED:** Our recent two-part pieces on DWI and Theft shows cases normally result in anything but actual convictions in municipal courts that never end up on defendants' drivers' licenses had Mayor Bob Nation in a disagreement with me.

After getting inquiries from residents over my newsletter about DWI defendants getting off with no points on their driving records and especially about the case of Christian Beck-Ceballos.



(Beck-Ceballos was highly intoxicated driving home from an evening at a strip club on the East Side. He almost hit a light pole on Highway 141 in front of St. Luke's Hospital. The arresting officer reported he nearly drove off the shoulder when he pulled him over.

The officer wrote that Beck-Ceballos told him he didn't have his drivers' license because it was taken from him in another recent DWI arrest. Later in the his report the officer mentioned again he could not seize Beck-Ceballos's license for refusing to take a breath test because it was taken recently during another DWI arrest. Tim Englemeyer, the city's prosecutor agreed to a plea bargain where Beck-Ceballos would have a "no record with DOR" probation, reduced the Improper Lane Use (weaving) citation to "Illegal parking" and reduce the Driving with a Suspended Drivers' License to "Illegal Parking.")

Mayor Nation wanted to know how I knew Beck-Ceballos had a second DWI. I eventually formatted my copy of the police report into a PDF and emailed it to him. Apparently the police department could not provide the mayor with information from regional police arrest data bases. Chief Ray Johnson said several people have searched for the information and not found it.

**YOU BE THE JUDGE:** Here is the copy of the DWI arrest report in question. Read it and tell me if you think Mr. Beck-Caballos had a prior DWI and if you thought he was so drunk and reckless that he did not deserve a special deal that would have resulted with no points on his driving record? My take is that when DWI suspects are especially drunk and then refuse to take a breath test...they don't deserve any special deals from the city prosecutor.

While Mayor Nation is frustrated about the Chesterfield Police not being able to confirm the officer's information in the police report, I have spent \$25 and made a request with DOR for a copy of Mr. Beck-Ceballos' driving record.

**CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 INVESTIGATIVE REPORT  
 13 - 1633 - ORIGINAL**

<b>INVESTIGATIVE INFORMATION</b>			
Offense	DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED		
UCR Crime Code	DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE		
Juris Reporting	CHESTERFIELD	Call Received	ON VIEW
For Jurisdiction	CHESTERFIELD	Reporting Officer	5255 - HERNANDEZ
Case Status	CLEARED BY ARREST	Reporting Dept.	CHESTERFIELD
Date/Time Received	04/17/2013 02:21 WEDNESDAY	Nature	INTOXICATED DRIVER
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Unit Num.	5C43	COGIS	2521
PCT/Dist	DISTRICT 1	Sector	
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Apt/Suite/Rm #	Location Desc		
Caller Name			
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Apt/Suite/Rm #	Location Desc		
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Entry Method	Tools Used		
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Weapon/Object Used			
Agency/Personnel			
DSN	5138	Jurisdiction	CHESTERFIELD
Name	SHARP, JAMES	Unit Assignment	CHESTERFIELD POLICE
Date/Time Entered	04/17/2013 05:49 WEDNESDAY	Entered By	KATHRYN KENNEDY
FINAL APPROVAL	JESSI STAHLMAN	DSN 5948	04/19/2013 11:09 FRIDAY

**VICTIM BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Will Prosecute  
Business Name CITY OF CHESTERFIELD  
Business Type GOVERNMENT

Additional Info

**ADDITIONAL PARTY INFORMATION**

Person Role(s) REPORTING PARTY, WITNESS, PERSON DISCOVERING, POLICE OFFICER

Last Name HERNANDEZ Middle Name  
First Name DSN 5255 Suffix Name  
SSN Ethnicity  
License Number License State  
Race Sex  
DOB Age  
Resident Status

Additional Info

Email Address

**SUSPECT INFORMATION**

Role ARRESTED-BOOKED AT POLICE STATION

Numeric Identifier(s)

Charge(s) DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, DRIVING WHILE SUSPENDED, IMPROPER LANE USAGE BY WEAVING, SPEEDING, NO PROOF OF INSURANCE, FAILURE TO WEAR SEATBELT

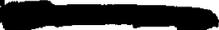
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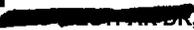
- Medical Assistance
- Miranda Given
- Released
- Send A Teletype
- Using Computer Equipment
- Warrant To Be Applied For By Reporting Officer

Last Name BECK CEBALLOS Middle Name ALEXANDER  
First Name CHRISTIAN Sur Name  
Alias Ethnicity HISPANIC ORIGIN  
SSN   Employed  
License Number  License State MISSOURI  
Race WHITE Sex MALE  
DOB  986 Marital Status MARRIED  
Age 27 Resident Status RESIDENT  
Person Code ADULT Birth Place MEXICO, OUT OF COUNTRY  
School District

Additional Info

Height 6 ft 3 in. Weight 230.0 lb.  
Eye Color HAZEL Hair Color BROWN  
How Worn  
Physical Desc.  
Clothing Desc.  
Scars/Marks/Tattoos TATTOO ON RIGHT ARM OF A CROSS; TATTOO ON RIGHT CALF OF A CROSS  
Employer SCHNUCKS Occupation BUTCHER

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Area Code		Contact Name	
Phone #		Ext.	
Email Address			
Physical State			
Emotions			
Emotions Comments			

1. **BECK CEBALLOS, CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDER IS THE UNKNOWN OF CITY OF CHESTERFIELD**  
**VEHICLE INFORMATION**

Owner Name	CHRISTIAN BECK CEBALLOS		
Vehicle Role(s)	TOWED, SUSPECT'S VEHICLE		
Model Year	2008	Type	TRUCK
Make	TOYOTA	Model	HIGHLANDER
Primary Color	WHITE	Secondary/Interior Color	
Style	CARRY-ALL (SUV, TRAIL, PLEASURE VEHICLE)		
Unique Char			
License Plate		Plate Type	PASSENGER AUTOMOBILE PLATES, REGULAR
License Year	2014	# Plates Missing	
License State	MISSOURI	VIN	
Tow Company	D&L RIDEOUT	Tow Company Phone #	636-225-6183
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Owner Notified		Notifier DSN	5255

Address Type	TOWED		
Street Address	825 MARSHALL RD, VALLEY PARK, MISSOURI, 63088		
Apt/Suite/Rm #	Location Desc		
Vehicle Value	Recovered Value		
Vehicle Condition	Equipment Missing		
Vehicle Disposition			

Additional Info

**PROCEDURE INFORMATION**

<input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Canvassed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Send A Teletype	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Any Evidence Seized
Teletype Message	ENTER TOWED VEHICLE   NO HOLDS, NLS	
Teletype/Reference #	503   V22738046	Entered By 3418

**NARRATIVE**

While on routine patrol on 04/17/2013 at approximately 0221 hours, I was driving northbound on MO Hwy.141 N. approaching Conway Rd. behind a white SUV.

I observed the vehicle swerve from the outer right lane into the inner left lane and quickly change course back into its lane. I followed the vehicle as it neared St. Luke's Hospital. Upon approaching the main entrance, the vehicle seemingly was going to enter St. Luke's, as it veered entirely into the turn lane. It suddenly changed course, barely missing an electric pole surrounded by a concrete median. I continued to follow the vehicle towards MO 340 (Olive Blvd.) at which time the vehicle took the center lane. From St. Luke's Hospital, approaching Olive Blvd.,

the vehicle veered from the center lane to the outer right lane and into the inner fast lane, a half car width, on four separate occasions.

I activated my emergency lights and conducted a traffic stop on northbound 141 south of Olive Blvd. As the vehicle moved to the right shoulder, it struck the curb and came to rest with half the vehicle in the mud and the other half on the roadway.

I approached the driver and introduced myself. Immediately I noted a strong odor affiliated with an alcoholic beverage emitting from the vehicle. I observed the driver, later identified as suspect Christian Beck Ceballos (W/M, DOB [REDACTED]/1986), staring off into the distance. Once I caught his attention, I observed his eyes glassy, watery and heavily bloodshot. I then asked for a form of identification at which time he began confusingly fumbling through his wallet and was unable to provide a license or proof of insurance.

I asked him if he consumed any alcohol to which he replied, "Yes, a few. Three. We went to Hollywood on the East Side." I asked him to elaborate on the amount he ingested to which he replied, "Two beers and a whiskey and coke." He and his front seat passenger, later identified as [REDACTED] (# [REDACTED]), began pleading with me to, "Give them a break" and allow them to call someone to pick them up; I declined.

Christian advised me he was driving with a suspended operator's license as a result of a recent Driving While Intoxicated arrest which had not been settled in court as of this time.

PO Sharp, DSN 138, responded to assist.

I contacted him again and requested he participate in a variety of standard field sobriety tests (SFSTs) to which he agreed to take.

The first test I conducted was the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus (HGN).

I observed both eyes track equally, equal pupil size and no resting nystagmus. I observed, in both eyes, a lack of smooth pursuit, distinct and sustained nystagmus and an onset of nystagmus prior to forty five (45) degrees.

The second test I conducted was the Walk and Turn Test. During the instruction phase, he was unable to balance himself and moved out of the start position, to the side, to regain balance; this happened a total of seven times. He also started too soon and raised his arms for balance while in the starting position.

After completing the first nine steps properly, he stopped to gain balance and asked me to repeat the instructions in regards to the turn.

While attempting to conduct the turn, he raised his arms for balance, lost balance, made an improper turn and almost fell.

During his return nine steps, between steps 1-3, he had his arms raised to maintain balance.

The final test I conducted was the One Leg Stand. I provided him with the instructions to the test and asked which leg he would be raising, he replied, "My right one." I instructed him to begin. At the 1002 count, he began hopping and had difficulty steadying himself. At the 1009 count, he placed his foot down to regain balance, and again at the 1010 count. He then stated, "I can't count," and raised his arms to regain balance once more. He reached a 1010 count in the allotted thirty seconds.

Due to his admission of ingesting a large amount of alcohol prior to driving, his erratic and dangerous driving and his overall poor performance of the SFSTs, I placed him under arrest for Driving While Intoxicated.

I placed him in handcuffs, double-locked and checked for proper fit and conducted a search incident to arrest of his person, for contraband, which met with negative results. I escorted him to front seat of vehicle #20 for transport to my station.

PO Sharp searched his vehicle and did not locate any contraband.

PO Sharp drove [REDACTED] to Steak 'N Shake (13426 Olive Blvd.) where he was met by a friend to provide transportation to his residence.

Upon arrival at my station, Christian was booked per arrest #13-0344 for Driving While Intoxicated, Driving While Suspended and Improper Lane Use by Weaving.

He requested to speak to his attorney, [REDACTED] (# [REDACTED]-[REDACTED]-[REDACTED]), at 0318 hours on 04/17/2013. I retrieved his attorney's business card from his wallet and gave him the opportunity to contact his attorney.

Ultimately, he did not call his attorney and he refused to provide a breath sample.

At 0400 hours on 04/17/2013, I read him the Miranda Warning; he agreed to answer my questions. Notable responses include, when asked if he had been drinking, he replied, "No." When asked how much, he replied, "5 whiskey and cokes." All other answers can be found on pg. 3 of DOR-2389.

I ordered Matt to appear before the City of Chesterfield Municipal Court on 06/04/2013 at 1900 hours. He was given a bond of \$500.00 and placed him into holdover cell #5 for safekeeping.

I did not seize his Missouri operator's license due to the fact the Missouri Department of Revenue still has custody of the license from his most recent alcohol related arrest.

TT#503 was entered by St. Louis County Operator DSN 3418 reflecting his vehicle as towed.

I provided him with a 15-Day Permit (DOR 2385).

I conducted a thorough check of the interior of vehicle #20 for contraband, before and after transport, which met with negative results.

A copy of the dash cam footage will be entered into evidence at a later time.

Any further information can be found in a supplemental report.

Nothing further to report at this time.

## FIRE DISTRICT NEWS:

**MONARCH ANNOUNCES NEW INTERIM FIRE CHIEF BUT FORGETS TO TELL US ABOUT HIS FIRE BACKGROUND:** The Monarch Fire Protection District has hired an "Interim Fire Chief." In a press release the District states how the new Interim Chief, Waybe Charles "Chuck" Marsonette has 23 years experience in fire, emergency medical and law enforcement. Then the press release doesn't say what or where Marsonette had that experience. I know that he used to be the training officer at West County EMS and FPD and most recently he was a risk manager for Reliant Care, which owns nursing homes. It would be nice to know where that other 23 years were spent. I'm pretty sure it was spent at the Des Peres Public Safety Department as a police officer, firefighter and paramedic and then at West County EMS & Fire Protection District.



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, June 20, 2014**

Contact Acting Chief Cary Spiegel (314) 514-0900

**MONARCH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT HIRES AN INTERIM CHIEF**

WHILE DIRECTORS ENGAGE IN A COMPREHENSIVE SEARCH FOR A PERMANENT CHIEF.

Chesterfield, June 19, 2014 – The Monarch Fire Protection District is pleased to announce the appointment of Interim Fire Chief Wayne Charles (Chuck) Marsonette. Chuck has a diverse public safety background with 23 years of experience in fire, emergency medical services, and law enforcement.

Most recently Chuck has worked with Reliant Care Management in their Risk Management Division. His contribution has resulted in a reduction in employee injuries and workers' compensation claims. In addition, he has extensive knowledge of incident command and emergency planning/management. Chuck understands the importance of public safety and has the leadership skills and experience needed to lead in an effective and efficient manner. His focus will be to manage operations and ensure the community receives quality emergency service.

When advised of his selection, Mr. Marsonette responded, "I am looking forward to joining the Monarch Fire District staff to work with all employees providing the best Emergency Service possible to all of our residents, businesses and individuals in need". Chuck resides in the St. Louis area with his wife and son.

Board President Robin Harris stated, "The Board was delighted to find an administrator with such an extensive background in emergency services to cover the gap between the departure of our previous chief and our permanent replacement. I am sure Chief Marsonette will prove to be an asset to Monarch. On behalf of the Board, the staff and all of our employees, I would like to welcome Chuck to the Monarch Fire Protection District."

You are invited to contact Assistant Chief Cary Spiegel at [spiegel.c@monarchfpd.org](mailto:spiegel.c@monarchfpd.org) with questions or concerns.

**PINK FIRE TRUCKS COMING TO CHESTERFIELD:** Dave Graybill was a minor league pitcher for farm clubs of the Montreal Expos and the California Angels over parts of six seasons. He finished with a 28-19 record with two saves and a 3.63 ERA. He briefly reached AAA teams three times, but spent most of his time at AA or below.

Graybill was a firefighter for 21 years in Glendale Arizona, where he retired in 2011. In 2007 he started the Pink Heals and Pink Fire Trucks as fund raisers for women health issues in local communities.



Graybill helped out Monarch President Robin Harris and board member Jane Cunningham last October when the board ordered firefighters to stop wearing pink t-shirts with the firefighters union label as being unapproved. Local 2665 went to the media which blindly attacked both Harris and Cunningham as being against breast cancer research fundraising. Then Graybill stated that Local 2665 had violated the rules of the Pink Heals and the Pink Shirts which stated commercial, political and union logos are not to appear on the shirts...just the charity for women's diseases and the fire department.

At the start of the June 26 Monarch meeting Harris announced that two pink fire trucks and a bus would be stopping at Monarch Headquarters as part of a national tour. The fire trucks will be at the Olive Blvd headquarters building between 4pm and 6pm on July 2.

## WEST COUNTY EMS & FIRE PROTECT DISTRICT DOWN TO ONE ELECTED OFFICIAL.



There is an empty seat on the WCEMS&FPD dais.

With the resignation of Richard Rognan, the Chairman of the WCEMS&FPD three member board of the directors, the District is left with only one elected official.

Matt Miller, an elementary school principal in the Rockwood School District had been the newest elected director but he resigned in 2013. Richard Rognan and director Robert Levine then appointed David Cobb to filled Miller's unexpired term.



Matt Miller

Cobb, like Miller is an elementary school principal in Rockwood.



Rognan's resignation leaves only one elected official (Levine) on the board and state law requires a person can only be appointed to fill an unexpired term by two ELECTED members of the fire board. So the three member fire board will be down to two until April of 2015.

"I'm glad we are moving on as an organization," said Levine after the resignation letter of Rognan was read at the Monday June 16 meeting. Levine's statement and the lack of details in the letter made me suspicious and caused me to start making phone calls until I heard about the prostitution sting arrest. Levine and Cobb voted to make Cobb the new Chairman of the now two person board of directors. If Cobb was aware of this prostitution arrest involving a decoy claiming to be a teenager, as an elementary school principal you would have hoped he would have immediately pushed for Rognan to leave the Board of Directors. It hard to imagine someone looking out for the health, safety & welfare or the public and also encouraging a 19-year-old to be a prostitute.

## **LOBBYISTS:**

Town and Country Mayor/Lobbyist Jon Dalton has picked up a new client...County Cab. Of course this is not listed under Dalton's name, but under his secretary's (Shannon Hawk) name with the Missouri Ethics Commission. For several years any new clients that would appear to be a conflict of interest for Dalton go under Hawk's name.

Does County Cab do business in Town and Country? Of course it does. Can Town and Country enforce the St. Louis Metropolitan Taxicab Commission ordinances and rules? Yes it can, because Town and Country adopted the Commission's cab code sometime ago, after former Alderman Larry Satz was appointed to the Commission.

County Cab is the largest Taxicab company in the region. I'm sure they want some legislative protection from Lyft and Uber ride sharing and taxi services. The taxi Commission has obtained a court order keeping Lyft from operating in the area. Lyft uses an internet application for someone to obtain a "ride sharing" service from a driver. The problem with Lyft is that the drivers and vehicles are not licensed with background checks, physicals and vehicle inspections as taxicabs are.

Uber is a worldwide taxi service that in many areas is regulated by government. It also uses the internet for customers to summon the closest cab according to GPS for the ride.

As someone who regulated and conducted civil and criminal law enforcement on taxis and limos in the Washington DC area, I can find nothing wrong with Uber as long as the vehicles and drivers are properly licensed with government oversight to maintain safety to the public. All Uber seems to be doing is using the most technologically advance method to dispatch cars to customers. Lyft is something else.

However, Dalton representing County Cab is just as big of a conflict of interest for an elected official as it is when he represents the St. Louis Municipal League as a lobbyist.

#### **LOBBYIST FEED AND GIFT BAG:**



**John Diehl, Jr.** The next speaker of the house (if he wins reelection) is accepting lots more in campaign contributions from special interests from outside of his district, than he is free food and gifts this year. Diehl, who collected over \$1.24 million in campaign contributions to run unopposed since 2008, has taken a mere \$301.28 from lobbyists during the first four months of 2014 in free food and gifts. In April the biggest gift was a \$75 ticket to attend the Cardinal Glennon fundraiser in April. That is kind of sad...an elected official and a big shot lawyer living in the heart of snoburbia cannot or will not buy his own ticket to a well known charity fundraiser.

Diehl's staff has collected \$523.83 so far in 2014 from Lobbyists in food and gifts.



**Sue Allen:** for the first four months of 2014 Sue Allen collected \$1179.65, while her staff has received nothing from lobbyists. April was a busy month for Allen as she took in \$466.92 in free stuff from lobbyists.

Allen's most expensive gift for April was a \$143.33 framed photo of Allen from the Missouri Kid's First organization. Whatever happened to an 8x10 in a cheap wooden frame? Sue also got a \$15.08 book from the AFL-CIO's lobbyist.

Once again Sue ate well. Here are the prices of some of the meals consumed by Sue around Jefferson City in April: \$48.23 compliments of Union Electric, \$41.75 from the Missouri Hospital Association, \$42.00 meal provided by the Independent Universities and Colleges of Missouri, \$46.05 for a meal paid by a different lobbyist for the Missouri Hospital Association than the earlier \$41.785 meal and on April 24 there was the \$87.50 dinner paid for by the lobbyist for the Missouri Electrical Conference. Sue also accepted a number of meals that were under \$20 and seemed hardly worth mentioning.



**Don Gosen:** The state rep for western Chesterfield and Wildwood has only taken \$103.76 from lobbyists in 2014, through April. Over half of that came in April. Don, a State Farm Insurance agent, received a \$50 dinner from Farmers Insurance's lobbyist on April 14. The next day he had a \$17.50 meal from the lobbyist for the Missouri State Council of Firefighters.

Gosen's staff did not enjoy a single bite from the hands of Lobbyists so far in 2014.



**Jill Schupp:** Jill and her staff are perfect so far in 2014. They have not accepted anything from lobbyists. If Schupp showed up where food was provided by a lobbyist, she paid that amount back and like Allen she was given a \$16 book in April from the lobbyist for AFL-CIO which she promptly gave back.

**TOP LOBBYIST PAY OFFS TO GREEDY STATE LEGISLATORS:** Well this took almost three hours to compile. Here are the Top 10 elected state reps who couldn't afford to buy dinner or tickets to the big game and were happy to accept food and tickets from lobbyists.



	Rep	Staff & Family	Total
1. <b>Denny Hoskins</b> (R) Warrensburg	\$1,097.31	\$1,230.49	\$2,327.80
2. <b>Doug Funderburk</b> (R) St. Peters	\$1,631.48	\$ 359.09	\$1,990.57
3. <b>Mike Leara</b> (R) So. St. Louis Co	\$1,675.20	\$ 273.60	\$1,948.80
4. <b>Dave Hinson</b> (R) St. Clair	\$1,671.72	\$ 222.54	\$1,894.26
5. <b>Jeanie Riddle</b> (R) Mokane	\$ 896.27	\$ 910.91	\$1,807.18
6. <b>Craig Redmon</b> (R) Canton	\$1,793.03	\$ 5.00	\$1,798.03
7. <b>Lincoln Hough</b> (R) Springfield	\$1,598.23	\$ 192.07	\$1,790.30
8. <b>Rick Stream</b> (R) Kirkwood	\$ 824.81	\$ 790.73	\$1,615.54
9. <b>Mike Colona</b> (D) St. Louis	\$1,452.60	\$ 126.60	\$1,579.20
10. <b>Brandon Ellington</b> (D) Kansas City	\$1,2452.09	\$ 169.73	\$1,421.82

**TOP EATERS:** Here are the top 10 dinners provided by lobbyists to state reps.

State Rep.	Cost of dinner	Company paying the bill	
1. <b>Jeanie Riddle</b> (R) Mokane	\$284.26	Century Link	02/11/14
2. <b>Stanley Cox</b> (R) Sedalia	\$258.32	BNSF	02/22/14
3. <b>Tom Flanigan</b> (R) Carthage	\$250.73	Cognosante	03/20/14
4. <b>Bill Lant</b> (R) Pineville	\$183.63	Empire Electric	03/27/14
5. <b>Dwight Scharnhorst</b> (R) St. Louis Co	\$171.05	Gallagher Consulting	03/12/14
6. <b>Bill Lant</b> (R) Pineville	\$166.97	Jeffrey C Smith Co.	04/17/14
7. <b>Doug Funderburk</b> (R) St. Peters	\$166.22	Mo Cable TV Assoc	02-05-14
8. <b>Keith English</b> (D) Florissant	\$159.00	Mo Assist Living/Ameren/Mo Dental	03/25/14
9. <b>Rochelle Walton-Gray</b> (D) Blackjack	\$158.25	Anheuser-Busch	03/24/14
10 <b>Doug Funderburk</b> (R) St. Peters	\$156.66	Mo Energy Development	02/13/14

**STATE REP WITH THE MOST \$100 or MORE DINNERS PAID BY LOBBYISTS:**

There is only one in the running for this award...**REPUBLICAN DOUG FUNDERBURK:**

01/15/14	\$121.92	Missouri Cable TV Association
01/29/14	\$ 101.66	Ameren UE
02/05/14	\$166.22	Missouri Cable TV Association
02/13/14	\$156.66	Missouri Energy Development
03/19/14	\$125.35	Ameristar Casino
03/19/14	\$125.35	dinner for wife Ameren UE
04/07/14	\$101.09	Missouri Association of Insurance Agents
04/09/14	\$120.86	Brighterg
04/09/14	\$120.86	Funderburk staffer...Brighterg

Funderburk has been nicknamed "Dining Doug" by the Post-dispatch editorial staff. Here is a link to an editorial about "Dining Doug" the chairman of the House Utility Committee.

[http://www.stltoday.com/news/opinion/columns/the-platform/editorial-dinin-doug-takes-lobbyist-largesse-to-delicious-new-heights/article\\_449027a4-e362-57c6-a352-d969b55686bc.html](http://www.stltoday.com/news/opinion/columns/the-platform/editorial-dinin-doug-takes-lobbyist-largesse-to-delicious-new-heights/article_449027a4-e362-57c6-a352-d969b55686bc.html)

**TICKETS:** Tickets to concerts and sporting events are favorites of Lobbyists. Here are some of the big winners with the biggest being Kirkwood Republican Rick Stream who believes he should not have to pay to take his family to dinner and a Blues game.

**1 Rick Stream** (R) Kirkwood \$145 Blues Ticket Ameren UE 03/29/14  
\$145 Blues Ticket for son  
\$145 Blues Ticket for other son  
\$ 64.77 food for Rep. Stream  
\$ 64.77 food for son  
\$ 64.77 food for other son  
total \$629.31 for evening with sons at the Blues game

**2 Dave Schatz** (R) Sullivan \$580.00 Blues Tickets Laclede Gas 01/04/14

**3 Jay Swearingen** (D) Kansas City \$374 Entertainment tickets Community American Credit Union 3/28

**4 Noel Shull** (R) Kansas City North \$333.38 2 Kansas City Royals tickets Cerner Corp. 4/4

**5 Jeanie Riddle** (R) Mokane \$290 2 tickets to Scottrade Center Ameren UE

**TWO FORMER PATCH.COM EDITORS' NEW JOBS VANISH:** Kurt Greenbaum and Gabrielle Biondo after seeing Patch.Com vanish last fall had their latest news endeavor fold on June 4.

Greenbaum was a terrible regional editor at patch who was easily intimidated by politicians who did not like articles. But he is famous nationally by bloggers as the guy in charge of the Post-Dispatch's social media desk, who tried to get more hits and interaction with the StLToday website readers by asking inane questions like, "What's your favorite thing to eat?" An area teacher responded twice to the question with an off-color answer using a computer with a email address linked to the school. Instead of blocking the email address, Greenbaum called the school and the teacher was confronted and resigned. Greenbaum gave himself a big online pat on the back.

Here is a link to Forbes Magazine website article about the incident.

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/kashmirhill/2009/11/20/the-internet-hates-kurt-greenbaum-and-is-now-wreaking-revenge/>

Biondo was the editor of the Town & Country/Manchester Patch site and after a short period dropped me as a news columnist due to too many controversial columns. However she would often have to run the columns I wrote for the Chesterfield Patch that were going viral.

Greenbaum and Biondo were last with RealTimeStL.com which provided readers who were too lazy to check news sites with links to other St. Louis news sites. Realtime did no actual reporting. It lasted about three months before the doors were shut on June 4.

Prior to that Biondo was doing rip and read news at the 1380 KXFN which for a short time was running "Woman Talk Radio." Biondo lasted there three months when the format changed back to Sports Talk for a month. Since April it has been Extreme Talk.



## REAL ESTATE:

**QUARTERBACK'S HOUSE WITH SIX BEDROOMS AND 9 FULL AND HALF BATHS FOR JUST \$7,499,000:** Okay it is in Huntleigh and the last two owners were the Edward J. Schnuck, the founder of Schnucks and his wife, then former St. Louis Rams Quarterback Marc Bulger.



The house at 2701 Lindbergh was built in 1930 and is 11,587 square feet. For \$7.5 million you only get a four-car garage. It sits on 6.5 acres of land. Bulger bought the house in 2007 for \$3,550,000. Despite a severe recession from 2008-2011 Bulger thinks the place has increased in value over 100%! Taxes last year dropped from \$39,000 to \$36,000.

The kitchen has commercial restaurant quality stoves but frankly the cabinets don't do much for me.

The problem with another football player buying this place is that it is loaded with staircases which are tough on people constantly suffering knee and hip injuries.

The other drawback is that the house is in the Kirkwood School District. While there is nothing wrong with Kirkwood Schools they don't have the "Snob Appeal" of Ladue Schools forcing the owners to send the kids to a private school.

The guest house would make a fine house in most parts of St. Louis.



Main kitchen....but Bulger is out of University of West Virginia...meaning is this Wine Cellar really appropriate instead of beer taps?



The cars on the tax rolls being stored in the garage include a 2010 Land Rover, a 2013 Toyota Land Cruiser and a 2010 Chevy pickup truck.

## FOOD:

**ABOUT TIME...BRAZIKAT CLOSES IN CLAYTON:** My wife and I went to the Brazikat located across the street from the Ritz-Carlton in February of 2013 to see Anita Rosamond perform. Anita was great...unfortunately the food wasn't. We wrote about it. Some of the food we ordered was impossible to eat.



Anita Rosamond fans all had a smile on their faces thanks to Anita and not the food in 2013 at the Brazikat on Carondelet in Clayton across the street from the Ritz.

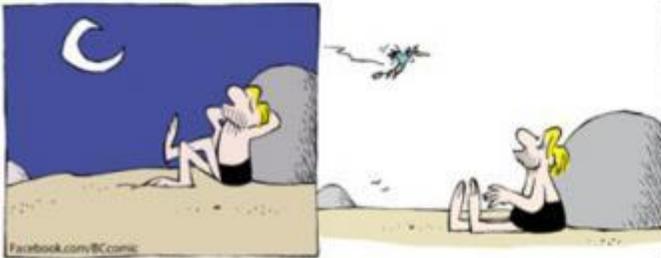
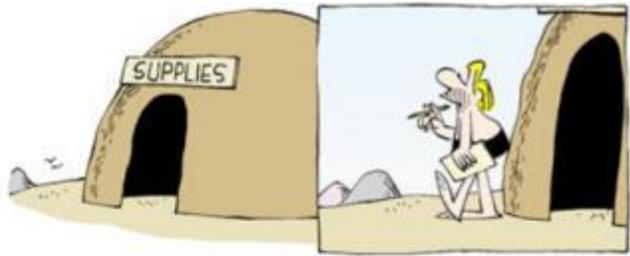
A couple of weeks after our visit the Riverfront Times published a devastating review of the place. That was followed in a few weeks by a review in the Post-Dispatch that was even worse than the RFT review. We were surprised the place lasted 18 months. The owner Sam Barakat blamed the reviews instead of his food and uneven service when he closed the restaurant earlier in June 2014.

**MUSIC:** On Wednesday night on the way to Sasha's in Clayton for some jazz, I stopped by Schlafly's in Maplewood where Miss Jubilee and Humdingers perform and invite musicians on stage. The guy on the Sousaphone is a guest musician. The trumpet player also was playing a trombone and a banjo. These folks always put a smile on my face, but I can only take about five songs and it is time to head off to a different kind of music.



**CARTOONS:**







"I know they are slow, but I vote for letting the zombies play through!"



Foolishly, Scott refuses to give God the putt.

### Jack and the Beanstalk 2014





TEXTING:

