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Troup 456



Pond Athletic Association



Parade Route

Wildwood Will Again Host Annual Founders' Day Event in Town Center

Come one, come all! The City of Wildwood will host its Annual Founders' Day Celebration on August 25, 2012, for the second time in the Town Center area (121 Plaza Drive). Festivities kick off at 10:00 a.m. with a great parade on Manchester Road that will end on Main Street in Town Center. The parade will include the Lafayette High School Marching Band and the Missouri National Guard. Also featured in the parade will be the three local fire districts that serve Wildwood, classic cars, the Shriners' YOMO Mini-Patrol, and many horses with their talented riders. Numerous other City and area organizations are participating as well.

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Mayor's Message



Welcome to the summer 2012 edition of the Wildwood Gazette!

The heat and drought this summer has been tough on us all and while this certainly isn't

the first experience of heat and drought we have had in the City, it certainly can take a toll on the body if you are outside for too long. So suffice it to say, while it remains hot outside, consider staying in and reading this edition of the Gazette cover to cover. It will give you a break from the outside conditions and also allow you to mark your calendar for events in the months ahead.

Summer continues with Wildwood's own Farmers Market, which is open every Saturday during the month, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Now is the time that most of the locally-grown produce should be coming in and available for purchase.

In August we will have several events that help mark the closing days of summer. Each has become a familiar fixture on the calendar, starting with the annual Back to School Party and Movie Night. This is the first movie night of 2012 and will be followed by additional nights in September and October. As always, there is no cost to attend and refreshments are provided.

The big event of the month is the second annual Founders' Day Celebration on August 25. I won't get into details about the event here, as there are other articles in these pages that cover every aspect of it, so I will just say you can expect a bigger parade and more fun for everyone. This is everyone's opportunity to celebrate the founding of the City of Wildwood as we turn 17 in 2012. Finally, during several weeks in August there is an indoor event that garners plenty of attention as well as being one that everyone can participate in. Voting for the 2013 Wildwood calendar begins on August 7 and ends on August 23. Check the City's Web site for details and links to the pages for voting.

In September, there is the second of the three Movie Nights, and a continuation of the Saturday Farmers Market. The 9/11 Run to Remember is on September 8 and the proceeds benefit Backstoppers of St. Louis.

Entries are available at City Hall or online through Big River Running.

The big event of September, of course, is the one that always generates the most comments to me during the year, the St. Louis Home Fires BBQ Bash. September 29 and 30 are the dates for the largest-attended event in the City, which will once again be in our Town Center Plaza. The weather from last year will be tough to beat, but let's hope that after what we had to endure in late June and early July we will be blessed with a beautiful weekend.

Moving on to October, we will have the last of the Movie Nights on October 5. The next day, October 6, is the third annual Paper Shredding event. This event provides a way to safely dispose of records by having them shredded on site. Last year approximately 15 tons of paper was collected and shredded. It is amazing to see this event grow every year, and somehow I expect this year to be no different. Finally, expect to see the Farmers Market wrap up its season during September with various fall produce items that will become available once summer has passed.

As we get late in the year, both November and December have notable events. First, on November 3 is our annual Route 66 5K Run and 1K Fun Run for Kids at Wildwood Middle School. This will be the eleventh year for this event and draws a very diverse group of serious and not-so serious runners.

Wrapping up, December there is the Holiday Balloon Glow on December 7, which has come to mark the start of winter across the City. You should really plan to come out and see the glow of the hot air balloons as you sip some hot chocolate. The event benefits the Wildwood YMCA and continues to draw large crowds.

So you can see that there are plenty of activities to mark on your calendar for the remainder of the year. Be sure to also check the City's Web site at www.cityofwildwood.com for more events as they get scheduled.

Finally, if you or your Subdivision Trustees are planning a future subdivision meeting or other organization meeting, I would be happy to attend and provide updates and take any questions that attendees would have. E-mail me at twoerther@cityofwildwood.com or call me at home at (636) 458-3729 to schedule a visit. As always, feel free to direct any questions or concerns you might have my way.

New City Hall Construction on Schedule January 2013 Opening Projected

The construction of Wildwood's new Municipal Building, located at the west end of Main Street and next to the Wildwood Theater, is progressing on schedule, with a January 2013 completion and occupancy date expected. Once completed, the facility will house all of the City Hall meeting rooms and business offices, as well as the Police Precinct. The new Municipal Building will be Wildwood's first City-owned City Hall and police facility. Since it incorporated in 1995, Wildwood has leased facilities to house its meeting rooms, offices, and Police Precinct.

In addition to running on schedule, the project is also on budget and expected to be completed well within the \$8 million total project cost limit authorized by Wildwood



▲ *City Hall Rendering
Front View*

*City Hall construction
in progress ➤*



voters in 2010. The Wildwood Collaborative architect group, which is composed of Powers Bowersox Architects, Dennis Tacchi & Associates, John Guenther Architect, and

helmuth+bicknese Architects, designed and are now overseeing the building construction. K & S Associates, Inc. is the general contractor for the project.

Calendar of Events

All meetings at City Hall, unless specified otherwise.

AUGUST 2012

8/20	7:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
8/21	6:30 p.m.	Planning/Economic Development/Parks
8/22	7:00 p.m.	Court
8/22	6:30 p.m.	Historic Preservation at Old Pond School
8/23	7:00 p.m.	Economic Development Committee
8/25		FOUNDERS' DAY
8/26		TOUR DE WILDWOOD
8/27	7:30 p.m.	City Council
8/29		Court

SEPTEMBER 2012

9/3		CITY HALL CLOSED in observance of LABOR DAY
9/4	7:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
9/6	6:30 p.m.	Board of Public Safety
9/10	7:30 p.m.	City Council
9/11	6:30 p.m.	Administration/Public Works Committee
9/13	7:00 p.m.	Architectural Review Board
9/14		MOVIE NIGHT - SHARK TALE
9/17	7:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
9/18	6:30 p.m.	Planning/Economic Development/Parks
9/19	7:00 p.m.	Court
9/20	7:00 p.m.	Board of Adjustment

9/24	7:30 p.m.	City Council
9/26	6:30 p.m.	Historic Preservation at Old Pond School
9/27	7:00 p.m.	Economic Development Committee
9/29 – 9/30		BBQ BASH

OCTOBER 2012

10/1	7:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
10/2	6:30 p.m.	Administration/Public Works Committee
10/4	6:30 p.m.	Board of Public Safety
10/5		MOVIE NIGHT – TRANSFORMERS
10/6		WILDWOOD'S SHREDDING EVENT 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
10/8	7:30 p.m.	City Council
10/9		TRAVELING WEATHER CLASS
10/10	7:00 p.m.	Court
10/11	7:00 p.m.	Architectural Review Board
10/15	7:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
10/16	6:30 p.m.	Planning/Economic Development/Parks
10/17	7:00 p.m.	Court
10/18	7:00 p.m.	Board of Adjustment
10/22	7:30 p.m.	City Council
10/24	7:00 p.m.	Court
10/24	6:30 p.m.	Historic Preservation at Old Pond School
10/25	7:00 p.m.	Economic Development Committee
10/30	6:30 p.m.	Administration/Public Works Committee

Founders' Day Event



Following the parade, opening ceremonies for the Founders' Day event will be at 11:00 a.m., with all activities concluding at 5:00 p.m. During those six hours, there will be something for everyone, particularly kids and those who are connoisseurs of good music and fun. Along with all of these venues, food and drink will be available for purchase. A list of different venues and activities include the following:

- Vintage Car Show
- Pony Rides
- Carriage Rides
- Clowns and Face Painters
- Multiple Bounce Houses
- Live Music on Stage All Day
- Displays by Local Fire and Police Departments and Missouri State Highway Patrol
- Traveling Weather Show Display
- Monsanto Amateur Radio Club
- Over 40 Booths



Carriage Rides



Founders' Day 2011



Local Fire Departments

- Snow Cones, Kettle Corn, and Barbecue
- Farmers Market with Fresh and Delicious Produce and Baked Goods
- Local Businesses

Wildwood is a very special place and this event celebrates those things that make us such—the people, the land, and the spirit of this community. If you have an hour, or the day, please come by and be a part of this fun event and meet new people and reacquaint yourself with old friends. For more information, please visit the City's Web site at www.cityofwildwood.com. We are all looking forward to seeing you there!



Live Music

Tips From St. Louis County Police, Wildwood Precinct: Cycling and Fire Pits—Both Hot Topics in Wildwood

Bicycling on the roadways and the use of fire pits are two topics that raise a lot of questions and concerns from residents. The following information highlights some of the laws pertaining to these topics that we enforce on a regular basis. Our hope is this information provides residents better understanding of the laws governing these topics, and encourages safer practices by everyone. Residents can find more detailed information about both of these topics on the City's Web site at www.cityofwildwood.com. Residents can also call the Wildwood Precinct at (636) 458-9194 with any questions they may have.

Bicycling on Roadways:

When using the roadway, any law that pertains to a motorized vehicle also governs a bicyclist. This means stopping at stop signs, signaling turns, obeying electric signals, and proper lane use are all enforceable.

Motorists should understand, cyclists may use any roadway other than the travel lanes of interstate highways and where prevented by local laws. The City of Wildwood, however, does not have any roads that restrict cyclists. In addition, motorists may not do anything that endangers a bicyclist, pedestrian, or other motorist, even if it is something that appears to be otherwise legal.

Safety, not speed, is the highest consideration in traffic law. When traveling slower than traffic, cyclists need to move to the right of the travel lane, but motorists should not expect cyclists to hug the curb, weave in and out of parked cars, or ride on a debris-riddled shoulder. This would not be safe and the law requires cyclists to ride safely.

If the lane is too narrow to share with a vehicle, the cyclist may move toward the center of the lane to discourage vehicles from dangerously squeezing past. If you see a cyclist in the center of the lane, he or she is following the law. The motorist's options are to slow and wait until the bicycle can safely move to the right, or pass the cyclist when it is safe to do so. It is not required, but it is requested, that cyclists utilize mirrors on their bike or helmet to ensure they see traffic that is following so they can adjust their position to the farthest right when it is safe to do so.

We also encourage cyclists to not wear headphones, as they reduce the cyclist's ability to hear vehicles, horns, sirens, and reduce all-around awareness as well. Cyclists should not ride more than two abreast and should go single file on high-volume roadways or when they encounter traffic from behind.

When vehicles are driving the speed limit and cyclists are follow-

ing the rules of the road, the two should be able to encounter one another without incident. Vehicles as well as cyclists should stay to the right of the roadway and slow when approaching blind curves

or intersections. Proper use of the roadways and following these simple steps can help everyone avoid accidents, regardless of their type of transportation.

Fire Pits:

Wildwood ordinance 215.050 addresses why, when and where residents can build a fire outdoors. In brief, a permit is required for building a fire for anything other than recreational purposes in a fire pit or outdoor fireplace.

When it comes to using a fire pit or outdoor fireplace, we ask residents to follow some of the guidelines as outlined in the Metro West Fire District's application for a recreational fire permit.

- Fuel for the fire shall only consist of untreated wood.
- Fires shall not be used for waste disposal.
- No burning allowed when winds exceed 15 mph or if the humidity is less than 50 percent.
- Total fuel area is not to exceed 4 feet in diameter and 4 feet in height.
- Fire shall be a minimum of 25 feet from any structures or combustibles.
- Fires need to be attended at all times until extinguished.
- A portable fire extinguisher, garden hose, sand, water barrel or dirt should be readily available and in close proximity to extinguish the fire if needed.

Three different fire departments service the City of Wildwood—Monarch, Metro West and Eureka. Metro West serves a large area of the City of Wildwood where many homes are located in subdivisions and are in close proximity of one another. These areas are where the majority of the complaints related to outdoor fire pits are generated. To help curtail neighbor complaints or concerns regarding recreational fires in approved pits and fireplaces, the Metro West Fire Protection District encourages residents within these areas to apply for and maintain on site a recreational fire permit. Permits are given after a brief inspection of the site by the Fire Marshall. Residents residing within the Metro West Fire District can call the District at (636) 458-2100 to inquire about obtaining an application for a permit.



Rural Internet Service Update

Topography and low population density has held back high-speed Internet services in some areas of Wildwood. To address that problem, four years ago the City created a Rural Internet Access Committee (RIAC) to explore options for obtaining high speed Internet service in areas that were un-served or under-served.

Last year, the City sent out a Request for Proposal (RFP) to numerous Internet service providers, to discover if an agreement could be reached with one of them to provide service to these areas. Charter Communications was one of the providers that responded to the RFP, and last October the City began negotiations with Charter over terms of an agreement whereby Charter would expand its cable system in Wildwood to provide high-speed Internet, cable TV and telephone services within the areas of the community that are un-served or under-served with these services.

Charter's proposal envisioned a partnership with the City to finance and install the extension of their cable system. Negotiations on an agreement progressed to the point that there was consensus in principal between both parties on the basic terms, but negotiations became mired down as the City and Charter explored various means of financing the necessary work. By April of this year, no financing agreement that was acceptable to Charter Communications or legally and financially feasible for the City of Wildwood had been reached. At that point the City and Charter ceased negotiations with each other and Wildwood's City Council referred the entire matter back to the RIAC.

The RIAC met again in June to consider what other courses of action the City should pursue to secure high-speed Internet service for the un-served and under-served portions of Wildwood. The Committee concluded by suggesting the City change its approach from attempting to find a single Internet service provider to serve all the areas of need, to seeking multiple firms that may be interested and able to serve portions of the desired

service areas. This approach would be modeled along the lines of a pilot project the City previously entered into with Network One Communications to serve the Babler Forest Subdivision.

The City Council endorsed the RIAC's recommendation, and the City sent out a Request for Information (RFI) to numerous Internet service providers, both wireless and fiber-optic. The City asked interested companies to provide information on their capabilities and demonstration of projects in selected areas of Wildwood currently lacking adequate service. Responses to the City's RFI were expected to be received by mid-July, and will be followed-up by the RIAC.

The City of Wildwood remains firmly committed to pursuing all feasible avenues to make adequate high-speed Internet service available to all its citizens as soon as possible, and will endeavor to keep citizens informed of the results and status of these important considerations as they progress. Residents can get updates on this issue through future editions of the Wildwood E-newsletter or the *Gazette*.

Interest-Free Home-Improvement Loans Available Now

Some Wildwood homeowners on fixed or limited incomes and whose homes are in need of repairs may qualify for a special interest-free, home-improvement loan through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Home Improvement Loan Program. The program is designed to help elderly and lower-income homeowners make necessary home repairs by providing one-time, no-interest, five-year forgivable loans of up to \$5,000 for owner-occupied, single-family homes.

This loan program is for home repairs and renovations such as electrical, plumbing, roofing, heating and cooling, siding, and masonry. To qualify for a loan, homeowners must meet certain income and eligibility requirements.

The program is administered by the St. Louis County Office of Community Development and applications are now being accepted from income-qualified Wildwood homeowners for these loans. Applicants must be current on their real estate taxes and they will be required to provide income verification.

For more information on the CDBG Home-Improvement Loan Program or to apply, please contact Rose Loehr with the St. Louis County Community Development Office at (314) 615-4025, or contact Melanie Trent at the City of Wildwood at (636) 458-0440.



Map of Vehicle-to-Deer Collisions in Wildwood Available on City's Web Site

Wildwood's rich forestry, open spaces and natural beauty are things residents most love about our City, but they are also what make Wildwood an ideal habitat for deer. Unfortunately, when deer and motor vehicles cross paths, collisions happen. There are certain areas of Wildwood where deer and vehicle collisions occur regularly, particularly on roadways with higher traffic volumes and/or speeds. Motorists should be particularly vigilant when driving in these areas.

To raise awareness of where deer strikes are most prevalent, the City has posted on its Web site maps that identify the locations of reported deer strikes throughout Wildwood during each of the past three years. Residents can view the maps by entering the following address in their browser's address field: http://www.cityofwildwood.com/egov/docs/1341588773_993927.pdf. Residents can also find the maps by going to the City's Web site at

www.cityofwildwood.com, and then from the drop-down list under the "government" tab hover their mouse cursor over the "Police Department" choice, then click on the "Deer Strike Information" link that appears to the right of "Police Department."

Although these maps show where past deer strikes have occurred, residents should be aware deer can be anywhere. Motorists can lessen their chances of becoming involved in an expensive and dangerous accident with a deer by driving defensively and always being on the lookout for deer along any of Wildwood's roadways.

Tree City USA • Wildwood Receives Second-Year Award and Recognition

Each year the City submits information to the Missouri Department of Conservation regarding the Tree City USA Program. The City of Wildwood was designated a Tree City USA Community for the first time in 2011 and received a similar designation in 2012. This is something all Wildwood residents can take pride in and credit for, since each of you adds to the tree cover and maintains current plantings on your properties.

Very exciting this year is that the City also received a "Growth Award," which recognizes the City exceeding requirements relating to how this community invests tax dollars in maintaining existing trees and adding to the overall canopy. The City of Wildwood plants a number of trees each year in its rights-of-way and on other public properties. City officials believe these plantings are investments in the future and will have a long-term impact on the quality of life here in Wildwood and west St. Louis County.

Wildwood has developed a *Sustainable Plantings Guide*, which provides very specific information on what plants are native to the area, those trees that thrive in Wildwood soils, and a host of other options for bushes, shrubs, and other plantings. The *Sustainable Plantings Guide* can be found on the City's website at www.cityofwildwood.com.



Glencoe City Park.

Wildwood Running Club • Free and Open to All!

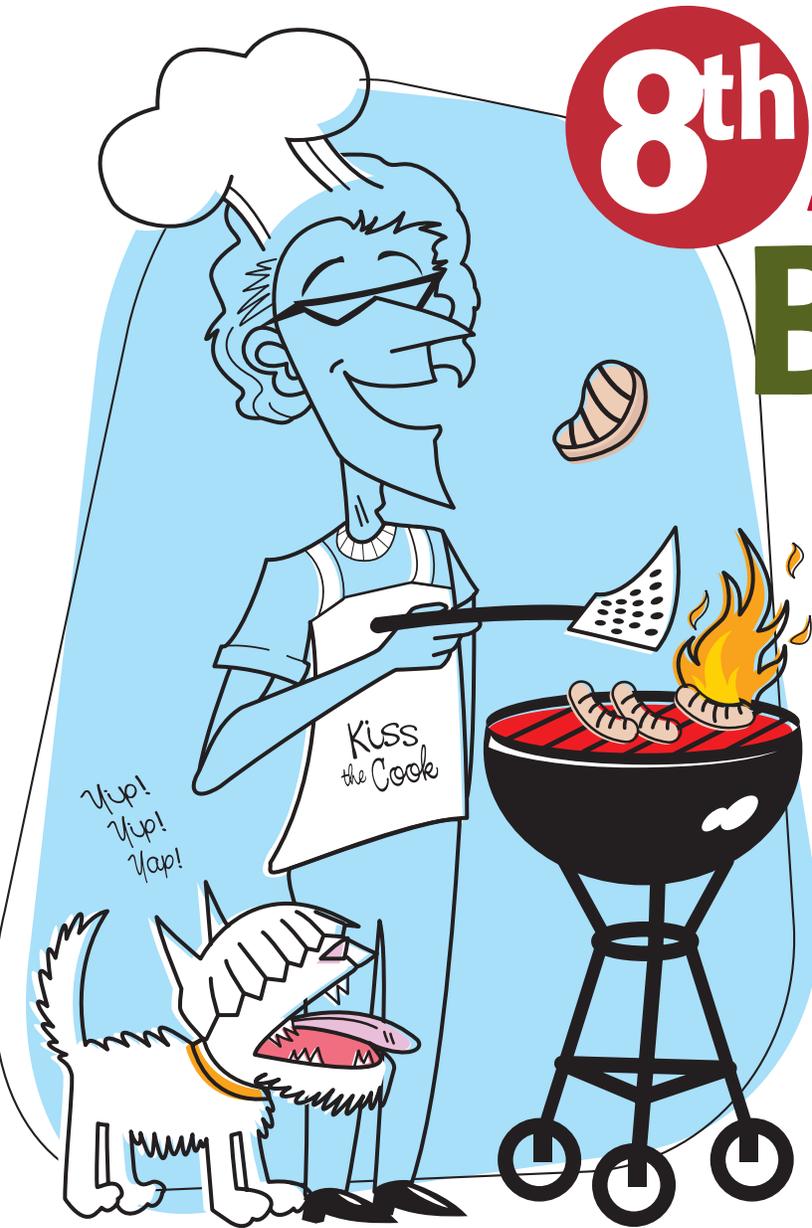
With its beautiful landscapes and great trails, Wildwood has become a popular place for local runners to train or run recreationally. To provide an opportunity for runners of all abilities to meet for organized group runs and training sessions, the Wildwood Family YMCA began sponsoring a Wildwood Running Club a couple of years ago. THERE IS NO COST TO JOIN THE RUNNING CLUB, AND IT IS OPEN TO EVERYONE!

Currently, group runs are scheduled at the following times each week:

- Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. - organized speed interval training
- Saturdays, 7:00 a.m. - alternating locations each week with multiple distance options

Each week Running Club members receive an e-mail to advise them of the Wednesday workout plan and Saturday run location. Anyone interested in joining this group is encouraged to contact Jen Hine at jabbey_hine@hotmail.com.

8th Annual BBQ Bash 2012



Can you smell it in the air?

It is that familiar September smell. What is it? It's the smell of barbecue competitors participating in the Eighth Annual City of Wildwood/St. Louis Home Fires Barbecue Bash, which is scheduled for September 29 and 30, 2012. This two-day event has been a smash hit with Wildwood residents since it moved to Town Center in 2009, and has experienced phenomenal growth and interest over this four-year period. This year, the City is expecting large crowds, great food, excellent entertainment, and a great time for all. In 2011, the crowds broke all records for attendance, as well as the largest number of competitors, vendors, and businesses participating.





This event is great for families and all are welcome. Last year, new events were established for kids and adults alike, and everyone had a great time. This year, the schedule of events and entertainment is full and includes the following:

- **Saturday** – Funky Butt Brass Band; Voodoo Blues Band, featuring Roland Johnson; and Jeremiah Johnson
- **Sunday** – Kingdom Brothers.

Along with the music, the two days will be filled with bounce houses for the kids, cooking demonstrations, and sampling from over 100 of St. Louis' best barbecue chefs, caterers, and restaurants. Many charities will be here too, offering all manner of food and drink at reasonable costs.

More details will be available as the event nears, so please visit the City's Web site at www.cityofwildwood.com, or on Facebook and Twitter. The 2012 Barbeque Bash has the makings to be a great weekend and all we need is you! Please feel free to call Joe Vujnich, with the Department of Planning and Parks at (636) 458-0440 if you have any questions or comments regarding the 2012 version of the Barbeque Bash.



Changes Made to Outdoor Game Courts Zoning Ordinance

The Wildwood City Council recently approved a number of changes to the Zoning Ordinance that relates to outdoor game courts (sport courts). These changes were prompted by concerns relating to the impact such facilities can have on neighboring properties, the lot itself, and where it is to be located. Additionally, it appeared to the City Council the current language of the code was not clearly written to make it more clear and understandable for users, specifically for Wildwood homeowners and their contractors. Given the circumstances, the City spent the last few months reviewing a number of sources and soliciting input on this matter, which led to the development of the new regulations relating to outdoor game courts. For the purposes of the regulations, outdoor game courts include the following structures: game courts, tennis courts, hockey rinks, batting cages, racquetball/handball courts, and other similar facilities.

A summary of these regulations is provided below:

Revised Definition - Outdoor Game Court - New Language – “A hardscape or other surface utilized in connection with a flat game court structure for play that is somewhat removed from the single family dwelling located on the lot, so as not to be considered a driveway or patio, given said must meet all applicable setback requirements of the property’s underlying zoning district designation. This definition is to specifically include, but not be limited to, game courts, tennis courts, hockey rinks, batting cages, racquetball/handball courts, and other similar facilities. These court areas may or may not include a combination of fencing, netting, or boards for the purposes of their use.”

Revised Lighting - New Language – “The installation of lighting as part of any outdoor game court shall be prohibited in all “R” Residential District zoned properties located within the City of Wildwood. Lighting of these facilities may be authorized upon NU Non-Urban Residence District zoned properties, but must comply with the City’s Outdoor Lighting Requirements. Light standards in association with these facilities shall not exceed sixteen (16) feet in height, but shall always be at the least height necessary to accommodate the safe and functional use of the facility.”

Public Safety - New Language – “An outdoor game court shall not be authorized by the City without the proper netting, fencing, and/or boarding, as set forth by the manufacturers’ specifications for said facility, as a minimum, to control the flight of projectiles from it onto neighboring properties. This netting, fencing, or boarding shall not be placed in the structure setback areas of the lot, nor exceed ten (10) feet in height, unless otherwise prohibited by private subdivision restrictions in place, and be of a color to minimize its visibility (along with being designed to be collapsible or removable, when the court is not in use). This screening requirement shall be indicated on submitted plans to the City and no authorization shall be granted by the Department of Planning, until this component of the court is satisfactorily met and the officers of the applicable Homeowners Association have approved it as well. In unique or hardship circumstances, landscaping may be used as a substitute to this required netting, fencing, or boarding, but said substitution is at the discretion of the Department of Planning, and must comply with the City’s Landscape Manual for types, quantities, and locations.”

Landscaping - New Language – “Outdoor game courts shall require landscaping and be in accordance with the requirements of the City’s Tree Manual and Sustainable Plantings Guide. The design of this landscaping plan shall be part of the property owner’s submittal for authorization and be reviewed at that time. The planting pattern to create a screen must

be designed by a landscape architect and submitted to the City for review and action, as part of the overall permitting process. Landscaping shall only be used in lieu of fencing, netting, or boarding, where those structures are prohibited by the private restrictions of the subdivision or on-site characteristics that preclude its use.”

Stormwater Management - New Language – “All plans submitted for the authorization of outdoor game courts shall indicate all in-place stormwater improvements and any easements that exist on the lot.”

Revised Siting - New Language – “No portion of an outdoor game court area shall be situated in the front yard of a lot, as defined by the application of the corresponding setback(s) required of the zoning district designation in place upon said parcel of ground.”

Revised Review - New Language – “As defined herein, any outdoor game court that exceeds a size of one thousand (1,000) square feet shall be required to receive approval of its location on the subject lot by the City of Wildwood Planning and Zoning Commission. This review shall be conducted upon a plan submitted by the petitioner to the Planning and Zoning Commission, which can, under limited latitude, alter the outdoor game court’s location and/or orientation, based upon site and area characteristics, which would include, but not be limited to, the expected flight of projectiles from the structure, but, in no circumstance, authorize its encroachment into the lot’s established setback areas.”

If any property owner has questions in this regard, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning at (636) 458-0440 or e-mail joe@cityofwildwood.com. Any property owners who have constructed an outdoor game court without the benefit of a zoning authorization and building permit from the City are subject to these new regulations. Again, please feel to contact the City with any questions.

Wildwood Farmers' Market: A Fun, Fresh, Green Choice

Wildwood's Third Annual Shredding Event

Safe, Easy and Green!

On Saturday, October 6, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the City of Wildwood and the St. Louis Community College – Wildwood will host its Third Annual Free Shredding Event at the St. Louis Community College-Wildwood campus. This free event is open to both residents and nonresidents, and all materials will be recycled, not sent to area landfills. The St. Louis Community College – Wildwood is located at 2645 Generations Drive, in Wildwood, Missouri 63040.

The shredders to be used are heavy-duty and able to handle many things that are beyond the scope of small, personal shredders. That means you don't have to go through stacks of papers to strip away everything but paper. It also means you can easily dispose of some digital-document sources.

By taking advantage of Wildwood's annual Shredding Event and making sure documents, data disks, empty prescription bottles, and other such items are securely shredded before they are disposed of, you can help reduce your risk of becoming a victim of identity theft. According to a recent study conducted by Javelin Strategy & Research, in 2011 more than 11.6 million adults became a victim of identity fraud in the United States—an increase of 13 percent from 2010. In approximately 43 percent of these cases, the identity theft was the result of stolen wallets, check-books, credit cards, billing statements, or other physical documents.

Some things cannot be shredded, however, and should not be included with the drop-off. Below are lists of what can and cannot be shredded. For additional information and updates on the shredding event, go to the City's Web site at www.cityofwildwood.com or e-mail your request to Lynne@cityofwildwood.com.

What CAN be shredded:

- Paper (colored/white/newspaper)
- Paper Clips
- Binder Clips
- Folders
- CDs
- Rubber Bands
- Pill Bottles (without pills)

What CANNOT be shredded:

- Cardboard boxes
- Hard-drives
- Batteries
- Vinyl binders
- Medical Waste (medicine/needles/etc.)

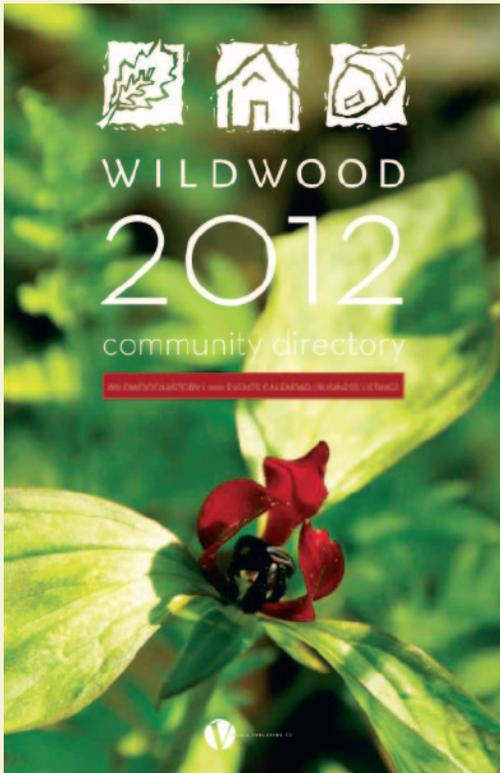


If you haven't yet checked out Wildwood's own Farmers' Market, be sure to do so right away! Every Saturday, from 8:30 in the morning until 12:30 in the afternoon, local farmers bring fresh, home-grown produce to sell at Wildwood's Town Center Plaza. You never know what you are going to find there, but you do know everything is fresh and locally grown—making it a short, energy-saving trip from the farmer's field to your dinner table.

Town Center Plaza is located at 221 Plaza Drive, on the north side of the street, and west of Fountain Place. The Market is open regardless of weather conditions, with the last day of the 2012 season being Saturday, October 13. In the event of inclement weather, the Market will be relocated to the lower level of the parking garage, located adjacent to The Wildwood Hotel.

So next Saturday morning, head out to Town Center Plaza and see what great buys local farmers have to offer. It's fun, it's fresh, and it's all grown close to home.

Wildwood Community Directory



Every household will shortly receive a Wildwood Community Directory that contains information about all City businesses in the City of Wildwood. This directory is a joint effort between the City and the business community to inform residents about services that are available in Wildwood to all of its residents. Although Wildwood residents have ample choices for shopping in the vicinity, many of you may not realize the wide ranges of products and services that are available just outside your

door and not more than five minutes from your home.

Shopping locally is good for all of us. Many of these businesses are located in the City's Town Center, and have helped to make it the special place it is for many of you. The directory provides information about the business, including their address, contact information, and specialties. Please call these businesses with any questions or needs and remember shopping locally is good for all of us.

Additional copies can be obtained at City Hall, 183 Plaza Drive, Wildwood, MO. 63040 or call 636-458-0440.

New Businesses *Registered after April 2012*

M-West Industrial Services
2646 Highway 109 Suite, 22A
Wildwood, MO 63040
(314) 800-7033
www.m-west.us

Wildwood Vision Specialists, LLC
2751 Fountain Place, Suite 2
Wildwood, MO 63040
(636) 273-3910
www.wildwoodvision.com

STL Autos LLC
17351 Manchester Road
Wildwood, MO 63038
(314) 406-4630
email: STLautosales@gmail.com

Amitee Spa
2642 Highway 109, Suite E
Wildwood, MO 63040
(314) 513-2000
www.amiteespa.com

RLJ Construction / RL Properties
17233 New College Avenue
Wildwood, MO 63040
(636) 287-2700
www.rljonesproperties.com

Several Road and Bridge Projects Set to Commence

Late this summer, several City road and bridge projects are expected to commence construction. Below are brief summaries of three of these projects. Motorists traveling through these areas should be especially cautious while construction is underway, and acquaint themselves in advance with any detours they might need to take to reach their destinations.

Manchester Road Streetscape Phase 2

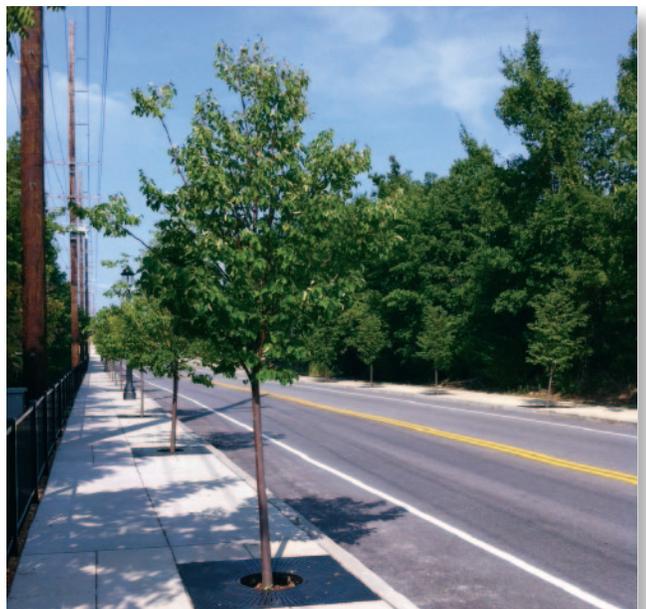
Utility relocation work has already begun along Manchester Road (East Avenue to Route 109) for the next phase of the Manchester Road Streetscape Improvements. The project will add sidewalks, bike lanes, street trees, and street lighting. The improvements planned for this area are similar to the improvements completed between Schnucks and Taylor Road a couple years ago. The project will also include a sidewalk connection along Route 109 to New College Avenue.

Pond Road Bridge Replacements

Two one-lane bridges on Pond Road are scheduled for replacement beginning in August, and will require a complete closure to Pond Road during the construction. The new bridges will be widened to accommodate two lanes of traffic. Each bridge closure is expected to last no more than two months.

Wild Horse Creek Road Bridge Replacement

A one-lane bridge on Wild Horse Creek Road, north of Centaur Road, is scheduled for replacement beginning late this summer, with completion expected later this fall. The new bridge will be widened to accommodate two lanes of traffic. The project will require a complete closure of Wild Horse Creek Road for approximately three months.



Community Beware: Today's Prescription Drug Epidemic

By Renee Heney, Director - Rockwood
Drug-Free Coalition

Every day, 100 Americans die from drug overdose. Most are caused by prescription drugs.

Overdose deaths have more than tripled since 1990. This unprecedented rise parallels a 300% increase, since 1999, in the sale of highly addictive prescription pain relievers. Enough painkillers were prescribed in 2010 to medicate every American adult around-the-clock for a month. This same year, one in twenty people in the U.S. (age 12 or older) reported using prescription painkillers for non-medical reasons.

Seventy-one percent of abused prescription drugs are obtained from friends or relatives. Most are taken from home medicine cabinets; others are purchased. The street value of painkillers has made heroin more affordable than ever. (This explains the increase in heroin overdose deaths in St. Louis County the past several years.)

It's time for citizens to be aware and take action.

The Rockwood Drug-Free Coalition has partnered with the City of Wildwood, St. Louis County Police and the Drug Enforcement Administration to educate residents on the risks of prescription medication abuse and to provide a safe means of disposing of unwanted prescription drugs. Medication "take-back" events are held twice each year – once in the fall, another in the spring – to safely collect and dispose of the excess prescription and over-the-counter drugs.

The next event will be held on Saturday, September 29th from 10:00 – 2:00 at the Clarkson Valley Executive Center (formerly Fru-Con), 15933 Clayton Road. Residents are encouraged to bring in all unwanted medications – other than "sharps" – in original containers or in airtight bags. (Residents can also take advantage of "drop boxes" at four St. Louis County police stations and the Eureka police station, where medications can be deposited 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.)

The Coalition will also begin a community-wide awareness campaign this fall by collaborating with area health care professionals. Posters will be on display at all participating medical practices, urgent care centers, hospitals and pharmacies. Physicians are encouraged to discuss risks of prescription medication abuse with



**Prescription misuse
is drug abuse.**

Is
your name
on this
bottle?

**Only take medication
as prescribed to you.**

Prescription and over-the-counter medications are safe and effective when used correctly. If misused, or taken with alcohol and other drugs, you can become addicted, experience medical complications or die from overdose.

**Don't become a drug abuser. Protect yourself and others.
Monitor your medicines and safely dispose of unused drugs.**



Rockwood Drug-Free Coalition
www.RockwoodCoalition.org



patients and the parents of young patients, and both patients and parents are encouraged to monitor the supply of prescribed drugs and take only as directed.

Another component of the Rockwood Drug-Free Coalition's awareness campaign will be to educate students, parents and staff at Rockwood secondary (middle and high) schools. Posters, newsletters, websites, high school newspapers and principal e-mails will

be used to communicate risks of prescription medication addiction.

For more information on prescription medication abuse, or other Coalition initiatives intended to help keep our Rockwood community safe, visit www.RockwoodCoalition.org. To become involved in the effort to prevent substance abuse, call 636-733-2136. Working together, we can make a difference in Wildwood, Rockwood and the state of Missouri.

Mayor & Council Member Attendance Record

Session	1/09		1/23		2/13		2/27		3/12		3/26		4/09		4/23		5/14		5/29		6/11		6/25		7/9	
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WS = Work Session, C = Council, S = Special, CW = Committee of the Whole, ab = Absent * as of April 23, 2012

Council Committee Meetings Attendance

Administration/Public Works Committee

	2/7	3/6	4/10	5/1	6/5	7/3
McGowen (W1)				C		
Marshall (W2)						
Shea/LeMay* (W3)						
Dodwell (W4)						
Roppolo/Bertolino* (W5)	ab	ab	ab			ab
James (W6)						
Kranz (W7)					ab	ab
Goodson/Bauer* (W8)			ab		ab	

Absent = ab Canceled = c * as of April 23, 2012

Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee

	2/28	3/27	4/4	4/17	5/15	6/19	7/17
Geile (W1)				ab			
Parks/Ladd* (W2)				ab			
LeMay/Shea* (W3)				ab	ab		
Clark (W4)			ab				
McCutchen (W5)							
Sewell/Rull (W6)		ab		ab	ab		
McCulloch (W7)		ab					
Bauer/Goodson* (W8)						ab	

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Stay In-the-Know With Wildwood's E-Newsletters



The *Gazette* is a great way to know what is happening in Wildwood, but what do you do to stay in-the-know between issues? The best way to stay on top of everything that is happening is to sign up for Wildwood's E-Newsletter. The E-Newsletter provides residents timely notices of meeting schedules and agendas, road closings, and construction updates. It also can keep you informed on registration information for parks and recreation programs, and other general information about City happenings.

To sign up for the E-Newsletter, go to the City's Web site at www.cityofwildwood.com and click on the **E-NEWS SIGN-UP** link in the left column. That will take you to our E-Gov Connect page. At the top of the page you'll find a link that allows you to create or modify your subscription preferences. Follow the easy, on-screen instructions to select the E-Newsletters you want to receive. You'll start getting the weekly E-Newsletter on the following Friday, and after that you'll always be in-the-know about what is going on in Wildwood.

A Full Schedule of Recreational Events on Tap for Remainder of 2012



Although the year is halfway gone, the City has a full schedule of events remaining. These events include everything from a bicycle tour in August to the late fall run on Historic Route 66. A list of these events is included below. Many are free of charge or have a nominal cost associated with them.

Always remember, for the latest information regarding City events and its recreation programs, visit the City's Web site at www.cityofwildwood.com. And if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Department of Planning and Parks at (636) 458-0440.

AUGUST

- 10 Back to School Party/Movie Night #1-Toy Story 3
- 25 Founders' Day Celebration
- 26 Tour de Wildwood
- 4,11,18,25 Farmer's Market

SEPTEMBER

- 8 Run to Remember
- 11 Scrapbooking
- 14 Movie Night #2 - Shark Tale
- 19 Early Childhood Recreation Program
- 29&30 Barbecue Bash
- 1,8,15,22,29 Farmer's Market

OCTOBER

- 5 Movie Night #3 - Transformers
- 6 Shredding Event
- 9 Scrapbooking
- 9 Traveling Weather Show
- 17&18 Early Childhood Recreation Program
- 6&13 Farmer's Market

NOVEMBER

- 3 Route 66 5K Run and 1K Fun Run for Kids
- 13 Scrapbooking
- 14&15 Early Childhood Recreation Program

DECEMBER

- 7 Holiday Balloon Glow





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