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Columbia Regional Airport Update

Extremely strong bookings and high passenger counts on AmericanConnection flights out of Columbia Regional Airport (COU), even in the face of major reductions in connecting service in St. Louis, have resulted in the addition of a third daily roundtrip flight since December.

Area travelers are finding the benefits of flying from our own nearby airport outweigh the small additional dollar cost of doing so. Short check-in and security screening lines and the personal touch of the local employees at COU are some of the reasons to avoid the stresses of travel on Interstate 70. With continued good support by the air travelers of Columbia and the surrounding communities, we hope to see a fourth flight added in early 2004.

COU is a full-service commercial and general aviation airport serving all of mid-Missouri and located 12 miles south of I-70 on US 63. For information on airport services, call 874-7508 or see the City of Columbia website.

american heart month

February is "American Heart Month." Did you know that cardiovascular diseases, including stroke, are our Nation's number one killer? And that high blood pressure is the leading risk factor for stroke and a major risk factor for heart disease and diabetes?

- In Missouri:** More than one in four adults has high blood pressure.
- More than one in four adults **does not** participate in any leisure time physical activity.
- Almost six of 10 adults are overweight or obese.
- Four of five adults **do not** eat the recommended five daily servings of fruits and vegetables.

Physical activity reduces high blood pressure. It also improves circulation and gives you energy, helps you handle stress and improve your outlook on life, and helps you sleep better and control your weight.

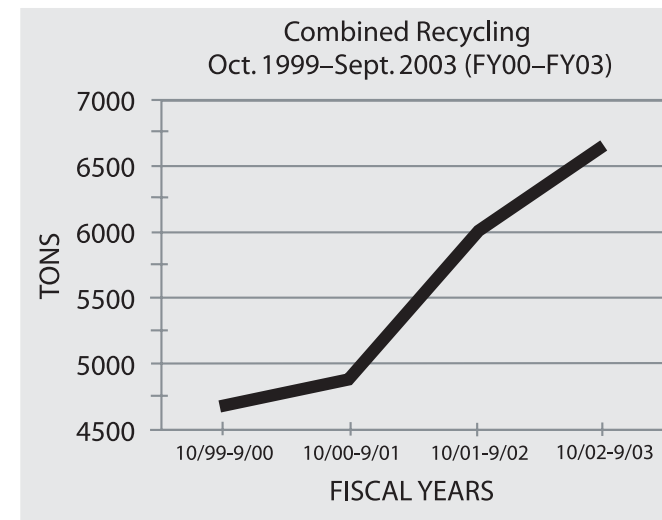
Easy ways to increase physical activity include: Doing housework Working in the yard Walking or biking to the store, school or work Walking the dog Parking farther away from the grocery store or mall Dancing with your children or a friend

For more information, talk to your health care professional or check out the American Heart Association's website at www.americanheart.org.

Council Action

The Council on Nov. 17:

- Authorized an agreement with MODOT for the installation of active warning devices at the Rogers St./COLT highway-rail crossing. The project will include cantilevered flashing lights, a warning bell and associated track circuitry. The total project cost, estimated at \$130,000, will be reimbursed by the state.
- Amended Chapter 14 of the City Code requiring protective covers on trucks hauling rock. The ordinance states no person shall operate on any street or highway any truck having a capacity in excess of one ton net weight that is carrying rock unless the truck has a protective cover over the rock such that none of the rock can fall from the truck while being transported. It will take effect May 1, 2004.
- Authorized acceptance of a thermal imaging camera from the Columbia Police Foundation. The purchase was made possible by a \$16,125 donation from Jim and Billie Silvey. Thermal imaging technology allows a user to see clearly in complete darkness or through smoke.



The graph, above, shows the increased recycling tonnages collected by the City crews over the last four years.

either sorting and baling the material in-house for direct marketing to mills or transporting loose material to outside processors. Grants from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the Mid-Missouri Solid Waste Management District have helped the City purchase and install a 100 horsepower horizontal baler, a container sort line, a fiber screening system, and a fiber sort line. A glass processing system should be installed and operational within the next few months.

Non-Residential/Commercial Recycling

The City of Columbia offers a non-residential/commercial recycling service. Recyclable materials collected from businesses will be similar to the blue bag and fiber recyclables currently being collected from residential customers. The City will provide blue recycling bags, roll carts or dumpsters based on the volume of recyclable materials of participating businesses. Recyclables will be collected and delivered to the City's Material Recovery Facility for processing. To learn more, call the Solid Waste Division at 874-6291 or visit the Public Works web page at www.GoColumbiaMo.com.

Material Recovery Facility Reaches First Anniversary

During the first year of operation, the City's Material Recovery Facility (MRF) has handled more than 6,600 tons of recyclable material. With the assistance of grant funding, the facility has developed to allow the flexibility of

Social Service Funding Proposal Forms Available for 2005

The Boone County Community Services Advisory Commission is requesting funding proposals for social services to be provided in Columbia and Boone County during calendar year 2005. Areas of funding emphasis include: Emergency Services, At-Risk Youth Services, Self-Sufficiency and Employment Services, Counseling and Rehabilitation Services, Elderly and Disabled Services

An informational meeting will be held on February 4 at 3:30 p.m. in the Boone County Commission Chambers, 801 E. Walnut. The submission deadline is April 2, 2004. Proposal forms are available through the Office of Community Services, 874-7488 (v/tty) or on the web at: www.GoColumbiaMo.com (Go Word: GoSocialServices)

City Arts Funding

Each year the city supports local arts programming. Funded projects focus on presentation of visual, performing and literary arts and related educational offerings. To qualify, arts organizations must have 501(c)3 nonprofit status and must propose activities that occur within Columbia's city limits from October 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005. To learn more, contact the Office of Cultural Affairs at 874-6386 (TTY 874-7488) or oca@GoColumbiaMo.com.

Commission vacancy

The City is accepting applications for the following Commission. Applications and current vacancies are on the City's Web site at www.GoColumbiaMo.com on the City Council page. Call 874-7208 for information and specific requirements.

- Human Rights Commission (2 vacancies)

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 City Council Members:
 First WardAlmeta Crayton
 Second WardChris Janku
 Third WardBob Hutton
 Fourth WardJim Loveless
 Fifth WardJohn John
 Sixth WardBrian Ash
 City ManagerRaymond A. Beck

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Columbia Water and Light encourages your to conserve resources and save money this winter.

Seal Up Your Home

- Insulate! Check the attic, outside walls or next to unheated areas, floors above unheated areas and foundation walls. Water and Light recommends R-38 (about 12 inches) in ceilings and R-19 (about 6 inches) in floors over unheated spaces.
- Insulate ducts where they run through cold areas.
- Install storm windows and doors or use plastic sheeting.
- Weatherstrip and caulk! Check for drafts around windows, door frames, foundation cracks, electrical outlets, etc.
- Don't block radiators and vents (including cold air returns) with furniture, drapes or rugs.

Maintain Electrical Equipment

Maintain your heating and cooling system by replacing air filters often and doing regular maintenance. Clean dust and lint away from appliances (heating/cooling unit, refrigerators, hot water heaters, etc.) on a regular basis so the motors run more efficiently.

During Cold Weather

Open window shades that receive direct sunlight during the day.



Senator Jim Talent and Mayor Darwin Hindman add biodiesel fuel to a truck during the biodiesel implementation ceremony.

City begins use of biodiesel fuel

The City of Columbia completed its conversion to biodiesel fuels during a ceremony in December. Mayor Darwin Hindman, City Manager Ray Beck, Senator Jim Talent, and representatives from Senator Kit Bond's and Representative Kenny Hulshof's offices attended the event. Representatives from the biodiesel industry also attended.

The City now uses a biodiesel blend of 20 percent soy oil and 80 percent standard diesel fuel (commonly referred to as B20) in approximately 290 vehicles.

Biodiesel has several advantages over standard diesel fuel. It offers significant clean air benefits, is a renewable resource, it reduces our dependence on oil imports while increasing the demand for soybeans grown in Missouri, does not require special equipment modifications and it adds to the lubrication characteristics of the fuel, which can reduce equipment maintenance costs.

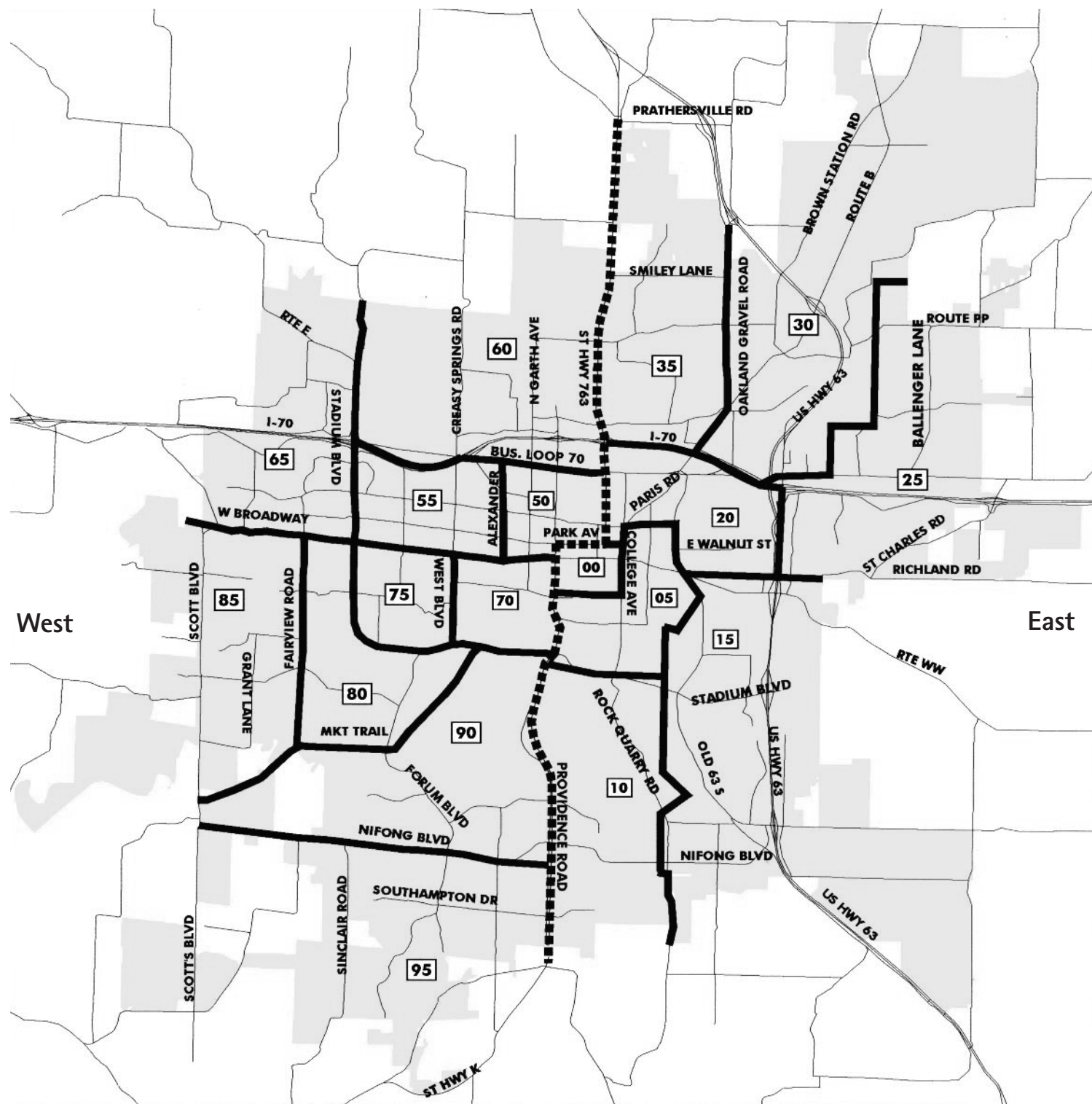
The City also took delivery of the first of three hybrid fuel vehicles that were approved for purchase. This vehicle is being used by Protective Inspection. The remaining two vehicles will be received later in the fiscal year.



Prior to municipal ownership in 1904, the privately owned Columbia Water & Light Company charged 15 cents per kilowatt-hour for electricity. This is two and a half times more expensive than it costs today! By voting for a municipal utility in 1904, Columbia voters insured low-cost electricity for generations of Columbians.

1904 - 2004

Police Beat Assignments for 2004



EAST DISTRICT BEATS

District Commander
 Captain Zim Schwartze
 District Sergeants
Shift 1: Ken Smith, John Worden
Shift 2: Lloyd Simons, Jack Pestle
Shift 3: Eric Stevenson, Scott Young
 Beat 00
 Robert Bennett, Dan Beckman,
 Kevin Purdy, Bruce Houston,
 Jason Baillargeon
 Beat 05
 Amy Bishop, Mike Valley, Steve Rios,
 Brian Tate
 Beat 10
 Corey Bowden, Doug Buie,
 James Means, Jason McClintic
 Beat 15
 Steve Brown, Candy Corman,
 Curtis Perkins
 Beat 20
 Sean Moore, Joe Bernhard,
 Molly Bowden, Dan Wright,
 Brad Anderson, Mitch Baxley
 Beat 25
 Allan Bell, Tammy Adams,
 Ryan Rowland, Wendy Stokes,
 Kim Jensen
 Beat 30
 Krista Shouse-Jones, Ted Anderson,
 Mike Parsons, Nathan Baer, Mike Hestir
 Beat 35
 Tim Timmerman, Don Weaver, Jani Holt,
 Cyndi McLane, Keisha Edwards
 Downtown Bike Officer
 Mark Brotemarkle
 Traffic Officer
 Sgt Tim Moriarity, Lyn Woolford,
 Alan Hulett, Shelley Jones, Jeff Forck,
 Scott Sergeant
 K-9 Officers
 Todd Alber, Kevin Moroney

COMMUNITY SERVICES UNIT

CP=Crime Prevention
 T=Community Action Team
 Sgt Danny Grant.....CP1
 Jessie HadenCP3
 Mike Hayes.....CP4
 Tim Thomason.....CP2
 Chris KelleyT5
 Bill LeeT4
 Jon LoganT3

WEST DISTRICT BEATS

District Commander
 Captain Marvin McCrary
 District Sergeants
Shift 1: Eric White, Brad Nelson
Shift 2: Ken Hammond, Jon White
Shift 3: Gerald Greene, Roger Allen
 Beat 50
 Alex McHugh, Will Green, Brian Grove,
 Joe Jackson, Harlan Hatton,
 Scott Decker, Jon Cluver, Don Hawkins,
 Roger Schlude
 Beat 55
 Rob Hardt, Curtis Brown, Kyle Lucas,
 Chris Boyle, Jason Jones, Sterling
 Infield
 Beat 60
 Chad Craig, Shanona Sutton,
 John Gordon
 Beat 65
 Terri Marki, Alan Mitchell,
 Jason LaForest, Rob Sanders
 Beat 70
 Todd Smith, Jon Martin, Robert Dochler
 Beat 75
 Rob Kiesling
 Beat 80
 Geoff Jones, Brian Richenberger,
 Cynthia Crowe
 Beat 85
 Mike Youtsey
 Beat 90
 Kevin McDonald, Steve McCormack,
 Jeff Rukstad
 Beat 95
 Earl Dye, Mike Painter, Randy Nichols

For more information about beat officer shift assignments and voice mail to contact officers, please contact the Community Services Unit at 874-7405.

YOUTH SERVICES UNIT

SR=School Resource Officer
 Sgt. Dianne Bernhard.....SR1
 Kyle Lacy, RBHSSR3
 Cathy Dodd, HHSSR2
 John Warner, WJHSSR5
 Stephanie Winscott, Gentry.....SR8
 Kevin Keith, LangeSR9
 Melvin Buckner, Jeff Jr.SR6
 Jay Bramblett, SmithtonSR7
 Linda Fincham, OaklandSR4

Child Passenger Safety Week

Although use of passenger restraints for children is increasing, traffic crashes continue as the leading cause of death for children ages 6 through 15, older teens and young adults. National Child Passenger Safety Week emphasizes the importance of safely transporting children throughout their childhood.

Whether children travel by car, bicycle, school bus or as pedestrians, it is everyone's responsibility to make sure each trip is as safe as possible. This national event will provide an excellent opportunity to work with highway safety advocates to educate your community about all aspects of child passenger safety.

Because National Child Passenger Safety Week features many child transportation issues involved with getting to school safely, this event provides a terrific avenue for teachers to incorporate daily lessons about safe travel to and from school. Children can participate in various transportation safety activities throughout the week, or each group can develop its own safe transportation theme and devote time each day to that particular subject.

SAFE KID's-Columbia, a program of the Columbia Fire Department, will join the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and others in celebrating National Child Passenger Safety Week from February 8-14. We encourage you to participate and help protect children when they travel, not only during this "special" week, but every day of the year.

To learn more about celebrating *National Child Passenger Safety Week*, visit the SAFE KID's-Columbia web site at www.GoColumbiaMo.com

Make your travels safer:

Check to make sure your child passenger seat is installed properly. If you need help call SAFE KID's- Columbia at 874-7556.

Set an example for your child and "Buckle-Up" each time you are in a vehicle.

February Volunteers of the Month

by volunteer Sara Rechtin



Sharon and Dick Hanson with dog, Jake.

February Volunteers of the Month, Sharon and Dick Hanson, participate in the City of Columbia's Citizens on Patrol (COP). The Hansons have been COP volunteers since February 2002. Together they have accumulated over 117 volunteer hours.

Sharon and Dick are two of 60 volunteers who patrol identified community areas to curb crime. Volunteers patrol in their vehicles which enables patrol officers to attend to more hazardous police duties. COP volunteers do not engage in direct intervention. Columbia Police Department provides cell phones to report suspicious activity.

The Hansons became active in COP after moving from Jefferson City, where they participated in a similar volunteer program. Dick Hanson says "We learned there is not enough public safety force to do everything, and this is a problem for everyone." The Hansons agree Columbia is a bigger city than most people realize and that volunteering is a way to get to know the community better. "I couldn't speak better of the program," says Sharon Hanson. "It is community minded and professional."

The City of Columbia extends thanks to Sharon and Dick for their volunteer spirit.

To find out more about ongoing and one-time volunteer opportunities call 874-7499 or visit our website at www.GoColumbiaMo.com.

TreeKeepers Program Begins

The TreeKeepers program will begin on February 3 and will be held on Tuesday evenings through March 9. Classes are 6 - 8:30 p.m. at City Hall, 701 E. Broadway.

Through the TreeKeepers program, participants learn about tree management and are then asked to complete 36 hours of volunteer service on tree projects in city parks and along streets and trails.

To learn more about TreeKeepers, contact the Office of Volunteer Services at 874-7499 or visit us on the web at www.GoColumbiaMo.com.



Share the Light is an easy way to contribute to city programs that are beyond basic city services. Since the program began in 2001, Share the Lights funds have been used to begin a youth dental care program, fund youth recreation scholarships for children from low income families and purchase smoke and carbon monoxide detectors for senior and low-income households.

Contributions to Share the Light can easily be made as part of your monthly utility bill, and they are tax deductible. To learn more, call 874-7504.

Did You Know?

Community Line J

By dialing the city of Columbia's Community Line at 874-7650 (TTY 874-7697), message 441, you can learn about the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Columbia Parks and Recreation CALENDAR

Visit www.GoColumbiaMo.com and click on Parks and Recreation, or call 874-7460 to register.

FEBRUARY

Youth Baseball and Softball registration open until Feb 15 deadline. Registration forms available at the Parks and Recreation office at 1 S. 7th St. or online at www.GoColumbiaMo.com (GoWord: GoSports)

- 2 **Black History Exhibit**, daily through February 29, Armory Sports Center
- 8 **Boy Scout/Girl Scout Swim Day**, 1-3 pm, Hickman Pool, \$2.50/child, preregister
- 9 **Adult Spring Training League Softball Registration** begins until filled
- 9-13 **Summer Softball Advanced Registration** for returning teams
- 12 **Hip Hop**, Douglass Gym, 7-9 pm
- 15 **27th Annual Train Show**, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Paquin Tower, 1201 Paquin St., Free
- 16 **Swim lessons begin**, Hickman Winter Session II (register by 2/12)
- 16 **Summer Volleyball League Registration** begins until filled
- 16-20 **Summer Softball Open Registration** for new teams
- 19 **African-American Films**, Armory Sports Center, 701 E. Ash St., 7 p.m.
- 20 **50+ Valentine Dance**, Parkade Center east side, 601 Bus Loop 70W, 7-10 pm, \$3
- 29 **Gospel Explosion-Musical Celebration**, St. Luke United Methodist Church, 3 p.m.