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## Council Action

*The Council on March 7:*

- Authorized a cost participation agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission and Boone County for an environmental study relating to the extension of Route 740 (Stadium Boulevard). The agreement provides for the city to assure funding of half the cost. The city's share is estimated at \$135,000, with Boone County contributing \$150,000. Money for the city's share was appropriated in the 2005 budget.

*The Council on March 21:*

- Authorized an agreement with Boone County for connection to the city's fiber optic cable system. The agreement leases a pair of fibers from the city's fiber optic system to the County Commission, which would connect the sheriff's department, the Johnson Building, county public works on US 63, the government center and courthouse block. The charge to the county would be \$3,847 per month.
- Amended Chapters 4 and 16 of the City Code regarding sales and consumption of alcoholic beverages on public sidewalks adjacent to restaurant bars. Based upon a recommendation made by the Special Business District, it was felt that such sidewalk cafes would draw more visitors downtown. Restaurants licensed to sell alcoholic beverages will also be required to have a separate license to serve alcohol outside, and then only on the sidewalk adjacent to the restaurant bar.

This is a brief look at the Council's actions. Complete minutes are available at the City Clerk's Office, 701 E. Broadway, the Columbia Public Library or on the Internet at [www.GoColumbiaMo.com](http://www.GoColumbiaMo.com) on the City Council page.

## City Council Election Results

Almeta Crayton was reelected to another term as the First Ward Councilperson and Laura Nauser was elected as the new Fifth Ward Councilperson, replacing John John, who did not seek reelection. Both were sworn in during a Special Council meeting April 11.



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City Council Members:  
First Ward  
Almeta Crayton

Second Ward  
Chris Janku

Third Ward  
Bob Hutton

Fourth Ward  
Jim Loveless

Fifth Ward  
Laura Nauser

Sixth Ward  
Brian Ash

City Manager  
Raymond A. Beck

## Columbia Regional Airport

The dust flying at Columbia Regional Airport (COU) this spring has been stirred up by several interrelated FAA-approved and funded projects to rehabilitate and improve airport aviation facilities. In March and April, numerous aged and deteriorated pavement sections were replaced, new lighted wind cones were installed, and new pavement management software was brought on-line. These projects not only insure the serviceability of COU but will extend the life of the runways and taxiways. Ninety-five percent of project costs come from grants.

The Airport is much more than just an airline point of departure and arrival. In the summer, private, business and recreational aviation thrive due to the pleasant seasonal flying weather. Youth activities such as weekly Civil Air Patrol meetings and YOUNG EAGLE flight days are available. Charters and instruction can be arranged through airport-based businesses, and the new *Tailwinds* restaurant is open with extended and weekend hours. For information on all airport businesses, activities and events, contact Airport Administration.

*Columbia Regional Airport 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.*

## Stream Extravaganza: A Watershed Event!

Thursday, June 30, 5-8 p.m.  
Flat Branch Park, 4th and Broadway  
*Free, Family Event*

River otters, frogs, fishing poles, stream hikes, face painting and more! The Stream Extravaganza is for everyone! You'll learn about the 14 Columbia streams and view footage of river otters that live in the city, cast a fishing line, pick up a crawdad, learn about water quality, see how a downtown stream has been re-vitalized, or listen to nature songs. We'll identify "Tattletale Bugs" that indicate the stream's health, and use special camera equipment to look inside storm water pipes. Watershed-Friendly Lawn Care demonstrations and Rainwater Gardens will be highlighted.

Flat Branch Park is an example of urban renewal and stream rehabilitation. See how this formerly run down area in our central city was transformed to a beautiful park complete with a meandering stream.

## Columbia Transit

Parents: tired of hauling your kids to all their summer activities? Let Columbia Transit do the driving for you! With a \$30 summer semester pass and student ID, your child can ride May 16 through August 14. Travel to Cosmo and Stephens Lake parks, the ARC and more! Good for college students, too.

On June 16, your button is your ticket on the Downtown Orbiter and/or ride free on the Theater Special.

Call 874-7282 for information on discounts for pass holders.

## Columbia Parks & Recreation Outdoor Aquatic Facility Hours

	June/July	August	September
<b>Oakland Family Aquatic Center</b> 474-5331 <i>Opening Weekend: May 28, 29, &amp; 30 12-6 p.m.</i>	Closed June 1-4 Open for season: June 4 Mon-Fri 12-8 pm Sat 10am-6 pm Sun 12-6 pm	Mon-Fri: 12-8 pm Sat: 10 am-6 pm Sun: 12-6 pm Last Week Day: Aug 19; Closed Aug 22-26; Open Aug 27-28: 12-6 pm; Closed Aug 29-31	Closed Sept. 1-2 Open Sept 3-5 12-6 pm
<b>Douglass Family Aquatic Center</b> 442-5019	Opening Day: June 4 Su, M, W, F, Sa: 1-7 pm T, Th: 3-9 p.m.	Su, M, W, F, Sa: 1-7 pm T, Th: 3-9 p.m. Last Day Aug 14	Closed for the Season
<b>Lake of the Woods Pool</b> 474-7878	Opening Day: June 4 Mon, Wed: 12-6:30 pm T, Th, F, Sa, Su: 12-7 pm	Mon, Wed: 12-6:30 pm T, Th, F, Sa, Su: 12-7 pm Last Day Aug 14	Closed for the Season
<b>Pirates Landing</b> 445-8839	Opening Day June 4 Mon-Fri: Little Mates Cove 10am-8pm Lake 12-8pm Sat: Little Mates Cove 10 am-6 pm Lake 12-6 pm Sun: Entire Facility 12-6 pm	Mon-Fri Little Mates Cove 10 am-7 pm Lake 12-6 pm Sat: Little Mates Cove 10 am-6 pm Lake 12-6 pm Sun: Entire Facility 12-6 pm Last day Lake: Aug 14 Little Mates Cove Open Aug 15-21 Last day Little Mates Cove: Aug 21	Closed for the Season

## Enjoy a Movie Under the Stars



**School of Rock**  
June 11, 8:45 pm  
**The Incredibles**  
June 23, 9 pm  
**50 First Dates**  
July 13, 8:45 pm  
ET  
July 30, 8:45  
**SpongeBob SquarePants**  
August 13, 8:30 pm  
**Spaceballs**  
August 24, 8 pm

## Flat Branch Park Outdoor Cinema

4th and Cherry Streets • \$3; children 6 and under free

Bring a low chair or blanket. Rain dates the following night. Call 874-7460 for more information. Sponsored by Flat Branch Pub & Brewing. Presented by Columbia Parks and Recreation, Columbia Convention & Visitors Bureau, Columbia Daily Tribune and Ragtag Cinema.



Chris Coffman collects mosquito larvae in Columbia.

## West Nile Virus . . . What You Need to Know

The Columbia/Boone County Health Department reminds everyone of ways to

protect against mosquito bites and reduce breeding areas.

### Eliminate breeding areas

- Turn over or remove containers where rainwater collects, such as potted plant trays, buckets, or toys.
- Empty birdbaths weekly.
- Remove old tires.
- Clean gutters and down spout screens.
- Eliminate standing water on roofs, boats, and tarps.

### Protection

- Wear long, loose and light-colored clothing.
- Use insect repellent products with no more than 20–30% DEET for adults, and less than 10% for children. Follow label instructions.

Contact the health department if you own or know of an area in the city/county where there is standing water or you notice a large number of mosquitoes. Notifying the health department will allow environmental health staff to visit these areas and provide assistance with eliminating the breeding grounds. The health department has a 24-hour concern and complaint hotline that may be used to report a problem area at 874-7339. You may also call environmental health at 874-7346.



## Recycling Correctly Saves Time and Money

Place only container materials into the blue bag, such as:

- Glass Bottles and Jars**
- Aluminum Cans**
- Metal Food Cans**
- #1 and #2 Plastics** (no motor oil containers)

Fiber materials should NOT go into blue bags. Instead, all fiber should be placed in a paper grocery bag or cardboard box to be recycled.

It's important to recycle correctly! Contamination can result in additional fees or loss of revenue. Excessive contamination can result in rejected loads and/or landfilling of recyclable items.

Clean recyclable materials result in a better market price and allow the City to process more efficiently and receive a better market price for the materials. Be in the know! Recycle correctly!

## City of Columbia Utilities

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## June Volunteer of the Month

By volunteer Amy Coble

This month's volunteer of the month is Columbia Fire Department's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

While the local CERT Program was established almost two years ago, the idea originated in Los Angeles in 1985. The program enables community members to learn basic training to improve rescue skills (above).

Volunteers participate in First Night as fire watches during the fireworks display and at the National Kickoff of National Preparedness month. Members participate in CERT training classes before beginning official duties. Maria Cox's most rewarding experience has been "working with the people . . . and the sense of being part of one team."

Thanks to CERT volunteers for their hard work and dedication.

For more information about volunteer opportunities visit our web site at [www.GoColumbiaMo.com](http://www.GoColumbiaMo.com) or e-mail [volunteer@GoColumbiaMo.com](mailto:volunteer@GoColumbiaMo.com).

## Youth In Action

School will be out soon and youths will have more time to volunteer!

Youth In Action, a volunteer program for kids 12–15, will enter its fourth year this summer. It allows youths to participate in structured, supervised volunteer activities. The activities vary from helping at special events like Mudstock and the Show Me State Games to assisting local agencies. Youths can select the projects they would like to participate in based on their interests and schedule.

To get involved with Youth In Action, contact the Office of Volunteer Services at 874-7504 or [volunteer@GoColumbiaMo.com](mailto:volunteer@GoColumbiaMo.com).

## Stephens Lake Park

Progress continues to be made in the development of Stephens Lake Park. Construction of the Gordon, Collins, and Happy Hollow Shelters, located south of the lake, is nearing completion and are available for public reservation. Playgrounds have been installed adjacent to Gordon and Happy Hollow Shelters.

Installation of the hard surface perimeter trail began in late March. This two-mile trail, is expected to be used by walkers, joggers, and roller bladers. With the exception of the short stretch of the trail impacted by the widening of East Broadway, trail completion is expected in early summer. In addition to the ongoing construction, numerous trees and shrubs have been planted with emphasis around the lake.

A public dedication ceremony and ribbon cutting is scheduled for Sunday, June 26, 2 p.m., at the island shelter adjacent to the boardwalk trail.

## Art in the Park

A special and one-of-a-kind feature of Stephens Lake Park will be site-specific public art. Artist Carol Fleming was

selected last year by the city's Standing

Committee on Public Art to create art for the park. The result, as Fleming describes, will be a series of 12 "humble clay forms" that will "follow the shape of the land" as "a spiral path." Fleming describes the message of her work as "distilling the qualities of nature and culture" and hopes that her eventual installation will "invite park users into the relationship between sculpture and natural setting." The project is the sixth to result from the city's Percent for Art program, an effort to enhance the public environment and enrich the lives of citizens.

For more information, contact the Office of Cultural Affairs, 874-6386 (TTY 874-7488), [oca@GoColumbiaMo.com](mailto:oca@GoColumbiaMo.com), or visit the Cultural Affairs page at [www.GoColumbiaMo.com](http://www.GoColumbiaMo.com) (GoWord: GoPublicArt).

## Child Safety Days Child ID Program

The Columbia Police and Fire Departments, Paternity Testing Corporation, US Cellular and PC Avenue will host child safety and ID programs in Columbia. Visit McGruff and get a free gunlock. Get a free Child ID with fingerprints and DNA samples collected by professionals.

During the Twilight Festival: June 9 and 23 6–8:00 p.m. County Courthouse

## Columbia Parks & Recreation CALENDAR

Register online! [www.GoColumbiaMo.com](http://www.GoColumbiaMo.com) (GoWord: GoRecreationRegistration) or call 874-7460 to register or for information

## June

Twilight Festivals every Thurs in June, Downtown, 6–10 pm, Free, call 442-6816

- 2 **Twilight Music**, Flat Branch Park, 4th & Cherry Sts, 6–8 pm, *The Bubbas*
- 4 **Opening Day**: Douglass Family Aquatic Center, Lake of the Woods Pool & Pirates' Landing at Twin Lakes
- 4 **Mudstock**, a mud obstacle course, Twin Lakes Recreation Area, 12–3 pm
- 7 **Tee Up the Summer**—Junior Golf Program begins (pre-register by 5/31)
- 9 **Twilight Music**, Flat Branch Park, 6–8 pm, *Bottom of the Boot Bluegrass Band*
- 11 **14th Annual Rottmann Memorial Kids' Fishing Clinic**, 8 am–12 pm, Cosmo Bethel, Free
- 11 **Flat Branch Outdoor Cinema**, *School of Rock*, 8:45 pm, \$3, 6yrs under free
- 11–12 **Francis Hagan Match Play Championship**, Lake of the Woods Golf Course
- 13 **Free Lunch in the Park** (thru 8/19), Douglass Park Shelter, Mon–Fri, 11:30 am–1 pm
- 16 **Twilight Music**, Flat Branch Park, 6–8 pm, *Cave Creek Blues Band*
- 18 **Juneteenth Celebration**, Douglass Park, 1–8 pm
- 18 **Skate Jam 2005**, 2–6 pm, Columbia Skate Park, Free
- 18 **Father–Daughter Dance**, ARC, 6–8 pm, pre-register
- 18–19 **Francis Hagan Match Play Championship**, Lake of the Woods Golf Course
- 23 **Flat Branch Outdoor Cinema**, *The Incredibles*, pre-show 6:30 pm, 9 pm movie, \$3, 6 & under free
- 25 **Columbia Youth Triathlon**, Wilson's Beach & Tennis Club, 7:45 am
- 30 **Stream Extravaganza**, Flat Branch Park, 4th & Cherry Sts, 5–8 pm, Free

"Anything can make us look, only art can make us see." Archibald MacLeish, poet