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Pools open for summer!

Outdoor Aquatic Facility Hours

NOTE: Opening dates have been changed from what was published in Leisure Times to reflect change in public school calendar.

LOCATION	MAY	JUNE/JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
DOUGLASS FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER	OPENING DAY MAY 25- M, W, F, 1-7 pm Tu, Th, Su. 1-5 pm Sa 11 am-5 pm	M, W, F, 1-7 pm Tu, Th, Su 1-5 pm, Sa 11 am-5 pm	M, W, F, 1-7 pm Tu, Th, Su 1-5 pm, Sa 11 am-5 pm Last Day Aug 11	Closed for the Season
LAKE OF THE WOODS POOL	OPENING DAY MAY 25- M, W, F 1-7 pm T, Th, Su 12-5 pm Sa 11 am-5 pm	M, W, F 1-7 pm T, Th, Su 12-5 pm Sa 11 am-5 pm	M, W, F 1-7pm T, Th, Su 12-5 pm Sa 11 am-5 pm Last Day Aug 11	Closed for the Season
ALBERT-OAKLAND FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER	OPENING DAY MAY 25- M-F, 12-7 pm Sa, 11 am-5 pm Su, 12-5 pm	M-F, 12-7 pm Sa, 11 am-5 pm Su, 12-5 pm	M-F, 12-7 pm Sa, 11 am-5 pm Su, 12-5 pm Last Weekday Aug 16 Closed Aug 19-23, 26-30 Open Aug 31, 11 am-5 pm	Open Sept 1-2 12-5 pm After Labor Day, Closed for season
LITTLE MATES COVE AT TWIN LAKES	OPENING DAY MAY 25- M,W,F, 11 am - 7 pm T, Th, Su 12-5 pm Sa., 11 am-5 pm	M,W,F, 11 am-7 pm T, Th, Su 12-5 pm Sa, 11 am-5 pm	M,W,F, 11 am-7 pm T, Th, Su 12-5 pm Sa, 11 am-5 pm Last Day Aug 11	Closed for the Season

Check out the newly renovated Little Mates Cove this year! Improvements include new water features, deck and bridge, all meant to improve safety and fun at the water park.

Daily admission fees at Columbia's pools: \$1 for patrons 2 and older at Douglass, \$1.50 for ages 2-15 and \$2.75 for ages 16 and up at Lake of the Woods and Little Mates Cove, and \$2.50 for ages 2-15 and \$3.75 for ages 16 and up at Albert-Oakland. Twilight fee at Albert-Oakland is \$1.75 after 5 p.m. Infants age 1 and younger are admitted to facilities free.

Appropriate swim attire is required to enter all aquatic facilities and is defined as clothing specifically designed for use in the water (swim trunks or swimsuits). Examples of inappropriate attire include basketball shorts, cutoffs, sports bras, sweatpants and cargo shorts.

For more information and details on coupon books and season passes, call Parks and Recreation at 874-7460.

Columbia Water & Light earns awards

ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

Columbia Water & Light received two awards from the American Public Power Association. The Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3) recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, training and system improvement. Criteria within each category is based on sound business practices and represent a utility-wide commitment to the safe and reliable delivery of electricity. Columbia is one of 184 of the nation's more than 2,000 public power utilities to earn the RP3 recognition this year.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY & RENEWABLE EFFORTS

The utility also received the Award of Continued Excellence (ACE) from the American Public Power Association's Demonstration of Energy & Efficiency Developments (DEED) program. The award recognizes Columbia's continued commitment to research, development and demonstration in the areas of efficiency and renewable resources. Columbia has received multiple DEED grants—as well as a scholarship—and assisted in advancing energy efficiency and renewable energy programs. Columbia has done marketing research in the area of solar feed-in tariffs, is working on a collaborative biomass project and has been a leader in Missouri in the areas of residential and commercial energy efficiency.

TREELINE USA

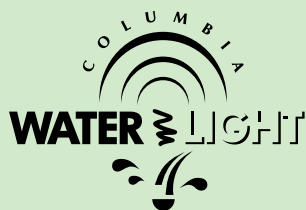
Columbia Water & Light has been awarded the Arbor Day Foundation's Tree Line USA recognition for the 16th year. The program honors utilities for responsible tree trimming practices and programs to promote appropriate planting near utility lines. The award reaffirms Columbia Water & Light's commitment to safe, reliable electric service and abundant, healthy trees in the community.

\$50 to \$1,600 Rebate High-Efficiency Air Conditioner

If your cooling system is older than 10 years, you have frequent service problems and/or you would like to control your cooling costs, consider installing a new unit. You might be eligible for a Columbia Water & Light rebate of \$50 to \$1,600 for a qualified unit.

874-7325

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Columbia Imagined moves forward

Want to know how to contribute? Find out more about Columbia Imagined! Columbia Imagined will be the City of Columbia's new comprehensive plan, providing guidelines for citizens and decision makers in determining the City's future growth.

Columbia Imagined is currently in preliminary draft form and can be viewed at Columbialmaged.com. A series of public meetings on the plan will be held this spring to continue gathering input from citizens to enhance the final document. Please take advantage of this unique opportunity to help shape the future of the City of Columbia.

For more information on Columbia Imagined, call 874-7239 or email planning@GoColumbiaMo.com.



Free shade tree

Trees planted in the right place on your property can reduce summer cooling costs by up to 30 percent. That's why Columbia Water & Light is offering a free shade tree, 6-10 feet tall, for electric customers.

Sign up and a representative will come to your house to show you the best place for your tree. You will then receive a coupon for a free tree. *(limit one tree per electric meter)*

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Fireworks illegal in city limits

Before the July 4 holiday, the Columbia Police Department would like to remind residents that it is illegal to possess or shoot fireworks inside Columbia city limits. Violation of the ordinance can result in the confiscation of your fireworks and a summons to appear in municipal court.

Fireworks may be disposed of at the household hazardous waste (HHW) facility, 1313 Lakeview, between 8 a.m. — 12 p.m. on the first and third Saturdays of the month, April through November, or through the Columbia Fire Department by appointment at 874-7391.

If you plan to shoot fireworks outside the city limits, remember...

- Shoot fireworks at a safe distance from structures and other people.
- Never relight a “dud” firework.
- Always keep a hose or bucket of water handy.
- Children under age 12 should not handle fireworks and should not shoot fireworks without the supervision of an adult.
- Pets are often frightened by fireworks so keep them away from this activity.
- Never consume alcohol while handling fireworks.

If you are looking for a safe alternative to shooting fireworks, attend Fire in the Sky in The District July 4. Look for more information regarding this event in the June City Source or visit the Parks & Recreation page at GoColumbiaMo.com.

Parks and Recreation presents Family Fun Fests

Columbia Parks and Recreation is hosting Family Fun Fests from 6-8 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month through September. The free Fun Fests are held at Flat Branch Park and offer entertainment for the entire family, including music, special performances, art activities and face painting.

Family Fun Fests are sponsored by the Convention & Visitors Bureau, KPLA 101.5 Radio, KOMU 8, EntPro Entertainment and Columbia Home Magazine.

June 19: Explore Outdoors

Learn about Missouri’s fish, birds, parks and camping from local and state organizations and departments.

Coming Up: July 17: Summer Fun ■ Aug. 21: Around the World

Sept. 18: Creative Kids

Columbia’s Rental Regulations

For more than 30 years, the City of Columbia has had a rental unit conservation law requiring that all residential rental properties meet code to help ensure the health and safety of the occupants. The City’s Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS), a division of the Community Development Department, carries out this ordinance; more than 24,000 rental units are registered.

- **Property owners** must apply for a rental certificate of compliance. The process includes paying a fee, having gas appliances inspected and agreeing to have the unit inspected by the City to ensure the property meets code.
- **Tenants** have the right to rent a unit that complies with City code and has a current certificate of compliance. To verify this, tenants may ask their landlord or inquire with ONS. If there are maintenance issues with the property the landlord is not addressing, the tenant may file a complaint with ONS and allow a City inspector to view the problem. If a violation is found, the inspector will require the property owner to make necessary repairs.

To learn more about the City’s rental regulations, contact the Office of Neighborhood Services at 817-5050 or visit GoColumbiaMo.com.



Adopt-A-Spots bring beauty to Columbia

If you ride around Columbia, it doesn’t take long to spot a green “Adopt A Spot” sign in one of the City’s more than 90 beautification beds cared for by volunteers. As adopters, volunteers are asked to maintain a bed for four years, including weeding, mulching, watering, planting annual flowers and bulbs and sometimes installing new plant material. Hundreds of people enjoy the results of their efforts each day.

Volunteer Programs maintains a Web page at GoColumbiaMo.com that includes a list of existing spots, beds available for adoption and a form where the public can share compliments on their favorite bed.

If you are interested in adopting a spot, email volunteer@GoColumbiaMo.com or call 874-7499. The City thanks the Adopt-A-Spot volunteers for their hard work!

Parking meters get makeover

Color is being added to parking meters to make it easier to tell how long you can park in the metered space. This summer, the parking utility will place color-coded “bonnets” on each meter that will correspond with a time limit. For example, meters with a red bonnet allow you to park in the metered spot for two hours; yellow bonnets equal 24 minutes. Find the list of color codes at GoColumbiaMo.com by typing “parking meter” in the search box. Later this spring, an interactive map with information on metered parking spaces, as well as parking garages, will be introduced.

FREE energy saving upgrades for income qualified customers

SAVE ENERGY • SAVE MONEY • BE MORE COMFORTABLE

Columbia Water & Light electric customers can make their homes more energy efficient through the Central Missouri Community Action. The service is **free** for income-qualified customers! This program helps families in need save money on their energy bills so it can be used on other pressing needs.

Do you qualify?

- Income has to be lower than the amounts listed in the table below.
- Must be a Columbia Water & Light electric customer
- Must own your home or have your landlord* agree to participate

**Landlords: Partial funding is available for rental units with income-qualified tenants. This program will pay for 50 percent of the upgrade for single family homes and 30 percent for each multi-family unit.*

Household Size	Income
1	\$22,980
2	\$31,020
3	\$39,060
4	\$47,100
5	\$55,140
6	\$63,180
7	\$71,220
8	\$79,260

Total income cannot exceed the 200 percent federal poverty income level

What is covered?

As funding allows, you might qualify for these **free*** upgrades:

- Energy efficiency assessment (determines which upgrades are needed)
- Insulation (attic, wall, rim joist, ductwork and either crawlspace or floor over unconditioned spaces)
- Air & ductwork sealing

Additional funding from other sources **might** be available for other energy-efficiency improvements.

How do I apply?

- Special sign-up event: bring the information listed below & a staff member will assist you with the paperwork.
 - Wednesday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - Columbia Boone County Health Department, 1005 W. Worley
- 1.) Fill out the weatherization assistance form available from Central Missouri Community Action (showmeaction.org) 2.) You will need proof of **all** household income for previous three months. 3.) A copy of current utility bills (including natural gas) with the account numbers visible. 4.) Proof of home ownership. 5.) Renters will need to provide the landlord's name, address and phone number.

To apply: contact the Central Missouri Community Action, 573-777-5270 or wx@showmeaction.org. Ask about the Enhanced Home Performance with Energy Star program.

Public Health and Human Services program recognized as leader in child abuse prevention

Boone County's Healthy Babies Program, a pregnancy support program staffed by social services specialists from the Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health and Human Services, was recognized in April as a 2013 Leader in Child Abuse Prevention by Missouri Prevention Partners.

One of 28 programs across the state, Healthy Babies was honored for exemplary leadership in accepting the responsibility of child abuse prevention and taking steps to protect children in our community. Using the "Partners for a Healthy Baby" curriculum, Healthy Babies offers monthly home visits from a social services specialist and can help with cribs, clothing, diapers, WIC, food stamps, Medicaid and breastfeeding. The free, voluntary program is funded by the Missouri Children's Trust Fund and Public Health and Human Services.

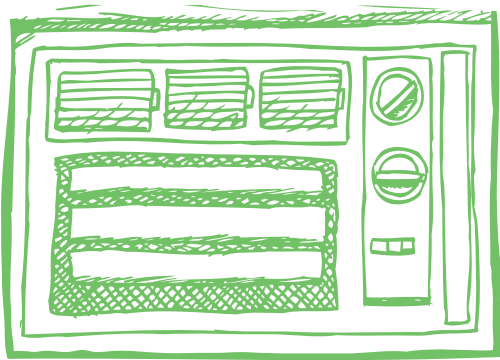
"Our social services specialists develop meaningful relationships with the Healthy Babies families," said Public Health and Human Services Director Stephanie Browning. "They take very seriously their role in healthy child development and the prevention of child abuse and neglect. I'm confident that the advice and support they give these moms throughout pregnancy has a lasting effect in each family."

Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services offers a number of services aimed at improving the lives of children. For more information, please call 874-7488.



Recycling

Newspapers, magazines, cardboard and other fiber material placed curbside or in one of the convenient recycling containers across town are helping save energy. Recycled fiber materials are sold to a local company which converts them into insulation materials. A local insulation company uses this product to insulate buildings in Columbia and central Missouri. It's a great local example of how you can help take used materials and transform them into something beneficial by simply recycling instead of tossing them in your trash. Learn more at GoColumbiaMo.com; type "recycle" in the search box.



Window air conditioner exchange

for income-qualified customers

To help you save energy and money, Columbia Water & Light and the Voluntary Action Center are offering the Air Conditioner Exchange program for income-qualified electric customers.

Eligibility requirements are:

- being a current Columbia Water & Light electric customer;
- having an older less efficient and/or broken window unit to exchange; and
- having an annual income of less than 200 percent of the poverty level.

If you meet the above criteria and want a new window air conditioning unit, please call the Voluntary Action Center. There are a limited number of units to exchange so it is important to call before bringing in an older unit.

You must bring the following to participate:

- proof of your current physical Boone County address (IDs or leases will not be accepted);
- identification for everyone at your address (originals...no copies);
- proof of all income for everyone at your address (including food stamps and TANF);
- current utility bill for your address; and
- an older, inefficient window air conditioner to exchange.

Hours (May 14 through Sept. 12, while supplies last)

- **Tuesdays & Thursdays**
- **9 a.m. to 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

Please call before bringing your older unit in to confirm eligibility and availability!

Voluntary Action Center

573-874-2273

403A Vandiver Drive, Columbia

FlyMidMo.com ready for takeoff

Columbia Regional Airport's website has a brand new look. It's now easy to check flight schedules, flight status and determine how much you can save by flying from COU and avoiding the drive to St. Louis or Kansas City. New navigation, graphics and tools are awaiting you at FlyMidMo.com.

Welcome aboard!

PARKS & RECREATION CALENDAR

Call 874-7460 for more information.

June

1	3rd annual Fishing Derby, register 9 a.m., derby 9:30-10:30 a.m., Philips Park, free
1-2	Art in the Park, Stephens Lake Park, free
6	Stephens Lake Park Amphitheater Concert Series, Missouri Symphony Society, 7-9 p.m., free
8	Shred Fest Skateboarding Event, Columbia Skate Park at Cosmo Park, 4-7 p.m., free
8-9	Francis Hagan Match Play Championship/Senior Francis Hagan Match Play Championship, Lake of the Woods Golf Course
14	Movies in the Park, "Hotel Transylvania," Flat Branch Park, 9 p.m., \$2 per person, 8 and under free
15	Father-Daughter Dance, ARC, 6-8 p.m., \$15 per couple, \$3 additional daughter
15-16	Juneteenth celebration, Douglass Park, 3-8 p.m., free
15-16	Francis Hagan Match Play Championship/Senior Francis Hagan Match Play Championship, Lake of the Woods Golf Course
19	Family Fun Fest: Explore Outdoors, Flat Branch Park, 6-8 p.m., free
21	Whiff and Giggle Couples Golf, L.A. Nickell, 5 p.m. shotgun start, \$40 per couple

Swimming Pools & Fences

Did you know that City ordinance requires you to obtain a building permit to put in an outdoor swimming pool? Outdoor swimming pools include in-ground pools, above-ground pools, hot tubs or spas. Pools, spas and hot tubs must also be surrounded by a proper safety barrier. For more information, contact Building and Site Development at 874-7474.

Volunteer of the Month — Terri Watts



Terri Watts was raised in a family that consistently helped others and did service projects, so it was natural for her to assist with Special Olympics in college. When a friend had a child with special needs, Watts became even more involved.

For the past 19 years, Watts has volunteered with the Special Olympics Sports Program through Columbia Parks and Recreation. A large group of volunteers comprise this program, serving and assisting the 272 active athletes.

Of the nine sports offered, Watts volunteers for eight. In the evenings, she coaches softball, basketball, tennis, volleyball and bowling. She also lends a hand with swimming, track and field, golf and the Summer Show Me Games and serves as a tennis partner to a Special Olympics athlete.

“She truly loves being a part of their lives,” said Jody Cook, recreation specialist with Parks and Recreation. “She knows the athletes well. She understands each individual’s idiosyncrasies and gifts, assisting them to perform to their maximum capacity.”

While Watts inspires her athletes, she admits they also inspire her. “It is exciting to see them do things they didn’t know they could do and reach goals they didn’t know they could achieve, watching them open up and blossom,” she said.

Questions about volunteering with the City? Contact Volunteer Programs at 874-7499 or volunteer@GoColumbiaMo.com. ~By volunteer Theresa Nelson

When do you need a building permit?

The permit and inspection process protects the current and future property owner by ensuring that the work adheres to adopted building codes.

Examples of projects requiring a permit include:

- moving a sink;
- constructing a deck;
- altering the footprint or roofline of your house;
- installing new electrical wiring;
- replacing your water heater, furnace or air conditioner; and
- laying a new roof.

For more information and to apply for a building permit, contact Building and Site Development at 874-7474.

Community helps provide winter shelter

The City of Columbia would like to thank the community members and organizations that once again provided winter weather emergency shelter for persons experiencing homelessness in the community. Two weeks of shelter were provided by the Imani Mission Center. The Columbia Interfaith Resource Center’s Room at the Inn program, in partnership with Wilkes Boulevard United and Broadway Christian Church, provided nine weeks of shelter. The City of Columbia provided cots and overtime funding for Columbia Police Department officers to provide shelter security.

It is estimated that more than 123 people were served by more than 375 volunteers contributing more than 4,000 hours of service. Councilman Michael Trapp and City Manager Mike Matthes both offer their deep appreciation for the community’s response to the need for winter weather emergency shelter.

Web Did You Know?

You can save hundreds of dollars a year by commuting on Columbia Transit. Check out the “cost of driving” calculator by searching “cost of driving” on the GoColumbiaMo.com website.



Boards & Commissions

The City is accepting applications for the following:

Application deadline: June 7 at 5 p.m.—

- Board of Mechanical Examiners
- Columbia Library District Board
- Commission on Cultural Affairs Standing Committee on Public Art
- Water & Light Advisory Board

Application deadline: July 5 at 5 p.m.—

- Bicycle/Pedestrian Commission
- Board of Electrical Examiners
- Building Construction Codes Commission
- Railroad Advisory Board

Applications and information about current vacancies are available online at GoColumbiaMo.com or at the City Clerk’s Office. Call 874-7208 for information.

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