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## Pools open for the summer

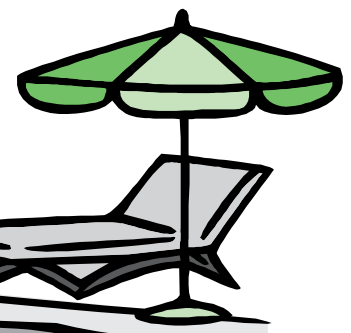
Stay cool in Columbia's pools this summer. Daily admission fees at Columbia's pools: \$1 for patrons 2 and older at Douglass; \$1.50 for ages 2-15 and \$2.75 for ages 16 and up at Lake of the Woods and Little Mates Cove; and \$2.50 for ages 2-15 and \$3.75 for ages 16 and up at Albert-Oakland. Twilight 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, cut offs, sports bras, sweatpants and cargo shorts.

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

## Outdoor Aquatic Facility Hours

Location	May	June/July	August	September
<b>Douglass Family Aquatic Center</b>	Open May 24, 25, 26...12-5 pm Closed May 27-30 Open May 31...12-5 pm	Open June 1...12-5 pm Closed June 2-5 Open for season June 6 M,W,F 1-7 pm T,Th,Su 12-5 pm Sa 11am-5 pm	M, W, F, 1-7 pm Tu, Th, Su 1-5 pm Sa 11 am-5 pm Last Day Aug 10	Closed for the season
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<b>Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center</b>	Open May 24, 25, 26...12-5 pm Closed May 27-30 Open May 31-12-5 pm	Open June 1...12-5 pm Closed June 2-5 Open for season June 6 M-F 12-7 pm Sa 11 am-5 pm Su 12 pm-5 pm	M-F 12-7 pm Sa 11 am-5pm Su 12-5 pm Last Weekday Aug 15 Open Aug 16, 17, 23, 24, 30, 31...12-5pm Closed Aug 18-22, 25-29	Open Sept 1...12-5 pm After Labor Day, Closed for the season
<b>Little Mates Cove at Twin Lakes</b>	Open May 24, 25, 26...12-5 pm Closed May 27-30 Open May 31...12-5 pm	Open June 1...12-5 pm Closed June 2-5 Open for season June 6 M,W,F 11 am-7 pm T,Th,Su 12-5 pm Sa 11am-5 pm	M,W,F 11 am-7 pm T, Th, Su 12-5pm Sa, 11 am-5 pm Last Day Aug 10	Closed for the season





## How to Bike'N'Bus in Columbia

When summer weather reaches mid-Missouri, many locals find two wheels are better than four, and Columbia Transit makes it easy for bike owners to bring their two wheels with them wherever they go. Follow these easy steps to take advantage of free bike racks on the front of any City bus and safely catch a ride to all the parks and biking trails Columbia has to offer.

1. *Remove personal items from your bike.*
2. *Let the bus operator know you are loading a bike, and load*

*from the curbside.*

3. *Pull up on the handle and down on the rack to release the folded bike rack.*
4. *Lift your bike onto the rack, fitting the wheels into the slots labeled for front and rear wheels.*
5. *Raise the support arm and rest it on top of the front tire.*
6. *When exiting the bus, tell the bus operator you need to unload your bike.*

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## National Trails Day- Celebrate The MKT Trail!

Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. – Noon

The American Hiking Society's National Trails Day® is the country's largest celebration of trails. Join Columbia Parks and Recreation in celebrating Columbia's backyard gem and one of the nation's original rail trails: the MKT Trail. Participate in either a 5K fitness walk/fun run or 6.5-mile roundtrip bike ride or venture out on a self-guided tour (trail maps provided) to numerous destinations accessible via Columbia's trail system. All activities will start and end at the Stadium Trailhead. Participants will receive a T-shirt (while supplies last) and other giveaway items. Check [GoColumbiaMo.com](http://GoColumbiaMo.com) and Facebook ([CoMoParksandRec](https://www.facebook.com/CoMoParksandRec)) for more details.



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## Burglary Prevention

Although the violent crime index dipped to a 20-year low in 2013, the City is still seeing a slight increase in the property crime index. With summer approaching, there is usually an increase in residential burglaries as many people go away on vacation. Citizens can decrease their chances of becoming a burglary victim by following simple, inexpensive crime prevention tips. Visit [GoColumbiaMo.com/police](http://GoColumbiaMo.com/police) for a list of crime prevention tips, forms to inventory your property and information on Neighborhood Watch.

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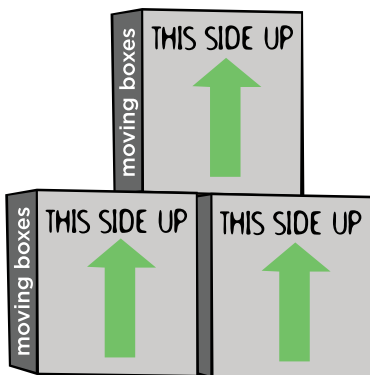
## Follow these trash tips when moving

Moving? Find stuff you don't need? Columbia Public Works Solid Waste will collect your trash, but please don't place it curbside before 4 p.m. the day prior to your normal collection date. City ordinance (22-159m) imposes a collection fee of \$50 on the owner of the trash or the property owner for special pickup of unlawfully placed material.

If you are moving and need trash collected before your normal collection day, call 874-6291 to schedule a special pickup. A small fee applies but it is much less than the \$50 collection fee.

When putting trash out on your normal collection day, or if you have scheduled a special collection, remember that all trash must be bagged. At the end of the school year, the City receives many complaints of large piles of non-bagged trash. This trash is often blown by wind and carried away by rainfall or animals, leaving trash scattered across neighborhoods.

*Please help keep Columbia clean!*



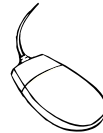


During *Drinking Water Week*, Columbians have reason to celebrate: a plentiful supply of high-quality water. Water is pumped from wells that tap a 44 billion gallon aquifer in McBaine. Columbia's water is tested more frequently and more thoroughly than is required by law. The water is monitored for any possibility of contamination.

More than 4,000 tests are run each year on samples from 41 locations throughout Columbia. Columbia's water meets or exceeds all the standards set by the Environmental Protection Agency. Look for the water quality report in next month's utility bill. Complete water testing results can be found at [GoColumbiaMo.com](http://GoColumbiaMo.com).

### Web Did You Know?

Lake of the Woods and L.A. Nickell golf courses have new websites! Make your tee times online at [www.GoGolfLOW.com](http://www.GoGolfLOW.com) and [www.GoGolfLAN.com](http://www.GoGolfLAN.com).



### Get your rain barrel at a discounted price

April showers bring May flowers. Capture those April showers and use them in May! The Columbia Public Works Stormwater Division urges you to take advantage of the opportunity to purchase an Ivy 50-gallon Mega Star rain barrel for a special price of \$65 for a limited time. Normal retail price is \$129. Order yours at: <http://rainbarrel-program.org/como>.

The rain barrel comes complete with instructions and connection kit and is equipped with a preinstalled spigot with a quarter-turn valve. Ivy rain barrels are made in America.

This offer is open to anyone who can be at the pickup site between noon and 5:30 p.m. Friday, June 6. You do not have to be a resident of Columbia/Boone County to order a rain barrel. The pickup location is the Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health and Human Services, 1005 W Worley St., in Columbia.

## Street Talk

### Work Zone Speeding: A Costly Mistake

April through October is roadway construction and maintenance season. Construction zones bring dangers to both motorists and workers. Consider these latest national statistics:

- 609 traffic fatalities in work zones
- 32,000 traffic related injuries in work zones
- 130 worker fatalities
- 132 fatal crashes involved large trucks and buses

Speeding in work zones can be a costly mistake to everyone. According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, "Speeding is a major contributing factor of work zone crashes. In addition, speeding was involved in more than one-third (36 percent) of the fatal crashes that occurred in construction/maintenance zones in 2011 ..." (the latest year statistics are available). "Many drivers would be surprised to find out that most work zone related fatalities, approximately 85-90 percent, are motorists and their occupants, and 10-15 percent of fatalities are workers and other non-motorized users such as pedestrians and cyclists."

Everyone is responsible for making work zones better and safer. This construction season, motorists, pedestrians and cyclists are urged to follow these tips to reduce work zone injuries and fatalities:

- *Expect the unexpected.*
- *Don't speed.*
- *Don't tailgate.*
- *Obey road crew flaggers and pay attention to work zone signs.*
- *Stay alert and minimize your distractions.*
- *Keep up with traffic flow.*
- *Know before you go by keeping track of construction-related news.*
- *Be patient and stay calm.*
- *Wear your seatbelt.*



**Don't FORGET  
your utility  
account if  
leaving for  
the summer!**



If you are a student leaving for the summer, remember to terminate your services. Please provide Utility Customer Services (UCS) with a termination date and a forwarding address for your final bill. You can do this online at [GoColumbiaMo.com/Finance/Utilities/](http://GoColumbiaMo.com/Finance/Utilities/). If your landlord or apartment complex requires you to keep the utilities in your name until your lease expires, please provide UCS with a summer mailing address so the bills will get to you in a timely manner. You can also do this online by selecting the link for “*Update Your Contact Information.*” Don't let your utility account fall through the cracks. The City will refer delinquent accounts to a collection agency. Protect your credit score by keeping your utility account current. If you have any questions, contact UCS at 874-7380.

## City's Historic Preservation Commission awarded grant for hands-on educational workshop

The Missouri Historic Preservation Office awarded a \$12,200 grant to the City's Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) to hire a consultant to produce a hands-on educational workshop on historic preservation trades. Topics will include windows, flooring and interior/exterior painting. Funds will also support a highlight video for view on the City's website.

The workshop dates will be announced and held this summer. Registration will be open to the public. For more information, please contact the City's Community Development Department at 874-7239 or [planning@GoColumbiaMo.com](mailto:planning@GoColumbiaMo.com). The HPC also invites you to check out its blog for local rehab stories and DIY tips: [comorevamp.wordpress.com/](http://comorevamp.wordpress.com/).

## Development codes update project moving forward

The Community Development Department continues to work with consultants Clarion Associates and Ferrell Madden LLC to prepare a comprehensive update of the City's land development codes, including but not limited to the zoning ordinance (Chapter 29) and subdivision regulations (Chapter 25). The consultant team has completed its first task to review the City's current ordinances and recently adopted plans.

In early May, Clarion Associates and Ferrell Madden LLC will present their initial evaluation and recommendations to the City Council and staff. This year, the public and all stakeholders will be asked to review the recommended revisions to the zoning code. The revisions will cover three modules, each a distinct phase in the process: 1. proposed districts and permitted uses; 2. form and development controls; and 3. approval procedures.

To learn more and stay involved in the development codes update project, visit the project website at [GoColumbiaMo.com/community\\_development/planning/dev\\_code\\_project/index.php](http://GoColumbiaMo.com/community_development/planning/dev_code_project/index.php) or search “*development codes update*” on the City's website.

## Energy Efficiency Windfall

Saving electricity helps the community. For the customer, it saves money and makes buildings more comfortable. For the utility, it saves on operating costs which helps stabilize rates. Research shows it is cheaper to buy efficiency from customers in the form of incentives that it is to have the power wasted. Since the expansion of the energy efficiency programs in 2008, Columbia has saved 33 million kilowatt hours. That's equivalent to the electricity used by approximately 3,700 homes in one year. Greenhouse gases were reduced by 23,283 metric tons. The energy efficiency upgrades also helped the local economy with \$20.3 million spent in the last four years. Columbia Water & Light's annual energy efficiency report can be found at [GoColumbiaMo.com](http://GoColumbiaMo.com) by searching for “*Demand Side Management Report.*”

## Parks and Recreation presents Family Fun Fests

Columbia Parks and Recreation is hosting Family Fun Fests again in 2014! Each is free and held from 6-8 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at Flat Branch Park. Entertainment for the entire family includes music, live performances, art activities, hands-on learning, face painting and balloon art. Family Fun Fests are sponsored by the Convention & Visitors Bureau, KPLA 101.5 Radio, KOMU 8 and Rockin' Rents.

*June 18: Explore Outdoors:* The great outdoors has so much to offer! Learn about Missouri's fish, birds, parks, camping and more from local and state experts.

*Coming Up: July 16: Summer Fun • Aug. 20: Around the World • Sept. 17: Creative Kids*

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## Healthy Families

The Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health and Human Services is adopting the Health Families America (HFA) home visiting program as a way of supporting Boone County families. The home visiting program, previously called Healthy Babies, is a nationally recognized, evidence-based model designed to work with overburdened families who are at risk for adverse childhood experiences.

The switch to the HFA model allows for smaller case loads, therefore allowing the home visitor to be more involved with the families. Home visitors will meet with their families two to four times per month prenatally and weekly for the first six months after the birth of the child. During home visits, the staff will support parents by educating and connecting them with services in the community. Home visitors will be intensively involved with a total of 49 families from pregnancy through the child's third birthday.

The home visiting program is funded by Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, City of Columbia/Boone County and Children's Trust Fund. More information on the Healthy Families America program can be found at [healthyfamiliesamerica.org](http://healthyfamiliesamerica.org). For information about other social services offered, please visit [GoColumbiaMo.com/Health/HumanServices/Programs/Social\\_Service/](http://GoColumbiaMo.com/Health/HumanServices/Programs/Social_Service/).

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## Fire Hydrant Testing

The Columbia Fire Department will begin its annual fire hydrant testing program in June. This will ensure the hydrants have adequate water flow and pressure for firefighting. Customers might notice reduced water pressure when a hydrant is flushed nearby.

Sediment in the pipes can also be stirred up which can temporarily discolor the water. Customers who notice discolored water should avoid doing laundry. The water will usually return to a normal color after it has run for a few minutes. The water will continue to be safe for consumption. Commercial fire alarm systems might be temporarily affected by the low pressure.

## PARKS & RECREATION CALENDAR

Call 874-7460 for more information.

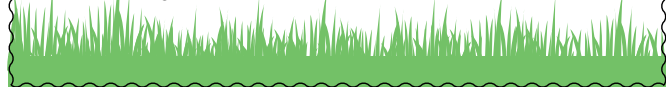
### June

1	DJ in the Park, Douglass Park, 3-8 p.m., FREE
5	Stephens Lake Park Amphitheater Concert Series, Missouri Symphony Society, 7 p.m., FREE
7-8	Art in the Park, Stephens Lake Park, FREE
7	National Trails Day: Celebrate the MKT, MKT at Stadium Trailhead, 10 a.m.-noon, FREE
7	Shred Fest Skateboarding Event, Columbia Skate Park at Cosmo Park, 4-7 p.m., FREE
13	Movies in the Park, "Frankenweenie," Flat Branch Park, 9 p.m., \$2 per person, 8 and under, FREE
14	Father Daughter Dance, ARC, 5:30-7:30 p.m., \$15 per couple, \$3 additional daughter
14-15	Francis Hagan Match Play Championship, Lake of the Woods Golf Course
15	DJ in the Park, Douglass Park, 3-8 p.m., FREE
18	Family Fun Fest: Explore Outdoors, Flat Branch Park, 6-8 p.m., FREE
21	Juneteenth celebration, Douglass Park, 3-8 p.m., FREE
21-22	Francis Hagan Match Play Championship, Lake of the Woods Golf Course
29	DJ in the Park, Douglass Park, 3-8 p.m., FREE

## Code Corner

Spring is here! The grass will be growing and, hopefully, everyone will be mowing their lawns. If someone is not, the City enforces the weed ordinance. The weed ordinance addresses vegetation that has attained a height of 12 inches.

Property owners may receive an abatement notice if they are in violation. When properties are out of compliance, the City may abate the weeds and tax bill the property for mowing. To report a weed violation, call 874-7339 or report via the City's website at [GoColumbiaMo.com](http://GoColumbiaMo.com).





Calvin Irwin

## Volunteer of the Month

### Calvin Irwin-Armory Science Klub (ASK)

Encouraging questions and leading hands-on experiments is how Columbia City volunteer Calvin Irwin teaches science to his 6- to 10-year-old students at the Armory Science Klub (ASK) as part of the Community Recreation Program. Students study the world around them by launching rockets, exploding volcanoes or making fruit batteries. Other recent class topics have been surface tension,

viscosity, oil production, ecology and phase changes.

Irwin, who wants to be a teacher, is a biomedical engineer at Mizzou. He graduates this year and will then start his master's. Last year, Irwin was an assistant with ASK; this year, he plans and leads the program with the help of three volunteer assistants: Rachel Stuck, Bojan Nedic and Kaitlyn Bumberry.

A residential assistant at Mizzou, Irwin serves as president of both the Institute for Biological Engineers and Engineering World Health. He says the best part of the week is volunteering at ASK.

"You might think it would cause more stress, but it is a stress reliever," Irwin said. "I love the humor of the kids. They give off so much energy."

Irwin reminds, "We often focus on ourselves and forget that we are useful to people in the community. We have a lot of experience to offer."

## Gardening? Building?

*Pick up the phone before you grab the shovel*

### 1-800-DIG-RITE

If you are digging in your yard this spring, call for utility locates so you avoid disruptions to your utility services.



## Home sprinkler systems save lives

Home fires become deadly in as few as three minutes, according to research conducted by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). No prevention strategy has as much documented life safety effectiveness as fire sprinklers. The fire problem in the U.S. is overwhelmingly a home fire problem. According to the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) latest U.S. data, 92 percent of all civilian structure fire deaths resulted from home structure fires. Any improvements in overall fire safety must be improvements in home fire safety, and no strategy has as much documented life safety effectiveness as installed fire sprinkler systems.

Installing both smoke alarms and a fire sprinkler system reduces the risk of death in a home fire by 82 percent, relative to having neither. Ninety percent of fires are contained by the operation of just one sprinkler, which uses only a fraction of the water used by fire department hoses. Nationally, on average, home fire sprinkler systems cost \$1.61 per square foot of "sprinklered" space in new construction. Home fire sprinklers are at least as reliable as home plumbing systems, are inconspicuous and can be mounted flush with walls or ceilings. For more information, visit [homefiresprinkler.org](http://homefiresprinkler.org).

## Boards & Commissions

The City is accepting applications for the following:

*Application deadline: June 6 at 5 p.m.*

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

*Application deadline: July 7 at 5 p.m.*

- Bicycle/Pedestrian Commission
- Building Construction Codes Commission

Applications and information about current vacancies are available online at [GoColumbiaMo.com](http://GoColumbiaMo.com) or at the City Clerk's Office. Call 874-7208 for information.

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