

Ferguson Times

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June, 2019

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Ferguson's Farmers Market

With over 45 vendors, we are a destination for all your fresh farm food needs. Our Saturday morning tradition brings you fresh fruits and veggies, picked within 24 hours of our market and brought directly to you by the friendly farmers who grow them.

Saturday, June 1st:

- Renowned St. Louis Chef Rex Hale Cooking Demo 10am
- Live Music - Buckhannon Brothers 9am-11am

Saturday, June 8th:

- "St. Louis Sound" book signing by Steve Pick & Amanda Doyle 8am-12pm
- Christian Hospital - Rehabilitation at Graham and Balance Screening 8am-12pm
- Live Music - Forestwood Boys 9am-11am

Saturday, June 15th:

- Home Depot Father's Day Project 8am-12pm
Build something for Dad or Dad can help you build!
- Great Rives Law - Free legal advice on environment and public health issues 8am-12pm
- Ferguson Eco Team 8am-noon
- Ferguson Library 8am-noon
- Live Music - Bob Case 9am-11am

Saturday, June 22nd:

- Ferguson Bike Shop 8am-noon
- Live Music - Ragged Blade 9am-11am

Saturday, June 29th:

- Operation Food Search Shop & Cook at the Market 9am-11am
- Food Collection for Blessed Theresa of Calcutta Food Pantry 8am-noon
- Doug Aikin with Wayside Community Garden to speak on Native Bees 8am-noon
- Live Music - Michael Howell Trio 9am-11am

Check our website and facebook for more details!
www.fergusonfarmersmarket.com - www.facebook.com/fergusonfarmersmarket
 Customer parking in market lots!

See complete Ferguson Concert Series Lineup
 and
 Ferguson Municipal Library Events
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**Ferguson Concert Series 2019
 Plaza @ 501**

FRIDAY, MAY 31 – RETRO BOOGIE
FRIDAY, JUNE 14 – ALL4NOTHIN BAND
Retro Boogie plays everything from way back when to top 40 including pop, rock, R&B, disco, soul, rock & roll and everything in between!
All4Nothin is a six member band that plays a mix of classic/current rock & roll favorites and adds a touch of blues and country.

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
 Open to all ages, the live entertainment will feature a wide variety of music styles. Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. Visitors are welcome to bring their own picnic baskets or coolers. No glass please. Concession items will be available for purchase on site.
The concerts are FREE to the public.



4th of July Festival

Ferguson Celebrates Our 125th Anniversary

10 am	Parade Starts (at Paul & So. Florissant Rd.) north to January-Wabash Memorial Park, (501 No. Florissant)
noon to 6 pm	Petting Zoo
noon to 7 pm	Family Fun Zone
noon to 9 pm	Entertainment
2 to 6 pm	Balloon Artist
9:15 pm	Fireworks Display



Currently accepting Vendor and Parade Applications

For more information, visit www.fergusoncity.com

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Ferguson Annual City-Wide Yard Sale

The annual yard sale will take place on
Saturday, June 15, 2019,
7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Do you wish to host a sale? Register by phone, 314-521-7721. You will be placed on the 'YARD SALE MAP' if you register by June 6th.

Pick up a map at:

- Ferguson Farmers Market, 501 Plaza
- Paul's Market, 1020 North Elizabeth

www.fergusoncity.com

**The Biggest Yard Sale in History!!!
 Ferguson, Missouri**

If You Have Items of Interest, Contact The Ferguson Times – cider@att.net



Ferguson CityWalk

By Kawana Waddell

Hello Ferguson! My name is Kawana Waddell, I'm the owner of Style-Taneous Styles Boutique, located in the heart of Ferguson.

The boutique is very fashionable in women and men's clothing ranging from casual to formal, accessories and more. We also specialize in personal wardrobe styling and custom made styling. If you have a picture or sketch . . . we can bring it to reality. We are located at 425-427 S. Florissant Rd. and we absolutely love it. Our boutique was previously located in Chesterfield prior to moving into our current location, which is much more fitting for us since we have lived in the Ferguson community for over 8 years.



The women's shop is shown above. The men's shop, located right next store is shown below.

Having a small business here in Ferguson, has literally been a life changing event for my family and I. My clientele has tripled; and we recently celebrated our 1 year anniversary being a small business in the Ferguson area. We outgrew our previous space and expanded into what was Corners Frame Shop. I couldn't have asked for a better location.

Speaking of location, in celebration of our 1 year anniversary, we

opened our men's boutique in the space that we previously had and it's off to a wonderful start. Please stop by and see us!

We are open Monday by appointment only and Tuesday through Thursday from noon to 7pm; Friday and Saturday 10am-8pm. We carry women sizes Small to Plus Size and Men's Sizes Small to Big and Tall. We also host private Shopping with Twist Parties (which are so rewarding and fun) on Sundays.



Mark your calendars for our upcoming fashion show at the Ferguson Farmers Market on August 10, 2019 from 10am-noon. Hope to see you soon!

Contact: Kawana Waddell
 styletaneousstyles@gmail.com
 314-378-3443

The Plumber's Crack

By Oh Baby bigohbaby@sbcglobal.net

Pools open, kids on playgrounds, lawn mowers purring, pipes and ties selling like hot cakes, people heading out for vacation . . . it must be June and time for another Plumbers Crack.

Well my friends another summer is upon us which means I get to bore you with my summer tips. I mentioned vacation in my opening so let's start there.

What has vacation got to do with plumbing you ask? Well Oh Baby's gonna tell ya. A lot of bad things can happen when no one is home. Let's start with that water heater. It's always a good idea to look at the gas control valve and turn it to vacation low. This will not only save you gas but no one using hot water, pressure can build and the relief valve can blow. If you don't have vacation low on your dial turn it as low as it will let you, or just turn knob on top to pilot. The pilot will stay lit but it won't let the heater kick on.

Another thing you can do is make sure your laundry valve is shut off. This is a good practice even when you're home. It works on same principle as the heater; pressure can build on those hoses and blow and that can be a major flood.

The same thing applies to your sinks and toilets. Most of you don't have metal supply lines and the same thing can happen to those plastic or nylon supply lines. If you don't have flowers or vegetables growing where someone will be watering for you while your gone, roll up those hoses and bring them in.

MG Oh Baby this is a lot of work. Is



all this necessary? No, the other option is turn off your main water supply when you leave but still follow water heater steps I mentioned earlier. Remember when you shut off the main supply that little nut under the handle could start dripping. Just take a pliers and tighten it a quarter turn and that will stop the drip. I hope some of this information helps you or helped you with your nap.

I mentioned pipe and ties in the opening. If you didn't get it I was referring to Fathers Day. Any man can father a child but it takes a lot of love and hard work to be a dad. To all you dads out there Happy Fathers Day! The rest of you guys get it together and be there for your family.

It's time to bore with one last message . . . you regulars know it's coming so . . . let's get to it know our neighbors; offer a ride to church or to the Farmers Market; shop and eat locally; check on the elderly. Watch out for our kids; school is out ; slow down. Hug and nurture them babies.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL.
 Oh Baby



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The Ferguson Times may be reached . . .
 by phone: 314-524-1958
 or by mail: Dorothy Seiter, 16 Sandringham, Ferguson, MO, 63135
 or by email: cider@att.net

Copy for ads for the paper must be received by the 15th of the month for inclusion in the following month's paper.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Date of Notice June 1, 2019

The City of Ferguson, MO will hold a public hearing to discuss the allocation of \$155,300 in Community Development Block Grant funds which will become available after January 1, 2020. The public hearing will be held at 7:00 pm on June 11, 2019, at Ferguson City Hall, 110 Church Street, Ferguson, MO 63135.

To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Ferguson, MO has enacted and/or enforces the following:

A Fair Housing Ordinance prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin;

A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities;

A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation;


A requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes employment opportunities created by HUD funding and that these opportunities be afforded low-income community residents and businesses.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above.

Kellie Shelton, Community Development Coordinator
 110 Church St, Ferguson MO 63135
 314.521.7721 ext. 2149

If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact City Hall no later than 10 days prior to the hearing.

For More Information Call:
 VOICE 314.524.4721
 TDD 1-800-735-2466 RELAY MISSOURI




June Events at the Ferguson Public Library
 For more information, please call the library at 521-4820 or visit our website at ferguson.lib.mo.us

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES Get out of this world and read this summer! Join the summer reading program today!

- **Tuesday, June 4 at 6 pm - Moon and Stars from Your Backyard:** Learn about different features of the moon and find constellations in your backyard while we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo moon landing!
- **Tuesday, June 11 at 7 pm - Gateway Festival Orchestra Quartet:** Enjoy music played by the Gateway Festival Orchestra Quartet at this family-friendly concert. All ages welcome!
- **Wednesday, June 12 at 6 pm - Our Solar System:** Learn about planet surfaces and build a space probe out of recycled materials! For kids ages 8-18. Registration is required.
- **Monday, June 17 at 6 pm - Life in Space:** Learn how astronauts have adapted everyday tasks like eating and sleeping with fun activities! For kids ages 6-11. Registration is required.
- **Friday, June 21 at 4 pm - A Wrinkle in Time:** Grab the family and enjoy a showing of A Wrinkle in Time! All are welcome.

EXPLORE A NEW WORLD - TRY AN ONGOING PROGRAM!

- **Monday, June 3 at 6:30 pm:** Learn to Sew!
- **Monday, June 10 at 6 pm:** Readings on Race Book Club
- **Wednesday, June 12 at 1 pm:** Ferguson Card and Paper Club
- **Tuesday, June 18 at 10 am:** Ferguson Needles Club
- **Tuesday, June 25 at 5 pm:** Tuesday Night Book Club
- **Every Saturday at 2 pm - Origami STEM Playdate**
- **Every other Friday at 3 pm:** Genealogy Drop-In



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Ferguson Municipal Public Library District will hold a hearing to discuss the budget and adoption of same for the fiscal year 2019-2020. The hearing will be held at 35 N. Florissant Rd., Ferguson, Missouri, in the Library Auditorium on June 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. All interested persons may appear and be heard at the meeting.

FERGUSON CONCERT SERIES 2019

- FRIDAY, JUNE 14 – ALL4NOTHIN BAND**
- FRIDAY, JULY 19 – BITTER PILL**
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 – THE 80'S BAND**
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 – VOTE FOR PEDRO**
- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 – RUBY AND THE GENTS**



City of Ferguson Launches Brand Development Project

Based on a competitive search, the City of Ferguson has selected St. Louis-based Avant Marketing Group for the development of a new brand identity for its community.

According to Matthew Unrein, Assistant City Manager, "This is an opportunity to tell the story of our community. We have selected Avant Marketing's process that will provide both residents and businesses the ability to participate and provide needed input for the development of our community's marketable identity."

Avant Marketing Group specializes in enterprise branding that includes corporations, associations, government agencies and municipalities. Previous municipal branding projects have been successfully completed for University City, Missouri; Salinas, California; Bayfield, Colorado; DeWitt, Michigan; Medford, Oregon and Florence, South Carolina.

As part of the process, Avant Marketing will conduct town hall focus groups and interviews with residents where they will provide input regarding the identity of their community. From this research, the firm will develop the Ferguson Brand Platform and key messaging to target audiences identified in the marketing plan.

The locations and dates are as follows:

Thursday, June 6th, 6 pm to 8 pm – Ferguson Community Empowerment Center - 9420 W Florissant Avenue

Tuesday, June 11th 6 pm to 8 pm – First Baptist - 333 N Florissant Rd

Thursday June 13th 6 pm to 8 pm – Ferguson Community Center - 1050 Smith Ave

For more information, contact Paul Vanden Elzen at Avant Marketing Group: vandanelzenp@avantmarketing.com.

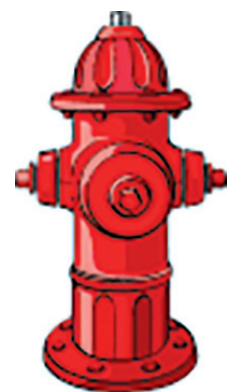
The difference between brands and identities: Brands are identities, but also different. It is the same difference between living in a "house" versus a "home". Brands, like homes, are more than just the community's physical features or attractions. Values, and the people in that community are the real drawing card to attract people to your community.

Fire Hydrant Testing & Maintenance

If you have ever wondered why firefighters turn on fire hydrants and flow water from them when there is no fire, this article will answer all of your questions on why we perform this task. It's that time of the year again when you will start seeing your firefighters more active out on our city streets.

One of the annual tasks that we undertake is the testing and maintenance of every fire hydrant within the city of Ferguson. Crews from both engine houses will be out in the neighborhoods opening hydrants to ensure that they are operable and able to produce the required water pressure when needed. Pressure readings are taken during testing to determine the amount of water available from the hydrant.

What most people don't realize is that the color on top of each fire hydrant actually serves a purpose. The color gives the fire truck arriving on scene an indication as to how much pressure that hydrant can provide.



While crews are testing hydrants, they look for a variety of things. They first make sure that the hydrant is visible and accessible from the street. They make sure that the hydrant has all of the required caps on it and they are tight. When opening the hydrant, they determine if the hydrant opens and closes easily, or if it needs to be reported to Missouri American Water. Once the hydrant is opened, the crews look for any debris that may have been in the hydrant and measure the water pressure that is exerted. Once crews complete this checklist, they close the hydrant, replace the caps and move on to the next hydrant on the street.

Hydrant testing not only ensures the protection of Ferguson residents, it also is an evaluation indicator used by the Insurance Services Office (ISO), which rates cities according to the fire protection they offer. The City of Ferguson Fire Department recently increased its ISO rating to a 2 partly due to the fact that we test and record each hydrant annually. If you see us on your street, feel free to come on out and say hi!

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An opportunity for positive change, if not squandered

By Mayor James W. Knowles III

"Change is inevitable, change will always happen, but you have to apply direction to change, and that's when it's progress.

— Doug Baldwin, Wide Receiver Seattle Seahawks



In preparation for writing my monthly articles, I will often read through my past Ferguson Times articles.

I do this because it is interesting to see where we have been, how far we have come, and often how far we still have to go. As I read them, I often find that something that has been said before, is worth saying again. In this case, five years ago this month, I wrote an article to our residents about the unfortunate condition that existed, and still exists in our region.

I wrote about the parochial mentality that Ferguson, and many communities across St. Louis operated under. In the article I stressed the importance of Ferguson taking a wider view of things in our community and our region. Noting that we cannot succeed, if our neighbors fail. Initiatives like the W. Florissant Great Streets Program were in its infancy and required a great deal of resources and collaboration with our neighbors, while development along the S. Florissant Rd corridor seemed to be well established and continuing forward. However, even then, people within our community fought over local interests and the distribution of resources within our city borders. Fights simmered over efforts in this side of Ferguson versus that side of Ferguson. Fighting that was so narrowly focused, few realized the importance of what has happening outside our borders and the momentum for regional change that was building in the distance.

Meanwhile, another organization, "Better Together", was also in its infancy and was claiming to want to open a dialogue on regional reform. Many, including myself believed this effort had a predetermined set of reforms in mind. However, I believed that their stated mission, to have a conversation about regionalism, was sorely needed. So, five years ago this month, at my urging, the Ferguson City Council passed a resolution embracing a robust and engaged conversation about our region, its structure, and the allocation of resources. Much to the chagrin of many of my fellow Mayors, who vehemently opposed any such effort or discussion.

Five years later, as we have seen the demise of Better Together, it is clear that mine and many other leaders' concerns were true. That this group, under the guise of regionalism and positive reform, was set to impose upon the region a predetermined set of structural changes to the way we govern in St. Louis. The plan, composed in secret, and supported by dark money interests, failed to gain any momentum and eventually blew up in disaster. Many of us, including myself, cheer the failure of Better Together. But I, like many of my fellow Mayors, recognize its time for that conversation about how we govern in this region, and an examination of the things we can do better.

After much talk and effort, the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis has taken up the cause and is finishing the signatures necessary to establish the Board of Freeholders, which is the mechanism in the Missouri Constitution by which St. Louisans can change their structure of government. The Board would be a group of 19 citizens appointed by the city and county, to hold public meetings and discussions about any plans to reorganize the region. It is the right mechanism for having the discussion started by Better Together, and it ensures that the final decision would be made only by St. Louisans, not by outstate voters, as was proposed by Better Together's plan.

In the early days of Ferguson's existence, which was less than 20 years old at the time, the cities of Kirkwood, Webster Groves, Clayton, University City, Maplewood, and Ferguson banded together to create a league of municipalities that would work together in the interests of the region. Ferguson Mayor H. John Kinealy was the first President of that group, now called the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis.

Last month, I was honored to be sworn in as the next President of the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis. This is not only a huge honor because I'm the first President from Ferguson in 48 years, but also because we are entering what could be a time of unprecedented change in our region, and the Municipal League will be leading the way. As part of my inaugural speech, I challenged my fellow Mayors to the following, and I'll do the same with you, my constituents.

I challenge all of us to be willing to have the difficult conversations about our region within our individual cities. We must be willing to be introspective about our organization, about our cities, about our region, and how all of that could and should work together. We must be honest with ourselves as to what is working, and what is not. And we must be willing to work together for the regional good, if we are going to protect our individual communities. We all must be willing to accept that working with or sacrificing for our neighboring commu-

Ferguson Neighborhood Organizations

Dates & times subject to change. Check www.fergusoncity.com
 Unsure of your group? Call 314.524.5257

Group	Next Mtg.	Location	Contact
Forestwood Park Neighborhood Group	June 4 7 pm	Emmaus Bible Chapel 900 Highmont	Donald Stevens 314-561-0379
Jeske Park Neighborhood Assn.	June 13 7 pm	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	Stephani Von Drasek jeskeparkneighborhood@gmail.com
Nesbit-Newton	TBA	Nesbit-Newton Park	Paul Beins 314-869-5080 pbeins@yahoo.com
Northwest Ferguson	TBA	First Baptist Church 333 N Florissant	Shelley Davis leeshel57@sbcglobal.net
Old Ferguson East Neighborhood Assn.	TBA	Ferguson Library Large Conf. Room	Glenda Rickard 314-524-8115 glenda.rickard@mercy.net
Old Ferguson West Neighbors	June 13 7 pm	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	Larry Robinett ldrobinett@gmail.com
Robert-Superior Neighborhood Group	TBA	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	TBA
Southwest Ferguson Neighborhood Group	TBA	Fire Station #1 200 So. Florissant	Atefa Young atefayoung@yahoo.com
Wabash Neighborhood Assn.	TBA	First Baptist 333 N Florissant	Shonnette Morgan sdenisemor@hotmail.com
North Hudson Neighborhood	TBA	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith	Mary Simmons hudsonhills63135@gmail.com
North Hills Neighborhood	TBA	Fire Station #1 200 So. Florissant	Keith Kallstrom 314-524-1720
North Elizabeth Neighborhood	June 3 7 pm	Ferguson Community Ctr. 1050 Smith Ave	Renee Benage 314-705-0993 rbenage@sbcglobal.net
Ferguson Woods	TBA	North Hills Methodist 10771 Trask Dr	Donald Moore 314-226-3109
South Ferguson	TBA	Fire Station #1 200 So. Florissant	
Southeast Ferguson	June 11 5 pm	Empowerment Ctr. 9420 W. Florissant	Latasha Brown 314-465-9757 brownlatsham@go.wustl.edu

Ferguson City News?

How do you get your Ferguson News?

- Like our Facebook Page: City of Ferguson, MO
- View Updates on Charter Channel 993

Did You Know?

NOTIFY ME

You can sign up to receive notices of meetings, hearings and other postings by registering your email address using the Notify Me Icon.

You can submit a request for records using the Record Request icon.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.fergusoncity.com

You can do all this and more on the city's website. For more information contact Octavia Pittman, City Clerk at 314-521-7721 or opittman@fergusoncity.com

EVER WONDERED HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT?

Consider volunteering on a Ferguson Board, Committee, or Commission. We have multiple vacancies available. The list includes committees like the Architectural Review Board, Plan Commission, Park Board, Personnel Board and others. For more information regarding vacancies, requirements, roles and responsibilities and/or how to apply, visit <http://www.fergusoncity.com/57/Boards-Commissions> or contact your City Clerk at City Hall.

nities serves our collective regional interest, and ultimately our own individual interests.

The St. Louis Region needs to change, but it must be the right change for it to be real progress. With the Board of Freeholders, what we have before us is an opportunity that comes only once in a political lifetime. An opportunity to improve this region not only for ourselves, but for our kids and grandkids. I hope this moment is the moment future books about St. Louis look to as a turning point for St. Louis, and I hope you will all take the time to be involved in this historic moment.

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Be sure to get to the Recreation Office to register or call us at (314) 521-4661.

COMMUNITY CENTER

Don't forget to pick up the new Parks & Recreation brochure with a complete list of programming offered throughout Ferguson at the Ferguson Community Center or online at www.fergusoncity.com

Facility Rentals

Use one of the Ferguson Community Center's Multipurpose Rooms for your next event or gathering. These spacious rooms are perfect for any occasion. Also, newly opened is the Ferguson Event Center, a 5600 square foot air-conditioned facility with a stage toward the front of the room, which can accommodate up to 450 guests for your next wedding reception or family reunion. Call up to the Ferguson Community Center for booking information, pricing, and any additional information at (314) 521-4661.

Memberships

Resident Youth – Daily \$1/ Yearly \$50
Resident Adult – Daily \$3/ Yearly \$85
Resident Senior – Daily \$1/ Yearly \$50
Resident Family – Yearly \$165

Non Resident Youth – Daily \$3/ Yearly \$200
Non Resident Adult – Daily \$5/ Yearly \$200
Non Resident Senior – Daily \$3/ Yearly \$120
Non Resident Family – Yearly \$300

NOW OFFERING MONTHLY PAYMENT OPTIONS

Resident Youth – \$6 per month (12 month agreement)
Resident Adult – \$9 per month (12 month agreement)
Resident Senior – \$6.00 per month (12 month agreement)
Resident Family – \$16 per month (12 month agreement)

Non Resident Youth – \$18 per month (12 month agreement)
Non Resident Adult – \$18 per month (12 month agreement)
Non Resident Senior – \$12 per month (12 month agreement)
Non Resident Family – \$28 per month (12 month agreement)

Each patron is required to have an I.D. card which can be purchased at the front desk of the community center. Residents must present 2 forms of identification to receive a resident ID card. There is a \$5 fee for each card. If the card is lost/stolen, a new card can be issued for \$5.

AQUATICS

HOURS OF OPERATION

SPLASH Phone (314) 521-1313
Open Daily May 25 through August 11*

Open Swim:
Mon, Thurs, & Sun (1:15 pm - 6 pm)
Tues** & Sat (1:15 pm - 7 pm)
Wed & Fri (1:15 pm - 8 pm)
Adult Swim daily (12 pm - 1 pm)

*Date subject to change
**Close at 5:00 p.m. on Tues for swim meet—
June 11, 18, 25 & July 2

The Splash will be closed for Municipal Swim League North Conference Prelims and Finals
Saturday, July 20—Sunday, July 21

DAILY RATES

Open Swim: \$3.50 Residents
\$6.50 Non-Residents
(children under 3 FREE)

After 4pm: \$2.50 Residents
\$5.00 Non-Residents
(children under 3 FREE)

Adult Swim: \$2.50 Residents
\$4.50 Non-Residents
(children under 3 FREE)

Tues. Rates: \$2.00 Residents
\$5.00 Non-Residents
(children under 3 FREE)

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Wabash Club Memberships:
Individual: \$50 CC Members; \$65 Residents; \$125 Non-Residents
Family: \$99 CC Members; \$135 Residents; \$210 Non-Residents
50 % discount - beginning July 5. (only on above memberships)
Mini Member: \$25
(Resident's ONLY) *10 individual entries (for a single person)

Multi Use Card: \$35
(Anyone) *10 entries into the pool (can be used for guests)

Swim Lessons

Group Lessons—Ages 6 & up

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 3 - June 14	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
June 17 - June 28	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
July 8 - July 19	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
July 22 - August 2	Mon through Fri	11:00am-11:45am	2
June 3 - June 27	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	5
July 8 - August 8	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	5

\$30 Member; \$35 Resident; \$40 Non-Resident
June 1 - August 3 Sat 11:00am-11:45am 9
\$25 Member; \$30 Resident; \$35 Non-Resident

Preschool Lessons—Ages 3-5

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 3 - June 14	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 17 - June 28	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 8 - July 19	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 22 - August 2	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 1 - July 13	Sat	10:30am-11:00am	6

\$30 Member; \$35 Resident; \$40 Non-Resident

Parent & Tot—Ages 2 & up with parent

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
June 3 - June 14	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 17 - June 28	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 8 - July 19	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
July 22 - August 2	Mon, Wed, & Fri	10:30am-11:00am	2
June 1 - July 13	Sat	10:30am-11:00am	6

\$25 Member; \$30 Resident; \$35 Non-Resident

Adult Lessons—Ages 15 & up

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
May 27 - June 27	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	4
July 8 - August 8	Mon & Thurs	7:00pm-7:45pm	4

\$30 Member; \$35 Resident; \$40 Non-Resident

Aqua Fitness—Water Aerobics (Part of our Silver Sneakers program)

DATES	DAYS	TIMES	#WEEKS
May 27 - June 27	Mon & Thurs	6:00pm-7:00pm	5
July 8 - August 8	Mon & Thurs	6:00pm-7:00pm	5
May 28 - June 27	Tues & Thurs	10:00am-11:00am	5
July 9 - August 8	Tues & Thurs	10:00am-11:00am	5

Silver Sneakers Free; Drop in \$5/visit; Or register for the session and save:
\$35 Member; \$40 Resident; \$45 Non-Resident

Dive In Movie Night

Join us for our Dive In Movie Family Night at the Splash. The concession stand will be open with meal specials for dinner and snacks for the whole family.

Age: Open to All Ages – (must be with an adult)
Dates: Saturday, June 29th
Time: 7pm-10pm
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex
Fee: \$5/Residents; \$8/Non-Residents; \$20/Family Resident Max;
\$25/Family Non-Resident Max

Blast From The Past Days

Enjoy deeply discounted concession items with the price admission.

Age: Included with open swim admission
Day: Thursdays
Dates: June 6th, June 20st, July 11th, July 25th & August 8th
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex
Hotdogs \$1.00
Popcorn \$1.00
Small Soda \$1.00
Snow cones \$1.00

Dog Splash

Bring your dog out for an evening of swimming and socializing.

Age: Open to All Ages – (must be with an adult)
Date: Sunday, August 11th
Time: 6pm-8pm
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex
Fee: \$10/Dog and 1 Human; \$3/Additional Human

Back to School Splash

Back to school blues have you down? Come cool off at the Splash on more time before the pool season ends. Event will include fun games, discounted food items and attendance prizes.

Age: Open to All Ages – (under 13 must be with an adult)
Date: Saturday, August 10th
Time: 7pm-9pm
Location: Splash at Wabash Aquatic Complex
Fee: Free to Members
\$5 Resident
\$8 Non Residents

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PROGRAMMING

Beginning Classic Guitar

This class allows students to enter the exciting world of classical guitar, playing ensemble music in three easy parts that blends together is fun and engaging! All finger style on smaller-sized classical guitars (provided) with emphasis on proper seating and technique. Performance opportunities towards completion of class!

Age: 9-15 years old
Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays
Date: Tues, June 4-Tues, July 30 (No class July 4)
Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$45/Residents; \$50/Non-Residents

Learn to defend yourself with Krav Maga

Krav Maga is used to rapidly train combat troops in hand-to-hand combat in the shortest amount of time and from a position of disadvantage. Since most attacks occur when the victim is at a disadvantage, training will include performing techniques while at a disadvantage, encountering multiple opponents, and employing empty-handed defenses against weapons. This class covers the Krav Maga curriculum as taught by Townsend Defense. Private lessons are also available. Wear comfortable workout clothing and athletic shoes.

Age: 16 and up
Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays
Date: Tues., May 14 – Tues., July 2 (No class June 10 & 13th)
Time: 6:00 to 7:30 pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$60/Members; \$65/Residents; \$70/Non-residents

Beginning Tumbling

This class starts off with coordination and balance exercises followed by basic tumbling skills such as forward rolls, back bends, and cartwheels. Simple balance beam skills will be taught. Gymnastic or ballet shoes, leotard and tights are highly recommended but not required. No jeans, baggy clothing, tennis shoes, or bare feet. Children must be potty trained.

Age: 3 ½-6 years old
Days: Monday or Saturday
Start Date: Mon, June 3 to July 22, & Mon, July 29 to Sept. 23
Sat, June 8 to July 27 & Sat, June 8 thru July 27
Time: Mon 5:45pm-6:40pm; Sat 10:00am-10:55am
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$34/Members; \$39/Residents; \$44/Non-Residents

Junior Tumbling

After balance, control and coordination exercises, skills such as forward and backward rolls, cartwheels, round offs, and mat routines will be taught. Children will also learn balance beam routines. This class is a follow-up to the Beginning Class but no prior training is necessary. Gymnastic or ballet shoes, leotard and tights are highly recommended but not required. No jeans, baggy clothing, tennis shoes, or bare feet.

Age: 7 - 13 years old
Days: Mondays or Saturdays
Start Date: Mon, June 3 to July 22 & July 29 to Sept. 23 (No class 9/2)
Sat, June 8 to July 27 &
Time: Mon 6:45pm-7:40pm; Sat 11:00am-11:55am
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$34/Members; \$39/Residents; \$44/Non-Residents

Adult Social Dance

Are you planning to go on a cruise, attend a wedding reception or a reunion? If you are, then you'll need to take this class. You will learn to dance to any music, fast or slow. Simple basics in various dance styles will be taught and soon you'll have the confidence to join the fun on the dance floor. Partners or singles are welcome. Private dance classes are available. Wear comfortable clothes and hard soled shoes, no tennis shoes or sandals.

Age: 16 & Up
Start Date: Mon, June 3 to July 22 & July 29 to Sept. 23 (No class 9/2)
Time: 7:45-8:40pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$40/Members; \$45/Residents; \$50/Non-Residents

Tap & Ballet Dance

A wonderful opportunity to learn creativemovement along with simple dance steps and routines in tap and ballet. Tap and ballet shoes, leotard and tights are highly recommended but not required. No jeans, baggy clothing, tennis shoes or bare feet. Children must be potty trained.

Age: 3 1/2 - 7 years old
Days: Wednesdays
Start Date: Wed, June 5 to July 24 & July 31 to Sept, 18
Time: 5:45 pm-6:40 pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$34/Members; \$39/Residents; \$44/Non-Residents

Hip Hop/ Jazz Dance

High energy class, starts with a warm-up and stretching exercises followed by dance skills in hip hop and jazz which will be incorporated into dance routines. Jazz shoes highly recommended but not required. Stretch pants should be worn. No jeans or baggy clothing, tennis shoes or bare feet.

Age: 8-13 years old
Start Date: Wed, June 5 to July 24 & July 31 to Sept, 18
Time: 6:45-7:40pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$34/Members; \$39/Residents; \$44/Non-Residents

Salsa & Swing Dance

Whether you're preparing for a special occasion or just want to dance for Fun and fitness, this class is for you. Salsa and Swing are two of the most popular dance styles in the St Louis area. You'll enjoy learning and moving to these fast paced dance rhythms. We'll start with basic steps and then various spins, rotations and other variations will be added on to give you a nice routine that you'll be proud of. Partners or singles are welcome. Private lessons are available. Partners or singles are welcome. Private dance classes are available. Wear comfortable clothes and hard soled shoes, no tennis shoes or sandals.

Age: 16 & Up
Start Date: Wed, June 5 to July 24 & July 31 to Sept, 18
Time: 7:45-8:40pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$40/Members; \$45/Residents; \$50/Non-Residents

Private Dance Lessons

Are you going to a wedding, on a cruise, or will you be attending a social event that includes dancing? Are you an engaged couple that need to learn a routine for their first dance? Or do you just want to learn to dance for fun and fitness in a class designed to teach you the styles of dance you want to learn? Private dance lessons are the answer. Classes are taught by Diane Brown, instructor and choreographer of 30 years. Diane can teach you most any style of dance including Ballroom, Latin, Swing, Salsa, Hip Hop, Tap and Ballet. For wedding dances, she can teach the bride and father-of-the- bride and the entire wedding party, as well as the bride and groom, a dance to the music they have selected for that special day.

Fee: \$45 for a one hour class for up to 4 students
\$5 more for each additional student
Beginner's discount: receive a discount for 6 classes if paid in full at the first class. \$38 per class.

Open Play Basketball

Come to the Ferguson Community Center for pick up basketball games. (Half court only)

Days: Tues, Wed, Sat, & Sun
Location: Community Center
Fee: FREE/Member; Daily Fee/Resident; Daily Fee/Non-Res.

Open Play Volleyball

Come to the Ferguson Community Center for pick up volleyball games.

Days: Mondays
Times: 3:00pm– 6:00pm
Location: Community Center
Fee: FREE/Member; Daily Fee/Resident; Daily Fee/Non-Res.

Pickleball

A paddle sport created for all ages and skill levels. The rules are simple and the game is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast paced, competitive game for experienced players.

All equipment will be provided.

Age: 18 and older
Days: Wednesdays and Fridays
Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: Daily rates apply

Evening Pickleball– NEW!

A paddle sport created for all ages and skill levels. The rules are simple and the game is easy for beginners to learn, but it can develop into a quick, fast paced and competitive game for experienced players. All equipment will be provided.

Ages: 18 and older
Days: Thurs., May 2nd—Sept.5th
Location: Community Center
Time: 3:00pm—9:00pm
Fees: Daily Rates Apply

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FITNESS

Beginners Yoga Class— NEW!

This yoga class is designed to meet the needs of those who are new to yoga and are perfect for any fitness and activity level! This class will introduce the principles of alignment and breathing techniques in a flow of postures. Students will be introduced to yoga through step by step verbal instructions.

Age: 16 & up
 Date: Tues, May 21 to June 25, Tues, July 9-Aug. 13 & Tues, Aug. 20 to Sept. 24
 Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm
 Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fee: \$60/Member; \$65/Resident; \$70/Non Residents
 Drop in: \$10/Members; \$12/Residents; \$15/Non-Residents

Chair Yoga—NEW!

You don't have to sit in a chair to do yoga! This form of yoga is increasing in popularity and is accessible to everyone, especially adults 55+. Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that is done in a chair using the chair as support. This class is also ideal for those who are less mobile or have suffered from some types of injury.

Age: 16 & up
 Date: Thurs, May 23 to June 27; Thurs, July 11 to Aug. 15, & Thurs, Aug. 22 to Sept 26
 Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm
 Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fee: \$60/Member; \$65/Resident; \$70/Non Residents
 Drop in: \$10/Member; \$12/Resident; \$15/Non Resident

Aerobics

This fitness program is designed for all skill levels. High Impact Aerobics will improve your heart rate, increase energy levels, as well as improve strength and flexibility.

Age: 16 years & up
 Days: Mondays or Wednesdays
 Start Date: Mon, May 13 to July 8 (No class May 27) & July 15 to Sept. 9 (No class Sept. 2) Wed., May 1 to June 19 & June 26 to Aug. 1
 Time: 6pm-7pm
 Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fee: \$25/Members - 1 day per week; \$30/Residents - 1 day per week \$35/Non-Residents - 1 day per week
 Additional Days: \$10/members add day; \$15/residents add day; \$20/non-residents add day

Will Fit Core Class

A class for anyone who wants to tighten up their midsection, carves a stronger core, and sculpts total-body definition through intense core work. Set to upbeat music, you'll work your entire core and learn new exercises to help sculpt the body. This class is for all fitness levels and is a great way to fit a quick but challenging workout into your busy day.

Age: 16 & up
 Days: Tuesdays
 Start Date: Tues, May 28 to July 2 & July 16 to Aug, 20
 Time: 6:00-7:00pm
 Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fee: \$25/Members; \$30/Residents; \$35/Non-Residents

PREREGISTRATION REQUIRE

Resistance Band Class

Join Will Fitness as he guides you through a 45 minute full body workout that utilizes resistance bands. This workout will get your heart rate up and strengthen you in new ways without picking up a single weight! Looped bands, cross cables, and bodyweight exercises incorporated for a complete workout!

Age: 16 & up
 Days: Thursdays
 Start Date: Thurs, May 30 to Jul 11 & July 18 to Aug, 22 (No class 7-4)
 Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm
 Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fee: \$25/Members; \$30/Residents; \$35/Non-Residents

PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED

Will Fit Bootcamp

Boot camp with Will Fitness! A group exercise class that mixes traditional callisthenic and body weight exercises with interval training and strength training designed in a way that pushes the participants harder than they'd push themselves and, in that way, resemble a military boot camp. Participants will be indoors and outdoors. We will run sprints; perform lots of pushups and various forms of plyometric and interval training with little rest between exercises and challenging workout.

Days: Saturdays
 Start Date: Sat, June 8 to Aug. 3 & Aug 17 to Sept 21
 Time: 10:00am-11:00am
 Location: Community Center
 Fee: \$30/Members; \$35/Residents; \$40/Non-Residents

All Ability Levels Welcome, Preregistration Required

Silver Sneakers Program

Silver Sneakers is a fun, energizing program that helps older adults take greater control of their health by encouraging physical activity. Unlock the door to greater independence and a healthier life with Silver Sneakers. With certain Medicare plans you can be eligible to join this program. Silver Sneakers provides a free fitness center membership and free select classes at the Ferguson Community Center. Call the Ferguson Community Center to find out if you qualify for this fabulous program, 314-521-4661.

Silver Sneakers Classic/Chair Yoga

This class is designed for seniors or someone who is starting to workout for the first time. Have fun and get moving through a variety of exercises designed for a total body workout that will increase muscular strength, range of movement, and activity for daily living skills utilizing hand held weights, tubes and a Silver Sneakers ball. A chair is made available for seated and/or standing support. In addition, the yoga activities will increase flexibility, balance and mental clarity.

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays
 Dates: Ongoing
 Times: 9:50-10:55am
 Fee: FREE/Silver Sneakers Members--\$3/ Everyone Else

Silver Sneakers Cardio Circuit/ Yoga

Silver Sneakers Cardio Circuit combines fun with fitness to increase your cardiovascular and muscular endurance power with a standing circuit workout. Upper body strength work with hand-held weights, elastic tubing with handles, and a Silver Sneakers ball is alternated with low-impact aerobic choreography. A chair can be used for standing support. Please bring your own mat.

Days: Tues & Thurs
 Dates: Ongoing
 Times: 8:35am-9:40am
 Fee: FREE/Silver Sneakers Members; \$3/Everyone Else

Personal Training

Get into shape with the Ferguson Community Center's personal trainers. We now offer personalized training for all of your fitness goals! Group training, one on one, meal plans and fitness assessments.

Individual Packages

Beginner Bundle
 Includes Fitness Assessment* and 1 personal training sessions.
 Fee: \$70/ Members \$80/ Non-Member
 Beginner Bundle +
 Includes Fitness Assessment* and 2 personal training sessions.
 Fee: \$95/ Members \$105/ Non-Member
 1 Session
 Fee: \$35/ Members \$40/ Non-Member
 3 Session
 Fee: \$90/ Members \$105/ Non-Member
 5 Session
 Fee: \$170/ Members \$195/ Non-Member

Training for Two

All prices are per person
 1 Session
 Fee: \$30/ Members \$35/ Non-Member
 3 Session
 Fee: \$80/ Member \$95/ Non-Member
 5 Session
 Fee: \$145/ Member \$175/ Non Member

SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

Ferguson Summer Movie Series

Come join us for the Ferguson Summer Movie Series. Movies at the Community Center and parks will be free and include complementary popcorn, be sure to bring your lawn chairs and/or blankets and take this opportunity to enjoy a beautiful night under the stars. Movies start around 8:30 pm!

LOCATION	DATE	MOVIE
Community Center	Saturday, May 18	Marry Poppins Returns (PG)
Jeske Park	Saturday, June 29	**Captain Marvel (PG-13)
*Splash @ Wabash Plaza 501	Saturday, July 27	**Aquaman (PG-13)
	Saturday, August 31	Dumbo (PG)

In case of inclement weather movies will be cancelled.

*Admission fees apply for these movies.

**Movie is rated PG-13 and parental discretion is advised.

Vaccine Clinic

The annual Rabies Clinic for dogs and cats will be held at the Ferguson Municipal Garage, 901 Ferguson Avenue. Your pet will receive a one-year rabies shot at a substantial savings. Other vaccines also available. Please bring previous vaccination records. Cash payments only.

Date: Saturday, June 1st
 Time: 9am-11am
 Location: Ferguson Municipal Garage
 Fee: Rabies shot \$25 for altered dogs \$35 for non-altered Resident dog license \$1

Wayside Park Unleashed (Dog Park)

Ferguson's Dog Park features a large and small dog area and is open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Dog Park ID required. Owners will need to bring up-to-date shot records: rabies, DHPP, and Bordetella to the Ferguson Community Center to obtain ID. Yearly Memberships are free for residents or non residents in possession of a valid 2018 ID. ID Costs:\$5 processing fee per dog (max three dogs per household)

Park Dedication Program

The City of Ferguson offers a great way to honor or remember a loved one, celebrate a milestone, or simply to have a lasting part in one of our parks. Our Tree Dedication program started in 1989 and has seen over 350 dedicated trees to our City. A Spring and Fall dedication ceremony are held. The Spring ceremony generally is on Arbor Day (first Saturday in April) and the Fall date is generally the fourth Saturday in October, dates are subject to change.

Tree Dedication \$200

In addition to our tree program we are pleased to offer our new park bench dedication program.

Park Bench Dedication \$1,000

Call or visit our website for more information

Nerf War Birthday Packages– NEW!

Join us for our Nerf War theme birthday party packages! We will host your child's Nerf War birthday party for up to 25 participants. You will receive a 3 hour party block, 1.5 hours in the gym with one of our staff supervising the Nerf War. Then the last 1.5 hours you have a room dedicated for you to have food/drinks, cake, and open presents. The cost includes all nerf bullets, safety glasses, bunkers and the party room. Must reserve 2 weeks prior.

A \$100 security deposit is required at time of birthday party rental.

Days: Saturdays and Sundays
Times: Sat, 2:00pm—5:00pm; Sun, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$200 Residents; \$240 Non-Residents

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Lunch and Bingo

Come and treat yourself to an afternoon at one of Ferguson's fantastic lunch and bingos. Our July bingo will begin with entertainment followed by an appetizing meal choice of 2 meats, (bratwurst and chicken) sauerkraut, baked beans, chips, dessert and drink. After lunch we will play bingo for practical and fun prizes as well as attendance prizes. Fee includes entertainment, lunch, and bingo. Maximum size: 125.

Date: Thurs, July 18th
Time: 12pm-3pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$10 Members; \$14 Residents; \$18 Non-Residents

Weekend Winery Tour

Come join us every other month to indulge in fine wine. Must have a minimum of 10 patrons pre-registered for these trips to make. Cost covers transportation.

Ages: 21 and up
Date: Saturday, September 21st
Time: 10am-6pm
Fee: \$10/Residents; \$15/Non-Residents

Area Casino Day Trips

Need a day out and about? Come test your luck at an area casino each month! The trip only includes transportation to the casino. Must have a minimum of 10 patrons pre registered for the trip to make.

Fee: \$5 Residents
\$8 Non-Resident
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Time: 10:00am-4:00pm
Wednesday, May 22nd—Ameristar Casino
Wednesday, June 26th—Argosy Casino Alton
Wednesday, July 24th—Hollywood Casino
Wednesday, August 28th—River City Casino
Wednesday, September 25th—Lumiere Place

Cruise 4 Brews

Discover your new favorite craft brewery with Ferguson Recreation. We'll be shuttled around to four random microbreweries. Fee includes transportation. A minimum of 10 patrons required for trip.

Ages: 21 and up
Dates: Sat, July 27th
Time: 11:0am—7pm
Fee: \$10/Residents; \$15/Non-Residents

Mystery Meal

If you love good food and enjoy fun-loving people, then this program is for you! Every trip is an adventure, so register to enjoy the day with good food and good friends. Due to the popularity of this program, residents have registration priority. All residents can receive door to door pickup. Fee includes transportation via the Jolly Trolley and meal. A minimum of 10 patrons required for trip.

Dates: Fri, June 14th & Fri, Aug. 9th (10 am pickup)
Fee: \$32/Members; \$37/Residents \$42/Non-Residents

Monthly Day Trips

Join us for a trip to a St. Louis Area Museum.

Fee includes transportation only. A minimum of 10 patrons pre-registered is required for the trip.

Location: Ferguson Community Center
Time: 12:00pm-4:00pm
Fee: \$5 Residents **; \$8 Non-Residents**
Friday, June 21 Soldiers Memorial Military Museum
Friday, July 12 St. Louis Art Museum
Friday, Aug 30 St. Louis Arch Grounds

** Entry fee for all these museums is free any extra cost is on your own. All of these are self-guided tours.

Fairmount Horse Races

Grab a friend or two and join us for a fun-filled day of horseracing at Fairmount Park. Cost includes a racing program, a deluxe buffet lunch, transportation, admissions, taxes and tips.

Age: 21 and up
Date: Tues. August 13th
Time: 5:30pm-11:00pm
Fee: \$38 Residents; \$42 Non-Residents

Adult Overnight Trips

Gambling in Michigan City, IN-NEW!

This overnight "Gambling Getaway" takes us along the Indiana and Michigan border to the Blue Chip Casino and Hotel. On the way home we'll be stopping at the Hollywood Casino in Joliet, IL. Also on Wednesday, a side trip will be included to the heart of Michigan City to visit the Old Light House Museum, LaPorte County Historical Museum, and the Washington Park Zoo. Comps for this trip include: 1st day receive \$20 Meal Voucher & 2nd day \$15 Meal Voucher also for every 80 tier points receive \$10 Free Slot Play. Cost includes: motor coach transportation, lodging, side trip, taxes, & gratuities.

Registration deadline is May 31st

Date: Tues. June 25th to Thurs. June 27th
Time: 10:00 am – 8:00pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$325/Residents; \$350/Non-Residents
(double occupancy) \$112 additional for single

Biloxi, MS

Two nights in Tunica, Mississippi staying at the Gold Strike hotel each way. Three nights in Biloxi with a day trip to New Orleans and a shrimp boat tour. Comps while in Biloxi, MS include: \$25 Free Play (1st Night), each additional day receive a \$15 food credit. Comps while in Tunica include: \$15 Free Play each night & 1 breakfast or lunch buffet per night of stay. Fee includes: motor coach transportation, all lodging, 2 special tours and some meals. The Beau Rivage Hotel and Casino is gorgeous!

Registration deadline is August 22nd

Date: Sun, Sept. 22nd to Fri. Sept. 27th
Time: 7:00 am – 9:00pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$650/Residents; \$680/Non-Residents
(double occupancy) \$260 additional for single

Indianapolis, IN-NEW!

Did you know that Indianapolis, IN is #2 in the U.S. for war memorials (Washington D.C. is #1)? We will explore the most popular attractions of Indianapolis during our stay. We will see museums, White River State Park, Monuments and more! On our way to Indianapolis we will stop in Springfield, IL to visit the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum and Home. While in Indiana we will have dinner and lunch at Indianapolis most popular destinations (on your own). This trip will require a lot of walking due to the attractions we will be visiting. Fee includes; hotel accommodations, breakfast, attractions, transportation, taxes & gratuities.

Registration deadline is July 1st

Date: Tues. July 23rd to Thurs. July 25th
Time: 7:45am – 9:00pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$475 Residents; \$500 Non-Residents
(double occupancy) \$180 additional for single

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Cardinals vs Miami Marlins

Join us to watch the Cardinals play the Miami Marlins at Busch Stadium! Grab your family and friends to meet at the Ferguson Community Center to travel downtown for an evening of fun. Game ticket and transportation is included in the price.

Registration deadline is May 24th

Date: June 19th
Departure: 6:00pm
Location: Ferguson Community Center
Fee: \$35/Residen; \$40/Non Resident

ATHLETICS

Kids Fishing Tournament and Family Fishing Day-NEW!

The 33rd annual Kid's Fishing tournament will be held at January-Wabash Lake. There will be two age divisions 10 years and under and 11 – 16 years old. Awards will be given to the heaviest stringer and largest fish in each age division. All participants receive a bag of goodies. NEW! We have our 1st annual Family Fishing Day in conjunction with the tournament. Bring your family and friends and fish on the lake and enjoy a day of fishing! This day is also a NO LICENSE REQUIRED day so ANYONE without a license can fish as well! A special "Thank You" to the Ferguson Lions for their generosity in sponsoring the tournament again this year!

Date: June 8th
 Day: Saturday
 Time: 8:00 am – Noon
 Fee: FREE

Muny

Join Ferguson Recreation on a fun filled evening of all things Muny. We will meet at Ferguson Community Center to travel to Forest Park to watch Cinderella at the Muny! Cost includes transportation and tickets.

Registration Deadline June 24th

Ages: All Ages
 Date: Saturday, July 13th
 Time: 7:00pm Departure
 Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fees: \$36/Residents; \$38/Non-Residents

Family Nerf War-SUMMER EDITION!

Grab your friends and family and head to the Community Center for this exciting event! Each participant needs to bring a Nerf gun. Soft tip darts will be provided along with safety glasses. Pizza and drinks will be served during the event.

Pre-registration is required

Ages: All Ages
 Date: Friday, August 16th
 Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fee: \$8/Child, \$10/Adult

Women's Adult Volleyball- SUMMER

Calling all teams for women's adult volleyball! Come on out and show your stuff for our Monday League.

Ages: 18 and up
 Days: Mon, June 3rd—July 29th
 Times: 6:30pm-9:30pm
 Location: Ferguson Community Center
 Fee: \$190 Residents; \$205 Non-Residents

Cup In Hand Kickball (Coed)- NEW!

Calling all teams for a unique and new way to play Kickball! We will be hosting our first Cup in Hand Kickball league at Forestwood Park. The rules are simple, basic kickball with a twist. All players must have a cup with ANY liquid in their hand while playing. This is a coed league, therefore there must be a total of 3 women and 3 men with a maximum of 12 players on the field at a time. This is a 6 week season + playoffs.

For more information on the league please call 314-521-4661.

Ages: 21 and up
 Days: Wednesday, Sept. 11th to Oct. 16th + 2 Weeks of Playoffs
 Times: 6:00pm-9:30pm
 Location: Forestwood Park
 Fee: \$250 Residents; \$300 Non-Residents

Field Rentals

Field rental space is available at the Ferguson Sports Complex at Forestwood Park. Payment is due in full before a field permit will be issued (Requests within 48 hours of use may not be accepted). A refundable \$100 deposit is due at the time of payment on all reservations.

Rental Prices	Field #1	Fields 2-5
Daytime	\$10/hour	\$10/hour
Lighted	\$20/hour	\$15/hour
Grooming Fee	\$15	\$10

Help us keep the fields playable: do not use when wet and report any unsafe field conditions immediately.



Scott AFB Midwest Winds
 Friday, July 5th @ 7pm

Join us to hear this fine musical ensemble from Scott Air Force Base, skilled in classical and contemporary music, marches and patriotic crowd pleasers, and light popular music.

Audri Bartholomew
 Friday, July 12th @ 7pm

Nationally recognized for her talent and excellence on NBC's 'The Voice' Audri will perform a concert showcasing her love and passion for a variety of musical styles and influences.

St. Peter's UCC
 1425 Stein Rd @ West Florissant
 Ferguson MO 63135
 (314) 521-5694
 music@stpetersucc.org



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Ferguson Christian Church announces Vacation Bible School June 17 to 21

Come join us for summer fun! We will have games, music and lots more!

Registration is open for all children in grades K-5th
 Location: Ferguson Christian Church 303 N. Elizabeth Ave
 Time: 6:00-7:30 pm (daily registration begins at 5:30 pm)
 Please register at fergusonchristianchurch.org



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Healthcare, Immigration, Infrastructure, Etc.

After writing the past couple of months about plans the Democratic candidates have for solving our country's problems, I wonder if it's even worth looking at this early. Is it in our best interest to wait another couple of years? We all know that no matter how an election turns out some folks will be upset enough to spend those next four years making sure we stay in grid-lock.

So, we've got two years to give President Trump some support to get things done. He still has a list of things he intends to accomplish and the fact that he got elected on those promises should mean something. With the division among our citizens and Congress it's hard to believe anything can get done. It seems clear that the cost of pushing many of our issues down the road rather than dealing with them isn't beneficial. Can we accept the fact that the office of president is to be respected? And that someone who would put themselves through the ugly process of being elected must truly desire to do what is best for the country. So for this month I want to look at what would benefit us the most if our current administration could get it done.

Healthcare? sure solving this would be quite an accomplishment. Since the election, Republicans have promised to do away with the Affordable Care Act. And while they have dismantled parts of it, the most popular sections remain. If they could get bi-partisan support perhaps we could at least rein in some of the costs and profits being made at the detriment of our citizens. Right now there is a possibility of a bipartisan effort to help prevent surprise bills. In many cases these astronomical costs affect insured families. People sometimes receive care in an emergency and must use an out-of-network provider. When the bills show up later it's quite a surprise. Some have even been in the hundreds of thousands. If this could get accomplished it might pave the way for efforts to possibly rebuild Obamacare. In the past few years it seems to have become more popular, yet most of the dismantled parts have cut down the amount of revenue in the program, meaning the costs haven't dropped and in many cases continue to rise, so as predicted Obama Care will implode. Hopefully, some Republicans can admit its failure may be partially due to the changes already made.

Other ideas that should be explored may be the combination of Medicare available for those who are unable to be insured through employment or purchasing a policy in the marketplace. Is it possible that with competition insurers would lower some prices? Or perhaps there would be more choices in types of policies. We all know that young people don't think they need insurance and if you are healthy you may not feel that it is your responsibility to put some money into health insurance which could help others by keeping the costs lower. So maybe these people could select a plan that doesn't do much except regular check-ups to hopefully keep them healthy – maybe they can have a higher co-pay. Maybe a provision of such a policy could have the ability to convert to a more comprehensive policy as the person grows older and of course, the costs would increase as coverage does. I think we all want those in the insurance and medical fields to get paid fairly, it's just disturbing when news of the CEO pay comes out. And the pharmaceutical business needs to be reined in – if some changes were made perhaps competition could come in the form of requiring drug prices to be consistent with what folks in other country's pay. If only our leaders could work together for the common good, perhaps what we have could be improved on.

Immigration is another promise made by Trump and it seems that anything he tries isn't acceptable to the other side – meaning mostly Democrats. Today I heard someone who called in on a talk show suggest that Trump ask Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schummer to accompany him on Air force One to the Mexican border to see what is really happening. That sounded like a great idea because we hear such different accounts of the people coming over and the numbers. It would be nice for them to see it together and discuss it together in a civilized manner. I suppose that might be too hopeful, but if they really care about the country they should give it a shot. I listen to both liberal and conservative radio, mostly because I've never really decided what I am; both sides have some reasonable views. Although the past four years have shown how really extreme everyone can be, most people I talk to aren't quite so extreme. Could we then reach some agreement on how to deal with the problem if they saw the same problem? Not sure, but it would be worth seeing.

Making fair trade deals and imposing tariffs to be to our advantage. We can't have everything, so we may need to decide, if the consequences of raising tariffs is really worth the cost? Right here in our own local economy we see steel companies bringing back jobs. For them this is wonderful and they support Trump's dealings with China. And of course, those of us who already have jobs are worrying about the cost of new appliances or anything made in China. Again there are people on both sides who have strong feelings depending on what the people in their part of the country are being affected by. It may be worth looking at the past and seeing the results of the early twentieth century when nationalism and immigration were topics the country was concerned with. The tariff situation didn't help and as you can often see in hindsight it may have hurt. The effect on the economy may not become apparent until we are further into it.

Our infrastructure needs some attention. We've been hearing this for many years and if you drive any roads you know it is a constant battle to keep

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things in good shape. Just this week, we are hearing about cracks in a local bridge that may need to be shutdown to make it safe again. Anyone who owns a home knows things only last so long. For homeowners or business property owners, it is well known that you must take care of your property or it will cost more down the road. Most businesses will do a five or ten year plan of capital projects to keep things in good working order. If you own an office building with many tenants waiting until things break to fix them isn't a good policy. If the AC is out or water is leaking in the building it can affect your business and that of your tenants. And of course, the concerns with roads and sewer systems, etc not well maintained can often lead to dangerous situations. Discussions on infrastructure are happening; let's hope our leaders can reach some consensus.

Hope I am not being too optimistic that the current administration can get things done. Like many I get annoyed with Trump often, however, I do see some good things. We should respect the office of the president. And one more thing I'd like to see any president do is to get the job done in four years and change the term of a president to be six years with no more terms allowed. Cutting the waste of two years worrying about re-election would save both time and money.

If you have any comments or questions, please e-mail me at cleav73@sbcglobal.net



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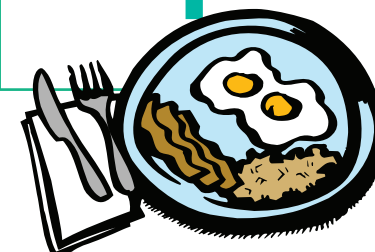
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Edward Jones Perspective

by Joe Meyer

Father's Day: Tools Are Great for Father Day – and for Investors

If you're a dad, you may well be pleased to unwrap some tools as Father's Day gifts. Of course, it might be a stereotype that all men are handy at repairs; women certainly can be every bit as good when it comes to building and fixing things. In fact, the construction process is valuable for anyone to learn – and the same skills that go in to creating and mending physical objects also can be applied to financial projects – such as working toward a comfortable retirement.

Here are a few of those skills:

Diagnosing the challenge –

A good craftsman knows that the first step toward accomplishing any outcome is to assess the challenge. So, for example, if you want to build some bookshelves right into the wall, you'll need to locate the wall studs, determine if you have adequate space for the shelving you want and allow room for future expansion. Similarly, if you want to retire at a certain age, you need to consider the key variables: your current and future income (How much can you count on from your retirement plans?), where you'll live (Will you downsize or relocate? Will you rent or own a house or condominium?) And what you'll do as a retiree (Will you travel extensively or stick close to home? Will you do some type of work for pay or pursue your hobbies and volunteer?).

Assembling the right tools and materials –

To put together your bookshelf, you will need the right tools – saw, hammer, drill, sander and so on – and the right building materials – plywood, nails, screws, glue, brackets, moldings and so on. And to work toward a comfortable retirement, you'll also need the right tool – in the form of a long-term financial strategy, based on your specific retirement goals, risk tolerance and time horizon – along with the appropriate materials – the mix of investments you use to

carry out that strategy. These investments include those you've placed in your IRA, your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, and those held outside your formal retirement accounts. Ideally, you want a diversified mix of investments capable of providing growth potential over time, within the context of your individual risk tolerance.

Review your work –

Once you've finished your bookshelf, you occasionally may need to make some minor adjustments or repairs in response to slippage, cracks or other issues that can develop over time. As an investor, you also may need to tweak your financial strategy periodically and adjust your investment mix – not necessarily because something is broken, but to accommodate changes in your life, such as a new job, new family situation and new goals. Furthermore, over time, your risk tolerance may change, and this needs to be reflected in your array of investments..

Consequently, conducting an annual portfolio review with your financial professional should be a priority. Tools are a big deal on Father's Day. But the construction-related tasks they represent, physically and symbolically, go beyond any one holiday and can be used by anyone interested in working toward a solid financial future

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Ferguson Volunteer Flower Department

In September and October of 1999 Joe Lonero and Bud Seiter did the designs for the new flower beds at Victorian Plaza and the Ferguson Library. Joe and Bud asked me if I would head up perennial plant design plans for these two sites. I asked a friend to help me and we co-founded the Ferguson Volunteer Flower Department and we started planting in September of 1999.

On October 24th 1999, about 18 workers and a bobcat prepared and planted the first beds at the library. Hundreds of dollars worth of grasses, shrubs and flowers were donated by Maxwell Homestead Nursery in Florissant and Joe Lonero. The workers above, left to right are Neil Noelker, Kathy Noelker, Jerry Thayer and Debbi Koenig.

Oh my, we were so much younger 20 years ago! Thanks for the memory.

Kathy Noelker

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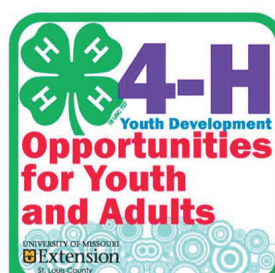
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4. Five-cent music machine or children's network
5. How a horse would vote in Congress
6. This saint is a real Santa Claus
7. A school in South Bend, Indiana
8. French General who met his Waterloo
9. Pins' partner
10. Your mother's daughter's husband's son
11. Mother whose moods changes almost daily
12. When teenagers listen to their mothers
13. President who said "I am not a crook"

See answers at bottom of page 23.



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Under The Hood With Robinwood
By Bob McGartland

Fathers and Cars – Great for Family Bonding

Since we celebrate and remember Father's Day in June, I thought this would be a good topic for my monthly article. There are several reasons why we love our cars; we depend on them to get us to and from our destination safely; they're transportation going to school, church, shopping, work and family vacations.

While you own a vehicle, you will also want to make sure that it is always operating correctly and efficiently. There may be some 'at home' maintenance tasks you do on your vehicle to help it stay in the best condition. While you do these tasks, it would be a great time to teach your children about car care. This creates a great opportunity to talk and bond with family members.

A simple task, such as changing a tire, can be a great learning experience for your son or daughter. As they grow up and get their driver's license, they may need to know how to change a tire, in case one would blow when they are driving. Father's can teach their children how to check the air pressure, inspect tread wear and look for damage to the side wall.

Another task to teach them is how to check the vital fluids in the vehicle. Oil, coolant, power steering and brake fluid are all important and should be checked often to be sure that they are at their correct levels.

It's important to check the coolant level when the engine is cold. When the oil light comes on, or the temperature gauge tops the hot mark, it can be too late. The simple awareness of these fluids can prevent major problems.

Washing and waxing the car can be another great experience to share with your kids. Not only are you teaching them how to properly care for the exterior of the vehicle, but you can bond and share a great conversation while you work. As you wash the vehicle, you can briefly go over the parts to inspect, such as the headlights, windshield wipers, windows, and taillights. When the waxing chore is done, you can step back and marvel at what good teamwork is all about.

Having fun and sharing memories is a great way to connect with your family. These are all great activities and maintenance practices to bond over. You will have plenty of time to talk, laugh, and just enjoy the company with one another, while also teaching them some very important skills. They will learn how to properly care for their own car when they are old enough or out on their own.

Maybe this Father's Day the gift of time with soap, a water bucket and the tire pressure gauge could be the best gift you can give to each other.

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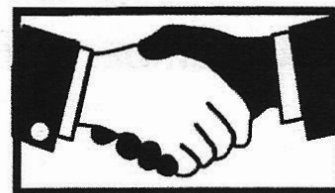


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by Marveena
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Harpole's Heartland Lodge is located on 1500 beautiful acres in Pike County, Illinois, about two-hours from Ferguson and it may be the best kept secret around. The resort features three gorgeous lodges and five cabins. As you pull off the highway you will drive about five miles through the one lane country road surrounded by horses, wildflowers and rolling creeks, it may only be two hours away, but it feels like a world away. Interestingly, upon arrival, you are told to remove your shoes and before being escorted to your room. You are asked to remove your shoes whenever you are inside any of the lodges to help maintain the spotless presentation of the lodge.



We stayed in the 2nd lodge, the Prairie Ridge Lodge and our room, the Stagecoach Suite, featured a king size poster bed, a twin-size futon, fireplace, two jumbo recliners, an oversized jacuzzi tub and sliding glass doors that leads to the wrap around porch. Saturday morning, I sat on the porch snuggled in blanket, listening to the rain while drinking hot tea, it was one of the most peaceful mornings I have ever experienced.



The resort offers a meal plan with diners promptly served at 6 each night and a brunch at 9, served family style in the Prairie Lodge dining room. If you are planning a visit, I highly recommend the meal plan, the closest town is twenty-minutes away and the roads in the evening have little



to no lights and most importantly, the food at the resort is delicious! Dinner is served with the ring of the dinner bell and after grace and introductions, dinner is unveiled. Dinner featured a fresh salad, vegetables, and home-made bread each night with pork on Friday and

beef on Saturday along with a made-from-scratch dessert, peanut butter pie and strawberry rhubarb cobbler. Brunch was just as delicious with home-made cinnamon rolls, French Toast, bacon and the largest sausage patty anyone has ever seen (it was bigger than most burgers). As soon as you book your room, book your meal plan!

The resort offers many activities including hunting, ATV riding, horseback riding, sporting clays, mushroom hunting, hiking, biking, bird watching, bon fires and nightly hayrides. After dinner we bundled up and headed on the hayride. The one hour sunset ride takes you through the hills of Pike County and along the way we seen baby goats, elk, and lots of deer. After the hayride we roasted marshmallows for smores and visited with the other guest. Everyone was friendly and talkative, and the fires burns as long as people are out there.



Saturday, we drove into Pittsfield and visited the winery. At check-in you are given a coupon book for activities in Pittsfield, including antique shopping, ice cream stores,

restaurants, and bowling. If you would like to venture a bit further, Louisiana, MO. Is about 30 minutes, and about hour's drive is Hannibal or Quincy if you are looking for a little more to do while maintaining that small-town feeling.

Sunday, we had reserved an 11:00 trail ride. The horses were very well behaved and seemed to be well taken care of. Every horseback riding experience is different, and I hadn't ridden since Iceland and that was a much different experience; these horses were calm and knew exactly where to go, you really didn't even need to lead them.

I would highly recommend visiting the lodge if you are looking for a weekend getaway. No matter what experience you are looking for Heartland Lodge has it, girls' weekend, guys weekend, friend get-together or romantic weekend you can have it in a short two-hour drive.

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Is Good Health Good Luck?

Most people think good health is a matter of good luck than the result of the habits and lifestyle decisions you make. Truth be told, there is an element of luck, but first century Roman philosopher Seneca said that "luck is where preparation and opportunity meet." In other words, the luck part you can't do much about, but there are things you can do to increase your probability of good health, and the simplest of all the good health secrets is to keep your body functioning as efficiently as possible with beneficial lifestyle habits, including chiropractic care.

How does chiropractic work? It's simple – your brain tells your body what to do, and as long as your brain and the wires from the brain that go to the body parts are working properly, there is good communication and the brain can run the body. But if the brain goes into stress, or if anything interferes with that inner wiring, then the brain can't direct body function as well, and the system starts to get out of balance, leading at first to minor disturbances in your body, and ultimately to poor health.

Could it be that simple? Chiropractic care will lead to better health overall.

Surely you will have to adapt to some basic health-related practices, like eating and sleeping well, exercising sufficiently, and practicing some form of stress reduction like meditation or yoga, but nothing replaces safe, gentle, all-natural chiropractic for tuning up your body to get it working at its best.

Consult your family chiropractor to discover the optimal program of spine and nerve system care for you and your family. Take the responsibility to keep yourselves in good working order before things go wrong - and that's called being prepared when the opportunity for good health arises, so you can make your own luck, and be as healthy as possible.

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May 8th, 2019 meeting minutes
 Reported by Keith Kallstrom
 (Keith.Kallstrom@gmail.com)



Sergeant Tim Harris opened the May 8th, 2019 meeting of Ferguson On-Watch, welcoming everyone. Accompanying him was his ride-along visitor, Mr. Bascal, who is visiting from the Netherlands, and is learning hands-on about Ferguson policing for his college Masters degree. He attends the University of Utica.

The police are still seeing stolen autos that are unattended. Over the winter, cars were unattended because they were getting warmed up, and now they are getting cooled down with the air conditioning.

We reviewed the homicide on Nesbit. This was a case of step-son vs. step-father. As the responding officer, Officer Harris reported that he was able to get the family to contact the son, and have him return to his home, where he gave up the gun and surrendered peacefully to the Ferguson police. The son originally claimed self-defense, and then, through the investigative process, it was found not to be true, he was charged with Murder – 2nd degree. It looks like the de-escalation skills being taught to our police are beginning to have a positive impact.

A 40 year old man assaulted his injured 60 year old mother and even tossed her wheel chair at her. When you live with your parents that long, leaving the house seems to be a better option than continuing to argue with them.

We also heard about some shop lifting statistics in our town. There seems to be crime spurts on the Halls Ferry island, that strip from I-270 down New Halls Ferry to the intersection where Halls Ferry splits and becomes Old Halls Ferry and New Halls Ferry. This includes a Chinese take out facility, up to the Crossings shopping center with Shop N Save (now vacant) and Home Depot.

Shop lifting at Wal-Mart is worse, amounting to about 1 to 2 a day. We heard about 1 event where a Ferguson officer got out of the car and chased and tackled a suspect. After going into the store to collect another shop lifter, it was discovered that the girlfriend of the earlier runner was caught shoplifting. That's three shoplifters stopped within 5 minutes in the 10700 block of W. Florissant (Wal-Mart).

Assault degrees

Missouri now has a new charge of "Assault 4th degree". Here's how the degrees of Assault break down:

Assault 1st degree – causing serious injury where a weapon was used (at-tempted murder). An additional charge of Armed Criminal Action can accompany this charge.

Assault 2nd degree – serious physical injury, ie; broken jaws from a fist fight.

Assault 3rd degree – some injury, not serious

Assault Simple or 4th degree- getting spit on or threatened verbally.

Shot spotter is working well for us. This St. Louis County system, costing over \$300,000 is just east of the Ferguson border near the apartment complexes, (Northwinds, Canfield, etc) and is able to reach into the west side of the Forestwood neighborhood. When the neighboring police departments sign up with STL County on this, they get alerts sent to their smart phones detailing where and when and what direction shots are being heard. Within 4 seconds the alert goes to a Los Angeles California facility that listens 24 hours a day, identifies what the shots were, and locates them on a Google Earth display. Shot spotter can distinguish between the background cricket noise, the human yelling, automotive backfire, fireworks, and standard gunfire vs. automatic gunfire. All these sounds are heard and transmitted with the calculations sent to the subscribing police.

We also heard about a victim found during a shot spotter investigation, where 2 black males in a dark windowed car had robbed the victim and even took all of his clothes and shoes, and left him with only socks on. An ambulance was called as he was throwing up, possibly from the stress of the robbery. A t-shirt and sweat pants were donated to the victim to wear from one of the neighbors near the scene.

Homeless encampment at Shop N Save

Some homeless people were creating an encampment at the Shop N Save lot at the Crossings at Halls Ferry. The police were able to obtain a complaint by email from the property owners, so that they could evict them from the encampment.

911 etiquette

If calling in an event, stay on the line with the dispatcher. The ability to continue the conversation and update the police as the events unfold is very valuable. Telling them what direction the suspects are going in helps the police determine where to possibly intercept them. If you can, tell them which block you are in, including the "which hundred block".

Next meeting date

Our next Ferguson On Watch meeting is **Wednesday, June 12th** 7:00 PM at City Hall. Have a safe month!



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Go to a safe room, basement, or storm cellar. If there is no basement, get to a small, interior room on the lowest level. Stay away from windows, doors, and outside walls. If you can safely get to a sturdy building, do so immediately. Do not get under an overpass or bridge. You're safer in a low, flat location. Watch out for flying debris that can cause injury or death. Use your arms to protect your head and neck.

HOW TO STAY SAFE WHEN A TORNADO THREATENS – Prepare NOW

Know your area's tornado risk. In the U.S., the Midwest and the Southeast have a greater risk for tornadoes.

Know the signs of a tornado, including a rotating funnel-shaped cloud, an approaching cloud of debris, or a loud roar—similar to a freight train. Sign up for your community's warning system. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio also provide emergency alerts. Ferguson has sirens, become familiar with the warning tone. Pay attention to weather reports. Meteorologists can predict when conditions might be right for a tornado. Identify and practice going to a safe shelter for high winds, such as a safe room built using FEMA criteria or a storm shelter built to ICC 500 standards. The next best protection is a small, interior, windowless room in a sturdy building on the lowest level. Consider constructing a safe room that meets FEMA or ICC 500 standards.

Survive DURING

Immediately go to a safe location that you identified. Take additional cover by shielding your head and neck with your arms and putting materials such as furniture and blankets around you. Listen to EAS, NOAA Weather Radio, or local alerting systems for current emergency information and instructions. Do not try to outrun a tornado in a vehicle. If you are in a car or outdoors and cannot get to a building, cover your head and neck with your arms and cover your body with a coat or blanket, if possible.

Be Safe AFTER

Keep listening to EAS, NOAA Weather Radio, and local authorities for updated information. If you are trapped, cover your mouth with a cloth or mask to avoid breathing dust. Try to send a text, bang on a pipe or wall, or use a whistle instead of shouting. Stay clear of fallen power lines or broken utility lines. Do not enter damaged buildings until you are told that they are safe. Save your phone calls for emergencies. Phone systems are often down or busy after a disaster. Use text messaging or social media to communicate with family and friends. Be careful during clean-up. Wear thick-soled shoes, long pants, and work gloves.

Take an Active Role in Your Safety

Go to ready.gov and search for tornado. Download the FEMA app to get more information about preparing for a tornado. Find Emergency Safety Tips under Prepare. FEMA V-1010

Sherlock's Pal

Over a hundred years before I was born, a Shaker elder named Joseph Brackett wrote and composed a song just for me. Simple Gifts begins with these wonderful words:



*It's a gift to be simple, It's a gift to be free,
It's the gift to come down where you ought to be,
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,
Will be in the valley of love and delight.*

These might be the most tranquil words ever written. In my imagination, Brackett is sitting in his gazebo on a sunny morning, birds chirping, coffee in hand, the smell of bacon in the air, and, because of his time and place, the absence of urban noise pollution.

By the way, wouldn't you love to live in a world where there aren't Harley's barreling down your street in the middle of the night waking up the dead? Unless they could literally wake up the dead. That would be neat.

The Shakers were on to something with their simplistic manner of living. Unfortunately, they included celibacy in their salt shakers of simplicity, and celibacy leads to low birth rates, which, in turn, leads to a near extinction of a truly interesting expression of the human religious impulse.

Anyhoo . . . I am convinced that the number one reason why tranquil simplicity eludes us in this life is because just when we think we have landed "in the valley of love and delight," something always changes. For me, it doesn't take much more than a flat tire, an errant golf shot, or a bad sermon (on my part) to shake me out of my complacent skipping on the sidewalk of life and back to the harsh realities of human existence on a climate changing, warring, xenophobic, politically polarized planet. When these moments occur, my religious tradition reminds me that we are always walking "through the valley of the shadow of death." And as I get older, the shadow lengthens.

Another reason why tranquil simplicity often eludes us is because the way we see and experience the world is constantly in flux. Presumably, we are growing up, becoming more mature, and evolving as individuals. Since nothing ever stays the same—other than my depleted bank account—it is impossible to always "find ourselves in the place just right."

There is no shortage of theories about the stages we go through as we continue our journey through life, but, because I like to simplify things (see above) I have come up with my own theory. I have concluded that if we live long enough we will go through the following stages: We will be 1) confident, 2) confused, and 3) content.

What I mean is that when we are younger we are confident everything will be just fine; when we get a little older reality sets in, our confidence in tranquility wanes and we become more confused about things; and then, finally, as the sun begins its final descent on our life journey, we become more content about things, including our constant state of confusion and lack of confidence.

I would have made a good Shaker, but alas, I like having kids and grandkids.

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June, 2019 By Bob McCarty

Sash Weight Cords (and how to replace them)

Your original windows in your older home haven't been opened for some time. Every time you slide them up, they won't stay open without support. There are frayed rope ends protruding from the top. What, if anything can be done?

Buckle up your seatbelts and hang on because we are going to embark on the exciting topic of fixing this little problem.

Your double hung windows are counter balanced with weights inside the wall that helps the window slide up and down as well as to stay in place. These weights are held with a rope, and sometimes a chain, that goes through a pulley at the top of the jamb that is tied to a weight in the weight pocket. You access the weight through an opening at the bottom of the jamb.

You will first need to remove the sash stop. The sash stop is what keeps the bottom sash from flopping out of its track.



After you remove this stop, the bottom sash can be removed from the jamb. If the sash is not easily removed, it is probably painted shut and you may have to cut out the paint on both sides of the sash. (Note: if you are replacing the ropes on both, the top and bottom sash, before trying to open the top sash, support it with something that will not allow it to slam down, especially on your fingers.)

When the top sash is opened, you can bring it down to its lowest position before removing the parting bead. The parting bead is a piece of wood inserted in the jamb that separates the two sash and hold the top sash in its place. The parting bead should be removed from the top, it may be nailed or painted in place. Do your best to remove this piece of wood without breaking it but if you do, you can purchase a new one at any lumber yard.

Both sash have now been removed. Now look at both sides of both sash and you will find holes on either side. These holes will have a piece of knotted rope, usually with a nail through the knot. Pry the knot and nail out of the hole.



Towards the bottom of the jamb, you will find an access door to the weight pocket. There will be a screw holding this access in place. Remove the screw and door and you will see the weights at the bottom of the pocket. (Note: these weights are like socks, sometimes you open up the access door and the weights are gone! If any of the weights are missing, you will need to find some old weights at scrap yards or stores that specialize in architectural antiques. Try to match the weight of the weight as close as possible.) Remove the weights from the pockets, note which one is for the top sash

and mark it with a piece of tape, they are usually a little heavier. If you have a shop vac with a small nozzle, you may want to vacuum out the bottom of the pocket.

At the top of the jamb, you will find the pullies. Starting with the top sash, find the hole for the knot and mark the top of the hole where you can see the mark on both sides of the sash. Put the sash in place and use that mark and put another mark on the jamb where the mark on the sash is located. To string the rope through the pully, attach a weighted string or small chain to add some weight to the rope and feed the weighted rope through the pully. When you can see the rope in the weight pocket, pull out enough so that you will be able to tie to the sash weight.



Tie the rope to the weight using a 'figure eight' knot. This knot is tied by putting the rope through the hole in the weight looping it around the back of infeed rope, over the rope and then back through the loop in the rope. Pull the rope tight on the weight, cut the rope leaving an inch off the end of the knot and tuck the weight back into the weight pocket. Do this on both sides of the top sash. Pull the rope coming through the pully and down to the mark you previously made on the jamb. When the weight is about an inch above the bottom of the jamb and the rope is held at that mark, mark the rope at this point and cut the rope about a foot

longer to allow enough to tie the knot that goes into the sash. Tie an over-hand knot at the other end, pull it tight and put it in the hole in the sash and nail or screw the knot in place making sure that the knot or nail is not protruding past the side of the sash.

Install the top sash and with the sash at its lowest position, secure the parting bead back into place. Raise the top sash up to its top position. Repeat the process with the lower sash, secure the sash stops back in place, stand back and enjoy your completed, workable double hung sash window. Now you only have 19 more to do.

If you're still awake after that dialogue, you really need your windows restrung. After all, this is a pretty easy process, unless your windows are painted shut, but that is actually nothing that a utility knife and pry bar can't handle. And it's really worth it if you've had windows that haven't opened in a while.

You could use sash chain in place of rope but a few drawbacks to the chain is when you're raising and lowering the sash, you can really hear the chain going through the pully but it may last longer than rope. If you decide to use chain, the process is the same except for the knots and when you purchase the chain, there is a S-hook to attach the chain to the weight and a spring like contraption that can be wound on the chain that goes in the knot hole in the sash. Rope or chain, it's your call but if you want to keep your windows original, go with the rope.

The rope will last a century or more if you are careful when doing maintenance on your windows. Don't ever paint the rope because it gets stiff where it's painted and when you are pushing the painted stiff part of the rope through the pully, it is being compromised. Same goes with the chain.

Until next month, Bob is on the Job thinking about more exciting topics that will help keep your older home in tip top shape.



The FLIERS (Friends of the Ferguson Municipal Public Library) would like to thank all the people who participated in our April, 2019, Book Sale in any way, be they as donors, patrons, and/or volunteers.

Our October, 2019, Book Sale already is scheduled for the 17th, 18th, and 19th
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Sincerely, Janie Norberg, FLIERS President

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Ferguson by Foot

By: Margaret Wolfinbarger



June is the perfect month for children. Super soakers. Bicycles. Scooters. Basketballs. Baseballs. The ice cream man! These are the treasures of youth. Hearts are glad when the sun beats down on the streets of Ferguson and the tar blisters and bubbles, and the wiggling toes of our precious future wander and plunder, and seek refuge in a sprinkler. Our children chase mesmerizing dreams we have somehow forgotten over time. That is what makes them wonderful.

When I was nine years old I used to "fly" down my street on a pink Huffy bike. I would then chase my friends around pine trees and walk away with sticky sap in the webbing of my fingers that was difficult to wash

away. We chewed bubble gum and talked smack about the "crazy old neighbor lady" that peered out of the window but never spoke to us. We dreamed that we could be like our heroes; Han Solo, Princess Leia, and Superman, but we still cried when we fell and skinned our elbows.

I have spent many hours traversing the hills of Ferguson. I have seen beauty and disrepair. But more than all of this, I have seen the faces of our children. My little friends on Georgia Avenue always greeted me with a smile. Sometimes they offered a ride on their tricycle or invited me to play ball. They offered joy when I was sorrowful, and I often prayed that God would bless them and protect them, even as I hurried down the street. Grownups are often too busy to notice the little ones other than to be annoyed at their gesticulations. After all, we have important work to do. Rent to pay. Food to buy. Laundry to wash. For that reason, children are too often left to their own devices. Still, they long for adults to come and play with them. Unfortunately, this longing is all too often exploited by people with ulterior motives, people who would destroy their innocence.

Shemika Cosey, Kelly Allen, and Raymond Dampier played among us once. And then they were gone. But unlike the endings of our favorite missing person's crime shows, they have not been found. This is happening today in Ferguson, Missouri. Bad people are taking our children. They are stealing our innocence and our hope. And they must be stopped. You may be reading this and thinking at this point that I should be writing something happy and nostalgic, but today I cannot. Today there are children who are being held captive far away from home and there are children who will not be among us tomorrow. Evil is real and it is preying on our children. And it will continue unless we do something to stop it.

I used to pull my son around the block in a little red wagon. When I arrived home from work in the evening, I would change my clothes and we would walk out the front door to explore. Once, I took a day off to work in my yard. I laid my son down for a nap and began furiously pulling weeds in the back yard. I would check on him periodically and felt he was completely safe, until a neighbor walked into my back yard and surprised me. She was holding the hand of my son, Andrew, who was only two years old at the time. He had waked up from his nap and walked out of the front door—which I thought I had locked! He had gone to look for me by going where we always went; around the block. My neighbor saw him toddling up the street and intervened.

A good neighbor pays attention to what is happening in the community where they live. A good neighbor makes a point to build relationships with the people who live nearby. A good neighbor watches out for and protects children. A good neighbor even intervenes when necessary. I now understand why the "crazy old neighbor lady" used to watch us out the window. Sure, she was probably making sure we weren't throwing rocks at her house—something I enjoyed doing for some strange reason—but she was also protecting us.

The children in Ferguson, Berkeley, and Dellwood need adults to protect them. Today, if you are reading this, I pray you will be that adult. For more inspiration, follow me on my blog: www.destinationdiscipline.com.

Vogt School "Unicorn Girls" Win "Discover and Share" Award

The Unicorn Girls, one of Vogt Elementary's robotics teams, recently traveled [****NOTE TO EDITOR: April 17-20****] to Houston to participate in the FIRST Lego League Junior World Festival, thanks to the generosity of the Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri and the Ferguson-Florissant school district.

The Unicorn Girls were one of 60 teams worldwide to be invited to this event. First Lego League Junior is for kids ages 6-10. Teams research a theme, build a Lego model with a motorized part, design a poster, and give a brief presentation about what they learned. This year's theme was "Mission Moon."

The Unicorn Girls brought their moon base model to the World Festival. The team overcame adversity, keeping their cool during their review session when their computer had problems with Bluetooth, and when their model broke.

When it was all said and done, the Unicorn Girls won the "Discover and Share Award."

Since Vogt Elementary will close after this year, the World Festival invitation served as a last hurrah for its Girl Scouts robotics teams: the Unicorn Girls (FLL Jr.), Unimermaids (FLL Jr.) and Viper Bots (FLL).

McCluer's COAG Program Prepares Students for Careers After High School



McCluer High seniors (l to r) Chris Love, Christian Nichols, Travon Rice, Kevin Seawood and De'Marco Poole have completed their high school careers and prepared to enter the workforce, thanks to their participation in the Career Options After Graduation (COAG) program.

This year, a new program was introduced to McCluer High students that prepares them for career opportunities directly out of high school, should they decide not to go to college. The program, Career Options After Graduation (COAG), introduces students to various careers in the trades and health care industry.

"We focused on careers that start with competitive wages, opportunities to advance and benefits," said John Combest, McCluer's COAG coordinator. "Because of COAG, five students in the Class of 2019 have prepared themselves not for the end of high school, but for their beginnings."

To get students interested in the program, Combest and others spoke at several class meetings introducing COAG. Students who were interested attended meetings and went on exploratory field trips, where they were introduced to various careers in the trades and health care. Partnerships were formed with Tarlton and Northwest Health Care, and students were able to visit a construction site and a hospital.

"Students had the opportunity to talk to people working in these different industries, see the work they are doing, and ask questions to better inform themselves of the options that are available to them after graduation," said Combest. "After the initial field trips, students were given independent opportunities to explore training facilities and meet with leaders of those career fields."

In addition to the support students receive from career leaders, the McCluer COAG counselor will also provide assistance to help the students prepare for life after high school. The counselor will regularly check in with the graduates and see if they need support for their new careers, with financial literacy, or help transitioning into life after high school until they feel comfortable in their new roles.

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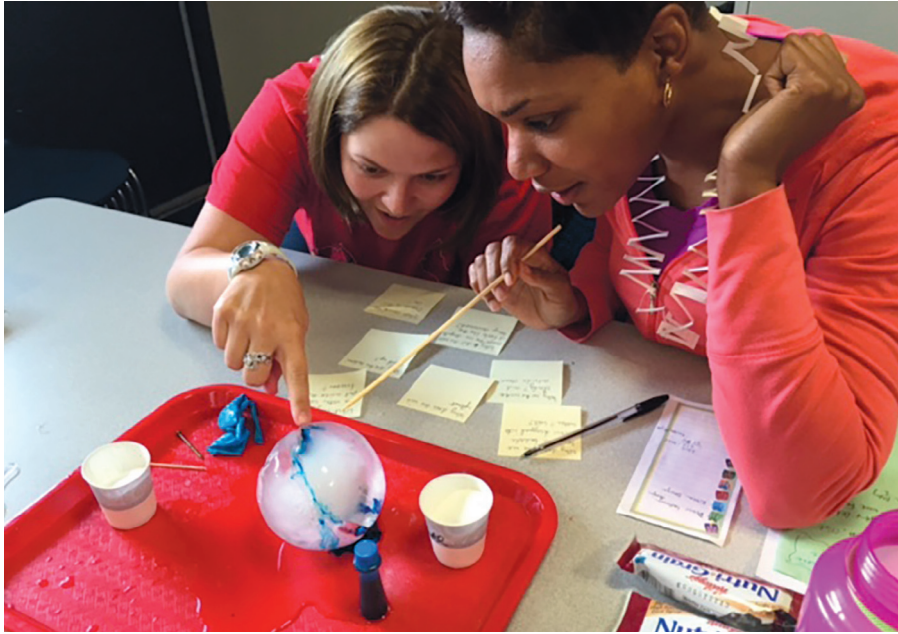


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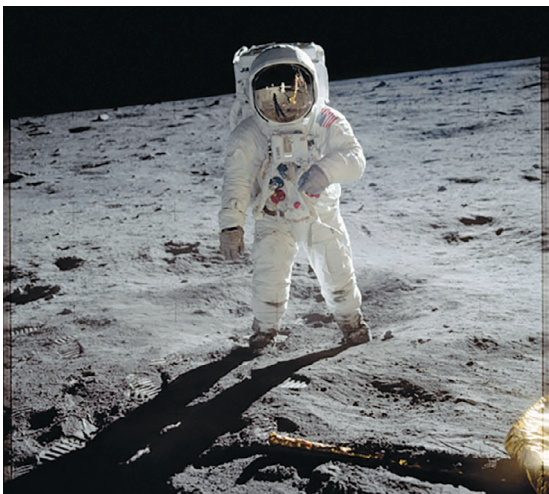
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SUMMER CAMP...NOT JUST FOR KIDS

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On June 18- 20, educators for grades K-8 can join us for a "Stellar Educator Maker Camp". And thanks to the generous support from Express Scripts, the cost is only \$50! We have a few remaining spaces, but anticipate it will fill up soon.



50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MOON LANDING

Join us on July 20th to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Moon landing with your own mission to the moon! Plus, you can stick around (or come early) for some FREE hands-on Moon-themed activities and other fun surprises.

UCITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AWARDS CHALLENGER STAFF

pictured: Erin Tyree, Tasmyn Front, Kristen O'Neil



We were honored to have been selected to receive the PACE-setter award (Positively Affecting Community Education) from the University City School District. The award was given to those "who go above and beyond their responsibilities to make a difference for the UCity schools, students, and district". We are proud of the work we do with so many St. Louis area school districts, and were thrilled to be recognized by the administration and school board of University City.

IT TAKES A COMMUNITY

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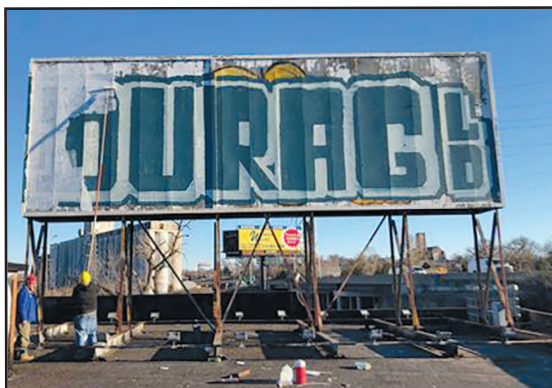
Recently Ray Preston of KMOV, channel 4, did a story which can still be viewed on line; "St Louis Proud: The Story Behind Merferd". Ray spent an entire morning with my art and Arboriculture Apprentices and myself.

But THIS story begins with the DRIVE NICE sign on highway 70. One night a man in a tinted widow car road raged one of my daughters on the lawless strip of 70 between the arch and our city of Ferguson. So I painted Merferd saying "DRIVE NICE!" This sign lasted for three years...



... until Merferd's old enemies the LOW DOWNS, a graffiti gang, found a way up and tagged over him.

The other Side, the "Welcome to St Louis" Merferd had also been painted over by the LD's (Low Downs). Two homeless friends got on the roof and painted it white again. St Louis' homeless love Merferd, and Merferd loves them.



My apprentices, 15 years old Nehemiah Stone (from the south side), and 14 years old Christopher of Berkeley, hung around with me for several days....

WHAT was Merferd going to say? He initially was going to say "Welcome to Missouri". After discussion with Alderman Bandon Frazier-Bosely, (who is sick at heart with all the crime and murder in north St Louis), and consulting with a couple other friends, he is presently saying "FATHER" along with "Malachi 4:6". The West side of the Billboard plugs a St Louis band of a friend of mine.



The Ferguson Computer Corner

by Doug Neely!



JUNE, 2019

this month's main holidays are:

9th: PENTECOST SUNDAY (go to church)

14th: FLAG DAY (fly Old Glory)

16th: TRINITY SUNDAY & FATHER'S DAY

(you take Dad out for a good time & Dad takes the family to church and give Dad a kiss and tell him how much you love him)

DANGER, Will Robinson! DANGER!

ever heard of Meltdown? how about Spectre? perhaps Foreshadow? no? well, i wouldn't blame you. it's not something that the news media thinks is important enough to tell you. nor do they think that you care all that much, either. probably a little bit of both.

the above items have to do with mostly firmware inside the Intel CPU inside the puter most of you own & use.

FIRMWARE?, dept.

3 thingies. first is hardware. that's the puter stuff you can see & touch. monitor, keyboard, printer, computer case, etc. second is software. this is stuff like programs, apps, operating systems, etc. 3rd is firmware. pay attention, now. just like your puter needs software to interact with the hardware and tell it what you want it to do, so does the CPU (Central Processing Unit) need something to tell it what to do. the thingie that does this is called firmware, and that is the "operating system" or set of instructions that tell the CPU how to do its calculations. you could call it software for the processor, but to make an important distinction, we call it firmware.

and firmware has another characteristic. generally speaking, firmware is written into the hardware, and can only be read from, and not written to, or changed, erased, etc. USUALLY. but there can be and are many exceptions to that. re-writing the firmware of a processor is only done by the manufacturer, and very infrequently, at that. it is not meant to be something that can be done by anyone else. but if there's a will, there's a way.

The Way, dept.

now we will say that some black hat (bad) hackershave has taken an interest in messing around with your puter that has to do with re-writing the Intel CPU firmware. as you may surmise, this is a very bad thing. many Intel processors have been found to have insufficient security protection protocols in place to protect them from being re-written. it is unknown if or when any kind of patch can or will be issued to protect the processor. personally, i think the only way to fully protect from this is to design a completely new processor from scratch. if that's so, then it's probably gonnabe time measured in more than months.

Whatever Shall We Do?, dept.

hold off on buying any new device that uses an Intel processor, just to be on the safe side. if it were i, i'd wait for at least a year or two, depending upon when Intel pumps out that new processor. trust me, you will know when that is, because Intel will make it known to you.

ME GO NOW!

there's lotsa holidays this month, so i better go and get ready for them. btw, us Christians have our very own Way. that would be Jesus, the ONLY Way. also, i hope to be much better as time goes on. please CALL me if you need something. take care & God bless us all!

...it is now safe to turn on your puter!

IF YOU want to contact Doug for his FREE puter advice, call him on the phone at: *314*521*1789*.

Email for FCC is under repair, and will be for a few more weeks. Blessings to all!

Ray Preston at the Ferguson Library taking a photo of Ferguson Friend, Dan Williams, known to all as "POPEYE".

Popeye and his Merferd button may not have made the story, but look for him downtown north Ferguson, by the cabooses, sometime this summer, selling some Merferds.



The Best of Ferguson

by
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Jamie & Joe Schroeder



Joe and Jamie.

Many years ago, when I had just moved to Ferguson, I remember seeing Jamie Schroeder pushing her beautiful baby in a stroller in Old Ferguson West where I lived. Her baby's name was Juliana, a combination of both my daughters' names! Not long after, she was pushing their son, August, as well. Juliana is now 20, and August 18. Both are adopted and from Guatemala! Jamie and Joe Schroeder now live around the corner from me, close to lovely Jeske Park.

The Schroeders have been living here in

Ferguson for the past 28 years. Joe was from Florissant and Jamie from St Charles. They moved to Ferguson because it was convenient getting to and from work and Joe loved North County. Joe is a partner with the Industrial Process Equipment Group (IPEG). He has been with the company for 32 years. He holds a sales engineering position and is a mechanical engineer with a Professional Engineer (PE) license. IPEG sells industrial equipment, pumps, valves, etc, to large and small corporations.

Jamie has been a stay-at-home Mom since adopting their kids. She has volunteered with the Ferguson Caring League for the past 24 years. The FCL is an organization with just six members at present, that helps with utilities and food. The FCL approaches individuals and local companies and organizations like the Lion's Club, to make donations. Members arrange the annual Christmas House Tour, as part of their fundraising efforts. They make Christmas baskets for families related to elementary school students in Ferguson. Jamie is president of the FCL.



August and Juliana.

Joe is on the Ferguson Board of Adjustments. I was a little puzzled about the role of such a Board and Jamie explained to me that if a homeowner wanted to do something related to construction at their home in Ferguson, and the rules somehow did not allow it, the homeowner would appeal to the Board of Adjustments for reconsideration. In other words, they are the ones who will consider granting an exception to the rule if you needed a sign that doesn't quite fall under the regulations, or a deck placed at your home where it is not normally allowed.

Joe has been a member of the MO-IL Tractor and Engine Club since he was 16 years old!

The Annual Ferguson Christmas House Tour benefits the Ferguson Caring League.



The family brings Ferguson to Key West, Florida.

He is treasurer of the St Louis Bayern Verein German Club as well. He has an interesting "hobby" that benefits us all: he regularly picks up trash and pulls weeds on the island opposite the Ferguson Animal Hospital on Airport Road! He also helps to keep Ferguson beautiful by removing illegally placed "We buy ugly houses" signs!

The Schroeders love to travel. They've been to Europe three times and have visited Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Spain, Venice, Austria, Portugal, Mexico and of course, Guatemala. They have taken their kids to many national parks in the US, driving all the way down to Key West, to the Grand Canyon, to Yellowstone and all across Texas, among other places. Jamie loves to garden and to shop, favoring local as much as possible. They are both members of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta parish, and are very involved there. Joe is a part-time usher for Mass, among other things, and Jamie volunteers with the Tuition Assistance Program.



An important member of the Schroeder's household.

The Schroeders made their home here in Ferguson so many years ago and still love it! And so do I! Congrats to Jamie and Joe for contributing to the rich and diverse fabric that makes Ferguson! You represent the Best of Ferguson!

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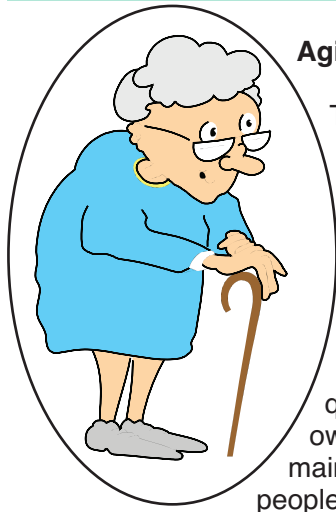
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Aging in Place

This is going to be a controversial subject, so please just consider that this is my private opinion and not universally accepted:

I do not believe in Aging in Place.

Let me modify this by stating that if a person, or couple, are in good health, active in their social life, engaged in their community, and have adequate transportation . . . and, wish to stay in their own home . . . then that is where they should remain. But, as I am witnessing more and more with people my own age, so many elderly are too dependent on friends and family to continue living in their own homes.

In the days when I was a kid, it was common practice for families to take their aging parents into their homes, in fact, in the Amish community, they even built extensions onto their houses so that their parents could have their own privacy. All meals and chores were accomplished by family members and the grandparents would help only when they were able. In my family, my mother's mother lived part time in our home and in an aunt's home the rest of the time. Of course, that wouldn't work in most homes today – there are fewer children and both parents work. And, let's admit it, older people, on the whole, are not as patient, nor flexible, and not as agreeable as we picture our grandparents and great grandparents were. But, this was the accepted practice then and everyone knew you would take care of your aging parents sooner or later.

Too often, older people, living alone depend more and more on their children to not only provide necessary repairs, cleaning, grocery shopping, etc.; but also to provide entertainment. So, people in their late 60's and older, retire to their "golden years" only to be saddled with more responsibility. (Since my parents died a long time ago, I can make this statement. It was my sister who took care of my parents in their own home.)

A better way . . . retirement community

Just think of all the advantages of living in a retirement community can provide you:

- Meals provided if you wish
- A qualified person checking everyday to see if you are OK and see to your needs
- Living among people your own age, who may enjoy the very same thing you enjoy and with whom you can share your joys and concerns.
- Transportation to medical appointments
- Transportation to grocery, drug and hardware stores
- Healthy activities and exercise to keep mind and body active
- Entertainment. Both in-house where you never have to venture outside, or by scheduled movies, plays, sports events, meals, and other fun planned activities.
- Your family and friends can visit when they want to instead of feeling an obligation. (Hm . . . this might be a negative rather than a positive.)

Things to consider.

I can only think of one drawback: Cost. But I know that there are plans that are available to help with costs – too numerous to list here.

I know many of you may disagree with me. If so, drop me a line at cider@att.net (please do not call as I have trouble hearing on the phone).

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Answers to Trivia, Page 12

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Calendar of Events In and Around Ferguson

Complete Details of These Events Throughout the Paper

- Retro Boogie – City Concert Series – Plaza 501 Fri., May 31
- Public Hearing on Comm. Development Block Grant – City Hall . Sat., June 1
- Ferguson Racial Equity Initiative – McCluer South Berkeley. . . . Sat., June 1
- Movie – *The Fox and the Hound* – St Peters UCC Sat., June 1
- Learn to Sew – Library Mon., June 3
- Moon and Stars Stories – Library Tues., June 4
- Taste of Vegan Feast – Community Center. Sat., June 8
- Century Sunday – Century Homes Plaqued. Sun., June 9
- Reading on Race Book Club – Library. Mon., June 10
- Gateway Orchestra Quartet – Library Tues., June 11
- Ferguson City Council Meeting – City Hall Tues., June 11
- Ferguson Card and Paper – Library Wed., June 12
- Our Solar System – Library Wed., June 12
- Northwest Chamber Membership Mtg., – Hilton Frontenac. . . Thurs., June 13
- All4Nothin Band – City Concert Series – Plaze 501 Fri., June 14
- Ferguson City Wide Yard Sale. Sat., June 15
- Life in Space – Library Mon., June 17
- Ferguson Christian Church VBS Mon., to Fri., June 17-21
- Ferguson Needles Club – Library Tues., June 18
- A Wrinkle in Time – Library Fri., June 21
- PROUD Business Meeting – Library Sat., June 22
- Library Budget Hearing – Library Mon., June 24
- Ferguson City Council Meeting – City Hall Tues., June 25
- Tuesday Night Book Club – Library. Tues., June 25
- Forestwood Boys at Marley's Bar & Grill Sun., June 30
- 4th of July Parade, Festival and Fireworks Thurs., July 4

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