Super Summer Sizzler!
FREE Outdoor Pools with Rec-Plex Annual Pass!

• The Cove Opens!
• 370 Lakeside Park: Your Hometown Getaway
• Sunset Fridays Concerts
• Prop P: Year 5
• Tree City USA
• Recycle & Win
• Prop U on Aug. 7 Ballot
**SUNSET FRIDAYS • 370 Lakeside Park**

**Music starts at 6:30 p.m. every Friday**

Join us under the Corporate Pavilion to watch the beautiful sunset on the lake and enjoy a FREE live concert featuring the following bands:

**June 1**: Dawn Weber Jazz Quartet
**June 8**: The Melissa Neels Band (blues/rock)
**June 15**: Pure Nectar Trio (rock/pop)
**June 22**: Acoustic Music Jam
**June 29**: Marissa Harms/Wade Trent (pop/country/rock/acoustic)

**June 13**: The Biscuits (rock)
**July 20**: Cole Blue Steel (country/rock)
**July 27**: Paul Bonn & The Bluesmen (blues)
**Aug. 3**: Serapis (rock)

**Aug. 10**: Oh Brother (rock)

*Food and beverage sales begin at 6 p.m.*

*Food trucks scheduled on these nights!*

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**SAVE THE DATE: Celebrate St. Peters is Sept. 14-15, 2018**

Celebrate St. Peters 2018 will be here before you know it! You won’t want to miss this jam-packed, two-day festival at the beautiful 370 Lakeside Park featuring live music and entertainment on three different stages, a carnival, vendors, kids’ activities, fireworks and more! Did we mention the concerts are FREE? Watch for the announcements of the Main Stage acts on Friday and Saturday night as well as other details in the *UpFront* e-newsletter, on SPTV or visit [www.stpetersmo.net/celebrate](http://www.stpetersmo.net/celebrate).

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**CELEBRATE St. Peters 2018**
NEW SPECIAL!  
SAVE UP TO $285!  
Join the St. Peters Rec-Plex and also get a FREE 2018 Pool Pass to The Cove at St. Peters and Laurel Park Pool!  
Pool season is open May 26 through Sept. 3.  Get your Rec-Plex Pass now and enjoy swimming and savings all summer!  
Rec-Plex and Outdoor Pool Passes are available for purchase at the Rec-Plex during regular registration hours.  
*New AND Existing Annual Members Only.  
Learn more at www.stpetersmo.net/Rec-Plex. (Read more about the Rec-Plex on pages 8-9.)  

GET YOUR OUTDOOR POOL PASS TODAY  
Are you ready for some summer fun in the sun?  
Check out The Cove at St. Peters—our new aquatic center opening up next to Rec-Plex South.  
Or, enjoy the updated Laurel Park Pool for swimming, splashing and sunbathing!  
Get your outdoor pool pass at the St. Peters Rec-Plex to enjoy both aquatic facilities all year long.  
Pools open May 26 through Sept. 3.  

NEW: The Cove at St. Peters 
The Cove at St. Peters is a new type of outdoor aquatic center with plenty of activities for kids and adults of all ages!  
**Features include:**  
• LEISURE POOL: 8,000 sq. ft.; 100-foot wide zero-entry beach with shade structures on each corner; elevated play structure with steps, 7 different water features, and slide; underwater benches and peninsula barriers that separate activities from more relaxing areas for parents and families.  
• SPLASH PAD: 19 various water features for families and kids ranging from toddlers to young teens.  
• WATERSLIDES: 2 intertwining waterslides that start from a 21-foot high platform—175-foot long open flume run-out body slide and a faster 120-foot closed tube run-out body slide.  
  (Must meet 48-inch height requirement to use the waterslides.)  
• ACTIVITY/SPORTS POOL: unique 3,200 sq. ft. Activity/Sports Pool versatile enough to offer something for both kids and adults; set up with basketball hoops; uses include water volleyball or basketball, aqua aerobics, water walking, lap swimming and rentals.  
• PARTY PAVILION: Rent a party at The Cove!  

Laurel Park Pool 
Located in the heart of one St. Peters' most popular parks, Laurel Park Pool is a fun destination for swimming, splashing and sunbathing, with:  
• Large shallow water area  
• Newly added splash pad  
• 1-meter diving board  
• Large sunbathing area  
• Two dedicated 25-meter lap lanes  
Concessions are available at The Cove & Laurel Park Pool.  
Learn more at www.stpetersmo.net/Pools.  

Parks Agreement Means Lower Rates at St. Charles Pools!  
The Cities of St. Peters and St. Charles worked together to extend resident privileges so that:  
• St. Peters residents can enjoy discount rates at St. Charles’ outdoor aquatic facilities (Blanchette, Wapelohorst and McNair), and  
• St. Charles residents can receive discount rates at the St. Peters Rec-Plex and St. Peters’ outdoor pools.  
**NEW IN 2018:** Wapelhorst Aquatic Facility on Muegge Road was reconstructed—try the lazy river, river walking and more!
Welcome to Your Hometown Getaway!

Check out St. Peters’ biggest park this summer, complete with a 140-acre lake, 5-mile hiking/biking trail that loops around the lake, picnic tables, marina, and more!

Fishing & Boating
Bring your own watercraft (no gas engines) or rent a kayak, canoe, paddleboat or Jon boat from the park! Fish from your boat or the bank of the lake, where bass, bluegill, channel catfish and crappie await! One-day and seasonal fishing & boating passes are required (FREE for St. Peters residents!)

Archery Range
The archery range is open year-round, complete with ground archer positions, elevated platforms and 3D targets. Get all-day pass fees for as low as $1 for youth and no more than $5 for adults.

Corporate Pavilion
Home to the Sunset Fridays concert series, the Corporate Pavilion provides covered seating for up to 300 people right next to the lake. It’s become a popular venue to rent for weddings and special events. Call 636-387-5253 for pricing and more information.

NEW! Sprayground
Kids can splash around in this fun, interactive water play area from sunrise to sunset all summer long!

RV Park
The RV Park offers 75 full-service sites along with a pavilion, horseshoe pits, playground and sand volleyball, PLUS full access to all 370 Lakeside Park amenities at St. Peters resident rates. Fees range from $37-$47/day.

St. Peters Rotary Club Dog Park
This membership-only, fenced in dog park offers over two acres of off-leash play area, including agility equipment (11 different stations), a covered pavilion with picnic tables, and NEW this year, a platform for lake access! The park is split into a small dog area and large dog area. Open every day from sunrise to sunset with 24-hour security.
Dog Park Etiquette

Dog parks are a great way to let your dog run, play and socialize with other dogs off-leash. But what many people may not realize is in addition to typical dog park rules, there is also such thing as “dog park etiquette” for dogs and their owners. See below for some tips!

New dogs beware.

Did you just adopt a dog? Start slowly and get to know your new pet before introducing them to a dog park. Work with your pet and learn to read their reactions and how to help them cope. Newly adopted pets can often be a leading cause of issues at dog parks.

Properly train your dog ahead of time.

It is not uncommon to encounter untrained dogs at the dog park with poor greeting skills, which may include barking or jumping. It’s a good idea to keep an eye on your dog at all times to avoid bad encounters with other dogs. Another dog that may be the recipient of your dog’s bad behavior (or vice versa) could become nervous or feel like it is being bullied, which may cause an incident.

Leave small children and food/treats at home.

Planning a picnic at the dog park? Think again! Dog parks are meant to be a playground for dogs but are not a place for small children or food. In fact, no children under the age of 10 are allowed inside the St. Peters Rotary Club Dog Park at 370 Lakeside Park, and children older than 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Bringing food into the dog park is never a good idea—the presence of food could lead to dog fights. Most dogs do not like sharing edible treats, so please leave your food at home or in the car. If you are training your dog and using treats for motivation, please do the training outside of the dog park gates.

We all love to see our dogs running and playing freely among other dogs in a safe environment. Please help by following dog park rules, keeping a close eye on your dog and correcting their behavior when needed. As long as everyone follows the rules and helps new members learn how to use the dog park, everyone should be able to have a great time!

St. Peters Earns 20th Consecutive Tree City USA

This year marks the 20th year in a row that the City of St. Peters earned Tree City USA designation from the National Arbor Day Foundation due to our City’s strong commitment to responsible urban forestry management.

“Being a Tree City USA for 20 years is one more reason that we can be proud of our hometown,” said Mayor Len Pagano. “It’s another sign of our commitment to maintaining a healthy and beautiful community for our residents.”

St. Peters was the first Tree City USA to be designated in St. Charles County in 1999. In 2017, there were 51 Tree City USA communities in the St. Louis region, which makes up nearly half of Missouri’s total.

The City also received a Tree City USA Growth Award for the 18th year in a row, which recognizes higher levels of tree care by participating Tree City USA communities. The Growth Award highlights innovative programs and projects as well as an increased commitment of resources for urban forestry.

In addition to the nearly 500 new trees planted in 2017, the Parks Department also built a new pot-in-pot tree nursery, complete with 79 15-gallon pots to help grow and develop trees. The Parks Department also added 190 trees to its tree inventory database, which is now up to 13,185 trees. Eventually, they hope to have every single tree in the City documented in the program.

2017 BY THE NUMBERS

Newly Planted Trees
• 22 Memorial Program trees
• 123 new trees in City parks
• 190 trees in public right-of-way
• 156 trees for Storm Water Projects

TOTAL: 491 newly planted trees

Maintenance
• Pruned 280 trees in City parks
• 40 miles of roadside trees pruned
• 212,070 lineal feet of City street trees were pruned
• 9 acres of clearing in areas along creeks, channels and subdivision basins
• 212 dead tree removals
• 93 stumps removed
Now in our fifth year of Proposition funding for stormwater and parks improvements in St. Peters, we can look back and see that in a short period of time our community has accomplished quite a bit.

The City of St. Peters started collecting an extra 4-tenths of a cent sales tax (for ½-cent total) for parks and stormwater in January 2013 after voters approved the Prop P issue in August 2012. Since that time, the City has spent nearly **$23 million to address 77 stormwater project areas** to help stabilize streams and improve the performance of our neighborhood stormwater retention basins (ponds).

With each Prop P stormwater project, our community addresses erosion and flooding issues and uses green infrastructure to improve water quality and create a more sustainable, natural environment in the project areas.

This year, the City has eight stormwater projects either underway or scheduled for construction and another 19 projects in the design stage. Some of the projects were combined with road upgrades or parks and trail improvements, or both.

**SPENCER CREEK & BOARDWALK TRAIL**

Residents are enjoying the recently opened boardwalk trail at the $1.55 million Spencer Creek Stream Improvement Prop P project in Spencer Creek Park at Boone Hills Drive (photo below). The 280-foot long landmark boardwalk moves foot and bike traffic over a transformed stream, allowing pedestrians to admire the reshaped and graded channel and three acres of newly planted native vegetation, among other improvements.

**REDUCED FLOODING ALONG JUNGERMANN**

Reduced flooding and floodplain restoration are part of a $2.6 million improvement project wrapping up at the intersection of Jungermann Road and Boone Hills Drive. St. Charles County Road Board transportation funding paid 31% of the overall project cost in order to replace a deficient box culvert under Jungermann Road and improve the intersection. Prop P funds paid for work to restore floodplain north of the intersection as well as other stormwater improvements, including installation of a new large-diameter storm sewer, to reduce road and property flooding near the intersection.

Prop P improvements also will address flooding issues on Jungermann at Spencer Creek between Country Creek Drive and Margaret Brown Court. The $3.5 million year-long project will replace two bridges, raise portions of the road and improve the stream to provide a more natural and stable stream channel. The project also will provide safer trail connections—pedestrians will be able to use an 11-foot wide trail along Jungermann Road and two improved trail crossings at Jungermann, one at the Country Creek Drive traffic signal and the other under a new bridge just north...
My Hometown

You’ve probably never described yourself as a “pond scum grower” or “algae producer.” But, if you’re applying too much fertilizer or incorrectly applying fertilizer to your lawn or garden, that’s exactly what you might become!

The City of St. Peters has worked with our neighborhoods to build some beautiful stormwater retention basins (ponds) with Proposition P sales tax dollars. And, we’ve also seen some of those ponds growing green algae, which is fed by excess nutrients from fertilizer. Algae is unsightly, causes odor problems and sucks oxygen from the water, suffocating fish and other wildlife.

Please keep in mind that excess nutrients from fertilizer can be washed into our waterways during the next rain or when you’re watering. There are a number of ways to avoid becoming a pond scum grower. Here are a few:

• **Follow fertilizer product label instructions carefully** — over-feeding is actually a waste of money as your plants can only absorb so many nutrients.

• **Apply the fertilizer accurately** so it all stays in your lawn or garden. Sweep excess fertilizer off of any hard surfaces back into your grass after application.

• **Don’t fertilize before rain is expected.** And, don’t over-water—try using a soaker hose to avoid fertilizer run-off.

• **Test your soil** to see what nutrients your lawn needs before fertilizing. The University of Missouri Extension office at 260 Brown Road in St. Peters provides a soil testing service that will give you fertilizer recommendations for a fee.

The extension office also can give you tips on what time of year to fertilize your lawn—September is the best time for many cool-season grasses, for example.

The EPA has some other tips to avoid nutrient pollution, including planting a rain garden, installing rain barrels and other techniques to use natural processes to manage stormwater runoff.

Learn more at [www.stpetersmo.net/Water](http://www.stpetersmo.net/Water).

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**CLEAN STREAMS DAY TOTALS**

About 350 volunteers collected a total of 4,400 pounds of trash during our 2018 Clean Streams Day event on April 14! We recycled 880 pounds of this total. Thank you to our volunteers ... your efforts help improve both the quality of our streams and our lives! Learn more at [www.stpetersmo.net/CleanStream](http://www.stpetersmo.net/CleanStream).

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**ADDITIONAL PROP P IMPROVEMENTS/PROJECTS**

A host of other Prop P stormwater improvement projects are either underway or beginning later this year: Tanglewood/Huntleigh Estates Drainage Improvements (completion expected soon); East Jungermann Pipe Lining (estimated summer 2018 completion); Cottage Hills (estimated fall 2018 completion); Ehlmann Road/Benton Drive Drainage Improvements (planned for August-December 2018); and I-70 Master Ditch B Improvements (planned for July-December 2018).

Prop P projects also continue to improve parks for the enjoyment of our residents. Promised Prop P projects at Community Park on St. Peters-Howell Road have added a playground, pavilion and restroom facility.

At 370 Lakeside Park, St. Peters Rotary Club Dog Park was improved with a new floating platform to provide dogs access to the lake.

Learn more about Propostion P online at [www.stpetersmo.net](http://www.stpetersmo.net).
ENJOY VALUE AND VARIETY AT THE REC-PLEX

If you want to kickstart a more active lifestyle, well … it’s a GREAT time to do just that at the St. Peters Rec-Plex! The Rec-Plex continues to offer a wide variety of activities, including swimming, ice skating, pickleball, basketball, volleyball and large cardio and weight training rooms with state-of-the-art equipment and an indoor track. And, now, a Rec-Plex membership has more value than ever: **The Rec-Plex added some more great facilities plus FREE use of outdoor pools in 2018 for Rec-Plex annual members!**

Renew your drive for fitness at the Rec-Plex at the new **Dynamic Training Center**—available FREE to Rec-Plex members through September 2018! With 10,000 square feet of total space for workout equipment and activities, the DTC is the perfect place for circuit training workouts that really rev up your energy level and metabolism. Dynamic workout equipment at the DTC includes kettlebells, box jumps, battle ropes, sleds, tires and more! Come try monthly Superset Saturdays classes at the DTC for great workouts led by fitness trainers who will push you to the next level in a fun group setting. Monthly class sessions cost only $30 for Rec-Plex members, $40 for the general public.

After your Rec-Plex workout, you can cool down by walking over to The Cove at St. Peters aquatic center! New: The **Super Summer Sizzler** provides **FREE pool passes in 2018 for all new and existing annual Rec-Plex members**—a value of up to $285! Read more about this special deal and St. Peters’ outdoor pools on page 3.
STATE WARS 14 Roller Hockey Championships Coming to Rec-Plex

STATE WARS is coming back to the St. Peters Rec-Plex this summer for a third time in seven years! More than 3,000 roller hockey players and 12,000 other attendees will come to St. Peters for the annual United States Roller Hockey Championship tournament from July 25 to Aug. 6.

The Rec-Plex’s three ice rinks will be turned into inline skating rinks for State Wars 14 as our community will host more than 300 teams from all over North America and the world, including teams from the United Kingdom, South Korea, Sweden, France, Brazil, Argentina and Colombia!

“We are extremely excited to be returning to St. Peters this summer,” said State Wars Hockey President Tim McManus. “Having a top-notch facility with a beautiful surrounding area with plenty for our families to do away from the rink, makes it a no-brainer for us. We plan to bring our teams, families, and fans another incredible State Wars Hockey experience this summer in Missouri!”

The influx of players and family members for this event will boost sales at area hotels, restaurants, shops and attractions, potentially adding several million dollars to the local economy. The Rec-Plex also hosted State Wars 8 in 2012 and State Wars 11 in 2015.

Learn more about the event at www.statewarshockey.com.

In order to accommodate State Wars 14, the Rec-Plex’s three ice rinks (Rec-Plex North Rink and two Rec-Plex South rinks) will be unavailable for ice skating from July 18 through Aug. 27. The ice is melted and rinks are converted for inline hockey surfaces brought in special for STATE WARS. After the event, the ice rinks will undergo maintenance for a few weeks.

ROOKIES AND ROCK STARS SPRING TRIATHLON

Sunday, June 17 • St. Peters Rec-Plex

Try out the ROOKIES & ROCK STARS TRIATHLON spring event on June 17 and test yourself again later in the year at the fall triathlon!

The Rookies & Rock Stars Triathlon offers an indoor pool for the 400-meter swim, flat farmlands for the 15.8-mile bike and paved trails through shady parks for the 3.1-mile run. Compete for awards as an individual in various age groups, or form a team.

Compete again in the fall event on Sept. 9 to see how much you improved this year!

To register or for more information, visit www.stpetersmo.net/Triathlon.

The Rec-Plex also has a new Youth Fitness Room for ages 7-12 that allows parents to work out at the Rec-Plex campus while your kids stay active under staff supervision. Now is a great time to get that Family Membership and get active together with the kids! The Youth Fitness Room fee is just $3 per visit for Rec-Plex members and FREE to GOLD+ members.

BONUS: Youth Fitness Classes come at no extra charge with your Youth Fitness Room admission! Try Junior Power Time on Monday and FitKids on Wednesday during the 6 o’clock hour.

Learn more at www.stpetersmo.net/Rec-Plex.
### JUNE

1. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *Dawn Weber Jazz Quartet*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

2. **Family Fun Day**
   - 370 Lakeside Park - *See details below*

4. **Veterans Memorial Commission**
   - 7 p.m., Cultural Arts Centre

6. **Planning & Zoning Commission**
   - 6:30 p.m., Justice Center

8. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *The Melissa Neels Band*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

15. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *Pure Nectar Trio*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

15. **Bus Tour: German Hermann**
   - Cultural Arts Centre

17. **Rookies & Rock Stars Spring Triathlon**
   - 6:30 a.m., Rec-Plex

21. **Senior Advisory Committee**
   - 12:30 p.m., Senior Center

22. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *Acoustic Music Jam*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

28. **Board of Aldermen, Justice Center**
   - 5 p.m. work session, 6:30 p.m. meeting

28. **Enchanted Forest Art Exhibit Opening**
   - 6 p.m., Cultural Arts Centre

29. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *Marissa Harms & Wade Trent*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

### JULY

2. **Veterans Memorial Commission**
   - 7 p.m., Cultural Arts Centre

4. **Happy Independence Day!**
   - *See holiday hours below*

11. **Planning & Zoning Commission**
   - 6:30 p.m., Justice Center

13. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *The Biscuits*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

17. **Parks, Recreation & Arts Adv. Board**
   - 6 p.m., Cultural Arts Centre

19. **Senior Advisory Committee**
   - 12:30 p.m., Senior Center

20. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *Cole Blue Steel*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

20. **Cruisin’ Dance**
   - 7 p.m., Cultural Arts Centre

26. **Board of Aldermen, Justice Center**
   - 5 p.m. work session, 6:30 p.m. meeting

26. **Bus Tour: Arrow Rock**
   - Cultural Arts Centre

27. **Sunset Fridays Concert:**
   - Featuring *Paul Bonn & The Bluesmen*
   - 6:30 p.m., 370 Lakeside Park

### Holiday Hours (JULY 4)

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1 Rec-Plex administrative offices and Registration Desk closed. Extended public ice skating and swimming sessions from 1-5 p.m.

2 Recycle City, including aluminum can buy-back and trash acceptance, will be closed. The Recycle City Drop-Off area will remain open.

3 Yard waste collection will be delayed by one day. Both yard waste and trash/recycling will be picked up on Thursday, July 5.

4 For emergency calls only after hours or on a holiday, call Police Dispatch at 636-278-2222.
Your Friendly Hometown Golfing Experience!

- Get your PREFERRED PASS today: Save every time you play at St. Peters Golf Club! The first day of your pass, you play for FREE—a savings that can almost pay for the pass itself!
- SENIOR SCRAMBLE every Thursday morning for only $30—including 18 holes, cart, lunch and chance for prizes!
- COMFORT STATION OPEN: For your convenience, we built a new comfort station in the center of the course with food & beverages for sale and a restroom!
- Yes, our BANQUET CENTER IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS through September (before construction on our new Golf & Banquet Center requires us to close).
- DISCOUNTED TEE TIMES always available!

Sip & Savor
Presented by the Greater St. Charles County Chamber of Commerce

- Thursday, Sept. 6, 5-8 p.m.
  370 Lakeside Park - 1000 Lakeside Park Dr.
- Ticket sales begin June 1
  Early ticket pricing $30;
  week of event $35;
  Sales in groups of 10 or more, $25 each

An all-inclusive ticket includes Savor selections from local restaurants, wineries and breweries, along with LIVE entertainment and a beautiful sunset along the lake! For more information or tickets, call Greater St. Charles County Chamber of Commerce, 636-946-0633, or visit www.FoodFest370.com. Please drink responsibly.

FIREWORKS NOT PERMITTED IN ST. PETERS
Stands Are Outside City Limits

HOT ASH DISPOSAL
It’s time to start firing up those BBQ grills! But before you do, keep in mind that the ashes left behind are hot and can ignite, creating a fire resulting in costly damage to your home or a trash truck. So, when you’re done grilling, be sure to follow these safety tips when disposing hot ashes:
1. Before you dispose of the ashes, place them in a metal container and store them outside to cool down.
2. Fire officials recommend cooling the ashes for a week before placing them in your trash cart.
3. After a week, stir the ashes and make sure there are no glowing coals remaining before disposing of them.

MAY 31 UTILITY FRANCHISE TAX DEADLINE:
St. Peters residents who are 62 years and older or those considered totally disabled by Social Security may be eligible to apply for a refund of their 2017 St. Peters utility franchise tax. Apply by May 31.
Call 636-477-6600, ext. 1225.
My Hometown | stpetersmo.net

St. Peters residents will have an opportunity to vote on Proposition U on the Aug. 7 ballot. Prop U would approve a “use tax” on the purchase of goods from out-of-state vendors.

WHAT IS A USE TAX? In simple terms, a use tax is a sales tax applied to the purchase of goods by Missouri residents and businesses from out-of-state vendors. The amount of use tax due on a purchase is equal to the sales tax rate at the point of delivery. This is not a double tax but rather an equal tax: Right now, St. Peters collects 2% in sales taxes on each local purchase, as approved by St. Peters voters. In order to collect the same 2% tax on out-of-state vendors, state law requires that St. Peters voters approve a use tax.

WHO WILL BE IMPACTED? The use tax is primarily a business tax. Our businesses already pay a use tax to the State of Missouri and St. Charles County on out-of-state purchases. The only entity in our City that does not receive use tax revenue is the City of St. Peters. This creates an incentive for local businesses to bypass St. Peters businesses when buying equipment or materials that cost more than $2,000. Prop U would create fair competition between local businesses and out-of-state vendors. This is not a double tax.

WHEN WOULD I PAY A USE TAX? There are cases where the use tax may apply to individuals. Missouri state law says that when individuals make more than $2,000 in purchases from out of state (not including vehicles) that the individual must pay a use tax by self-reporting those purchases on annual tax returns and paying voluntarily at that time.

LOCAL IMPACT ON SERVICES: The City of St. Peters expects to collect $1.2 million annually if voters pass Prop U. This money would help pay for services such as public safety, senior transportation, maintaining our community’s roads, and more. One area that could benefit immediately is our Senior Transportation Program that provides rides for eligible St. Peters residents to necessary medical, shopping and other essential services. Currently, the Senior Transportation Program is full and placing applicants on a waiting list.

Learn more online at www.stpetersmo.net/PropU.
Do you want to keep up with all of the new businesses coming into St. Peters? Sign up for monthly Economic Update emails at www.stpetersmo.net/Subscribethe. While you're there, you can also sign up to receive the monthly UpFront newsletter and other newsletters and notifications from the City of St. Peters.

You can also learn more about economic development in St. Peters at www.stpetersmo.net/Econ.

2018 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Work is wrapping up on the $2.6 million improvement project at Jungermann Road and Boone Hills Drive (photo) to reconstruct the intersection, address flooding issues, restore floodplain, add new traffic signals and sidewalks, and other improvements. Prop P funding paid for portions of this project (see page 6).

Other major road projects in St. Peters this summer include: McClay Road resurfacing between Shepherds Hill Drive and Jungermann Road; replacement of two box culverts under Jungermann between Country Creek Drive and Margaret Brown Court, along with raising portions of the road and Prop P stormwater and trail improvements (more details on page 6); widening of Mid Rivers Mall Drive at the I-70 interchange, including reconstruction of the Ecology Drive intersection and construction of a 10-foot wide trail extending from the interchange to Salt River Road; and widening of Mid Rivers Mall Drive from Cottleville Parkway to Dye Club Road, scheduled to begin later this summer.

Learn more about these projects online at www.stpetersmo.net/Streets.

So Many Choices – So Close to Home!
www.stpetersmo.net/Shop

When you Shop St. Peters, you help local businesses survive, put people to work in our community and keep tax dollars working for you! Your local purchase is an investment in police protection, roads, parks, stormwater quality and more. You can find St. Peters businesses by searching our online directory at www.stpetermo.net/Shop.

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BUSINESS RECOGNITION

The City of St. Peters has a Business Recognition Program to recognize those businesses serving St. Peters for more than 25 years. Learn more about these businesses online at www.stpetersmo.net under the Businesses pull-down menu. Here are some recently recognized businesses:

Krey Distributing Company • 1991
West Star Industries • 1992
Crown Vision Center • 1992
Walgreens #2733 • 1992
St. Johns Bank and Trust • 1992
I hope you enjoy your summer. Also be sure to check at www.stpetersmo.net/pools.

The comments contained in this section reflect only the writers’ opinions.

What’s So Super about this Summer Sizzler?

I’m excited to announce that the City of St. Peters is able to offer a special deal to all St. Peters Rec-Plex annual members for the summer. If you’re a Rec-Plex annual member, you’re entitled to a FREE pass to our outdoor pools in 2018! Usually, when we offer this deal, we call it the “Summer Sizzler.” We’re calling this year’s special the Super Summer Sizzler. Why super? Because in 2018, we’re also opening The Cove at St. Peters!

So, as a Rec-Plex annual member, you can save as much as $285 on an outdoor pool pass in 2018 because you get FREE access to both The Cove at St. Peters and Laurel Park Pool! The Super Summer Sizzler is a great benefit to our existing annual Rec-Plex members, and it’s also a great incentive if you’re thinking about joining the Rec-Plex as an annual member.

The Rec-Plex is already a great value with so much to offer: the world-class indoor Natatorium swimming and diving facility, three NHL-size ice skating rinks, 8,000 square feet of workout space (cardio and weight rooms combined), indoor walking track, open play basketball, volleyball and pickleball, and NEW this year, a Youth Fitness Room for ages 7-12. Your child can stay active at the Youth Fitness Room while you get a great workout at the Rec-Plex!

But, wait, as they say on those infomercials, THERE’S MORE! We’re offering even more benefits this summer to our Rec-Plex members. Through September 2018, Rec-Plex members also get FREE access to another new facility—our Dynamic Training Center (DTC)! This facility has 10,000 square feet of workout/training space, including a 3-lane sprint track, 8,000 square feet of astro turf and a variety of dynamic training equipment to help you renew your drive for fitness.

You could get a great workout at the DTC (attached to the Rec-Plex South) and walk a few steps to The Cove at St. Peters (across the parking lot from Rec-Plex South) to cool off in a pool, one of the great water features or just relax poolside. The Cove will be a facility with something for both kids and adults alike.

Oh, and another thing: St. Peters residents also enjoy reduced pricing at City of St. Charles outdoor pools. And, in return, City of St. Charles residents get resident rates at the Rec-Plex and St. Peters outdoor pools. This is thanks to a parks agreement between our two cities. I know that a lot of people in St. Peters live close to Wapelhorst aquatic facility. Wapelhorst was improved with a big project in 2018 … check out all it has to offer, including lazy river and river walking. Learn more about the parks agreement and how you can take advantage at www.stpetersmo.net/pools.

I hope you enjoy your summer. Also be sure to check out all of our great parks and trails and make the trip over to 370 Lakeside Park—our hometown getaway—to enjoy fishing, boating, biking, hiking, camping, archery, spraygrounds, the St. Peters Rotary Club Dog Park, a pavilion reservation … or just sit along the lake and enjoy a free beautiful sunset!

Don’t forget that the City of St. Peters hosts a FREE Sunset Fridays concert series at the 370 Lakeside corporate pavilion with a variety of music on 12 dates! Learn more at www.stpetersmo.net/Sunset.

Our national motto, “In God We Trust.”

Summertime Fun at the Waterside!

What is your favorite summertime event? A very popular place to unwind in St. Peters is our Sunset Fridays concert series held at the 370 Lakeside Corporate Pavilion. Each year residents from St. Peters and all around our county gather for free live weekly concerts beside the lake. Watching a colorful sunset by the water while enjoying music and being with loved ones and friends is priceless. Concertgoers of all ages dance to a wide variety of music, and children can now cool off during those steamy summer nights at our new splash pad close by. Food, soda and beer are available to purchase, or you can bring your own. (Outside alcoholic beverages may not be brought into the Corporate Pavilion area.) A group of regulars that attend every Friday evening make a party of it by bringing picnic food and sometimes that includes my summertime favorite, an ice-cold watermelon.

If you get there early enough, you can find a table under the pavilion or if you would rather, bring a lawn chair or blanket. Every once in a while, lighted hula hoops can be seen circling off to the side in beat with the music. It’s little things like this along with friends laughing and chatting together that makes Sunset Fridays the talk of the town each summer!

Looking forward to such a fun event at the end of the week can put a smile on your face. I hope you take advantage of this free concert series by bringing your family and friends. By the way, many of your St. Peters elected officials attend each week and we would enjoy visiting with you. If you would like to view the Sunset Friday bands playing each week, visit our City website at www.stpetersmo.net/sunset.

St. Peters is a hometown to be proud of. The amenities we have to offer make our quality of life second to none, so enjoy our City and all it has to offer. Feel free to contact me if you have a question. I am here to help you and your family when you need me and always remember that your concern is my concern!
The truth is, your lawn probably only needs one or two applications of fertilizer each year, depending on the type of grass you have. Don’t use more than you need—follow product label instructions carefully. Sweep any excess fertilizer off hard surfaces back into your grass when you’re done applying. Don’t fertilize before it’s supposed to rain, and don’t over-water your garden or lawn. Check the weather forecast to find a dry day to apply fertilizer. Soaker hoses are also a good way to avoid nutrient run-off.

Another good idea is to take some of your soil to the University of Missouri Extension office at 260 Brown Road in Old Town St. Peters. Ask them to test your soil and let you know what nutrients you need to put on your lawn and garden. The extension office also can give you tips on what time of year to fertilize your lawn. This way you can avoid paying too much for fertilizer. Win-win for you and our streams and storm basins.

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I am also excited that we have Act Two Theatre in our center showcasing several plays throughout the year. The local talent is exceptional and most recently won awards for two recent plays, “The Boys Next Door” and “Drop Dead!” Our performing arts center auditorium seats 306 and has plays that will make you laugh, cry or just enjoy the affordable local hometown talent. Please check out the plays, you will be glad you did.

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I encourage you to stop in and see what you have been missing. You will not be disappointed!

Thanks again for letting me be a part of our City government and your voice at City Hall. It is truly my honor and I am happy to answer any of your concerns and listen to any of your suggestions. Have a great summer and take some time to make some great memories ...

Judy Bateman
Ward 2

Don Aytes
Ward 4

Our Wonderful Cultural Arts Centre

I want to take the opportunity to draw your attention to a crowning jewel we have in our great community. I know you are thinking we have so many here, our Rec-Plex, our 370 Lakeside Park, our Premier 370 Business Park, our Justice Center, our wonderful parks and trails … the list continues to grow. But one amenity we share in our City is our exceptional Cultural Arts Centre.

Our Cultural Arts Centre is spearheaded by the talented Cindy DuBois. She and her talented staff along with numerous volunteers have succeeded in hosting a true state of the art center.

The classes and the endless opportunities to share in your skills and artistic accomplishments is such a benefit to our region.

The Cultural Arts Centre welcomes all ages, children through seniors, to participate in any skill level they choose. We welcome artists, musicians and anyone so inclined to show their creativity. Hosting special events in our beautiful art gallery is another opportunity at the Cultural Arts Centre.

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Too Much Fertilizer Can Cause Pond Scum!

Everybody wants a beautiful yard with a green lawn and lots of healthy flowers. Did you know that you can actually use too much fertilizer? When that happens, nutrients from your fertilizer runs off when it rains. Where do all those nutrients go? They end up in our streams and stormwater basins.

The next thing you know, our beautiful neighborhood stormwater basins are getting green with algae. That excess fertilizer that people put on their lawns is causing that ugly algae to grow. This pond scum can cause odor problems, suck oxygen from the water and suffocate fish and other wildlife.

The truth is, your lawn probably only needs one or two applications of
Recycle and Win!

Recycling puts our landfill on a diet, and it also puts your trash bill on a diet! Every time you recycle, we save money on tipping fees at the landfill. Then, when we sell your recycled items, the money we receive also helps keep our trash service costs low.

As an added incentive, St. Peters residents can win prizes just by recycling! Our annual recycling contest is underway for everyone who returned a “Promise Postcard” that was included in the pack of Blue Bags delivered this year to St. Peters homes.

If you pledged to recycle, you could win a monthly prize of a $50 gift card or even an annual grand prize of a $100 gift card!

Monthly $50 gift card prizes will be awarded to 12 winners—three from each ward—from May through October. Four grand prize winners, one from each ward, will be announced during a drawing at the Board of Aldermen meeting in November.

Subscribe to receive UpFront email newsletters at www.stpetersmo.net/Subscribe to see who won just by recycling!

Remember: Recycling is easy with St. Peters’ Blue Bags. Just put paper items and boxes in one Blue Bag and put all containers (plastic, glass, tin cans, aluminum, etc.) in another Blue Bag. When either bag is full, double-tie it shut and place it inside your City trash cart/dumpster.

If you run low on your supply of Blue Bags before the next delivery, simply tie an empty Blue Bag to the handle of your trash cart as a signal to the driver to leave you a new roll. Blue Bags are also available at Recycle City, City Hall and the St. Peters Rec-Plex.

For convenience, you can also get two backboards that hold your blue bags in place. They’re available free to St. Peters residents at City Hall or Recycle City.

PLEASE: Use Blue Bags for recycling only! They are not to be used for trash, yard waste, storage or other purposes.

Learn more at www.stpetersmo.net/Recycle.

Aluminum Can Buy-Back Premium on July 5

Don’t trash those aluminum cans from your Independence Day party: Liberate them on July 5 and cash in with a premium buy-back rate at St. Peters Recycle City! On Thursday, July 5, Recycle City is paying an additional 2 cents above the posted buy-back rate for aluminum.

Aluminum can buy-back is available at Recycle City, 131 Ecology Dr., during regular office hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, except during holiday hours. Aluminum buy-back is not available on July 4.

Learn more at www.stpetersmo.net/Recycle.

Carter Lewis & Family, Ward 3 Residents

Carter Lewis, age 7, of Ward 3 was nominated by Katrina Hurter and Dianne Baniak for a Random Acts of Kindness award for his efforts to help a local animal shelter after his family dog passed away. Carter raised $70 through a lemonade stand and donated it to Five Acres Animal Shelter. His family also donated over 250 pounds of dry dog food left over from the family dog. These random acts of kindness were thoughtful ways to make a difference and honor the memory of their beloved family pet.

To nominate someone you know for a Random Act of Kindness award, visit www.stpetersmo.net. Nominees must reside or own a business in the City of St. Peters.
HELP CONTROL MOSQUITOES!

Did you know that just one bottle cap filled with water can serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes? The warmer it gets, the sooner mosquitoes start looking for places to lay their eggs. The best way to reduce the mosquito population near your home is to look for anything that can collect water and dump it out. Then, to keep it from collecting water again, either cover it, store it inside, or stand it upside down or on its side to allow the water to drain easily.

Even covered items such as BBQ grills, fire pits and pools need to be checked because they can collect water, too. If you have any kiddie pools or splash toys, the water should be emptied at least once a week, and if you leave water bowls outside for your pets, the water should be changed out daily. For more tips on what you can do to help keep mosquitoes under control, visit www.stpetersmo.net or call the St. Peters Health Department at 636-970-1456.

KEEP YOUR PETS COOL THIS SUMMER

We all know what to do when it’s hot outside: Put on sunscreen, wear hats and sunglasses, find shade, don’t over-exert yourself and drink lots of water. But we can’t forget about the furry members of our family, too. City ordinance requires all residents to provide adequate shade, shelter and water for pets when they are outdoors. Here are some additional hot weather tips for your pets:

- **WATER:** Always try to have fresh, cool drinking water available for your pets even if that means having two water bowls.

- **SHADE:** Make sure there is plenty of shade when your pet is outside. As the sun changes, be aware of what shade is still available.

- **EXERCISE:** Don’t over-exercise your pet, especially midday. Schedule walks for early morning or late afternoon or evening. If you are walking your pets, try to keep them in the grass or dirt. Hot pavement is just as painful on pets’ paws as it is on our bare feet. The pads on their feet can burn and cause them to overheat more quickly. After the walk, check their paws for pain or redness and use cold water to ease the burn.

- **GROOMING:** Your pet may need more or less fur in order to stay cool—check with a groomer or veterinarian to see what’s best for them.

- **CAR RIDES:** NEVER leave your pet in a hot car. Temperatures rise rapidly and your pet could succumb to heat stroke within minutes.

It’s important to be able to recognize the symptoms of overheating in pets, which may include: excessive panting, drooling, weakness, unresponsiveness, seizures, discoloration in tongue or gums, dizziness, diarrhea and vomiting. If you think your pet may be suffering from heatstroke, immediately move them to a cool, shady area, try to lower their temperature by placing them in cool (not cold) water, apply ice to their head and neck, and if conditions worsen, take them to a veterinarian as soon as possible.

CYBERSECURITY: ARE YOU PREPARED FOR AN ATTACK?

In this day and age, it seems like we are always connected, whether it’s through our phones, “smart” devices in our homes or even our cars. The more advances that are made in technology, the more information is broadcasted, which means even more opportunities for hackers to break in and steal your information. Or, they may hack you in order to take control of your device and use you to attack someone else.

**SOCIAL ENGINEERING ATTACKS**

One of the more popular types of hackers these days are “social engineers” who trick people into revealing important, confidential information in order to compromise an individual or an organization. “Phishing” is a common social engineering tactic in which an attacker sends an email under false pretenses in order to trick someone into supplying them with personal information.

There is also “vishing” and “smishing,” which are voice and SMS text versions of “phishing.” Attackers even use social media to research targeted individuals and build better “phishing lures” to get people to fall for phishing scams.

As a general rule, use caution when giving out your personal information online, and don’t click on links in emails from addresses you don’t recognize. Make sure your computer has some sort of antivirus program or firewall installed to protect you from attacks. Whether at work or at home, if you notice suspicious activity on your computer or laptop, don’t turn it off, rather disconnect from the network then report the issue to IT.

**PROTECT YOUR PASSWORDS**

When it comes to passwords, treat them like your toothbrush: Don’t share it with anyone, change it regularly (every three months is recommended) and choose a good one. A good password is one that is not easily guessable to others, but easily remembered by you so there is no need to write it down or keep it in a file or program on your computer.

The typical password length requirement is only eight characters, but even if you use symbols and numbers, it is actually harder to crack a 15-character password that is a phrase in all lowercase letters. Utilizing two-factor authentication is another good practice when logging into accounts.

For more tips on how to protect yourself from fraudulent scams, visit www.stpetersmo.net/police.
2018 BUS TOURS

GERMAN HERMANN
Friday, June 15
8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. • $95
Tour highlights: Visit the Deutschheim State Historic Site, enjoy a delicious German lunch at the famous Hermann Wurst Haus, take a tram ride tour of the 200-acre Hermann Farm Museum and more!

ARROW ROCK AND THE LYCEUM THEATRE
Thursday, July 26 • 8 a.m.–7 p.m. • $116
Tour highlights: Visit the tiny restored towns of Blackwater and Arrow Rock and enjoy a fried chicken lunch at J. Huston Tavern, explore the 1840 Huston Store and the historic Bingham House, watch a performance of Footloose at Arrow Rock’s award-winning Lyceum Theatre and more!

TO REGISTER or to learn more about motorcoach tours, go online to www.stpetersmo.net/rec-connect or call 636-939-2386, ext. 1400.

TAKE A CLASS AT THE CULTURAL ARTS CENTRE

FROM oil painting to watercolor painting, musical theatre, voice lessons and even fencing, St. Peters Cultural Arts Centre has a class for you! For more information including how to register, visit www.stpetersmo.net/arts. All classes are held at the Cultural Arts Centre.

VISUAL ARTS CLASSES

JERRY THOMAS ART CLINICS:
2-5 p.m. Fridays
$12 Cultural Arts Centre members; $15 non-member

SHIRLEY NACHTRIEB WATERCOLOR BASICS CLASS
Every Tuesday, July 24-Aug. 28
$100 for six weeks

LORRAINE McFARLAND OPEN STUDIO PASTEL CLASSES
9 a.m.-4 p.m. second Thursdays of the month • $60 per class

DANIEL FISHBACK OIL PAINTING CLASSES
Four-Week Sessions • 5:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays • $100

PERFORMING ARTS CLASSES

BASIC CLASSICAL FENCING
Eight-Class Sessions • $61 Residents/$71 General Public
7-8 p.m. Mondays • Next session: July 9-Aug. 27

MUSICAL THEATRE CLASS
4:45-5:45 p.m. Mondays & noon-4 p.m. Sundays
Ages 10-18 • $15/class

ST. PETERS PERFORMING ARTS STUDIO LESSONS
Guitar, voice & piano: $85/month • Violin: Starting at $90/month

ACROSTIC MUSIC JAM
6:30-9 p.m. every Wednesday
$3/person at the door
St. Peters Cultural Arts Centre
Open to music lovers and musicians of all skill levels! Whether you like to play an instrument, or enjoy listening to local musicians jamming, everyone is welcome at Acoustic Music Jam!
They say a picture is worth a thousand words. Two Cultural Arts Centre groups, Oak Leaf Artist Guild and Saturday Writers, are putting this theory to the test at the “Pen and Paint” Art Exhibit at the Cultural Arts Centre, on display now through June 24.

Ten members from each of these groups were paired together anonymously to bring the written word to life through art. The finished products, both poems or stories of 1,000 words or less and interpretive artwork, will be on display side by side at the “Pen and Paint” Art Exhibit for all to view and read.

The collaborative project was the brainchild of Cultural Arts Centre Leader Cindy DuBois, who has loved watching the project come full circle.

“This is exactly what I imagined when I came up with the idea for this show,” DuBois said. “As an artist and writer myself, it’s beautiful to see them come together like this.”

Writer Bob Weismiller and artist Lois Prettyman had never met, but when Lois received Bob’s short story submission, “The Last Stroll of Santiago,” to interpret, she knew she was up for the challenge.

“It was fun for me,” Lois said. “But it was a challenge because the story is extremely descriptive yet very concise. It was fun referring back to the story when I needed some guidance as far as what to paint.”

Lois is actually a writer herself who has illustrated her own books before, but she’s never illustrated something for someone she’s never even met.

“The story was beautifully written and I really appreciate you letting me do this,” Lois told Bob.

When Lois revealed her illustration to Bob for the first time, you could feel the connection they had through their respective arts; it was truly a beautiful moment. In fact, Lois even offered to give Bob the painting after the show was over. He and his wife were beside themselves.

“Oh, wow,” Bob said, in awe. “This painting is amazing, you did a fantastic job. My story doesn’t do this justice.”

It was the challenge that attracted Bob to this project as well.

“It was really kind of a challenge because of the 1,000-word limit, and you’re trying to tell a story with a conflict, but you had to make it flexible enough that artists will want to paint it,” he explained. “To me that was the toughest part: Coming up with a conflict and not giving too much detail so it would give the artist some freedom to do what they had to do.”

When asked if Bob was able to accomplish that, Lois nodded her head in agreement.

“It was loose enough to inspire you, yet it didn’t make you zero in on anything too specific,” she said. Perhaps it is also true then, that you can paint a picture with words.

Check out the “Pen and Paint” Art Exhibit now through June 24 at the Cultural Arts Centre. For more information about the Oak Leaf Artist Guild and Saturday Writers, visit www.stpetersmo.net/arts.
At the Rec-Plex:
Swimming, ice skating, indoor/outdoor games plus a weekly field trip! Sports Camps include baseball, basketball, cheer, dance, flag football, futsal-soccer, pickleball, volleyball, ice hockey and figure skating!

At the Cultural Arts Centre:
Clay Camps, Fencing Camp, and themed Drawing/Painting Camps begin June 4!