



Summer 2017 Columbia Quarterly

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We are proud to introduce our new logo and updated Fritz Schnickel — distinguishing Columbia with vibrant colors, and portraying our “Traditionally Progressive” aspirations. Combined, they represent our strong traditions and continued efforts to make the City of Columbia an outstanding place to live, work and play.

My fellow Mayors and I continue to work with our partners at the Illinois Municipal League to lobby our state legislators for a fair budget. While we don’t expect a state budget to be adopted in the near future, it is important to know that the City of Columbia is in a strong financial position and is prepared to withstand reasonable cuts to local government funding. While this is something we are working to prevent, it may be a reality in the current political environment in the State of Illinois.

In April, the City Council approved the FY 2017-2018 Operating Budget which contained surpluses in most funds. The City has continued to improve our financial position as a result of the strong local economy and hard work by our City officials and staff.

Summer fun is upon us; we have lots of family activities to help fill your schedule. Check out the calendar on the back for fun events, and for this fun answer ... (When do you go at red and stop at green?)

Please don’t hesitate to contact me at 281-7144 x 109, at home at 281-5199 or khutchinson@columbiaillinois.com with any questions or concerns. Have a safe and fun summer!



Mayor Hutchinson



TOTAL ECLIPSE IN COLUMBIA – AUGUST 21, 2017

Columbia is in the Path of Totality!

A total solar eclipse will take place on Monday, August 21, 2017. A solar eclipse occurs when the Moon passes between Earth and the Sun, thereby totally or partly obscuring the image of the Sun for a viewer on Earth. The total duration of totality in Columbia is 1 minute and 49 seconds, and starts at 1:17:41 p.m., but you will notice it getting darker and darker once the partial phase starts at 11:50:06 a.m.

Total Eclipse in the Park Music and Food Truck Event

To celebrate this momentous occasion, we’re having a viewing party at Bolm-Schuhkraft Park from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm! Join us for live music and grab a delicious lunch at one of the food trucks that will be on site.

Eye Safety for Viewing the Total Eclipse

Even when 99% of the Sun’s surface is obscured during the partial phases of a total eclipse, the remaining photospheric crescent is intensely bright and cannot be viewed safely without eye protection and only with filters designed for this purpose. [Ralph Chou, 1981; Marsh, 1982]. Do not attempt to observe the partial or annular phases of any eclipse with the naked eye or even with polarized or non-polarized sunglasses.

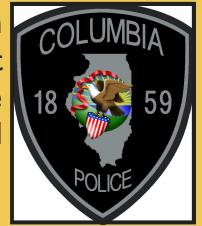
You can wear solar eclipse glasses specifically made to protect your eyes from harmful solar radiation anytime you look at the Sun or the Sun’s reflection. Partial eclipses, annular eclipses, and the partial phases of total eclipses are never safe to watch without taking special precautions. **The City has a supply of Eclipse Shades® – Safe Solar Eclipse Glasses for sale at the Clerk’s office while supplies last.** Glasses are \$1 each. Columbia’s Historic Main Street Association will also sell the glasses at Columbia Days and during the Total Eclipse in the Park event on August 21, again while supplies last so be sure to get yours soon!

MESSAGE FROM COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT



The world's oldest and largest Police Canine Association (USPCA) is coming to Columbia June 8 - 11. These are the police dogs protecting America. The Columbia Police Department is hosting the United States Police Canine Association Region 16 field trial event at Bolm-Schuhkraft Park. Over thirty-five canine teams from our region will be competing for the opportunity to progress to the national level. Watch the dogs compete in obedience, agility, bite work, criminal apprehension and narcotic detection. Saturday night's event starts off with a parade of canine teams down Main Street at 5:00 pm leading into Bolm-Schuhkraft

Park for a 6:00 pm demonstration. The Columbia Kiwanis will have food and drinks for sale during the event and all emergency services will be on hand from the Columbia Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services to support all the Canine teams.



Please visit www.columbiaillinois.com—calendar for a detailed agenda for this four day event.

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Admiral Trost Park Master Plan

The City will be implementing Phase 1 of the Admiral Trost Park Master Plan. The project will be put out to bid this summer. The project consists of the construction of a three acre wetland, two pedestrian bridges, decorative hardscape, and native plantings. The proposed wetlands will be located in the northwestern portion of the park. The proposed goals of the wetlands are to improve water quality, increase floodplain storage, and provide educational opportunities for the public within the Carr Creek and Wilson Creek watershed.



News from Columbia Unit School District

The faculty and staff at Columbia CUSD 4 would like to thank the parents, students, and entire community for making the 2016-2017 school year a success. We appreciate your continued support!

Retirements/Degrees: The school district celebrates one teacher who retired at the end of the school year. Congratulations to kindergarten teacher, Cail Furken. Cail has been a kindergarten teacher in Columbia for 26 years! We will miss Cail and wish her the best of luck! Columbia CUSD 4 would also like to congratulate two administrators who recently earned their doctorate degrees. Congratulations to Dr. Courtney Castelli and Dr. Brad Landgraf!

New On-Line Student Registration For Returning Students: The school district will now be registering students for the 2017-2018 school year via a new On-Line Student Registration program through Skyward. Parents with returning students will be able to completely enroll their child/children on-line by updating enrollment information, uploading residency and physical items, paying school fees, and more. On-line Registration will be open for parents beginning July 10 through July 27. For parents who prefer to register on site at the school, school offices will be open on July 18 and July 25. The on-line registration will still be used, but staff will be available for assistance. Please refer to the district's home page for 2017-2018 Student Registration.

New Student Registration: New students residing in Columbia School District should register at the respective school office. Office hours are 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. The secretaries will provide assistance with the paperwork and required documents.

Summer Facility Projects: The summer months will be very busy for Columbia CUSD 4. A new rest room/concession stand will be built at the multi-purpose field with an August 1 expected completion date. In addition, students and staff at Parkview School will be returning to school in August with a new energy efficient geothermal HVAC system that will replace the outdated "end of life" system. The revenue from the facility sales tax makes these two much needed projects possible. For school district information, please access the district's website at www.columbia4.org. Have a great summer!



SPECIAL CENSUS



The City's Special Census will be conducted June through July. Please be aware that Census Takers will be canvassing selected neighborhoods throughout the community during this time. We are asking for everyone's cooperation during the Special Census as the City will see an increase in tax revenue from the State based on our increase in population. Please follow the City's Facebook page for updates.

THANK YOU FOR THE AVENUE OF FLAGS!

**Columbia Chamber
of Commerce**



**Boy Scout Troops
320 and 357
Kiwanis Club**

Columbia is rich with traditions, and one that stands out is the display of red, white and blue on Historic Main Street for every patriotic holiday, as well as Columbia Days. Approximately 90 American flags, purchased by the Columbia Chamber of Commerce, are put up and taken down by Boy Scout Troops 320 & 357 as well as members of the Kiwanis Club. This glorious sight has been going strong for the past 30 years and continues to represent Columbia's patriotic pride. We would like to recognize and give a **BIG THANKS** to these outstanding organizations for their generosity and dedication!

BUSINESS UPDATES

ENT & Sleep Medicine Associates

1000 Eleven South, Suite 4F
Medical office —
ear, nose & throat specialist

Gateway (Cricket) Wireless

120 Columbia Centre
Wireless retail sales

Harvest Market

125 N. Rapp
Farmers market, local produce,
retail store & limited food service

House of Rogue

121 Gundlach
Full service hair salon

Keller Williams

420 Columbia Centre
Real estate office

Family Practice Associates

1000 Eleven South, Suite 2F
Physicians office



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LIBRARY EVENTS

June 6, 10am Summer Reading Kick-Off
June 7, 21 & July 19, 6pm
Stitch & Listen Book Club (Ages 18+)*
June 8 & 28, July 11 & 26
Making Retirement Last (Ages 18+)*
June 10 & July 8: Yoga at Metter Park
(9am: Ages 18+) & (10:30am: 12-17 yrs)
June 12, 19, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 10am
Baby Sign Class (8 mo. to 2 yrs)*
June 13, 10am Colorful Creatures
and 10:30am Dynamic Defenses (3-6)*
June 15, 1pm Book Cover Candy Art
(7-11 yrs)
June 16, 10:30am Juggling Jeff
June 22, 2pm Makeup Tips & Tricks
(12-17 yrs)*
June 29, 10:30pm Essential Oils for
Your Pet*
June 29, 7pm Columbia History Panel
Discussion
July 20, 6pm German Brew Trivia
Night (21+ yrs)*
July 21, 10am How to Draw Minecraft
Characters*

More summer events available, please visit
columbialibrary.org for details.



* Registration Required

Upcoming Events

More details — 281-7144
www.columbiaillinois.com



The City and Columbia Chamber of Commerce Proudly Present: **MUSIC and MOVIES at METTER PARK**

June 11, 6 - 8pm
Waterloo German Band - Sponsored by
Reliable Sanitation & 1st National Bank
June 17, Dusk Featuring
Star Wars - The Force Awakens
June 18, 6 - 8pm
Trophy Mules - Sponsored by
HTC and The Republic-Times
July 2, 6 - 8pm
Silverback: - Sponsored by Mozel
and Joe & Patty Koppeis
July 16, 6 - 8pm
Fanfare - Sponsored by Garden Place
and Red Bud Regional Hospital
July 30, 6 - 8pm
Sofa Kings: Sponsored by
George Weber Chevrolet
August 25, Dusk
Featuring Finding Dory



June 10, July 8, Aug. 12, 8am-Noon:
Appliance & Electronic Recycling
at the DOPW parking lot.

June 8 - 11

Police Canine Field Trial
Competition at Bolm-Schuhkraft Park

June 17, 9am

Fraternal Order of Police 5K Run/Walk
1/2 mile fun run at Borsch Park, Valmeyer

July 4: 10am - noon

CROWN July 4th Bike Parade

ICS to Metter Park. Decorate your bikes
& show your patriotic spirit. Games,
prizes, music & food after the parade,
awards for best decorated bikes.

July 4: 11am

4th of July Celebration

American Legion Bingo,
Klopper, washers tournament,
food, drinks & fabulous fireworks!



August 18 & 19, 4pm - 11pm:

Columbia Days - Amusement rides
& games, music, food & fun!

Parade: Sat.—4pm on Main St.

August 21, 11am - 2pm:

Total Eclipse in the Park

Enjoy a food truck lunch and
music while experiencing the total eclipse.



(When you're eating watermelon.)

For more event information go to www.columbiaillinois.com or call 281-7144

