

City of Ellisville



Trailblazer

Summer 2016

Annual Independence Day Celebration and 5K Race

The City of Ellisville will host its Annual Fourth of July Celebration in Bluebird Park on Monday, July 4th. Festivities begin bright and early with the Ellisville Independence Day 5K beginning at 7:30 a.m. Come back to Bluebird Park at 6:00 p.m. and help us celebrate with the best fireworks in the St. Louis metro area. The evening begins with attractions including a climbing wall, euro bungee, giant slide, great food and drinks and continues with music by Griffin and the Gargoyles and fireworks in the beautiful surroundings of Bluebird Park.

The City of Ellisville is proud to once again partner with the Special Operations Warrior Foundation for this year's 5K Race, and proceeds from the event will go to the Foundation. For more information on the Foundation and how they serve the community, go to www.specialops.org

The run/walk will begin at 7:30 a.m. Check-in time is from 6:30 a.m. - 7:15 a.m. In addition, there is a FREE 1 Mile Kids Run immediately following the 5K run/walk. Registration for the 5K Race is \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 on the day of the event. In-person registration will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 1 with on-line registrations being accepted until midnight. You can register online at <https://raceonline.com/events/independence-day-5k/registration>, by mail, or at the Ellisville Parks Administration Building in Bluebird Park.

For the evening Celebration, shuttle bus services will run to and from Bluebird Park every 15 minutes, beginning at 5:30 p.m., and ending at 11:00 p.m. The two points of departure are: Eaton (formerly Cooper-Bussman), located at 114 Old State Road, and FCC Corporation (formerly known as Fru-Con), at the northwest corner of Clarkson/Clayton.

The only parking permitted in Bluebird Park during the Celebration is reserved for vendors and persons with disabilities. If you are a vendor or a person with a disability

and wish to park in Bluebird Park, please be aware that vehicular traffic will not be allowed to leave the Park until all foot traffic has been cleared.

The July 4th Celebration will offer a fun-filled evening of fun, music, food, and a tremendous firework show. Everyone is welcome to attend! For questions or to request more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 636-227-7508.

Please note that limited seating will be available, and no glass bottles or pets will be allowed in the Park during the Celebration.

Schedule of Events:

6:45 a.m. to 7:15 a.m.	Registration for 5K Run
7:30 a.m.	5K Run Begins
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	EDGE Aquatic Center Holiday Hours
3:00 p.m.	PARK CLOSES
5:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.	Shuttle Buses Run
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Food & Beverage Vendors
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Interactive Games & Bounce Houses
7:00 p.m. to 10:45 p.m.	Griffin and the Gargoyles
9:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Fireworks Display



FOURTH OF JULY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

1. Traffic flow on Kiefer Creek Road will not be interrupted in either direction until approximately 9:30 p.m. at which time the northbound lane of Kiefer Creek Road at Pierside Lane will be closed to allow for the line-up of the shuttle buses to transport visitors to the various designated parking lots.
NOTE: Anyone with a vehicle wishing to leave Bridge Creek Trails, Polo Lake or Wood Hill subdivisions will be allowed to leave their subdivisions but must detour south on Kiefer Creek Road to Pierside Lane. Police Officers will be directing traffic south at Kiefer Creek Road and onto Pierside Lane.
2. At approximately 9:50 p.m., the southbound lane of Kiefer Creek will be closed from Manchester to Bluebird Park to all traffic except emergency vehicles. NOTE: Anyone with a vehicle wishing to leave Carmel Woods or Parkview Estates subdivisions will be allowed to go either direction until 9:30 p.m. and northbound only on Kiefer Creek Road until 9:50 p.m.
3. The roadways will be reopened as soon as the pedestrian traffic has cleared enough to make it reasonably safe; this should be around 11:00 p.m., but pedestrian safety will dictate the actual reopening time of the roadway.
4. Residents walking to and from Bluebird Park from Polo Lake and The Oaks subdivisions are asked to use the sidewalk on Kiefer Creek Road to Woodhill, then the paved trail connecting Bluebird Park to Woodhill and avoid walking on Kiefer Creek Road to the Park. The trail is lighted and patrolled by Police Officers for your safety. This trail will be closed to pedestrian traffic five minutes before the fireworks begin until five minutes after the final discharge for safety reasons.

2016 BEATS AND BITES MUSIC AND FOOD TRUCK THURSDAYS

7-9 p.m.

June 2	Faithfully: Journey Tribute Sponsored by: Allen Roofing and Siding
June 9	Decedy
June 16	Dogs of Society – Tribute to Elton John Sponsored by: West Newsmagazine
June 23	Dr. Zhivegas Sponsored by: Meramec Valley Bank
June 30	Gateway City Big Band
July 4	Griffin and the Gargoyles (Monday: 7:00 - 10:45 p.m.)
July 14	Dirty Muggs
July 21	Dueling Piano Players

Food trucks from 6-8 p.m., Concerts from 7-9 p.m.

Find out if your favorite food truck will be there!
Check our website at www.ellisville.mo.us, “like” us on Facebook, or call the Parks Administration Building at 636-227-7508.

Owl Hollow Park Renovation



Exciting things are happening in Owl Hollow Park this summer! The playground areas in the park will be consolidated into one area and a brand new playground and rubberized safety surfacing will be installed.

Along with the playground, the trail that runs through the park will be overlaid with a new trail surface. Weather permitting, plans are to begin renovation in June.

The majority of the improvements to Owl Hollow Park are being paid for by a grant from the St. Louis County Municipal Park Grant Commission.

Ellisville Police Department Welcomes New Canine Officer Dark

Officer Dark is a 1 1/2 year old German Shepherd who was imported from the Slovak Republic. The majority of the police dogs in service today are imported due to unintentional inbreeding in America. Officer Dark, along with all other working dogs, are bred for their high drive and character traits.

Officer Dark was hand selected by the premier police service dog training center, Shallow Creek Kennels of Sharpsville, Pennsylvania. The owner of Shallow Creek Kennels meets with several breeders in the Slovak Republic where he selects the finest dogs for police service training. Once selected, the dogs are examined by a veterinarian to ensure good health before being brought to the United States.

After the dogs arrive at Shallow Creek Kennels, their training for police service begins. Officer Dark underwent six weeks of training prior to being assigned to Corporal Smith of the Ellisville Police Department. Corporal Smith attended handler training at Shallow Creek Kennels where he and Officer Dark participated in a vigorous six-week training program. The training program was intensive and courses ranged from classroom studies to hands on and scenario based training.

Corporal Smith and Officer Dark are graduates of the 125th class from Shallow Creek Kennels.

Corporal Smith and Officer Dark are certified by the NAPWDA (North American Police Work Dog Association) in drugs, tracking, article searches, and obedience. Officer Dark will live with Corporal Smith and remain his partner until he is no longer able to perform his officer duties, at which time he will be retired. In most circumstances, the police work dogs remain with their assigned officers to live out their lives.

Medical care for Officer Dark will be provided by the Manchester West Veterinary Hospital at no cost. The Ellisville Police Department is privileged to have Manchester West as a partner in its new canine program.





Arts IN THE PARK

@ BLUEBIRD PARK

225 KIEFER CREEK ROAD ELLISVILLE, MO 63021

JUNE 23 6:00 - 9:00 PM



FOOD AND BEVERAGES

LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS!

LIVE MUSIC

WATERCOLOR POTTERY

CONCERT AT THE AMPHITHEATER: DR. ZHIVEGAS

WOODCARVING PHOTOGRAPHY

7:00 - 9:00 PM

PLUS ORIGINAL WORKS OF ART FOR SALE

JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM AND MEET NEW FRIENDS WHILE SUPPORTING THE ARTS. CONTACT SALLY GROBELNY AT 636-227-7508 OR SGROBELNY@ELLISVILLE.MO.US FOR MORE INFORMATION

SPONSORED BY: THE CULTURAL ART GROUP OF ELLISVILLE

Ellisville Community Garden

Are you interested in having a place to grow vegetables, flowers or herbs in the company of friends and neighbors? Is your yard too shady, or do you have too many deer to have a garden? If the answer is yes, you may be interested in a community garden.

The City of Ellisville is currently exploring the possibility of establishing a community garden and is reaching out to residents to find out if there is enough interest to move forward with a

community garden in Bluebird Park. The garden would include individual planting plots, access to water and a fence around the perimeter to keep deer from helping themselves to your garden. If you would be interested in renting a plot at a community garden, contact the Ellisville Parks and Recreation Department at 636-227-7508 or email lblumer@ellisville.mo.us. This information will be used to determine if there is enough interest to move forward with plans for a community garden.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Give the gift of life!

Thursday, August 25, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Parks Administration Building, Bluebird Park
225 Kiefer Creek Road

To schedule an appointment, please visit

www.redcrossblood.org

and use sponsor code: ellisvillecity

Family Movie Night Series

June 24 "Jurassic World" – FREE

July 29 "Free Willy" - \$3.00 per person (Dive-in Movie)

Aug 26 "Dolphin Tale" – \$3.00 per person (Dive-in Movie)

Sept 30 "Hotel Transylvania 2" – FREE

Ellisville Bike Share Memberships Are Now Available

Riding a bike can be a lot of fun, a great low impact cardio workout and a wonderful way to enjoy the outdoors and explore your community. New to

Bluebird Park are six bicycles that are available to ride in the park and the surrounding area. The bikes are unisex and easily adjusted to fit riders that are 5' and over. To use a bike, just come to the Ellisville Parks

Administration Building in Bluebird Park and obtain your free membership. After you have an Ellisville Bike Share Membership, you will



be given a code to unlock the bike and instructions on how to use the bikes. Memberships are free for Ellisville Residents, \$10 each for

non-resident individuals, and \$20 for a non-resident family. Individuals must be at least 18 years old to obtain a membership and provide a valid driver's license or state I.D. A helmet should be worn but is not provided.

Additional information about the Ellisville Bike Share Program is on the City website at: www.ellisville.mo.us

Basketball and Pickleball in Bluebird Park

Are you interested in playing basketball or pickleball in Bluebird Park? If you are, we'd like to hear from you. Right now the City is considering adding a multipurpose court for basketball and two courts for pickleball. Pickleball is a sport that has become very popular nationwide for people of all ages and combines badminton, ping pong and tennis.

Currently there is not a dedicated area in Bluebird Park for either of these popular sports, so the City would like to find out from Ellisville residents if they would be interested in the City adding a facility in Bluebird Park for basketball and pickleball. If you are interested in these facilities being added, please contact Parks and Recreation Director, Lisa Blumer at lblumer@ellisville.mo.us or attend a public meeting of the Ellisville Park Board on Monday, July 25 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Parks Administration Building in Bluebird Park. At the meeting there will be some preliminary drawings presented about this proposed facility and how it can be incorporated into the park.

Summer Tennis Lessons

Quick Start Tennis 1: Ages 4-7

Quick Start Tennis 2: Ages 8-16

These programs were developed by the United States Tennis Association (USTA) and are an exciting way to help kids learn and play the game of tennis. Even if your child has never picked up a tennis racquet, Quick Start Tennis stresses the importance of actually playing the game of tennis, having fun playing with friends, and developing skills that will become the foundation of their game.

Learn to Rally and Play: Ages 8-16

This lesson was also designed by the USTA. The goals are to get the children playing the game as quickly as possible so they can enjoy the experience of hitting balls back and forth over the net.

Adult Tennis: Age 16+

Learn the fundamentals of tennis including forehand, backhand, volley, serves, etc. This lesson is also designed for tournament level players who want to advance in stroke analysis and tactics.

You can register online at www.ellisville.mo.us, by phone at 636-227-7508, or in person at the Parks Administration Building in Bluebird Park.

Bluebird Day Camps

Exciting New Themes This Year: Animal Kingdom, Wilderness Adventure and Time Travels

Voyager Day Camps – Ages 5-12. This day camp provides campers the opportunity to participate in a wide range of fun and adventurous outdoor activities. Camp will be held in Bluebird Park from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Camp Little Bird – Ages 3-5. This preschool day camp will entertain campers through a variety of outdoor activities. All children must be 3 years old by the start of each session and potty trained to attend this camp. Camp will be held at Bluebird Park from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

You can register online at www.ellisville.mo.us or on the phone 636-227-7508 or in person at the Parks Administration Building.

AQUATIC PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Swim Lessons at the EDGE Group and Private Swim Lessons Available

One of the best gifts you can give your child (or yourself!) is learning to swim. We offer swim lessons for all ages that are designed to allow the participants to have fun in the water while learning important swimming skills. Swimmers will learn the basic skills that build on one another as the levels increase.

You can register online at www.ellisville.mo.us, by phone at 636-227-7508, or in person at the Parks Administration Building in Bluebird Park.

Night Waves Pool Parties

Calling all incoming and current middle school students around St. Louis! Enjoy music, games, and fun while hanging out with old friends and meeting new ones. Food and drinks will be available to purchase at a nominal fee.

- Thursday, June 2, 8-10PM, Webster Groves Aquatic Center
- Thursday, June 9, 8-10PM, Manchester Aquatic Center
- Friday, June 17, 8:15-10:15PM, Webster Groves Aquatic Center
- Friday, June 24, 8-10PM, The EDGE in Ellisville
- Friday, July 1, 8-10PM, North Pointe in Ballwin
- Thursday, July 7, 8-10PM, Chesterfield Family Aquatic Center
- Thursday, July 14, 8-10PM, Maplewood Aquatic Center
- Friday, July 22, 8-10PM, The Timbers in Eureka
- Friday, July 29, 8-10PM, The Lodge in Des Peres
- Friday, August 5, 8-10PM, Kirkwood Aquatic Center

PROOF OF RESIDENCY AT THE EDGE AQUATIC CENTER

Don't forget to purchase your EDGE Aquatic Center Membership

(go to www.ellisville.mo.us for membership rates) or your Ellisville Resident I.D. for \$3.00*. The Resident I.D. is proof that you live in Ellisville and allows you to pay the Ellisville Daily Admission Rate of \$3.00 for children and seniors and \$4.00 for adults. If you don't have the Resident I.D., the general admission fee is \$6.00.

*When you purchase your Resident I.D., you will receive a voucher for a FREE DAY at the EDGE!

You can purchase an EDGE Membership or Resident I.D. at the Ellisville Parks Administration Building in Bluebird Park. To show proof of residency, please bring a current utility bill or personal property tax receipt showing your Ellisville address.



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Service Request Form

If you have a City-related request or question, please complete the form below. Provide a brief description of the request and the location. Fill in your name, address, and daytime number so that we may keep you informed. Mail or deliver to City Hall, 1 Weis Ave. Ellisville, MO 63011

Please indicate your problem by marking the appropriate box:

<input type="checkbox"/> Speeding	<input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalk
<input type="checkbox"/> Illegal parking	<input type="checkbox"/> Dogs Barking
<input type="checkbox"/> Litter	<input type="checkbox"/> Weeds
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Trimming	<input type="checkbox"/> Pedestrian Trails
<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Sign	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks
<input type="checkbox"/> Street Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Street Light
<input type="checkbox"/> Abandoned Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise Nuisance
<input type="checkbox"/> Stormwater	<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Signal

Brief Description (or other problem not listed)

Location of Problem

Your Name _____
 Your Address _____
 Daytime Phone _____