



TOUCHING BASE

Volume 3, Issue 5

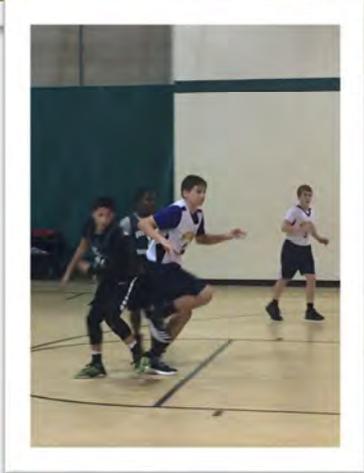
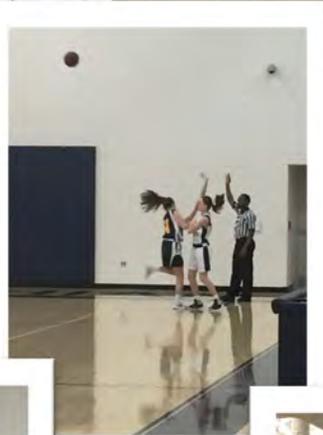
February 2, 2018

DID SOMEONE SAY BASKETBALL?

Youth basketball is in full swing and the action is awesome. Our four leagues offer opportunities for children ages 7-18. Games are held at various sites throughout the county on Saturdays and Sundays.

This issue

Basketball	1
Rockwood Nature Center	2
History	3-4
Trails	5
Park Operations	6-12

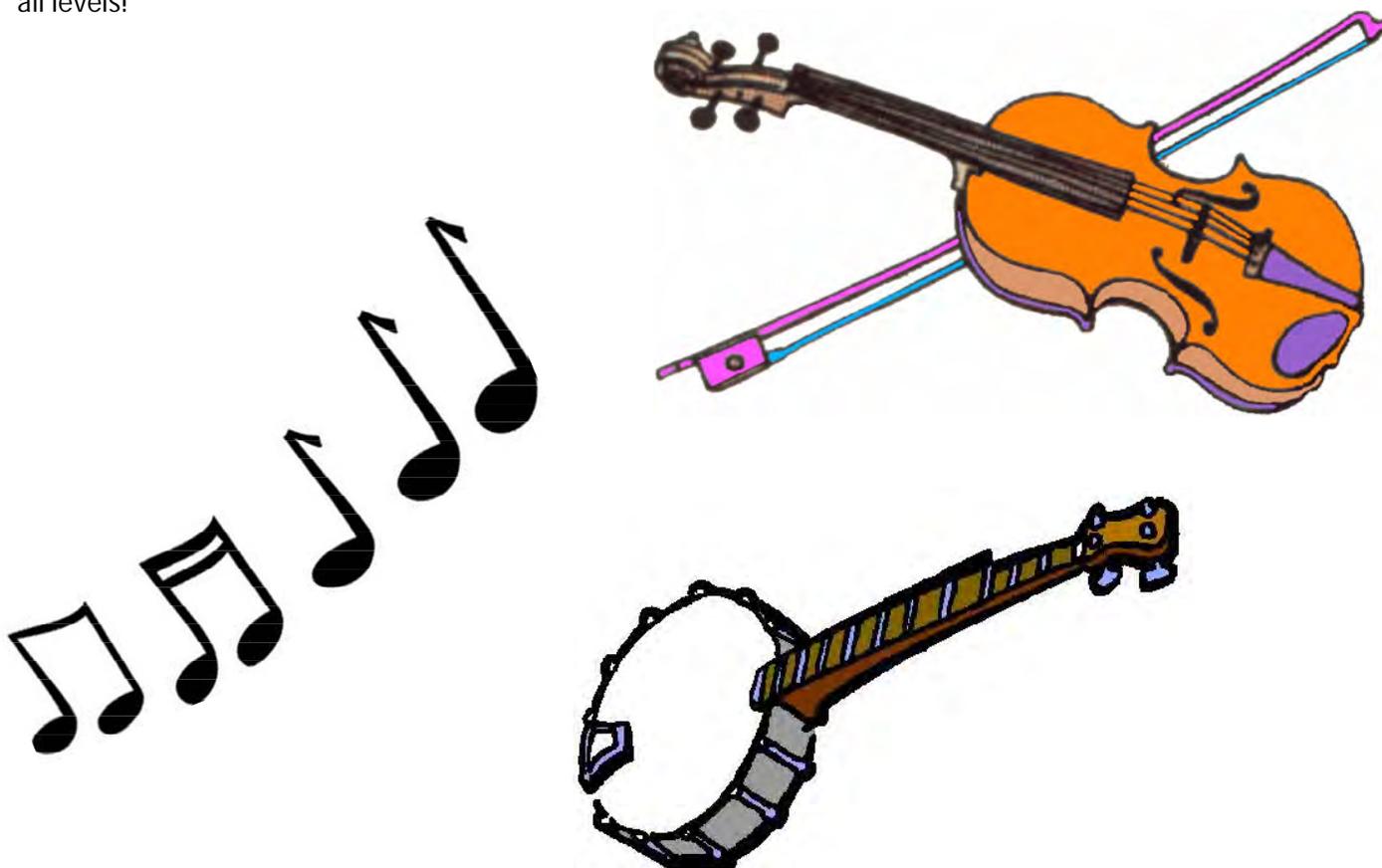


ROCKWOOD NATURE CENTER

Old Time Jam

Old Time Jam practice at Rockwood Nature Center has continued to be a fun and inviting group for everyone! Though they love to practice sounds and songs together, group president Gary Whaley has also created a tune book and C.D. for any new additions who want to join in and quickly learn some of their most played songs!

The Old Time Jam meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Rockwood Nature Center Classroom and is open to all levels!



HISTORY

Solving the Puzzle of Chesterfield's Past through Archaeology

On Saturday, January 27, Solving the Puzzle of Chesterfield's Past through Archaeology was held at the County Museum. Historical Society staff member Bill Doerken described how the work of an archaeologist can help us learn about life in early 19th century Chesterfield. He discussed how archaeology at Magnolia Grange revealed details of the outbuildings, such as the kitchen and smokehouse. Later, children dug for artifacts and they were evaluated. Families enjoyed solving the puzzle of "mending" pottery sherds.



HISTORY

Heirloom Herbs for 50+ Active Lifestyles

An Active Lifestyles, 50+ program was presented at the County Museum on January 24: Heirloom Herbs: Their History and Folklore. The seniors in attendance listened to folklore of garden herbs such as rosemary, sage, lavender and thyme and learned some of their historical uses for fragrance, medicine and flavoring. They enjoyed making fragrant herbal sachets out of lavender, chamomile and peppermint.



TRAILS

River Relic Boardwalk at Dutch Gap is completed with new canoe launch



Dr. James Worsley, Director and Scott Zaremba, Deputy County Administrator Management Services take in the view, including a citizen photographer.

PARK OPERATIONS

Storm Drain Marking at Clover Hill Athletic Complex

The Storm Drain Marking Program, operated by Environmental Engineering, is an effort to educate the public about not polluting the water by dumping in storm drains. These markers are at Clover Hill Athletic Complex and help keep the Swift Creek Reservoir clean.



PARK OPERATIONS

Horner Park Shop Construction

Phase 1 of Horner Park is currently under construction which includes District 5's maintenance shop. Estimated completion is April.



PARK OPERATIONS

Equipment Maintenance



Winter time is equipment maintenance time in parks. Crews worked on a 20 year old tractor getting rid of rusting spots from our fertilization program.

PARK OPERATIONS

Rehabbing lacrosse goals



District 5 crew rehabbing goals in lieu of upcoming tournaments at River City Sportsplex and Chesterfield Technical Center @ Hull.



PARK OPERATIONS

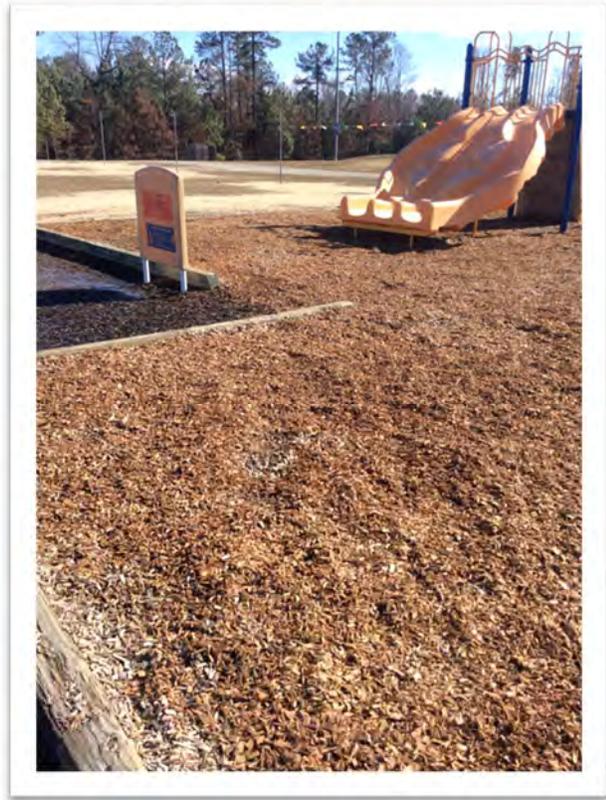
Parking lot maintenance

Tournament Time is here again and with that parking lot maintenance needs to be done at River City Sportsplex. We are preparing for the first of 6 weekends straight of soccer tournaments.

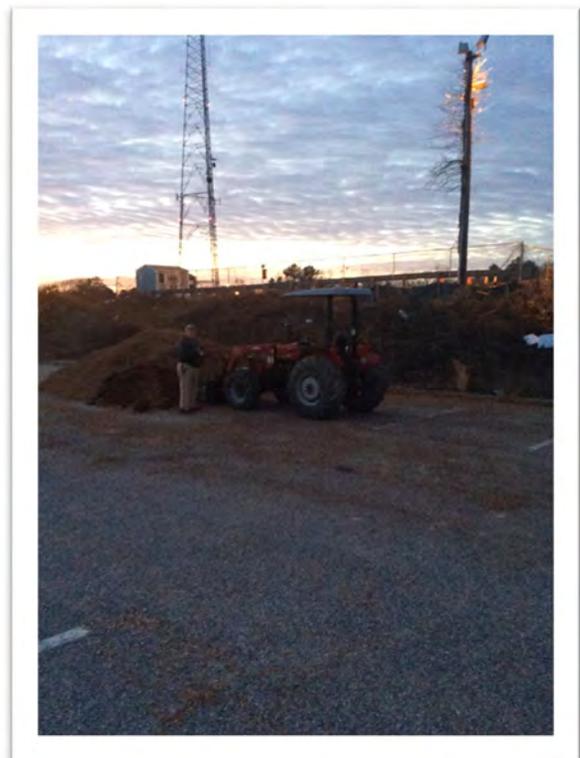


PARK OPERATIONS

Top dressing playgrounds



Crews have been busy getting playgrounds ready at Spring Run, Alberta Smith, Winterpock, Grange Hall, Clover Hill and Woolridge elementary schools.



PARK OPERATIONS

Improved entrance to Midlothian High School



The student entrance has had extensive grading, seeding, tree pruning and sign replacement.



SOCIAL MEDIA



www.facebook.com/chesterfieldvaparksrec



www.twitter.com/CCPRVA

Chesterfield.gov/parks



YAY OR NAY?

