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CITY TALK TODAY

Tune in to City Talk today on WGCV 620 AM
from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. to hear:



5:00 p.m.– 5:20 p.m.

Guest: Mary Pat Baldauf, Sustainability Facilitator, Public Works

Topic: Recycling

5:20 p.m. - 5:40 p.m.

Guest: Lee Thompson, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, Parks & Recreation

Topic: The City's After-School Program

5:40 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Guest: Shelia Hudson, Co-founder, Motorcycle, Social & Auto Clubs Alliance of South Carolina

Topic: Pinehurst Back-to-School Bash

For more information about today's topics, contact the
Public Relations Department at 803-545-3020.

NEWS

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2014 - 2015 AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

The City of Columbia Parks and Recreation has announced that the public can begin registering youth ages 6-12 for the 2014-2015 After-School Program.

The program begins August 18, 2014 and will run from 2 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday during the Richland School District One school calendar year. Youth registered for the program will have the opportunity to take part in sports, games, arts & crafts, field trips and appearances from special guests on a weekly basis. Children must be between ages 6-12, as of July 19, 2014, to participate.

The cost for the program is \$30 per week, per child. Snacks will be provided. Special activities may include an additional fee. All payments are to be made at the site of the participant's program. Each week's fees are due prior to the participant's week of care.

After-School Program Locations

Edisto Park

1914 Wiley Street
803-255-8103

Hampton Park

117 Brandon Avenue
803-776-9082

Sims Park

3500 Duncan Street
803-733-8451

Emily Douglas Park

(Teen Program Grades
6th-8th)
2500 Wheat Street
803-733-8531

Heathwood Park

800 Abelia Road
803-733-8446

Woodland Park

6500 Olde Knight
Parkway
803-776-1096

Melrose Park

1500 Fairview Road
803-733-8493

SCE&G TO PERFORM TREE TRIMMING ACTIVITIES AS SCHEDULED

SCE&G will perform tree trimming activities along overhead utility lines in the following neighborhoods for the next two weeks:

Belmont
College Place
Gabel Oaks
Northwood Hills Organization



The purpose of the trimming activities is to increase safety and reliability of the electric service. SCE&G reports an 89 percent improvement in reliability in vegetation related outages in areas where trimming is completed compared to a year ago. The trimming guidelines include removing vegetation within 8-12 feet below and beside the power lines and up to 20 feet above the power lines.

For more information about SCE&G's tree trimming efforts, including helpful tips and suggestions regarding the planting of trees and other vegetation, visit www.sceg.com/treertrimming.

THE CITY'S BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH!

The 2014 Back-to-School Bash will be held on Saturday, August 16 at Finlay Park 12-5 p.m.

The event is free for elementary, middle and high school students. The bash will feature health screenings courtesy of Walgreens, book bag giveaways, a Health & Fitness Zone, entertainment, fitness challenges, vendors, exhibitors, face painting and more. The bash is presented by BlueChoice HealthPlan Medicaid.

For more information, please contact Kim Mitchell at 803-545-3100 or kcmitchell@columbiasc.net.

MAYOR BENJAMIN KICKS OFF 5TH ANNUAL BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRILLS & SKILLS CLINICS

Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin celebrated the start of the 5th Annual Mayor's Back-to-School Drills & Skills Clinics on Monday, August 04, 2014, at the James E. Clyburn Golf Center.



More than 500 boys and girls between ages 6 and 17 registered for the weeklong clinics, which instructional lessons in the areas of basketball, tennis and golf. Coaches and players from local high schools, colleges and other sports organizations have volunteered to work with the youth in sharpening their athletic skills. The clinics are held at several facilities in Columbia: Greenview, Hyatt and Martin Luther King Jr. parks; Drew Wellness Center; the Columbia Tennis Center; and at the James E. Clyburn Golf Center.

The week ends with a basketball skills competition on Friday, August 8, at Greenview, Hyatt and Martin Luther King Jr. parks. The week also includes a NCAA Clearinghouse Parent Seminar on Wednesday.



Those participating in the clinics will receive school supplies just in time for the start of a new school year.

COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

FAN THE HEAT PROGRAM

The Columbia Police Department is asking for donations for Columbia citizens including: fans, air conditioning units and financial contributions. Donations will be accepted through Saturday, August 30.

The program is primarily designed for senior citizens, residents with medical concerns/ disabilities and families with small children.



Eligibility requirements include:

- Citizens must be 55 years-old or older
- Citizens must provide name, address and telephone number

Since its inception in 1995, the Fan the Heat program has assisted more than 7,000 Columbia citizens. Donations can be dropped off at any time at:

CPD Headquarters, #1 Justice Square .

Citizens who wish to make a monetary donation can make a check payable to:
The Columbia Police Municipal Funds. (Note "Fan the Heat Program" on the check.)

If a citizen needs assistance from the Fan the Heat program, they can call the Crime Prevention Unit at 803-545-3555 or CPD Telephone Response Unit at 803-545-3500.

**For more information, call the
Columbia Police Department at 803.545.3500**

PET OF THE WEEK: ISABELLA

MEET ISABELLA (ID#A205349)

She is a very smart and devoted dog. Isabella is an 8 month old terrier mix. She is full grown and eager to learn new tricks. Isabella has been spayed and micro-chipped. She is looking for a home to call her own. Could Isabella be the dog for you and your family?

Visit other pets available for adoption at the Columbia Animal Shelter, 127 Humane Lane. Visit www.columbiasc.net/animal-services or call 803-776-PETS for more information.



All of our pets need loving homes! To view other animals available for adoption, visit Petfinder.com. Please refer to the ID number listed above when visiting the website.

PET TIP OF THE WEEK: KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS

Do not make your dog walk on extremely hot or cold asphalt, cement, etc. The pads of their paws are not made out of steel. If it is too hot for you to walk barefoot, then chances are that it is too hot for your dog also.

**For more pet tips, contact the
Columbia Animal Shelter at 803-776-PETS**

PARK OF THE WEEK:

GREENVIEW PARK

Greenview Park is a multisport complex offering a variety of recreational amenities including multiple ball fields, nine tennis courts, an outdoor swimming pool, walking trail, playground area, and a picnic shelter.

Greenview Park will be home to a new community pool area that will include a six lane competition pool, a water slide and children's activity pool. Construction is scheduled to be completed in 2015.



Greenview Park
6700 David Street
803-754-5223



The facility also houses a game room, a kitchen, fitness room, a gymnasium and several meeting rooms that include a ceramics room, computer room and teen room.

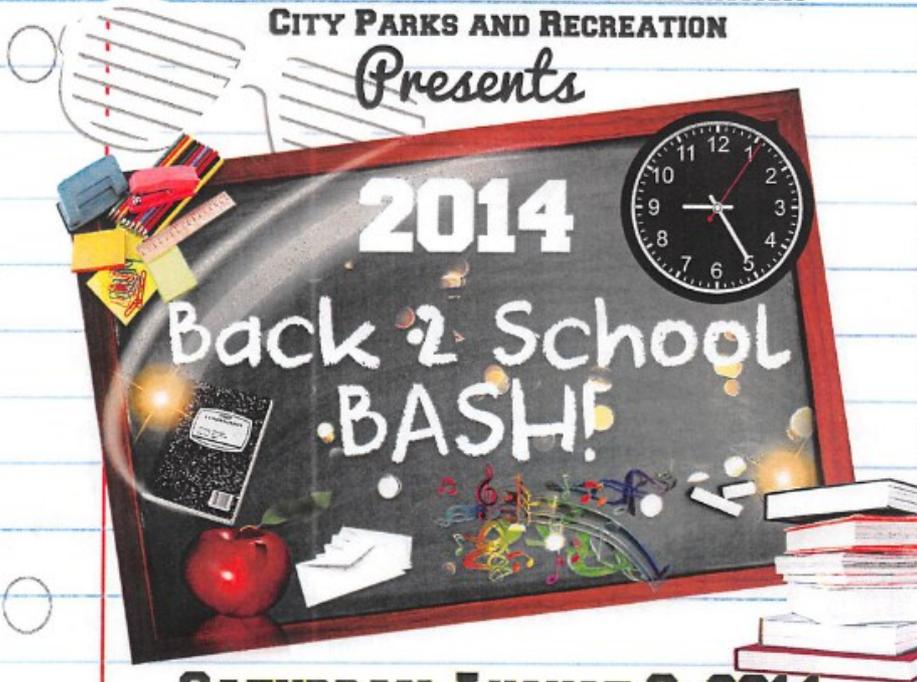
Several programs including senior fitness classes, Zumba, line dancing, and a summer camp are held throughout the year.

For more information, visit the City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department at <http://www.columbiasc.net/parks-recreation>.

2014 PINEHURST BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH

**MSAASC / SAVE OUR KIDS / RIMTYME /
GRACE CHURCH / GENE'S MOTORCYCLE SHOP
PINEHURST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
CITY PARKS AND RECREATION**

Presents



**SATURDAY AUGUST 9, 2014
FROM 11:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM**

Pinehurst Community Park

2300 Pinehurst Road | Columbia, SC 29204

Free Food, Health Fair, Petting Zoo

Video Game Bus, Games,

Kickball Tournament (Kids vs Adults)

Car and Bike Show

Bring Your Bathing Suits for the Water Park!

Bookbag & Back to School Giveaway

"Parent Must Be Present"

For More Information Call 8034791920



SAVE THE DATE:
THE CITY'S BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH

BlueChoice HealthPlan Medicaid presents...
READY...SET...LEARN!



FINLAY PARK

August 16th from 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Featuring Capital Recording Artist Mike Jay, Health Screenings courtesy of Walgreens, Book Bag Giveaways, Health & Fitness Zone, Entertainment, Fitness Challenges, Meet & Greet, Exhibitors, Face Painting & More!



Walgreens



For more information, call 803.545.3100 or email kcmitchell@columbiasc.net.

**SAVE THE DATE:
LET'S MOVE! COLUMBIA GAMEDAY**

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Let's Move! Columbia GameDay

Saturday, September 20, 2014

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Field Games ✓
Celebrity Flag Football ✓
3K Race ✓

Drew Park Green Space
(Adjacent to Drew Wellness Center)
2101 Walker Solomon Way
Columbia, SC 29204

Scavenger Hunt ✓
Entertainment ✓
Free to the Public ✓

Nonprofit health and wellness organizations can register for a free table.



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For more information, please contact Wanda Austin at 803-255-8161 or waustin@columbiasc.net.



**For more information about the Let's Move! Columbia
GameDay, call Wanda Austin at 803-255-8161**

Save the



Date!

Tuesday, August 5, 2014
Your Neighborhood!



National Night Out is about taking the streets back and coming together to help prevent crime in your neighborhood. Join neighbors, friends and family for a special night out of community fun. Meet your City Council representative, meet new neighbors, grab a bite to eat and let the good times roll.

Want to find out if your neighborhood is hosting an event? Call Community Development at 803-545-3373.

Don't know which neighborhood you live in?

[Click here!](#)



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**SAVE THE DATE:
MAYOR'S WALK AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

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Mayor's Walk
**AGAINST
DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014

**9 A.M.
FINLAY PARK**

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



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For more information, contact Public Relations at 803-545-3020 or pio@columbiasc.net.



**For more information about the Mayor's Walk Against
Domestic Violence, call Public Relations at 803-545-3020.**

CITY COUNCIL INFORMATION

COUNCIL MEETING DATE	TYPE OF MEETING	DEADLINES FOR AGENDA ITEMS
August 5	WORK SESSION	July 25
August 19	WORK SESSION / COUNCIL MEETING	August 8

- The Columbia City Council will conduct a work session on **Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 12 p.m.** at City Hall, 1737 Main Street.
- The Community Development Loan Committee will meet on **Thursday, August 7, 2014 at 9 a.m.** at 1225 Lady St.

For additional information regarding the City Council meetings, contact the Office of the City Clerk at 803-545-3045.

For more information about Council meetings, please visit

<http://columbiasc.net/city-council>



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