



Fright Fest at Six Flags-St Louis

Fright Fest is a Halloween Party on every weekend (Friday, Saturday and Sunday), now through October 29th, at Six Flags - St. Louis. The whole family will enjoy the "Kid's BooFest" which is scare-free fun for kids during the day includes Crazy Hay Maze, Pumpkin Painting, Kids Costume Contest, Kids Scream Contest, and Trick or Treat Trail. As the sun goes down, the park is transformed into a frightful shadowland with terror around every corner - not recommended for children under 13 or anyone who scares easily! See website for all the frightening details.



Fright at the Museum!

Now through October 29, 2023, step into a world of spine-tingling wonder at our one-of-a-kind event: Fright at the Museum! Prepare to be amazed, mystified, and thoroughly entertained as you embark on a journey through a realm of oddities and curiosities that will leave you both thrilled and captivated.

Dare to venture into the unknown as you explore our carefully curated exhibits of the bizarre, the enigmatic, and the extraordinary. From artifacts that defy explanation to peculiar specimens that challenge the limits of your imagination, Fright at the Museum promises an unforgettable encounter with the unconventional.



PARTY IN THE PATCH!

The cities of Clayton and Brentwood bring you this Halloween event that is fun for the whole family! With candy, hayrides, inflatables, and more. Hot dog dinner included in child's registration. Additional meals can be purchased at concessions for \$5.

Dates: Friday, Oct. 13
Time: 6-8pm
Location: Clayton Shaw Park
Ages: 1-14
Price: Res./Non-Res. \$8 in advance, \$13 at the gate, price is per child
Activity Number: 954103



Saint Charles Legends & Lanterns®

Legends & Lanterns®, a "spired" journey through Halloween History is an annual event that finds its inspiration from the past.

From the vintage charm of Halloween in the 1910s-1930s, to the historical rituals and customs brought to the holiday by the Druids and Victorians, to the ethereal atmosphere depicted in American ghost stories and Brothers Grimm fairy tales; this event will offer treats and tricks for guests of all ages. A little bit silly. A little bit macabre. But all in fun.

Sat, 10/14 - Sunday, 10/29, 2023.



Not-So-Haunted House

Children of all ages are invited to dress in their most "boo-tiful" costumes and have a ghoulishly good time trick-or-treating and getting autographs from their favorite storybook characters at Not-So-Haunted House! Each child attending the event will receive a trick-or-treat bag and an autograph book as they enter the museum. Plus, kids will participate in a scavenger hunt to find trick-or-treat locations throughout the museum. Dates: Friday, October 13 - Sunday, October 15; Friday, October 20 - Sunday, October 22; Friday, October 27 - Sunday, October 29



Pumpkin Jamboree at Eckert's

Wagon rides, live entertainment, great festival foods, children's activities, and much more make this a pickin' good time for everyone! Whether feeding a goat or exploring the farm, your young 'uns will enjoy all the fun that our farms offer. Children's carnival and activities to keep your whole family entertained. Funnel cakes, caramel apples, and more to tempt your taste buds.

Visit Eckert's Millstadt Fun Farm this fall, where you and your kids can be entertained all day. There is even more fun on the weekends.

Sunday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am - 6pm

Friday & Saturday: 9am - 10pm (on 9/8 & 9/9 the farm will close at 6:00pm)

children under 2 are FREE



Howl-o-ween Fest
Tricks and treats await at Purina Farms

Howl-o-ween Fest

Trick-or-treat and enjoy not-so-scary fun for the whole family, dogs included, at Howl-o-ween Fest! This popular event returns to Purina Farms Oct. 27-29, 3:30-8 p.m. Participate in Ghoulish Games, visit the Creepy Canine Corner, watch magic shows, play in bounce houses, see canine performances and more. Dress your family and your pup in their favorite costumes to participate in the Costume Paw-ty.

Fun for all (pets and families)

- Costume Paw-ty
- Trick-or-treating for kids and dogs!
- Incredible Dog Show
- Tekno Bubbles from the Bubble Bus
- Photo booth

Advance parking registration is required. No walk-ups will be allowed for this event; ticketing availability may be checked online. A \$20 (per car) parking fee includes free admission to the event and giveaways!



BOO AT THE ZOO

Families can enjoy festive decorations, entertainers, special food and drink menus and more at the Saint Louis Zoo's nighttime, non-scary Halloween experience, Boo at the Zoo presented by SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. Please note, this is not a trick-or-treating event.

The event runs from 5 to 8:30 p.m. every night Oct. 13 through 29. Tickets are required and must be purchased in advance online at stlzoo.org/boo.

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RESTAURANT REVIEWS

By Kevin McCarthy

Childhood Memories and a 119 Year old chili Recipe!

I grew up about 15 miles south of Carlinville, Illinois, the County Seat of Macoupin County. During the Summer we would load up the kids in the neighborhood and go the drive-in for a movie and a stop at the Cavalier Restaurant for a burger and a malt.

In the Winter we went to the Marvel theater for a movie and then walked across the street to Taylor's Chili Parlor for a bowl of chili, or butter bean soup. These fond memories have stuck with me for more than 65 years. The Diane drive-in, and the Cavalier are closed, but the Marvel theater, and Taylor's Chili is are still alive and well.

In 1904 C.O. Taylor, of Carlinville, worked in the Mexican National Exhibition at the St. Louis World's Fair. After coming home, he came to the aid of a Mexican man, and that man repaid him by giving Mr. Taylor his family recipe for chili con carne with beans.

Taylor's Chili Parlor had a set of rules in its early years. Because of its small size, Mr. Taylor wanted to move his customers through quickly, so you ordered and paid, then your food was brought to you, and you had about 15 minutes to eat, or you might be asked to leave. Only soft drinks, buttermilk, milk and water were served. No alcohol was served, Mr. Taylor had no use for drunks. And, you could get mustard for your chili dog, but don't ask for ketchup! If you asked for ketchup, you may be asked to leave.

So what makes Taylor's Chili so special? The sauce is made from sirloin, onions, garlic and chilies. That's it. There are no tomatoes in Taylor's chili, so there is no acidity in this bowl of "red". The sauce is cooked separately from the red beans. The beans are added as the chili is served. This means that you don't get a mushy mess of over-cooked beans in your bowl of chili. There are no fillers, thickening or other ingredients in Taylor's Chili.

A first time reaction to Taylor's Chili is "there is grease on the top of the chili" Fear not, this is the way it is supposed to be. This is from the cooking of the beef sirloin and adds a great deal of flavor to the chili. Simply stir it up, and enjoy. Taylor's Chili is moderately spiced, but if you think it is too hot for your tastes, there is a shaker bottle of cider vinegar on each table. Simply shake a few dashes into you bowl, and it will cut the heat considerably.

If chili is not your thing, Taylor's also serves a homemade butter bean soup that will stick to your bones and keep you warm through any Winter night. It is delicious. Your chili and soup will be served wit unsalted crackers, again a nod to Mr Taylor's original menu.



We had lunch with two ladies from the Carlinville tourism group. They each had a taco salad that was large, very fresh and topped with Taylor's Chili meat sauce. They were well worth the cost of \$6.50 each. Sue had a chili dog with mustard. There is still no ketchup at Taylor's. At \$2.50, it was a steal!

I re-created my childhood memories with a small bowl of Taylor's Chili and a small bowl of the butter bean soup. It was as good, or better, than I remembered. \$7.00 for both. Such a deal. The most expensive item on the menu is a large order of nachos at \$7.00!



Taylor's still doesn't serve alcohol, but they share a building with another nearly one hundred year old business. The Anchor Inn. It is just a short walk through a hallway decorated with an incredible mural of rock and roll artists to your source of any beverage you like.

There have been several historic moments in Taylor's Chili history. The Taylor family began canning their chili in the 1930's, and comedian Buddy Hackett sent a letter asking Mr. Taylor to please send him a case of chili and he would gladly send him a check to cover the cost. True to form, Mr. Taylor wrote back and said "send me the check, and after it clears, I will send you the chili". Gerald Ford was given a package of canned chili at the Carlinville train station when he was campaigning for President. Taylor's Chili has also been featured on the Food channel TV shows. Taylor's Chili has also won many national awards.

Taylor's Mexican Chili Con Carne with beans is not a chain restaurant serving frozen food from a microwave. Taylor's is a family run piece of Americana that survives on great food and good service.

Taylor's Chili is located on the north west corner of the historic Carlinville City Square They are only open for lunch. Their canned chili is available in many central Illinois grocery stores, and they also ship their chili kits (two cans, one with the sauce and one with the beans). You can even order Taylor's Chili from Amazon!

Carlinville is about thirty miles north of Alton, IL. Amtrak also serves Carlinville from St. Louis. I hope you will take a day trip to Historic Carlinville, Illinois (see Sue's travel article in this issue) and experience some of my childhood memories and some darn good chili.

Check out their website, www.taylorschili.com for more information.

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The Best Classic Chili Recipe

The Best Classic Chili - This traditional chili recipe is just like mom used to make with ground beef, beans, and a simple homemade blend of chili seasonings.

Prep Time 5 minutes
Cook Time 25 minutes
Total Time 30 minutes

Servings: 6 servings

Ingredients

1 tablespoon olive oil
1 medium yellow onion -diced
1 pound 90% lean ground beef
2 1/2 tablespoons chili powder
2 tablespoons ground cumin
2 tablespoons granulated sugar
2 tablespoons tomato paste
1 tablespoon garlic powder
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
1/4 teaspoon ground cayenne pepper* -optional
1 1/2 cups beef broth
1 (15 oz.) can petite diced tomatoes
1 (16 oz.) can red kidney beans, drained and rinsed
1 (8 oz.) can tomato sauce

Instructions

Add the olive oil to a large soup pot and place it over medium-high heat for two minutes. Add the onion. Cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Add the ground beef to the pot. Break it apart with a wooden spoon. Cook for 6-7 minutes, until the beef is browned, stirring occasionally.

Add the chili powder, cumin, sugar, tomato paste, garlic powder, salt, pepper, and optional cayenne. Stir until well combined.

Add the broth, diced tomatoes (with their juice), drained beans, and tomato sauce. Stir well.

Bring the liquid to a low boil. Then, reduce the heat (low to medium-low) to gently simmer the chili, uncovered, for 20-25 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Remove the pot from the heat. Let the chili rest for 5-10 minutes before serving.



Roasted Pumpkin Seeds

Do not waste the seeds from pumpkins, they can be made into a healthy and delicious snack! Learn how to roast pumpkin seeds with this step by step guide.

3/4 cup raw pumpkin seeds
1 tablespoon olive oil
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon paprika, optional
1/4 teaspoon black pepper

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350°F (177°C). Wash pumpkin seeds in a colander to remove the pulp and fibers. Thoroughly dry with a towel.

In a small bowl combine pumpkin seeds, olive oil, salt, garlic powder, paprika (if using), and black pepper.

Lightly grease a sheet pan with olive oil. Evenly spread the seasoned pumpkin seeds on the sheet pan.

Bake until the seeds are toasted and crunchy, about 12 to 15 minutes. Stir every 5 minutes for even toasting, and check for doneness with each stir by tasting a seed for crunchiness.

Transfer the roasted pumpkin seeds to a bowl to cool down.



INSIDE BASEBALL

By Rob Rains of StLSportsPage.com

Who should Cardinals trade? Who should they keep? Who's in limbo? A breakdown of players in each category as off-season begins

Even though the Cardinals' brain-trust has known for a long time how this season was going to end, now that it's officially over – it's time for them to get to work to try to prevent another dismal performance from happening in 2024.

There's a lot of work to do. As manager Oli Marmol told reporters before the season's final game on Sunday – "We can't mess it up."

The goal is for the Cardinals to make a quick recovery from their 71-91 season, the most losses they have had in 33 years, a season that saw them spend 146 out of 180 days in last place. Marmol also said that if the team is not competing for a championship next season, "that's a mistake."

Before John Mozeliak and his lieutenants can think about making offers for free agent pitchers, they have to figure out what to do with their current roster.

Counting players on the 60-day injured list, and not including the retiring Adam Wainwright, the team currently has 44 players on the 40-man roster so there obviously are moves that will need to be made.

To try to simplify some of those decisions, here is a breakdown of where all of those players likely stand as the off-season begins, separated into six categories, with the sixth being the players the Cardinals will need to add to that roster in order to protect them from being claimed in the Rule 5 draft in December.

Who to keep (15):

Pitchers: Miles Mikolas, Steven Matz, Zack Thompson, Matthew Liberatore, Drew Rom, JoJo Romero.

Catcher: Willson Contreras.

Infielders: Nolan Arenado, Brendan Donovan, Paul Goldschmidt, Nolan Gorman, Masyn Winn.

Outfielders: Lars Nootbaar, Richie Palacios, Jordan Walker.

This obviously is the nucleus of the players the Cardinals hope to build a team around in 2024, especially on the position players' side. Could there be a surprise move this winter involving one of these players? It likely depends on whether the Cardinals are able to fill their holes on the pitching staff through free agency or if they will need to make trades to accomplish that goal. Mozeliak has made a point of repeating his goal of adding three top-level starting pitchers. If he can't do that by just spending a lot of Bill DeWitt Jr.'s money, he will have to try to swing a trade of two.

To get that top-level starter through a trade, it likely would have to include at least one of the players who would appear to be in the "keep" category. One player to watch from this group, in what admittedly might be a minority opinion, is Arenado. Yes, he is a future Hall of Famer. Yes, he has a no-trade clause. But two other factors to consider – trading Arenado likely would allow the Cardinals to acquire a premier young starting pitcher as part of the return package. The other consideration is the Cardinals have at least two proven major-league players capable of becoming their regular third baseman in Donovan or Gorman.

This would be a bold move, but if there is anybody among this group of players who might be the one to consider trading to get a top starter this winter, a case could be made that Arenado should at least be in those discussions.

Who to trade (2):

Tyler O'Neill, Alec Bursleson.

It seems to be a foregone conclusion that O'Neill will not be back with the Cardinals in 2024. The organization is just too tired of not being able to depend on him to stay healthy for more than a few weeks at a time.

Whether some team would be willing to take the chance that they can keep him on the field will be the question. The Cardinals basically have until the first week of December to make their move, otherwise it would not be a shock if O'Neill was not offered a contract for 2024 because of how high his salary would be through arbitration. Knowing that could happen will, of course, reduce the level of prospect any team likely would be willing to trade for O'Neill.



Bursleson didn't do anything wrong, but he is on this list simply because of the glut of outfielder-first basemen-DH candidates on the roster. The way Palacios performed in September also could make Bursleson expendable especially if the Cardinals could find a match for pitching with a team looking for a young lefthanded hitter.

Who is in limbo (13):

Pitchers: Giovanny Gallegos, Ryan Helsley, John King, Kyle Leahy, Andre Pallante, Wilking Rodriguez, Guillermo Zuniga.

Catchers: Ivan Herrera, Andrew Knizner.

Infielders: Tommy Edman, Jose Fermin.

Outfielders: Dylan Carlson, Mike Siani.

There are certainly some interesting names among this group of players, and a case could be made for each on why they should still be a Cardinal in 2024 or why they could be trade candidates this winter.

How the Cardinals reconfigure their bullpen this off-season will be another story to watch, in addition to their pursuit of starters. All of their pitching needs are not confined to the rotation. The trickle-down of what pitchers they bring in from outside the organization, either as starters or relievers, through free agency or trades, will have an effect on the pitchers in this group and likely a couple of the players in the ones to keep section who could be either a starter or a reliever.

The biggest uncertainty among this group of pitchers when it comes to 2024: Can Helsley stay healthy and be counted on as their closer? It's a question the Cardinals will need to answer.

The outfield questions also will be interesting to monitor. The biggest question the Cardinals might have to answer before getting too deep into off-season discussions is if they see Edman as their starting center fielder in 2024. There has been no question about his play defensively, but is he a good enough hitter to fill that position on a full-time basis on a contending team? If the Cardinals think the answer is yes that probably leaves Carlson available to trade, but his trade value is likely less than it should be because of his recent ankle surgery.

If the Cardinals are more concerned about getting extra offense out of the center field spot, then Edman could be a trade candidate as well.

It appears the Cardinals also have a catching decision to make. Contreras has four years left on his contract. Knizner is coming off his best season. Herrera has nothing left to prove at Triple A. Would the Cardinals keep three catchers, or does one of them get shopped this winter?

Who needs a fresh start (5):

Luken Baker, Moises Gomez, Dakota Hudson, Jake Woodford, Juan Yezpez.

This group is made up of players, who for one reason or another, just don't seem to be part of the Cardinals' future plans. Gomez hit 30-plus home runs in each of the last two

seasons, was on the 40-man roster, and never got a look at the big-league level this year.

Woodford and Hudson deserve a chance to see if they can find a regular role on a major-league team. Yezpez is in the same position. He won't be a regular in St. Louis, but could be somewhere else. Baker has impressive minor-league power numbers, but never got a consistent chance to really see if he could match that success at the major-league level.

Who was just filling a spot this year (9):

Pitchers: Jacob Barnes, Casey Lawrence, James Naile, Packy Naughton, Andrew Suarez, Connor Thomas, Drew VerHagen.

Infielders: Irving Lopez, Juniel Querecuto.

The Cardinals needed these players this year because of all of the injuries that forced them to go through a franchise-record 52 players during the season. VerHagen is a free agent who doesn't figure to be back.

Some of the others could be dropped from the 40-man roster then re-signed to minor league deals if they want to stay in the organization, or they could also move on if they believe they have a better chance to stick in the majors with another organization.

Who needs protecting on 40-man roster (2):

Ian Bedell, Pedro Pages.

After going through multiple arm surgeries, Bedell was able to pitch all of this season at high A Peoria and is deserving of a promotion to Double A in 2024.

Pages was a player that scouts on other teams were watching before this year's trade deadline as he improved both offensively and defensively while working as the regular catcher in Springfield. Especially if the Cardinals make a move involving one of the three major-league catchers, they can't afford to lose Pages in the Rule 5 draft, expecting that he will be the primary catcher at Memphis next season.

Conclusion

Every decision the Cardinals make on every player will have an impact on the team in 2024. Marmol understands exactly how important this off-season will be.

"We can't repeat what happened this year," he said. "It's on us to make it right ... I want a clubhouse full of guys that have one thing on their mind and that's not themselves; it's winning a championship. Start out by weeding those out."

"We lost 90 games for a reason."

To change that, the Cardinals need to win in the off-season, especially on the pitching side.

"We'll see," Marmol said. "We'll see how it all pans out. To compete at a high level, not only win the division but actually compete for a World Series, that's what you need."

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Reminder from Brentwood Police Department: Leash Your Dog

We remind our residents there is a leash law in place for the safety of our residents and our pets, and we will be enforcing the law if we are alerted to additional violations. Please be respectful of your neighbors and of other pets – make certain you leash your dog on walks or while otherwise unsecured.



St. Louis Youth Hockey Foundation Raises \$52,000

The second annual golf tournament fundraiser will benefit the growing youth hockey nonprofit

The St. Louis Youth Hockey Foundation – a nonprofit that provides support to young players – recently held its second annual golf tournament at Greenbriar Hills Country Club in Kirkwood, Mo. and raised \$52,000. All proceeds will go toward assisting young players who need financial assistance.

The St. Louis Youth Hockey Foundation awards grants annually to help young players continue playing hockey. Financial support is given to local club teams, as well as AAA and high school players based upon an individual's need and family circumstances. In exchange for these scholarships, youth recipients pay it forward through volunteerism and community service.

Elite Cuisine, an Apex Restaurant and Market Solutions, Inc. company, was a presenting sponsor for the golf tournament and provided the event's food. Elite Cuisine is a full-service provider that offers catering, micro markets, in-office cafes and coffee, and vending services for its corporate clients. Apex is the largest independently owned corporate food service company based in Missouri with offices in St. Louis and Kansas City.

Additional tournament sponsors included The Crane Insurance Group, English Sweep, FM Roofing, Husch Blackwell, Kaldi's Coffee, and Mari de Villa.

"The cost for each hockey player can reach \$25,000 per year," said St. Louis Youth Hockey Foundation board member and Elite Cuisine founder Jim Scheppe. "No parent should be forced to tell their child they can't afford to compete at the level of their accomplishment because of financial shortfalls." Scheppe added that it is the nonprofit's "goal to make hockey affordable and accessible to all our youth."

Pictured is Elite Cuisine's chef Blake Hammond at the recent golf tournament.

Founded in 2018, the St. Louis Youth Hockey Foundation was created to give all local hockey players the ability to participate in this costly sport. For more information about the nonprofit, call (314) 807-3007 or visit www.stlyouth-hockey.org.



Halloween in St. Louis

Field of Nightmares Now through October 31

This time of year, Brookdale Farms gives us the heebie-jeebies. Here, spirits roam the land and stalk the living. Plagued by evil, the Field of Nightmares admits only the bravest souls. Are you one of them?

Halloween Nights October 6 to 29

People of all ages will have a fa-boo-lous time at Grant's Farm this season. During Halloween Nights, you can take a haunted tram ride featuring the Headless Horseman, watch mad scientist shows in the amphitheater and do the monster mash during the courtyard dance party. If you have the guts, journey into the nightmare-inducing scare zone. Otherwise, you can simply enjoy the Halloween décor and festive vibe on the farm.

Wicked Wings and Wine October 13

The Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House will celebrate the spirit of Halloween with its Wicked Wings and Wine happy hour. As twilight approaches, sample local beers and wines while you learn about owl butterflies, which watch over the night with the huge eyespots on their wings. Take a stroll through the torch-lit garden to a soundtrack of hair-raising songs, but be prepared – you might encounter other unearthly creatures on your path. If you dare, you can also snack on dishes from the Bug Chef.

Frights and Heights October 14

Halloween returns to the Gateway Arch for its annual "Frights & Heights" event. Attendees are encouraged to wear their best costumes and participate in various Halloween-themed activities. Trick or Tram will offer spooktacular sights on the ride to the top of the tallest monument in the U.S. The ghosts of Dick Bowser, Meriwether Lewis and others will entertain audiences with living history performances. And a puppet show will describe Lewis and Clark's journey west, including some scary true stories from the trail. Families can enjoy freaky face painting, boo-loon animals, creepy crafts and mesmerizing music. Every child will also receive a free one-hour St. Louis Riverfront Cruise ticket from the Riverboats at the Gateway Arch, which will be good for the 2024 cruise season.

Trick-or-Track October 21

Pumpkins and pirates and princesses, oh my! Let your kids get creative with their costumes before tracking around for treats at the National Museum of Transportation. The event includes miniature train rides through the dark and Serengeti Steve and the Reptile Experience. Fun fact: Serengeti Steve, a reptile handler, was on season 7 of America's Got Talent, and he holds the Guinness World Record for holding a venomous live scorpion in his mouth for 17 minutes and 17 seconds.

Beyond the Grave October 21

See STL Tours, operated by the Missouri Historical Society, combines unmatched knowledge with engaging storytelling, giving residents and visitors alike the opportunity to interact with the Gateway City in innovative and unexpected ways. This two-hour bus tour focuses on death and how it has shaped living in St. Louis. Although death connects us, humans' perceptions, practices and relationships to it has changed over time. Beyond the Grave will explore these shifts and their mark on the region's built environment such as historic hospitals and cemeteries.

History After Dark: Curiosities and Cocktails October 25

This curious event will take you behind the scenes at the Missouri Historical Society Library & Research Center. Uncover unusual artifacts from the collection, discover your ghost persona and savor signature cocktails. Tickets are \$15, and they include one complimentary drink.

Ghost Stories and Guitars October 26

Zombies will descend on the Missouri History Museum on Oct. 26, and they are frightfully funky! Slip into your best costume and grab your dancing shoes – this event boasts Halloween-themed rock and pop performances for fiendish fun and scary-ment. Throughout the night, a ghost from St. Louis past – a.k.a. community tours manager Amanda Clark – will regale the crowd with unnerving tales of otherworldly history around a fire.

Spirits in the Garden October 27

Get in the Halloween spirit at this chilling tasting. Local and regional breweries, wineries and distilleries will serve samples while attendees strut their stuff in a costume contest, dance to spooky tunes spun by Rockstar DJs and play games provided by Game Nite. If you gravitate toward eerier activities, you can meet local paranormal investigators and learn about the spirited history of the Missouri Botanical Garden. Throughout the evening, you can also enjoy a fortune teller, fire performer and stilt-walking Frankenstein's monster.

Pumpkin Glow in Historic St. Charles October 27 to 28

The annual pumpkin glow in historic St. Charles promises deals, squeals and, of course, plenty of pumpkins. Glowing carved pumpkins will illuminate South Main Street, and Legends & Lanterns characters will offer chilling ghost stories and haunting encounters.

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BRENTWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brentwood Ranks Among the Best Districts in Missouri

The Brentwood School District ranks No. 7 among all public school districts in Missouri for academic excellence and No. 12 for the best places to teach in the state, according to the 2024 Niche K-12 School and District Rankings.

The district earned an A overall rating, based on Niche's compilation of

statistics and opinions from students and families. Brentwood's schools also received top marks, with all K-12 buildings earning an A or better overall rating.

"We believe in equipping our students with the knowledge they need for success and the life skills to excel beyond the classroom," said Dr. Brian Lane, superintendent of schools. "This achievement reflects the dedication of our remarkable educators, who work tirelessly to provide all students with personalized learning experiences and social-emotional support."

Niche is a website that analyzes public data and reviews to produce comprehensive rankings, report cards and profiles of schools, universities and neighborhoods. The website ranks more than 10,000 school districts nationwide, based on rigorous analysis of key statistics from the U.S. Department of Education and millions of reviews from students and families.

Ranking factors include state test scores, college readiness, graduation rates, teacher quality, public school district ratings and more.

Brentwood's Niche Rankings

- 7 of 451 - Best School Districts in Missouri
- 12 of 460 - Best Places to Teach in Missouri
- 32 of 449 - Districts with the Best Teachers in Missouri
- 46 of 453 - Most Diverse School Districts in Missouri

Brentwood's School Rankings

- Brentwood High School - No. 19 in Best Public High Schools in Missouri
- Brentwood Middle School - No. 3 in Best Public Middle Schools in Missouri
- Mark Twain Elementary School - No. 24 in Best Public Elementary Schools in Missouri
- McGrath Elementary School - No. 29 in Best Public Elementary Schools in Missouri

Community Members Invited to Help Inform Strategic Plan



The Brentwood School District invites members of the community to share their thoughts and feedback as the district prepares to develop a new strategic plan and set goals that will guide decision-making over the next five years.



Brentwood has partnered with Hazard, Young, Attea and Associates to develop a new five-year strategic plan, which will define the district's mission, vision and guiding principles, and outline strategic goals that are essential for student success.

Community engagement is an essential part of this process, and we hope to hear from as many members of our community as possible. To support this process, we will host a Strategic Planning Community Engagement Forum on Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Brentwood School District Administrative Office Conference Center.

"Our goal is to develop a comprehensive plan that reflects the collective voice of our entire community - students, parents, teachers and staff, and the wider community," said Dr. Brian Lane, superintendent of schools. "This feedback will be invaluable in shaping a plan that guides our future work and helps us address any challenges we may face along the way."

This event is open to all members of the Brentwood community, including students, parents, employees, residents, business owners, alumni and community leaders.

An online survey will also be available for those unable to attend the in-person event. Community members are encouraged to share their thoughts and feedback online at brentwoodmoschools.org/survey beginning Thursday, Oct. 19. The survey will close Thursday, Nov. 2.

Please help us spread the word about this opportunity to participate in shaping the future of the Brentwood School District.

District Welcomes New Executive Director of Human Resources



The Brentwood School District is excited to welcome Andrew Miller as the district's new executive director of human resources.

Miller joins Brentwood with more than 15 years of experience as a teacher and school administrator throughout the St. Louis metro area. He previously served as the director of human resources and data strategist in the Normandy Schools Collaborative.

"Andrew's personal approach and extensive experience in education administration make him an excellent addition to our team," said Dr. Brian Lane, superintendent of schools. "He understands the power of personal relationships and their impact on creating an inclusive working environment where everyone feels seen, heard, connected and valued."

As a member of Brentwood's administrative cabinet, Miller will lead the district's efforts to recruit, hire, train and retain a premier workforce, as well as support diversity, equity and inclusion work throughout the district.

"My professional journey has been fueled by an unwavering commitment to providing every student with a remarkable educational experience," said Miller. "I am thrilled to have an opportunity to continue this journey as a member of the Brentwood community."

Miller earned his Bachelor of Arts in Biology from Trinity Western University, Master of Arts in Teaching from Webster University and Master of Arts in Educational Leadership from Saint Louis University. He is currently pursuing a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership from SLU and is a graduate of the university's Professional MBA program.

High School Hosts Clubs and Activities Fair

The Brentwood High School Student Council recently hosted its annual Clubs and Activities Fair to showcase the ex-



tracurricular opportunities available for students to learn, grow and pursue their passions. BHS is proud to offer more than 40 school-sponsored sports, clubs and activities, and 70% of students actively participate in at least one of these enrichment experiences each year.



Mark Twain Renovation Project Update

Mark Twain Elementary School renovations continue to move forward as scheduled. Ironworkers have installed the structural steel for the new two-story addition, while cement masons have enclosed the west side of the addition with concrete blocks.

The ground floor of the addition will be the new home for the school's library media center and serve as an ICC 500 storm shelter. The second floor will connect to the second floor of the original two-story building, creating a total of six classrooms and three dedicated spaces for special education services.

We will continue to keep you updated throughout the project as we work to create safe, accessible and future-ready learning spaces at Mark Twain.



Increased Traffic on the McGrath-BECC Campus



The 2023-24 school year is off to a fantastic start, with students and staff settling into their new learning environments at McGrath Elementary School and the Brentwood Early Childhood Center. In addition, students and staff from Mark Twain Elementary School have successfully transitioned to their temporary home on the McGrath-BECC campus while Mark Twain undergoes extensive renovations.

To allow each school adequate time to complete its drop-off and pickup procedures in a safe and efficient manner, we have staggered the start and end times for all five of our schools as follows:

- McGrath: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
- BHS: 8:05 a.m.-3:03 p.m.
- BMS: 8:05 a.m.-3:03 p.m.
- BECC: 8:10 a.m.-3:10 p.m.
- Mark Twain: 8:20 a.m.-3:20 p.m.

Please remember that increased traffic on the McGrath-BECC campus will continue to cause some morning and afternoon delays. To ensure a smooth commute, we recommend allowing an extra 30 minutes for drop-off and pickup procedures before and after each school's start and end time. Consider planning alternative routes or adjusting

your timing to avoid traffic congestion near the McGrath-BECC campus, especially on Litzinger Road, St. Clair Avenue and High School Drive.

We appreciate your continued patience as we work to minimize the impact on the surrounding community, while prioritizing the safety of our students and staff as they make their way to and from school each day.

Middle School Float Earns Second Place



Brentwood Middle School's Lorax-themed float wowed the crowd at this year's Brentwood Days Community Parade, capturing second place and a cash prize of \$100. The parade judges were impressed by the colorful and eco-friendly design, which perfectly embodied the Lorax's message of environmental stewardship.

The funds will be used to spark even more creative student activities, proving once again that teamwork and imagination are the keys to success. A special thanks to our amazing students, staff and parent volunteers for bringing this beloved book to life!

BHS to Host Regular Season Football Finale

Brentwood High School will host the regular season finale for the Brentwood-Clayton football team on Friday, Oct. 20. The Greyhounds, representing both Brentwood and Clayton school communities, will take on the Affton Cougars at 7 p.m.

In addition to the on-field action, the evening will include a Senior Night celebration for all Brentwood football and cheer seniors. These exceptional student-athletes will be recognized for their hard work and dedication throughout their high school careers.

This game will also go beyond the gridiron for a great cause. The Brentwood and Clayton school communities invite everyone in attendance to participate in a "Pink Out" for breast cancer awareness. Fans are encouraged to wear pink to the game, symbolizing their support for those affected by breast cancer. It is a powerful reminder that communities can make a difference both on and off the field.

Join us on Friday, Oct. 20 at Brentwood High School for a night filled with football excitement, senior celebrations and a powerful display of unity in the fight against breast cancer. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for students and FREE for kids under 6. All students under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. Brentwood, Clayton and Affton high school students will receive FREE admission with a school ID.

We hope to see you there!

Board Selects Superintendent Search Firm

The Brentwood School District Board of Education has officially begun its search for a new superintendent of schools, voting on Sept. 26 to hire Ray and Associates, Inc. to assist in conducting a comprehensive search. Ray and Associates specializes in school executive leadership searches and has a reputation for recruiting outstanding candidates that match the expectations of the board and community.

The board will begin the search process immediately and continue through February 2024. During that time, the community will have several opportunities to provide input through in-person and virtual focus groups, as well as an online survey. Students, staff, families and community members are encouraged to visit brentwoodmoschools.org to complete the online survey, and for updates and information throughout the process.

"The Brentwood School District is a statewide leader in student learning, growth and achievement, and we feel confident that our reputation for excellence will attract a strong pool of applicants for this top leadership position," said Board of Education President Lindsay Spencer. "As the board prepares to make this decision, it will be important that we hear from as many of our community members as possible, and find out what students, staff, families and Brentwood residents value most in a leader."

Brentwood's current superintendent, Dr. Brian Lane, will retire on June 30, 2024, following seven years of service to the district and 27 years in education.

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BRENTWOOD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HOLDS ANNUAL ALL-SCHOOL REUNION at Brentwood High School on September 15

Alumni and friends came together to share old memories, tour the renovated high school, and view commemorative bricks in the courtyard. Some snapshots for you...



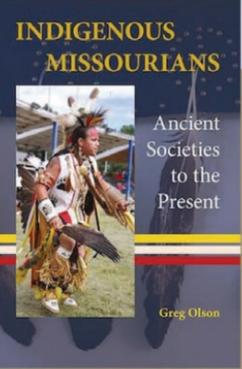
RICHMOND HEIGHTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY TO HOST Indigenous Missourians: Ancient Societies to the Present AUTHOR EVENT

Book Discussion and signing
Indigenous Missourians
by Greg Olson



Presenting the Show Me State's Indigenous past as one spanning twelve millennia of Native presence, resilience, and evolution.

Weds., October 18, 2023
6:30 PM
Teens and Adults
Books for purchase from Subterranean Books



INDIGENOUS MISSOURIANS
Ancient Societies to the Present
Greg Olson

RHML
Richmond Heights Memorial Library
8001 Dale Avenue
Richmond Heights, Missouri 63117
314-645-6202

On Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM the Richmond Heights Memorial Library will host Greg Olson, author of *Indigenous Missourians*. This event will take place in the Library's program room. The Library is located on the 2nd floor of the HEIGHTS Community Center at 8001 Dale Avenue.

The history of Indigenous people in present-day Missouri is far more nuanced, complex, and vibrant than the often-told tragic stories of conflict with white settlers and forced Indian removal would lead us to believe. While previous Missouri histories have tended to include Indigenous people only during periods when they constituted a threat to the state's white settlement, Olson shows us the continuous presence of Native people that includes the present day.

Greg Olson served as the Curator of Exhibits and Special Projects at the Missouri State Archives from 2000–2018 and is the author of six books, including: *The Ioway in Missouri*; *Voodoo Priests*, *Noble Savages*, and *Ozark Gypsies: The Life of Folklorist Mary Alicia Owen*; and *Ioway Life: Reservation and Reform, 1837–1860*.

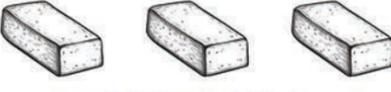
The author will be on hand to discuss his work, just out this year from University of Missouri Press. Copies of *Indigenous Missourians* will be available for purchase from Subterranean Books.

This event is free and open to the public. Interest level is for teens and adults.

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Happy Halloween!

McARTHUR'S BAKERY WELCOMES THE PIONEER CAFÉ AND THE SCOOP ICE CREAM BAR



McArthur's Bakery, one of St. Louis' iconic bakeries since 1965, announces today that award-winning The Pioneer Café, as well as The Scoop Ice Cream Bar will be opening within its Mehlville, MO location in South St. Louis County on Monday, August 21, 2023.

The new openings will be the second locations for The Pioneer Café and The Scoop, with the originals in downtown Kirkwood, MO.

"I explored various options how best to reopen McArthur Bakery's front-of-store since we went to the bake-to-order business model during COVID. With the success of my other concepts, The Pioneer and The Scoop, adding them to the McArthur's location seemed like a natural fit," said Scott Rinaberger, owner of the three concepts. "Now, customers can get the best of all sweet and savory worlds with McArthur's classic baked goods, one of the best breakfast/brunch/lunch menus in all of St. Louis, and top the visit off with a bowl of the famous Cedar Crest Ice Cream."

Rinaberger continued, "While this is a win for our loyal customers, the bigger win is that I will be able to further pursue my efforts to create more competitive employment opportunities for adults with IDD, intellectual and developmental disabilities."

The Pioneer Café, led by Chef Jason Longfield, will offer an all-day breakfast and lunch menu weekdays and a special brunch menu on the weekends. The menu will be the same as the current Pioneer location in Kirkwood and includes Chef Longfield's signature breakfast dishes such as Short Rib Hash, Cheddar Chive Biscuits & Sage Gravy, as well as his lunch plates.

"And, to the delight of our many McArthur's customers, donuts, Danish, and stollens will be returning to the McArthur's bakery cases daily," said Rinaberger. "But, be warned, we are going to start off on the BBQ model and when we sell out, we sell out. So you better get here early."

The McArthur's location will have new hours starting Monday, August 21. McArthur's and The Scoop will be open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Pioneer café will be open everyday from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information, visit www.mcarthurs.com or call 314-894-0900.

Psychological Associates Holds Leadership Development Program

The three-day workshop highlights effective leadership behaviors to ensure business success

Psychological Associates (PA), a consulting company that improves business performance through its leadership and talent development services, will hold its Q4 Leadership: The People Skills Advantage™ program. The three-day intensive workshop will take place Tues., Nov. 14 through Thurs., Nov. 16 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The program will be held at the Charles F. Knight Executive Education & Conference Center located at One Brookings Dr. on the campus of Washington University in St. Louis.

The program's individualized experience focuses on helping a company's top talent improve team success through improving their interpersonal skills, as well as gaining self-awareness to engage and influence others. Q4 Leadership comprehensively identifies and adapts effective leadership behaviors with more intricate job-related feedback.

The workshop – which is designed for C-level leaders, vice presidents, and general managers – uses real-world issues and situations so participants can focus on peer interactions and managing up. The program combines the latest in instructional design along with PA's six decades of leadership development.

Psychological Associates' facilitator Marianne Whelchel will lead the sessions. She brings more than 16 years of global leadership development, training, and human resources experience to the workshop. Whelchel has managed the design and delivery of leadership curriculum for over 6,000 leaders globally.

Psychological Associates helps clients select, develop, and retain their best leaders, enabling them to build exceptional organizations. Its exclusive Q4 Dimensional® Model of Behavior™ – an industry-renowned structure that categorizes observable actions into understandable groupings – inspires high performance while attaining comprehensive results. Consulting capabilities include talent assessment, leadership development, succession planning, people analytics, and executive coaching. Founded in 1958, Psychological Associates is headquartered at 8000 Maryland Ave. in Clayton, Mo. Reservations are required since space is limited. For more information, call (314) 725-7771 or visit www.q4solutions.com.



Lions's Choice Celebrates it's 56th Anniversary with a Month of Daily Giveaways and a Discounted Meal Deal

Lion's Choice, the St. Louis-based family of restaurants known for its famous roast beef sandwiches, crave-worthy fries and frozen custard will celebrate 56 years in business on Thursday, Oct. 26. In honor of the anniversary, the restaurant brand is launching a month of giveaways beginning Sunday, Oct. 1 through Tuesday, Oct. 31. Guests who order a large (32oz) drink at any Lion's Choice restaurant in October will receive a specialty anniversary cup with a QR code to scan for an instant win prize. On the anniversary, Thursday, Oct. 26, guests can take advantage of \$5.60 pricing on meals for any original roast beef, oven-roasted turkey or hickory smoked ham sandwich with fries and a drink (regularly priced at \$9.49). For the meal deal, guests must present the one-day only coupon in-store or in the drive-thru, which can be redeemed from Lion's Choice's Instagram and Facebook accounts on Thursday, Oct. 26.



"We wanted to go big this year to celebrate 56 years of Lion's Choice," says Fred Burner, President and CEO. "Everybody loves winning prizes, especially from their favorite businesses. That's why we are giving away free gifts all month long to thank our loyal fans for their support and introduce a fun incentive to bring in new customers."

Starting Sunday, Oct. 1 and running through Tuesday, Oct. 31, any Lion's Choice customer who orders a large (32oz) drink will receive an anniversary-edition cup with a QR code to claim their prize. After scanning the code with their phone, participants will be prompted to answer a few informational questions before the prize is revealed. Depending on what they win, they will either receive an email with a digital code or next steps on how to pick up their physical prize. Prize fulfillment may take up to four weeks. Prizes include the following items:

Lion's Choice merchandise including apparel, cup koozies, and season shakers (values range from \$5.99-\$25.99)

- A Free Sandwich (\$4.99 value)
- A Free Order of Fries (\$2.99 value)
- A \$100 Gift Card
- A \$500 Gift Card

To keep the celebrations going on the official anniversary date, guests can purchase any of Lion's Choice's original meals including the famous roast beef, oven-roasted turkey or hickory smoked ham sandwich with fries and a drink for only \$5.60. To take advantage of the discounted price, customers must show the anniversary coupon that will be shared to Lion's Choice's Instagram and Facebook pages on Thursday, Oct. 26.

Lion's Choice Original Roast Beef Sandwich Meal, Oven-Roasted Turkey Sandwich Meal & Hickory Smoked Ham Sandwich Meals will be \$5.60 on Thursday, Oct. 26 (Dropbox link here)

Since 1967 when Marv Gibbs and Arthur Morey opened Red Lion Beef in Ballwin, Missouri, the restaurant's famous roast beef sandwich remains the same. Later changing its name to "Lion's Choice," a nod to an old saying about having the best of something, and expanding to over 30 restaurants, the brand is keeping it simple and savory with 100% real, top ground beef, slow roasted on-site for three hours, shaved thin and served medium rare on a lightly toasted buttered bun, topped off with a dash of secret 'Famous Seasoning.' Also known for its french fries and frozen custard, the three pillars of the Lion's Choice menu continue to keep customers coming back for more.

For more information about Lion's Choice, visit the website here, or follow along on social media @lionschoice.

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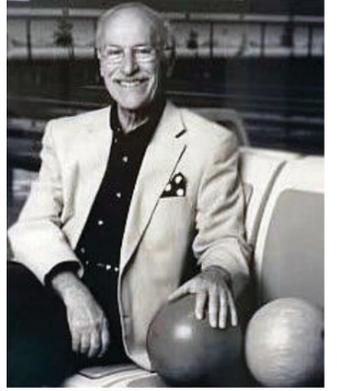
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Costantino "Tino" Dominic DiFranco December 13, 1928 – August 16, 2023

Born December 13, 1928 in a house on Sublette Avenue on the Hill in South Saint Louis. Tino said it was like growing up in a small village within a large city.

He attended Shaw School, CBC High School and St. Louis University School of Business. After graduation he was in the Furniture Business (sales and rental), followed by several years in Automobile Sales and Finance Business. Tino for a short time owned a bar in St. Charles called the Time Out. However, most of his career, 60 years, was spent in the Bowling industry. He retired on his 90th Birthday, still working 6 to 7 days a week.



At one time he owned or co-owned six bowling centers which included Lucky Strike Lanes, Hazelwood Bowl, Plaza Lanes, North Oaks Bowl, King Pin Lanes, and Tropicana Lanes. He also served as president of the Missouri and then St. Louis Bowling Proprietors Association. Because of his service to the Bowling Industry he was inducted the Bowling Hall of Fame. In the eighties, he gave the Bowling Report on

KMOX – "Sports on a Sunday Morning." Tino served as a Management Trustee for Local 50 of the Building Service Employees Union for Ten years.

Tino served on the Board for Cystic Fibrosis for which he received the Jack Buck award in 2001. Other honors included induction in the CBC Hall of Fame and was named a "Remarkable Ageless Senior Citizen in 2006."

However, Tino is best known for his humor. He was a sought after Master of Ceremonies, Roaster and did Humorous Routines, both in St. Louis and throughout the country. Most of his work entertaining was done for Charities at No Charge.

His parents were Carmen and Rose DiFranco; he is survived by his wife, Ann Jennings; a daughter Tina (Jack) Kimbell; two stepsons Greg Sternberg (Julie) and Russell (Sheri) Sternberg II; his brother Salvatore and sister, the late Carmeline (Jim) Newell; grandchildren, Kirsten, Russell, and Jake Sternberg, Dominic, Dalton and Daniel Hahn; stepchildren, Cynthia Pukatch, Nan Murch, and Dave Jennings; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Tino loved to laugh, but better still, he loved to make others laugh. He treasured his life, his family and friends, and the thousands of people he met throughout his 94 years on earth.

If desired memorial contributions may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

October 2023 Events at Richmond Heights Memorial Library!

8001 Dale Avenue, Richmond Heights, MO 63117, 314-645-6202, Richmondheightslibrary.org

Oct. 10 A Virtual Afternoon with Rick Steves | 3:00 PM Ages: Adults
 The popular guidebook author and TV host will share the newest in European travel tips.

Oct. 11 Midday Movies | 1:00 PM | 18+
 "The Graduate" - 1967 Dustin Hoffman classic

Oct. 11 Adult Book Discussion | 7:00 PM | 18+
 Death of a Red Heroine, Qiu Xiaolong

Oct. 12 Teen Halloween Ceramic Pumpkin Painting | 4:00 PM Ages: 12-16
 Please register!

Oct. 14 Firefighter Storytime with the Richmond Heights Fire Dept. |
 Children+caregivers | 10:00 AM

Oct. 17 The Artful Adult | 6:30 PM | 18+ Experiment with concrete to make bowls, pendants and other small objects.

Oct. 18 A Virtual Afternoon with Ruth Ware | 1:00 PM Ages: Adults The New York Times bestselling author and master of suspense will talk about her latest book, Zero Days.

Oct. 18 Teen Activity Kits | Ages 12-18 Edible Halloween Peeps House Register by Oct 18 for pickup beginning Oct 23

Oct. 18 Chess Club | 4:00 PM | Ages 7+ Learn chess! Snacks provided. Please register.

Oct. 18 Author Event: Indigenous Missourians, Greg Olson | 6:30 PM, Ages 16+ The historian will talk about Missouri's Indigenous past, present, and future. Copies for signing will be available for purchase from Subterranean Books.

Oct. 19 Kids Halloween Ceramic Pumpkin Painting 4:00 PM | Ages 6-12 |
 Please register.

Oct. 24 AfterSchool Adventures | 4:00 PM | Grades 1-5 Science magic tricks!! Please register.

Oct. 26 A Virtual Evening with John Irving | 6:00 PM Ages: Adults The international best selling author will talk about his lifetime of writing, as well as his latest book, The Last Chairlift.

Oct. 30 Family Book Club | Families of kids 8+ Register to pick up a read-aloud book, guide and snacks. Pickup begins Oct. 30.

Studio: TESLA | STEM for Middle Schoolers
 Every Friday afternoon | 3:30 PM
 PAWS for Reading
 Beginning Readers thru Gr. 6

Tuesday, Oct. 10 and Monday Oct. 23 | 4:00 PM
 Storytime Schedule: Every Monday at 10:00 AM, Pajama Storytime: Tuesday, October 24 at 6:30 PM

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Celebrate Farm to School this October with ‘Moon to You!’



Farm to school, a movement that strives to offer healthy local foods and educational opportunities, allows students to learn where their food comes from, why food is good for their bodies and even how to grow their own food. The National Farm to School Network (NFSN) launched in 2007 to foster the vision of farm-to-school programs in local, state, regional and national settings. NFSN's mission

is to increase access to local food and nutrition education, to improve children's health, to strengthen family farms and to cultivate vibrant communities. Over the last 20 years, schools have created farm-to-school programs to help achieve this mission. These programs include creating school gardens, procuring local foods from community farms, and educating students in agriculture, food, health and nutrition.

Today, we celebrate Farm to School month in October. It is the perfect time to celebrate all things local, including dairy, the original local food! While dairy foods may not be top of mind when thinking of local, most dairy farms are actually within 100 miles of a student's school. This allows milk to travel from the cow to the carton in just 48 hours. "Many students do not realize that the milk on their breakfast and lunch tray every day is actually from a local dairy farm," said St. Louis District Dairy Council (SLDDC) nutrition educator and registered dietitian Maggie Cimarolli. "When the students discover this, they immediately want to visit the farm to meet the farmer and cows that created their delicious and nutritious milk."

In addition to being local, milk provides 13 essential nutrients, including calcium, potassium, phosphorus, vitamin D, protein and B vitamins. The nutrients in milk and dairy foods help students' bodies build strong bones, create energy, grow strong teeth, build and repair muscles, and keep digestion on track. "School milk is nutritious, delicious and locally sourced. Dairy farmers are part of the community and are committed to providing wholesome safe foods for schools to offer as a part of a balanced breakfast and lunch," Cimarolli said.

St. Louis District Dairy Council challenges students, parents and schools to celebrate Farm to School month this year by discovering the dairy farm within their community by using the Moo to You! program. Moo to You! is a colorful collection of posters highlighting Illinois and Missouri dairy farms. Moo to You! can be found at www.stldairyCouncil.org, under "Our Programs" and the "Farm to You" tab. Click on each pin on the map to find a local dairy farm in the bi-state area.

Additional information on local dairy farms and dairy foods, can be found on SLDDC's website or by calling (314)-835-9668, or e-mailing mcimarolli@stldairyCouncil.org. For easy and tasty recipes, checkout SLDDC's Facebook and Instagram at [STLDairyCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/STLDairyCouncil).

About the St. Louis District Dairy Council

The St. Louis District Dairy Council (SLDDC) is a nonprofit nutrition education organization funded by local dairy farmers. Since 1932, SLDDC has served 131 counties in central/southern Illinois and eastern Missouri as the go-to educational resource and advocate for the role of dairy foods as part of a healthful diet. As The Nutrition Education People, we are proud to spread knowledge to local communities, bridging the gap between local dairy farmers and consumers. The staff is comprised of professionals with experience in nutrition, food service management, education and communications, and we take pride in delivering engaging programs throughout the communities we serve.

Pumpkin Cheesecake Smoothie



This perfect combination of warm fall flavors and dairy deliciousness is a great way to kick off the day or to savor a nutritious dessert.

Yield: 6 servings

Ingredients

- 1 can (14 oz.) pumpkin, chilled
- 3 oz. reduced-fat cream cheese
- 1 container (6 oz.) low fat vanilla yogurt
- 2 cups low fat milk
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/8 tsp. nutmeg
- 2 Tbsp. graham cracker crumbs, optional

Instructions

Place all ingredients (except graham cracker crumbs) in a blender and blend until smooth.

Pour 1/6 of mixture into glasses.

Top each serving with a teaspoon of graham cracker crumbs (optional).

Enjoy!

Optional: Visit a local pumpkin patch and pick out your own sugar pie pumpkin to make your own pumpkin puree! See the recipe for homemade pumpkin puree below.

Roasted Pumpkin Puree: Wash the pumpkin and cut in half. Scoop out the seeds and pulp from the center. Place the pumpkin halves on a sheet pan and roast in an oven at 350oF for 45 minutes or until pumpkin is fork-tender and golden brown. Peel off the skin and discard. Puree the pumpkin until the mixture is smooth (you may need to add water if mixture gets too thick). Store in an airtight container in the refrigerator or freezer until ready to use.



Senior Day at the Missouri State Fair



Christy Wilson-Smith, 2023 Ms. Missouri Senior, joined Judy Davis, 2017 Ms. Missouri Senior, on August 16 at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia. They were judges for the annual Senior Day Dance Competition. Wilson-Smith entertained the fair crowd with a song, and then met with children at a local elementary school. All in a busy day's work.



Cyber Security: Protecting Our Increasingly Digital Life

By: West Community Credit Union

We are constantly connected. Even while we're "offline" on vacation, or away from our computer or mobile devices, chances are we're still connected in one way or another.

More and more, the Internet touches almost all aspects of our daily lives.

Don't believe it? Think of the systems that help to keep the lights on, the water running, and transportation moving. Or the devices that track your sleep and exercise, point you to an open parking spot, or control the thermostat at your home. All these and more depend on digital networks to function.

As we enjoy the convenience of these changes, we must consider the new risks they bring as well. Just as we lock our doors to protect our valuables, we must also take steps to protect our devices and information from virtual threats by properly securing everything that is connected to the Internet.

During National Cyber Security Awareness Month, we encourage you to remember a few important steps to help secure your valuable information and then practice them all year long!

Keep a clean machine. Like your smartphone or PC, keep any device that connects to the Internet free from viruses and malware. Download software updates regularly on the device itself, as well as for the apps you use, since they often contain fixes to protect against malicious activity.

Set strong passwords. Setting passwords that are long, unique, and hard to guess is one of the most important things you can do to protect your online accounts. Changing passwords regularly and using different passwords for different accounts goes a long way to protecting your online information.

When in doubt, throw it out. Links in emails, tweets, posts, and online advertisements are often how cyber criminals compromise your computer or mobile device. If it looks suspicious, it's best to delete it, even if you know the source.

Avoid shopping on public Wi-Fis. It may be convenient when you're away from home and on the go, but not as secure as a password protected Wi-Fi or your home network. Save your online shopping, banking, or sensitive transactions for a secure connection, preferably when you're back at your house.

Monitor your credit score. The credit union offers free credit file monitoring access in both Online and Mobile Banking services. With protective measures in place, such as free daily refreshed credit scores, monthly credit reports and alerts, helping to stop fraud just got a whole lot easier. You can even initiate disputes directly from the app. Visit our website for the complete suite of benefits.

You work hard for your money, and you know it makes sense to protect it and save it. For more information on protecting your identity, contact Member Services with West Community Credit Union at 636.720.2495 or visit us online at westcommunitycu.org.



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HOME BUYING SEMINAR!

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 18
6:00 PM
BRENTWOOD BRANCH
2345 S. Brentwood Boulevard**



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Not all identity theft starts online. Your trash is still an easy way for thieves to access your personal information. We're hosting a Free Shred Event to help you reduce the possibility of identity theft. Gather all sensitive documents you no longer need, bring them to our Shred Event, and we'll help you dispose of them safely and securely. Five box maximum.



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Metro Transit Honored with an FTA Award

Seven Missouri transit providers were recently recognized by Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Region VII during the 2023 Midwest Transit Conference, which was hosted by the Missouri Public Transit Association (MPTA) and held Sept. 6 – 8 in Kansas City. The FTA recognized both rural and urban providers for ridership increases and total rides provided.

Missouri transit providers recognized this year include the following:

The Bus (City Utilities Transit Services) of Springfield, Mo., received the FTA Award of Recognition for having the highest urban public transportation ridership among Missouri transit systems that have a population ranging from 200,000 to 1 million.

City of Columbia Public Transit (GoCO-MO) was recognized with the FTA Award of Recognition for demonstrating the highest urban public transportation ridership increase among transit systems in Missouri.

City of Independence (Inde Bus) received the FTA Award of Recognition for having the highest urban public transportation ridership among Missouri transit systems that have a population less than 200,000.

Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) was recognized with the FTA Award of Recognition for providing over 9 million rides in Region 7.

Bi-State Development Agency (Metro Transit) in St. Louis received the FTA Award of Recognition for providing over 17 million



rides in Region 7.

City of El Dorado Springs Transit was recognized with the FTA Award of Recognition for demonstrating the highest rural public transportation ridership increase among transit systems in Missouri.

OATS Transit, which is based in Columbia but provides transportation across 87 counties in Missouri, received the FTA Award of Recognition for having the highest rural public transportation ridership among transit system in Missouri.

During the awards program, the FTA also recognized MPTA for its efforts to deliver transit education and advocacy in the Midwest. To learn more about the Missouri Public Transit Association (MPTA) or its work, visit www.mopublictransit.org.

Missouri Public Transit Association (MPTA) was established in 1980 as a Missouri non-profit corporation. It was formed to provide a unified voice for public and specialized transportation providers in Missouri and to work toward elevating the status of public transit as a national priority.



Take a trip to the beautiful

Augusta Winery Trail

Enjoy a trip to the beautiful Defiance Ridge Vineyards and Mount Pleasant Winery in Augusta, MO

Price is \$70 per person, open to adults ages 50+

Tuesday, Oct. 3
10:30am-4:30pm



Senior Sock Hop

Spend the afternoon back in time, making a root beer float, getting a picture with Elvis and more!

Tuesday, Oct. 17
2-4pm at the Brentwood Community Center

Register for these and more in person at the Brentwood Community Center or call (314) 963-8689

Mosaics Fine Art Festival Presents Best of Show Award

Artist Neshama Roash awarded first place prize at 28th annual fair

Missouri resident Neshama Roash was recently awarded “Best of Show” at Mosaics Fine Art Festival’s 28th annual event. She was among over 100 juried artists from more than 15 states.

Roash received \$1,000 as the first-place prize for her photography. Eight artists received an “Award of Recognition” prize along with \$500 each. They are Lucinia Estep, jewelry, from St. Louis, Mo.; Mel Fleck, printmaking, from Louisville, Ky.; Hien Luu, clay, from Bunker Hill, Ill.; Lois Neal, jewelry, from Squires, Mo.; Christina Nunez, oil/acrylic, from Columbia, Mo.; Brian Schmidt, oil/acrylic, from St. Paul, Minn.; Steve Springmeyer, photography, from St. Louis, Mo.; and Yuliya Wolf, leather, from Hartford, Wisc.

“Neshama’s photography truly highlights her connection to nature,” said Mosaics Fine Art Festival president Denise Wulff. “Her artwork stood out from the rest in terms of capturing the perfect balance between composition and contrast.” Wulff added that “Neshama’s work was very distinctive given that the judges selected her work from more than 100 artists.”

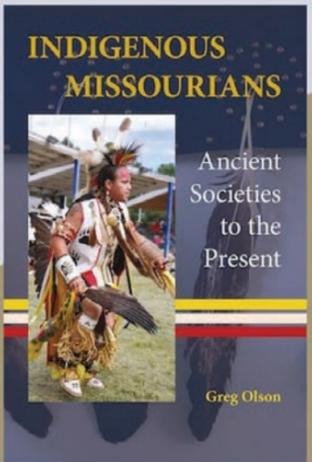
The Mosaics Fine Art Festival is a nonprofit organization that showcases local and regional artists while educating the community’s children and adults in how art can enhance their lives. The festival features a wide array of artwork produced by a mix of emerging, mid-career and established artists in all media. For more information, call (314) 406-2067 or visit Mosaics Fine Art Festival.



Book Discussion and signing

Indigenous Missourians

by Greg Olson



Presenting the Show Me State’s Indigenous past as one spanning twelve millennia of Native presence, resilience, and evolution.

Weds., October 18, 2023
6:30 PM
Teens and Adults
Books for purchase from Subterranean Books

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OCTOBER 28TH
STREAM CLEANUPS & STORM DRAIN
MARKING VOLUNTEER EVENT FOLLOWED
BY FREE FOOD AND ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS



Open Space STL hosts River des Peres Trash Bash 2023

Open Space STL, alongside our partners from Great Rivers Greenway, MSD Project Clear, the River des Peres Watershed Coalition, St. Louis County Parks, and Earthways Center, is elated to host the annual **River des Peres Trash Bash** cleanup of the watershed and surrounding areas. Through coordinated efforts, we annually host the #ConfluenceTrashBash and #RiverdesPeresTrashBash.

All guided cleanup opportunities have a site supervisor present to provide volunteers with supplies, sign-in participants, and lead them through the cleanup of the chosen site. Learn more about this year's cleanup on our website at <http://openspacestl.org/river-des-peres-trash-bash/>

All are welcome to join us afterwards at the **Watershed Celebration** hosted by the River des Peres Watershed Coalition from 11am-2pm at Willmore Park. Open Space STL is hosting **Passport to Clean Water**, our educational program for kids, featuring many local environmental vendors to showcase how you can get involved and protect your local watershed.

Volunteers of all ages are encouraged to help with this Trash Bash! Children must have adult supervision, and all volunteers are required to sign a waiver before the event. **Volunteers are strongly encouraged to sign up in advance through our new volunteer platform: <https://volunteer.openspacestl.org/>** which allows you to sign our virtual waiver and gives us an easy way to contact you in the event of a site change or other situation.

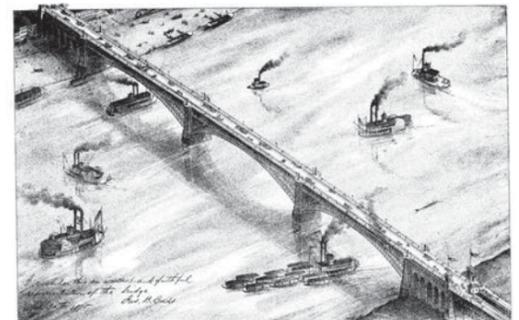
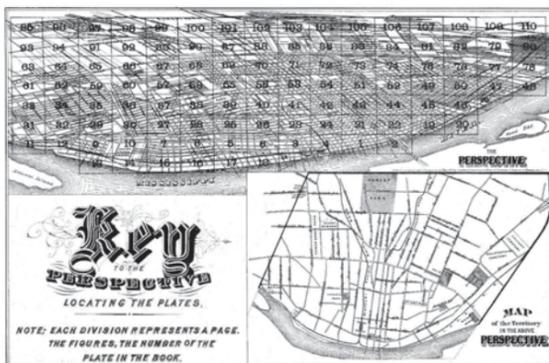
Questions? Contact Open Space STL at 314-835-9225 or info@openspacestl.org.

Special thanks to all our partners! River Des Peres Trash Bash 2023 is funded in part by Spire, The River des Peres Watershed Coalition, Great Rivers Greenway, Earthways Center, MSD Project Clear, St. Louis County Parks, and Missouri Stream Team.



About OS-STL

Open Space STL (OS-STL) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving and restoring open space lands in the St. Louis region. As stewards of nature, OS-STL works to maintain the integrity of land and waterways for recreation, practical purposes and their natural beauty, to be enjoyed now and for generations to come. Through community building programs such as Operation Clean Stream and Trash Bashes, we seek to raise awareness about the importance of land and water conservation and the value of clean water. In addition to restoring and maintaining the region's already dedicated open spaces, the organization actively works to identify areas that can be acquired and set aside for public use and discourages improper land use and detrimental development. Acting as a Land Trust, OS-STL raises and provides funds for new open space projects, offering land owners an alternative to development. OS-STL recognizes our region is fortunate to have designated national, state, and local parks as well as other open spaces. At Open Space STL, we work hard to protect this great privilege.



Pictorial St. Louis A Topographical Survey Drawn in Perspective A.D. 1875

This is a reprint of the 1971 version of the original book. The book was painstakingly scanned from the original in my collection. Each page is reproduced in high resolution and coil bound so the pages lay flat while viewing. Printed on 12" x 18" high quality acid free paper. A nice edition to your historical book collection. Perfect coffee table book as people are attracted by the cover art.

PICTORIAL ST. LOUIS: The Great Metropolis of the Mississippi Valley A Topographical Survey, Drawn From Perspective 1875.

Illustrations by Camille N. Dry and designed & edited by Rich. J. Compton.

Over 220 pages of illustrations and descriptions of life in St. Louis in the late 1800's. The preliminary drawings for this work were made early in the spring of 1874. After a careful consideration of the subject, it was determined to locate the point of view so that the city would be seen from the southeast, believing that to be the most advantageous in all respects. Accordingly, the point of site was established on the Illinois side of the river, looking to the northwest, and at sufficient altitude to overlook the roofs of ordinary houses into the streets.

A careful perspective, which required a surface of three hundred square feet, was then erected from a correct survey of the city, extending northward from Arsenal Island to the Water Works, a distance of about ten miles, on the river front; and from the Insane Asylum on the southwest to the Cemeteries on the northwest.

Every foot of the vast territory within these limits has been carefully examined and topographically drawn in perspective, by Mr. C. N. Dry and his assistants, and the faithfulness and accuracy with which this work has been done an examination of the pages will attest. Absolute truth and accuracy in the representation of the territory has been the standard and in no cases have additions or alterations been made unless the same were actually in course of construction. In a few cases, important public and private edifices that are not yet finished are shown completed, and as they will appear when done.

All the buildings within the limits of the survey in July, 1875, are shown; and a very large number of those executed or commenced since that date have been also introduced, the pages having been constantly corrected up to the last possible moment before publication.

This book is available from Gene-Del Printing for \$75.00. Please call Keith at 314.962.4750 or email him at keith@genedel.com. You may also stop by our office at 9019 Manchester, 63144 in Brentwood to view the book.

Kitchen Conservatory Open House in Brentwood



Halloween Pop-Up Cocktail Experience Invades Westport Social October 4 - 31

Halloween is coming early to Westport Social, the classic gaming lounge, bar and restaurant at Westport Plaza.

Numbskull at Westport Social begins October 4 and continues through October 31. The experience is open daily at 11 a.m. on a first-come, first-served basis with no reservations needed.

The most-anticipated pop-up bar of the season serves up creepy cocktails created in specialty glassware. A carnival atmosphere envelops the space with elaborate decor inspired by visions of vintage midway amusements, questionable clowns and paranormal performers.

Every Thursday during October, Numbskull activates with fortune tellers, zombie roller skaters and otherworldly carnival fun. Westport Social's popular games will continue to add to the fun during Numbskull, with guests invited to play hoops, bocce, shuffleboard, darts, foosball, ping pong and more inside and on the expansive patio outside.

Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28, guests should dress to impress for a horrifying Halloween costume contest featuring giveaways and a \$500 first-place prize each night.

Westport Social is open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m. All patrons must be 21 or older after 4 p.m.

The restaurant is located at 910 Westport Plaza Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146. www.westportsocial-stl.com. Follow on social media @westport-stl.



Kitchen Conservatory, a 39-year-old retail store and cooking school, has opened a new facility at 9011 Manchester Road, next door to Gene-Del Printing. The brand-new building features three kitchens, plus an outdoor grilling area, all designed to teach home cooks. For the rest of 2023, the kitchen spaces are available for customized cooking classes, holiday parties, and corporate team-building events. Their most popular event is the Iron Chef Competition. To reserve a date for an event, call 314-862-2665.

The retail space and cooking classes open to the general public on January 2, 2024. Their hours are 9:30 am to 8 pm Monday through Saturday, noon to 8 pm on Sunday.

For more information: www.kitchenconservatory.com



THE BURTON BAR - A HALLOWEEN SPEAKEASY POP UP: ST. LOUIS From October 4-31

Venue: Secret location

Love Halloween & Tim Burton? An awesome Tim Burton inspired, immersive Halloween bar is coming to town this October! For the month of October you can experience haunting decor, themed drinks and spooktacular quests! Head down to this local speakeasy for some secret, dark cocktails

If you're a fan of an illicit, edgy atmosphere then this is the bar for you!

Each ticket includes:

- 1 x Boozy Welcome Drink (non alc versions available)
- 90 minutes in our themed Halloween bar
- Games, additional activations and a Ghost Host

Tickets are sold on a non-refundable basis.

*Please note, guests under 21 years of age will not be permitted into a session unless the ticket you purchase is labeled FAMILY FRIENDLY. No alcohol will be served at these sessions.

For Tickets: <https://explorehidden.com/event/details/the-burton-bar-a-halloween-speakeasy-pop-up-st-louis-1559378>

Great Pumpkin Glow

October 26, 2023

DOWNTOWN MAPLEWOOD

5:00- 7:30 P.M.

PRESENTED BY

MID COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Pumpkin Carving Contest
Pre-registration required

Merchant Open Houses

Trick Or Treating

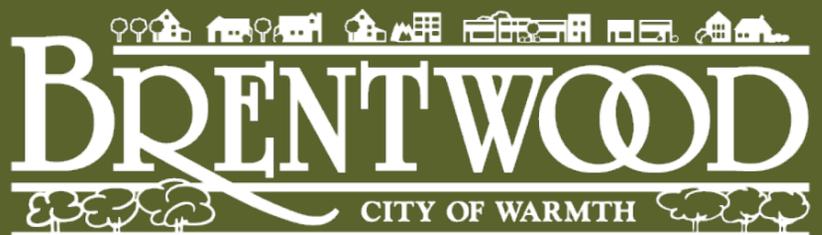
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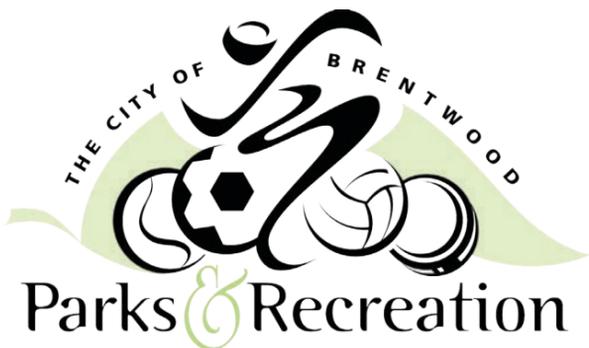
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Hello, Brentwood Community Member!

The City of Brentwood provides information and connects with the community through a variety of communication channels. Choose the tools you prefer to use to find City of Brentwood updates, news, events and more. Choose how you wish to stay connected and informed.

Connect with City of Brentwood's communication channels here





Ooey, Gooley, Something Chewy
 Saturdays, Oct. 7, 14, 21
 10-11am

Dates: Saturdays, Oct. 7, 14 & 21
 Time: 10-11am
 Location: Brentwood Community Center
 Ages: 6-10
 Price: Res. \$30/Non-Res. \$35
 Activity Number: 945106



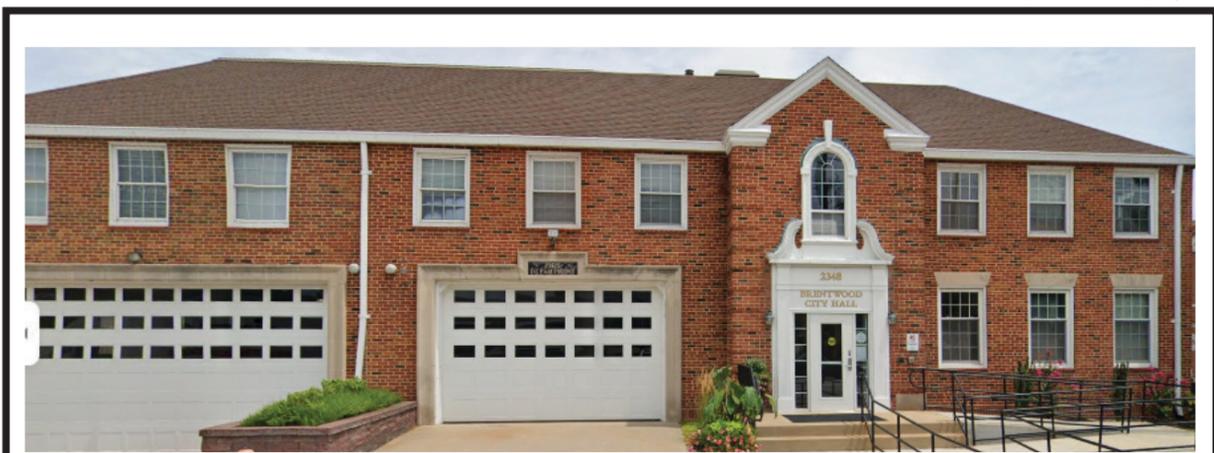
Party in the Patch
 Friday, Oct. 13
 6-8pm

The cities of Clayton and Brentwood bring you this Halloween event that is fun for the whole family! With candy, hayrides, inflatables, and more. Hot dog dinner included in child's registration. Additional meals can be purchased at concessions for \$5.
 Dates: Friday, Oct. 13
 Time: 6-8pm
 Location: Clayton Shaw Park
 Ages: 1-14
 Price: Res./Non-Res. \$8 in advance, \$13 at the gate
 Activity Number: 954103



Pumpkin Carving
 Wednesday, Oct. 18
 6-8pm

Gather your friends or family and join us for a night of pumpkin carving, snacks and apple cider. Pre-registration required.
 Dates: Wednesday, Oct. 18
 Time: 6-8pm
 Location: Brentwood Community Center
 Price: Res. \$15/Non-Res. \$20
 Activity Number: 954107



City of Brentwood News for September, 2023



Coffee with the Mayor at the Firehouse
 October's Coffee with the Mayor will be in the fire bay at the Fire Department on October 26! Join the Mayor for his monthly meeting from 9-10am and enjoy a breakfast of pancakes and sausage provided by Chris' Cakes.

National Night Out
 Join the Brentwood Police Department for an evening of community-building by hosting a neighborhood event on October 10 from 6-9pm! Host a block party, connect with neighbors, and receive a visit from Brentwood first responders and K9 Red! Contact Sgt. Joe Sullivan to register your block: JSullivan@brentwoodMO.org

Board of Aldermen and Committee Meetings Available on YouTube
 Watch Board of Aldermen and committee meetings on YouTube and subscribe to the City's YouTube channel. Click on the YouTube icon on the home page of www.brentwoodmo.org or search "brentwoodmo govtv" on YouTube

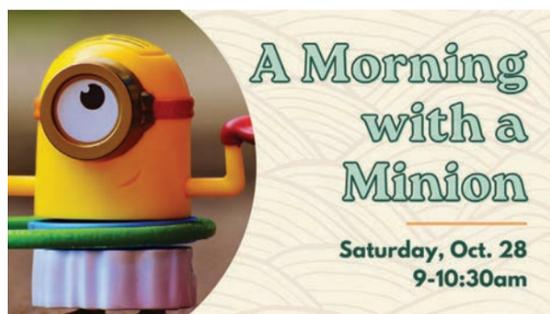
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2023
 OCTOBER 10, 2023 6:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Join the Brentwood Police Department for an evening of community-building by hosting a neighborhood event.

Host a Block Party. Connect with neighbors. Receive a visit from Brentwood first responders and K9 Red.

Contact Sgt. Joe Sullivan to register your block.
 jsullivan@brentwoodmo.org

TOGETHER, WE ARE MAKING COMMUNITIES SAFER, MORE CARING PLACES TO LIVE AND WORK



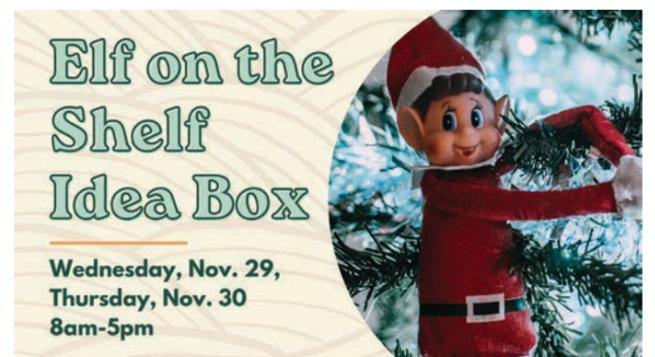
A Morning with a Minion
 Saturday, Oct. 28
 9-10:30am

Join Gru and a very special Minion for a pancake and sausage breakfast at Brentwood Park. We will also make crafts and end the morning with a dance party! Participants are encouraged to come dressed as a minion.
 Date: Saturday, Oct. 28
 Time: 9-10:30am
 Location: Brentwood Park Pavilion, 2924 Brazeau Ave.
 Ages: 3 and up with a parent
 Price: Res. \$8/Non-Res. \$10 per person, Children under 2 are free
 Activity Number: 945113



Wine and Paint Night
 Thursday, Nov. 2
 6-8pm
 Sponsored by: BLICK art materials

Looking for a fun, relaxing night out? Then grab your friends and enjoy a night of painting together at the Brentwood Community Center. No need to worry about who is going to clean up once you are done. This event is BYOB.
 Dates: Thursday, Nov. 2
 Time: 6-8pm
 Location: Brentwood Community Center
 Ages: 21+
 Price: Res. \$15/Non-Res. \$20
 Activity Number: 954102



Elf on the Shelf Idea Box
 Wednesday, Nov. 29,
 Thursday, Nov. 30
 8am-5pm

Parents, having trouble finding activities or ideas for your family's Elf? Let Brentwood Parks and Recreation help you! We will find ideas for the Elf and provide all the materials for each activity. Ideas will cover Dec. 1-24. Pick up your box at the Brentwood Community Center.
 Pickup Dates: Wednesday, Nov. 29 and Thursday, Nov. 30
 Time: 8am-5pm
 Location: Brentwood Community Center
 Price: Res. \$35/Non-Res. \$45
 Activity Number: 945110



Brentwood Holiday Party
 Saturday, Dec. 2
 5-7pm

It's the most wonderful time of the year in Brentwood! Come celebrate the holidays with your community at Brentwood Park. Bring in the season with a tree lighting, sleigh rides, refreshments, and more! This residents only event is completely free.
 Dates: Saturday, Dec. 2
 Time: 5-7pm
 Location: Brentwood Park Pavilion, 2924 Brazeau Ave. Brentwood
 Price: Free

BRENTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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CRAFTIBILITY
 FRIDAY, OCT. 13 AT 10:00 A.M.

STORY TIME
 ARTS & CRAFTS
 PLAY

Craftability and Easterseals volunteers craft with preschool age kids and their caregivers.
 Held at The Brentwood Community Center.
 Want to register? Call the library or e-register through our website's online calendar of events.

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Make your own
Glowing Apothecary Jar
 Monday, October 16
 at 6:00 p.m.

Children ages 6 and up.
 Children under 7 must be accompanied by a grown-up.
 Registration is required. Call 314-963-8630 to register.
 Free.

Spider Venom

Not 2 Spooky Story Time
 Oct 23 at 6:00pm

Stories, songs, and a little spooky fun for children and families. Costumes encouraged.

READ WITH MURPHY
 A THERAPY DOG FROM C.H.A.M.P.

Wednesday, November 1 at 3:30 p.m.
 Murphy is a C.H.A.M.P. therapy dog who loves to hear kids practice their reading skills.

APPLE PIE PIN CUSHION CRAFT
 THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9 AT 6:00 P.M. &
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 AT 2:00 P.M.
 AGES 18+ ONLY. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

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Craftability Inclusion Class
 Friday, October 13 at 10:00 a.m.
 This event will be held at the Brentwood Parks and Recreation Center (2505 South Brentwood Blvd. Brentwood, MO 63144 – Room C).

Craftability Foundation’s mission is to teach youth to be comfortable around adults with special needs through arts and crafts. For children 16 months through 6 years old. The class consists of a story, songs, and a craft based on the book. Children are assisted by volunteers from Easter Seals of Midwest. The children will take home their projects. FREE. Dress to be messy. Call the Brentwood Public Library at 314-963-8630 to register.

Glowing Apothecary Jar Craft
 Monday, October 16 at 6:00 p.m.
 Create a creepy apothecary jar mounted on an LED light. Open to children ages 6 and up only, please. Children under 7 must be accompanied by a grown-up. Free. Registration will open on October 1. Registration is required.

Not 2 Spooky Story Time
 Monday, October 23 at 6:00 p.m.
 Children and families can join us for a little spooky fun at this festive story time. We will sing some songs, read stories, and end with a craft. Halloween costumes are encouraged. Free.

Read with Murphy, a CHAMP Assistance Dog
 Wednesday, November 1 at 3:30 p.m.
 Children can practice their reading with Murphy, an assistance dog from CHAMP. Murphy loves to listen to you read and he never judges. Come meet Murphy!

Brentwood Book Club
 Tuesday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m.
 For November, we will be reading Dear America: Notes of an Undocumented Citizen by Jose Antonio Varga. Ask for a copy at the circulation desk. Newcomers are always welcome and no registration is required. We will be meeting at the Brentwood Public Library (8765 Eulalie Avenue, Brentwood MO).

Adult Craft Class: Pie Pincushion
 Thursday, November 9 at 6:00 p.m. & Saturday, November 11 at 2:00 p.m.
 Adults can learn to create a pie pincushion at this hands-on craft class. All supplies are provided. Ages 18+ only, please. Registration is required. Call the library at 314-963-8630 to register.

November 7, 6:30 pm
 Ask for a copy at the circulation desk. Newcomers are always welcome and no registration is required.

DEAR AMERICA,
 Notes of an Undocumented Citizen
 Jose Antonio Varga

BRENTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY



Walk-Run-Roll to Build Community for Friends of Fisher House St. Louis Saturday, October 28, 2023

What: A 5K timed race, or casual walk-run-roll with full 5K or 1-1/2 mile courses – or “wherever you are”!

Why: To raise awareness of the Fisher House, celebrate its 13 years of service at Jefferson Barracks, and rally around plans to build a second Fisher House by the John Cochran VA Hospital when it is renovated. The VA Fisher House at Jefferson Barracks serves Veterans’ families who have travelled more than 50 miles by providing their families with a free “home away from home” so they can stay nearby – at NO COST -- while their loved one receives health care. The VA Medical Center in St. Louis provides specialty medical care to patients from eight surrounding states. The non-profit organization “Friends of Fisher House St. Louis” helps the house and its guests in many ways, to help ensure that lodging, meals and essentials. All of this is free for Fisher House guests.

When: Saturday, October 28, 2023. Registration 7 a.m.; Competitive Race 8 a.m., Casual Start after that.

Where: Jefferson Barracks St. Louis County Park, Gold Star Shelter, 345 North Rd W, St. Louis, MO 63125 –OR– Virtually, On Your Own!

Cost: \$30 per person if registered before September 24. Veterans, active-duty Services members, and employees of the US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) may get \$10 off their registration! Children do not need to register, but we are selling Youth-sized shirts at \$11 for them so they can learn about caring for Veterans too!

How to Register: Directly at <https://runsignup.com/Race/MO/SaintLouis/FisherHouseinStLouis> or, download a paper form at the News & Events page of our website www.fisherhouseinstl.org/events

T-Shirt & Packet Pick Up: We hope to set times the week before the race for pre-registrants to pick up their packets and shirts at the VA-John Cochran and VA-Jefferson Barracks, and/or we will identify a location in mid St. Louis County. All registrants will be emailed detailed options in October. We also will ship shirts on request, for the cost of postage.

Options: Participate on your own time, in your own place, or with your local group! If you’re far away from St. Louis you can join us in spirit! Call (314) 621-6182 to discuss group rates and bulk shipping options. Help us spread the word about how Fisher Houses serve Veterans across the Midwest!

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Mid-County YMCA Rock 'N Roll Bingo

The Mid County Family YMCA will be hosting a Rock 'N Roll Bingo on Friday, November 3, 2023 at 6:00pm. As a charitable organization, the YMCA relies heavily on donor support so that we can continue to offer quality programs for people of all ages and walks of life.

The YMCA offers financial assistance so that everyone has an opportunity to participate in programs regardless of their ability to pay. This event is one of the ways we raise funds to support our financial assistance program. There are a couple of ways that you can support our efforts:

- Donate an item or gift certificate for our silent auction.
- Become a sponsor for the event with options starting at \$100.
- Sign up to come play bingo and rock out with us!

The proceeds from this event will provide opportunities for families and individuals right here in our community.

Last year we awarded more than \$93,000 that impacted over 1000 children, adults and families in our community. The Mid County Family YMCA strives to make a

difference in the lives of the people in our community by providing a safe and nurturing "home-away-from-home" through programs based on our core values: caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

I want to thank you in advance for your support! Please feel free to contact me with any questions that you may have at (314) 866-2316. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Melahn (she/her)
Senior Program Director of Member Experience
Mid County Family YMCA
1900 Urban Dr.
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(P) 314-866-2316

(W) <https://gwrymca.org/locations/mid-county-family-ymca>

(O) <https://www.facebook.com/MidCountyFamilyYMCA/>



Happy retirement, Major Jim McIntyre!

Jim McIntyre graduated from the St. Charles County Law Enforcement Training Center on April 10, 1990, and began his career with the Rock Hill Police Department on April 23, 1990.

On September 23, 1991, he began his career with the City of Brentwood Police Department. In July 1995, he was transferred to the Criminal Investigations Bureau and worked there as a detective until May 1997 when he was transferred to bicycle patrol. Officer McIntyre continued to serve as the bicycle patrol officer until 2000 when he was transferred to Uniform Patrol.

In 2004, he was transferred back to the Criminal Investigations Bureau as the Department's School Resource Officer/DARE Officer/Juvenile Detective. Officer McIntyre served in this capacity until September 2006 when he was promoted to Sergeant and selected to supervise a newly formed Mobile Reserve/Traffic Enforcement unit.

In 2009, Sergeant McIntyre was re-assigned as the supervisor of the Criminal Investigations Bureau.

In 2014, Sergeant McIntyre was promoted to Major and assigned as the Assistant Chief/Field Operations Commander. It was in this role that Major McIntyre introduced CALEA accreditation to the Brentwood Police Department and served as the CALEA accreditation manager from 2016-2017.

From May of 2017 to March of 2018 Major McIntyre served as the Interim Chief of Police.

In 2018, Major McIntyre was re-assigned as the Commander of the Bureau of Administration.

Major McIntyre is a graduate of the 262nd session of the FBI National Academy and holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology.

He is married to his wife of 33 years, Kaysie. Together, they have three grown children.

After taking some time off, Jim has accepted a position within the City of Brentwood Finance Department where he will begin the next chapter of his life.



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TRAVEL

By Sue McCarthy

Discover Carlinville, Illinois

Carlinville, Illinois is a microcosm of American History, with something of interest for everyone. Carlinville, dates back to 1829. Located in Macoupin County, the only county in the world with this name, Carlinville holds a unique place in history.

With a population of 5700, it is home to an incredible court house that cost more than \$1,300,000 to build in 1870. Abraham Lincoln practiced law here, and also had one of the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates in the town. Carlinville is home to more than 150 Sears mail order homes, It is home to a famous "cannon ball jail". The original Route 66 passes through Carlinville. It is an official "pollinator city, and is also home to the 119 year old Taylor's Chili Parlor. They even have an original REO Speedwagon truck on display.

Carlinville is 65 miles north of St. Louis and is a perfect day trip for the entire family. There are also 24 trains per week from St. Louis to Carlinville.

The million dollar courthouse is a must see. It was built in three years and opened in 1870. It is one of the largest county court houses in America and still serves as a working court house. Judge Loomis wanted a bigger court house and it was supposed to cost no more than \$50,000. With imported marble, hand carved furniture, stained glass windows, and doors, staircases, window sills and more made from cast iron, the total cost came to \$1,342,226.31! In today's money that would be more than \$23,000,000! The ensuing taxes cost many people their homes, farms and businesses, and some people actually move out of the county to avoid this taxation..

A scandal also developed when Judge Loomis built a four-story hotel on the town square with stones that looked like the stone used to build the courthouse. He said they were surplus stone and that he paid for them, but could not produce a receipt for his purchase. Gustave Loehr ran a drugstore on the ground floor of the hotel. He was an original founder of Rotary International

Another individual left town in the middle of the night with a large bag presumably filled with cash from the construction fund and was never seen again. Forty years later, when the construction debt was paid off, there was a two day celebration

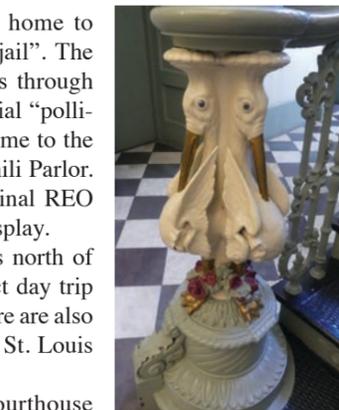
with people from all over the state in attendance.

When you visit the courthouse you can see a document signed by Abraham Lincoln. There is also a stone monument in front of the Methodist church where one of the Lincoln-Douglas debate was held.



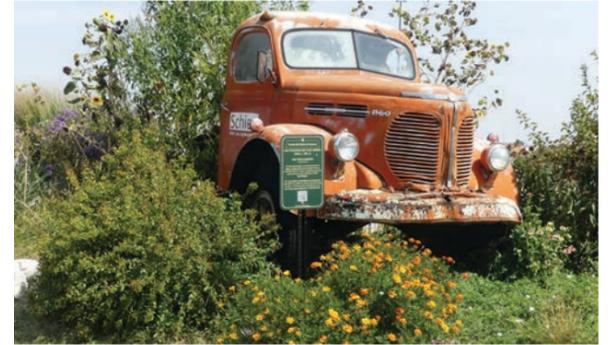
The "Cannon Ball Jail" was built at the same time, by the same architect. It looks like a small castle. The walls are filled with cannon balls. If a prisoner was able to chip away a portion of the stone wall, he would still be faced with an interior wall of cannon balls, making it all but impossible to escape. The jail is open for self-guided tours so check it out.

Standard Oil opened two coal mines in the area to provide coal for the trains used to transport their oil products. This brought hundreds of miners to the area from all over the world. They needed housing, so Standard Oil purchased 156 homes from Sears and Roebuck's mail order catalog. Each house arrived on two train cars, complete with two tree for the front yard. There were eight different models ordered at a cost of more than one million dollars, the largest order in the history of Sears and Roebuck. These homes became the Standard Addition to Carlinville and increased the population of the city by 33%.



These homes cost \$3000 to \$4000 dollars, depending on their size. After the mines were closed and the depression set in, they sold for \$250 to \$500 each. More than 25% of these homes were sold to single women. Today, more than 150 of these homes still stand as an amazing piece of American history.

Carlinville is the first certified Bee City in the State of Illinois. You will find many pollinator gardens in the city. There are signs and murals to point to the location of these gardens. For music fans, one of these gardens features a real REO Speedwagon truck as part of its display.



Route 66 was aligned through the city in 1926 and remained so until 1930 bringing thousands of travelers through the town square with its brick streets. It also offered them a chance to enjoy the 119 year old recipe for Taylor's Mexican Chili. (see the food article in this issue of the Pulse.)

Blackburn College was founded in Carlinville in 1913. Over the years students have built Blackburn – literally brick by brick. In fact, Blackburn enjoys the distinction of being the only college campus in the United States to have been largely built by its students. Today students carry on this tradition by staffing jobs as plumbers, carpenters, painters, landscapers, cooks, servers, administrators, computer technicians, janitors, graphic artists, security officers, assistant coaches, tutors and teaching assistants.

Another business founded in Carlinville after the Depression is the Prairie Farms Dairy Cooperative which now serves a large portion of the Midwest including dairy products, food and packaging for businesses such as McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King, Dairy Queen and many more.

Carlinville has a very nice brochure with maps outlining walking, biking and driving trails that lead you to the history of the city. Carlinville is a perfect example of American history offering something for everyone.



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