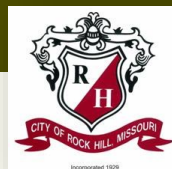




October 2023

A View from the Hill



A Letter from the Mayor

Dear Residents of Rock Hill,
Thank you to everyone who came out and enjoyed the Fall Festival. A huge thank you to the Fall Festival Committee for their work in making it such a success: Pat Harris, Leonmarie Benner, Jan Reed, Peggy McCree, William Mead, and Alderwoman Liaison Jennifer Davis. Mark your calendar now for next year's Fall Festival scheduled for October 5, 2024.

-Edward Mahan, Mayor; emahan@rockhillmo.net or 314-561-4317.

2023 Fall Festival



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

6:00 PM

"PUSH-IN" CEREMONY



JOIN THE ROCK HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT ON **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AT 6:00 PM** AS WE PUT OUR NEW FIRE TRUCK INTO SERVICE. HOT DOGS AND FIRE-THEMED KIDS ACTIVITIES PROVIDED, ALONG WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHEER ON THE FIREFIGHTERS AS THEY "PUSH-IN" THE FIRE TRUCK.

HISTORY: BEGINNING IN THE 1800S, AFTER CREWS RETURNED FROM A CALL ON HORSE-DRAWN EQUIPMENT, THE ANIMALS WERE UNABLE TO BACK INTO THE STATION, REQUIRING MEMBERS TO DETACH THE HORSES AND PUSH THE EQUIPMENT INTO THE BAY. OVER TIME, WITH THE INVENTION AND ADOPTION OF MOTORIZED APPARATUS, THE NEED TO MANUALLY MOVE THE EQUIPMENT WAS GONE.

HOWEVER, THE LEGACY OF THE PUSH-IN WAS SECURED.

Cooking Safety

Cooking brings family and friends together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

"COOK WITH CAUTION"

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.

If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire...

- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire...

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from outside the home.



Cooking and Kids

Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet (1 metre) around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

FACTS

- ❗ The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- ❗ Most cooking fires in the home involve the kitchen stove.



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

Your Logo

Rock Hill Public Library

Happy *Halloween*, from your friends at **Rock Hill Public Library!**

We are open **Monday-Thursday 10 AM-7PM**, **Friday 12-5 PM**, and **Saturday 10 AM-2 PM**.

Love movies?!! Join us every **second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 1-3 PM** for our **Fall Film Series** event at **Rock Hill Public Library (9811 Manchester Rd)**!

October's theme is **"What's Your Favorite Scary Movie?"** Join us for the post-apocalyptic horror film, **A Quiet Place Part 2**, on **October 24**. Just in time for Halloween!!!

Emily Blunt, Millicent Simmonds, Noah Jupe and **John Krasinski** reprise their roles from the first film, while Cillian Murphy, Djimon Hounsou, Scoot McNairy, and Okieriete Onaodowan join the cast. *Popcorn and refreshments included. (PG-13)*. Upcoming movies include **Pieces of April (November 14)** and **Love Again (November 28)**.



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FALL FILM SERIES 2023



A Quiet Place Part II (PG-13)
Following the deadly events at home, the Abbott family must now face the terrors of the outside world as they continue their fight for survival in silence. Forced to venture into the unknown, they quickly realize that the creatures that hunt by sound are not the only threats that lurk beyond the sand path.

Cast including: Emily Blunt, John Krasinski, Millicent Simmonds, Noah Jupe, Cillian Murphy

10.24.2023
1 - 3 PM

**FREE ENTRY!
POPCORN
& REFRESHMENTS**

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Check it out! The Municipal Library Consortium now has access to 2 more databases in **Libby**, **LawDepot** and **UniversalClass**!

LawDepot is a database of easily

searchable, printable legal forms and articles on a variety of legal topics. Create, edit, customize, and print your document in minutes! **UniversalClass** is an online learning tool which offers hundreds of online courses in a wide variety of topics. Some even earn CEUs or certificates for the learner! Both are accessible via the **EXTRAS** banner on the home page of our **Libby** app.



Buy-A-Brick and support your local library!!! Great news! **Rock Hill Public Library** was recently awarded a **MSD Project Clear Rainscaping Grant** to help us install a permeable paver patio behind the library, which we will use for programs and additional library space.

You can be a part of this project, too, by purchasing a personalized engraved brick! Visit <http://www.rockhillpubliclibrary.org/donate/> to get one today! You can also support Rock Hill Public Library by making a one-time or recurring donation.

Want to learn how to play Mah-Jongg? **Mah-Jongg for Beginners** classes are being offered at Rock Hill Public Library on **October 16, 23, and 30** from **2-3 PM**!

Save The Date!!! Come join us at **CRAFT-O-RAMA** on **Tuesday, November 14, 4-5 pm**.

Several different craft tables will be set up for your crafting pleasure. *Kids of all ages are welcome!*

Finally, Ghosts and Ghouls!!! You are cordially invited to our **Halloween Open House** on **October 26** from **4-6 PM** here at the **Rock Hill Public Library (9811 Manchester Road)**. Join us for snacks, crafts, spooky music and stories! *Free and open to the Public. Costumes encouraged, but optional.*

See you soon! Randi

RHPL **MAH JONGG FOR BEGINNERS**

Want to try your hand at the game of Mah Jongg?
Mah Jongg is a game of luck, skill, and strategy.
Learn how to play American-style Mah Jongg and play like a pro!

We will meet Monday afternoons in October.

October 16, October 23 & October 30
2-3 PM

For more info, call (314) 962-4723 or email us at patron@rhplmo.org



Rock Hill Public Library, 9811 Manchester Road, Rock Hill, MO 63119

JOIN US FOR A SPOOKY

halloween OPEN HOUSE

SNACKS, COSTUMES, CRAFTS, SPOOKY MUSIC & STORIES!!!

BOO!

THURSDAY OCT 26 4 - 6 PM

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



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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.

