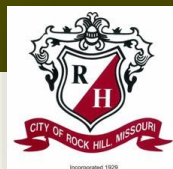




October 2024

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, and William Mead. Mark your calendar now for next year's Fall Festival scheduled for October 4, 2025. No-excuse absentee voting in St. Louis County started 10/22, and Election Day is November 5. Click the box below for information about the election, where and how to vote, and what is on your ballot.

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

LET'S VOTE

**Election Day
November 5**



**St. Louis County
Board of
Elections**

Need information on what is on the ballot? Where to vote? Polling place line wait times? And so much more:
[Click here.](#)

Requirements of Waste Containers

Containers shall not be put out until 5:00 P.M. the day before pickup and the containers must be returned to the proper container location before 6:00 P.M. on the day of pickup.

City Ordinance: 225.090



Bonfires & Burning

If your having a bonfire, it must be in a firepit (pit designed for outdoor fires). The only item that can be burned is seasoned wood, no treated lumber, leaves, yardwaste or trash.

City Ordinance: 225.030



Smoke Detectors

If you need a new smoke detector or need assistance installing one, please call the fire department:
314-962-6254



CFL Light Bulb Safety

Energy-saving compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL) are becoming more common in homes and at work. In addition to using less electricity, they also have a positive impact on the global climate. Here are some important safety tips you should know about CFLs.



PURCHASE CFL LIGHT BULBS that have the listing label of a recognized testing laboratory. Light bulbs labeled by a recognized testing lab will ensure that the bulb meets the latest product safety standards.

When a CFL Burns Out

- When a CFL bulb burns out it may smoke and the plastic base may blacken. This is normal and is not a fire safety issue.
- CFLs should never be discarded with household trash. The Environmental Protection Agency recommends that consumers use local recycling options for CFLs. Contact your local government or visit epa.gov/cfl/cflrecycling to identify local recycling options.

If a CFL Breaks

CFLs are made of glass and can break. Be careful when removing from packaging and installing or removing from a socket. If a CFL breaks:

- OPEN a window to allow the room to air out for 5–10 minutes.
- People and pets should LEAVE the room.
- TURN OFF forced air heating and/or air conditioning.
- COLLECT broken glass and visible powder using stiff cardboard, tape or a damp paper towel.
- PLACE the debris in a glass jar or a plastic bag in a safe location outside until you can dispose of it.
- CONTACT your local government to find out how to dispose of the debris
- CONTINUE airing out the room for several hours.

NOTE

Consider checking the Consumer Product Safety Commission (cpsc.gov) for recalls of CFLs that may present a fire danger.

FACT

CFL bulbs contain a small trace of mercury within the glass. When broken, mercury will immediately dissipate into the air. Concentrations of mercury will likely approach zero in an hour or so.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

Name of Organization Here

Contact Information Here

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We would like to remind residents to keep yard waste out of sewer drains:

If yard waste (such as leaves, grass clippings, weeds, brush and small twigs) is disposed of along a creek or in a storm drain it can have a negative impact on the community.

Yard waste decaying in creeks and rivers decomposes in a process that removes oxygen from the water. Fish and other aquatic life can't survive in water with low oxygen. As yard waste decomposes, plant nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus are also released. These nutrients promote the excessive growth of algae in the water. As the water becomes polluted, it does not support aquatic life and becomes a health hazard.

What Can You Do?

- ✓ Never allow yard waste to be washed down or put into storm drains.
- ✓ Do not sweep or blow grass clippings along the street or into a storm drain.
- ✓ Do not dump grass or yard waste onto a creek bank or area where it will be washed into creeks and rivers.
- ✓ Control soil erosion on your property by planting native trees and ground cover to stabilize erosion prone areas.
- ✓ Compost leaves, brush, grass clippings and other yard waste.
- ✓ Mow grass higher and leave grass clippings on the lawn to retain moisture and provide nutrients to the soil as they decompose.
- ✓ Do not over water your lawn or garden. This may increase leaching of fertilizers to ground and surface water.

Happy Halloween 2024, from your friends
at **Rock Hill Public Library!** We are open
Monday-Thursday 10 AM-7PM, Friday 12-5 PM & Saturday 10 AM-2 PM.



Rock Hill Public Library

OCTOBER MOVIES ON THE PATIO

HACIENDA Mexican Restaurant truck 6:30-7:30 pm!
Bring your chairs, blankets, & snacks!
Movies will begin at dark!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Nightmare Before Christmas (PG, 1hr 16 min)

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October Movies on the Patio
The next “Not So Scary, Scary Movies” is **The Nightmare Before Christmas (October 24) (PG).**
Jack Skellington, king of Halloween Town, discovers **Christmas Town**, but his attempts to bring Christmas to his home causes confusion.

Movies will begin at dark! Bring your chairs, blankets & snacks. Also, enjoy the **Hacienda Mexican Restaurant Food Truck** from **6:30-7:30PM!** Parking on the **American Bank (9815**

Manchester Rd) lot.



Rock Hill Public Library

Extended by popular demand!

See our next StoryWalk at the **WGSD Pollinator Paradise** on **Rock Hill Road!**
August 13 - October 31, 2024

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StoryWalk® Extended by Popular Demand
Don't miss out! Go discover the beauty of nature while enjoying our **Story-Walk®** at the **WGSD Pollinator Paradise** on **Rock Hill Road** now until **October 31, 2024**, and get ready for a memorable outdoor experience!

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson

of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Halloween Open House
Boo!!! Ghosts and Ghouls! Mark your calendars for a frightfully fun evening at Rock Hill Public Library!! Get ready for a fang-tastic hour or so at our **Halloween Open House** on **October 30** from **5:00-6:30 PM**. Enjoy snacks, karaoke, crafts, and spooky stories. It's going to be a hauntingly good time!



WEDNESDAY
OCT. 30
5-6:30PM

SNACKS, COSTUMES, KARAOKE, CRAFTS, AND SPOOKY STORIES!

HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE

Rock Hill Public Library 9811 MANCHESTER ROAD



Community Puzzle and Board Game Swap

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 10 AM TO 12 PM
Bring your gently used puzzles and games in their original boxes to the swap!

No puzzles or games to donate? You are still welcome to come to the swap!

Find something new and connect with other game enthusiasts!

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Community Puzzle and Board Game Swap

Ready to swap some games and puzzles? Mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 9** from **10 AM-12 PM** for a game worthy event you won't want to miss! Bring your gently used games and puzzles in their original boxes and let's trade some fun! No puzzles or games to donate? You are still welcome to join in on the excitement!

See You Soon, Randi