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FESTUS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Elaine Viets Book Signing

Elaine Viets, author of the “Dead End Job” series and winner of the Agatha, Anthony and Lefty Awards will be visiting the Library on Friday, May 10th at 1:00 p.m. to discuss her newest book, “Board Stiff”. Copies of her books will be available for sale and signing. This event is hosted by the Friends of the Library.

Summer Reading Programs for All Ages

How do kids retain their reading skills so that they’re ready for school in the fall and have fun and win prizes? By signing up for our Summer Reading Program! Sign up starts on Tuesday, May 28 and the program runs through August. We’ll be offering programs for kids and teens all summer long. Adults won’t be left out of the fun—we have a program just for you, too! Visit the library for more details

eBooks! eAudiobooks!

Don’t forget we have access to thousands of eBook titles to load onto your eReader or mobile device. Visit our website at www.cityoffestus.org/library and click on the eBook link to start searching.

Festus Public Library Foundation

Please consider donating to the Festus Public Library Foundation. When you make a contribution to help meet future goals, your name will be added to the contributor’s board at the Library. Contributions can be monthly, annual, or one time. Please call or visit the library for more information.

Festus Public Library
400 W. Main Street
Festus, MO 63028
636-937-2017



25th ANNUAL TWIN CITY FIRECRACKER EXTRAVAGANZA

Friday & Saturday, June 28th & 29th, 2013
West City Park

This year will celebrate the **25th Anniversary** of the Firecracker Extravaganza. Below is a list of some of the activities during this two day event:

- ◆ Fireworks Displays Friday & Saturday nights
- ◆ Pet Fashion Show
- ◆ Petting Zoo
- ◆ Carnival Rides and Games
- ◆ Entertainment by Tumbleweed & the Smash Band
- ◆ Craft & Food Booths
- ◆ Disc Golf Tournament
- ◆ Zumba
- ◆ Washer Tournament
- ◆ 14th Annual Kids Hooked on Fishing Derby
- ◆ 12th Annual Seniors Hooked on Fishing Derby
- ◆ Classic Car & Truck Show
- ◆ Bingo
- ◆ Firecracker Festival Parade
- ◆ 5K Trail Run
- ◆ Little Mr. and Mrs. Firecracker Contest

For more details check out the City of Festus website www.cityoffestus.org

All entry forms can be picked up and returned at the Festus Public Works Building, 950 N. Fifth Street.

**ZUMBA IN THE PARK:**

Dates: April 17th through May 22

Time: Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Place: Sunset Park Band Stand

Instructors: Mandi, Sheree and Melissa from Total Body Fitness

ZUMBA AND YOGA IN THE PARK are free classes sponsored by the Friends of the Festus Parks. Everyone is welcome. As with all exercise programs, it is recommended you consult a physician before beginning any new exercise program. Personal waivers must be signed at the beginning of the session so please arrive early. For questions contact Michelle Guidicy at 636-937-4694 or michelle.guidicy@cityoffestus.org.

YOGA IN THE PARK:

Dates: April 18th through May 23

Time: **Thursday** evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. (moved from Tuesday to Thursday)

Place: Sunset Park Band Stand

Instructor: Donna Allen Freese of The Zen Zoo Fitness Studio



IT'S FUN, IT'S CRAZY, IT'S ENTERTAINMENT

IT'S THE GONG SHOW

Saturday, July 13th in Sunset Park

1st Place \$200 2nd Place \$100 3rd Place \$50

If you would like to participate, please

Download the form from www.cityoffestus.org

Complete and return to City Hall (it's free!)



We would like to remind everyone that our yard waste drop off site is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 500 Ridge Avenue. If you need to get rid of your yard waste before your curb side pickup this is a great way to do so. Please remember it is illegal to push your grass clippings, brush, leaves, etc. onto sidewalks, streets or storm drains. **REMEMBER—burning even in rural areas is now prohibited.**

News Updates

Council Meetings— May 8 & 22 at 7pm.

Park Board— May 23 at 6pm

Planning & Zoning Meeting— May 16 at 6:30

Library Board— May 24 at 6pm

Municipal Court— May 7 & 14 at 6:00 p.m.

It's Yard Sale Season

It's that time of year when yard sales consume Saturday mornings—but did you know there were some city rules regarding yard sales? Here they are:

- ◆ Residents are allowed to have two yard sales per year
- ◆ You must get a yard sale permit at city hall or public works for \$1.00
- ◆ You are allowed to have signs—two in your yard (not to exceed 4 sq. ft.) and two directional signs on private property (not to exceed 2 sq. ft.) Signs cannot be placed on public property (street signs, posts, traffic signs or utility poles)

The City also has two message boards for placing yard sale signs, etc. on—one is at the corner of Cromwell and Hillsboro Rd. and the other is on S. Second Street behind Main Street near the Mill Street intersection.