



FESTUS FOCUS

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Zika virus disease (Zika) is a disease caused by the Zika virus, which is spread to people primarily through the bite of an infected *Aedes* species mosquito. The most common symptoms of Zika are fever, rash, joint pain, and conjunctivitis (red eyes). The illness is usually mild with symptoms lasting several days to a week after being bitten by an infected mosquito. People usually don't get sick enough to go to the hospital, and they very rarely die of Zika. For this reason, many people might not realize they have been infected. However, Zika virus infection during pregnancy can cause a serious birth defect called microcephaly, as well as other severe fetal brain defects. Once a person has been infected, they are likely protected from future infections.



Prevention of Disease

There is no vaccine to prevent Zika - Prevent Zika by avoiding mosquito bites - Mosquitos that spread Zika usually bite during the day - Mosquitos that spread Zika also spread dengue and chikungunya viruses.

Prevention of Mosquito Bites

Wear long sleeve shirts and long pants - Use AC and screens - Use EPA registered insect repellents - Use the correct repellent on children depending on their age.

Controlling Mosquitos

Outside: Use window and door screens - Don't leave doors propped open - Don't let standing water accumulate anywhere - Use an approved outdoor flying insect spray - Repair cracks or gaps in septic tank.

Inside: Keep windows and doors shut - Use AC - Be mindful and keep places that collect water (vases, flowerpot saucers, etc) dry - Stay on guard for mosquitos hatching in the house. Mosquitos like dark humid places (sinks, closets, laundry room, etc).

What The City Is Doing

The City has a mosquito spraying program that starts when temperatures reach a consistent 75°. During this time, employees spray for mosquitos four nights a week in a systematic order of north to south and east to west thereby ensuring that the entire town is sprayed every week. **ZIKA HAS NOT BEEN FOUND IN THIS AREA.**

All The News That Is The News ... At The Library

Story Time

Join us every Thursday at 10:30am as we present stories, songs, and activities for children ages 2 and up.

Forest Park Owls: Mating, Nesting, & Owlets

The Library will welcome back award winning naturalist Mark H.X. Glenshaw on Saturday, June 25 at



11:00am! We met Mr. Glenshaw last November when he introduced us to a pair of mated owls who live in Forest Park and shared his wonderful videos and stories of them. We can't wait to hear about the



mating, nesting, and antics of the adorable owlets that he has observed through the years.

It's Summer Reading Program Time!

It's our favorite time of year – Summer Reading Program! Signing up is easy and we have a program for all ages – even adults. We don't have room here for every fun event in June, so be sure to pick up a full schedule of events at the front desk. Some highlights this month:

Kick-Off Party – Friday, June 3, 11:00 a.m. – Carnival fun with a clown and face-painting. All ages.

Minute to Win It – Friday, June 10, 1:00 p.m. – Are you up for some wild challenges? Grades 2-6.

Family Fun Game Night – Tuesday, June 14, 5:00 p.m. – Play board games with your family and friends!

Story Time in the Park – Thursday, June 16, 10:30 a.m. – West City Park: We're Going on a Lion Hunt!

- **Council Meetings** -- June 8 and 22 at 7pm
- **Park Board** -- June 17 at 6pm
- **P & Z Meeting** -- June 16 at 6:30 pm
- **Library Board** -- June 2 at 6pm
- **Court in Session** -- June 7 and 28 at 6pm
- **Board of Adjustment** -- June 14 at 7pm

Firecracker Extravaganza

Friday's (June 24) Events

All Mixed Up: 6p - 10p



Firecracker Festival Special Guest

The Special Guest will be revealed at the Kids' Hooked on Fishing Derby at 9am on Saturday, June 25. Bring your cameras!



Saturday's (June 25) Events

17th Annual Kids' Hooked on Fishing Derby

8am-10am - Register by June 22 - Hot dog & soda will be provided for each child - Win door prizes!!



15th Annual Seniors' Hooked on Fishing Derby

10am-12pm Register by June 22 - Win door prizes!!



Classic Car and Truck Show

8am - Awards at 1pm - \$15 entry or \$10 to display - Call Allen for more information at 636-931-2612.



Bingo

4p-7p

Fairgrounds Pavilion.

Parade

11am at 1st Baptist Church

Line up at 10am

Call Jessica for more info

314-313-0167



Little Mr. and Miss Firecracker

For boys and girls ages 2-7 Register by June 17 4pm



Washer Tournament

Sign up at 11am. Play at noon.

Call Tom for more information 314-420-3853.



Two Nights Full of Fun! — Friday 4pm-11pm & Saturday 11am-11pm

Carnival Rides & Games



Petting Zoo



Craft & Food Booths



Fireworks at 10pm both nights

