



# FESTUS FOCUS

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## April 1, 2019

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[www.CityofFestus.org](http://www.CityofFestus.org)



### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

We are excited to launch 1000 Books Before Kindergarten! Set your child up for success by reading every day. 1000 books may sound like a lot, but repeat readings of favorite books count, books heard during story time and lap time count, and if you read just 3 books a day, you can finish the program in under a year. Ask at the library for a folder today and we'll get you started.

### Red Cross Blood Drive Mon., April 15, 2-6pm



Give blood and save lives! To register for a time slot, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

### Story Time Thur., April 18, 10:30am

We will have a visit from the Easter Bunny at this week's story time! Bring your cameras for a photo with this very special story time guest!



### Library Friends Book Sale

#### Fri. (9-5pm) & Sat (9-1pm), April 26 & 27

Join our Library Friends for our fantastic book sale! We'll have the best books at great prices and all proceeds support library programs and services.

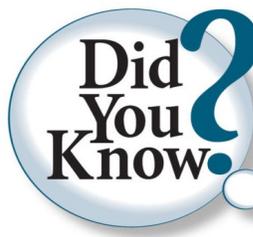
WE'VE GOT  
**SO EXCITING**  
(can't hold it anymore)  
**NEWS!**

**Turn the page to find out  
who will be  
performing at the**

**31st Firecracker Festival in June!**



It's that time again! Spring Clean Up will be Saturday, April 13 from 7am - 3pm at Public Works (950 N Fifth St). Waste Connections is asking everyone to please bring non perishable food and personal hygiene items that will be donated to the Ozark Food Pantry. Residents may bring trash, yard waste (no cut up or whole trees and no plastic bags), or anything with a cord (Limit of one tv per household.). No hazardous materials, building materials, or tires will be accepted. Appliances with refrigerant must have certification that refrigerant has been removed or they will not be accepted. A very limited amount of household construction debris will be allowed, but all nails/screws must be removed.



⇒ Did you know that leaves and grass clippings cannot be raked or blown into the street?  
⇒ Did you know that every residence has a monthly yard waste pick up that is free?

⇒ Did you know that yard waste can be taken to the city's maintenance shed at 500 Ridge Ave. Monday-Friday from 7:30am-3:30pm excluding holidays.

⇒ Did you know that grass clippings are not to be placed in storm sewers because they can clog it and cause flooding.

⇒ More info can be found at [www.CityofFestus.org](http://www.CityofFestus.org).

**Council Meeting:** April 10 and 24 at 7pm

**Park Board:** April 18 at 6pm

**P & Z Meeting:** April 18 at 6:30pm

**Library Board:** April 4 at 6pm

**Court in Session:** April 2 and 30 at 6pm

**Board of Adjustment:** April 8 at 7pm

# The Dirty Dozen Mud Run

Who's ready to get muddy? The Dirty Dozen mud run is back for its second year on Saturday, May 4. This event will take place over a 2 mile course with 13 obstacles through West City Park. Early registrants who pay \$30 by April 12 will receive their event t-shirt and beverage token. Registrations received after April 12 will still receive an event t-shirt from the pre-ordered ones available and beverage token, but will pay \$40. Participants must be at least 13 years old and those 13-18 years old must be accompanied by a participating adult. The course has changed and obstacles have been added! We are planning ways to provide more mud, deeper mud, slicker hills, colder water, more obstacles, and more fun! The fire department is taking a more active role this year so who knows where they will pop up! Concessions will be available for purchase so come hungry! More information and the registration form is available on our website (CityofFestus.org) under the "Around Town" button or in the event page on our Facebook page. Thanks to the Festus Tourism Commission for supporting this event!

## Jefferson County

### Shop with a Cop Easter Egg Drop

The inaugural JeffCo Shop with a Cop Egg Drop will happen on Saturday, April 6 on the stage field in West City Park starting at 11am. Eggs will be dropped from a Survival Flight Helicopter by the Easter Bunny! The Easter Egg hunt is for children 2-12 years and is free. There will also be a 50/50 raffle, face painting, raffles, and a Dunk A Cop Booth. All proceeds from this event benefit the JeffCo Shop with a Cop program which provides underprivileged children in Jefferson County a day of Christmas shopping with their favorite first responder. Last year, FPD was able to sponsor 30 of the 268 total children that were taken shopping as part of the JeffCo Shop with a Cop program.



### Upcoming June Events

June 1 - Mayor's Cruise, Car Show, and Borderline Band - Downtown.

June 23 - Swingin' Under the Stars - The Missouri Big Band (MOBB) with Joe Scalziti - West City Park.

## 31st Firecracker Festival Entertainment - June 28 & 29

### FRIDAY

#### Dear Darla Band

6-10pm followed by fireworks

### SATURDAY

#### Johnathan Braddy Band

6-8pm

**OPENING FOR . . .**

**Sat., June 29**

**8:30-10pm**

## Scotty Bratcher



**Fireworks  
at 10pm**

**Sponsored by the  
Festus Tourism  
Commission.**

