



FESTUS FOCUS

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Annual Water Fees on August Bill

You will see two new fees on your bill this month **only**. The Missouri Primacy Fee is a user fee paid by the customers of Missouri's community public water supply systems and provides support for the department's efforts to ensure Missourians are provided water that is safe to drink. The annual fee is based on the size of the connection. These annual connection fees are assessed by the Department of Natural Resources every year. The average resident will pay a Water Primacy fee of \$2.76 and \$0.80 for the State Sewer fee. Commercial and larger meters pay more.



Proposition Public Safety The Public Safety Penny



Tuesday, August 6



Since 2014, the cost of providing Police, Fire, and Dispatch service to residents has risen more than \$500,000.00. Additional economic pressure has come since 2017 when Public Safety Tax Initiatives were approved by voters in Franklin, Jefferson, Ste. Genevieve, and St. Louis counties and in Hillsboro, De Soto, and Crystal City. The Public Safety Penny will fund a full time Fire Chief, 3 more full time fire-fighters, provide upgraded dispatch and radio equipment for officer safety and much more.

There's So Much To Do at The Library!

Operation Lifesaver – Rail Safety Education

Saturday, August 10, 11:00 am

Learn about railroad safety – when you see tracks, think train! This event is free and perfect for families and young children.

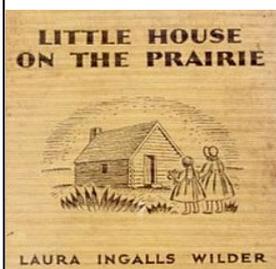


Paws for Reading - Tuesdays at 5:30pm

Each Tuesday, join Charley the Dog for Paws for Reading! This is a great way to encourage a new reader to practice reading out loud. Dogs are the best listeners and children enjoy reading to them.



Missouri Artists and Pastoral Metaphor Tuesday, August 27, 6:00 pm



Missouri's artists, from George Caleb Bingham to Joe Jones and Thomas Hart Benton, built the mythological character of the American prairie. Join Joe Kohlburn to learn how art changed in response to important political and ideological influences

from the early 19th to mid 20th centuries in the "Show Me State." This event is in support of author Caroline Fraser's visit to Jefferson County in October. Libraries across the area are discussing prairie life as experienced by Laura Ingalls Wilder and her contemporaries in Missouri.

Story Time - Thursdays at 10:30 am

Join us every Thursday morning for stories, songs, and rhymes perfect for teaching children ages 2 and up the joy of reading!

Beginning Yoga - Thursdays at 1:30 pm

Every Thursday join certified instructor Eddy Dow for an introduction to yoga. This free class is suitable for all ages, including seniors. Mats are provided, but feel free to bring your own equipment.



- Council Meeting:** August 14 and 28 at 7pm
- Park Board:** August 15 at 6pm
- P & Z Meeting:** August 15 at 6:30pm
- Library Board:** August 1 at 6pm
- Court in Session:** August 6 and 27 at 6pm
- Board of Adjustment:** August 12 at 7pm

Blues/Funk Festival

9th Annual

Aug. 3 - West City Park

The 9th annual Blues and Funk Festival presented by the Friends of the Festus Parks with the support of the Festus Tourism Commission is Saturday, Aug. 3 in West City Park. Torrey Casey and the Southside Hustle will be the opening act and play from 6-8pm with Oliver Johnson and The Night Train Express hitting the stage at 8:30. Food and beverages will be available for purchase so coolers are not allowed. Bring your best smile to use in the free photo booth! Don't forget the Tekno Bubble Bus will be onsite with its glow in the dark bubbles!



Come spend an evening with

 **The MOBB**
The Missouri Big Band

After being rained out in June the Swingin' Under the Stars night of big band music with The MOBB has been rescheduled for Sunday, August 18 at 6pm. The Missouri Big Band, under the direction of Joe Pappas, and accompanied by vocalist Joe Scalzitti, will be bringing the most loved big band era hits to West City Park. Coolers are welcome, but concessions will be available for purchase. Don't forget lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. This free event is sponsored by the Festus Tourism Commission.

Sundays at Sunset

Sept 15: The MOBB

Sept 22: Revolution Band

Sept 29: Josh Pruno

Oct 6: Kim Massie

Oct 13: Crossroads

All concerts are 6-8pm at the bandstand in Sunset Park.

