



# FESTUS FOCUS

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## Have you been to the Library lately? You should go - NOW!

### Twin City Days – Used Book Sale

**Fri. (9-5pm) & Sat. (9-2pm), Sept. 6 & 7**

#### Sponsored by Friends of the Festus Public Library

It's that time of year! While you're enjoying Twin City Days, don't forget to stop in the library for the book sale! We'll have books, DVDs, and VHS at great prices and all proceeds support library programs and services.

### Baby Lap Time - Sat., Sept. 14, 9:30am

It's never too early to present early literacy skills to your baby! Babies aged 0-24 months and their caregivers will bond with stories and simple activities.

### **Chris Otto: Osage Removal in Missouri**

**Thursday, September 19, 6:00pm**

The removal of Native Americans east of the Mississippi River began in the 1700s. The Cherokee Trail of Tears is one such story, and, sadly, it is the only removal story that is widely recognized. Every tribe has its removal story - and these stories continue to unfold to this day. Professor Chris Otto of Jefferson College will present the story of the Osage Removal from Missouri and offer some insight into their life in Oklahoma.



### Red Cross Blood Drive

**Mon., Sept. 23, 2 – 6:00 pm**

Do your part to help others by donating blood! Walk-ins are welcome or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) for availability.

### Little House on the Prairie Story Time

**Thursday, September 26, 10:30 am**

Stories, crafts, and games to get us in the spirit of Laura Ingalls Wilder as we prepare to welcome author Caroline Fraser who will be visiting Jefferson County in October.

### Fit-Tastic Family Fun Day

**Sat., Sept. 28, 1– 4:00pm**

#### **Sponsored by the Jeff. Co. Health Dept.**

Check out our activity kits: Chuck the Chicken, Spoon & Egg Obstacle Course, DIY Ping Pong, Foursquare, & more! Children who finish all the events will be entered into a drawing to win a Sky Zone 90-minute pass!



### Yard Waste is NOT Allowed in Trash

Disposing of yard waste requires a totally different process than trash and has its own landfill. Missouri mandates that yard waste be mulched up and disposed of separately from trash.



**Council Meeting:** September 11 and 25 at 7pm  
**Park Board:** September 19 at 6pm  
**P & Z Meeting:** September 19 at 6:30pm  
**Library Board:** September 5 at 6pm  
**Court in Session:** September 3 and 24 at 6pm  
**Board of Adjustment:** September 9 at 7pm



**All city offices will be closed**

**Monday, September 2**

**to celebrate Labor Day.**

**All offices will reopen at their normal time on Tuesday, September 3.**

## Sundays at Sunset

The Sunset Park Bandstand will be the place to be on Sunday evenings from September 15 through October 13 as national and local acts take the stage from 6 to 8pm for the Sundays at Sunset concert series. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets to spread out and sit on. Coolers are welcome, but concessions will be available. This concert series is funded by the Festus Tourism Commission.



Sept 15: The MOBB  
 Sept 22: Revolution Band  
 Sept 29: Josh Pruno  
 Oct 6: Kim Massie  
 Oct 13: Crossroads.

More information is available on the city's website under the "Around Town" button or on the event page on the city's Facebook page.

## Mayor's Fall Cruise

The Mayor's Fall Cruise is the granddaddy of the Festus Cruises! Cars will be displayed on the city's parking lot behind Main St along S. Second from 2pm until 6pm. Cruising on historic downtown Main Street will start at 6pm and Hillbilly Authority will hit the stage on the Library parking lot at 7pm. The Knights of Columbus will have concessions available. All those displaying their cars will receive a commemorative dash plaque. Make plans to spend the evening reliving your youth and confusing the younger generations with just driving up and down the road for fun - our version of Facebook - courtesy of the Festus Tourism Commission.



## WEST CITY TRASH & TREASURE EXPO

Start cleaning out closets, garages, sheds and under the beds to get ready for the West City Trash & Treasure Expo 2019! On Saturday, September 28, 2019 the city will be hosting a yard sale at the Ball Field Complex in West City Park. Spaces will be available to rent for the Expo. Multiple spaces may be rented. Selling space is \$15. A space is roughly 18'x19' (2 side by side parking spaces). The Expo is for everyone who has items to sell - yard sales, crafters, direct sellers, etc! Bring what you are selling along with your own tables, shade tents and whatever else you will need to sell out! Click the "Around Town" button on the city's website or check out the event page on the city's facebook page for more information and a registration form. This event is sponsored by the Festus Tourism Commission.



## Geo. Portz Traditional Music Festival

The George Portz Traditional Music Festival kicks off its seventh year in West City Park at 2pm Saturday, September 21st. Craft and food vendors will be on hand Saturday and Sunday. This event is sponsored by The Festus, Missouri Parks and Recreation Board and the Festus Tourism Commission. Great local and national acts will be on stage both days! Expect to see these acts: George Portz and his Friends of Bluegrass, Eric Thompson, Frank Ray & Cedar Hill Grass, Keepin' It Reel Irish Band, Lit'l Miss Country Ruby Pearson, Matt McElroy, Silver Creek Bluegrass, The Howling Brothers, Chris Apps, O'Falolain Irish Dance Troupe, Punches Family, Southside Creole Playboys, The Baker Family Bluegrass Band, and the Worthington Family.

