



# EYE ON KIRKWOOD

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## KIRKWOOD GREENTREE FESTIVAL RETURNS FOR 55TH YEAR!



The 55th annual Kirkwood Greentree Festival kicks off on Friday night, September 18, at 5:00 p.m., when food and information booths open (no arts & crafts booths on Friday night). The Wine Garden opens for visitors at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, and "Early Bird Viewing" for the Book Fair runs from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (\$5 early-bird entry fee; open to all for free at 7pm). Then at 6:30 p.m., the Fabulous Motown Revue takes the stage at the Lions' Amphitheater to kick

off the main stage entertainment for the weekend. If you're bringing the kids on Friday night, be sure to check out the Kids' Dog Show at 6:00 p.m. and the Canine Frisbee Contest at 7:30 p.m., both sponsored by Planning Design Studio and Pet Supplies Plus.

### Saturday, September 19, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

- **PARADE:** The 55th annual Greentree Parade steps off at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. This year's theme is: The Greentree Circus Parade! **Parade Route:** The parade starts at West Essex parking lot at Kirkwood High School. It travels east to Kirkwood Road and turns south on Kirkwood Road, heading to West Argonne. It goes west on West Argonne toward Geyer Road, where it ends at the Community Center parking lot. **Street Closures:** Some Kirkwood streets will be closed during the parade, including: Kirkwood Road, from Monroe north to Jewel Avenue; West Essex, from Kirkwood Road west to Chopin; and West Argonne, from Kirkwood Road west to Geyer Road. Taylor Avenue east of Kirkwood Road will be the detour route, and signs will be posted. Parade Sponsors: PJ's Tavern and Kirkwood Home & Landscape.
- Main Stage Entertainment, Noon to 7:00 p.m. Sponsored by SSM St. Clare Health Center

- Food, Game, and Information Booths
- 180+ Arts & Crafts Booths. Sponsored by Commerce Bank
- Folklife Artisans and Reenactors, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sponsored by OneMain Financial
- Book Fair, benefits Kirkwood Band and Orchestra Association
- Kids' Day, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sponsored by Zisser Tire & Auto and Tropical Moose
- Missouri Fiddlers, 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.
- Wine Garden, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



### Sunday, September 20, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- Main Stage Entertainment, Noon to 5:00 p.m. Sponsored by SSM St. Clare Health Center
- Classic Car Show, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Community Center Parking Lot
- Food, Game, and Information Booths
- 180+ Arts & Crafts Booths. Sponsored by Commerce Bank
- Folklife Artisans and Reenactors, Sponsored by OneMain Financial
- Book Fair, benefits Kirkwood Band and Orchestra Association
- Kirkwood Kup Sailboat Regatta, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Walker Lake
- Wine Garden, Noon to 5:00 p.m.
- Kids' Day, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sponsored by Zisser Tire & Auto and Tropical Moose
- Missouri Fiddlers, 12 noon to 6:00 p.m.

### WINE GARDEN ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE:

- Friday, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The Apollos
- Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bob Lucas and the SOBs
- Saturday, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Maple Jam Band
- Sunday, Noon to 4:00 p.m. Water Taxi

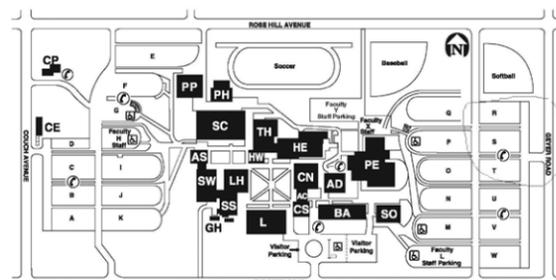
### PARTY IN THE PARK KICKS OFF FESTIVITIES!

Bring your friends and family for the 5th Annual Party in the Park on Saturday, September 12, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Lions' Pavilion in Kirkwood Park. This year's Party will feature the live music of Boogie Chyld. Tekno Bubbles will be

on hand for the kids. Food will be available for purchase from local food trucks (serving starting at 5:30 p.m.). Soft drinks and adult beverages will be available from the United Service Clubs. FREE EVENT. Sponsored by Amtrak.

### SHUTTLE SERVICE RUNS ALL THREE DAYS

The Greentree Festival Shuttle will run continuously on Friday night from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to the close of the festival both days. The Greentree shuttle is FREE and accessible to those with disabilities. To use the wheelchair-accessible shuttle, the wheelchair must be certified for mobile transportation. To access the shuttle: Park at St. Louis Community College at Meramec, in Lots R and S, on the northeast corner of the campus, accessible from Geyer Road and Rose Hill Avenue. Look for the yellow school bus. It will take you to the drop-off and pick-up point on Amphitheatre Drive near the water tower in the park. THANK YOU to SSM St. Clare Health Center, the sponsor of the shuttle service.



### CUTEST BABY CONTEST

Enter your Kirkwood cutie! Submit an entry form, available at the Community Center or on the Website (kirkwoodmo.org/baby) by September 16. Votes are cast with spare change by festival visitors, with the winner determined by who has the most money in their jar at the end of the Festival. The winner receives a \$100 savings bond donated by Frontenac Bank. The child must have been born on or after September 18, 2013. Proceeds benefit KirkCare.

## A Message from the Mayor by Art McDonnell

This last Saturday I participated in the Operation Clean Stream, which for over 20 years has spent time cleaning up the banks of the Meramec River. Years ago the banks were a big mess, a collection of years of trash that had been deposited on the river's banks. The banks today are fairly clean in comparison, but huge dumpsters of trash and tires were filled by Saturday's end. As our canoes moved down the river, we all appreciated the beauty of the river unspoiled by development. Great thanks goes to the many scouts who gave that day to make our environment better. If you would like to take part next year, contact the Open Space Council under whose direction this happens each year.

Get ready for the Greentree Festival. It's one fun-filled weekend! The celebration really starts with the Party in the Park the weekend before (see schedule above), which offers lots of fun for the whole family...I will see you on the dance floor.

The City Council, last Thursday, was presented with the plans for the proposed new Kirkwood Community Center and the proposed new Kirkwood Performing Arts Center. It was an exciting evening as we saw the result of more than two years of research and planning for these opportunities to fulfill the dreams of our community. There are more studies yet to take place. These will be economic feasibility studies to determine the revenue and cost of operations for the two centers. These studies will be completed in about two months.

The studies on the preservation of the Kirkwood Train Station continue, and the results will likely be made public in October. This has been a fascinating project as the history of the station is discovered, along with what needs to be done to keep its historical character but also provide for the many uses it now provides to the community.

School has started so please be aware of the school children. Drive

slowly. Observe the speed limit. Enjoy September - the start of fall, the Greentree Festival, Kirkwood Football, Kirkwood Soccer, pumpkin pie, apple cider, beautiful leaves, crispy apples, the last swim, and the Greentree parade. See you around Kirkwood. If you wish to chat please call me at 314-497-4036.



Mayor Art McDonnell (right) with Scott Emmelkamp of the Open Space Council, just prior to the start of this year's Operation Clean Stream on the Meramec River.

### EMMENEGGER PARK DAYS

Please join the volunteer team every Sunday in September, October, and November at Emmenegger Park. Have fun, and get some fresh air and some exercise while supporting your community park. The primary task of Emmenegger Park volunteers is to help remove invasive plant species, allowing native plants to grow. A brief orientation at the trailhead kiosk is provided to new participants. Please bring gloves, hand saw or clippers, and protective clothing with you. To register or for more information, call 314-984-6981 or send an email to: kparkv@kirkwoodmo.org.

- When: Sundays in September, October, November, beginning September 6, 2015.
- Time: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Location: Emmenegger Nature Park, 111991 Stoneywood Dr.
- Driving Directions: From eastbound I-44, take the Watson Road exit to Geyer Road and turn north. Go 200 yards to Cragwood Road, and turn left, or west. Go one mile to Stoneywood and then south to the park entrance.

### COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING WORKSHOP SEPTEMBER 22

What is YOUR vision for the future of Kirkwood? Residents can help shape the future of the community by being a part of the EnVision 2035 Comprehensive Planning process, in two ways: 1) Complete the monthly surveys at www.kirkwood2035.org. 2) Attend the Workshop/Open House on September 22, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Kirkwood Community Center, 111 S. Geyer Road.

### CITY HALL CLOSED ON LABOR DAY: HOLIDAY INFORMATION

City Hall and most City offices will be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day. We resume normal hours on Tuesday, September 8. **Other holiday information:**

- Sanitation will not be collected on the holiday. All routes will be delayed by one day all week. Monday routes move to Tuesday. Tuesday routes move to Wednesday, and so on.
- The Community Center office and the Ice Rink will both be closed on the holiday.

### The pool will be open over the Labor Day Weekend as follows:

- Saturday, Sept. 5: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All pools open.
- Sunday, Sept. 6, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All pools open.
- Monday, Sept. 7, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The pool closes for the season at 6:00 p.m.

### ART AT THE STATION IN SEPTEMBER

Art at the Station presents the watercolors and collage work of Sandy Baker, August 31 thru September 28, at the Kirkwood Train Station, 110 W. Argonne Drive. The opening reception will be held Thursday, September 3, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Art may be viewed when the Station is open for passengers. Art at the Station is sponsored by the Kirkwood Arts Commission, with generous support from the Kirkwood Arts Foundation. Exhibits and receptions are free and open to the public. Donations are welcome. Please send your donation to Kirkwood Arts Foundation, P.O. Box 220492, Kirkwood, MO 63122. Thank you for your support.

### DOG POOL PARTIES

Here's a chance for your four-legged friends to enjoy the cool Recreation Station waters! Sponsored by the Missouri Alliance for Animal Legislation and Pool Paws for Humane Laws. Current vaccination records (DHLPP and rabies) must be provided. Two dates!

- Tuesday, September 8, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, September 10, 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. for dogs 25 pounds and smaller; 6:00-7:30 p.m. for all dogs.
- Cost: \$10 per dog/owner; \$3 for each additional person.

### — Kirkwood Meetings Calendar —

- 9/2 Planning/Zoning, 7pm
- 9/3 City Council 7pm, WS 6pm
- 9/8 Human Rights Commission, 6:30pm
- 9/8 Architectural Review Board, 7pm
- 9/9 Landmarks Commission, 6:30pm
- 9/10 Council Work Session, 7am
- 9/14 Board of Adjustment, 7pm
- 9/15 Arts Commission, 5pm
- 9/16 Library Board, 5:30pm, at Library
- 9/16 Planning/Zoning, 7pm
- 9/17 City Council, 7pm, WS 6pm
- 9/21 Architectural Review Board, 7pm
- 9/22 Urban Forestry, 7pm
- 9/28 Park Board, 7pm, Community Center
- 9/30 Greentree Festival Committee, 7pm • Community Center

Except where noted, meetings are typically held at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 South Kirkwood Road. Please check the Meetings Calendar on the City's Website for agendas, room locations, or any last-minute changes. Meeting agendas are also posted at City Hall.

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**Kirkwood City Council:** Mayor: Arthur J. McDonnell. Council Members: Gerry Biedenstien, Gina M. Jaksetic, Paul Ward, Bob Sears, Nancy Luetzow, Tim Griffin. **Kirkwood Administration:** Chief Administrative Officer: Russell B. Hawes. City Clerk: Betty Montano. To reach the City Clerk or Council, call 822-5802. To reach City offices, call 822-5800 for a list of extensions. The City Council meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 S. Kirkwood Road. The public is invited to attend. For information about other meetings, City services, and events, visit the City's Website: www.kirkwoodmo.org.

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