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Saturday, July 5, 2025

Morning on the Square

- ★ Kiwanis Farmers' Market
- ★ Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast
- ★ Red, White & Blue Classic Car Show
- ★ 9th Annual FLATS Uncle Sam 5k Run
- ★ Parade

Afternoon @ Forest Llewellyn Cemetery

- ★ Curtain Call Theatre presents
Cemetery Theatre

Evening @ North Park

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- ★ Food Trucks
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(Rain Date - Sunday, July 6, 2025)

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"We have a calendar of events that fills up pretty quickly each semester," said Victor Marquez-Barrios, Chair of the Music Department.



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The Truman State Marching Band performs at football games in the fall.

The program offers free concerts by school ensembles, including the symphony orchestra, several concert bands, jazz bands and combos, as well as several choirs and chamber ensembles, all with regularly scheduled concerts. Students also have to play recitals as part of their requirements. “All of these events are open to the public and they’re free,” Marquez-Barrios said.

He said that the large ensembles usually have better attendance, but faculty and student recitals are well attended as well when they are promoted actively and with enough time in advance. Most of the Truman State concerts are live streamed on YouTube, something that most Music schools do, especially after COVID.

Marquez-Barrios said that throughout the year they also organize a number of festivals, with one

of the most popular ones being the Jazz Festival, usually held in February and which also features a Lyceum event series special guest who usually works with the students as well. There is also a Piano Festival and student competition, with the winner receiving a full ride to study at Truman. There’s a Truman Brass Day in March, as well as an annual contemporary music festival in the fall: The North Star Music Festival.

“I often run into people that just didn’t know we had this to offer,” Marquez-Barrios said, noting that guests he has invited to attend a concert often stated they never realized it was this easy to listen to live music in Kirksville. “There’s a place in town that offers those performances on a pretty regular basis, at a really high level, and for free,” he said. As for the caliber of performances, Mar-

quez Barrios said that it is “super high quality.”

“Our faculty is fantastic and really has a lot to offer,” he said. “I mean, our faculty members often go and perform at national and international festivals and conferences, and they often present that same program here — so you get to see pretty high-level performances here. “Our student ensembles are great, too, and often featured at important national conferences and events.” He complimented the students’ work ethic and their commitment to the various department activities.

As for upcoming events, the full list is available at <https://www.truman.edu/concerts>, but here’s a list of highlights in March and April (the semester ends in early May and there’s usually no activity during the summer).



Upcoming Performances

Composition Studio Recital

Truman’s composition students will have their original compositions performed, April 1, 7:30 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Irene Pehanich Graduate Clarinet Recital

This recital is on April 5 at 4 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Percussion Ensemble Spring Concert

Percussion Ensemble Spring Concert on April 6, 2 p.m., Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Cantoria and Voci Choirs

Cantoria and Voci Choirs: April 6, 4 p.m., Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Voice Studios Recital

Students taking voice lessons will perform in recital on April 8 at 7 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Saxophone Studio Recital

Truman’s Saxophone Studio performs a recital under the direction of Dr. Xin Gao, Associate Professor of Music, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Orchestra and Choir Concert

Orchestra and Choir Concert “Poulenc’s Gloria”: April 26, 7:30 p.m., Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Clarinet Choir Spring Concert

Come hear 30 clarinetists perform a fun program of originals and arrangements for clarinet choir, April 27 at 2 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

President’s String Quartet Recital

The President’s String Quartet will perform in recital on April 27, at 5:30 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Wind Symphony I

Wind Symphony I, April 28, 7:30 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium.

Wind Symphony II Concert

Wind Symphony II will perform on April 29 at 7:30 p.m., at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Concert Band Performance

Truman’s Concert Band performs on April 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall

Brass Studio Recital

Truman’s Brass Studio students will perform on May 1 at 6 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

String Studio Recital

A performance featuring the students of Truman’s string studios. May 1 at 8 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Truman Steel Spring Concert

Truman’s Steel Band in concert, May 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium

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The Pines
PARC (Post-Acute Rehab Center) Place PARC Place is a 25-bed Neighborhood that features private rooms with private bathrooms and showers, as well as its own dining room and courtyard. Residents in this short-term care neighborhood can spend time socializing in The Pub located in the Northeast entrance or The Lodge located at the North Entrance.






Let the Games Begin

Kirksville to Host 2025 Special Olympics Missouri State Summer Games.

By Sharon Swehla
and Travis Miles

Make sure you come and CHEER! May 29-June 1, Kirksville will be the site for the 2025 Special Olympics Missouri State Summer Games.

"We are elated to bring the State Summer Games to Kirksville for a weekend full of athletics, fun and community support" said Sharon Swehla, Kirksville Tourism Director.

The Special Olympics of Missouri announced Kirksville as the host in August after a statewide bid process.

Representatives of the city collaborated with Truman State University for Kirksville's proposal, which received letters of support from multiple entities.

"This was truly a community effort, and we should all feel a sense of accomplishment in coming together to make this happen," Swehla said. "Now we want to show that level of community support to the athletes and their families, so they know everyone in Northeast Missouri is rooting for them."

The Special Olympic Summer Games consist of powerlifting, swimming, track and field, and volleyball.

All events will take place at Truman. In addition to the competitions, the games will include the traditional opening ceremony, featuring the parade of athletes and the lighting of the torch. Specific times and locations are to be determined. As the games approach, details will be available at somo.org/summergames and kirkville-dailyexpress.com



Kirksville's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

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Mark your calendars and hop on over to the 47th annual Kirksville Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19, at 10 a.m., at the Truman State University Quad. Kirksville Parks and Recreation, Kraft Heinz and Truman State University's Cardinal Key are partnering to host this event free of charge.

Children ages 2 to 12 are invited to find as many eggs as possible. The hunt begins promptly at 10 a.m. and is over quickly, so make sure to arrive early. Remember to bring a basket for all the eggs and your camera for a picture with special guest, the Easter Bunny!

For more information, contact the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.



EASTER SERVICE DIRECTORY

Check with one of Kirksville's local churches for Easter Service dates and times

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Rehoboth Baptist Church 660-665-7577	Union Temple Church 16220 Millay Trl, Kirksville	Novinger Baptist Church (660) 216-0956
First Presbyterian Church (USA) (660) 665-4473	Sugar Creek Baptist Church 25041-26083 MO-3, Kirksville	First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) (660) 665-4636
Kirksville Church of Christ (660) 627-4003	Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist Church (660) 988-7532	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (660) 665-4636
First Baptist Church (660) 665-6477	Meadow Brook Christian Church 602 E Washington St, Kirksville	Kirksville First Ward (660) 665-7712
Faith United Methodist Church (660) 665-7800	St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church (660) 665-2466	Kirksville Second Ward (660) 665-8867
Southside Baptist Church (660) 665-0050	Life Church of Kirksville (660) 665-2323	Trinity Episcopal Church (660) 665-6155
First Church of God (660) 665-3100	Service Community Presbyteri- an (660) 332-4430	Seventh Day Adventist Church (660) 332-7902
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Fellowship Baptist Church 660-665-0633	First Liberty Full Gospel	Gospel Outreach Church 209 W. Washington
Yarrow Methodist Church (660) 264-0050		<i>This is not a complete list.</i>



Kirksville Kiwanis Farmers' Market

Beginning May 3, the Kirksville Kiwanis Farmers' Market is open every Saturday morning from 7 a.m. until noon on the Elson Street side of the Kirksville Downtown Square, through October. The market is open to the public and the items available include fruits, vegetables, plants, baked products, eggs, meats, crafts, and much more.



Eastern Star Chapter 184 hosts their 9th Annual Princess Tea

Eastern Star Chapter 184 will host their 9th Annual Princess Tea on Saturday, April 5 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Masonic Temple located at 217 E. Harrison Street in Kirksville. The event is open to Princesses ages 3 to 12 years of age and has a Fairyland Theme with flowers, butterflies and gnomes. Admission is \$5 per person at the door and includes a light lunch, games, arts, crafts, and prizes.



Kirksville Chamber Annual Art Walk

The 11th Annual Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Art Walk will be held on the Square downtown on Friday, June 6 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. The Art Walk is a great opportunity to explore downtown Kirksville and discover unique shops and restaurants.

Artists of all types will be showcasing their work while providing a chance to see their creative process. Businesses and artists who wish to participate can call the Chamber of Commerce at 660-665-3766 or email info@kirksville-chamber.com. The deadline to sign up for space is Monday, May 6. Following the Art Walk, the Kirksville Arts Association kicks off their Summer on the Square concert series at 7 p.m. on the south lawn of the Courthouse.

Admission is free, so come out and enjoy an evening filled with art, community and live music!



Dollar Swim Nights

Join the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Team and Community Sponsors for Dollar Swim Nights this summer. Join them from 6-9 p.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center on select nights, and swim for just \$1. Dollar Swim Night's will be held on June 14, June 28, July 26, and August 9.

Earth Day at Thousand Hills State Park

Earth Day will be celebrated on Saturday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Thousand Hills State Park in Kirksville. Come connect with the earth and nature through unique opportunities facilitated by community members. There will be activities and educational booths for all ages at this free event. Stations will be set up around the beach parking lot and paved trail. The event is weather permitting. Contact Thousand Hills State Park for more details.



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The District Governor, Erik McGuire, a member of the Saint Joseph East Rotary Club in St. Joseph, Missouri, will preside over the conference and celebration, while Ruth Bowers, from the Rotary Club of Kirksville (Noon), serves as the Conference Planning Committee chair. Kirksville has hosted a Rotary District 6040 Conference only five other times in the years of 1928,

1940, 1970, 2011 and 2015. The planning committee is expecting well over 200 Rotarians from across the northern parts of Missouri, from the Kansas City area to the Iowa/Illinois borders to converge on Kirksville late Thursday afternoon through Sunday afternoon.

Rotarians and their guests will have a variety of workshops they can attend throughout the conference as well as hands-on service projects.

For more information about the Rotary District 6040 Conference & Celebration to be held in Kirksville, contact Conference Chairman Ruth Bowers at kirksvillerotary6040@gmail.com or 660-216-8061.

2025 Season Will Begin with 500 Flags on Display

The Kirksville Rotary Flag Program is beginning the 2025 season with 500 flag subscriptions. Program Chair Jeff Romine indicated that he is delighted by the reception that the flag project has received in the community. "When all the flags are flying, Kirksville looks amazing," he said. "Individuals and businesses have demonstrated great support for our project."

He said it has been a win-win for both the community and the Kirksville Rotary Club. "Citizens seem pleased to have a U.S. flag flying in front of their homes for national flag holidays and the Rotary Club is grateful to have funding resources to "do good things" in the community," he said, noting that the club has been able to increase its support of programs and projects that aid young people and other individuals with great needs in the community and elsewhere in the world.

Romine added, "It has been my honor to listen to individuals that want to talk about their flags. The sense of pride in the U.S. flag is impressive and widespread. The flag often serves as a special reminder to subscribers of family members who have made a large sacrifice, sometimes the ultimate sacrifice, for our country and our freedoms." For more information visit www.kvrotary.org.

42nd Annual Jim Baker/John McConnell Bass-N-Kids Fishing Tournament and Clinic Returns

The 42nd annual Jim Baker-John McConnell Bass n' Kids Fishing Tournament will return on Saturday, May 10 at Thousand Hills State Park. The annual tournament has been kept alive by the state park staff and volunteers after being absent last year.

The adult bass tournament is from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Kids Tournament begins at 8:30 a.m. with a clinic. Then it's fishing until noon! Trophies, door prizes, free hot dogs and soda.

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Infamous murder case to be featured in April Adair County Historian

Adair County Historical Society President Blytha Ellis holds a plate with a depiction of the John R. Kirk Memorial building on the Truman State campus. The organization’s quarterly magazine, “The Adair Historian”, will feature a story about Kirk and his link to an infamous murder case involving a professor who was suspected of being poisoned by his much younger wife. The case, which took place in 1909, involved extensive investigations including exhumations and forensic analysis that found arsenic in the deceased’s body. The evidence was strong but the wife had powerful attorneys. Find out what happend when the story is featured in the April issue of the quarterly magazine, due out on April 15. To subscribe to the quarterly, contact the museum at adaircohistorical@gmail.com. Past issues are available at the museum. The museum, which has three floors of displays, is open to the public Wednesday through Friday from 1-4 p.m.



Green Castle, Green City, Sullivan County Events

- April 5** — Sullivan County Missouri Extension Poker Run, 11:30 a.m. at the Milan Expo Center.
- April 13** — Green Castle Easter Egg Hunt at Green Castle Park in Green Castle, 2 p.m.
- April 14** — Green City Blood Drive, 1:30-5:30 p.m. at the Methodist Church, 18 N. Lincoln Street, Green City.

2025 Milan Community Events

APRIL	MAY	JUNE
4/12 Elks Dinner	5/3 Swine Show	6/7 Chamber Golf Tournament
4/17 Community Clean Up	5/10 Sheep & Goat Show	6/14 Elks Dinner
4/19 Easter Egg Hunt	5/24 Summer Kickoff	
	5/23-5/25 Old Timers Rodeo & Tractor Pull	

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- April 19** — Easter bunny at the Green City City Hall (no egg hunt).
- May 3** — Dance Team Poker Run. Sign-up at 11 a.m., Depart at 11:30 a.m. Meet at the Novinger Fairgrounds.
- May 24** — Green Castle Fire Poker Run, Green Castle Park (Time to be Determined).

Graduation Ceremonies

Kirksville High School
 May 18, 2 p.m.
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 Saturday, May 10, 2 p.m.
 Stokes Stadium

A.T. Still University
 Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m.
 Baldwin Hall
 at Truman State University

NEMO Photography

Rotary Club Reverse Raffle

The Kirksville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club will hold its 11th annual Reverse Raffle on Saturday evening, April 26, at the Moose Lodge in Kirksville. The Reverse Raffle is a fun evening of raffle drawings, live and silent auctions, a dinner catered by Colton’s, and more. Thousands of dollars in prize money is given away throughout the evening, culminating with the \$3,500 grand prize.

Sales will be limited to 140 tickets. Each ticket costs \$125 and entitles the holder to one chance in the raffle and two dinners. Tickets will be available from Kirksville-Thousand Hills Club members beginning in mid-February.

Proceeds from the Reverse Raffle are spent on charitable and community projects in the local area and around the world. The most recently funded projects include providing dictionaries to all third grade students in Adair



County, a grant match for the Pantry for Adair County to add additional raised garden beds for fresh produce, and funds for Kirksville Parks and Recreation to add shades to the Brashear Park splash pad and park renovation.

To learn more about the Kirksville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club and to watch for more information on the Reverse Raffle, visit thousandhillsrotary.com.

Thousand Hills State Park Calendar of Events

Petroglyph Tour
Friday, April 4
6:30 p.m.

Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians. Explore the petroglyphs with park staff to learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter located next to the beach.

Learn 2 Aim
Saturday, April 12
10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Begin your archer journey by attending a hands-on workshop this spring! This is a great opportunity to learn new skills with joint instruction on the basics of archery and atlatl throwing. Prior Registration is required. Register at: mostateparks.com/learn2

Nature Poetry
Friday, April 18
7 p.m.

In honor of National Poetry Month, join park staff to listen to and write Nature Poetry. Let nature be your inspiration while you use a few tips and techniques to write your own poetry. All supplies will be provided but you may bring your own paper and writing

utensil if you prefer. Location TBD.

Petroglyph Tour
Saturday, April 19
10 a.m.

Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians. Join park staff for a slide-show presentation to get a close up look and learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter located next to the beach.

Stars Up, Lights Down
Friday, April 25
8:30-10:30 p.m.

Come out for a celebration of International Dark Sky week! Join others in learning about light pollution and exploring the sky above. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars. Meet at the Point Shelter

Petroglyph Tour
Friday, May 9
7 p.m.

Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians.



Explore the petroglyphs with park staff to learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter located next to the beach.

Birding for Beginners
Saturday, May 10
8 a.m.

In honor of World Migratory Bird Day, join park staff to learn some birding basics and enjoy a leisurely hike! Binoculars, field guides, and cameras are welcome. Limited binoculars and field guides will be available to borrow during the program. Please wear closed-toed shoes and bring water. Meet at the Beach Shelter. The Bird Hike will be on the paved trail.

Endangered Species Day
Friday, May 16

7 p.m.
In honor of Endangered Species Day, join park staff to learn about some of Missouri's endangered species and what we can do to help. Location TBD

Kids to Parks Day
Saturday, May 17

Come out to Thousand Hills State Park for Kids to Parks Day. There will be a program that day. Event detail will be announced closer to time.

World Turtle Day
Friday, May 23
7 p.m.

Come shellebrate turtles with us at Thousand Hills. Learn why they are important, what unique adaptations they have, and more. Meet at the Campground 1 Amphitheater.

Guided Hike of the Redbud Trail
Saturday, May 24
10 a.m.

The forest of Thousand Hills is a never-ending story where every plant, animal, and even person has a part to play. Join park staff to uncover more of this story. Please wear closed-toed shoes and bring water and bug spray. Meet at the Redbud Trailhead on Big Loop Trail Rd., across from the playground.

Petroglyph Tour
Sunday, May 25
10 a.m.

Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians. Explore the petroglyphs with park staff to learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter located next to the beach.

Where the Wildflowers Are Hike
Saturday, May 31
10 a.m.

Experience the beauty of the spring wildflowers in bloom on this one-mile hike of the Redbud Trail. We won't be able to see all of Missouri's 1,500 species, but you will leave this hike with the skills to identify some common spring wildflowers! Meet at the Redbud Trail on Big Loop Trail Rd., across from the playground.



Petroglyph Tour
Friday, June 6
7 p.m.

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Women in Nature
Saturday, June 7
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Have you ever wanted to explore the great outdoors but did not know where to begin? Ladies can join other women in exploring outdoor activities. Activities include Archery/Atlatl, Cordage, Kayaking, and Nature's Bounty Hike. Reg-

istration opens April 25th and costs \$20. Register at <https://mostateparks.com/page/78821/win-women-nature>

Snake Survival
Saturday, June 14
10 a.m.

Snakes have a variety of different ways that they defend themselves. Join park staff to discover these survival techniques. There may be a chance to meet a live animal. Meet at the Campground 1 amphitheater.

Nature Painting Class
Friday, June 27

Art is a wonderful way to connect ourselves to nature. Learn with staff and volunteers how to paint a nature scene. Supplies will be provided but you may bring your own if you pre-

fer. Location and time TBD.

Amazing Atlatls
Saturday, June 28
10-11 a.m.

Join park staff to learn about the atlatl, a historic spear thrower, and get your chance to learn how to use an atlatl to throw a replica spear. This is recommended for ages 8 and up. Meet at the Special Use Area. Stay on Highway 157 and take the first right after Big Loop Road.

For the most up to date information and to find other park programs, follow us on Facebook facebook.com/ThousandHillsStatePark or check the Visit Kirksville calendar <https://visitkirksville.com/t/upcoming-events>

Rock of Ages

Rock of Ages is a jukebox musical that tells the story of Drew, a Bourbon Room busboy and Sherrie, a small-town girl, who are pursuing their dreams of becoming rock stars in Los Angeles.

Wednesday, June 18 7:30 p.m. Ladies Night Out Event
 Friday, June 20 2 p.m.
 Friday, June 20 7:30 p.m. Afterglow
 Saturday, June 21 7:30 p.m.
 Sunday, June 22 2 p.m. Sunday Dinner
 Tuesday, June 24 2 p.m.
 Saturday, June 28 7:30 p.m.
 Sunday, June 29 2 p.m. Sunday Dinner



Nunsense

Nunsense is a habit-forming, riotous musical spoof about the misadventures of five nuns trying to manage

a fundraiser.

Friday, June 27 2 p.m.
 Friday, June 27 7:30 p.m. Afterglow
 Saturday, June 28 2 p.m.

Macon Area Chamber of Commerce Calendar of Events

APRIL

Quail Forever Banquet — April 12
 Atlanta Easter Egg Hunt — April 19
 Bevier Spring Fling — April 25
 Macon Spring City-Wide Garage Sale — April 25 & 26
 Sac & Fox Artifacts Show — April 25 & 26
 Atlanta Prom — April 26
 Macon R-1 Prom — April 26
 CHAMBER BANQUET — April 28

MAY

Pottery Workshop with Melissa Hogenson at The Recess Inn in Ethel — May 3
 Cattle Show 4H — May 3
 4H Hog Show — May 4
 Crossroads Loving Our Community — May 4
 Macon R-1 Graduation — May 9, 7 p.m.

Atlanta Graduation — May 11
 Vantasia Vans Club at Bevier RV — May 12 thru 18
 CHAMBER GOLF CHALLENGE — May 16
 New Breed Wrestling- Macon Mania — May 17
 Memorial Day Service at Missouri Veterans Cemetery- Jacksonville — May 26
 4H Goat Show — May 27

JUNE

Boots & Black Tie — June 7
 Party in the Street — June 13
 Knights of Columbus-Jim Maloney Fundraiser June 14
 TRACTOR PULL — June 27 & 28
 Atlanta Homecoming — June 28 & 29
 New Breed Wrestling at MACC — June 28

Curtain Call Theatre Shows and Films

The Curtain Call Theatre production of Neil Simon's "Rumors" dates and times are below:

June 5 -7 (Thursday to Saturday)
 June 12 - 14 (Thursday to Saturday)
 Curtain Call Theatre Building
 512 W. Elizabeth Street, Kirksville

All shows begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and will be available at the HyVee service beginning Friday, May 23, or at the door. More information will be forthcoming at kirksvilledailyexpress.com.



Curtain Call Theatre's upcoming classic film presentations are done monthly on Fridays. Please note that the April film will be preceded by Curtain Call Theatre's annual meeting and election of officers. For this event only, free refreshments will be available. Details will be available on the theatre website.

April 25th
 Combined Annual Curtain Call Meeting Meeting at 7 pm

Film at 7:30: Singin' in the Rain

May 16
 Film at 7:30: Where Eagles Dare



Kirksville Arts Association's Summer on the Square Concerts

June 6 — Deadwood
June 13 — Renewed
June 20 — Keota
June 27 — No Apology

On the lawn of the Adair County Courthouse



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At the Sue Ross Arts Center

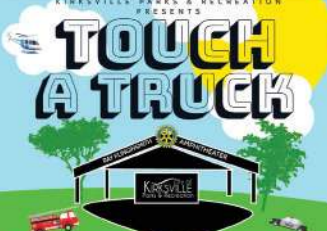
Kirksville High School Exhibit
 March 31st-April 10th
 Reception April 10th 5:30-6:30p.m.

Regional High School Showcase
 April 15th-April 24th
 Reception April 24th 5:30-6:30p.m.

Sue Ross Arts Center

Kids Touch a Truck and Magic Show

Mark your calendars and come on out to the Free Touch A Truck event on Friday, April 25. The event will take place in Rotary Park located at 801 E Mill Street from 5-7 Show at the Ray Klinginsmith Amphitheater from 6-7 p.m. Parking available at the Kirksville Aquatic Center.



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Kirksville Diversity Festival celebrates with food, performances and activities

The Kirksville Diversity Festival will be held Saturday, April 26, from 1-4 p.m. at Ray Miler Elementary School.

Sponsored by the city of Kirksville, A.T. Still University and Truman State University, this unique and free event celebrates the community's diversity through food, performances and activities for all ages.

According to John Gardner, an organizer of the event, members of the community came together as a part of the city's Think 2040 strategic plan, which is made up of groups that address community issues. This particular subcommittee was exploring more community cultural events and thus was born the Diversity Festival, a way to bring community members together.

"The idea is to share the breadth and depth of the diversity of our Kirksville community," Gardner said.



"See what kind of services are out there, what kind of opportunities for members of our community and also just to bring people together, something fun to do on a Saturday after-

noon. It's just getting the community together, respecting our differences and what makes us all unique while also what makes all so similar being a part of this community."



Memorial Day

Memorial Day Cermonies will be celebrated on Monday, May 26 at 11 a.m. at the VFW.



The Annual Daddy/Daughter Dance, sponsored by the Heartland Task Force and the NEMO Fair Association Board, is usually held in May at the NEMO Fairgrounds (visit kirkssvilledailyexpress.com for date and time).

The event regulary features free concessions,

photo booth, giveaways, and crafts. All girls in pre-school through 6th grade and their father/significant adult male role models, are invited.

Proceeds of this event will go to support Heartland Task Force activities, which is working to reduce substance abuse among youth & adults.

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Local Band Schedules

Boot Cut

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| April 25 | Backroads-Brashear |
| May 16 | Car Cruise-Moberly |
| May 24 | Members only-Lake Nehai |
| May 30 | Anchor Fest-Centralia |
| June 3 | CMFCAA BBQ-Jeff City |
| June 7 | The Dock-Quincy, Ill. |

Aaron Russel Band

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| March 29 | VFW-Kirksville |
| April 5 | VFW-Kirksville |
| April 12 | Black Diamond Jubilee-Macon |
| April 26 | Black Diamond Jubilee-Macon |
| May 3 | VFW-Kirksville |
| May 10 | Black Diamond Jubilee-Macon |
| May 24 | Black Diamond Jubilee-Macon |
| June 7 | VFW-Kirksville |
| June 14 | Black Diamond Jubilee-Macon |
| June 28 | Black Diamond Jubilee-Macon |

Shakey Ground:

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| April 5 | Helm Street-Brookfield |
| April 19 | LD's-Economy |
| May 3 | Club One (Formerly Wrong Daddy's) |
| May 17 | Helm Street-Brookfield |
| June 28 | Hale, Mo Festival 5-9 |

No Apology

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| May 24 | BK Boathouse-Melrose |
| June 14 | Princeton City Park-Princeton |
| June 27 | Kirksville on the Square-Kirksville |

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'Miracle on the Hudson' Captain "Sully" Sullenberger to Speak at Truman

Ambassador "Sully" Sullenberger, Captain of US Airways Flight 1549, will be Truman's Holman Family Distinguished Speaker in April.

Sullenberger became internationally renowned on Jan. 15, 2009, when he and his crew safely guided their disabled jetliner to an emergency water landing in New York City's frigid Hudson River during what has been called the "Miracle on the Hudson."

All 155 aboard survived. Following the "Miracle on the Hudson," Sullenberger became a No. 1 New York Times bestselling author with "Highest Duty: My Search for What Really Matters."

The book was adapted into the major motion picture "Sully," directed by Clint Eastwood and starring Tom Hanks in the lead role. Sullenberger also wrote "Making a Difference: Stories of Vision and Courage from America's Leaders."



NEMO Spring Job Fair

The NEMO Job Fair will be held at Moberly Area Community College, 2015 E. Normal Street in Kirksville, on Friday, April 4 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The fair includes free admission, drawings for prizes, veteran services available, and there is a virtual option available. Employers at the event will include many local, state and federal entities..



Bixler 108 offers Free Music in Unionville

On the Square in Unionville:

Friday, April 11, Alice Walker

Friday, April 18, Ruth Wyand

Friday, April 25, The Close Trio

Friday, May 2, Susan Mohni Kane

Friday, May 9, Miss Emily

Friday, May 16, Shanna in a Dress

Friday, May 23, Mark Stuart

Thursday, June 5, Wildwood

Friday, June 12-14

Old Time Country and Bluegrass

Music Festival at the Park

Friday, June 20, Aspen Black

Friday, June 27, Pierce Crask





La Plata Community Easter Egg Hunt

Birthday Blessings filled 160 requests from Adair, Knox and Lewis County foster kids in 2024. Focusing on providing needed resources to kids in care, the nonprofit will be holding an annual Birthday Bash Donor Match



La Plata Father's Day Golf Tournament

Three-man scramble, June 14-15. Shotgun start, 7 a.m to noon. La Plata Golf Club. Call Rabbi East at 660-341-2618 for more information.





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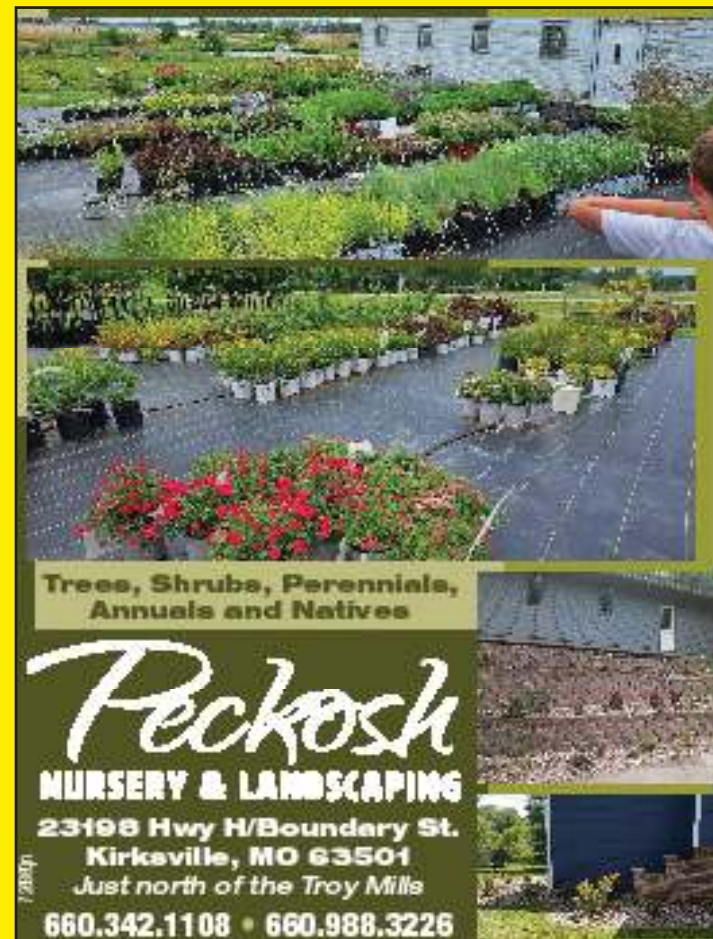
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ART GUILD

MOSI (Missouri-Southern Iowa) Art Guild invites artists to their monthly meeting

The MOSI (Missouri-Southern Iowa) Art Guild encourages any artist, budding artist, and supporter of the arts to join them at their monthly meetings, 5:30 p.m., on the second Thursday of each month, typically at the

Adair County Annex Building in Kirksville (March and April meetings will be held at The Crossing). MOSI will also exhibit at the Kirksville Downtown Art Walk on Friday, June 6, 4:30-6:30 p.m. For more information visit facebook.com/mosiartguild, The MOSI Art Guild | An Art Guild for Northeastern Missouri and Southern Iowa or email them at info@mosiartguild.



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United Way Trivia Night and Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament

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The United Way also holds their semi-annual Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament fundraiser in April (Visit [wkirksvilledailyexpress.com](https://kirksvilledailyexpress.com) for more details). Local poker players come together to play for three cash prizes and a poker trophy.

Agencies of the United Way which benefit from these events include: Adair County 4H Council, Adair County Family YMCA, Boy Scouts of America/Great Rivers Council, Community Opportunities/Sheltered Workshop, Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri, Hospice of Northeast Missouri, Macon Diversified Industries, NEMO Senior Citizens Services, Inc., RSVP/Senior Adult Services, the Salvation Army, and Community Child Development Center.



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