

### **May Parks Programs:**

**May 9<sup>th</sup> Simple Machines and Inventions-** Thursday 6-7:30pm- Bluestem Nature Center. Fun with simple machines and how they are the beginnings of many inventions and innovations. For 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. To register call parks 574-583-3983 or on line [montiparks.recdesk.com](http://montiparks.recdesk.com).

**May 10<sup>th</sup> Story Time at the Park-** Friday 10am- Bluestem Nature Center. For kids and families. The library- Miss Tammy and Mr. Duffers- do a great job of reading a nature related story each month.

**May 14<sup>th</sup> Art in the Park- Quilling White Flowers** –Tuesday 6-8pm – Bluestem Nature Center. Joy will show us new and old techniques to craft a quilled flower bouquet. Bring your tool if you have one. Please register at 574-583-3983 or online [montiparks.recdesk.com](http://montiparks.recdesk.com).

**May 18<sup>th</sup> Kids to the Park Day-**Saturday from 9am to 3pm at each of the parks. For everyone. Come explore all 7 of our parks starting with a declaration at the Amphitheater in Altherr Nature Park then various free events at all the other parks. Get a schedule from the city web site or on Facebook at Monticello Parks Department.

**May 20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Another Artsy Gourd Vase-** Monday and Wednesday 5:30pm-8:30pm- Bluestem Nature Center. For adults. Carol Stradling will help you use gourd stain and Dutch cord to create a beautiful gourd. Limit 10 projects. Register at Parks 574-583-3983 or on line [montiparks.recdesk.com](http://montiparks.recdesk.com).

**May 23<sup>rd</sup> Gardening Lessons (a series about urban and small farm gardens)-** Thursday meet at the Bluestem Nature Center at 802 S Main St. at 7pm. This month's lesson will be Marty Huseman, Purdue Extension, on safety in your garden. Sponsored by SWCD and Parks.

**May 24<sup>th</sup> Hoots to Howls-** Friday at 7:00pm at the Amphitheater in Altherr Nature Park. Kim Hoover from Hoots to Howls Wildlife Rehabilitation will bring rescued birds and wildlife to the amphitheater and tell their stories. Donations will be accepted. Rain Location will be in the Anheier Building in City Park.

**May 25<sup>th</sup> Begin summer hours at the Bluestem Nature Center-**Closed Monday and Tuesday, Wednesday noon-7pm, Thursday noon-4pm, Friday 10am-4pm, Saturday 9am-3pm, Sunday noon-3pm. This schedule is until August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**May 28<sup>th</sup> POP Club Kickoff at the Farmer's Market-** Tuesdays 5-7pm at 127 N Main Street (Andrea Roller Photography) . Kids learn to purchase and eat healthy food, play, and exercise, all while studying about healthy living. Every week until August 27<sup>th</sup>. Everyone will enjoy the Farmer's Market.