## Coming Events for Monticello Parks Department Oct. 2024

**Halloween Fun:** Tuesday Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> at 6-7pm- meet at Bluestem Nature Center. For kids Pre-2<sup>nd</sup> grade and a parent. Come to the Bluestem Nature Center for Halloween games and crafts. To register call Parks 574-583-3983 or online at montiparks.recdesk.com or just show up! Free.

**Witch Hat Gourd:** Thursday Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6-8:00pm -Meet at Bluestem Nature Center. For Adults. This painted and cut gourd will decorate your Halloween table. To register call Parks at 574-583-3983 or online at montiparks.recdesk.com. Cost is \$15.00.

**Rocket Launch:** Sat. Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> at 9am- at Voigt Park south parking lot. For 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders that took the Flight class, anyone can come to watch the rocket launch. Snacks provided.

**Art in the Park-Quilled Pumpkin:** Tuesday Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6-8:00pm -meet at Bluestem Nature Center. For Adults. Joy will have a quilling pattern to make a fall pumpkin. To register call parks at 574-583-3983 or online at montiparks.recdesk.com. Cost is \$5.00.

**Hoots to Howls:** Friday Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Meet at the Altherr Nature Park Amphitheater. For everyone. Kim Hoover of Hoots to Howls Wildlife Rehabilitation will bring rescue birds and critters to tell their stories. Donations to Hoots to Howls will be accepted. No need to register, just show up!

**S.O.M.A.** Haunted Trail Hike: Saturday Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> -6:00pm to 9:30pm in Altherr Nature Park. All are invited. Guides will lead you along the dark and scary haunted trail. Ghost stories will be in the amphitheater starting at 5pm. Food can be purchased. Sponsored by S.O.M.A.

**Fall Button Box Tree:** Tuesday Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6-8:00pm- meet at Bluestem Nature Center. For adults and older kids. Be creative with this colorful fall tree picture. Register by calling parks 574-583-3983 or online at montiparks.recdesk.com. Cost is \$15.00

**Art in the Park-Fall Watercolor:** Tuesday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6-8pm at Bluestem Nature Center. For Adults. Joy will take us step by step in using technique to paint a fall watercolor. To register call Parks at 574-583-3983 or online at montiparks.recdesk.com. Cost \$12.00.

**Bat Week!!!:** We all love bats at Halloween so we will celebrate bats with these 3 events. **Bats for pre-2**nd **grade:** Monday October 28th from 6-7pm at Bluestem Nature Center. Bring an adult and learn about bats! **Bats for 3**rd-8th **grade:** Tuesday October 29th from 6-7pm at Bluestem Nature Center. Learn things you never knew! **Make a Bat Shelter:** Wednesday October 30th from 6-7pm at Bluestem Nature Center. Families can come and build a bat shelter for their yard. You will need to register for this one. Call Parks 574-583-3983 or online montiparks.recdesk.com. Cost \$10.00.

**Monthly Programs**: *Story Time* by Monticello Public Library- Fri. Oct.11<sup>th</sup> at Bluestem Nature Center at 10am and *Tiny Toddler Explorers*- Mon. Oct.21<sup>st</sup> 10am at Bluestem Nature Center.