

Spring has Sprung in March!

You'll love all the great events and activities we have planned this month! From fitness classes and pickleball, to the theatre, a princess ball, and outdoors for all - our PRT team has you covered for springtime fun in March!

For the latest information on events, rescheduling, or cancelations, be sure to follow the <u>PRT Facebook page</u>. You will find great information and details on our other pages too!

- George Owens Nature Park
- Independence Uptown Market

You can find a calendar of these events on the City's website here.





The Children's Performing Theatre proudly presents "The Marvelous Land of Oz-The Young Girl Returns!"

Reserve your tickets to the show by calling (816) 325-7367 or stop by the Sermon Center. Ticket pricing varies.

Showtimes:

Friday, March 1 | 7 PM Saturday, March 2 | 7 PM Sunday, March 3 | 2 PM





It's time for the annual Little Princess Ball at the Truman Memorial Building on Friday, March 22, from 6-8 PM! Princesses may dress in their prettiest gowns and attend with their chosen knight (father figure) to enjoy music, dancing, dinner and general merry-making. The cost is \$40 per couple and \$15 for each additional princess. The last day to register is Monday, March 18. To register, call (816) 325-7843 or visit indep.us/webtrac.



Come see the City Theatre of Independence's production of "The Diary of Anne Frank." Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors 55+, and \$10 for students. Tickets are available online or at the door. Call (816) 370-6654 for any questions. Showtimes are:

Thursday, March 28 | 7:30 PM

Friday, March 29 | 7:30 PM

Saturday, March 30 | 7:30 PM

Friday, April 5 | 7:30 PM

Saturday, April 6 | 7:30 PM

Fitness Classes

Check out our fitness classes at the Sermon Center and Truman Memorial Building!



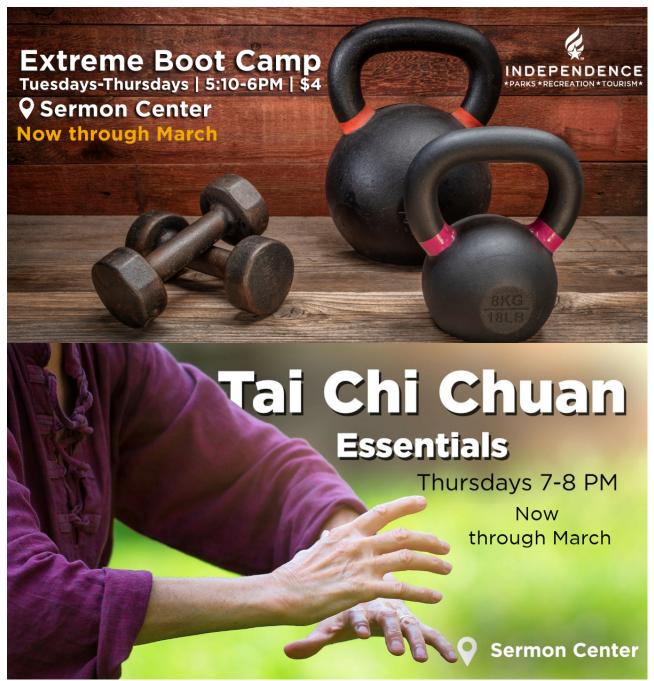




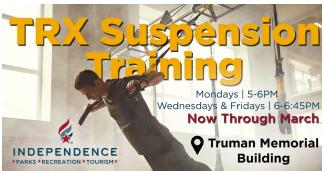


























Are you interested in participating in a 5K run? The City of Independence Parks, Recreation and Tourism and Health and Animal Services Departments are hosting the 6th Annual Couch to 5K FREE program. Join us for the 6-week program to prepare for our annual Truman Trot on May 5th.

The program is scheduled for every Tuesday from March 26th to April 30th. If you attend EVERY session, you'll receive a free Truman Trot T-shirt for the big race. We'll meet at the Waterfall Park, located at 4501 S Bass Pro Dr., at 5:30 PM for sign-in. The walk or run will start at 6 PM. As you train for the 5K, the City of Independence Health and Animal Services Department will provide dogs for you to walk with!

For more information, please call (816) 325-7342 or email ccarper@indepmo.org. To sign up for the big race, please visit runsignup.com/Race/MO/Independence/TrumanTrot5K.

George Owens Nature Park Events and Activities

If you're looking for outdoor fun -- George Owens Nature Park has you covered! There are great events and activities planned this month. Check them out below.





OUTDOORS FOR ALL

9330 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM AND 2330 PM



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 | FISHING

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 | WILDLIFE

FRIDAY, MARCH 22 | TRAILS FOR WALKING AND HIKING





INSTITUTE II PICK-UP CHESS

AT GEORGE OWENS NATURE PARK





Thursdays | 2:30-4:30PM

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SATURDAY, MARCH 23 • 1-2PM

Independence Uptown Market



Join us on the first Saturday of the month for the Winter Market, now through April, from 9 AM to 1 PM!

Outdoor Weather Safety: Be Weather Wise this Spring



March weather can be sunny and warm one day and cold and stormy the next; you never know what you're going to get when you head outdoors. March weather can bring rain, wind, and thunderstorms to the area. Be weather wise and check the forecast, and remember these helpful tips before heading outdoors:

Take Shelter

- Immediately go inside a sturdy building during a high wind warning or severe thunderstorm warning and move to an interior room or basement.
- If you are in a mobile home, move to a sturdy building before the winds pick up or the storm system reaches your location.

If Caught Outside or Driving

- Take shelter in your car if you are not near a sturdy building. If possible, drive to a nearby sturdy building. Otherwise, move your car to a location where it is less likely to be hit by falling trees or power lines.
- If no shelter is available avoid trees, power lines, and the side of the road. Keep in mind that power lines that are laying on the ground may be live. Do not go near them! Try to find a place that will block blowing or falling debris.
- Keep a distance from high profile vehicles such as trucks, buses and vehicles towing trailers. One strong gust of wind can be enough to flip one of these trailers onto its side.
- Be sure your phone is charged before going on outdoor activities.
- Check the weather before going on outdoor activities.
- Check our <u>City</u> and <u>PRT</u> social media pages for information on severe weather updates.

Did you know you can pay and register online?



The Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department offers online registration for many of our facilities, activities, and programs throughout the year. Please click on the following link to access our WebTrac online registration system. It is simple, secure, and convenient. Get started here, <u>webtrac.indepmo.org</u>



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