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TRANSFORM GOURDS INTO ART AT THE HISTORIC DANIEL BOONE HOME NOV. 11

Create the perfect seasonal art or birdhouse.

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO – Design the perfect Thanksgiving decoration or a home for feathered friends with the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department! Adults and children ages 8 and up will make decorative gourd art from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Nov. 11, at **Gourd Crafting: Painting and Birdhouses** at The Historic Daniel Boone Home near Defiance.



In this new, hands-on program, participants will learn how to paint designs on gourds with skilled staff. The program will be held outdoors under The Grand Pavilion on the Boone Home property. Arrive early, and plan for at least an hour to paint a gourd and two hours to create a birdhouse.

The cost of the program is \$5 per person. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Call 636-949-7535 or visit www.stccparks.org to register.

While visiting the park, take a guided tour of The Historic Daniel Boone Home. Tours are offered at the top of every hour - tickets for adults are \$8, seniors \$6, children ages 5-12 are \$5, and active/retired military and children under 4 are free. There is no charge for self-guided tours of the village grounds.

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About St. Charles County Parks & Recreation

The St. Charles County Parks & Recreation Department offers unique parks, diverse facilities and a broad range of programs and special events for all ages. The County currently operates 12 parks, including a Youth Activity Park and the recently acquired Historic Daniel Boone Home at Lindenwood Park. Plans for a new park at Kisker Road and Highway 94 are underway.

For more information and specifics about each park, visit www.stccparks.org.

About St. Charles County

Founded in 1812, St. Charles County is one of the fastest growing counties in Missouri, and the state's third largest county in both population and economic share. St. Charles County consistently ranks one of the healthiest places to live in Missouri in the County Health Rankings report published by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. It is home to 12 scenic county parks encompassing more than 2,800 acres with additional land under development and more in reserve for future development.

With a population of 385,840, St Charles County is home to large employers including Citi, MasterCard Worldwide, Boeing and General Motors. It is ranked among the top 25 counties in the nation in high-tech job growth by the Progressive Policy Institute and consistently has the lowest unemployment rate in the Metropolitan St. Louis area.

St. Charles County employs nearly 1,100 in more than 30 departments and offices, who work to make the county an excellent place to live, work and shop.

For more information, please visit www.sccmo.org.