

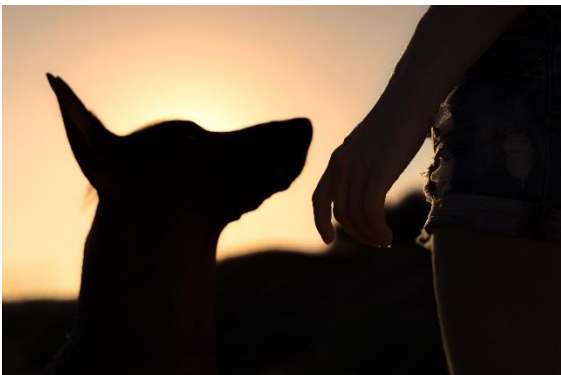
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**DOGS INVITED TO 'BARK AT THE MOON' OCTOBER 13 AT BROEMMELSIEK PARK**

**ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO** – Bring your pooch to the spacious 5-acre Off-Leash Dog Area at Broemmelsiek Park near Defiance/Wentzville from 6-8:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 13, for the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department's newest canine event, "Bark at the Moon!"



At this nighttime event for dogs and families, the Parks Department is teaming up with experts from the County's Division of Humane Services to educate families. Pet microchipping will be available for a small fee and participants can talk with fellow pet lovers over a cup of hot chocolate.

The program is \$1 per family of up to 10 members. Pre-registration is suggested by calling the parks department at 636-949-7535 or visiting <http://bit.ly/BarkAtTheMoon2018>. Children under the age of 8 will be allowed in the dog park for this event

but must be supervised by an adult.

**Please note:** Participants must have their dogs properly licensed and immunized before entering the dog park. Aggressive dogs and puppies under four months old are not permitted. And participants must "Scoop the Poop" by cleaning up after their dogs with black clean-up bags located at pet waste stations in the dog park.

Voted "Best Of" by readers of the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch Go! Magazine List 2018* and a *Riverfront Times Readers' Choice* winner in 2011, the Broemmelsiek Park Off-Leash Dog Area is a popular place for dogs to play year-round. This beautifully manicured fenced area has a large pond with a dock, pavilion with benches, agility course and a water faucet.

Additional Off-Leash Dog Areas in the St. Charles County parks system include a 2.5-acre site at Quail Ridge Park near Wentzville and a 3-acre site at Veterans Tribute Park near Weldon Spring (opening Oct. 20, 2018). A large multi-acre dog park is being planned at The Park at New Melle Lakes near New Melle. For more information about our dog parks and rules, visit <http://bit.ly/OffLeashDogAreaRules> or call the parks department at 636-949-7535.

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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 15 parks, including a Youth Activity Park and The Historic Daniel Boone Home.

For more information and specifics about each park, visit [stccparks.org](http://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 15 scenic County parks encompassing more than 3,643 acres with additional land under development and more in reserve for future development.

With a population of 395,504, 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 [sccmo.org](http://sccmo.org).