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**ST. CHARLES COUNTY PARKS PRESENTS THE TRUE, INCREDIBLE STORY OF CLARA BROWN**

**ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO** – Step back in time with the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department this summer for a remarkable narrative, “The True, Incredible, Story of Clara Brown,” with renowned storyteller Angela da Silva. Story times are 1:15 p.m. and 3:15 p.m., Sunday, June 14, July 12 and Aug. 9, inside the Old Peace Chapel at The Historic Daniel Boone Home in Defiance.

This heartwarming story about a slave’s journey to reunite with her lost family will captivate audiences of all ages. Freed by her master at age 54, Clara embarked on a 30-year journey in search of her husband and children who were sold to different slave owners. Participants learn about her quest west to St. Louis and then to the Rocky Mountains, where she fostered settlements and built schools and churches, but never lost hope in finding her family.



Guests are invited to visit with “Clara” from 12 - 5 p.m. between performances, and explore the village grounds of the historic park, located at 1868 Highway F. The program is free, but seating is limited to allow for proper social distancing inside the chapel. Additional guidelines will be observed during the event and include:

- Each participant’s temperature will be taken before entering the chapel to watch the performance.
- Park staff will seat and release guests to maintain social distancing.
- Chapel pews will be sanitized after each performance.
- Seating is limited to a maximum of 30 guests during each performance.

To ensure a seat, guests are encouraged to register online at <https://bit.ly/2020ClaraBrown> or call the park at 636-798-2005.

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**About St. Charles County Parks & Recreation**

The St. Charles County Parks & Recreation Department was created in 1997 after voters approved a local use tax with the sole purpose of park land acquisition, development, operations and maintenance. The department’s mission is to preserve natural and historic features in areas throughout the county for the use of future generations. Today, the department operates 16 parks that total



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3,645 acres of acquired park land. From historic homesteads to a youth skate park; from camping, hiking, biking, and fishing to weddings and educational classrooms, there's something for everyone in St. Charles County Parks.

For more information and specifics about each park, amenities, trails, and more, visit [stccparks.org](http://stccparks.org).