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LEARN HOW TO SURVIVE THE WILD AT ST. CHARLES COUNTY PARKS' BUSHCRAFT CHALLENGE

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO – If you have a passion for the outdoors, are 16 years of age or older, and want to acquire the skills and knowledge to thrive in the natural environment, “Survive the Wild: Practical Application of Bushcraft” is the challenge for you! Join the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department from 3:30 – 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 14, at The Historic Daniel Boone Home, 1868 Highway F in Defiance, for this one-of-a-kind workshop that teaches you how to think, plan and act deliberately in order to thrive in any environment.



Throughout the event, participants will acquire the knowledge and ability to respect the unexpected as they connect with the outdoors and embrace the inner animal inside. With the help of Craig Avery, outdoor survival expert and lead instructor of WG Bushkraft, and Park Ranger Jake Dean, participants will learn how to tackle outdoor challenges by engaging in a series of assigned tasks that showcase a variety of bushcraft skills including, fire and shelter building, trapping and other survival tasks. At the end of the workshop, top challengers will be awarded prizes in several categories that will be revealed at the event.

This unique challenge is limited to 18 participants and is \$20 per person. The cost of the workshop includes all supplies and tool use; participants should bring a change of clothes. To make a reservation online, visit <http://bit.ly/2020BushcraftChallenge> or call the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department at 636-949-7535.

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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 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.