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2026 September Newsletter



August Luncheon at V's Italiano Ristorante
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SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

State of the Schools



September 23, 2026
Raytown Schools Education & Conference Center
11A - 1P

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- ✓ Meet First Responders
- ✓ Learn Important Safety Tips
- ✓ Fun Games & Activities
- ✓ Candy & Prizes
- ✓ Community Resources



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VEHICLES
UP CLOSE!



MEET OUR
FIRE & EMS
TEAM!



BUILDING
STRONGER
CONNECTIONS



TOGETHER,
WE MAKE A
SAFER RAYTOWN!

♥
A SAFE COMMUNITY
Starts with
US ALL.



Proud to support events
that bring families together,
create lasting memories,
and strengthen our
community.



THANK YOU TO OUR OFFICERS, PARTNERS, AND COMMUNITY FOR MAKING RAYTOWN STRONG!





Annual Kansas City 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony

On this 25th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, please join the American Legion District 5, VFW District 5, Muehlebach Funeral Care, Passantino Bros. Funeral Home, The Catholic Cemeteries of Kansas City-St. Joseph and HeartLight Center as we honor the victims of 9/11 as well as show appreciation to our current first responders. "We will never forget."

Friday September 11, 2026

5:30—6:00 pm Music by the American Legion Band
6:00—7:00 pm Remembrance Ceremony
First Responder Memorial, Mount Olivet Cemetery
7601 Blue Ridge Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64138

With Special Guests

Kansas City Fire Chief Craig Buckley
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Raytown Mayor Mike McDonough



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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM

DECORATE A PUMPKIN

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS!

Join the Raytown Chamber's
Pumpkin Business Display!

Show off your creativity while promoting your business throughout the month of **October!**

The Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism is inviting Chamber members to decorate a provided artificial pumpkin to represent your business. All pumpkins will be displayed at the **Mid-Continent Public Library – Raytown Branch**, where hundreds of visitors can enjoy—and vote for—their favorite!

HOW IT WORKS



PICK UP your **FREE** pumpkin from the Chamber Office



DECORATE it to showcase your business, organization, or brand



RETURN your completed pumpkin by **SEPTEMBER 25, 2026**



PUMPKINS will be displayed all **October** at the Mid-Continent Public Library – Raytown Branch



LIBRARY VISITORS will vote for their favorite pumpkin



**BEST
PUMPKIN
WINS A
PRIZE!**



Reserve Your PUMPKIN TODAY!

CONTACT:

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Chamber of Commerce & Tourism



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Let's fill the library with creative pumpkins
and support local business!



August Luncheon with Jennifer L. Craig, President, ReDiscover Mental Health



A.M. Connections @ Le Donut & Coffee



Ribbon Cutting @The Local Deli



Ribbon Cutting @ Henry C. Krister Park



Ribbon Cutting @ Synergy One Lending for Jackson County Public Health Blue Box Installation





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Night to Shine is a worldwide celebration centered on honoring individuals with special needs ages 14 and up. The Tim Tebow Foundation started Night to Shine 12 years ago, and 2027 will be YEAR 10 of the Kansas City event, hosted by Graceway Church. We invite you to consider partnering with NTSKC financially for this special anniversary, as we anticipate over 800 VIPs attending! [Click here](#) for a flyer with more information, and contact Night to Shine Kansas City Director Alix Carruth at acarruth@visitgraceway.org if you'd like to partner. We appreciate your support!



Dear Community Partner,

On behalf of Hope Network of Raytown, I am excited to invite you to a special opportunity to support local families who are facing significant hardship in our community.

Beverly Shultz presents our 2025 Tee Up for Hope Golf Tournament, in memory of George Shultz, on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at Adams Pointe Golf Course in Blue Springs.

Many of our neighbors live at or below the federal poverty level and are struggling with choices like groceries or medicine, rent or school supplies. You can help provide critical support with food, rent, utilities, and vehicle repair. Hope Network has been meeting these needs for 17 years, but we need your help to keep up with the ever-increasing need in our community and to keep more people housed.

We would be honored to have your support as a tournament sponsor or by donating an item for our silent or live auction. Sponsorship levels come with great benefits and visibility, and donated items community support! Visit www.tteeupforhope2025.com for more information and to register.

As a valued community partner, your involvement and support can make a tremendous impact. We've seen firsthand how local businesses, ministries, and people like you help bring stability and HOPE to families during their most difficult times.

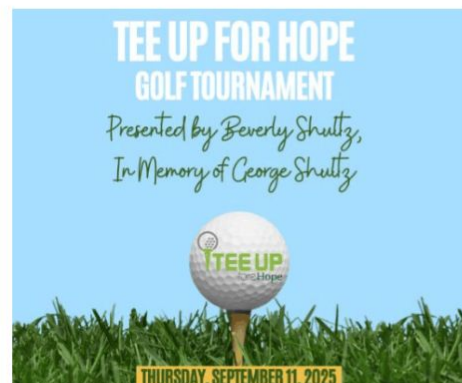
Register online or reach out to discuss how we can collaborate to make this event a success while showcasing your organization's dedication to our community. Let us know a convenient time to connect at jacque.nordhus@hopenetworkraytown.org.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We truly appreciate your support in making the Tee Up for Hope an unforgettable tournament for a great cause.

With immense gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jacque Nordhus".

Jacque Nordhus
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EVENT FACEBOOK PAGE
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6TH ANNUAL
FESTIVAL OF TRAILS
SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 12TH 10AM-5PM
8801 E 66th Street

Celebrating Missouri's history
and culture with the
6TH Annual Festival of Trails



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6th ANNUAL
Raytown's Festival of the Trails
Saturday, September 12, 2026

Events are FREE to attend (donations will be accepted). Food, beverage and retail items available for purchase.
For more information, email the Raytown Parks at davet@raytownparks.com.



EVENT SCHEDULE

Rice-Tremonti Home

8801 E. 66th Street | 10:00am to 5:00pm

- Bake Sale (whole pies) and ice cream treats
- Blacksmith
- Buffalo Soldiers
- Craft Fair
- Food Trucks and Dining Tent
- Home tours, scheduled periodically
- Kids Crafts
- Kids Games by Connection Point and the River Church

- Living Historians
- Missouri Free Trappers
- Sophie White portrayal
- Windy Hollow Historical Band
- Wool Spinning Demonstrations
- Information Booth presented by the Raytown Chamber

Buffalo Soldiers reenactment

Rice-Tremonti Home | 1:00pm

Raytown Live Greenspace in Town Center in downtown Raytown

10009 62nd Street | 7:00pm - 9:00pm

- Food for purchase
- Kids Games
- Live Music – Hard at Play 7:00pm - 9:00pm



Robinson Elementary

CAREER DAY



You are invited to participate in our Career Day scheduled for Friday, September 25th. As part of the counseling program, we study about various careers. Many of the students seem to know where their parents/guardians work, however, few seem to have a really good understanding of exactly what they do at work, the types of training required to perform the job, and other important details. One of the goals of our career exploration will be to better acquaint the students with the world of work in their own community, beginning with their own families. Another goal is to help them make a connection between what they study at school and the world of work they will enter as an adult.

At our Career event, we would like to have guests come up to the school and share information about their career with our students. Your speech only needs to be approximately 10 minutes in length with an additional 5 minutes for questions.

Thank you for your participation in this activity.

Please call Jill Krickbaum ("Ms. K."), School Counselor, at 816-268-7210 or e-mail me at jill.krickbaum@raytownschools.org if you have any questions.

You may email me the information below if you are interested in attending no later than Friday, September 11th.

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____ Yes, I would love to be a presenter on Friday, Sept.25 for Robinson Elementary's Career Day.

Printed Name _____

Cell Phone# _____

E-mail _____

Career Represented (Job Title) _____

Student's Name(s) {If applicable} _____

Student's Teacher Name(s) _____

Special Equipment Needed _____

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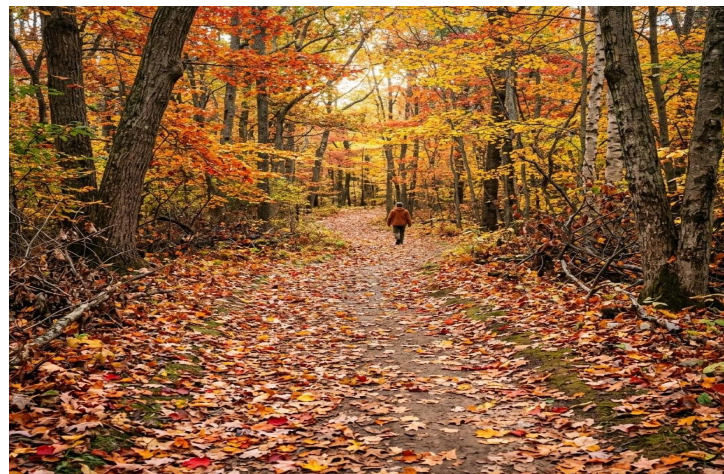


Chamber Renewals

- ☺ Farmers Insurance - Atkins Agency - Robert Atkins, 2017
- ☺ SDC Engineering - Al Hermans, 2020
- Messner Bee Farm - Rachael Messner, 2017
- Morgana's Gluten Free Bakery - Morgana Burke 2016
- ReDiscover - Raytown - Vanessa Hickman, Ed Cullumber, Scott Mason 2020
- ☺ Eclipse Bar & Grill - Bob Schwaller, 2015

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☺ We would like to thank our members who gave 110%.





September 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Membership Svcs Committee @ Chamber Office - 12p Ribbon-Cutting @ Bungee Life Fitness - 3p 	3	4 Tourism Committee Mtg @ Chamber office - 12p	5
6	7 	8 AM Connections @ Raytown Chamber - 7:30a	9	10 Board of Directors Mtg @ Chamber Office - 8a 	11 	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Govt Relations Committee @ Chamber Office & Zoom - 8a 	19
20	21	22 First Day of Fall 	23 State of the Schools Luncheon @ RSECC Building - 11a	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			