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## Out and About in BRISTOL!

Bring your family and your appetite to this year's *Taste of Bristol and Beyond* at Linden Place on Sunday, October 18.

From 4:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. enjoy food from more than 25 local restaurants and caterers accompanied by wines from Chile, Australia, California, and local vineyards. Beer lovers can sample brews from local and national micro-breweries.



Tickets for the event are \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door (a portion is tax deductible). For reservations or more information, call 253-0390 or visit the website at [www.lindenplace.org/events.htm](http://www.lindenplace.org/events.htm).



### MARKET TRENDS

Mortgage rates continue to remain low. Rates continued to fall for the first three weeks of September. According to Freddie Mac, as of September 24, the interest rate for a 30-year fixed mortgage was 5.04%, down from 6.09% a year ago! The rate on a 15-year mortgage was an incredible 4.46%.



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## Did You Know?

- Fannie Mae rolled out new lending guidelines starting September 1. The new rules mark the first major underwriting update since April of this year. The changes are designed to prevent fraud.
- If you took advantage of the governments "Cash for Clunkers" program, don't forget the 2009 Tax Act allowing for a deduction for any new car purchased in 2009 up to \$49,500.
- Clocks turn back on Sunday, November 1 for Daylight Savings!

## Spooky Zoo is Back!

Get into the Halloween spirit with the Roger Williams Park *Spooky Zoo*, running this year on October 17th, 18th, 24th and 25th. Activities include:

- Parkwide trick-or-treating
- Newport Creamery costume contest
- Creepy, crawly animal encounters
- Pumpkin carving demonstrations
- Creepy animal tale story times
- Games tent
- Parkwide entertainment and roaming costumed characters

Participation in *Spooky Zoo* activities is free with the price of zoo admission. Children under 12 who come in costume save 1/2 off the price of admission.

For more information or a schedule of daily events, visit the zoo's website at [www.rogerwilliamsparkzoo.org/calendar/SpookyZoo.cfm](http://www.rogerwilliamsparkzoo.org/calendar/SpookyZoo.cfm).

