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Glass Class

Stained Glass Creations

Stained glass isn’t just for church windows. It is used extensively in home décor such as doors, cabinetry, light boxes, sun catchers, wall hangings and more. Learn glass cutting, grinding and soldering techniques and begin a new hobby of your own. All necessary tools and materials will be provided, including a selection of patterns. If we don’t have the colors you prefer, you may go to a local supplier to purchase glass at your own cost. All students will be in one class, but please register according to your skill level which will determine the size and difficulty of your project. Please wear closed-toe shoes and a long sleeve shirt. Ages 16+. Instructor: Juanita Miller. Registration deadline: February 25. Min. 4. Max. 7.

Code Dates Day Time
242009-T1 3/3-3/31 T 6-8:30 pm

Beginning Glass Fusing

If you apply heat to glass, it will soften. If you continue to apply heat, the glass will become more fluid and flow together. Two or more pieces of glass will stick (or “fuse”) to each other. When the right kind of glass is heated and then cooled properly, the resulting fused glass piece will be solid and unbroken and can be quite beautiful if you know what you are doing. In this beginning class, you will make several fused glass jewelry pieces and a 4”, 5” or 7” glass plate while learning about basic glass fusing. All necessary materials will be provided. Ages 16+. Instructor: Juanita Miller. Registration deadline: April 7. Min. 4. Max. 8.

Code Dates Day Time
242016-T1 4/14-4/28 T 6-8:30 pm

Glass Mosaic Art

Brilliant color and rich, reflective materials make glass mosaics irresistible. Learn the ins and outs of glass mosaics and how to create your own shimmering glass mosaic art work using specialized tools. You will learn scoring, cutting, shaping and grouting as you create your own 10” X 12” glass mosaic picture. All necessary tools and materials will be provided, including a selection of patterns. Please wear closed-toe shoes and a long sleeve shirt. Ages 16+. Instructor: Juanita Miller. Registration deadline: March 28. Min. 4. Max. 8.

Code Dates Day Time
242015-T1 4/5-5/26 T 6-8 pm

Chipping Away

Wood carving is a rewarding, creative craft that doesn’t require a lot of equipment, of course, unless you love to collect tools. All you need is a piece of wood and a carving knife to get started. We’ll demonstrate step by step how to carve a simple wood project and discuss the tools and equipment you will need to try it on your own. Min. 5. Max. 10. Registration deadline: May 9.

Code Dates Day Time
242039-S1 5/16 Sa 9-11:30 am

Community Center

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We make FUN of everything!
Beginning Pottery

Pottery is one of the most ancient arts. Excavations in the Near East have revealed that primitive fired-clay vessels were made there more than 8,000 years ago. You will learn both hand building and wheel throwing techniques, how to prepare clay, select a design, and various glazing techniques. Every student will create six unique pieces to take home (a cylinder, vase and bowl by wheel, a coiled creamer, slabbed box and your own creation by hand). A supply list will be provided with your receipt or you may view it online at www.fortwayneparks.org. All pieces will be fired at the Community Center and may be picked up one week after the last class. Each class session includes time for set-up and clean-up and may extend to an extra session depending on the condition of the pottery as it is dried and fired. Ages 13+. Instructor Brandon Furniss has been working with clay over 20 years and teaching in the area for 8. Registration deadlines: March 2 and April 27. Min. 5. Max. 8.

Welcome Spring Pottery

Welcome spring with a set of herb or plant markers and a small flowerpot! We will use hand building and wheel techniques with clay, and a variety of glazes, to brighten up your garden or windowsill. No experience is necessary. Ages 18+. Instructor Onie Mensch. Registration deadline: February 29. Min. 5. Max. 8.

Chair Caning

It is very common for a cane chair to start losing its caning long before the frame itself begins to deteriorate. If you have a chair that’s in good shape structurally, you can replace the cane yourself and return the chair to its former glory. Painting or varnishing the frame should be done in advance, if needed, and your chair must be stripped of cane and have holes around the seat area. We’ll provide the cane and the instruction necessary to complete your chair seat by the end of the class. Please note that this class overlaps with the Chair Recovery class for an hour. A supply list will be provided with the receipt or you may visit our website at www.fortwayneparks.org. Instructor Larry Brooks has been reupholstering furniture for over 35 years and operates his own shop. Call Larry at 260-426-5010 for more information or to determine if your chair is right for this class. Age 18+. Registration deadline: April 6. Min. 5. Max. 8.

Chair Recovery

Don’t give up your comfortable chair just because it’s a little worn. Give it a new exterior and bring it back to life! Bring your chair (no recliners, sofas or love seats) to the first class with fabric intact, if possible. We’ll determine the amount of material needed for your project and discuss fabric selection. You will learn basic frame repair, spring tying, pattern layout, cushion styles and furniture styles. In most cases you will be able to reupholster your chair in the 10 weeks of class. No experience is necessary. Instructor Larry Brooks has been reupholstering furniture for over 35 years and operates his own shop. Call Larry at 260-426-5010 for more information or to determine if your chair is right for this class. Age 18+. Registration deadline: March 30. There will be no class on May 25. Min. 5. Max. 8.

Community Center Rental

The Community Center at 233 W. Main Street offers beautiful, flexible space for large and small events. The Center is audio-visually equipped and has a full service kitchen facility. Alcohol is permitted at the Center and there are no restrictions on catering. Call Billy at 427-6463 for details and the full range of options or check our website at www.fortwayneparks.org.
Sewing Survival 101

In Sewing Survival you will learn how to use a sewing machine . . . how to thread it, select stitches and various other features, and how to sew a straight seam. You will learn simple alteration techniques such as hemming pants and/or dresses. Please bring any items of clothing that require minor alterations or repairs to work on in class. Our equipment is limited, so please bring the following to class if you can: portable sewing machine, tape measure, pins, thread, scissors, and seam ripper. Ages 16+. Registration deadline: April 7. Min. 4. Max. 6.

Return of the Rag Rug

Rag rug making is just one of many “forgotten skills of self-sufficiency” used by pioneers on the frontier. Like many others, it has returned more as a hobby than a necessity. The rag rug is made from long strips of fabric that are braided, coiled and sewn into a flat spiral. They can be solid color, multi-colored, circular, square, left with ragged edges or seamed for a neater finish. They are a great way to use fabric scraps and as the pioneers can attest, they make great rugs. For Blue Jean Rag Rug you will need to bring 5 pairs of worn out jeans. For the Rag Rug you will need to bring sheets or long scraps of fabric, scissors and a large needle. We also have large balls of fabric for you to use. If you have a portable sewing machine, please bring it to class. Ages 13+. Instructor: Linda Wade. Registration deadlines: March 12 and April 11. Min.5. Max. 10.

Hand Embroidery

Embroidery has been used for centuries to tailor, patch, mend and reinforce clothing. It eventually developed into an art for decorative purposes. After learning a few fundamentals, from selecting materials to the six basic stitches, you will be able to embellish your projects with style and expensive looking touches. Bring a pair of pillow cases to class. All other necessary supplies/materials will be provided. Ages 16+. Instructor: Linda Wade. Registration deadline: March 26. Min. 5. Max. 12.

Knitting for Beginners

Knitting is scientifically proven to improve brain function and memory skills, that’s why it’s been called yoga for the mind. The repetitive motion of knitting, of gentle counting, and the relaxing click clack of the needles soothes a busy mind and relaxes the heart rate. You will learn how to cast on, knit and purl stitch and bind off while making a dish cloth. Please bring to class a set of #7 knitting needles and a skein of 100% cotton yarn. “Sugar and Cream” and “Lion’s Brand Cotton” are the brands the instructor recommends. Registration deadline: March 19. Min. 3. Max. 5.

Learn to Drop Spindle

The drop spindle is a simple tool that is fun to use and provides a portable way to spin yarn making it handy for testing combinations of fibers and colors. If you have hand cards and a spindle, please bring them to class. We also have spindles available to borrow or purchase, if needed. Ages 11+. Instructor Julie Davidson has been a fiber farmer since 1996, starting with Angora goats. She loves using fibers in all forms, especially for spinning, dyeing and knitting. Registration deadlines: April 30 and May 14. Min. 6. Max 8.

Needles & Threads

Sign up today and discover a new hobby!
Dyeing Naturally

Whether you plan to dye wool or cotton fabric, you'll be delighted to discover the magic of natural dyes. Learn how to make an indigo dye bath or create dyes using avocado pits, onion skins, pomegranate peels or even spices right from your spice rack. No experience is necessary. Just grab an apron and some rubber gloves and come ready to learn a great craft. Instructor Julie Davidson has been a fiber farmer since 1996, starting with Angora goats. She loves using fibers in all forms, especially for spinning, dyeing and knitting. Registration deadlines are one week prior to the start of each class. Min. 6. Max. 8.

Spice Dyeing Workshop
Code Date Day Time
2538 3/19 Th 5:30-8:30 pm
2538 4/16 Th 5:30-8:30 pm

Indigo Dyeing Workshop
Code Date Day Time
2538 3/5 Th 5:30-8:30 pm
2538 4/2 Th 5:30-8:30 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 1/$46
Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Acrylic Pour

The defining characteristic of the technique of pouring acrylics is that you don’t apply the paint with a brush or palette knife but rather use gravity to move the paint across a canvas. The results are unlike anything you can get with a brush: fluid flows of paint without any brush marks or texture. Choose your technique – dirty cup, swipe or strainer – and learn to create amazing and beautiful works of art. Instructors are provided by Build Guild. Registration deadlines are 5 business days before each class. Min. 5. Max. 12.

Code Date Day Time
242018-M1 4/6 M 6-8 pm
242018-M2 4/20 M 6-8 pm
242018-M3 5/4 M 6-8 pm
242018-M4 5/18 M 6-8 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 1/$41/$46 after deadlines
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Intro to Colored Pencils

Add a little life to your drawings with color! You will learn a variety of drawing techniques that are unique to colored pencils, including hi-lighting and shading. You will draw from patterns provided by the instructor. All necessary supplies will be provided including a kit that is yours to keep. Instructor Marilyn Copeland is a nationally certified and accredited art instructor. Ages 16+. Registration deadline: March 17. Min.5. Max. 12.

Code Dates Day Time
242030-T1 3/24-4/28 T 1:30-4 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 6/$84/$89 after March 17
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

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Code Dates Day Time
242030-T1 3/24-4/28 T 1:30-4 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 6/$84/$89 after March 17
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

It’s All About Color

Paint a picture and take it home the same day! You’ll be guided step-by-step from blank canvas to your finished painting. Learn how to load the brushes, paint wet into wet and blend colors as you go. All necessary supplies will be provided. Instructor Marilyn Copeland is a nationally certified and accredited art instructor. Registration deadlines: April 10 and May 1. Min. 5. Max. 12.

Code Date Day Time
242035-S1 4/18 Sa 10 am-12 pm
242035-S2 5/9 Sa 10 am-12 am

# Sessions/Fee: 1/$31/$36 after deadlines
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

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Meditation with Sound
Experience the wondrous world of meditation with sound immersion. An ancient art of vibrational tones to reset and restore cellular and emotional patterns in the physical and energetic body. Sound immersion is a simple and direct-connect to the powerful benefits of meditation – promoting deep restorative relaxation and a calm mind. The harmonic resonance orchestrates an energetic reset to release stress and tension. Instructor Deborah Connelly is certified in deep relaxation, stress reduction, mind detoxification and group meditation by the International Academy of Sound Healing for physical, mental and emotional wellness. Beginners are welcome. Please bring a blanket and wear comfortable, light-colored clothing. It is recommended to remove any metal on your body, as metals have their own frequency and may interfere in the process. Registration deadline: March 2. Ages 16+. Min 8. Max 25.

Changing Your Life with Essential Oils
Learn how the plant power of essential oils can make a difference in your well-being and health. These powerful oils can support every system in your body including your emotions! Presenters will be Julie Rodgers and Jean Light. The two have been teaching classes on wellness for 6 years. Registration deadline: March 7. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Essential Oils Instead of Toxic Chemicals
Discover how easy it is to embrace the power of essential oils and leave behind the toxic chemicals found in cleaning products, body care products and many other items found in your home. Presenters Julie Rodgers and Jean Light are passionate about healthy living and have been teaching wellness classes for 6 years. Registration deadline: April 8. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Spanish
Spanish rivals English as the language of choice in the Americas with over 250 million native Spanish speakers in South, Central and North America. It is also one of the easiest languages for English speakers to learn. Spanish I is for beginners while the Continuing class is for those who have advanced just beyond the beginning level. Ages 13+. Instructor Benigna (Betty) Rodriguez grew up on the Texas-Mexico border. She is fluent in both Spanish and English and has taught at the Community Center for over 11 years. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: March 17. Min. 5. Max. 10.

Drop In German
If you are interested in learning the basics of German, just stop in to this class. No registration is required.

Legendary Locals
It has taken hundreds of dynamic legendary locals to make our city what it is today. Join Fort Wayne historian Randy Harter for an interesting visual presentation that highlights dozens of notable locals who have impacted and defined the development and character of our city. Images and profiles of individuals to be covered will include past and present industrialists, restaurateurs, politicians, retailers, athletes, television and radio personalities, movie stars and more, all who have called Fort Wayne home. Registration deadline: April 15. Min. 8. Max. 25.

Register on-line at www.fortwayneparks.org by mail, by fax, or use our 24-hour drop box.
**Line Dancing for Fun & Fitness**

This class is designed for the beginner but will also appeal to the more seasoned line dancer. We will cover the basic steps and terminology while incorporating them into popular dances. Music ranges from pop, classic rock, country and Latin to funk. Ballroom styles such as swing, foxtrot, waltz, rumba, cha-cha, etc. will be included and taught in a line dance format. No special shoes or clothing are required. Ages 13+. Instructors: Philip and Carol Fretz. Min. 10. Max. 50. Registration deadline: March 17.

**Clogging**

Clogging resembles tap dancing but with double time steps that are executed with a flat foot rather than on the balls of your feet. It is fun for all ages and provides a great aerobic workout! Beginning Plus is for individuals who have the basic knowledge of the clogging steps and at least 10 weeks of lessons. Continuing class is for individuals who have knowledge of the basic clogging steps and combinations. Ages 13+. Instructor Elizabeth Hoy has been clogging for over 20 years. Registration deadline: March 30. Min. 6. Max. 20. Note: There will be no classes on May 25.

**Adult Tap Dance**

Tap dancing is great exercise and a great way to spend an evening. You’ll learn tap dance technique and performance skills. No previous experience is required for the beginner class. The advanced class requires some previous tap dance training. Please wear tap or hard-soled shoes. Instructor: Linda Mullenhour. Ages 16+. Registration deadline: March 24. Min. 5. Max. 15.

**You Can Play the Ukulele**

With this fun (and family-friendly) class, you’ll learn how to hold the ukulele, use a chord chart, and strum with confidence. You’ll leave the class with the skills necessary to sit at home and work out of any book of ukulele music. We’ll start slow, and using lots of repetition, work up to playing real tunes. Your handouts will have chords and lyrics for a variety of songs. A ukulele is included with the tuition for this class, and is yours to take home at the end of the class. Ages 9-adult. Instructor: Richard Ash. Registration deadline: May 9. Min. 10. Max. 30.
Microsoft Windows 10 (50+)

Our Windows classes are designed for those with little or no computer experience. You will learn very basic terminology, hardware, components of a window and how to manipulate a window. You will then learn how to cut, copy and paste text, graphics and files. These tasks are common to just about every computer program. Finally, you will learn how to organize your files so they are easy to locate and tricks for finding files when they do get misplaced. Knowledge of the Windows operating system is a pre-requisite for most of our other computer classes. You should have access to a computer outside of class for practice. Instructor: Keith Hering. Registration deadline: March 18. Min. 5. Max. 10.

Microsoft Excel 2007-2010

Excel is a powerful, yet relatively easy-to-master tool for organizing, analyzing and displaying information such as personal finances or an inventory. You will learn how to enter data, create formulas and display charts. Experience with Windows, file management, word processing and the cut, copy and paste tool is required. Registration deadline: April 15. Min. 5. Max. 10.

Getting to Know Your Android System (50+)

Do you feel like your smart phone or tablet is smarter than you are? From batteries, to signals, to apps and games ... you will learn all about your handy little device. We’ll cover texting, settings, maintenance, trouble shooting and even what to do if you lose your phone. You’ll learn how to use Google calendar and many other free, user-friendly applications. Bring your phone to class and show it who’s boss. Note: This class is not for Windows phones/tablets or iPhones/iPads. Instructor: Kelley Doyle. Registration deadline: March 9. Min. 5. Max. 10.

Computer Lab

The Community Center Computer Lab is open to the public and staffed by a volunteer on Mondays 12:30-2:30 p.m. and Thursdays 9:00-11:00 a.m. No reservation is necessary. Just drop in.

Lab Fee ......................... $1/hour
B/W Copies .............. 10¢ single/15¢ double
Color Copies .......... 15¢ single/25¢ double
Photo Prints .............. 35¢ for 4” x 6”
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Preparing Your Spring Vegetable Garden

Now is a great time to start the vegetable garden you’ve always wanted. Under the direction of Master Gardener Bill Oliver, you will learn how to set up a new bed, prepare an existing bed and maintain soil health. You will also learn about the importance of crop rotation, companion planting and more. This program is free and open to all ages. Space is limited, however, so pre-registration is required. Registration deadline: April 16. Max. 20.

Container Gardening for Small Spaces

Don’t let the lack of space or living in an urban setting stop you from growing your own vegetables or herbs. Learn how to use multiple containers to create a landscape or bouquet. Master Gardener, Marlene Purdy will walk you through container possibilities, potting mixes, location selection and care. Ages 12+. The program is free, however, space is limited so pre-registration is required. Registration deadline: March 9. Min. 8. Max 20.

Healthy and Happy Houseplants

Houseplants are an increasingly popular way to spruce up the home. While indoor plants provide fantastic aesthetics, they serve many other purposes like recycling carbon dioxide, adding humidity to a dry environment, and psychological benefits. Learn more about the reasons to grow plants in your home, as well as the selection, care, and propagation of houseplants. Instructor: Master Gardener Debbie Starr Branfield. This program is free and open to all ages. Space is limited, however, so pre-registration is required. Registration deadline: March 18. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Succulent Terrarium Workshop

Succulents and terrariums are very popular these days and when combined they make a beautiful centerpiece or accent. Master Gardener, Kathy Lee, will guide you through each step as you create your own miniature indoor succulent garden. You will leave the class with a terrarium to keep and the basic knowledge on how to make others on your own. All necessary materials and supplies will be provided. Registration deadline: March 6. Min. 5. Max 15.

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Experience life on the farm.
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Code | Date | Day | Time
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253824-R1 | 5/7 | Th | 6-8 pm
253824-R2 | 5/21 | Th | 6-8 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 1/$22
Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Dyeing Naturally

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Spice Dyeing Workshop
253825-R1 | 3/19 | Th | 5:30-8:30 pm
253825-R2 | 4/16 | Th | 5:30-8:30 pm
Indigo Dyeing Workshop
253825-R3 | 3/5 | Th | 5:30-8:30 pm
253825-R4 | 4/2 | Th | 5:30-8:30 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 1/$46
Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
Cooking Techniques

Professional or amateur, it’s never a bad idea to polish your skills and share your own secrets of the trade. Allow Chef Patrick Whetstone to answer any cooking technique questions you may have while he walks you through blanching, braising, poaching, roasting, sautéing, and steaming to produce a three course meal that we all can enjoy at the end. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: May 11. Min. 6. Max. 12.

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Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Seasonal and Fresh Cooking

With the frost starting to thaw, it’s about time to start planting and planning warmer weather dishes. Lucky for you this is one of Chef Patrick Whetstone’s favorite things to do. Come enjoy an evening of light, vibrant, and more importantly seasonal cooking and walk away feeling confident about making a three-course meal from your own garden or seasonal produce. Age 18+. Instructor: Chef Patrick Whetstone. Registration deadline: March 16. Min. 6. Max. 12.

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Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Big, Bold and Flavorful

Allow your taste buds to experience global travel without leaving the kitchen as we create a three-course meal that can also be served as individual dishes. Ages 18+. Instructor: Chef Patrick Whetstone. Registration deadline: March 2. Min. 6. Max. 12.

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Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Meet Our Chefs

Chad Seewald

Chad Seewald learned about desserts while working his way up from dishwasher to head pastry chef at a five star restaurant and mixed that knowledge with his love of all things geeky to create the one-of-a-kind shop, Sweets So Geek that specializes in custom cakes, ice cream made in the store, desserts, and geeky themed chocolates.

Patrick Whetstone

Patrick graduated from Johnson and Wales University in North Miami and opened David Bouley’s Evolution inside the Ritz-Carlton in South Beach before making his way back to Indiana where he practices his culinary artistry at The Personal Palate.

Meghan Hauser

Meghan is the founder of Wholesome Roots Cooking. She spends a lot of time cooking and creating meals for her family. She enjoys teaching her 6 children that a healthy lifestyle doesn’t mean boring and gross food! Her mission is to inspire families to plant wholesome roots for a healthy lifestyle.

Bread from Around the World

There is something about bread. Whether it’s used to sop up leftover sauce, buttered and noshed on, or even used as an eating utensil, bread is another food that is fairly constant across most cuisines. We’re going to make two different breads and explore options for ways to make them even MORE tasty! Join us to learn about Indian Naan and Italian Focaccia! Ages 16+. Instructor: Chad Seewald. Registration deadline: April 10. Min. 5. Max. 10.

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Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
Cheesecake! The Myth, the Legend, the Lies

The earliest mentions of cheesecake date to ancient Greece and since then it has spread across borders to now have a version in nearly every country. But yet, cheesecake is considered a difficult and temperamental item to prepare. Join us as we discuss cheesecake, tips and tricks to making an easy cheesecake, the differences between various types of cheesecake, and make a classic cheesecake together. Instructor: Chad Seewald. Registration deadline: March 13. Min. 5. Max. 10.

Code Date Day Time # Sessions/Fee: Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
253830-S1 3/21 Sa 10 am-2 pm 1/$45

Desserts Made Easy with Chef Patrick!

Not a baker or pastry maker? Don’t worry, neither is Chef Patrick Whetstone. Allow yourself to cut loose for an evening and learn how Chef Patrick can take a simple approach to a seamless, daunting task and produce three separate desserts that you’ll be proud to call your own. Instructor: Chef Patrick Whetstone. Age 18+. Registration deadline: April 13. Min. 6. Max. 12.

Code Date Day Time # Sessions/Fee: Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
253832-M1 4/20 M 6-8 pm 1/$35

Strawberries!

Sure, they’re amazing fresh and pure as they are. Slice them up and add a bit of sugar and they start to come alive. But what are some other uses that can really make strawberries sing? We’ll discuss unique uses for strawberries, some of the more unique pairing flavors, and put these tastes to the test with two great recipes! Join us for all things strawberries and be prepared for the season as it approaches. Please note class size is limited to ensure our instructors are able to give their full and careful attention to the participants. Ages 16+. Instructor: Chad Seewald. Registration deadline: April 1. Min. 5. Max. 10.

Code Date Day Time # Sessions/Fee: Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
253831-W1 4/8 W 6:30-9:30 pm 1/$45

Mush! A Dog Sled Adventure!

You will have so “MUSH” fun! We have teamed up with Belva Sutton of Heartland Mushers to offer a comprehensive look at mushing equipment, how it is used, training styles and common training issues and how to avoid them. Open to adults (18+) and their dog, our mushing clinic will demonstrate the elements of safely traveling by dog power. Dogs must possess non-reactive behavior, be up to date on their shots and kept on a leash. Please bring your dog’s favorite treats. Limit 1 dog per owner. Belva Sutton has owned and trained Alaskan Malamutes for over 30 years. Registration deadline: March 2. Min. 5. Max 20.

Code Date Day Time # Sessions/Fee: Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
253821-S1 3/14 Sa 1-3 pm 1/$10

Salomon Farm Park

Find us on Facebook

or call 427-6000 to sign up.

Watch your mailbox for the Summer Fun Times on May 6.
Little Roots: Culinary Classes for Preschoolers
*Adult/Child
Empower your little one to create his/her own healthy snacks. We’ve partnered with Wholesome Roots Cooking to offer fun, age appropriate cooking classes bursting with hands-on activities and healthy concept learning through games and activities. Younger siblings are welcome to stay with their caregiver, but any child participating in class must register. Ages 2-5. Instructor: Meghan Hauser. Registration deadlines are one week prior to the start of each class. Min. 5. Max. 15.

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# Sessions/Fee: 1/$25
Location: Salomon Farm Park Learning Center, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Roots: Culinary Classes for Youth
Designed to help children and youth to feel confident and comfortable in the kitchen, our Roots classes allow students to grow in their culinary skills. Each level allows for cooking instruction and recipes to be catered to the ability of the student! Each class offers hands on cooking time and instruction, and also allows time for eating! Note: Saturday classes are more involved and require the participation of one adult with each registered student. Classes are taught by trained Wholesome Roots instructors. Ages 6-14. Registration deadlines are 5 business days before each class. Min. 5. Max. 15.

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# Sessions/Fee: 1/$40
Cost: $40 per session. All equipment and ingredients are provided.

Cooking Around the World
*Adult/Child

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# Sessions/Fee: 1/$60
*One adult must attend class with each registered youth. The registration fee covers both child and adult.
Location: Salomon Farm Park Learning Center, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Animal Play Dates
*Adult/Child
Salomon Farm Park is a great place for the whole family, including your youngest! In this hands-on, interactive session, participants will learn about the animals at Salomon Farm Park. The rabbits, chickens, ducks and pigs are all excited to meet you! Each session will focus on a different animal, so be sure to pick your favorite, or visit each one to meet them all! Ages 3-6. Registration deadlines are 5 working days prior to each class. Min. 5. Max. 10.

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# Sessions/fee: 1/$10
Cost: $10 per session. All equipment and ingredients are provided.

The Buzz about Bees
*Adult/Child

If you have a busy little bee at home, bring them down to the farm to learn what the buzz is all about! Instructor Glenn Hile, local bee keeper and owner of Glenn’s Natural Honey, will share the importance of bees using fun hands-on activities. Ages 3-5. Registration deadlines: March 31 and May 19. Min 6. Max. 15.

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# Sessions/Fee: 1/$10
Cost: $10 per session. All equipment and ingredients are provided.

Locations:
- Salomon Farm Park Learning Center, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
Field Trips on the Farm
May 1 – May 31
Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.
Farm tours are available at Salomon farm in 1-2 hour increments. Typically a farm tour will feature lots of hands on time with our animal friends and also highlight composting, gardening and farm life back in the old days. A wagon ride is available upon request for farm tours of 1½ hours or more. All ages welcome! Field trip scheduling is subject to availability and reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance. Please contact Salomon Farm Park at 427-6008 or Eden.Lamb@cityoffortwayne.org for questions and scheduling. Field trip cost is $3/participant/hour. Teachers, care givers and adult chaperones are free. A minimum fee of $30/hour applies to all groups. We can accommodate up to 30 students per tour and 1:10 chaperone: student ratio is recommended.

Volunteering at Salomon Farm
Salomon Farm Park relies on volunteers to help maintain the park and provide various services. If you would like to become a garden volunteer or get involved in farm park operations indirectly through the Tractor Club or Gardeners of America, plan to attend our garden volunteer orientation or any of the clubs’ meetings. All meetings are held at the Salomon Farm Park in the Wolf Family Learning Center, 817 W. Dupont Rd. If your business, club, or scout group is looking for service hours or projects please contact Kellie at 427-6005 or kellie.adkins@cityoffortwayne.org.

Garden Volunteer Orientation
Monday, April 13, 10:30 a.m.
Garden volunteers meet Monday and Thursday mornings April-October to work in the garden (and share in the produce). No previous gardening experience is required. Volunteers must be 18 years of age. Contact Eden (427-6008 or eden.lamb@cityoffortwayne.org) by April 12 to sign up for the orientation.

Tri-State Antique Tractor Club
3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.
The Tri-State Antique Tractor Club tends the crop fields and is a key piece of our annual Fall Harvest Festival. The club is dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of old farm machinery. Join the club to meet other tractor enthusiasts, assist in tending the crop fields, and learn to work a myriad of antique farm equipment pieces.

Gardeners of America Club
2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m.
Gardeners of America promotes gardening education and related environmental issues to its membership and the gardening public through charitable, educational and scientific means. Join the club!

Voting at the Farm
April 27-May 1, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
May 2, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
May 5, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Salomon Farm Park is a voting location with early voting hours. Any citizen may vote at Salomon’s Wolf Family Learning Center during early voting hours (April 27-May 2). We will have a children’s activity station to make voting easier for families.

Call for Farm Vendors for the 2020 Salomon Farmers’ Market!
We are now accepting applicants for the 2020 Salomon Farmers’ Market season. Our vendors produce their goods within a 75 mile radius of Salomon Farm Park (817 W. Dupont Rd.) and are required to grow their own fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs. We strive to find vendors who embrace sustainable and organic growing practices. The market also may include baked goods, honey, maple syrup, handmade crafts, food, entertainment and children’s activities. The Farmers’ Market operates every Wednesday, 4:00-7:00 p.m. from June 3-September 2. If you are interested in receiving a vendor application, please call 260-427-6008 or you can email eden.lamb@cityoffortwayne.org.

Dirt Wain Community Composting
Salomon Farm Park has partnered with Dirt Wain, a new composting initiative in the area that processes food scraps from households. Members are provided with a bucket that they fill, drop off at the Farm at their convenience, and then pick up a clean bucket to repeat the process. For more detailed information or to sign up check out www.dirtwain.com or Salomon Farm Park on Facebook.

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Photography at the Farm
Beautiful barns, rolling meadows, quaint gardens, and acres of cheery sunflowers make Salomon Farm Park an attractive place for photography. Professional photographers using Salomon Farm Park and charging for their services must purchase an annual photography pass ($50) at the Parks and Recreation Office, 705 E. State Blvd. Photography passes are not required for hobbyists or professional photographers hired to photograph events in rented facilities. All fees support Salomon Farm Park operations. For more information, contact Kellie at kellie.adkins@cityoffortwayne.org or 427-6005.

Become a Salomon Farm volunteer.
SALOMON FARM PARK
We rent for your event!

817 W. DUPONT ROAD  FORT WAYNE, INDIANA  FORTWAYNEPARKS.ORG  (260) 427-6790

OLD BARN
Available May-October
Built in 1874
Beautiful rustic structure in a park setting
Tables/chairs provided
Seating Capacity 170
ADA accessible

WOLF FAMILY LEARNING CENTER
Available Aug-May
Modern building in a park setting
Full kitchen
Tables/chairs provided
Seating capacity 150
ADA accessible

SALOMON FAMILY HOMESTEAD
Available Aug-May
Built in 1871
Unique antiqued interior
Intimate setting
Capacity 25
ADA accessible

Booking for 2020 & 2021!
Reserve one or take advantage of our multiple-facility package

Have your party in the park!
Go Take a Hike!

A Walk in the Wetlands
Thursday, May 28, 9:30 a.m.
Eagle Marsh Nature Preserve, 6801 Engle Rd.
Join us for a walk and talk in the wetlands at Eagle Marsh Nature Preserve. We will meet at the Eagle Marsh trailhead and learn about how this large urban wetland is helping our community’s quality of life. Wetlands not only provide cleaner water, but also are a great place to experience and photograph wildlife. After the talk, join the group for a short guided walk down the paved multi-use Towpath Trail. Please dress for the weather and possible wet conditions at the marsh. This activity is free; however, you will need to call 427-6460 to register by May 21.

Wild Walkers
2nd and 4th Fridays of each month
Share your knowledge of nature as you explore some of northeast Indiana’s finest outdoor areas in this nature-oriented group. Wild Walkers is an adult hiking group that meets the second and fourth Fridays of each month for a walk on the wild side. Each hike features a different natural area in the region (parks, wetlands, nature preserves, etc.) and carpooling is available when necessary. The 2020 schedule is posted on our website at www.fortwayneparks.org or you may call Eden at 427-6008 to request a schedule by mail.

Lindenwood Guided Hikes, Birthdays & Field Trips
May – October 31
600 Lindenwood Ave.
Lindenwood Nature Preserve offers a variety of environmental education field trip opportunities varying from one to two hour programs. Our programs can accommodate wheelchairs, strollers, and walkers on our ADA compliant Trail of Reflection. For a complete list of programs, please visit Lindennwood’s page at fortwayneparks.org. Cost is $2/participant/hour; a minimum fee of $20/$40 will be charged for 1-hour/2-hour programs, respectively. Teachers, caregivers, and adult chaperones are free-of-charge. Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance by contacting Eden at 427-6008 or eden.lamb@cityoffortwayne.org.

City Nature Challenge!
Bioblitz Hike
Saturday, April 25, 1:00-2:00 p.m.
Lindenwood Nature Preserve
600 Lindenwood Ave.
City Nature Challenge is a 4 day global bioblitz-style competition using the iNaturalist app, that aims to document the nature found in our urban areas, while engaging citizens in a fun community science project. Bioblitz challenge is April 24-27. Fort Wayne and surrounding counties will be participating alongside Indianapolis and South Bend in a friendly Indiana competition, as well as with hundreds of cities around the world! The hike is free and open to all ages. For more information check the Lindenwood Nature Preserve Facebook page.

Wonderful Wildflower Walks
Enjoy the spring wildflowers along the Trail Of Reflection (1 mile), Oak Paradise (.75 mile) and Trillium Trail (.5 mile) in two separate wildflower hikes. These hikes offer a wide variety of beautiful wildflowers including Hepatica, Spring Beauty, Bloodroot, Jacobs Ladder, and of course the Trillium. On May 9, Doug Pecoge of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma will be joining the hike and will discuss which wildflowers are edible and the ones used for medicine in his tribe. This program is free and no pre-registration is required.

Date Day Time
4/18 Sa 10-11 am
5/9 Sa 10-11:30 am

Bird Migration Hike
Take a hike to see and hear the bird species that migrate through Lindenwood every spring. Lindenwood naturalists will help participants identify the songs, calls and markings of the different species. Wear your hiking shoes and bring your binoculars. No pre-registration is required. The program is free and open to all ages.

Date Day Time
3/14 Sa 10-11 am

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Enjoy the great outdoors . . . right here in Fort Wayne!
Learning Survival Skills

Land Navigation
Learn how to use a map and compass with skill and leave this class feeling confident in any terrain or weather condition. Instructor Russ Kolkman is a survival expert known both locally and nationally. He has over 25 years of experience teaching people how to fight and survive in the most hostile environments in the world. Registration deadline: May 1. Min. 5. Max 10.

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Location: Franke Park, 3411 Sherman Blvd.

Hands-On Wilderness Survival Course
A canoe trip on a fast river, an epic mountain bike ride or even just a simple hike in the woods can take an unexpected turn. A twisted ankle on a solo trip, a casualty in your group, getting lost or a rapid change in the weather can change a fun excursion into a serious situation. When you are prepared for these scenarios you will feel confident in venturing out and enjoying the peace and solitude of nature. This three-hour course will cover survival priorities and planning, search and rescue, austere medical treatment, shelter building, fire starting, signals, and finally, gear selection and review. You will learn by doing in this hands-on class. Instructor Russ Kolkman is a nationally known survival expert with over 25 years of experience teaching people how to survive in the most hostile environments in the world. Registration deadline: April 17. Min. 5. Max 10.

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Location: Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave.

River Camp
Fort Wayne developed around the confluence of three rivers: the St. Joseph, the St. Marys, and the Maumee. Learn all about the role our rivers have played in the history of our city and how they are still used today. Campers will learn about our rivers through hands-on exploration and leave with an enthusiasm for our waterways. Water activities, outdoor games, fishing, science experiments, dragon boat paddling, pontoon excursions, canoe paddling, hiking, river clean-up and water safety are all part of the fun! A confirmation letter will be sent out with details a week prior to camp! Ages 8-12. Registration deadline: July 1. Min 20. Max. 40.

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Location: Shoaff Riverlodge, 6401 St. Joe Rd.

Hurshtown Reservoir
16000 Roth Road, Grabill, IN
Opens for the season May 1
Tuesday-Sunday, 7:30 a.m.- 8:00 p.m.
Hurshtown Reservoir may be the best fishing spot in Allen County. It also features a 2.75 mile walking path, areas for picnics, an outdoor volleyball space, and row boat rentals. Admission is only $4/car or 50¢ to walk or bicycle in. Season passes are available! For more information call Eden at 260-427-6008 or you can directly reach Hurshtown at 260-627-3390 during our hours of operation.
Volunteering at Lindenwood

Is your business, club, or scout group looking for service hours? Lindenwood Nature Preserve has various volunteer opportunities such as trail maintenance, invasive plant removal, and small-scale construction projects. If your organization is ready to lend a hand contact Kellie Adkins at 260-427-6005 or kellie.adkins@cityoffortwayne.org.

Plein Air Painting Drop-In

Saturday, May 23, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave

Join us for this fun art event at Lindenwood Nature Preserve. Meet other art enthusiasts while you paint in the great outdoors! This program is in partnership with the Fort Wayne Artist Guild. Meet and discuss different techniques with members of this local guild. This event is free and open to all ages. No registration is required. Please bring your own canvas, paint and brushes. Please email eden.lamb@cityoffortwayne.org or call 427-6008 for more information.

Parks on Tap!

Wednesday, May 20
— 6 pm Hike —
at Shoaff Park, 6401 St. Joe Rd.
— 7:30 pm Trivia —
at Corner Pocket Pub, 3215 St. Joe Center Rd.

Parks on Tap! is a competitive trivia event featuring local parks and pubs. Your team of 2-5 players (all team members must be 21+) will attend a guided hike in a local park where you will learn about one or all of the following: local plants, trees, wildlife, park history and pub facts before moving to a pub where the trivia competition will determine how closely you were paying attention on the hike. Prizes will be awarded and fun will be had! Get your team together and sign up today. When registering please list team members and team name. Registration code: 248310-W1. Fee: $15 per team. Min. 5 teams. Max. 12 teams.
Recreational Volleyball

Volleyball is one of the top three most-played sports in the world. It doesn’t matter how old you are, how fit you are or how athletic you are. This high-energy, zero body contact, mixed team sport is loads of fun and no matter what level you play at, volleyball can help improve your fitness and coordination. Recreational Volleyball is informal play with no officials. Teams form once players arrive and play proceeds for 2 hours. Registration deadline: March 11. Max. 18.

Code Dates Day Time
244450-S1 4/11-5/9 Sa 11:30 am-12:30 pm
244450-S2 4/11-5/9 Sa 12:30-1:30 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 5/$30/$35 after March 11
Location: Northwood Middle School, 1201 E. Washington Center Rd.

Chair Volleyball

Fridays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. beginning March 13
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Come join us Fridays beginning March 13 from 10-11 am to enjoy playing Chair Volleyball. This game is a physical activity that provides fun that can increase flexibility and stamina while seated in a chair. No pre-registration is required. Just drop in and join the fun! It’s free!

Adult Tennis Lessons

Did you know tennis helps build strength in your upper body, legs, hips and abdomen; improves your speed and overall flexibility and burns up to 450 calories in an hour of moderate play? All of these benefits from a sport that is so much fun! You must learn to play! Our beginning classes introduce the rules of tennis, basic strokes, serving and volleying. Intermediate classes focus on consistency of strokes and volleys and the introduction of more advanced strokes. Please bring your own racket. Balls will be provided. Ages 13 and older. Registration deadline: April 6.

Code Dates Day Time
Beginning 244500-S1 4/11-5/9 Sa 11:30 am-12:30 pm
Intermediate 244500-S2 4/11-5/9 Sa 12:30-1:30 pm

Location: Bob Arnold Park Tennis Courts, Parnell Ave.

Adult Tennis Leagues

Spring is in the air, so dust off your tennis racket and get back on the tennis court. The leagues will be held at Swinney Tennis Center. Each league features 7 weekly matches with awards given to the first and second place finisher in each league. You must furnish your own racket and balls. Registration deadline: April 6. Min. 4. Max. 8.

Code Dates Day Time
Men’s 3.5 244300-M1 4/13-5/25 M 7-9 pm
Women’s 3.5 244300-M2 4/13-5/25 M 7-9 pm
Men’s 3.0 244300-W1 4/15-5/27 W 6:30-8:30 pm
Women’s 3.0 244300-W2 4/15-5/27 W 6:30-8:30 pm

Location: Swinney Tennis Center, West Jefferson

Pickle Ball

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
McMillen Park Community Center, 3901 Abbott St.
Come and play the fastest growing sport in America on our climate-controlled indoor courts. Drop in fee: $1. All patrons must present a photo ID.

Questions? 427-6000

Youth Tennis, p. 34
Recreational Basketball

As exercise goes, it doesn’t get much better than a fun team sport that requires no expensive equipment or major time commitments. Basketball is good for your heart, your muscles, your bones, your brain, your gut, your social life and your stress level. And, it’s FUN! Who needs more convincing than that? Pick a night and join us for a few games of basketball in an informal, yet structured setting. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: March 11.

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# Sessions/Fee: 8/$26/$31 after March 11
Location: Blackhawk Middle School, 7200 E. State Blvd.

Aqua Dance

This high energy class is a total body aqua workout with cardio, weights and core exercises. Fun music will bring waves to the beat and the warm water takes the stress off the joints. It’s a “pool party” for all ages! Instructors are provided by Fitness Studio. Ages 13+. Registration deadline: March 5 and April 30. Min.6. Max. 20.

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# Sessions/Fee: 6/$61/$66 after deadlines
Location: Turnstone, 3320 N. Clinton

Yoga

Enjoy the benefits of regular Yoga practice, from muscle toning and limbering to managing stress. Yoga’s combination of exercise, breathing and meditation techniques will help you build concentration and poise, improve your stamina and even relieve insomnia. Please bring a blanket and a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothing. The classes are open to all levels, whether you are a beginner or have taken yoga before, modifications make the classes open to all levels. Just choose a day and time that works for you. Drop-ins are welcome for all classes for $10 per session. Ages 16+. Instructor: Melissa Vanyo-Hey is a Certified 200 hour RYT with Yoga Alliance. Class will not meet on May 25. Registration deadlines are 5 business days before the start of each class. Min. 8. Max. 30.

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# Sessions/Fee: 8/$45/$50 after deadlines
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Tai Chi Tuesdays

Learn to relax your body and focus your mind with the ancient art of Tai Chi, a gentle and graceful exercise to improve health and fitness. Experience a state of calm and clarity as you learn to focus on the meditative movements of the Sun Forms. Instructor Sandy Gebhard is certified by renowned master Dr. Paul Lam and has 30+ years’ experience practicing and teaching Tai Chi. At your own leisure, you may also enjoy a self-guided meditative walk through the gardens either after the a.m. session or before the p.m. session. Note: Non-registered persons may drop in for $10 per session; please call ahead to make sure class will be in session. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: April 4. Min. 10. Max. 16.

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# Sessions/Fee: 8/$69
Member or Volunteer Fee: $59
Location: Botanical Conservatory, 1100 S. Calhoun

We’re making fitness fun!
Family Friendly Golf

The Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department provides a family-friendly golf atmosphere at four distinctly different public golf courses and two driving ranges. We offer:

- Membership Packages
- Group and Individual Golf Instruction
- Junior and Pee Wee Golf Tours
- The Lifetime Sports Academy
- Certified PGA Pro/Managers
- Tournament and Group Outings
- Women’s Beginning Golf Lessons
- Special Promotions and Discounts

Contact the golf course clubhouse to reserve weekend tee times, make league reservations or to arrange tournaments or outings. Look for on-line coupons and take advantage of the great golf deals listed on page 23.

Golf Courses Open for the Season As Weather Permits

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Individual Season Pass valid at all four municipal courses – $730!

Senior Men’s Golf League

The Senior Men’s Golf Association is open to retired men at least 55 years of age by July 1. Benefits of membership include reduced golf fees, gift certificates, special events, scrambles and the opportunity to play the city’s finest public golf courses. For more information, please contact Harold Lowder at 483-5109.

Ladies Golf Leagues

Ladies Golf Leagues are offered at Shoaff, McMillen and Foster Park Golf Courses. Please call the course of your choice for information or to sign up.

PLAY MORE GOLF! Fees reduced at McMillen!
What a Deal!

- **Kids Play Free**
  One child (age 14 and under) plays FREE with each paying adult after 6:00 p.m. daily at Foster, Shoaff and McMillen and any time during public play at the Mad Anthony III’s.

- **Student Discounts**
  All students receive $2 off greens fees at our golf courses. College and high school students must show their current school I.D.

- **Ladies Day**
  Women play 1/2 price before 3:00 p.m. on Mondays at Foster and Fridays at Shoaff. (League play not included.)

- **Frequent Player Card**
  Buy 10 rounds, get one FREE! Pick up your frequent player card at your first visit to Foster, Shoaff or McMillen, have it punched every time you play 18 holes of golf at one of the courses and your 11th round of golf, at the course of your choice, will be “on the house!”

- **Weekday Special**
  Play 18 holes with a cart at Foster for just $22 and at McMillen and Shoaff for $20 weekdays until 1:00 p.m.

- **Daily Twilight Special**
  Enjoy reduced greens fees after 6:00 p.m. at Foster ($8) and Shoaff ($7). Not valid for leagues, outings or tournaments.

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**FootGolf at Mad Anthony III’s**

FootGolf combines soccer and golf into a fun and fast growing new sport. FootGolf originated in the Netherlands and has spread to over 16 countries throughout the world. Similar to golf, the players’ intent is to kick a ball into the hole with the least amount of strokes possible. There is a tee box, a green, bunkers, hazards and 18 holes of play (just 9 holes at MA III’s). There is par for each hole, mimicking golf’s scorecard, and you still play as a twosome, threesome or foursome. The main differences are the cups, which are 21 inches in diameter, shorter holes (most people cannot kick a soccer ball further than 50 yards) and the lack of equipment needed (no need to carry around heavy golf clubs in FootGolf!). Come try this exciting new sport at the Mad Anthony III’s in McMillen Park.

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**Disc Golf Courses**

The Parks and Recreation Department maintains three disc golf courses in city parks. The courses are available for open play at no charge. For course descriptions and league/tournament information please visit www.fortdiscgolf.com/courses.

- Shoaff Park, 6401 St. Joe Rd.
- Swinney Park, 1600 W. Jefferson Blvd.
- Tillman Park, 600 Tillman Rd.
Parking
The Conservatory validates tickets for free parking in the Civic Center Parking Garage at Jefferson Blvd. and Calhoun St. Metered parking is available on surrounding streets (free on evenings and weekends). Bus and handicap parking is available in the Conservatory’s circle drive off Calhoun St.

Gift Shop & Sales Garden
The Conservatory’s Gift Shop offers a boutique-style atmosphere filled with unique and educational toys, clothing, books, apparel, home décor, plants, and garden accessories perfect for souvenir-taking or gift-giving. In the outdoor Sales Garden, look for more plants such as perennial flowers, herbs, flowering baskets, and patio containers. Open during public hours Tuesday through Sunday. Conservatory admission is not required.

Conservatory Memberships
Support the Conservatory by purchasing an annual membership! Memberships allow free admission for the member(s) anytime during public hours, including special events, and are valid for a year from the month of purchase. In addition, members receive a 10% discount in the Gift Shop and Sales Garden as well as reciprocal benefits at 330 other gardens around the country. Enjoy the benefits, some of which include a special preview to the Mother’s Day Plant Sale along with free access to the Friday night Botanical Roots Concert Series in August! An individual membership is $35; Family or Grandparents’ membership is $50. You might also consider our Add-a-Guest option that upgrades a basic membership for only $15, and lets you bring any other person on your visit. Shop online at www.botanicalconservatory.org or call (260) 427-6440.

CONJURE (COFFEE)
Enjoy an artisanal café experience featuring fresh locally made products and specialty beverages by Conjure Coffee. Conjure serves pastry creations along with their very own hand roasted and prepackaged coffee. Seating is available within Conjure, the Conservatory Atrium, or on the outdoor patio. Catering options are also available to Conservatory renters. Visit during open hours Tuesday through Friday 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friend us on Facebook at Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory! Follow us on Twitter @ FFBotCons Free WIFI
“Iris Flower Show & Discount Day
Sunday, May 24, 12:00-3:00 p.m.

One of America’s most treasured flowers takes center stage during the annual Iris Show when local gardeners bring the best of their blooms to be voted on and judged for perfection. A glorious range of color, fragrance and a variety of forms will be found in Irises displayed as individual cut flowers and in floral arrangements. A special discounted admission price ($3/adult, $2/child, ages 2 and under free) includes the Iris Show and Conservatory Gardens. Sponsored by the Northeast Indiana Iris Society.

The Great Train Connection
Saturday, March 7, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 8, 12:00-4:00 p.m.

Travel through exciting cities and wonderland landscapes while exploring the world of miniature model train displays during this two-day event at the Botanical Conservatory. Expect to put on a conductor’s hat, as many of these displays are interactive! Local model railroad clubs will guide you through the various types of table top displays ranging from G-scale to HO-scale and the tiny N-scale model trains. Develop a greater appreciation for Fort Wayne’s rich railroad history and even get the chance to create a simple miniature tree to go in your own model train display. Regular garden admission applies.

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Always in Season!
See live butterflies, April 18-July 5.

“Miracle of Flight” Live Butterfly Exhibit
April 18-July 5, Public hours
How do the wings of a butterfly work? If they lose their dust-like scales, can butterflies still fly? Why do some glide and others dart and dash? Are all insect wings alike? Is it true that a bumblebee defies the laws of physics by flying with wings too small for its body? The Botanical Conservatory will help answer all your questions regarding the mechanics of flight for butterflies, bees, flies and dragonflies. Then, inside the live butterfly enclosure, you can simply marvel at the swoops and darts of our exotic butterfly menagerie. Perfect for a school field trip, family visit or for the curious and delightful! Sponsored by 97.3 WMEE and ABC 21 WPTA.

Call Out for Butterfly Attendants
Required Training in March or April
While the Conservatory prepares for its 18th year of live butterflies, volunteer butterfly attendants are being recruited to assist visitors and share educational information about this annual exhibit. They also play a key role in preventing butterfly escapes! Once volunteers have completed one required training session, they may commit to a 2- or 3-hour work shift Tuesdays through Sundays from April 18th to July 5th. Multiple training dates will be announced for March and April. For more information, email Sophie.Schulz@cityoffortwayne.org or call (260) 427-6446.

Painted Lady Hatch & Release
Saturday, March 21, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Participate in the Conservatory’s public “Hatch & Release” program in late March and make your very own caterpillar hatchery! The beauty of butterflies does not happen in an instant, as their lifecycle is a process of four stages: the egg, caterpillar, chrysalis, and adult butterfly. See this transformation before your eyes having purchased a Painted Lady Hatching Kit in our gift shop or in our booth at the Home & Garden Show February 27-March 1. Once the caterpillars transform into butterflies, we will celebrate their flight and release our butterflies together in the Tropical Garden; depending on temperatures, we may even be able to release them outdoors. All are welcome to come watch and learn about Painted Lady Butterflies as part of this special event. Included in regular admission. Call (260) 427-6440 for more information.

1st Garden Glimpse
Showcase Exhibit Opening Day, Saturday, April 18, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Become a garden explorer on the opening day of each seasonal exhibit in the Showcase Garden, offered during the months of January, April, July, and November. This exclusive opportunity offers a first glimpse at the latest exhibit in addition to a tour and hands-on activity or craft. On April 18, explore our “Miracle of Flight” live butterfly exhibit, participate in a scavenger hunt, and craft a butterfly to fly home with you. Also, plan for a brief “backstage” tour of the new garden exhibit at either 11:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m. Included in regular garden admission, so drop in!
Easter in the Garden
Friday, April 10, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Hop on down to the Botanical Conservatory for a Kodak moment with your children meeting the Easter Bunny! Play games for prizes, make crafts, pot a plant, and enjoy light refreshments. Look for eggs as part of our annual Easter Egg Hunt for toddlers through elementary age, and enter our drawing for the chance at winning a “sweet” Easter basket. There will also be live animals such as baby chicks, ducks, bunnies, sheep and goats.
Note: the Easter Bunny will be taking a break from 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:30-2:00 p.m. During the Easter Bunny’s break, you may enjoy “up-close” magic tricks performed by a local magician. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Regular Conservatory admission applies. Sponsored by WAJI Majic 95.1.

Easter Bunny Visits
Saturday, April 11, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
The Easter Bunny will be back at the Conservatory on his own to greet children while family members take photos to capture the moment.
Note: The Easter Bunny will be taking a break from 12:00-12:30 p.m. During the break, you may enjoy “up-close” magic tricks performed by a local magician. Also, explore our “Dog Days of Winter” garden exhibit before or after your visit with the Easter Bunny. Regular admission fees apply. Sponsored by WAJI Majic 95.1.

Mother’s Day in the Garden
Sunday, May 10, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
Botanical Conservatory, 1100 S. Calhoun St.
Bring anyone and everyone who means “MOM” on a special outing to the Botanical Conservatory this Mother’s Day. Together you will enjoy beautiful flower displays, visiting the live butterfly exhibit, and browsing the gift shop too. Also, receive a special Mother’s Day plant while supplies last! Regular Conservatory admission applies. Moms get in free! Sponsored by WAJI Majic 95.1.
Slightly Used Bulb Sale
Tuesday-Saturday, April 14-18, Public hours
This annual sale features “slightly used” spring flowers such as tulips, daffodils, and grape hyacinths from the Conservatory’s spring exhibit. Located in the Sales Garden, plants sell for $1-5 per pot of multiple bulbs that are ready to plant in preparation for next year’s bloom. Admission is free, as all purchases are made in the Gift Shop.

Spring Plant Swap
Saturday, June 6, 10-11 a.m.
The Conservatory’s spring plant swap will be held on the first Saturday in June. Bring at least one plant to share, and take home an armful of starts from other area gardeners; absolutely no weeds please! It is recommended to label the plant(s) you bring in addition to bringing a box or bag for taking home. Upon arrival, you will receive a number that is called in numerical order when it is your turn to pick from the assortment. The swap is free; however, seating is limited. Phone reservations are required by May 30. For more information, email Sophie.Schulz@cityoffortwayne.org or call (260) 427-6446.

Mother’s Day Plant Sale
Friday, May 8, 4:00-7:00 p.m. Saturday, May 9, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 10, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
Mcmillen Community Center, 3901 Abbott St.
Spring planting is around the corner, and with over 700 varieties of plants at our Mother’s Day Plant Sale, you are sure to find what you might not even know you are looking for! Masses of herbs, vegetable starts, flowering perennials, and native flowers, trees, and shrubs join a host of annuals, mixed containers, hanging baskets, houseplants and Bonsai. Everything at the sale is locally grown for this annual fundraiser that supports Fort Wayne’s very own Botanical Conservatory. Volunteers are happy to answer questions and assist with plant selection and loading. Quality potting soil is also available along with compost worms and a variety of seed packets. All Conservatory members are invited to the special Preview Sale on Thursday, May 7 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Memberships will also be available for purchase that evening if you are not yet a member and want a first peek. Be sure to come early for the best selection. For more information, call (260) 427-6440 or visit www.botanicalconservatory.org to view the list of plants intended for sale. Sponsored by WAJL Majic 95.1.
Indoor Plants: The Benefits

Indoor plants have many benefits. Think you know them all? Join Master Gardener and houseplant aficionado Marlene Purdy as she breaks down the benefits when it comes to plants whether they are in the home, office or even the mall. Matters of watering, pest control and general requirements will be emphasized. Learn the best care tips for the happiest and healthiest houseplants! Conservatory admission and plant starts included. Ages 15+. Registration deadline: March 7. Min. 5. Max. 20.

European Bulb Garden

Start spring early this year by creating a European style bulb basket with Dennis Bowman, local Fresh Design Manager at Gassafy Wholesale Florist. Let Dennis guide you through the process of assembling a themed garden basket and get specialized tips for proper care of the plant material. You will watch your garden grow various spring flowers such as daffodils, tulips and more. Flower bulbs may even be reused afterwards and planted outside for a gift that keeps on giving! Feel free to bring your own garden gloves and other suitable accents to incorporate. Admission to the gardens is also included. Ages 15+. Registration deadline: March 14. Min. 12. Max. 20.

Tomatoes: Container Varieties

Do you know that tomatoes can be successfully grown on the porch or balcony of your apartment? Discover the best container varieties with farmer and Master Gardener Dennis Parr who knows first-hand which are the most disease resistant as well as the most delicious. You will learn tricks of the trade and direct seed up to six of the recommended varieties (some new to the market) which you will be able to transplant after having nurtured them indoors and counted down the last of those frost-free days. Eventually the time will come when you may indulge in an abundance of tasty tomatoes. Seed, germinating medium, starting containers and labels will be provided. Garden admission is also included. Ages 15+. Registration deadline: March 21. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Grafting Fruit Trees: The Basics

Learn the art of tree grafting and make the world a better place with more fruit trees! As co-founder of the Three Rivers Fruit Growing Club, Scott Krieg will share professional knowledge when it comes to repairing injured trees and producing new fruit varieties. Following a hands-on demonstration, you will then have the option of putting the basic steps into practice or taking home a pre-grafted tree. Be fruitful and take advantage of this opportunity to build your confidence having studied handling techniques for safe and successful grafting. Rootstocks and necessary grafting supplies provided. Also, be sure to allow time and visit the gardens. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: March 28. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Bonsai Workshop Series

Discover the fascinating world of miniature trees with Master Gardener and Fort Wayne Bonsai Club Member Kathy Lee. On the first day of this series, you will have your choice of pot and tree when learning about various designs, styles and pruning techniques. You will then be guided in the second class on how to wire your new Bonsai while also learning more about soil and care needs. Lastly, you will return with your Bonsai on May 16 for a final Q&A session. Expect to leave this workshop series with the knowledge and techniques required to give your Bonsai a long and healthy life! Participants are encouraged to bring their own scissors or pruners. Conservatory admission included with registration fee. Ages 15+. Registration deadline: April 11. Min. 10. Max. 15.
$1 Nights
First Thursday of the Month, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
The Conservatory is open on the first Thursday night of the month for a discounted admission of just $1 per person! There is also a drop-in program with a fun topic and educational lecture or activity as part of the DNI, $1 Night Insight. No reservations required.

DNI: Poisonous Plants - Pet Edition
Thursday, March 5, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
In conjunction with our current garden exhibit, “Dog Days of Winter,” find out which plants may be harmful to your four-legged companion. Learn why it is important to say “no” to your cute canine the next time they beg for a bite of avocado salad or chocolate cake. Stay for a fun craft, enjoy light refreshments and visit the gardens all for just $1!

DNI: Colorful Koi
Thursday, April 2, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Did you know the Conservatory is home to a multitude of colorful Koi Fish? The Amur Carp can range in a wide variety of patterns and colors from red, yellow, and black to even blue. Learn more about our scaly friends and take a trip to the Tropical Garden where you can help feed them; be sure not to miss out on the fish feeding at 6:00 p.m. sharp! Afterwards, stick around for a light snack and craft your own colorful Koi to take home.

DNI: Insect Wings
Thursday, May 7, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Explore the mechanics of flight and discover the various functions of insect wings for this month’s DNI theme. Spend a dollar, then take a closer look at the mysterious workings of flight. You also get to visit our live butterfly display, create a make-and-take insect themed craft and share in a tasty treat!

Conservatory Art Displays
Get to know local and regional artists in a variety of media through the Botanical Conservatory’s bi-monthly art exhibits, open to view in our meeting room during public hours. Regular Conservatory admission applies for both the exhibit and public reception: $5 adults, $3 ages 3-17 and ages 2 and under free. For more information, call (260) 427-6446 or email Sophie.Schulz@cityoffortwayne.org.

Dannon Schroeder:
Botanical Benefactions
April 5–May 29
Public Reception: April 5, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
The botanically inspired paintings of Dannon Schroeder have been described as joyfully energetic and intensely dramatic expressions of the natural world by viewers, collectors and gallerists alike. These works are created with an underlying connection to the natural world through cultivation, propagation and care of botanical species by the artist. Themes consistent within this eco-abstract style range from natural preservation and conservation to environmental growth and development. The range of color and form are expressive, exaggerated and defy any particular reference to species. These works are painted in a multi-axis orientation that allows the owner to rotate the canvas, alter their perception of imagery and possibly discover new life forms.

All artwork must be ready-to-hang with a wire across the back. Participants must drop off and pick up their own artwork.

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Plant yourself at the Conservatory!

Botanical Kids

Garden Preschool

Garden Preschool meets at the Botanical Conservatory every third Tuesday in March through May. While encouraging the basics of exploring in the garden at a young age, each monthly class explores a different theme through hands-on activities, crafts, stories, and snacks. Parents and guardians assist their children side by side and learn together while doing garden activities that are sure to get everyone thinking! At least one adult is required to stay and participate (no registration required) for the duration of the class with their child. Please indicate at registration if a participant has food allergies. Ages 3-5. Registration deadlines: March 10, April 14, and May 12. Min. 5 Max. 10.

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Botanical Field Trip & Outreach

Tuesday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

The Botanical Conservatory’s education staff serves thousands of students each year through on- and off-site visits for public, parochial, private, and home schools. Teachers, choose the standards-based curriculum that best meets your students’ needs while engaging them in active learning and also meeting state science standards. Depending on the age and focus of the group, Conservatory outreach programs allow you to choose from a variety of activities such as collecting temperature and humidity readings in a biome study, finding food plants in the desert and jungle, or exploring plant patterns with art students. Conservatory staff may also be able to travel to your school and provide classroom or assembly-style presentations. Reservations must be made at least 2 weeks in advance. A minimum of 10 students is required to book a lab, though self-guided visit lessons are available for larger groups. For more information, call (260) 427-6445 or email Melissa.A'Hearn@cityoffortwayne.org.

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City Safari Day Camp

June 8-July 24 at the Botanical Conservatory

Get ready for a summer of action-packed adventure in our amazing city and beyond. See page 44 for details, and sign up today!

Kids Gardening

Join us at the Botanical Conservatory for a spring garden adventure! Children will act as gardeners and learn both why and how their garden must be prepared in the spring before planting can begin. Parents and guardians assist their children as they learn basics of gardening, especially the importance of preparing the soil to support healthy growth. At least one adult is required to stay and participate (no registration required) for the duration of the class with their child. Please indicate at registration if your child has food allergies. Ages 6-9. Registration deadline: April 24. Min. 5 Max. 10.

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Discovery Corner

Daily in the Gallery

Young visitors are encouraged to visit the Discovery Corner behind Woody the Talking Tree where they will find seasonal activities as part of an imaginative play area complete with a cabin, kitchen, and farmers market. Nearby is the Reading Nook where you may also share in seasonal stories with one another. Adults are encouraged to explore ideas and read aloud to their young learners. All materials are safe and suitable for children pre-K through 1st grade. Free with general admission. Registration is not required.

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Watch your mailbox for the Summer Fun Times on May 6.


**Family Wild Nights**

Find out what happens at the zoo when the lights go out! Enjoy educational activities, food, and fun, then bed down in the Aquarium Gallery (unless otherwise noted). Our Family Wild Nights are the ultimate family adventure! Choose the date, theme and age level that fits your family. Programs begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 9:00 a.m. Adults must accompany children. Fee: $35 child/$23 adults.

- **Sleep with the Sharks**
  Ages 5+ with adult
  May 8 (Mother’s Day Weekend)
  July 11, September 12, October 3

- **Sleep Under the Stars**
  Pitch your own tent at the zoo!
  Ages 5+ with adult
  June 20 (Father’s Day Weekend), July 17, August 29

- **Preschool Wild Night**
  Ages 3-5 with adult
  June 6, August 14

**Group Wild Nights**

Group Wild Nights are offered to organizations such as scouts, youth groups and schools for children ages 7-12. Wild Nights may be scheduled for Thursday, Friday or Saturday evenings, May through October. Call 260-427-6808 or e-mail education@kidszoo.org for availability. Maximum group size is 35 people. A $50 deposit is required with a minimum fee of $500.

**Volunteer at the Zoo!**

Be a part of the excitement and volunteer at your nationally-recognized zoo! Teens for Nature Volunteer & Leadership Program applications are accepted in January & February. Training classes for new adult volunteers begin in April. Visit [www.kidszoo.org](http://www.kidszoo.org) or contact us at [260] 427-6828 or volunteer@kidszoo.org for details.

**Spring Break Camps**

Spend your Spring Break at the zoo! Registration is in progress, so don’t wait. Visit [www.kidszoo.org](http://www.kidszoo.org) to find camp descriptions and sign up today!

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**Zoo Memberships**

Your Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo membership is good for much more than just a summer in Fort Wayne. This winter, take advantage of year-round discounted admission to more than 150 aquariums and indoor attractions across the country! Renewing your membership also gets you ready for the Zoo’s 2020 spring opening and helps keep your Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo one of the Top Ten children’s zoos in the U.S. Call 260-427-6800 or visit kidszoo.org/membership.

**Membership Packages**

- Member Plus $219
- Family $129
- Grandparent $129
- Single Parent $109
- Two Adults $109
- Adult $89

**Supporting Memberships**

- Safari Club $300
- Director’s Circle $600
- King of the Jungle $1,200
Kids for Nature Summer Camp
Spend a WILD week at the Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo! You’ll explore the zoo, visit friendly animals, meet Zoo Keepers and make new friends in this unique summer adventure. Register on-line and see complete program descriptions at www.kidszoo.org.

Enjoy a unique summer adventure at the zoo!
**Just for Kids**

**All Sorts of Sports**

**Instructional Basketball Academy**
Proper instruction and practice are the best ways to improve your skills in any sport. Our Instructional Basketball Academy is open to boys and girls ages 7-12 who want to learn basic skills such as dribbling, shooting, passing and ball handling. The program is strictly instructional. No games will be played. Participants will enjoy competition in the form of free throw shooting and speed dribbling contests. Each child will be recognized for his/her participation upon completion of the program. Instruction will be provided by Kaylyn Speed, Assistant Basketball Coach for Snider High School and area high school players. Registration deadline: April 6. Min. 12. Max. 20.

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# Session / Fee: 6/$51/$56 after April 6
Location: Blackhawk Middle School, 7200 E. State Blvd.

**Kickin’ Kids/Big Kickers Soccer Training**
Soccer has never been so much fun! Your child will learn fundamental soccer skills and terminology in a fun and non-competitive environment. Instruction is through demonstrations and skill games. No scrimmages will take place. Ages 4-10. Registration deadlines: April 28, April 30. Min. 6. Max. 12.

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Location: Robinson Chapel, 12707 Tonkel Rd.
Location: Foster Park West, 5113 Winchester Rd.

# Sessions/Fee: 4/$43/$53 after deadlines

**Youth Scholarships**
Available to youth through age 18 with the following conditions:
- Must qualify for free lunches and textbooks, according to Federal guidelines
- May receive one scholarship per year, maximum $50
- May use scholarship for program registration fees only
Call 427-6000 for more information or visit www.fortwayneparks.org.

**Youth Tennis Lessons**
Tennis promotes physical fitness and out-performs other sports in developing personality characteristics such as sociability, creativity and assertiveness. Our beginning youth tennis lessons are designed for those with little or no prior tennis experience and focus on the rules of tennis, basic strokes, serving and volleying. Please bring your own racket. Balls will be provided. Registration deadline: April 6.

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# Session/Fee: 5/$30/$35 after April 6
Location: Bob Arnold Park Tennis Courts, Parnell Ave.

**Sports Sampler**
*Adult/Child*
The Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department offers a wide variety of sports training programs for children. Sports Sampler provides an opportunity for your little athlete to sample soccer, t-ball and basketball in one exciting program. Don’t miss out on the fun! Ages 4-6. Registration deadline: March 11. Min. 6. Max. 10.

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# Sessions/Fee: 4/$43
Location: Franke Park Pavilion #1
Instructional Youth Lacrosse

Looking for a sport that combines basketball, soccer and hockey? This instructional program for boys and girls ages 6-13 will focus on teamwork, sportsmanship and FUN! Participants will learn the fundamentals of scooping, cradling, passing, catching and shooting the ball into the opponents net with a netted racquet referred to as “the crosse.” The Intermediate class is for those who have already been introduced to the sport. Participants will review the basics and put their skills to use in scrimmage situations. All equipment will be provided. Class sizes are limited so register early. Registration deadline: April 6. Min. 7. Max. 14.

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# Sessions/Fee: 6/$28/$33 after April 6

Location: Bob Arnold Park, Parnell Ave. at East State Blvd.

Lifetime Sports Academy

The Lifetime Sports Academy will be held in McMillen Park June 8-July 24. The Academy features group lessons in swimming, golf, and tennis for boys and girls ages 7-18. Program hours will be Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Watch for more details in the Summer Fun Times booklet or call 427-6000 in mid-May for a brochure which will also be available on our website at www.fortwayneparks.org. The Lifetime Sports Academy is a FREE program.

Parkview Sports Medicine

Pee Wee/Junior Golf Tour

Open to boys and girls ages 3-18, this program consists of a series of golf tournaments at various courses throughout the city. Tournament formats and fees vary for each event. Please visit our website at www.fortwayneparks.org to download schedule of events, deadline dates and registration forms beginning March 9. If you do not have internet access please call 427-6000 to request the forms by mail. Many thanks to our corporate sponsors Pepsi and Parkview Sports Medicine.

Watch your mailbox for the Summer Fun Times on May 6.

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River Camp

Fort Wayne developed around the confluence of three rivers: the St. Joseph, the St. Marys, and the Maumee. Learn all about the role our rivers have played in the history of our city and how they are still used today. Campers will learn about our rivers through hands-on exploration and leave with an enthusiasm for our waterways. Water activities, outdoor games, fishing, science experiments, dragon boat paddling, pontoon excursions, canoe paddling, hiking, river clean-up and water safety are all part of the fun! A confirmation letter will be sent out with details a week prior to camp! Ages 8-12. Registration deadline: July 1. Min 20. Max. 40.

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# Sessions/Fee: 5/$115

Location: Shoaff Riverlodge, 6401 St. Joe Rd.

and play, play, play!

Watch for the Summer in the Park brochure at your school or online at www.fortwayneparks.org in early March. This brochure is filled with day camps, sports and lots of other activities designed to make your summer fun!
Gymnastics
This popular sport not only provides many physical benefits including strength, flexibility, speed, balance, coordination and power. It also promotes non-physical benefits such as discipline, determination, confidence and communication. Plus, it’s FUN! Your child will learn to perform front and back rolls, handstands, walkovers and cartwheels, as well as comparable skills on the balance beam, uneven bars, and trampoline. For safety purposes, all participants will be grouped according to skill level. Please list your child’s age on the registration form. There will be no class April 3. Registration deadline: March 6. Min. 5. Max. 10.

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# Sessions/Fee: 8/$53/$63 after March 6
Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728 Maplecrest Rd.

Gymnastics for the Guys
Because it builds overall body strength, increases coordination and agility, and teaches mental focus, gymnastics provides excellent training for other sports. Participation in gymnastics also promotes a positive learning attitude which some educators believe leads to higher math and reading scores. Best of all – gymnastics is FUN! You will learn to perform front and back rolls and handstands as well as skills on the parallel bars, pommel horse, rings, high bar and trampoline. All participants will be grouped according to skill level. Please list your child’s age on the registration form. Ages 5-8. There will be no class April 3. Registration deadline: March 6. Min. 5. Max. 10.

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# Sessions/Fee: 8/$53/$63 after March 4
Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest Rd.

After School Enrichment
The Parks and Recreation Department offers many enrichment programs that enhance what students are learning in school in a fun and creative environment. Examples include string art, robotics, Lego building, science, holiday projects and more. Classes are offered throughout the spring and fall and typically meet once a week for one hour. We will work with your school to offer desirable subjects on a convenient schedule. If you would like more information about the programs we offer or would be interested in coming to your school, please feel free to contact joel.bowerman@cityoffortwayne.org or by phone at 260-427-6467.
Passion for Pottery

Four steps are required to make pottery: preparing the clay, shaping the clay, decorating and glazing the item, and firing or baking for a finished appearance. You’ll complete these four steps using both hand building techniques and a potter’s wheel to shape your clay. When the class is over you will have a passion for pottery and a collection of unique earthenware pieces to take home with you. Ages 9-14. Registration deadlines: February 29, April 11. Min. 4. Max. 6.

Code Dates Day Time
243201-S1 3/7-4/4 Sa 9-11 am
243201-S2 4/18-5/16 Sa 9-11 am
# Sessions/Fee: 5/$63
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Roots: Culinary Classes for Youth

Designed to help children and youth to feel confident and comfortable in the kitchen, our Roots classes allow students to grow in their culinary skills. Each level allows for cooking instruction and recipes to be catered to the ability of the student! Each class offers hands on cooking time and instruction, and also allows time for eating! Note: Saturday classes are more involved and require the participation of one adult with each registered student. Classes are taught by trained Wholesome Roots instructors. Ages 6-14. Registration deadlines are 5 business days before each class. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Breakfast Foods
253917-T1 3/24 Tu 6-7:30 pm
Mystery Ingredient Competition
253917-T2 4/7 Tu 6-7:30 pm
Mexican Fiesta
253917-M1 5/11 M 6-7:30 pm
# Sessions/Fee: 1/$40
Cooking Around the World
*Adult/Child
253920-S1 3/7 Sa 11 am-12:30 pm
253920-S2 4/11 Sa 11 am-12:30 pm
253920-S3 5/23 Sa 11 am-12:30 pm
# Sessions/Fee: 1/$60
*One adult must attend class with each registered youth. The registration fee covers both child and adult.

Location: Salomon Farm Park Learning Center, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Register on-line at www.fortwayneparks.org

DIY Robots

Robots are super cool! Join us and make your own robots! We will use all sorts of things including cd’s and cans to build and take home your very own awesome looking creatures that move. Ages 7-10. Registration deadline: April 4. Min. 6. Max. 12.

Code Date Day Time
243009-S1 4/11 Sa 10-11:30 am
# Sessions/Fee: 1/$21/$31 after April 4
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Special Events

SALOMON FARM PARK

Fiber Arts Celebration 2020
Free Community Festival

Fri May 15 10-3 • Sat May 16 10-5

817 W. Dupont Rd., Fort Wayne, IN

Live Animals • Sheep Shearing • Weaving • Spinning
Craft & Supply Vendors • Wagon Rides

Sponsored by the Flax and Fleecers Spinning Guild of Fort Wayne and

Easter in the Garden
Friday, April 10, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Hop on down to the Botanical Conservatory for a Kodak moment with your children meeting the Easter Bunny! Play games for prizes, make crafts, pot a plant, and enjoy light refreshments. Look for eggs as part of our annual Easter Egg Hunt for toddlers through elementary age, and enter our drawing for the chance at winning a “sweet” Easter basket. There will also be live animals such as baby chicks, ducks, bunnies, sheep and goats. Note: the Easter Bunny will be taking a break from 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:30-2:00 p.m. During the Easter Bunny’s break, you may enjoy “up-close” magic tricks performed by a local magician. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Regular Conservatory admission applies. Sponsored by WAJI Majic 95.1.
Mother’s Day in the Garden
Sunday, May 10, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
Botanical Conservatory, 1100 S. Calhoun St.
Bring anyone and everyone who means “MOM” on a special outing to the Botanical Conservatory this Mother’s Day. Together you will enjoy beautiful flower displays, visiting the live butterfly exhibit, and browsing the gift shop too. Also, receive a special Mother’s Day plant while supplies last! Regular Conservatory admission applies. Sponsored by WAJI Majic 95.1.

7th Annual Community Extravaganza
Saturday, May 16, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
McMillen Park Community Center
3901 Abbot St.
Mark your calendar and plan to join us for this free family-fun event! Enjoy games, prizes, food and entertainment. There will also be commercial vendors and community resource booths. Parents may register children ages 5-18 for MPCC’s summer youth program during the event.

Human Trafficking: Don’t Let It Happen To You!
Times, people, neighborhoods and what we thought we knew, have changed. Wake up, engage, and join us for this eye-opening, real talk session presented by Jeremy Greenlee, a member of the executive committee of the Anti-Trafficking Coalition of Northeast Indiana.

Attendees must be present for the program to receive meal ticket and prizes.
Encourage kids to be active.

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**Tennis for Tots**

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Pre-School Gymnastics
*Adult/Child

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Soccer Training 101
*Adult/Child

This may be the only place kicking is not only allowed, but encouraged! Basic soccer skills and terminology are the focus of these introductory classes. Both are non-competitive, instructional programs that will help your child develop social skills and hand-eye coordination. Instruction is through demonstrations and skill games. No scrimmages will take place. At least one parent or other adult is required and encouraged to participate with each child. Registration deadlines: April 28, April 30. Min. 6. Max. 10.

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Youngsters in Action

*Adult/Child

Here’s your chance to show off all of your moves! We want to see your skills in running, jumping, rolling, throwing and any other activity we can think of. Make sure to have a good breakfast before this class because you will need lots of energy! Ages 2-5. Registration deadline: February 28. Min. 6. Max. 10.

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# Sessions/Fee: 3/$20

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

We Like to Move it, Move it!

*Adult/Child

These fun-filled Friday mornings are sure to keep you on your toes! We’ll move it, move it with balls, scooter boards, a parachute, and other fun activities that help develop motor and social skills. Ages 2-5. Registration deadline: May 1. Min. 6. Max. 10.

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243047-F1 | 5/8-5/29 | F | 10-10:45 am
# Sessions/Fee: 4/$28

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Make, Move and Munch

*Adult/Child

The name says it all! Every session of Make, Move and Munch will feature a craft, an activity to get you moving and a yummy treat to munch on based on a specific theme. Don’t miss out on this awesome trio of fun! Ages 2-5. Registration deadline: April 8. Min. 6. Max. 10.

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243044-W2 | 4/15-4/29 | W | 10-10:45 am
# Sessions/Fee: 3/$26

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Beautiful Ballet

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243304-W2 | 3/11-5/6 | W | 4:15-4:45 pm
# Sessions/Fee: 8/$53/$63 after March 4

Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Kindermusik by Joyful Musicians

In every Kindermusik class you’re welcomed into a playful and nurturing environment where your child will experience music of varying styles, genres and cultures. They’ll interact with other children and engage in movement, rhythm and vocal activities that develop far more than just music skills. Led by a licensed Kindermusik educator, this approach to early childhood education and award-winning, research-based and developmentally appropriate curricula is aimed to prime children for success in school and in life. If you would like to preview a class free of charge before registering, contact joyfulmusicians@gmail.com. Ages 1½-4. Registration deadline: February 25. Min. 6. Max. 10.

**Code** | **Dates** | **Day** | **Time**
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243012-T1 | 3/3-3/24 | T | 9-9:45 am
# Sessions/Fee: 4/$56

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

All That Jazz

Every child should be introduced to dance! It helps them develop balance, control, posture, focus and fine-tuned listening skills. Each session of All That Jazz will include a warm-up, a lesson in specific dance techniques, and a simple routine that incorporates those techniques. Routines are taught in progressive steps so your child will be able to perform for you at the conclusion of the program. Soft ballet, jazz, hip-hop or tennis shoes are required. Ages 3-5. There will be no class April 1. Registration deadline: March 4. Min. 5. Max. 15.

**Code** | **Dates** | **Day** | **Time**
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243305-W1 | 3/11-5/6 | W | 10:30-11 am
# Sessions/Fee: 8/$53/$63 after March 4

Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Song & Dance

**Call 427-6000 to sign up!**
St. Patty’s Day Surprise
*Adult/Child
It’s your lucky day! We’re celebrating St. Patrick’s Day with fun games, crafts and a tasty treat, and you are invited! Missing out on this party would just be bad luck! Ages 2-5. Registration deadline: March 6. Min. 7. Max. 12.

Easter Eggstravaganza!
*Adult/Child
We have some egg-sta special activities planned for you today! We will be doing a couple crafts including decorating your very own Easter basket, playing some bunny games, and going on an Easter egg hunt around the Community Center! Ages 2-5. Registration deadline: April 3. Min. 7. Max. 12.

Blaze and the Monster Machines
*Adult/Child
We’re going to put our science and math skills to work this morning! Join in the Monster adventures with AJ, Blaze, and the other Monster Machines as we play games, make crafts and enjoy a Monster snack! Let’s Blaze! Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: April 18. Min. 7. Max. 12.

Garden Preschool
Garden Preschool meets at the Botanical Conservatory every third Tuesday in March through May. While encouraging the basics of exploring in the garden at a young age, each monthly class explores a different theme through hands-on activities, crafts, stories, and snacks. Parents and guardians assist their children side by side and learn together while doing garden activities that are sure to get everyone thinking! At least one adult is required to stay and participate (no registration required) for the duration of the class with your child. Please indicate at registration if a participant has food allergies. Ages 3-5. Registration deadlines: March 10, April 14, and May 12. Min. 5 Max. 10.

Math & Science
Blaze and the Monster Machines
*Adult/Child
We’re going to put our science and math skills to work this morning! Join in the Monster adventures with AJ, Blaze, and the other Monster Machines as we play games, make crafts and enjoy a Monster snack! Let’s Blaze! Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: April 18. Min. 7. Max. 12.

More Pre-School Fun

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Little Roots: Culinary Classes for Preschoolers
*Adult/Child
Empower your little one to create his/her own healthy snacks. We’ve partnered with Wholesome Roots Cooking to offer fun, age-appropriate cooking classes bursting with hands-on activities and healthy concept learning through games and activities. Younger siblings are welcome to stay with their caregiver, but any child participating in class must register. Ages 2-5. Instructor: Meghan Hauser. Registration deadlines are one week prior to the start of each class. Min. 5. Max. 15.

42 Classes fill quickly! Register early!
Franke Park Day Camp

Since its inception in 1946, Franke Park Day Camp has provided unforgettable childhood experiences for thousands of Fort Wayne area youth. With its strong emphasis on nature education, basic camping skills, and Native American lore, this popular camp provides an environment which fosters cooperation, problem solving and socialization, as well as the dirty muddy outdoor fun kids of all ages enjoy! For more information or to sign up, visit www.fortwayneparks.org or stop by the Parks and Recreation Department. Registration is limited to one session for campers ages 4-12 years.

Location
Franke Park Day Camp is located in Franke Park at 3411 Sherman Blvd. The parking lot is located between Pavilion #2 and the playground.

Hours
M, T, Th, F 9:00 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.
Wednesdays 1:00-7:00 p.m.
AM Camp Care 6:30-9:00 a.m.
PM Camp Care 3:30-6:00 p.m.

Ages (as of June 1, 2020)
4-5 Year Old Program
Our youngest campers are exposed to the concepts of seeds, plants, trees, animals and Native Americans. Registration is limited to one session per camper.

6-11 Year Old Program
Campers (grouped by age 6-8 and 9-11) enjoy a wide range of activities including hiking, fire building, campfire cooking, swamp study, nature walks, arts, crafts, Native American lore, games, the famous mud slide, and much more. Registration is limited to one session per camper.

12-18 Year Old Program
The Advanced Camper program provides a more in depth outdoor experience for Junior Leaders (age 12) and Counselors-in-Training (ages 13-18). For detailed information and a registration packet, call 427-6000 or visit our website at fortwayneparks.org.

Sessions
#1 .................................................. June 8-12
#2 .................................................. June 15-19
#3 .................................................. June 22-26
#4 .................................................. July 6-10
#5 .................................................. July 13-17
#6 .................................................. July 20-24

What to Bring
• Sack lunch (non-refrigerated)
• Canteen or water bottle
• Insect repellant
• Sunscreen
• Book bag/backpack
• Plain white t-shirt for tie-dying

Fees
Day Campers (Ages 4-11).......................... $95
Junior Leaders (age 12).......................... $95
Counselors-in-Training (ages 13-18)...........$75
CIT (four weeks or more).......................... $300
AM Camp Care (ages 4-12)....................... $25
PM Camp Care (ages 4-12).......................$25

Financial assistance is available. Please inquire about the Youth Scholarship program at the time of registration.

74th Annual Big Pow-Wow
Tuesday, July 28, 7:00 p.m.

Freehill Community Award
To celebrate and honor Chris Freehill’s fifty years as a camper and employee at the Franke Park Day Camp, the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department created the Freehill Community Award (FCA) in 2017. The FCA is awarded to one child that has never attended Franke Park Day Camp and will cover costs associated with attending a full week of Franke Park Day Camp including: enrollment fee, AM/PM care, and a camp t-shirt. Deadline for video submissions is March 27, 2020. For details on how to apply, visit fortwayneparks.org, email kellie.adkins@cityoffortwayne.org or call 427-6005.

Register for camp NOW at www.fortwayneparks.org.
Registration forms are also available on-line or by calling 427-6000 and may be mailed, faxed or dropped off (see page 74).
City Safari Day Camp
June 8-July 24
Explore the City of Fort Wayne and discover fun in surrounding areas of Northeast Indiana. Each week of camp incorporates a different theme through field trips, guest speakers, related activities, games, and arts and crafts. In fact, campers stay quite active when comparing life both inside and outside the city! Please note that our day camp is a traveling camp that may travel up to 1.5 hours or 75 miles away for some of our field trips. Campers also have fun in the sun while they enjoy an afternoon at Northside Pool and get to do a little gardening too. Pick your week(s), and join us this summer exploring different parks and area attractions, admiring wild animals up close, and learning all about the world of art. Reserve your adventure spot, and sign up today! Limit of 24 campers per week.

Location
City Safari’s base camp is located at the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory at 1100 S. Calhoun Street in downtown Fort Wayne with staff-led excursions to points of interest either within walking distance or by traveling in a Parks Department 15-passenger van to other exciting locations in Northeast Indiana. Campers return to the Conservatory each day by 4:00 p.m. for pick up.

Ages
Children entering 1st-6th grades in Fall 2020; children must be at least 6 years of age by June 1, 2020 to attend camp.

Hours
Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Pre-camp care 7:00-9:00 a.m.
Post-camp care 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Fees
$120/camper/week
Pre/Post Camp Care FREE

Financial Aid
The Parks & Recreation Department offers a $50, once-per-year scholarship for qualified youth. To learn more about this scholarship opportunity, contact the Parks Main Office at (260) 427-6000.

What to Bring
- All completed waivers and registration forms.
- Sack lunch (non-refrigerated). Afternoon snack provided.
- Book bag for all personal belongings.
- Canteen or water bottle.
- Insect repellent and sunscreen.
- Swimsuit, towel, and dry change of clothes.
- Child safety seat (if needed).

Sessions
Week #1........................................June 8-14
“Park Explorers”
Week #2 .......................................June 15-19
“On the Go!”
Week #3 .......................................June 22-26
“Farms and Gardens”
Week #4 .......................................July 6-10
“Museum Week”
Week #5 .......................................July 13-17
“Creation Station”
Week #6 .......................................July 20-24
“Awesome Animals”

Register NOW at www.fortwayneparks.org!

Registration forms are also available on-line or by calling 427-6000 and may be mailed, faxed or dropped off at the Parks and Recreation Department

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Farmin’ Fun Day Camp
June 10-July 26
Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Come spend a week at Salomon Farm Park! Our Farmin’ Fun Day Camp provides a stimulating, healthy and beautiful environment where you will learn about soil, plants, animals and the source of our food. Our campers will be able to continue the cycle of farm-to-table in our NEW teaching kitchen. The camp integrates hands-on farming such as gardening and animal care, cooperative games, blacksmithing, and nature exploration for a memorable and diverse summer camp experience. You will care for farm animals; hike the woods; play in the creek; learn about beekeeping; wash, dye and felt wool from one of our sheep; enjoy hayrides around the farm and much more! Some of the activities listed above are for certain age groups.

Location
Farmin’ Fun Day Camp is held at Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd. in Fort Wayne.

Ages
Farmin’ Fun Day Camp is open to children ages 4-18. Campers must be of minimum age by June 1, 2020.

Hours
Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
AM Camp Care 7:00-9:00 a.m.
PM Camp Care 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Fees
Ages 4*-11 ........................................... $95
12 + (FIT) ........................................... $95
13-18 (CIT) ......................................... $75
AM Camp Care................................ $25
PM Camp Care.............................. $25
*Please note that the 4-year old program is full-day only. Half days are no longer offered.

Sessions
#1 .....................................................June 8-12
#2 .....................................................June 15-19
#3 ....................................................June 22-26
#4 ....................................................July 6-10
#5 ...................................................July 13-17
#6 ...................................................July 20-24

What to Bring
• Sack lunch (non-refrigerated)
• Snacks
• Canteen or water bottle
• Insect repellent
• Sunscreen
• Long pants/change of clothes
• Swimsuit, towel, water shoes

Confirmation Notice
Campers will receive an e-mail confirmation the week prior to their camp session with all the information needed for the upcoming week. (If you do not have an email address on file your confirmation will come in the mail.)

F.I.T.
“Farmers in Training” is designed to provide children ages 12 and older a more active role in the care of livestock, vegetable gardening, hands-on beekeeping, blacksmithing, farm tours, and campfire cookouts on Fridays. Farmers in Training harvest and sell their vegetables at the Farmers’ Market on Wednesdays in addition to participating in games and other fun activities.

C.I.T.
“Counselor in Training” is for campers 13-18 years of age who have completed 2 weeks of F.I.T. Counselors in Training and are role models for the younger campers. The program is designed to train youth how to be confident leaders among their peers. C.I.T.s will have opportunities to learn important teambuilding, leadership, and agricultural skills as they assist camp counselors in leading activities. The program is limited to 8 campers per week. Each camper will be required to submit two references to complete their registration.

Camp Buddies
Children who wish to attend camp together must indicate this on the registration form and both children must request it. We will do our best to place the campers together as requested, however due to the volume of registrations and the lottery processing system along with the age grouping for effective learning, we cannot guarantee it.

Register NOW at www.fortwayneparks.org!
See page 44 for more options.

Spend a week on the farm!
McMillen Park Community Center
3901 Abbott Street • 427-2420
Supervisor: Andre Patterson

Hours
Monday-Thursday 9 am-9 pm
Fri 9 am-6 pm • Sat 9-1 pm • Sun 12-5 pm

Admission
Youth M-Th, 3-8 p.m. and Fri 3-6 p.m. FREE; (Must be registered in After-School program)
All others $1
Photo I.D. required

Unless otherwise stated, programs at McMillen Park Community Center are included with admission. No additional fee is required.

Pickle Ball
Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Come and play the fastest growing sport in America on our climate-controlled indoor courts. Drop in fee: $1. All patrons must present a photo ID.

Men’s Basketball League
Basketball leagues start the week of March 5 and run for 8 weeks followed by a single elimination tournament. Game times are scheduled on Thursdays at 6:00, 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. Team registration forms are available at the McMillen Park Community Center Guests Services desk and online. Team rosters are limited to 12 players and the league to 12 teams. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: February 27.

Code Dates Time
232003-R1 3/5-5/7 6, 7, 8 pm
# Sessions/Fee: 8/$200
Location: McMillen Park Community Center, 3901 Abbott St.

Wellness Mall Open Fitness
Monday- Friday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Come enjoy our indoor walking track, fitness equipment and four court gymnasiums where you can enjoy walking and exercising in the comfort of a clean and spacious facility. Drop in fee: $1. All patrons must present photo ID.

Fun & Games
Daily, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Bring your friends and join fun and games at McMillen Park Community Center. We have a variety of board games or you may bring your own. Drop in fee: $1. Photo ID required.

Computer Lab
Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
The Computer Lab is open to the public for your personal use. Drop in Fee: $1 and photo ID.

Cardio Fit
Monday & Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Cardio Fit includes strength training and stretching as well as cardiovascular exercises and dances using fitness steps. Drop in fee: $1. All patrons must present a photo ID.

Zumba
Wednesday, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Zumba is a fusion of Latin and International music and dance themes that create a dynamic workout based on the principle that a workout should be “fun and easy to do”. The routines feature aerobic/fitness interval training with a combination of fast and slow rhythms that tone and sculpt the body. Drop in fee: $1 and photo ID.

Open Gym
Adults Only
Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Mon, Tues, Wed, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Youth Only
Mon, Tues, Wed, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Youth & Adults
Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00-5:00 p.m.
Our clean and spacious four-court gymnasium is the perfect place for a great basketball workout! Drop in fee: $1. Photo ID required.

Facility Rentals
The McMillen Park Community Center has a space for every event with rooms the perfect size for family reunions, birthday parties, baby showers, basketball tournaments, conferences, group meetings and wedding receptions. Alcohol is permitted. Call Andre or Percinta at 427-2420 for details.

Find us on Facebook
McMillen Park Community Center Youth Program Schedule

Free Youth Programming Monday-Thursday 3-7:30 pm; Friday 3-5 pm;
Snow Days, Christmas Break, Spring Break 12-5 pm

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**Kids’ Café**
A nutritious meal which includes a protein, vegetable, fruit, grain and milk, is served each day for students aged 5-18 years old.

**Jump for Life**
This fitness program is made to get kids moving!

**Planting Healthy Seeds**
Planting Healthy Seeds is a fun Nutrition Program for students ages 5-18. Children learn to make healthy food choices, through interesting games and food tastings and creating new recipes. This program was created by Parkview Hospital.

**Little Lady Bugs**
This is a girl’s rites of passage program for ages 5-10 years old. Students build relationships and learn age appropriate life skills, including nutrition, feelings, teamwork and basketball values.

**McMillen Music Academy**
Music program powered by Sweetwater Sound will teach free guitar and choir

**Positively Me!**
This group of girls aged 11 and up discusses various issues facing young ladies today such as setting and achieving goals, getting along with parents and handling emotions. Students also play games, do various activities and complete community service projects.

**Drums Not Guns**
Participants learn drumming and discipline while also learning the dangers of gun violence.

**Fort Wayne Dance Collective**
Powered by Fort Wayne Dance Collective dance professionals, students learn body awareness, coordination and musical expression.

**Movie Night**
Children enjoy movies while learning movie theatre etiquette.

**Sisters of the Cloth**
The Master quilters of Sisters of the Cloth will work one-on-one with youth, teaching the craft of quilting to all who are interested. Ages 8-18. Class sizes are limited. Call 427.2420 for more information.

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**Spring Break at MPCC**
March 30-April 3, 12:00-5:00 p.m.
Looking for Spring Break fun? Youth ages 5-18 are invited to spend the week at McMillen Park Community Center. Hours are 12:00-5:00 p.m. with lunch served at 2:00 p.m. It’s FREE! It’s FUN! Children must be registered at the Center.

**7th Annual Community Extravaganza**
Saturday, May 16, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
Mark your calendar and plan to join us for this free family-fun event! Enjoy games, prizes, food and entertainment. There will also be commercial vendors and community resource booths. Parents may register children ages 5-18 for MPCC’s summer youth program at this event.

and sports/fitness for all ages.
Kids’ Café
In partnership with Community Harvest Food Bank, children age 5-18, are served a FREE healthy, nutritious meal each weekday. Served 2:00-2:30 p.m. when FWCS is closed.

Power Hour
Homework assistance and academic enrichment.

Recreation
Students enjoy leisure time with board games, TV, computers, bumper pool, ping-pong, foosball, playground and more.

School Success Celebration
Led by our FWPD Partner Officer, youth discuss school highlights, behavior, social and life skills.

STEM
Students participate in activities that focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

What’s Cooking
Easy, mouthwatering recipes are made from scratch by children to eat and share with the community.

Basketball
Our basketball program is designed to help young children and teens develop basketball skills. This program also helps build self-confidence, leadership and sportsmanship.

Building Bridges: Respect and Etiquette Edition
This life skills program is designed to give all students the tools to help them be successful in life.

COOPFit
Youth learn the skills necessary to transition into positive, healthy and productive adolescents; learning the value of friendship, exercise, good nutrition, hygiene, respect, manners and helping to keep our community safe and clean.

Financial Literacy with Flagstar Bank
Youth ages 9-13 are invited to participate in this 4-week program on Thursdays 4:00-5:00 p.m. where they will learn the importance of saving, having a bank account at a young age and needs vs. wants.

Healthy Seeds
This Parkview sponsored program teaches kids about nutrition and other healthy habits.

Imagine, Design, Create
Children express themselves through art.

Enjoy FREE after school fun . . .
**Jennings Recreation Center**  
1330 McCulloch St. • 427-6700  
Supervisor: Michael Ayers

**Center Hours**  
M-Th 3-8 pm; Fri 3-6 pm  
When FWCS are closed, 12-5 pm

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**Homework Assistance**  
Homework assistance and tutoring; Clever Crazes computer activity (online STEM education games)

**Everlasting Fitness**  
Youth learn the skills necessary to transition into positive, healthy and productive young adults; learning the value of friendship, exercise, good nutrition, good hygiene, respect, manners and keeping our community safe and clean.

**Kids’ Café**  
Nutritious meal prepared and served on-site.

**Sisterhood**  
Rite of passage program teaches young women life skills, self-care, character building, respect for self and others, discipline, manners and etiquette.

**Boys to Men**  
Rite of passage program teaches young men life skills, self-care, character building, respect for self and others, discipline, manners and etiquette.

**Crafting Around**  
A variety of craft activities are available for children to make and take.

**Recreation**  
Structured and unstructured free time such as board games, outdoor play, field games.

**Healthy Seeds**  
This Parkview sponsored program teaches kids about nutrition and other healthy habits.

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**Basketball Program/Leagues**  
6:00-8:00 p.m. at Memorial Park M.S.  
**Tuesdays ages 7-11, Thursdays ages 12-16**  
Designed to help children and teens develop self-confidence, leadership and sportsmanship in addition to basketball skills. Participants must be involved in the Center’s core programs.

**Showtime**  
Visual arts and talent are presented by the youth.

**School Success Celebration**  
Youth meet with partner FWPD officer to share school accomplishments. Partner FWPD officer leads group in a vote for Student of the Week.

**Friday Schedule**  
3:00-3:30 p.m.  
Computer Room/ Game Room/ Playground Area  
3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Kids Café  
4:30-5:45 p.m.  
Open Recreation  
5:45-6:00 p.m.  
Backpack Program/ clean-up

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**Questions? 427-6700**

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**20th Annual BLACK HISTORY BOWL**

**Wednesday, February 19**  
**Weisser Park Youth Center**

All community youth groups are invited to participate in this high-spirited competition that challenges their knowledge of African-American history. Call 427-6700 for details.
**Weissser Park Youth Center**  
802 Eckart Street • 427-6780  
**Supervisor:** Zynette Paige

**Center Hours**  
M-Th 3-8 pm; Fri 3-6 pm  
When FWCS are closed, 12-5 pm

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**Recreation**  
Table & Board Games, Computer Lab, TV Time, Group Games, Playground

**Power Hour**  
Homework assistance

**Kids Café**  
Nutritious meals are provided for youth ages 5-18.

**Wisercise**  
A short exercise activity to get the youth moving and remind them of the benefits of daily exercise, good nutrition and general well-being.

**Imhotep Club**  
Youth ages 5-18 enjoy fun and challenging STEM activities that encourage them to be problem-solvers and critical thinkers. Children are exposed to various careers through guest speakers.

**Simba Rites of Passage / Goddess Aset Rites of Passage**  
Boys and girls ages 10-18 learn the skills necessary to transition into healthy, productive and positive young men and women; learning the value of brotherhood/sisterhood, community service, exercise, good nutrition, etiquette, having respect and making positive choices. They also enjoy field trips and exposure to professionals, businesses, agencies, civic leaders and cultural events.

**Show Time**  
Visual arts and talent are presented by the youth.

**Jump for Life**  
Children ages 5-9 learn the skills necessary to transition into positive, healthy and productive adolescents; learning the value of friendship, exercise, good nutrition, good hygiene, respect, manners and keeping our community safe and clean.

**Akoma Dance Crew**  
Youth ages 5-18 learn the art of performance and competition of a variety of dance styles and stepping; learning the value of unity, discipline, being focused and committed to excellence in performing arts. They participate in public performances throughout the year.

**Akoben Outdoor Basketball**  
Held at Weisser Park basketball courts, boys and girls ages 5-11 learn the value of sportsmanship, being a scholar athlete and community service while learning the game’s basic skills, rules and playing competitively. To participate in the league, participants must attend Simba, Imhotep Club or Goddess Aset.

Youth Center programs are made possible, in part, by funding from the Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne, the Lincoln Financial Foundation, M.E. Raker Foundation and the Three Rivers Credit Union Foundation.

Drop in and join the fun! It’s all FREE!
Chicago Flower & Garden Show

“Chicago’s Blooming” is the theme of the Flower and Garden Show this year. After arriving at Chicago’s Navy Pier, you will have about an hour to sample the specialty shops before we board our 700-passenger ship, “Spirit of Chicago” for a 2-hour luncheon buffet, floral arrangement demonstration and incredible skyline views! After docking, you can stroll through the corridor filled with beautiful stained glass windows on your way to the Flower and Garden Show. You will enjoy lush themed gardens, creative tablescapes, demonstrations by florists and chefs, gardening seminars and the popular marketplace. Whether you are a novice gardener needing the basics, a seasoned pro wanting to take things to the next level, or a horticultural aficionado seeking what’s new and trendy, you will find Chicago’s first blush with spring to be invigorating. Luncheon cruise and entry to show are included. A continental breakfast will be served en-route and a fast food stop (on your own) will be made on the way home.

Code  Date  Day  Fee
175000-S1  3/21  Sa  $115

Departs:  8:00 a.m. from Bob Arnold Park, Parnell at East State Blvd.
Returns:  10:30 p.m.

Halim Museum of Time and Glass and Illinois Holocaust Museum

Join us as we travel north of Chicago to visit two extraordinary museums – The Halim Time & Glass Museum and the Illinois Holocaust Museum. The Halim Time & Glass museum showcases magnificent collections of timepieces and stained glass by America’s greatest artists. Housing more than 1,100 pieces from around the world, the extensiveness of the museum’s diverse and wide-ranging collection is unlike any other in the United States. Explore beauty and craftsmanship as you travel through time on a journey to discover the art and science of timekeeping and glass-making. After our private, guided tour, your trip includes a catered lunch in one of the galleries. We will then head to the Illinois Holocaust Museum, designed by renowned architect Stanley Tigerman. The museum is dedicated to preserving the memories of those lost in the Holocaust and teaches current generations about the need to fight hatred, indifference and genocide in today’s world. The tour is docent-guided and includes an interactive survivor experience. A continental breakfast will be served en route and a fast food stop (on your own) will be made on the way home.

Code  Date  Day  Fee
275021-T1  4/21  T  $115

Departs:  7:30 a.m. from Bob Arnold Park, Parnell at East State Blvd.
Returns:  10:00 p.m.
Chicago Cubs Games

Join us as we head to Chicago’s historic Wrigley Field for another exciting season of Cubs Baseball! Terrace Reserved Outfield seats are reserved for each game. A continental breakfast will be served en-route and a box lunch and beverage are included. A fast food stop (on your own) will be made on the way home.

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Cubs vs. Milwaukee Brewers 375000-C4 7/2 Th $135
Cubs vs. Cincinnati Reds 375000-C2 7/17 F $135
Cubs vs. Atlanta Braves 375000-C1 8/6 Th $135
Cubs vs. Los Angeles Dodgers 375000-D7 8/20 Th $135
Cubs vs. St. Louis Cardinals 375000-D8 8/22 Sa $135

Departs: 8:30 a.m. from Bob Arnold Park, Parnell at East State Blvd.
Returns: 10:30 p.m.

Holland Tulip Festival

Holland, Michigan welcomes us to their 91st Tulip Times Festival. Heralded as America’s Best Small Town Festival in 2017, the Tulip Times Festival is dedicated to honoring Holland, Michigan’s Dutch heritage, showcasing millions of tulips and celebrating the community today. We will visit Nelis’ Dutch Village where we will step back into the Netherlands of over 100 years ago complete with authentic Dutch architecture, flowering gardens, canals, windmills and dancers. Enjoy an authentic Dutch lunch (included) before joining a costumed guide on a bus tour that includes Holland’s historic areas, Hope College, the historic windmill and tulip lanes. Our final stop will be the downtown Artisan’s Market. A continental breakfast will be served en-route and a fast food stop (on your own) will be made on the way home.

Code Date Day Fee
275007-S1 5/2 Sa $115
Departs: 7:30 a.m. from Bob Arnold Park, Parnell at East State Blvd.
Returns: 9:30 p.m.

Reserve Your Seat Now!

We are now taking reservations for the following multi-day trips. Visit www.fortwayneparks.org for more information or call 427-6017 or e-mail diane.kennedy@cityoffortwayne.org.

Music City - Nashville, Tennessee

July 7-9

Our two-night stay in Nashville at the beautiful Gaylord Opryland Resort (a premier Marriott property) begins with an evening at the world famous Grand Ole Opry. After a delicious full breakfast buffet at the resort, day two is yours to explore the city! Will it be Andrew Jackson’s Hermitage, the Belle Mead Plantation, The Country Music Hall of Fame, Ryman Auditorium or a bus tour of the houses of country western superstars? Whatever you choose, tickets and shuttle service are available from the hotel. You may opt for staying at the resort to explore the over 20 restaurants and bars and many shops or relax in the luxurious pool and spa. That evening we will board the General Jackson Showboat, one of the largest in the country, where we’ll dine on southern cuisine and take in a country music variety show. We return to Fort Wayne on day three after a breakfast buffet at the resort and a surprise stop along the way.

This trip includes:
- Continental breakfast en route
- 2 nights at the Opryland Resort and Convention Center
- 2 breakfast buffets
- Ride on the Delta Flatboats at the resort
- Show at the Grand Ole Opry
- Showboat Cruise with dinner and show

Cost: $749 single / $599 double / $549 triple
Trip Code: 375104-T1

Mackinac Island & The Grand Hotel

October 18-20

Join us on our annual Mackinac Island trip via motor coach, featuring two nights at the beautiful Grand Hotel, a carriage tour of the island, planned daytime activities, champagne reception, afternoon tea, wine tasting and more. 2 nights, 3 days, 5 meals

Cost: $899 single / $750 double / $699 triple
Trip Code: 475103-S1

For day trips, full refunds less a processing and handling fee of $5 or 10% (whichever is greater) will be granted if requested at least one week prior to the date of the trip. There are no refunds for NO-SHOWS. All day trips include the service of a Travel Service escort, motorcoach transportation and all necessary gratuities, including those to the escort and motorcoach driver. All trips feature NO SMOKING on the motorcoaches.

Register on-line at www.fortwayneparks.org

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2020 Extended Trips and Tours

July 31-August 7 ................................................................. Islands of New England
Providence, Newport, Martha’s Vineyard and more; 8 days, 11 meals (starting at $3,149 double w/air fare)

August 17-25 ................................................................. Greenland & Iceland
A Nordic inspired voyage; 9 days, 17 meals (starting at $6,499 w/air fare)

August 18-29 ............................................................... Croatia & Its Islands
Small ship cruising on the Adriatic Coast; 12 days, 19 meals (Starting at $4,999 w/air fare until July 19, 2020)

August 22-30 ................................................................. The Colorado Rockies
National Parks and Historic Trains; 9 days, 11 meals (starting at $3,499 w/air fare)

September 16-25 ........................................................ Shades of Ireland
Dublin, Killarney, Waterford, Blarney Castle and more; 10 days, 13 meals ($3,849 w/air fare until March 17, 2020)

Sept 29-Oct 6 ............................................................. America’s Cowboy Country
Grand Tetons, Yellowstone National Park, Mount Rushmore, Badlands and more; 8 days, 11 meals
($3,799 w/air fare until March 30, 2020)

October 3-14 ................................................................. National Parks of America
Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone, Bryce Canyon, Grand Canyon and more; 12 days, 17 meals
($4,649 double w/air fare until April 3, 2020)

October 3-15 ................................................................. Spain & Morocco
Madrid, Cordoba, Granada, Seville, Morocco and more; 13 days, 18 meals ($4,499 double w/air
fare until April 3, 2020)

October 11-18 ............................................................. Colors of New England
Coastal Maine; 8 days, 10 meals ($3,599 double w/air fare)

Nov 29 – Dec 8 ............................................................ Classical Greece
Athens, Thermopylae, Delphi, Olympia and more; 10 days, 15 meals ($3,499 double before May 29, 2020)

Individual trip brochures may be viewed on-line at www.fortwayneparks.org. Select Programs >
Day & Extended Travel. Scroll down and click on the trip of your choice.

For more information, contact Diane at 427-6017 or diane.kennedy@cityoffortwayne.org.
Riverfront Educational Series

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Riverfront Fort Wayne is offering three opportunities to learn more about Riverfront development and plans for the future. Each evening will feature a different topic and panel discussion. Beer, wine slushies and non-alcoholic drinks, as well as light snacks will be available for purchase. This FREE event is family-friendly and limited to the first 160 people, so plan to arrive early. More information is available at www.Riverfront FW.org or by calling Megan Butler at (260) 427-6248. Sponsored by WANE 15.

Monday, February 17, 6:00 p.m.
We’re Just Getting Started:
Phases II and III of Riverfront Development

Monday, March 16, 6:00 p.m.
Keeping Our Rivers Healthy Amid Development

Monday, April 20, 6:00 p.m.
Party on the Riverfront:
Exclusive Preview of Summer 2020

Confluence Kitchen: Featuring the Culture of Italy

Join us at the Park Foundation Pavilion for the second event in our ongoing Confluence Kitchen series. We celebrate other cultures, giving those who are a part of these cultures the chance to teach other people about them, and giving those who are not familiar with the culture a chance to learn. This time we will be showcasing the culture of Italy. Come swap recipes and try to pick up a few phrases in Italian. Snap a few selfies at the themed photo booth and learn how to make a miniature mosaic like the iconic pieces still seen in Italy today. Italian food will also be available for purchase. Registration deadline: April 3. Min. 20. Max. 120.

Code Date Day Time
190100-51 4/11 Sa 1:00 p.m.
# Sessions/Fee: 1/$5
Location: Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.
Join the weeknight fun at Promenade Park.

**Family Game Night**
Tuesdays, March 3-April 27, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Park Foundation Pavilion
Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.
Looking for a family friendly event for Tuesday nights? Join us for Family Game Night hosted weekly by St. Paul’s Lutheran School on Tuesday nights in the Park Foundation Pavilion. There will be a wide variety of board and tabletop games available. Bring your friends and neighbors for an evening of games. All ages welcome. Betting and gambling on games is prohibited. No registration required but space is limited to 125 people. Admission is FREE.

**Dance Promenade!**
Wednesdays, March 4-April 29, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
(No event April 15)
Park Foundation Pavilion
Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.
Feel like you need to learn some new moves to impress? Then drop into the Park Foundation Pavilion every Wednesday night to learn a new style of dance and practice in an open dance. Instructors from a variety of dance groups and schools in the local area will be offering lessons at the beginning of the night followed by open dancing. The type of dance will rotate so we can cover styles from Ballroom to Hip-Hop and also traditional cultural dances. No partners or prior experience is required, this event is open to all levels and ages. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Check our Facebook weekly for updates and additional information. All ages welcome but space is limited to 100 people. Tickets $8 if purchased at least 48 hours in advance at www.fortwayneparks.org or 427-6000 and $10 at the door.

**Speak, Sing or Wing**
Thursdays, March 5-April 30, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Park Foundation Pavilion
Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.
Thursday nights are anything but quiet in Promenade Park when you join us for Speak, Sing or Wing Night. Rotating themes keep things interesting and as we explore different forms of performance by showcasing local and regional comedians, poets, spoken word, storytelling, and musicians. For the less talented, but willing to brave the stage, drop in for the Riverfront Fort Wayne “Un-talent Show” showcasing the creative wackiness of our local community. Rules and sign-up for the “Un-talent” Show available on our website; riverfrontfw.org and Facebook page. $5 Voucher for Buffet style food included in door price. Ages 16+. Space limited to 150. Tickets $10 if purchased at least 48 hours in advance at www.fortwayneparks.org or 427-6000 and $15 at the door.

**Meet Me at the Riverfront**

**Wednesday’s Walkers**
Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m.
Meet at the Convergence Sculpture
Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior
Come down to Promenade Park for Wednesday’s Walkers where we’ll walk the half mile perimeter of the park to get some heart healthy exercise and discuss healthy habits and practices. Feel free to bring your favorite walking buddy (dogs welcome) or make new ones in the group. Dress appropriately for the weather and the walking. Check Riverfront Fort Wayne’s Facebook page for updates and cancellations. No preregistration required.

**Find us on Riverfront FW**
Sundays on the Riverfront
Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.
(There will be no programs on Sunday, April 12.)

Come down to Promenade Park on Sundays where there’s something to do for everyone. Learn more about the world around you and assist the scientific community with our Citizen Science programs, be enlightened with our Philosophy and Government for All series, immerse yourself in the world of literature in Get Lit, collaborate on a community art project at Creativity for Change workshops, or participate in a self-improvement class in Mind Over Matter Collective. Don’t forget to pour yourself a cup of free coffee available all day long. Sundays are getting interesting on the Riverfront! There is no charge and no pre-registration required for any of these events. In the event of inclement weather, please check the Riverfront Fort Wayne Facebook page for cancelations.

Citizen Science
10:00 a.m.
Learn about the world around you while assisting the scientific community! We will be rotating activities every week. Come on out on the first Sunday of the month to participate in Nature’s Notebook and record your observations of what is happening in nature at that point in time. Visit on the second Sunday of the month to come to Birdwatching on our Urban Rivers. Join us the third Sunday of the month for the Young Naturalist series for children. Our upcoming themes include Bug-tastic, River Otters, and Lucky Ducks. Or, come count and categorize squirrels on the fourth Sunday of the month at Project Squirrel.

Philosophy and Government For All
11:30 a.m.
Visit us at Promenade Park as we explore a range of topics in Philosophy and Government! Each week we’ll learn about the exciting developments and dilemmas of today from a variety of sources. Participate in simulations, games, and debates in philosophy and political science. Pour yourself a cup of free coffee and dig into the discussion, or sit back and watch the debate unfold.

Get Lit
1:00 p.m.
Come down to Promenade Park and join Hyde Brothers Book Sellers on Sundays to immerse yourself in the world of literature with something different every time you visit! Connect with local poets while their voices come alive in poetry readings, meet local authors at a book fair, explore new worlds in story time for young children, and get inspired by the written word. On the first Sunday of the month connect with local artists at Local Author Focus. Bring the kids on the second Sunday for A Day For Kids. Of course, everyone is welcome to come to “Game Night!” on the third Sunday of each month, and be sure to make it to the Author Zoo on the fourth Sunday of the month!

Creativity for a Change
2:30 p.m.
Let’s make something together! Join us to make a community art project out of nothing. We will be using recycled and found materials to create beautiful works of art. After several projects have been completed, we will hold a gallery to display these masterpieces, accompanied by a silent auction to support Riverfront’s free and fun programming. If you love to collaborate and meet new people, come down to Promenade Park and join the fun.

Mind Over Matter Collective
4:00 p.m.
Learn something new, get some exercise, and build a stronger community at Promenade Park! Enjoy tranquil yoga classes with Mallorie Ables on the first and third Sundays of the month, and switch it up in between with a variety of dance classes designed to get you moving inside and out. There’s something different to learn and enjoy every week. If you have your own yoga mat, please bring it to class as our supplies are limited.
Pollinator Paradise Workshops

Learn how you can help your local pollinators in your own backyard! Pollinators play an important role in our ecosystem, but they’re in trouble. Help homeless bees and birds and feed hungry butterflies when you come to these workshops. You’ll take home a completed project, knowledge about the role of pollinators in the environment, and the pride of knowing you made a difference. Choose a workshop to attend, or come to all of them and make a new project each time! Ages 16+.

**Birds of a Feather**

In this Pollinator Paradise Workshop you will build a birdhouse to give a homeless bird a cozy new nest. Registration deadline: February 24. Min. 5. Max. 20.

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# Sessions/Fee: 1/$20/$30 after February 24

Location: Park Foundation Pavilion, Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

**Bee a Good Friend**

This time in the Pollinator Paradise Workshop you will build a mason bee house. Mason bees are among the gentlest of bees. With a milder sting and no tendency to damage wood like other bees, mason bees make great neighbors. Make a home for your local mason bees at this workshop. Registration deadline: March 30. Min. 5. Max. 20.

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# Sessions/Fee: 1/$20/$30 after March 30

Location: Park Foundation Pavilion, Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

**Butterfly Kisses**

May 4, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Learn how to plant a butterfly garden in this Pollinator Paradise Workshop. You’ll take home everything you need to give hungry butterflies a tasty pollen snack. Registration deadline: April 27. Min. 5. Max. 20.

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# Sessions/Fee: 1/$20/$30 after April 27

Location: Park Foundation Pavilion, Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

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Doggie Dress Up Day: Bow Wow Bow Ties

Saturday, April 13, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Riverfront Fort Wayne invites all fashion conscious pet lovers to “unleash” their fur-pal’s sense of style at an informal meet-up celebrating spring by busting out those bowties and hairbows. Show off your pet’s personality with the perfect neckwear or hairdo. Don’t forget to snap a paw-fect picture of your pooch’s style. No need to preregister; just show up to sniff some new friends and have a doggone good time. Dog owners and dogs can meet at the Auer Lawn. Note: The event area is not enclosed—please plan to keep your dog leashed and pick up after them.

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Volunteer Opportunities

Riverfront Fort Wayne is many things: public parks, a visionary organization, a community movement. We exist to delight, energize and unite our community through moving experiences and extraordinary places. We believe in our rivers and their ability to define and enrich our lives as year-round destinations. To provide all these experiences to our community, we need your help. By volunteering your time, not only do you help enrich the lives of our community, we hope that it enriches yours, too. For volunteer information contact Megan Butler at Megan.Butler@cityoffortwayne.org or 427-6248.

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Meet me at the Riverfront!
**Take a Tour**

**Swinney Homestead Tour and Lunch**

Travel back in time for lunch and a tour at the Thomas & Lucy Swinney House. The Swinney House is one of Fort Wayne's oldest homes. The 14-room mansion was owned by one of the richest families in Fort Wayne history and is surrounded by gardens. The event begins with a meal and refreshments being served at noon by Settler members. The meal will be an applesauce salad served on lettuce, hot chicken salad, vegetables, a roll and Russian Crème for dessert. A tour of the Swinney House begins after lunch. Parking is free at the Swinney House and the first floor is handicap accessible. Registration deadline: May 13. Min. 23 Max. 40.

Code Date Day Time
241600-W1 5/20 W 11:30 a.m.
# Sessions/Fee: 1/$22/$27 after May 13
Location: Swinney Homestead, 1424 W. Jefferson

**Walking Tours**

Put on your walking shoes, dress for the weather and join us for a walk through downtown Fort Wayne. Both tours depart from the Community Center at 9:30 am. The cost for each tour is $3 and may be paid when you arrive. Your tour guide for both walks is Keith Hood. Ages 50+.

**Hampton Inn and Suites**

Wednesday, April 15, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Our first destination today is the recently completed Hampton Inn & Suites on Jefferson Blvd. The 7-story hotel opened on July 18, 2019 and has 136 rooms, the only open-air rooftop lounge in town, the popular Burger Bar Restaurant at street level and premium suites overlooking Parkview Field. If time permits, we will also tour the Courtyard by Marriott on Harrison St. This newly renovated hotel features Conner’s Kitchen, a higher-class of casual, and is connected to the city’s largest event space, the Grand Wayne Convention Center, via a sky bridge. Sign up for this tour by April 8.

**Downtown Murals**

Wednesday, May 20, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Get an up-close look at some of the colorful and artistic murals gracing various streets, alleys and buildings in the downtown area. Artists have produced some very original and unique art forms while others have produced landmark art work of featured sites like the Allen County Courthouse, Lincoln Tower, and Embassy Theatre. Sign up for this tour by May 13.

**Day Trippers**

Pretend you are a tourist, step aboard an Excursion Trailways motor coach and join the “Day Trippers!” We will venture to Celina, Ohio for a tour of the Langsdon Rock and Mineral Collection and then to Bella’s Italian Grill on Grand Lake for lunch. Donuts and orange juice will be provided in the morning. The excursion fee covers transportation only and is non-refundable. Lunch expenses are not included, so please plan accordingly. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: March 30. Min. 15. Max. 25.

Code Date Day Time
241400-M1 4/13 M 9 am-4 pm
Fee: $10/$15 after March 30
Depart: 9:00 a.m. from Bob Arnold Park, Parnell Ave. at E. State Blvd.
Returns: 4:00 p.m.

Watch your mailbox for the Summer Fun Times on May 6.
Fun & Games
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Join organized Fun & Games or play on your own anytime between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Community Center. You may bring your own equipment or borrow ours from the information desk. There is no pre-registration for these ongoing programs. Just drop in and join the fun. Ages 50+. Drop-in fee: $1

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Many THANKS to the following for their contributions to our Fun & Games:
- Miller’s Merry Manor (Bingo)
- Heritage Park (Bingo & Free WIFI)
- Englewood Health & Rehab (Euchre)

Recreational Shuffleboard League
Wednesdays, April 22-May 27, 9:30 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Join us for shuffleboard fun and a little friendly competition. Preparation and set-up begins at 9:15 and games at 9:30. Prizes will be given to the top 3 places at the conclusion of the league. Call 427-6461 to sign up by April 15. Get ready to slide and push your way to the top! Drop in fee: $1

Wii Bowling League
Tuesdays, April 14- May 19, 1:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Wii Bowling is a great way to stay active! It promotes physical activity and helps to keep you on your mental game as well! Join us for fun and friendly competition at the Community Center! Call 427-6461 by April 7 to sign up.

Bingo
2nd and 4th Friday, 1:00 p.m.
March 13 & 27, April 10 & 24, May 8 & 22
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Prizes include snacks, canned goods and miscellaneous household items. Sponsored by Miller’s Merry Manor and Heritage Park. Fee: 3 cards/50¢

2020 Senior Games
June 1-18
Save the date! More than 500 active senior adults participated in the 2019 Senior Games. Mark your calendar and start “training” now for the 2020 Senior Games. Registration packets will be mailed in April. Call 427-6462 to be placed on our mailing list.

Introduction to Mah Jongg
Have you ever played Mah Jongg on your computer or hand held device? Come learn to play the real American Mah Jongg. You will learn the rules of the game, how to read the game card and develop a beginning strategy. Once you learn these basic skills, you will be on your way to a fun and enjoyable time with other Mah Jongg enthusiasts. Registration deadline March 21. Min. 3. Max. 4.

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Learn to Play Bridge
There are many reasons to play Bridge. It offers the suspense of poker, the cerebral qualities of chess and the excitement of athletic sports, all in a sociable setting where you’re a participant, not just a spectator. But most importantly, it is so much fun! That’s why it’s the world’s most popular card game. In the Beginner class, you will learn the card play involved, how to play your hand and bidding tools. You will be well on your way to becoming a Bridge player at the end of the 8-week class. In the Intermediate class, you will improve your problem-solving skills. Ages 50+. Instructor: Paul Knepper. Note: There will be no classes on May 25 and June 1. Registration deadline: April 6. Min. 8. Max. 16.

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# Sessions/Fee: 8/$21/$26 after April 6
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Community Center Hours: M-F 8-4:30 and Sat 8-12
Senior Tap
Tap dancing is fun at any age! Whether you’ve tapped before or just want to try something new, you are invited to join the fun! It is great exercise and a great way to spend a Thursday afternoon. You’ll learn dance techniques and performance skills. No previous experience is required. Tap shoes or hard sole shoes are recommended. Ages 50+. Instructor: Linda Mullenhour. Registration deadline: March 19. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Code Dates Day Time
Beginner 241210-R1 3/26-5/14 Th 3:30-4:15 pm
Advanced 241210-R2 3/26-5/14 Th 2:45-3:30 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 8/$15/$20 after January 9
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Alley Kats
The Alley Kats is a 15-member performing tap dance troupe made up entirely of active senior women 50 and over. Rehearsals are Mondays at 2:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 1:15 p.m. The Alley Kats are available to perform for your organization or private party. Most performances are scheduled on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. To audition for the troupe or to book the Alley Kats for your function, please call 427-6461.

Senior Aqua Fit
Aqua Fit is total body toning with many fun water resistance tools. The instructor will guide the class through various aerobic movements done to rhythmic music in the water. Aerobic movements are performed with the use of resistive and buoyancy equipment. Some of the benefits include:
- Burning more calories per minute than land exercise
- Decreased pain and muscle soreness
- Reduced swelling
- Increased strength and mobility
- Help in regaining range of motion and endurance
- Improved balance
- Help in maintaining fitness levels while injured
Instructors are provided by Corporate Health. Ages 50+. Registration deadlines: March 17 and March 19. Min. 8. Max. 45.

Code Dates Day Time
241319-W1 4/8-6/10 W 11:30-12:15 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 10/$67/$72 after April 1
Location: Turnstone, 3320 N. Clinton

Senior Yoga
Research has shown that exercise can slow down the effects of aging by improving health, wellness, strength, flexibility and endurance. The Yoga for Seniors program offers an individualized, safe and effective approach to help seniors at any fitness level improve the health of the respiratory, digestive, circulation and nervous systems. Yoga can help keep old age at bay, leading to good health habits, feelings of vitality and energy and a renewed zest for life. Ages 50+. Registration deadlines: March 17 and March 19. Min. 8. Max. 45.

Code Dates Day Time
241200-T1 3/24-5/12 T 12-1 pm
241200-R1 3/26-5/14 Th 12-1 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 8/$41/$46 after deadlines
Sign up for both Tuesday and Thursday classes for a reduced rate of $72 (16 sessions)
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Everyday Exercise
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:00-9:45 a.m. Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
The benefits of a daily exercise routine are too numerous to mention. The certified instructor will incorporate the use of handheld weights to help increase cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength, flexibility, balance and mobility. Please consult your doctor before beginning any new exercise program. You may attend this drop-in program at any time. Ages 50+. Orange juice is provided by Miller’s Merry Manor. Drop-in fee: $1/class

The Community Center will be CLOSED Monday, May 25, Memorial Day
Arthritis Foundation Exercise
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:00-10:45 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
The Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program is a recreational exercise program designed for anyone with arthritis or related rheumatic disease and/or joint problems (hip/knee replacement, stroke, etc.). If you are just beginning to exercise, this class is a good start. It is designed to improve strength and flexibility, reduce pain caused by arthritis and other ailments and increase mobility. You can attend this drop-in program at any time. Ages 50+. Orange juice is provided by Miller’s Merry Manor. Drop-in fee: $1/class

Cardio Flex
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11:00-11:45 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Cardio Flex is for those individuals who desire a more intensive workout than offered in Arthritis Foundation Exercise program. It is designed for active seniors and consists of 20-30 minutes of cardiovascular exercise designed to help decrease fat mass and lower resting heart rate and cholesterol levels. You will be using light to medium dumbbells to increase muscular strength and flexibility. Prior participation is not required; however, we recommend you consult your doctor before beginning any exercise program. You can attend this program at any time. Orange juice is provided by Miller’s Merry Manor. Ages 50+. Drop-in fee: $1/class

Walking Group
Wednesdays, April 15-May 27, 11:00 am
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Would you like to get some fresh air and enjoy a nice walk? Join us for a fun mile walk while enjoying the company of others. We will walk different routes through the downtown area. Some of the walks will include a stop at various locations for a quick tour. Please call 427-6460 to sign-up the Monday before each walk; there is no fee to participate in these walks.

A Walk in the Wetlands
Thursday, May 28, 9:30 a.m.
Eagle Marsh Nature Preserve, 6801 Engle Rd.
Join us for a talk and walk in the wetlands at Eagle Marsh Nature Preserve. We will meet at the Eagle Marsh trailhead and learn about how this large urban wetland is helping our community’s quality of life. Wetlands not only provide cleaner water, but also are a great place to experience and photograph wildlife. After the talk, join the group for a short guided walk down the paved multi-use Towpath Trail. Dress for possible wet conditions at the marsh. This activity is free; however, you will need to call 427-6460 to register by May 21.

Tuesday Movies
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Join us for an afternoon at the movies! Most features are recent releases and admission is FREE. Show time is 1:30 p.m. Space is limited. Please call 427-6460 by the Monday prior to each movie to reserve your seat. Tuesday movies are sponsored by Miller’s Merry Manor.

March 3 .................................................. Poms
March 17 .................................................. Downton Abbey
April 7 .................................................... Judy
April 21 .................................................. Maleficent: Mistress of Evil
May 5 ................................................... Gemini Man
May 19 .................................................. Ford v Ferrari

Monday Luncheons
Bring a friend or two and join us for these special Monday luncheons. We’ll begin serving at 11:30 a.m., but you are invited to come earlier and enjoy cards or table games with other fun-loving folks. You may resume play after lunch if you wish. The lunch is $4/person. Paid reservations are required by the previous Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Reservation fees cannot be refunded. At each luncheon there will be a short presentation by the sponsor. Ages 50+.

Monday, March 16, 11:30 a.m.
“St. Patrick’s Party”
Sponsor: Canterbury Health and Rehabilitation

Monday, April 20, 11:30 a.m.
“Spring Fever”
Sponsor: Coventry Meadows

Monday, May 18, 11:30 a.m.
“Flower Power”
Sponsor: Life Care Center of Fort Wayne

Questions? 427-6460

Drop in and join the fun!
Curious About Crochet

One of the greatest things about crochet is that you don’t have to invest in fancy, new materials or find room in your house to store a bunch of equipment. With just a simple hook, a skein of yarn and a nice, comfy place to sit, you can begin enjoying all the benefits this craft provides. We’ll get you started with a few basic stitches and show you how to read a pattern. You’ll leave this class with a Granny Square lap afghan and a new hobby. Please bring to class a size K crochet hook and one skein of 4-ply yarn in a light color. (Once you’ve begun your new hobby, join us for Hooked on Crochet below.) Ages 50+. Instructor: Berniece Wilkins. Registration deadline: March 20. Min. 4. Max. 12.

Hooked on Crochet

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Wednesdays & Fridays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Are you hooked on crochet? Come join the fun! Show off your latest creation, collect new ideas and get a little work done on your latest project. (Crochet instruction is offered in “Curious About Crochet.”) Ages 50+. No need to call ahead. Drop-in fee: $1

Crop till you Drop

Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

More people every year are discovering the joy of scrapbooking! When crafters get together to scrapbook it is called “cropping.” This hobby is relaxing while at the same time creates unique family and friend albums to keep and share. Meet other scrapbookers and make new friends with similar interests. We will share ideas and work on our own projects. If you’ve been considering scrapbooking for a while but were intimidated by the prospect of starting, this class is for you! With a bit of practice, you’ll soon be creating scrapbooks that will be the envy of all your friends! Ages 50+. There is no need to call ahead just drop in! Drop-in fee: $1

Creative Quilting

Thursdays, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

It’s like an old fashioned quilting bee! Bring your latest quilting project and work on it beside other quilters. Share tips, ideas and patterns and make new friends who share your passion. We have large work tables and an iron and ironing board for pressing. (Please bring your own portable sewing machine if you need one.) Ages 50+. There is no need to call ahead. Drop-in fee: $1

Behind the Easel: Oil or Acrylic

Join us behind the easel and take your pick: oil or acrylic. Nationally certified and accredited art instructor, Marilyn Copeland, will guide you through this independent study. Please bring a photo or art instructional book by your favorite artist. You will receive a supply list when you register. Ages 50+. Registration deadline: March 9. Min. 5. Max. 12.

Creative & Crafty

Creative Quilting

Thursdays, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

It’s like an old fashioned quilting bee! Bring your latest quilting project and work on it beside other quilters. Share tips, ideas and patterns and make new friends who share your passion. We have large work tables and an iron and ironing board for pressing. (Please bring your own portable sewing machine if you need one.) Ages 50+. There is no need to call ahead. Drop-in fee: $1

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Code Dates Day Time
241301-M1 3/16-4/20 M 1:30-4 pm

# Sessions/Fee: 6/$73/$78 after March 9
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Crop till you Drop

Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

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Community Center Rental

The Community Center at 233 W. Main Street offers beautiful, flexible space for large and small events. The Center is audio-visually equipped and has a full service kitchen facility. Alcohol is permitted at the Center and there are no restrictions on catering. Call Billy at 427-6463 for details and the full range of options or check our website at www.fortwayneparks.org.
Diabetic Screening
Diabetes affects approximately 25 million people or 8.3% of the U.S. population. While an estimated 18 million have been diagnosed, 7 million are unaware they have the disease. Sunshine Home Health Care will offer FREE diabetes screenings at the Community Center on the first Thursday of the month. No appointment is required.

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Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

How’s Your Hearing?
Approximately 28 million Americans or about one in every ten people in this country, have some hearing loss. Many don’t even know it. Audiologist Dr. Zach Burkle conducts FREE hearing screenings at the Community Center on the first Tuesday of each month. The screening only takes 15 minutes. Please call 427-6460 to make your appointment and arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled time. Ages 50+.

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Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Legal Counseling
Beers, Mallers, Backs & Salin, L.L.C. attorneys are at the Community Center on the morning of the first Friday of every month to answer your legal questions. Please call 427-6460 to make an appointment. This FREE service is offered to people age 50 and over.

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Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

A trained SHIP counselor is available on the first and third Thursday of every month to answer your questions about Medicare, Medigap (supplement to Medicare), Prescription Drug Plans and Advantage Plans. Get a detailed explanation of Medicare coverage and learn the differences between Medigap and Advantage Plans and when an additional prescription drug plan is necessary. Please bring a list of your prescription drugs, as well as the strength and how often it is taken. Call 427-6460 to schedule an appointment. This service is free and not affiliated with any insurance agency.

Day     Dates     Time
Thur    3/5, 3/19; 4/2, 4/16; 9 am-12 pm
        5/7, 5/21

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Free Tax Preparation

Thru April 15
Mon, Wed, Fri, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W Main St.

AARP has teamed up with the IRS to offer free Federal and Indiana state income tax preparation for seniors (ages 55+) at the Community Center. (This service uses IRS E-file only.) Please bring the following information with you: Social Security card for everyone on the return, current W-2 forms, 1099 statements, property tax receipts to qualify for a reduction on the Indiana Tax Return, a copy of your 2019 tax return forms, other income and deduction records. Indiana residents age 65 and older by December 31 of the tax year who earned less than $10,000 should file a tax return with the state. You could be eligible for a refund under Indiana’s Unified Tax Credit for the elderly. If you are interested in being a volunteer to help prepare taxes at the Community Center, please call 427-6461.

Volunteer and Instructor Opportunities

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Parks and Recreation is not just for kids! We offer numerous opportunities for retirees and senior citizens to join our family of over 200 volunteers and become involved in Community Center programs and operations. As a Community Center volunteer, you will find satisfaction in being of service to the community, develop your interests, and make new acquaintances. You may choose to volunteer on a regular weekly schedule or on an occasional basis. Please call 427-6461 for more information. Examples of volunteer positions include:

- Information Desk Staff
- Volunteer and Paid Class Instructors
- Daytime Experienced Tap Dancers
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Raised Garden Bed Helpers
- Bingo Caller
- Music Education
- Fitness and Conditioning Coordinator
- Excursion Tour Escorts
- Craft Coordinators and Assistants
- Special Event Helpers
- Shuffle Board League Coordinator
- Cleaning Assistants
- Brain Teaser Leader
- AARP Tax Preparers
  (February-April, training in January)

Monthly Organization Meetings

The following organizations hold monthly meetings at the Community Center, 233 W. Main St. For more information about any of these organizations, you may attend a meeting or call 427-6460 for a contact name and phone number.

- Socrates Café
  Tuesdays, 3/3, 17; 4/7, 17; 5/5, 19; 2-4 pm
- Disorderly Bears
  Thursdays, 3/12, 4/9, 5/14, 6:30-8:30 pm

Thank You to Our Sponsors

Life Care Center of Fort Wayne
American Senior Communities
Heritage Park

Winter Carnival  Holiday Dinner and Light Tour  Volunteer Luncheon

Many thanks to our sponsors and volunteers!
Unwind Your Mind

Activities for Those with Signs of Early Dementia
Call 427-6460 or 427-6466 to register for these programs.

Acrylic Painting
Paint a picture and take it home the same day! You’ll be guided step-by-step from blank canvas to your finished painting, learn how to load the brushes, paint wet into wet and blend colors as you go. All necessary supplies will be provided. Max. 8.

Date Day Time
3/17 T 1:30 pm
# Sessions/Fee: 1/$25
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Hand Building Clay Pottery
Come experience pottery at its best. You’ll hand build a project as well as try out a pottery wheel. Instructors: Brandon Furniss (weekdays) and Onie Mensch (Saturdays). Max. 8.

Date Day Time
3/14 Sa 11:30 am-1 pm
4/13 M 11:30 am-1 pm
4/4 Sa 11:30 am-1 pm
# Sessions/Fee: 1/$12
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Bingo
March 13, 27; April 10, 24; May 8, 22, 1:00 p.m.
Bingo is held at 1:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. Prizes are snacks, canned goods and miscellaneous household items. Fee: 3 cards/50¢. Sponsored by Miller’s Merry Manor and Heritage Park.

Relaxation Station: Adult Coloring
Mondays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
March 16, April 20, May 18
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Who doesn’t like to color? Listen to relaxing music; visit with your neighbor and color till your heart’s content using colored pencils. No pre-registration is necessary. Just drop in! Drop-in Fee: $1. Note: Our monthly Monday Luncheons are on the same dates, so make plans to stay for lunch.

Walking Group
Wednesdays, April 15-May 27, 11:00 am
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Would you like to get outside and enjoy a nice walk through Downtown Fort Wayne? Join us for a fun mile walk while enjoying the company of others. We will walk different routes through the downtown area. Some of the walks will include a stop at various locations for a quick tour. Please call 427-6460 to sign-up by the Monday before each walk. There is no fee to participate in these walks.

Living with Alzheimer’s
Monday, March 23, 3:30-5:00 pm
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
In the late stage of Alzheimer’s disease, caregiving typically involves new ways of connecting and interacting with the person with the disease. Join us for this presentation and hear from caregivers and professionals about resources, monitoring care and providing a meaningful connection for the person with late-stage Alzheimer’s and their families. This seminar is free; however, you will need to call 427-6460 by March 16 to register.

More Unwind Activities

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Meaningful, Creative, Social
Healthy People
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
The following educational sessions are sponsored by IU School of Nursing and provide information on important healthcare topics. These sessions are free and include blood pressure screenings. The nursing students will be set up in the lobby, so just stop by!

Optimal Mental Health as We Age
Tuesday, March 3, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
• What are signs of depression and anxiety?
• Community connections to mental health services
• Protective factors for mental health

Managing your Blood Pressure like a Professional
Monday, March 16, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
• Tips on how diet, exercise and stress affect blood pressure
• What “numbers” are good blood pressure readings?
• Education on good and bad diet choices

Preventative Health Measures… Doing All You Can to Stay Healthy
Wednesday, March 25, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
• Recommended health screenings for older adults
• CDC recommended exercise guidelines for older adults
• Immunizations recommended for older adults
• Information display on immunizations and the diseases they prevent

Injury Prevention in the Older Adult
Thursday, April 16, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
• How to assess your home for fall risks
• What impact do falls have on health outcomes for older adults?
• Display of common fall risks in the home and easy preventative measures

Fall Risk Assessment
Thursday, March 26, April 23 & May 28
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
More than 1/3 of adults 65 and older fall each year and 20-30% of people who fall suffer moderate to severe injuries. Integrity Physical Therapy of Indiana is offering 20 minute appointments on the 4th Thursday of the month to help you identify if you are at risk for falling. They will also provide you with education on risk factors and fall prevention strategies. Call 427-6460 to reserve your FREE appointment. Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment to check in. If there are openings or no shows walk-ins will be welcome.

Eating Smart & Moving More
Thursdays, May 7-28, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Eating Smart and Moving More provides FREE information on food, nutrition and exercise. Learn to plan nutritious meals, be active, handle food safely, spend food dollars wisely, and improve food purchasing and preparation skills. You can also earn a free cookbook and handy kitchen items just by attending! This program is free, however, pre-registration is required. Please call 427-6460 by April 30 to sign up.

Greet & Eat
Tuesday, May 26, 10:00 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
This fun and social program is sponsored by Miller’s Health Systems. They will be serving a continental breakfast and offering opportunities to win prizes! This “Greet & Eat” is free to participate and will be offered quarterly. Also, you could plan on attending the exercise classes for $1 before and after the “Greet and Eat!” See Everyday Exercise and Cardio Flex in the Fun after Fifty section. Pre-registration is required by May 19 for the “Greet and Eat.” Call 427-6460 to sign up. Space is limited.

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Massage Therapy
Tuesdays, March 10, April 14, & May 12
10:30-11:30 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Come to the Community Center and learn about the benefits of Massage Therapy first hand!
• Helps to identify muscle imbalances
• Improves circulation by improving blood flow
• Improves flexibility by reducing tightness in soft tissue
• Reduces stress by the release of endorphins
First come/first served appointments from 10:30-11:30 a.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The cost is $5 for a 10 minute therapy session by Integrity Physical Therapy of Indiana.

New Technologies in Hip and Knee Replacements
Wednesday, March 18, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main Street
The Orthopedic Hospital/Fort Wayne Orthopedics recently purchased new and innovative technology in the form of a robot named MAKO that aids in hip and knee replacement. MAKO allows surgeons, for the first time in Northeast Indiana, to perform robotic-assisted hip and knee replacements. This technology allows surgeons to plan and execute patient specific operative plans. The team of orthopedic surgeons at Fort Wayne Orthopedics and The Orthopedic Hospital are interested in educating the public concerning joint health and the numerous surgical and non-surgical treatment options for joint pain and living with arthritis. This presentation offers guests the opportunity to ask questions and interact with peers in a relaxed and informal setting. Lunch will be provided. Please call 427-6460 by March 11 to sign up for this free seminar.

Senior Fraud and Scams
Friday, March 13, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Seniors are the most common victims of fraud and scams. Learn how to identify common scams and the steps you can take to protect yourself. This free seminar is presented by the Office of Indiana Attorney General. This program is free, however, pre-registration is required. Please call 427-6460 to sign up by March 6.

Living with Alzheimer’s for Late-Stage Caregivers
Monday, March 23, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
In the late stage of Alzheimer’s disease, caregiving typically involves new ways of connecting and interacting with the person with the disease. Join us for this presentation and hear from caregivers and professionals about resources, monitoring care and providing a meaningful connection for the person with late-stage Alzheimer’s and their families. This seminar is free; however, you will need to call 427-6460 by March 16 to register.

Dementia Conversations: Driving, Doctor Visits, Legal & Financial Planning
Monday, May 11, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
This is an educational workshop offered by the Alzheimer’s Association that offers helpful tips to assist families in having honest and caring conversations with family members about dementia. The workshop reinforces the need to plan ahead and build a care team that communicates well in order to reduce the stress that can accompany a disease like Alzheimer’s and connects you with helpful resources to enhance quality of life for everyone involved. This seminar is free; however, you will need to call 427-6460 by May 4 to register.

Advanced Care Planning
Monday, March 16, 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 6, 10:30 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Have you thought about who would make medical decisions for you in the event that you are unable to make them for yourself? The Advance Care Planning team from Parkview Health will be here to discuss Advance Care Planning, the process of thinking and talking about what type of medical care you would want should you not be able to speak for yourself. We invite you to attend this session to start the conversation surrounding your wishes. We encourage you to bring the person you think you would like to make decisions for you if needed; however, this is not required to attend the session. This program is free, however, pre-registration is required. Please call 427-6460 to sign up by March 9 and April 29.

All seminars are FREE!
Cemetery/Funeral Home Workshop
Tuesday, April 14,  6:00-7:30 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Find out what you need to know before making pre-
arrangements with cemeteries and funeral homes. Helpul information for veterans is also included.
Presenter Sarah (Schwehn) McMillan has 30 years of professional experience in the cemetery and funeral home industry. This informational seminar is free, however, pre-registration is required. Call 427-6460 by April 7 to reserve your spot.

Retirement Income Planning
Thursday, April 23, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Retirement income planning is the process of understanding how much income you’ll need during your retirement years to support the retirement lifestyle that you want and positioning your assets to provide that income efficiently. While there is no such thing as a “one size fits all” plan, there are steps that you can take to maximize the possibility of a financially secure retirement. In this workshop, you will learn:
• How to plan for when your retirement will begin (including the impact of early retirement, delayed retirement and working during retirement) and planning for the lifestyle that you want
• Steps to estimate the amount of money you’ll need in retirement to meet your goals factoring in health care costs, taxes, and inflation
• How to supplement fixed income sources such as Social Security and employer pensions with your retirement savings, choosing a sustainable withdrawal rate, and the options for tapping into various accounts
A workbook will be provided that includes key information, worksheets, and questions to help you remember important points from the workshop. This workshop is free, however pre-registration is required. You may reserve your seat by calling 427-6460 by April 16.

Savvy Social Security Planning
Thursday, May 21, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
The decisions you make today will have a tremendous impact on the amount of Social Security benefits you will receive over your lifetime. This workshop will help you determine how much you can expect to receive, when to apply, and how to maximize your benefits. Learn the rules for spousal benefits and much more. This seminar is free, however, pre-registration is required. Please call 427-6460 to register by May 14.

Investment Basics
Tuesday, March 17,  6:00-7:30 pm
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
The best investing strategy is a carefully planned and prepared approach to managing and accumulating money. A well-planned strategy can help you meet your short-term, mid-term, and long-term financial goals. Investment planning requires discipline and patience, but it doesn’t have to be difficult. In this seminar you will learn:
• Investment fundamentals, including the effects of inflation and compounding
• How to identify financial goals and time horizons
• How to measure your risk tolerance and the relationship between risk and return
• The difference between cash equivalents, bonds, stocks and mutual funds, and the importance of asset allocation
You’ll also receive a free workbook that contains key information, worksheets, and questions to help you remember important points from the seminar. The workshop is free, however pre-registration is required. You may reserve your seat by calling 427-6460 by March 10.

Estate Planning in Today’s World
Wednesday, April 8, 1:00-3:00 pm
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.
Estate Planning is important for people of all ages – now more than ever. With the new laws coming from Washington, you need to get informed. Elder Law Attorney, Stephen Adair, will discuss your planning options and answer your questions. Please call 427-6460 by Monday, April 1 to reserve your seat for this FREE information seminar. Ages 25+.
New & Improved

In 2013, the Fort Wayne City Council voted favorably on one of the most important initiatives in the history of the City of Fort Wayne. They demonstrated leadership by passing a financial plan for the future that will sustain our community and position us for success. Numerous improvement projects were completed in 2019 with many still in the works. For a comprehensive list of ongoing projects, please visit our website:

fortwayneparks.org/parks/invest

Some of the projects begun and/or completed in 2019 include:

- Promenade Park
- Salomon Farm Park Homestead Restoration
- Botanical Conservatory Connector
- Freimann Square Pool Liner Replacement
- Franke Park Master Plan Finalized
- Weisser Youth Center Roof Improvement
- Community Center Multi-Purpose Room Floor
- McMillen/Northside Pool Shade Structures
- Guldlin Park Dock/Ramp Improvements
- Foster Park Golf Course Cart Paths
- Franke Park Spy Run Creek Improvements
- Johnny Appleseed Park Restrooms

fortwayneparks.org
**Trek the Trails**

**Tuesdays, 6:10 p.m.**

Fort Wayne has one of the finest trail systems in the Midwest with over 120 miles of trail winding through the city. Join local trail users for weekly bike rides this spring to experience Fort Wayne on 2 wheels. You’ll love reconnecting with nature along the linear parkways of the Rivergreenway or learning the history of the Wabash & Erie Canal along the Towpath Trail or enjoying the many miles of new trails throughout the Greater Fort Wayne area. Load up your family and bikes and join the fun! Participants are asked to wear helmets and bring water along for the ride. All participants ride at their own risk. Tuesday rides will continue through the summer. Rides begin promptly at 6:10 p.m. For more information, call the City of Fort Wayne Greenways & Trails Office at 427-6228 or Fort Wayne Trails, Inc. at 969-0079.

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**Settlers’ Art & History Tour/Lunch**

**Thursday, March 19, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

Settlers, Inc. invites you for a tour and lunch at the Thomas and Lucy Swinney House and a Art and History of the Allen County Courthouse. The program begins at the Swinney Homestead where parking is free and the first floor of the house is handicap accessible. The luncheon will be served by Settler members. Following lunch, guests will depart from the Swinney House and meet at the Allen County Courthouse, 715 S. Calhoun Street. Space is limited, so make your reservations early. Reservations and payment must be received by March 12. Fee: $25. Call 747-1229 or 747-1501 for registration information. Settlers, Inc. reserves the right to alter or cancel this event at any time. Proceeds from this event support the Historic Swinney Homestead.

**Swinney Homestead Open House and Tea**

**Friday, May 1, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

The Historic Swinney House and Herb Garden will be open free to the public today. Enjoy early Americana music by Hearthstone Ensemble in the morning, a bake sale, wool spinning and refreshments. Registrations for 2020-2021 Settlers, Inc. hand-arts programs will be taken at the event, as well. New members are welcome.

**Settlers, Inc. Annual Herb and Perennial Plant Sale**

**Friday, May 1, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

The annual Settlers’ Plant Sale will be held at the Swinney Homestead in the basement with perennial diggings on the back lawn. Donations of perennial plants from your garden are appreciated. Contact Norene at (260) 637-8622. Proceeds from this event support Fort Wayne’s Historic Swinney Homestead. **www.settlersinc.org**
Headwaters Ice Skating Rink will remain open for the 2019-20 season through March 1.

**Hours**
- Monday-Thursday: 1-8 pm
- Friday: 12-10 pm
- Saturday: 11 am-10 pm
- Sunday: 12-8 pm

**Admission**
- Age 13 and under: $3
- Age 14 and over: $5
- Skate Rental: $3
- Spectators & Parking: FREE

Gift certificates and skating passes are available at the rink office (422-7625) or the Headwaters Park Alliance office (425-5745).

**Kids Skate FREE Days**
Kids age 13 and under skate FREE every Wednesday. Skate rental $3.

Headwaters Park Ice Rink also offers concessions, skate sharpening services, and private ice rentals (during non-public skating hours).

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**Give the Gift of Fun**

**Gift Cards in Any Amount**
Our gift cards may be used for:
- Classes
- Workshops
- Facility Rentals
- Dog Park Memberships
- Day Camps
- Conservatory Gift Shop & Sales Garden
- Greens Fees
- Golf Memberships
- Botanical Conservatory Memberships
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- Trips & Tours

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**Golf Course Membership**
- Foster • McMillen • Shoaff • 3-Way

**Botanical Conservatory Membership**

**Pawster Park/Camp Canine Membership**

**Zoo Membership**

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*Last chance for ice skating at Headwaters!*
We Rent for Your Event

Athletic Fields
Do we have fields? You name the sport, we have a place to play! Call us at 427-6003 if your team needs a place to practice or you’re looking for a place to hold your company tournament.

Botanical Conservatory
The Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, located in the heart of downtown Fort Wayne at 1100 S. Calhoun St., is a popular site for weddings, receptions, corporate events and other festive occasions as well as business meetings, conferences, seminars and memorials. A variety of rooms and spaces are available on weekdays or weekends, during or after public hours. Call 427-6444 for reservation information.

Bridal Glen/Foster Garden
The Bridal Glen is the choice of many brides, with its strategically placed trellises and gazebo all nestled among the colorful floral displays in Foster Garden. The Bridal Glen may be reserved in 2-hour increments beginning as early as 8:00 a.m. and up to a year in advance. The fee is $50. Reserve on-line at www.fortwayneparks.org, call 427-6000 to reserve by phone, or stop by our office at 705 E. State Blvd.

Community Center
The Community Center at 233 West Main Street offers beautiful, flexible space for receptions, reunions, meetings, performances, dances, office parties, seminars and more. The Center is audio-visually equipped and has a full service kitchen facility. Alcohol is permitted at the Center and there are no restrictions on catering. Call 427-6460 for details and options.

Foellinger Theatre
With comfortable theatre seating, full stage, sound and lighting systems, the Foellinger Theatre is ideal for talent shows, seminars, entertainment events and other large gatherings. The theatre can accommodate over 2,700 people. Call 427-6018 for more information.

Freimann Square
Freimann Square is available for public rental through the summer months. The park features a 20’ x 30’ stage surrounded by beautifully landscaped flowerbeds and a central fountain. Call 427-6003 for information.

Salomon Farm Park
The peaceful setting of this park makes the elegant rental spaces perfect for weddings, receptions, reunions, concerts, dances, and many other special events. For more information visit www.fortwayneparks.org or contact our rental coordinator at janelle.windsor@cityoffortwayne.org or 427-6790. Old Barn rentals are May-October only. The Wolf Family Learning Center may be rented year round with the exception of June and July.

Lakeside Rose Garden
If you’ve always dreamed of an outdoor wedding in a peaceful sunken garden surrounded by Greek style pergolas and the fragrant beauty of thousands of roses, you are in luck. The Lakeside Rose Garden has all of this and it can be reserved in two-hour increments beginning as early as 8:00 a.m. and up to a year in advance. The fee is $50. Call 427-6000 to make your reservation by phone, reserve on-line at www.fortwayneparks.org or stop by our office at 705 E. State Blvd.

McMillen Park Community Center Rentals
The McMillen Park Community Center has a space for every event. Let us host your family reunion, birthday party, baby shower, basketball tournament, conference, group meeting, wedding reception or other event. We have a variety of room sizes depending on the needs of your group. Alcohol is permitted at the Center. Please contact Percinta Hunter, Program Coordinator at (260) 427-2420 for additional information.

Park Pavilions
The Parks and Recreation Department maintains 21 pavilions at various locations throughout the city parks. Pavilions may be reserved for your special occasion or event from May through October. Some pavilions are available year-round. Pavilions may be reserved up to 12 months in advance. They vary in seating capacity and amenities and range in price from $39 to $168 per day on weekdays and from $44-$239 per day on weekends. Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance and can be made on-line (www.fortwayneparks.org) or in person at the Parks and Recreation Department.
Things to Know

Before you sign up . . .

- You will receive a registration confirmation by e-mail if you register on-line. Please plan to attend your class or activity at the stated time, unless you are otherwise notified. Registrations are processed in the order they are received at the Registration Office.

- If the program or session for which you have registered is full, you will be notified by phone so you may choose another session or program, be placed on a waiting list, or request a refund.

- Checks should be made payable to Board of Park Commissioners.

- Please indicate on your registration form if you need ADA accommodations.

- Returned checks will be assessed a $10 service fee.

- If you need additional registration forms, please use plain paper or a Xerox copy.

- We reserve the right to cancel a class due to insufficient enrollment.

- We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department is to enhance the quality of life in Fort Wayne by providing positive opportunities for leisure time and by being stewards of our parklands, facilities, public trees, and other resources entrusted to our care.

Phone Numbers

Administrative Offices .................. 427-6000
Botanical Conservatory ................. 427-6440
Children’s Zoo .......................... 427-6800
Community Center ..................... 427-6460
Cooper Center .......................... 427-6728
Foellinger Theatre ....................... 427-6018
Foster Golf Course ..................... 427-6735
Hurshtown Reservoir .................... 627-3390
Jennings Center ......................... 427-6700
Lawton Park Maintenance .............. 427-6400
Lifetime Sports Academy ............. 427-6760
McMillen Park Community Center ... 427-2420
McMillen Golf Course ................... 427-6710
Salomon Farm Park ..................... 427-6790
Shoaff Golf Course ..................... 427-6745
Weisser Center .......................... 427-6780

Photo/Video Image Use Consent and Release

Participation in or attendance at programs or events sponsored by the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department (the “Department”) constitutes the voluntary consent of the participant or attendee to be photographed, filmed or videotaped by a Department representative and the reproduction and use of all such photographs, digital images, films and likenesses for publicity purposes in publications, brochures, advertisements, promotional and marketing materials and all other media venues including the World Wide Web, all without further notice or compensation to participant or attendee who hereby releases to the Department all proprietary rights and copyrights in all such photographs, digital images, films and likenesses (including negatives, positives and prints) which shall be and remain the property of the Department.

If you see your picture anywhere in this brochure, come to the registration office at 705 E. State Blvd. and receive a $10 gift card.

This program receives Federal funds from the National Park Service. Regulations of the US Department of the Interior strictly prohibit unlawful discrimination in departmental Federally Assisted Programs on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or handicap.

Any person who believes that he or she has been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility operated by a recipient of Federal Assistance should write to: Director, Equal Opportunity Program, U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, D.C. 20013-7127.

Reasonable accommodations for persons with a known disabling condition will be considered in accordance with State and Federal Law. Any person needing a reasonable accommodation should notify the Department when registering for a program or at least 72 hours prior to a special event or activity.
6 Ways to Sign Up

1) On-Line
You may register on-line with your MasterCard, Visa or Discover at www.fortwayneparks.org and selecting Online Services. Available 24 hours a day!

2) By Phone
You can register over the telephone with a Visa, MasterCard or Discover. Please have all the information requested on the registration form ready before you call. Call 427-6000, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

3) By Mail
Simply complete the registration form (or copy of one) and send it to the address on the form. Please use one registration form per household. Your registration must be received before the registration deadline.

4) In Person
You may register in person by coming to the Parks and Recreation Department at 705 E. State Blvd. (corner of State and Parnell), Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. or you may register at the Community Center, 233 W. Main St., Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

5) Drop Box
If our office is closed, you may drop your registration in the 24-hour drop box located at the front entrance of our building at 705 E. State Blvd.

6) By Fax
FAX a completed registration form to us at (260) 427-6020. Be sure to include your Visa, MasterCard or Discover number, expiration date and CVV code. Available 24 hours a day!

Refund Policy
Refunds will be processed upon request for pavilion reservations, recreation classes, leagues, and other programs in accordance with the following policy:

1. Full refunds will be made upon cancellation of a class or activity by the Parks and Recreation Department.
2. Full refunds less a processing and handling fee of $5 or 10% (whichever is greater) will be granted to individuals and/or teams if requested one business day before the program begins.
3. Refunds requested less than one business day prior to the beginning of a program or activity may be granted only for illness or medical reasons. These refunds will be pro-rated and issued in the form of a credit to your account with us, which may then be applied to a future purchase.
4. The outdoor wedding fee is not refundable; however, the event may be rescheduled within 364 days for a charge of 20% of the rental fee.
5. Refunds for cancelled pavilion reservations shall be granted as follows:
   • 6 or more months notice - Refund minus deposit or transfer with a $5 or 10% (whichever is greater) processing fee.
   • 3-5 months notice - Refund minus deposit and 20% processing fee or transfer with a 20% processing fee
   • 1-2 months notice - No refund.
   • Less than 1 month notice - No refund/No transfer
6. Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for processing refunds. MasterCard, Visa and Discover refunds are credited to your account immediately.

Inclement Weather Policy
If Fort Wayne Community Schools close due to inclement weather, all Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation classes will also be canceled. If the Mayor declares a snow emergency, all Parks and Recreation facilities and programs will be closed or canceled. Weather-related cancellations will be posted on Facebook.
Registration Form

In order to accept registrations for you and your family members, we must first set up your “household” in our computer. Once your “Household Set-Up” is completed, you may simply fill out the “Registration Information” on the lower portion of this form to register for future programs. Please inform us any time your household information changes.

Please make checks payable to Board of Park Commissioners.

Household Set-Up

Head of Household:
First Name_________________________ Last Name_________________________ Gender: M / F
Birth date ___/___/_______ E-mail address__________
Address _____________________________________________________________
City_________________________ State ________ Zip Code ________________

Home Phone (_________ )_________-_________ Work Phone: (_________ )_________-_________
Emergency Phone (_________ )_________-_________ Cell Phone (_________ )_________-_________

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Name as printed on card: ________________________________

- Please initial to indicate you have read and understand the refund policy on page 74.

Complete a separate form for each household and return with payment to: Fort Wayne Parks & Recreation Department, 705 E. State Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46805.
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Board of Park Commissioners
705 East State Boulevard
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

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- Public Safety
- Basic Needs and Hardship Assistance
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- Economic and Workforce Development

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