

Fun Times

Summer 2024
June-August

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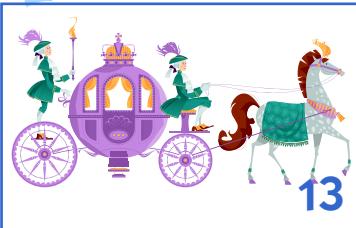
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Pre-school Play Time

Aspiring Athletes



Pee Wee Golf Tour

It's not a pro tour, but it's just as much fun! The Pee Wee Golf Tour allows boys and girls ages 3-11 to test their skills against other young golfers on a variety of area courses. Awards will be given at each tournament. (Junior Golf Tour for ages 12-18 is on page 9.) Register online at fortwayneparks.org. Sponsored by Parkview Sports Medicine.

Event	Date	Deadline
Shoaff Front 9	6/5	5/29
McMillen Back 9	6/20	6/12
Canterbury Green	7/5	6/26
Shoaff Back 9	7/10	7/5
McMillen	7/17-18	7/11

Fees: Ages 3-5 (3 holes) \$9
 Ages 6-9 (6 holes) \$11
 Ages 10-11 (9 holes) \$13



Tennis for Tots

Tennis for Tots focuses on building all the skills which form the foundations of tennis (and pretty much all other sports) . . . running, jumping, twisting, turning, hopping, balancing, receiving, sending, coordination and agility. Please bring your own junior tennis racket and come ready for fun on the court! Ages 3-4. Registration deadlines are one week prior to the start of class. Min. 7. Max. 14.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
Bob Arnold Park Tennis Courts, Parnell at E. State			
345703-A1	6/3-6/19	M, W	8:15-8:45 am
345703-A2	7/9-7/25	T, Th	8:15-8:45 am
345703-A3	6/3-6/19	M, W	5-5:30 pm
345703-A4	7/9-7/25	T, Th	5-5:30 pm
Shoaff Park Tennis Courts, 6401 St. Joe Rd.			
345703-A6	6/3-6/19	M, W	5-5:30 pm
345703-A7	7/9-7/25	T, Th	5-5:30 pm
Kreager Park Tennis Courts, 7711 North River Rd.			
345703-A8	6/4-6/20	T, Th	4-4:30 pm
345704-A9	7/8-7/24	M, W	4-4:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$47/\$52 after deadlines



Sports Sampler

*Adult/Child

This may be the only preschool class where dribbling, kicking and hitting are not only allowed, but encouraged! Your child will be introduced to basketball, soccer and t-ball to give them a basic understanding and sampling of each. The last day will incorporate fun games and activities in each sport. Ages 2-4. Registration deadlines: May 27 and July 1. Min. 7. Max. 10.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343008-A1	6/3-6/6	M-Th	9-9:45 am
Location: Shoaff Park Riverlodge, 6401 St. Joe Rd.			
343008-B1	7/8-7/11	M-Th	9-9:45 am
Location: Sunrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.			

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$40/\$45 after deadlines

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Youth Scholarships

Available to youth through age 18:

- Must meet specific income qualifications
- May receive one scholarship per year, maximum \$75
- May use scholarship toward camp/program registration fees only

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Programs designated as "Adult/Child" require the active participation of at least one adult with each child throughout the program.

Little Kickers Soccer Training

***Adult/Child**

This may be the only preschool program where kicking is not only allowed, but encouraged! Basic soccer skills and terminology are the focus of this introductory program. Little Kickers is a non-competitive, instructional program that will help your child develop social skills and foot-eye coordination. Instruction is through demonstrations and skills games; there will be no scrimmages. One adult is required to participate with each registered child in the program. Ages 2-4. Registration deadlines are one week prior to the start of classes. Min. 11. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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Robinson Chapel, 12707 Tonkel Rd.

343701-C1	6/4-6/20	T, Th	5:30-6:15 pm
343701-C3	6/4-6/20	T, Th	6:30-7:15 pm
343701-C4	7/9-7/25	T, Th	5:30-6:15 pm
343701-C5	7/9-7/25	T, Th	6:30-7:15 pm

Kreager Park, North River Rd., Field 6

343701-E2	6/3-6/19	M, W	6-6:45 pm
343701-E2	7/8-7/24	M, W	6-6:45 pm

Sonrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.

343701-D1	6/3-6/19	M, W	5:15-6 pm
343701-D2	6/3-6/19	M, W	6:15-7 pm
343701-D4	7/8-7/24	M, W	5:15-6 pm
343701-D5	7/8-7/24	M, W	6:15-7 pm

Foster Park West, Winchester & Bluffton, Field 1

343701-B1	6/4-6/20	T, Th	5:15-6 pm
343701-B2	6/4-6/20	T, Th	6:15-7 pm
343701-B3	7/9-7/25	T, Th	5:15-6 pm
343701-B4	7/9-7/25	T, Th	6:15-7 pm

Fee: \$52/\$57 after deadlines



Little Sluggers

***Adult/Child**

T-Ball is a great sport for developing hand-eye coordination and social skills . . . and it is just plain fun! Your child will be introduced to throwing, catching, hitting, base running and the mechanics of baseball. Little Sluggers instruction is conducted through demonstrations and drills; scrimmages and competitions are not part of the program. Please bring a baseball glove. All other equipment will be provided. Ages 2-4. Registration deadlines are one week prior to the start of class. Min. 11. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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Robinson Chapel, 12707 Tonkel Rd.

343800-C3	6/4-6/20	T, Th	6:45-7:30 pm
343800-C5	7/9-7/25	T, Th	6:45-7:30 pm

Foster Park West, Winchester & Bluffton, Field 1

343800-A3	6/4-6/20	T, Th	4:45-5:30 pm
343800-A4	7/9-7/25	T, Th	4:45-5:30 pm

Sonrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.

343800-D1	6/3-6/19	M, W	4:45-5:30 pm
343800-D4	7/8-7/24	M, W	4:45-5:30 pm

Kreager Park, North River Rd., Field 4

343800-G1	6/3-6/19	M, W	4:45-5:30 pm
343800-G4	7/8-7/24	M, W	4:45-5:30 pm

Fee: \$52/\$57 after deadlines



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**Register on-line at
fortwayneparks.org**

Pre-K Gymnastics

*Adult/Child

Olympic Gold doesn't have to be your goal. Children of all ages can benefit from the physical exercise, the strength, flexibility, and self-esteem that comes from participating in gymnastics. Basic skills will be taught in tumbling and on gymnastics equipment. Parents participate to keep your child focused on the activities provided. Registration deadlines are a week prior to the start of each class. Min. 5. Max. 10. Note: There will be no class on July 4.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
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Ages 1½-3

343300-T1	6/18-8/6	T	9:30-10 am
343300-W1	6/19-8/7	W	10:15-10:45 am
343300-R1	6/13-8/8	Th	4-4:30 pm

Ages 3-4

343301-M1	6/17-8/5	M	4:45-5:30 pm
343301-T1	6/18-8/6	T	12:15-1 pm
343301-W1	6/19-8/7	W	4:15-5 pm
343301-S1	6/13-8/8	Th	12-12:45 pm

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$58/\$63 after deadline

Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728

Maplecrest Rd.

Summer Gymnastics Sampler

Our themed summer gymnastics samplers are a great way to introduce your child to gymnastics or simply enjoy an afternoon of fun. After some time in the gym, we'll tap into their creativity with a fun craft related to the day's theme. Sign up for as many sessions as you like. Ages 3-7. Registration deadlines are one week prior to each camp session. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
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343344-T1	6/4	T	12-2 pm
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Candyland

343344-T2	6/11	T	12-2 pm
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Inside Out & Upside Down

343344-T3	6/18	T	12-2 pm
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Jedi Gymnastics

343344-T4	6/25	T	12-2 pm
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Digging for Dinos

343344-T5	7/2	T	12-2 pm
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Bluey's World

343344-T6	7/9	T	12-2 pm
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Lightning McQueen & Friends

343344-T7	7/16	T	12-2 pm
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Alien Invasion

343344-T8	7/23	T	12-2 pm
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Olympic Extravaganza

343344-T9	7/30	T	12-2 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 1/\$29/\$34 after deadline

Register for 3 or more sessions at the same time and pay just \$20 each.

Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728

Maplecrest Rd.



Preschool Move & Groove Camp

Your preschool age child will love this introduction to the world of gymnastics and dance. The activities included in this camp promise to hold their attention and direct their energy in a positive direction. Each student will benefit from the physical exercise that gymnastics provides, including conditioning, strengthening and flexibility drills. Grace and coordination will be enhanced through the art of dance. Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: June 3. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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343310-M1	6/10-6/13	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am
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Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after June 3

Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728

Maplecrest Rd.

Rah! Rah!

Preschool Cheer Camp

Bring lots of energy because we are going to chant, cheer, and jump our way through this week! Cheer-leading is F-U-N, clap-clap-stomp! Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: June 10. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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343326-M1	6/17-6/20	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am
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Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after June 10

Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728

Maplecrest Rd.

Questions? 427-6000

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Song & Dance

First Steps Music

*Adult/Child

Encourage your child's musical aptitude with joyful activities and connection with others. The two of you will participate in authentic musical activities such as singing, moving and playing simple instruments. We'll introduce songs, ideas and games that you can continue with your child at home. The First Steps in Music program was developed by Dr. John Feierabend, a national leader in early childhood music education. Open to infants and children up to age 5. Registration deadline: July 2. Min. 8. Max. 12.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
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Ages Infant-3 years

343030-T1	7/9-7/30	T	2-2:30 pm
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Ages 3-5 years

343030-T2	7/9-7/30	T	2:45-3:15 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 4/\$39/\$44 after July 2

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Beautiful Ballet

Ballet not only inspires elegance and grace, it encourages effort and requires concentration, thought, feeling and emotion. Each session includes 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 3-4. Registration deadline: June 10 and 12. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
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343304-M1	6/17-8/5	M	6:30-7 pm
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343304-W1	6/19-8/7	W	4:30-5 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 8/\$58/\$63 after June 10 and 12

Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Preschool Dance Camp

Dance instruction helps improve grace and coordination, and encourages each student to focus, concentrate and "feel" the music. Our dance camp will introduce your child to ballet, hip hop and Jazz. Each class will include a warm-up, a lesson in a specific dance style and beginning choreography. Soft ballet, jazz, hip-hop or tennis shoes are REQUIRED. Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: July 15. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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343327-M2	7/22-7/25	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am
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Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after July 15

Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Mommy and Me Dance

Mommy & Me Dance introduces toddlers to the fun of dance and helps them feel comfortable learning to dance in an academy environment. Parents and guardians are encouraged to dance along with their toddlers. Ages 2-3. Registration deadline: June 6. Min. 5. Max. 15. Note: There will be no class July 4.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
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343334-R1	6/13-8/8	Th	4:30-5 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 8/\$58/\$63 after June 6

Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Summer Dance Parties

Our Summer Dance Parties are your child's opportunity to learn fun, upbeat choreography set to music from their favorite children's programs. They will also have fun making a creative craft geared toward the special camp theme. Space is limited, so don't wait. Ages 3-7. Registration deadlines are a week prior to each session. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
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Frozen Adventures

343135-W1	6/5	W	12-2 pm
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Under the Sea

343135-W2	6/12	W	12-2 pm
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Pajama Party

343135-W3	6/19	W	12-2 pm
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Twirling Trolls

343135-W4	6/26	W	12-2 pm
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Rubber Ducky

343135-W5	7/3	W	12-2 pm
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Fairy Garden Frolic

343135-W6	7/10	W	12-2 pm
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Unicorn Adventures

343135-W7	7/17	W	12-2 pm
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Beats with Bruno

343135-W8	7/24	W	12-2 pm
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Heart of Te Fiti

343135-W9	7/31	W	12-2 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 1/\$29/\$34 after deadlines

Register for 3 or more parties at the same time and pay just \$20 each.

Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest



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We're on the Move

We Like to Move it, Move it

*Adult/Child

These action-packed Wednesday mornings are sure to keep you on your toes! We'll move it, move it with balls, scooter boards, a parachute and fun activities that help develop motor and social skills. Ages 1½-5. Registration deadline: July 24. Min. 6. Max. 12.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
343051-W1	7/31-8/14	W	9-9:45 am

Sessions/Fee: 3/\$31/\$36 after July 24
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Messy, Movin' Munchkins

You'll get a little messy creating awesome art projects using paint, glue, sculpting materials and even some edible mediums, then get moving with fun activities afterward! Ages 1½-5. Registration deadline: July 26. Min. 8. Max. 12.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
343029-F1	8/2-8/23	F	10-10:45 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$37/\$42 after July 26
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

A Whole Week of Fun

Construction Adventures Camp

Children love using tools and hammering is great practice for hand-eye coordination. It also works fine motor skills as children must think about the amount of pressure they need to use to puncture paper. "What happens if you tap a golf tee lightly? What if you do it harder?" This camp is a "must" for curious creative children! Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: May 27. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343 504-M1	6/3-6/6	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after May 27
Location: Leap-N-Learn Preschool, 5720 Maplecrest Rd.

Fairy Tale Fantasy Camp

Fairy Tale Fantasy Camp will spark creativity and a desire to learn by bringing stories to life. Activities explore the art of storytelling, imagination, nature and play. Campers will be encouraged to develop friendships through team-building projects, dramatic play and exploration. Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: June 17. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343504-M2	6/24-6/27	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after June 17
Location: Leap-N-Learn Preschool, 5720 Maplecrest Rd.

Lab Rats Camp

Don't miss this exciting opportunity for young learners to immerse themselves in the world of science. Hands-on experiments will help ignite their curiosity and present scientific concepts in a fun, safe environment. Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: July 1. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343504-M3	7/8-7/11	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after July 1
Location: Leap-N-Learn Preschool, 5720 Maplecrest Rd.

Color Me Crazy: An Art Camp

Let's take mess-making to a whole new level! Unleash your free spirit and expand your creative horizons as you experiment with messy and unique ways to create art. Leave the mess with us; after all, being a child is a messy business! Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: July 8. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343504-M4	7/15-7/18	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after July 8
Location: Leap-N-Learn Preschool, 5720 Maplecrest Rd.

Galaxy Explorations Camp

Blast off into space and learn about the wonders of our galaxy through special activities, songs and crafts. Ages 3-5. Registration deadline: July 22. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343504-M5	7/29-8/1	M-Th	9:30-11:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after July 22
Location: Leap-N-Learn Preschool, 5720 Maplecrest Rd.

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Just for Kids

It's Your Serve

Youth Tennis Lessons

Tennis promotes physical fitness and out-performs other sports in developing personality characteristics such as sociability, creativity and assertiveness. Start playing today! Lessons are offered on weekdays and Saturday mornings for all ages and skill levels. Beginner classes are designed for children with little or no prior experience. Intermediate lessons are open to boys and girls who have had some formal tennis training, including the beginner Parks and Recreation lessons. All class sizes are limited to ensure more personalized instruction, so please register early. Registration deadlines: May 27 and July 2. Min. 7. Max. 14.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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Bob Arnold Park, Parnell at E. State Blvd.

Ages 5-7

345700-A1	6/3-6/19	M, W	9-9:45 am
345700-A2	6/3-6/19	M, W	5:45-6:30 pm
345700-A8	7/9-7/25	T, Th	9-9:45 am

Ages 8-12

345700-A3	6/3-6/19	M, W	10-11 am
345700-A4	6/3-6/19	M, W	6:45-7:45 pm
345700-A5	7/9-7/25	T, Th	10-11 am

Shoaff Park Tennis Courts, 6401 St. Joe Rd.

Ages 5-7

345700-C1	6/3-6/19	M, W	5:45-6:30 pm
345700-C2	7/9-7/25	T, Th	5:45-6:30 pm

Ages 8-12

345700-C3	6/3-6/19	M, W	6:45-7:45 pm
345700-C4	7/9-7/25	T, Th	6:45-7:45 pm

Kreager Park, North River Rd.

Ages 5-7

345700-E1	6/4-6/20	T, Th	4:45-5:30 pm
345700-E2	7/8-7/24	M, W	5:45-6:30 pm

Ages 8-12

345700-E4	6/4-6/20	T, Th	5:45-6:45 pm
345700-E5	7/8-7/24	M, W	6:45-7:45 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$47/\$52 after deadlines

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Youth Scholarships

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- Must meet specific income qualifications
- May receive one scholarship per year, maximum \$75
- May use scholarship toward camp/program registration fees only

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Junior Excellence Lessons

Junior Excellence lessons are recommended for strong intermediate and advanced players. The typical Junior Excellence player has taken lessons for at least two years. Each 90-minute session includes an equal amount of instruction and supervised match play in both singles and doubles. Ages 8-16. Registration deadline: May 28. Note: There will be no class on July 4. Min. 8. Max. 14.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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Sessions/Fee: 11/\$85/\$90 after May 28

Location: Kreager Park, North River Rd.

Youth Sand Volleyball

Volleyball is fun, but it also helps strengthen the upper body, arms, shoulders, legs, and abs. It also helps improve hand-eye coordination, reflexes and balance. There are so many reasons to play this sport! Come learn the fundamentals of volleyball – serving, bumping, setting, spiking and digging – as well as rules of the game. To make it even more interesting . . . we'll be playing on a sand court! Volleyball in a giant sand box! Could it be more fun?! Registration deadline: May 28. Min. 8. Max. 14. There will be no class on July 4.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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Ages 6-8

343250-T3	6/4-7/25	T, Th	6-6:45 pm
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Ages 9-12

343250-T4	6/4-7/25	T, Th	7-8 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 15/\$67/\$72 after May 28

Location: Indian Trails Park, 10125 Aboite Center Rd.



Go for the Goal!

Kickin' Kids

Kickin' Kids is a non-competitive, instructional program designed to help young athletes develop basic soccer skills and learn the rules of the game. Emphasis is on sportsmanship, teamwork and FUN. Participants are encouraged to wear shin guards. All other equipment will be provided. Ages 4-6. Registration deadlines: May 27. Min. 12. Max. 18. Note: There will be no class July 3 & 4.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
Foster Park West, Winchester & Bluffton Rd., Field 1			
343711-A2	6/4-7/25	T, Th	5:15-6:15 pm
343711-A3	6/4-7/25	T, Th	6:30-7:30 pm
Robinson Chapel, 12707 Tonkel Rd.			
343711-C2	6/4-7/25	T, Th	5:30-6:30 pm
343711-C3	6/4-7/25	T, Th	6:45-7:45 pm
Sonrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.			
343711-D1	6/3-7/24	M, W	5:15-6:15 pm
343711-D2	6/3-7/24	M, W	6:30-7:30 pm
Kreager Park, North River Rd., Field 6			
343711-B4	6/3-7/24	M, W	7-8 pm

Fee: \$73/\$78 after May 27

Big Kickers

Big Kickers focuses on soccer strategy and game situations. Previous soccer experience in an organized program is helpful but not necessary. Participants are encouraged to wear shin guards. All other equipment will be provided. Ages 6-10. Registration deadline: May 27. Min. 12. Max. 18. Note: There will be no class July 3 & 4.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
Foster Park West, Winchester & Bluffton Rd., Field 1			
343712-A2	6/4-7/25	T, Th	5:15-6:15 pm
343712-A3	6/4-7/25	T, Th	6:30-7:30 pm
343712-A4	6/4-7/25	T, Th	6:45-7:45 pm
Robinson Chapel, 12707 Tonkel Rd.			
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343712-C3	6/4-7/25	T, Th	6:45-7:45 pm
Sonrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.			
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343712-D4	6/3-7/24	M, W	6:30-7:30 pm
Kreager Park, North River Rd., Field 6			
343712-B1	6/3-7/24	M, W	4:45-5:45 pm

Fee: \$73/\$78 after May 27

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Hooked On Golf

Pee Wee & Junior Golf Tours

It's not a pro tour, but it's just as much fun! The Pee Wee and Junior golf Tours allow youth ages 3-18 to test their skills against other young golfers on a variety of area courses. Tournament formats and fees vary for each event. Register online at www.fortwayneparks.org or by calling 427-6000. Awards will be given at each tournament. Golf Tours are sponsored by Parkview Sports Medicine.



Pee Wee Tournaments (ages 3-11)

Event	Date	Deadline
Shoaff Front 9	6/5	5/29
McMillen Back 9	6/20	6/12
Canterbury Green	7/5	6/26
Shoaff Back 9	7/10	7/5
McMillen	7/17-18	7/11

Fees: Ages 3-5 (3 holes) \$9
 Ages 6-9 (6 holes) \$11
 Ages 10-11 (9 holes) \$13

Junior Tournaments (ages 12-18)

Event	Date	Deadline
Colonial Oaks	6/4	5/29
Brookwood	6/10	6/5
Indiana Tech	6/12	6/5
Canterbury Green	6/17	6/12
McMillen	6/19	6/12
Chestnut Hills	6/24	6/19
Foster	7/2-3	6/26
Shoaff	7/12	7/5

Fees: Ages 12-13 (9 holes) \$16 Foster \$18
 Ages 14-18 (18 holes) \$20 Foster \$22



Sign up with a friend!

A Home Run Hit!

Pee Wee T-Ball

Pee Wee T-ball is a non-competitive, instructional program that teaches throwing, catching, fielding, batting and base running through demonstrations and drills. Bring your baseball glove and come join the fun! All other equipment will be provided. Ages 4-6. Registration deadline: May 27. Min. 10. Max. 15. Note: There will be no class on July 3 & 4.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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[Kreager Park, North River Rd., Field 4](#)

343810-M9	6/3-7/17	M, W	5:45-6:45 pm
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[Foster Park West, Winchester & Bluffton Rd., Field 1](#)

343810-M2	6/4-7/25	T, Th	7-8 pm
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[Sonrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.](#)

343810-M3	6/3-7/24	M, W	5:45-6:45 pm
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[Robinson Chapel, 12707 Tonkel Rd.](#)

343810-M4	6/4-7/25	T, Th	5:30-6:30 pm
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Fee: \$73/\$78 after May 27

Lob Ball

Lob Ball replaces the t-ball tee with a slow pitch by the coach and focuses more on strategy and game situations. Participants should possess the basic skills of throwing, catching, hitting and base running and have previous experience in an organized t-ball program if under the age of 7. Lob Ball is an instructional program, fine tuning previously learned skills and adding new ones using drills and stations for instruction. Participants will learn positions, their responsibilities and basic game strategies. Please bring a baseball glove. All other equipment will be provided. Ages 6-10. Registration deadline: May 27. Min. 10. Max. 15. Note: There will be no class July 3 & 4.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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[Foster Park West, Winchester & Bluffton Rd., Field 1](#)

343820-C1	6/4-7/25	T, Th	5:30-6:30 pm
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[Kreager Park, North River Rd., Field 4](#)

343820-B2	6/3-7/24	M, W	7-8 pm
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[Sonrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.](#)

343820-B1	6/3-7/24	M, W	7-8 pm
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Fee: \$73/\$78 after May 27



Sports Sampler

The Parks and Recreation Department offers a variety of instructional youth sports programs throughout the year. Sports Sampler is a great way for your child to try t-ball, basketball and soccer all at once. The last day of class will incorporate fun games and activities in each sport. Ages 5-7. Registration deadlines: May 27 and July 1. Min. 7. Max. 10.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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343008-A2	6/3-6/6	M-Th	10-10:45 am
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Location: Shoaff Park Riverlodge, 6401 St. Joe Rd.

343008-B2	7/8-7/11	M-Th	10-10:45 am
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Location: Sonrise Church, 10125 Illinois Rd.

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$40/\$45 after deadlines

Gotta Run!

J&B Pacers Summer Run/Walk

In addition to its own health benefits, a good running/walking routine also helps improve endurance in other sports. Each Pacers session includes a warm-up, stretch, run/walk and journal entry. Participants should wear appropriate active clothing and running shoes. Ages 4-14. Registration deadline: May 28. Min. 10. Max. 50. Note: There will be no class on July 2 and July 4.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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343840-A1	6/4-8/1	T, Th	7-8 pm
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Sessions /Fee: 16/\$20/\$25 after deadline

Location: Lakeside Park Pavilion 2, 1401 Lake Ave.



You'll Flip for This

Gymnastics

You don't have to be an aspiring Olympian to participate in gymnastics. You can benefit from the physical exercise it provides, as well as the strength, flexibility and self-esteem it promotes. In this introductory class you 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. Registration deadlines are a week prior to the start of each class. Min. 5. Max. 10. Note: There will be no class on July 4.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
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Ages 5-8

343302-M1	6/17-8/5	M	12:45-1:30 pm
343302-T1	6/18-8/6	T	4:15-5 pm
343302-T2	6/19-8/7	W	9:30-10:15 am
343302-W1	6/19-8/7	W	4:15-5 pm
343302-W2	6/13-8/8	Th	12:45-1:30 pm
343302-R1	6/13-8/8	Th	4:30-5:15 pm

Ages 7-10

343302-T3	6/18-8/6	T	4:15-5 pm
343302-R4	6/18-8/6	T	8-8:45 pm
343302-W4	6/19-8/7	W	7:30-8:15 pm

Ages 8-12

343302-W6	6/19-8/7	W	7:45-8:30 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 8/\$58/\$63 after deadlines

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, handstands, and cartwheels as well as skills on the parallel bars, pommel horse, rings, high bar and trampoline. For safety purposes, participants will be grouped according to skill level. Ages 5-8. Registration deadline: June 12 Min. 5. Max. 10. Note: There will be no class July 4.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
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343303-W1	6/19-8/7	W	10:45-11:30 am
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Sessions/Fee: 8/\$58/\$63 after June 12

Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728 Maplecrest Rd.



Summer Gymnastics Sampler

Our themed summer gymnastics samplers are a great way to introduce your child to gymnastics or simply enjoy an afternoon of fun. After some time in the gym, we'll tap into their creativity with a fun craft related to the day's theme. Sign up for as many sessions as you like. Ages. 3-7. Registration deadlines are one week prior to each camp session. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
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Robofun

343344-T1	6/4	T	12-2 pm
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Candyland

343344-T2	6/11	T	12-2 pm
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Inside Out & Upside Down

343344-T3	6/18	T	12-2 pm
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Jedi Gymnastics

343344-T4	6/25	T	12-2 pm
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Digging for Dinosaurs

343344-T5	7/2	T	12-2 pm
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Bluey's World

343344-T6	7/9	T	12-2 pm
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Lightning McQueen & Friends

343344-T7	7/16	T	12-2 pm
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Alien Invasion

343344-T8	7/23	T	12-2 pm
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Olympic Extravaganza

343344-T9	7/30	T	12-2 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 1/\$29/\$34 after deadline

Register for 3 or more sessions at the same time and pay just \$20 each.

Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728 Maplecrest Rd.

Gymnastics & Crafts Camp

Tap into both your creative and physical energy in this exciting camp which mixes gymnastics with fun crafts. Ages 5-14. Registration deadline: July 8. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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343312-M1	7/15-7/18	M-Th	9:30 am-12 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 4/\$70/\$75 after July 8

Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728 Maplecrest Rd.

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What a Feeling!

Kids Dance: Ballet

Ballet not only inspires elegance and grace, it encourages effort and requires concentration, thought, feeling and emotion. Each session includes 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 5-8. Registration deadline: June 10 and 12. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
343304-M2	6/17-8/5	M	7-7:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$58/\$63 after June 10 and 12
Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest



Hip-Hop Dance

Hip Hop is one of the most popular forms of dance today. The content and language used in the lyrics found in the songs used at Starz Dance Academy is closely monitored. Age appropriate words, messages, and choreography make this fun, upbeat style of dance acceptable for all ages. Come join in the FUN!!! Soft ballet, jazz, hip-hop or tennis shoes are REQUIRED. Ages 5-8. Registration deadline: June 12. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
343306-W1	6/19-8/7	W	5-5:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$58/\$63 after June 12
Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Summer Dance Parties

Our Summer Dance Parties are your child's opportunity to learn fun, upbeat choreography set to music from their favorite children's programs. They will also have fun making a creative craft geared toward the special camp theme. Space is limited, so don't wait. Ages 3-7. Registration deadlines are a week prior to each session. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
Frodo Adventures			
343135-W1	6/5	W	12-2 pm
Under the Sea			
343135-W2	6/12	W	12-2 pm
Pajama Party			
343135-W3	6/19	W	12-2 pm
Twirling Trolls			
343135-W4	6/26	W	12-2 pm
Rubber Ducky			
343135-W5	7/3	W	12-2 pm
Fairy Garden Frolic			
343135-W6	7/10	W	12-2 pm
Unicorn Adventures			
343135-W7	7/17	W	12-2 pm
Beats with Bruno			
343135-W8	7/24	W	12-2 pm
Heart of Te Fiti			
343135-W9	7/31	W	12-2 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$29/\$34 after deadlines
Register for 3 or more parties at the same time and pay just \$20 each.
Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Dance Camp

Dance instruction helps improve grace and coordination, and encourages each student to focus, concentrate, and "feel" the music. Our dance camp will introduce your child to ballet, hip hop and jazz. Each class will include a warm-up, a lesson in a specific dance style, and beginning choreography. Soft ballet, jazz, hip-hop or tennis shoes are REQUIRED. Ages 6-12. Registration deadline: July 1. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343327-M1	7/8-7/11	M-Th	9:30 am-12 pm

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after July 1
Location: Starz Dance Academy, 5720 Maplecrest

Community Center Rental

The Community Center at 233 W. Main Street offers beautiful, flexible space for receptions, anniversary and birthday parties, meetings, performances, dances, home parties, office parties, seminars, proms and more. The Community Center is audio-visually equipped, has WiFi and 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.



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app coming soon.**

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Go, Team, Go!

Cheerleading Camp

Would you like to be a cheerleader someday? We'll introduce you to the beginning tumbling skills needed for cheerleading along with basic motions and jumps. You will then practice these skills with cheers and chants. Each class will begin with a warm up, which includes flexibility and strengthening exercises, before moving into more physical activities. Ages 6-14. Registration deadline: June 17. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
343309-M1	6/24-6/27	M-Th	9:30 am-12 pm

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$58/\$63 after June 17
Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728 Maplecrest Rd.

Summer Cheer Sampler

Thinking of joining a cheer squad some day? We'll introduce cheers, chants, proper hand and body movements, as well as jumping techniques. There will be no stunting; just a big focus on fun while each cheerleader learns important life skills such as teambuilding and leadership. Ages 4-10. Registration deadlines: July 6 and July 18. Min. 5. Max. 10.

Code	Date	Day	Time
Ages 4-7			
343308-R3	7/18	Th	12-2 pm
Ages 6-10			
343308-R4	7/25	Th	12-2 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$29/\$34 after deadlines
Location: Gymnastics in Motion, 5728 Maplecrest Rd.



Daddy Daughter Princess Ball

Dinner * Dancing * Crafts * Carriage Rides

Friday
14th
of June

Community Center
233 W. Main
Fort Wayne

From
6-8pm

Wear your most beautiful princess gown and invite the most charming prince you know – your daddy, of course! (Stepfathers, grandpas and uncles are welcome to stand in for dads). Ages 4-10. \$30 per princess/\$35 after June 7. Sign up at 427-6000 or fortwayneparks.org. Min. 20. Max. 60 princesses.



Summer Activity PODS

Summer Activity PODS are designed for FUN! Each half-day program is designed to keep your child active and engaged in a fun and safe environment. Register your child for both the morning and afternoon sessions in a given week, pack a sack lunch and we will supervise them for the hour between sessions. Please adhere to the drop-off and pick-up times. Each session is limited to 16 youth. Registration deadlines are one week prior to each POD. An official POD t-shirt is included. PODS fill quickly so don't wait to register. Min. 11. Max. 16. Fee: \$75

Animal Planet

Learn all about animals this week! Special guests share how various animals live and interact with each other and how to care for pets. We'll make animal crafts and close the week with a trip to the zoo!

Artsy Antics

Could you be the next Picasso? Experiment with various art mediums and techniques including acrylic and watercolor paint, clay, oil pastels and more. Make room on the walls because you will be producing creative collections to display!

Busy Brainiacs

What's the best way to protect a falling egg? How many pennies does it take to sink a boat? If you love problem solving, come help us find the answers. Busy Brainiacs is filled with fun experiments and engineering activities.

Cooking Kids

Learn basic kitchen techniques and safety tips as you whip up a breakfast, snack, dinner and dessert. The best part? Sampling your creations!

Crafty Kids

So many crafts . . . so little time! We're going for the record by completing as many different crafts as we can this week.

Fairy Tale Fun

We'll start each day with a fairy tale and then play games and make crafts related to the story. Build houses like the three little pigs, escape the witch from "Hansel and Gretel," and much more!

Fun in the Fort

Learn all about downtown Fort Wayne on our daily walking tours featuring murals, museums, Historic Fort Wayne, Promenade Park and more.

Have a Ball

We've all heard of golf, basketball, football and soccer, but have you heard of four square, matball, disc golf or bocce ball?

Hammer Time!

Put on your hard hats because this week is all about building! You can build a log cabin out of Legos, a couch out of clothespins or pants out of paper. Let's get creative!

Lights, Camera, Action!

Do you have a flair for the stage? Explore the world of theatre by learning basic acting techniques and putting them to use. We'll write our own script, develop a stage and create puppets for a mini performance at the end of the week.

Miscellany Madness

Looking for a new hobby? This POD will showcase a variety of activities for you to explore such as music, magic, yoga and much more!

POD Olympics

Go for the gold! Compete against your fellow campers both individually and on teams in a variety of races, building challenges, eating challenges and more!

Sherlock Holmes and Friends

Put on your thinking cap, grab your magnifying glass and get ready for a week of clues and scavenger hunts.

Splash Zone

Everything water! Enjoy a week of water fun and exploration with water games, balloons, relays, a slip-n-slide and more! Just plan to get wet!

Super-Duper Senses

Five senses in five days? A different sense will be the focal point of each day as we take part in activities to heighten that sense. Leading each other through a blind maze to test our ears and guessing mystery snacks to test our taste buds are just the start of the fun!

Weird & Sweet Treats

Using science, we're going to create yummy sweet treats like ice cream, rock candy, frozen yogurt dots, worms, lemonade and s'mores.

Weird Science

How do you make a lava lamp? Can you make a raisin dance? Don your lab coat and step into a world of curiosity and discovery. You'll conduct crazy experiments that answer every silly question your mind can think of.

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All PODS meet Monday-Friday. Fee: \$75
Register online at fortwayneparks.org or call 427-6000.

Time	Week 1 6/10-14	Week 2 6/17-21	Week 3 6/24-28	Week 4 7/8-12	Week 5 7/15-19	Week 6 7/22-26	Week 7 7/29-8/2
Ages 5-8 years							
9-12	Sherlock Holmes & Friends Psi Ote Low 343450-D1	Have a Ball Shoaff Conklin 343450-K9	Artsy Antics Shoaff Conklin 343450-C6	Fairy Tale Fun Psi Ote Low 343450-D5	Weird Science Franke #1 343450-E1	Super Duper Senses Shoaff Conklin 343450-E4	Cooking Kids Community Center 343450-M2
1-4	Hammer Time! Psi Ote Low 343450-D2	Splash Zone Shoaff Conklin 343450-C2	Weird & Sweet Treats Shoaff Conklin 343450-A3	Crafty Kids Psi Ote Low 343450-K7	Animal Planet Franke #1 343450-E2	Splash Zone Shoaff Conklin 343450-E5	Fun in the Fort Community Center 343450-A5
Ages 9-13 Years							
9-12	Artsy Antics Franke #1 343450-K5	Have a Ball Shoaff Conklin 343450-N3	Animal Planet Psi Ote Low 343450-D3	Cooking Kids Community Center 343450-M1	Crafty Kids Psi Ote Low 343450-H1	POD Olympics Shoaff Conklin 343450-E6	Fun in the Fort Community Center 343450-G8
1-4	Miscellany Madness Franke #1 343450-G2	Splash Zone Shoaff Conklin 343450-G4	Lights, Camera, Action Psi Ote Low 343450-D4	Weird Science Community Center 343450-D6	Busy Brainiacs Psi Ote Low 343450-E3	Splash Zone Shoaff Conklin 343450-E7	Weird & Sweet Treats Community Center 343450-E8

Registration for Summer Activity Pods began in March. Some sessions have filled to capacity. You may sign up for full sessions and be placed on a waiting list. New sessions will be added when waiting lists become filled.

POD Locations

Community Center 233 W. Main St.
 Franke #1 Franke #1 Pavilion, Franke Park, 3411 Sherman Blvd.
 Psi Ote Low Psi Ote Lower Pavilion, Bob Arnold Northside Park, Parnell Ave. at E. State Blvd.
 Shoaff Conklin Conklin Pavilion, Shoaff Park, 6401 St. Joe Rd.

Caution: Construction Zone

Lego® Free Build Night

Join us at the Community Center for our first annual “Free Build” and let your imagination run wild! There will be thousands of Legos® at your disposal (provided by Schmidt-N-Bricks) to build whatever your heart desires. This is a great opportunity to fine tune your skills prior to the official Lego® Challenge in July. Ages 5-14. There is no charge to participate, however, space is limited so pre-registration is required. Call 427-6467 by June 21 to sign up. Min. 25. Max. 50.

Code	Date	Day	Time
343 023-F1	6/28	F	6-8 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/FREE

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Creative Construction: Lego® Building Challenge

Join the Lego® Challenge and let your imagination soar! Compete in the team challenge for kids ages 5-12 with an adult or the solo challenge for ages 9-14. The team challenge is free-style build while the solo challenge theme is “Transportation.” You will be provided 200 Legos® and have 90 minutes to complete your construction. All projects will be displayed at the Community Center and the public will be invited to cast votes for their favorite, so let your family and friends know to stop by. Voting is open 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. July 15-18. Votes will be tallied and prizes awarded to the top three teams and individuals compliments of Hamilton Hunter Builders, Inc. and Martin Riley Architects & Engineers. Thank you, Schmidt-N-Bricks, for providing the Legos®. Registration deadline: July 5.

Code	Date	Day	Time
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Team Free-style Build

343910-F1	7/12	F	5:30-7 pm
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Solo Theme Challenge

343910-F2	7/12	F	5:30-7 pm
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Sessions/Fee: 1/\$10/\$15 after July 5

Location: Community Center, 233 S. Main St.



Creative Construction II: Personal Lego® Building Challenge

Enter our “Personal Challenge” where you’re allowed to bring in your Lego® creations from home and place them on display for the community to vote on. Your project should not exceed 12” x 12” x 12” and may not be constructed from a Lego kit. You can drop off your entry on July 11 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Voting will happen July 15-18 with prizes awarded to the top 3 winners. Your Lego® creation may be retrieved on Friday, July 19. Registration deadline: July 5. Min. 8. Max. 15.

Code	Date	Day	Time
343910-R1	7/11	Th	4-6 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$10/\$15 after July 5

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Clay Play

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 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. Age 9-14. Registration deadline: June 1. Min. 4. Max. 6.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
343200-S1	6/8-7/6	Sa	9-11 am

Session/Fee: 5/\$66/\$71 after June 1

Location: Community Center, 223 W. Main St.

Children’s Gently Used Book Swap & Sale

Tuesday-Thursday, July 9-11, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Summer is a great time to READ . . . just for the fun of it! Our book swap and sale is your opportunity to trade in the books you’ve already read for something you haven’t. Boys and girls (toddlers through teens) may swap up to 5 books per day. Purchasing is unlimited and open to kids and adults. Prices start at 25¢ per book.

We accept contributions of gently used or new books year-round. Books may be dropped off at the Community Center any time during business hours. If you have a large quantity of books, please call Caleb at 260-427-6467 and arrangements will be made to have the books picked up.

Note: This event is during the same week as our Lego Building Challenge (see above).

Lifetime Sports Academy

June 3-July 19 • McMillen Park • Boys & Girls Ages 7-18

FREE TENNIS, GOLF and SWIMMING LESSONS!

The Lifetime Sports Academy is open to boys and girls ages 7-18 and offers free group lessons in the lifetime sports of golf, tennis and swimming. The program operates Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Group lessons in golf, tennis and swimming will focus on skill development, training, and participation and will be taught by certified coaches and highly trained professionals and volunteers. Participants may come as often as they wish and stay as long as they like. The Fort Wayne Community Schools summer lunch program will also be available at McMillen Park for Academy participants. The Lifetime Sports Academy is funded by the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department and Lifetime Sports Academy Committee and is offered FREE to area youth.



Golf

Group golf lessons will be offered on Mondays and Tuesdays with practice opportunities scheduled every day. The golf lesson program is directed by PGA Professional and Manager of Golf Operations, Gary Whitacre. Golf instructors are PGA apprentices, experienced coaches and teachers. All necessary equipment will be provided for the group lessons, however, if you have equipment, you are encouraged to bring it. You will become eligible to receive free golf equipment, special lessons and playing opportunities once you pass golf skills tests and a golf rules test.

Tennis

Group tennis lessons will be offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays with practice opportunities scheduled every day. Our team of highly qualified tennis instructors will be led by the Lifetime Academy Tennis Coordinator. Tennis rackets and balls will be provided for the group lessons. You will become eligible to receive free tennis equipment once you attend seven tennis lessons.

Swimming

Group swim lessons will be held Monday through Thursday mornings and will be taught by certified Red Cross Learn-to-Swim instructors. All Academy participants are invited to enjoy the water slides and water playground at the McMillen Aquatic Center during the Open Swims on Friday mornings from 9:30-11:30.

Pavilion Program

The McMillen Park Pavilion will be staffed from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. each day for children not participating in group lessons or waiting between lessons. The program is a balance of unstructured supervised play and organized activities. Children may participate in the Pavilion Program at age 6.

The playground in McMillen Park is not supervised by the Lifetime Sports Academy staff.

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or visit our website at
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Aquatics

Learn-to-Swim

Learn-to-Swim lessons are taught by highly trained water safety instructors and adhere to national standards for aquatic programs. Classes are held at Northside Pool in Bob Arnold Park for boys and girls ages 1-15. Each Learn-to-Swim session consists of eight 45-minute lessons held Tuesday through Friday over a two week period. Pre-school and Toddler lessons are 30 minutes. Four Learn-to-Swim sessions will be offered this summer. Participants must be of minimum age by June 1, 2024.

Learn-to-Swim registrations will be accepted on-line and at the Parks and Recreation Department only. (Registration will no longer be taken at the pool.) Registration deadlines are one week prior to the start of each lesson. Confirmations will be mailed upon registration.

For course descriptions and exit skills, call 427-6000 for a Learn-to-Swim brochure or view the brochure on-line at www.fortwayneparks.org.



Code	Level	Time
Session I: June 4-14		
335100-A1	Toddler I, II	9:15 am
335100-A2	Toddler I, II	11:15 am
335100-A3	Toddler I, II	6:05 pm
335100-B1	Pre-School	10:15 am
335100-B2	Pre-School	5:15 pm
335100-B3	Pre-School	6:05 pm
335100-C1	1, 2, 3, 4	9:15 am
335100-C2	1, 2, 3, 4	10:15 am
335100-C3	1, 2, 3, 4	11:15 am
335100-C4	1, 2, 3, 4	5:15 pm
Session II: June 18-28		
335200-A1	Toddler I, II	9:15 am
335200-A2	Toddler I, II	11:15 am
335200-A3	Toddler I, II	5:15 pm
335200-A4	Toddler I, II	6:05 pm
335200-B1	Pre-School	9:15 am
335200-B2	Pre-School	10:15 am
335200-B3	Pre-School	11:15 am
335200-B4	Pre-School	5:15 pm
335200-C1	1, 2, 3, 4	10:15 am
335200-C2	1, 2, 3, 4	11:15 am
335200-C3	1, 2, 3, 4	5:15 pm
335200-C4	1, 2, 3, 4	6:05 pm

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$40

\$35 for siblings in the same session

Location: Northside Pool, Bob Arnold Park,
Parnell Ave. at E. State Blvd.

Code	Level	Time
Session III: July 2-12		
335300-A1	Toddler I, II	9:15 am
335300-A2	Toddler I, II	10:15 am
335300-A3	Toddler I, II	11:15 am
335300-A4	Toddler I, II	5:15 pm
335300-A5	Toddler I, II	6:05 pm
335300-B1	Pre-School	10:15 am
335300-B2	Pre-School	11:15 am
335300-B3	Pre-School	6:05 pm
335300-C1	1, 2, 3, 4	10:15 am
335300-C2	1, 2, 3, 4	11:15 am
335300-C3	1, 2, 3, 4	5:15 pm
335300-C4	5, 6	9:15 am
335300-C5	5, 6	6:05 pm
Session IV: July 16-July 26		
335400-A1	Toddler I, II	9:15 am
335400-A2	Toddler I, II	10:15 am
335400-A3	Toddler I, II	11:15 am
335400-A4	Toddler I, II	5:15 pm
335400-A5	Toddler I, II	6:05 pm
335400-B1	Pre-School	9:15 am
335400-B2	Pre-School	11:15 am
335400-B3	Pre-School	6:05 pm
335400-C1	1, 2, 3, 4	10:15 am
335400-C2	1, 2, 3, 4	11:15 am
335400-C3	1, 2, 3, 4	5:15 pm
335400-C4	1, 2, 3, 4	6:05 pm
335400-C5	5, 6	9:15 am

Summer 2024 Pool Information

	Pool Opens	Hours	Admission	Season Pass
Northside Pool East State Blvd. & Parnell Ave. 427-6705	June 1	12:30-5 pm Daily	Under 2 Free Age 2-17 \$4.50 Age 18+ \$5.50	Child \$80 Adult \$105 Family (4) \$200 \$30/additional 10 punch pass \$37
McMillen Pool Oxford St. East of Anthony Blvd. 427-6704	June 1	12:30-5 pm Daily	Under 2 Free Age 2-17 \$3 Age 18+ \$3.50	Child \$35 Adult \$45 Family (4) \$80 \$20/additional 10 punch pass \$25

Memorial Pool will open if pool infrastructure can be repaired and adequate staff secured.

Open Swim for Youth with Disabilities
 Open swims for children with disabilities or special needs will be Sundays from 5:15-6:15 p.m. beginning June 9. No pre-registration is required. The swim is FREE. Please check in before entering the pool. A parent must accompany each child in the water.

Pool/Pavilion Rental

Make a big “splash” at your next bash! Rent one of our swimming pools after public hours for your birthday party, church group or other pool party. If you would like to have your pool party at Northside Pool during public swim hours, you may consider reserving the pavilion for your party’s exclusive use. Rental rates begin at \$25/hour with a 2 hour minimum. Call 427-6029 to make a reservation.



Water Playgrounds

Nothing beats the heat better than water and fun! Our water playgrounds are conveniently located in nine parks across the city and are like any park playground . . . you are free to come and go as you like and there is no admission fee. And as always, follow the water playground rules. The playgrounds open for the season May 25.

- Buckner Park, 6114 Bass Rd
- Franklin Park, 1903 St. Mary’s Ave.
- Kreager Park, North River Rd
- McCormick Park, 2300 Raymond & Holly
- Memorial Park, 2301 Maumee & Glasgow
- Robert E. Meyers Park, Parkview Field
- Shoaff Park, 6401 St. Joe Rd
- Waynedale Park, 2900 Koons & Elzey
- Promenade Park, Superior & Harrison

Summer in the Parks

Free Summer Fun for Kids Ages 5-18!

Monday-Friday, 9 am-5 pm

June 3 – August 2

Weisser Park Youth Center

802 Eckert St
427-6780

Jennings Recreation Center

1330 McCulloch St
427-6700

Two Locations . . . Loads of Fun . . . Space is Limited . . . Sign Up Today!

Our summer youth program is FREE, full-day fun! Youth enjoy outdoor sports and games, performing arts, fitness, computer games, arts & crafts and more. Breakfast is served at 9:15 and lunch (provided by Fort Wayne Community Schools) at 12:00 p.m. In order to enjoy all activities, participants should wear sneakers and dress to get dirty and wet. Register online at fortwayneparks.org or in person at either youth center.

The summer fun also includes:

at Jennings

Karaoke & BBQ, June 22

End of Summer Celebration, July 25

at Weisser

Play Ball! with Tin Caps, June 14

End of Summer Celebration, July 26

Coming this Summer!

Cooking Classes • Fire Safety • Pickleball

ACPL Team Read & More



Register online at

fortwayneparks.org

Youth Centers Closed On
Wednesday, June 19, Juneteenth
Wed-Fri, July 3-5, Independence Day
After-School Program begins August 8

Park & Play: Mobile Rec Unit

Join Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation as we put fun on wheels! Park & Play is a staffed, mobile recreation unit fully-stocked with fun activities for kids ages 5+. Park and Play is free to attend, and no registration is required. With programming ranging from sports and fitness, to nature and art, there is something for all interests and abilities. The June schedule is below. The July schedule will be released at fortwayneparks.org soon! Be sure to also join us for Funtastic Fridays - pop-up Friday events with locations to be announced on the website and on social media. Come to the park . . . and play!

June Schedule

M & T, 10 am-12:30 pm

Packard Park, 427 Kinsmoor Ave.
Hamilton Park, Spring St. & Cherokee Rd.

M & T, 1:30-4 pm

Shoaff Park, 6401 St. Joe Rd.
Waynedale Park, Elzey & Koons Sts.

W & Th, 10 am-12:30 pm

Psi Ote Park, Wenonah Lane
Hanna Homestead Park, Gay & Lewis Sts.

W & Th, 1:30-4 pm

Lions Park, 3299 Carew St.
Reservoir Park, 2300 S. Clinton St.

Funtastic Fridays

11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Locations vary (visit fortwayneparks.org)



McMillen Park Center

McMillen Park Community Center

3901 Abbott Street • 427-2420 • Manager: Andre Patterson

Spring Hours (through June 1)

Mon-Fri 9 am-2 pm & Mon-Thur 6-8 pm
Sat Open Gym 9 am-2 pm

Summer Hours (June 3-August 7)

Youth Program M-F 9 am-4:30 pm
Public M-W 6-8 pm

Admission: \$1 with photo ID
Registered youth FREE during program hours.

2024 FREE Summer Youth Program

Monday-Friday June 3-August 7 Ages 5-18

Morning Session 9 am-12:30 pm Afternoon Session 1:30-4:30 pm

Register for morning, afternoon or both at www.fortwayneparks.org.

Our summer youth program is FREE, full day fun! Youth enjoy field games, arts & crafts, enrichment programs, open recreation, sports skills, drills and games, and outdoor play. Breakfast is served at 9:00 a.m. and lunch (provided by Fort Wayne Community Schools) at mid-day for both the morning and afternoon sessions. Participants must be picked up by 4:30 p.m. The daily schedule is available at fortwayneparks.org.

End of Summer Celebration
Friday, July 26, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
FUN, FUN, FUN
for registered youth!

Men's Adult Basketball League

June 6-July 11

Thursdays, 6:00, 7:00 and 8:00 p.m.

The summer basketball league begins June 6 and runs 5 weeks. It ends with a single elimination tournament on July 11. Stop at the Information Desk or call 427-2420 to register your team. Maximum 8 players per team. Fee: \$25/player

Essential Steps

Mon 5:30-6:30 p.m. & Wed 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Join the line dancing fun with choreographed steps that help improve memory, coordination and balance! Free with \$1 admission to the Center.

Cardio Fit

Monday & Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Cardio fit is designed to accommodate all levels! Free with \$1 admission to the Center.

Parents Night Out

5:00-8:00 p.m.

June 1, July 13, August 3

McMillen Park Community Center has teamed up with Easter Seals Arc and the Autism Society to offer FREE care for individuals with special needs and their siblings while parents and caregivers enjoy a Saturday night out. Bring your children ages 5+ (including adult children with special needs) to the Center for dinner, games, crafts and indoor activities while you enjoy some time out. For more information and to sign up, visit eventbrite.com.

Community Extravaganza



Saturday May 18 12-4 pm

McMillen Park Community Center, 3901 Abbott St.

★ ★ FREE Family Fun ★ ★

Games • Activities • Prizes

Registrations will be taken for our free summer youth program!



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Community Center

On the Riverfront



Promenade Park

202 W. Superior St., Fort Wayne • (260) 427-6000 • RiverfrontFW.org

Park Hours

6:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

Teds Snack + Bar Hours

Check Facebook for hours

Park Foundation Pavilion Hours

Open for RFW Programs



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FORT WAYNE

Always moving.

Facebook – Riverfront FW

Twitter – Riverfront FW

Instagram-RiverfrontFortWayne

Sunday Heritage Concerts

2nd Sundays, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Park Foundation Pavilion

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Experience an up close and personal concert with local musicians and musical groups in the Park Foundation Pavilion. Concerts are free and open to all ages. Seating inside will be on a first come first served basis.

June 9Fort Wayne Children's Choir

July 14 Quincy Sanders

August 11High Freqs

Fort Wayne Area Community Band

Thursday, June 20, 7:00 p.m.

Auer Lawn, Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

The Fort Wayne Area Community Band will be performing a free concert at the park! Please bring your own seating.

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Muddy River CONCERT SERIES

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JUNE 26

JULY 10

JULY 24

AUG 7

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SUMMER

Sets start at 6:00 p.m.

Enjoy live local music along with food and drinks from Teds Snack + Bar at the Promenade Park Cafe.

RiverfrontFW.org

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DRAGON BOAT Races



**Promenade Park
Fort Wayne, IN**

Friday, August 2, 5-10 p.m. & Saturday, August 3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Meet us at the riverfront for the 8th annual Fort Wayne Dragon Boat Races! Dragon Boat Racing originated in China and features 21-person teams paddling their craft in unison to a rhythmic drumbeat. The fun begins Friday evening with the Dragon Boat Opening Ceremony, featuring live music, local food, traditional dancing and floating fire pits. We are back in action Saturday morning when the competition begins! Additional activities include local food, kids' activities and more. Team registration is underway. For more information, contact Sarah.Umbdenstock@cityoffortwayne.org. All events at the race site are free and open to the public; registration fees apply for competing teams.



Dragon Boat 101

Thursday, May 23, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Park Foundation Pavilion

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Interested in taking part in this year's Fort Wayne Dragon Boat Races but not sure where to start? Attend this informational session where we will be covering all things Dragon Boats – what it is, how to create a team, event schedule, and more!



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Sign up for the Riverfront Fort Wayne e-newsletter
RiverfrontFW.org/connect/#contact

Open Streets

Sunday, August 18, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Calhoun St. from Superior St. to Pontiac St.

Come celebrate in the Streets! Fort Wayne Public Works is excited to host its 7th annual Open Streets on Sunday, August 18! Open Streets invites you to explore Downtown Fort Wayne in a new way: by roll or by stroll, by wheel or by heel! This free event closes 25 blocks of Calhoun Street to traffic and opens it for pedestrians, cyclists, skateboarders and more. Grab your family, friends, and neighbors and join us for 100+ activities along the way. Watch a Live BMX show, take a dance lesson in the middle of the roadway, or just cruise along and take in the architecture of the Historic Calhoun Street corridor. What will you discover when the streets are Open to All? Learn more by visiting cityoffortwayne.org/OpenStreets.

Art in the Park



Paint with Your Pup

Let your dog unleash their inner artist! Pups will be creating their own canvas paw-jects and get some spreadable treats in the process. Afterwards, capture the creative moments with your pup! We'll have a designated photo booth to commemorate the artistic collaboration between you and your furry friend. Registration deadline: May 30. Walk-ins welcome if space is available, credit card only. Min. 15. Max. 70.

Code	Date	Day	Time
390103-U1	6/2	Su	1-3 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$10

Location: Auer Lawn, Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Paint with a Purpose: Family Art & Sensory Expo

Sunday, June 23, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Park Foundation Pavilion

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Riverfront Fort Wayne and Mental Health America of Northeast Indiana have partnered to bring you Paint with a Purpose: Family Art and Sensory Expo, an event that combines family fun and wellness. This FREE and inclusive event features activities and booths hosted by organizations who facilitate education and sensory-friendly fun! Mark your calendars now for this day filled with art, play, and access to resources in our community that offer sensory and adaptive services. While the expo is free to attend, additional activities may have costs.

Be Your Own Artist: Candle Canvases

Create a candle that is uniquely you. You'll begin with a plain 2" x 4" candle and use a variety of different colored waxes to "paint" it any way you like. Registration deadline: June 18. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
390102-R1	6/20	Th	6-7:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$15

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

Be Your Own Artist: Fused Glass Votive Candle Holder

Back by popular demand! Create your own 6" x 6" glass votive candle holder. You choose the glass colors to incorporate into your design while local artist Emily Simpson of Sol Eye Glass guides you through the glass piecing process. Your project will then be fired in a kiln and ready to pick up at the Parks and Recreation Department beginning August 12. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: July 17. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
390102-R2	7/25	Th	6-7 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$30

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



(Break) Dance Promenade: Street Style

Tuesdays, June 18, July 2 and 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Park Foundation Pavilion

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Kids, teens and adults are welcome to participate in these FREE breakdancing classes. ICNH is a professional dance crew that focuses on spreading awareness and love to street dance and its many styles. Crew member Sockie Phommachanh will lead you in a variety of forms like Krump, Breaking, Popping, Vogue, Hip Hop, and many more. Please register by the Tuesday prior to classes. Walk-ins welcome if space is available.

Box and Breathe

Kickboxing with 9Round

Sundays, June 9, July 14, August 11

9:00-10:00 a.m.

Old National Bank Plaza

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Kick and punch your way through a great workout with 9Round! At this FREE monthly exercise class, instructors will lead you through a full body, calorie-burning journey like no other. Drop in and join the fun! In the case of inclement weather, classes will be moved inside the Park Foundation Pavilion.

Yoga on the Riverfront

Sundays, June 9, July 14, August 11

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Bring your yoga mat to Promenade Park for FREE yoga on the Riverfront. This relaxing, 1-hour flow is for all skill levels and led by instructor Chelsea Vona, owner of Discover Yoga. Yoga mats can be provided if you do not have your own. Class will be held on the Wells Street Bridge in June and on the Old National Bank Plaza in July and August. In the case of inclement weather, classes will be moved inside to the Park Foundation Pavilion.

More Than a Park



Bioswale Tour

Friday, July 12, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Auer Lawn, Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

What is a bioswale? Come learn how the Promenade Bioswale benefits the park, including how it infiltrates and filters storm water before it goes into our rivers, and other benefits to our area. Eric Ummel, Superintendent of Landscape and Horticulture with Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation, will be leading this tour for anyone who wants to learn more about how Promenade Park helps protect our rivers and wildlife.

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Riverfront Kids

Enchanted River Excursion

Embark on an enchanting boat ride down the St. Marys River, where magic is just around the riverbend! Join us for an unforgettable experience as we welcome a special princess aboard the Sweet Breeze for photos and autographs, while an on-shore craft awaits you. Boat rides will take place on Saturday, June 29 at 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., with two groups alternating between the ride and the on-shore activity. To register, visit RideSweetBreeze.org.

River Rangers

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Promenade Park

202 W. Superior St.



Calling all River Rangers! Kids ages 5-12 are invited to learn about science and nature in an outdoor learning environment on Wednesdays this summer. Every session is FREE, however space is limited and pre-registration is required. To register, please fill out the form at bit.ly/RiverRangers.
June 5 Nano & Society
June 12..... Earth's Water Cycle
June 26 Humans & Robots
July 3 Sustainability in the Community
July 10..... Asteroids & Natural Resources
July 17..... Natural Disasters
July 24 River Ecosystems
July 31 Digging Dinosaurs

Storytime at the Park

Wednesdays, June 5-August 28, 9:30-10:00 a.m.

Park Foundation Pavilion

Promenade Park, 202 W. Superior St.

Join the Allen County Public Library on Wednesday mornings for fresh air, sunshine, and children's literature at Promenade Park. Sessions will be held under the awning of the Park Foundation Pavilion. No pre-registration is required for these FREE story sessions. There will be no Storytime on Juneteenth holiday (June 19).



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Headwaters Park



Headwaters Park

Clinton & Superior St. • 427-6000 • fortwayneparks.org

Headwaters Park, located just north of the central city business district, is home to many festivals and community events. The pavilions on the East and West side of Headwaters Park are available for public rentals and makes a wonderful setting for festivals, weddings, receptions, company picnics and family reunions. For more information or to book Headwaters Park for your event email headwaterspark@cityoffortwayne.org.

Summer Events at Headwaters Park

June 1-2	Arab Fest	July 12-July 20	Three Rivers Festival
June 5-9	German Fest	July 26-27	Pride Festival
June 13-16	Rib Fest	August 10.....	Fiesta Fort Wayne
June 20-23	Greek Fest		

McKinnie Commons



McKinnie Commons

McKinnie Avenue & South Anthony Blvd. • 427-6000 • fortwayneparks.org

Get to know one of Fort Wayne's newest Parks! McKinnie Commons is located at the corner of McKinnie Ave. and South Anthony Blvd., with parking available off of Euclid Ave.

McKinnie Commons Connections

Join Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation for McKinnie Commons Connections on the second Thursdays and last Sundays in June and July. These free events welcome the community to come together for entertainment, food and learning opportunities.

Thursday, June 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 30, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 28, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Sweet Breeze



Sweet Breeze CANAL BOAT CRUISES

2024 General Public Tours

Sat & Sun Afternoons, May 25 - Oct 13

90 min / \$30 45 min / \$20

Thursday Evenings, June 6 - August 29

60 min / \$23

Specialty Tour Schedule

Sat, June 1, 10:45 am	Bird Watching
Fri, June 21, 7:30 pm	Summer Celebration*
Sat, June 29, 11 am	Princess Party
Fri, July 12, 8 pm	Irish Folk Music
Sat, July 27, 6 pm	Addison Agen
Sat, Aug 10, 11 am	River Ecology Trivia
Fri, Aug 16, 7:30 pm	Sunset Chill Acoustic*
Fri, Aug 23, 8 pm	Wine and Cheese*
Sat, Sept 14, 11 am	The Harp Condition
Sat, Sept 21, 7 tours	Sweet Breeze Fest
Sun, Sept 22, 7 tours	Sweet Breeze Fest
Sat, Sept 28, 10:45 am	Bridges and Bagels
Sat, Oct 5, 11 am	FW Architecture
Sat, Oct 12, 6 pm	Pirate Party*

* Tours with alcohol are 21+ only



RideSweetBreeze.org for details and tickets!

Schedule may be altered due to weather, water levels, demand, etc.

Sweet Breeze is available for private parties!



Sweet Breeze . . . It's not just a boat ride!

Summer Concerts

Foellinger Theatre Summer Concerts

3411 Sherman Blvd.

Join us for a great summer of music and fun at Foellinger Theatre in Franke Park. Our concert line-up includes nationally acclaimed musicians and tribute bands, as well as free performances by local groups. Get your tickets now at Tickmaster.com or in person at the Parks and Recreation Department (no added fees), 705 East State Blvd. during regular office hours or at the Foellinger Theatre Box Office 6:00-10:00 p.m. on concert days. Foellinger Theatre is located in Franke Park next to the Children's Zoo on Sherman Blvd. Check out our new web site (foellingertheatre.org) for additional details about our summer line-up including new shows as they are announced!

May 23, 7:30 pm.....Rick Springfield

**August 2, 7:30 pm.....Rockin' The 80s:
Great White Slaughter Vixen**

August 8, 7:30 pm.....Lee Brice

**August 13, 7:30 pm.....Blue Monster Tour
Blues Traveler w/Big Head Todd and The Monsters**

August 21, 7:30 pm.....The High Kings with Gaelic Storm

August 22, 6:00 pm.....Night of Light: Fort Wayne Rescue Mission

September 13, 8:00 pm.....The Rocky Horror Show

September 14, 12:00 am.....The Rocky Horror Show

**September 21, 7:30 pm.....Indiana Jone and the Raiders of the
Lost Ark™ Live in Concert/FW Philharmonic**

September 23, 7:30 pm.....TESLA

More Shows Coming!

Visit foellingertheatre.org or follow us on Facebook, Instagram and X.

FREE Concerts

Tuesday, June 11, 7:30 p.m.

Fort Wayne Area Community Band

The theme for the band's first concert this season is "Music For All Ages."

Tuesday, July 9, 7:30 p.m.

Fort Wayne Area Community Band

Tonight's concert is titled "Salute to America."



Wednesday, July 17, 7:30 p.m.

New Millennium Jazz Orchestra 25th Anniversary Show

Established in 1999, this jazz orchestra is Northern Indiana's premiere jazz ensemble.

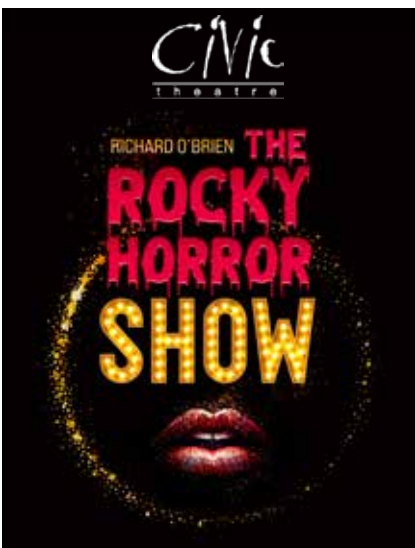
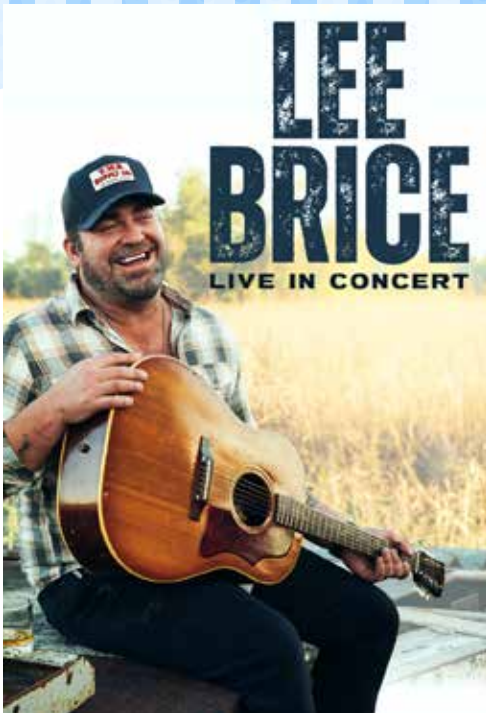
Friday, July 26, 7:00 p.m.

Fort Wayne Children's Choir

The choir will celebrate their Choral week Capstone with us again.

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Get your tickets today!

Trips & Travel

Treasures of Tuscany

October 1-10, 2024

Tuscany will win you over with its unique landscapes, cities of art, thousand-year-old history and fantastic food. You'll see world-famous statues in Florence, go truffle hunting in the hills of San Miniato and visit landmarks such as the Leaning Tower of Pisa and more in this cultural immersion into the history, lifestyle, scenery and cuisine of Tuscany.

Trip includes:

- 6 nights in Florence, 3 nights in Sienna
- Visits to several UNESCO World Heritage Sites including San Gimignano, Siena and Piazza Pio II
- Walking tour of Florence including the Accademia Gallery in where you will see Michelangelo's 'David'
- Medieval cities of Lucca and Pisa where you'll walk unique piazzas and see the Leaning Tower
- Truffle hunting in San Miniato
- Italian cuisine cooking class
- Demonstrations of the ancient art of Pienza sheep-cheese making
- Visits to local organic farms
- Locally produced olive oil and wine tasting in the Tuscan countryside

10 days, 13 meals

\$5,249/person Single supplement add \$1,449
(includes airfare from FWA)

Optional Travel Protection \$299/person



Christmas Markets Cruise on the Romantic Rhine

December 6-14, 2024

Revel in yuletide cheer as you discover European holiday traditions during this 8-day cruise. You'll visit the lovely markets of Strasbourg, Heidelberg, Cologne and Amsterdam as you sail the Rhine from Basel, Switzerland to Amsterdam.

Trip includes:

- 7-nights aboard the luxurious Emerald Cruises Star-Ship
- First-class service by an English-speaking crew
- English-speaking Cruise Director onboard
- Shore excursions with English-speaking guides
- All meals included with a variety of international cuisine
- Onboard Activity Manager will support all emeraldACTIVE excursions and host daily onboard wellness activities, games, classes and evening entertainment
- Complimentary WiFi onboard
- All gratuities included
- Complimentary bikes onboard for use ashore

9 days, 20 meals

\$3,535-\$6,135/person + airfare

Optional Travel Protection \$499/person

For more information or to receive a trip brochure by mail, please contact us at 427-6000 or e-mail fortwayneparkstravel@cityoffortwayne.org. Brochures are also available online at fortwayneparks.org.

Costa Rica

March 7-14, 2025

Costa Rica's charm lies in its lush rainforests, unspoiled beaches and abundance of wildlife. With breathtaking landscapes and a myriad of creatures – from toucans to monkeys to jaguars – it's easy to see why. From coffee to chocolate to waterfalls and volcanoes, you'll be enchanted by this tropical paradise.

Trip includes:

- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Overnight in San José, Costa Rica
- Visit to Doka Coffee Estate for a guided tour and tasting
- Hands-on chocolate making visit to a cacao plantation
- Three nights in the Arenal area overlooking Arenal Volcano
- Gentle hike at the base of Arenal volcano
- Cultural immersion during a rural dining experience on a local farm
- Excursion to Caño Negro National Wildlife Refuge with a local guide and lunch
- Demonstration of preparing ceviche and sampling the home-made product
- Three nights in Manuel Antonio with visit to Manuel Antonio National Park
- A dip in the refreshing waters at Nauyaca Waterfalls

8 days, 14 Meals

\$4,359/person Single supplement add \$1,645

(includes airfare from FWA)

Optional Travel Protection \$399/person



London and Paris Discovery

April 30-May 8, 2025

From the history of London's Leeds Castle to the soaring elegance of Paris' Eiffel Tower, this tour is loaded with iconic places to visit while on your dream Europe vacation. **Includes FREE airfare if booked by September 30, 2024!**

Trip includes:

- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Panoramic city tour of London
- Excursion to Leeds Castle and the Cliffs of Dover
- High-speed rail journey between London and Paris aboard the Eurostar
- Panoramic tour of Paris
- Learn about life in a château at Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte
- Discover the secrets to French etiquette at a private workshop
- Visit the regal Palace of Versailles
- All excursions with local English-speaking guides

9 days, 9 meals

\$3,999/person Single supplement add \$1,499

(includes free air from FWA)

Optional Travel Protection \$449/person

More 2025 Tours

(see details at fortwayneparks.org)

Black Hills to the Badlands | June 17-22

Nova Scotia & Canada's Maritimes | July 11-19

Sedona & The Grand Canyon | September 21-26

Greece | October 15-23

Do you want to come along?

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Special Interest

Put on Your Dancing Shoes

Folk Dance

Have an international affair . . . with folk dance! Learn traditional dances from the Balkans, Israel, Germany, Bolivia and Turkey. Folk dancing is stimulating for mind, body and spirit. No partner is required. Some dance background (tap, contra or line dancing) is helpful but not necessary. Instructors Jeanette Thompson, Anna Nagel and Rachel Gordon have decades of experience. Please wear flat and secure shoes. Ages 13+. Registration deadline: June 6. There will be no class July 4. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342206-R1	6/13-8/22	Th	7:30-8:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 10/\$26/\$31 after June 6
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Line Dancing

Line dancing is a versatile activity that offers a range of benefit. Whether you are looking to get in shape, boost your confidence, or just enjoy a fun activity, line dancing could be the answer. So, put on your dancing shoes, turn up the music and dance your way to a happier, healthier you! All skill levels are welcome. Instructor: Johnnie Parish. Registration deadline: June 14. Min. 8. Max. 25.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342204-F1	6/21-8/9	F	10:30-11:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$43/\$48 after June 14
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.



Ballroom Dance

Learning to dance with a partner is fun, challenging and good exercise for the mind and body. Classes will focus on a variety of dances like Swing, Foxtrot, Waltz and Rumba. This class will give you a solid base for social dancing. Some prior ballroom dance experience is required for the Social Foundations class which is more advanced. For either class, you will need to register and attend with a dance partner. Ages 16+. Registration deadline: June 17. Min. 14. Max. 30.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
Beginner			
342207-M1	6/24-7/29	M	7:45-8:30 pm
Social Foundation			
342207-M2	6/24-7/29	M	7-7:45 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$40 person/\$45 after June 17
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Adult Tap Dance

Tap dancing is great exercise and a great way to spend an evening. You'll learn various tap dance techniques and performance skills. No previous experience is required for the beginner class. The intermediate class requires some previous tap dance training. Ages 16+. Please wear tap or hard-soled shoes. Instructors: Linda Mullenhour (Beginner and Beginner +) and Jordan Yarde (Intermediate). Registration deadline: June 19. Min. 5. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
Beginner			
342205-W1	6/26-8/14	W	5:30-6:15 pm
Beginner Plus			
342205-W2	6/26-8/14	W	6:15-7 pm
Intermediate			
342205-W3	6/26-8/14	W	7-8 pm

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$25/\$30 after June 19
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Life is
BETTER
WHEN YOU
dance

Does This Hit a Chord?

You Can Play the Ukulele

The ukulele's happy, joyful tone makes it a delight to play and this incredibly social instrument can be played by anyone, young or old, musician or non-musician. In just one lesson you will learn how to hold the ukulele, use a chord chart and strum with confidence. You'll leave the class with the skills necessary to play from 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: August 10. Min. 10. Max. 30.

Code	Date	Day	Time
342238-S1	8/17	Sa	9:30 am-12 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$74/\$79 after August 10
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Beginning Guitar

Whether you enjoy acoustic, folk, metal, rock or pop music . . . it can be played with a guitar! You know you want to learn, so don't put it off any longer. Learn proper playing posture, left- and right-hand placement/technique, notes, chords and strumming patterns. Our lessons also cover fundamental music theory, guitar tablature and standard staff notation. If you have your own guitar you can bring it with you, or the Community Center can provide a guitar. These are individual lessons with only four times available, so sign up today. Ages 14+. Registration deadline: July 2.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342414-T1	7/9-7/30	T	6 pm
342414-T2	7/9-7/30	T	6:30 pm
342414-T3	7/9-7/30	T	7 pm
342414-T4	7/9-7/30	T	7:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$66/\$71 after July 2
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.



For the Artistic & Crafty

Painting with Alcohol Inks

Whether or not you're artistic, this class is freeing and downright fun! Learn to playfully release "control" and see lovely results! You will learn tips and techniques by painting three 6" x 6" squares of ceramic tile or special paper, which you'll take home. There will be ethyl-alcohol fumes. Supplies (and occasional laughter) included. Ages 16+. Registration deadlines: July 15 and August 19. Min.5. Max. 10.

Code	Date	Day	Time
342035-M1	7/22	M	6-8 pm
342035-M2	8/26	M	6-8 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$44/\$49 after deadlines
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St

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. Ages 16+. Instructors are provided by Build Guild. Registration deadlines: July 8 and August 12. Min. 5. Max. 12.

Code	Date	Day	Time
342018-M1	7/15	M	6-8 pm
342018-M2	8/19	M	6-8 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$44/\$49 after deadlines
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Card Making

Card making is one of the most popular and meaningful crafts in the paper crafting world. A variety of techniques such as stamping, die cutting, embossing, patterned papers, embellishments and others can be incorporated into a card design. Learn a few basic design techniques and create three unique cards that you can use to bring joy to others. All necessary tools and materials will be provided. Instructor Kathe Madsen has over 16 years of paper crafting experience. Registration deadline: July 9. Min. 6. Max. 8.

Code	Date	Day	Time
342005-T1	7/16	T	6-8 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$18/\$23 after July 9
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Register on-line at
fortwayneparks.org

Beginning Stained Glass

Stained glass is now popular in home décor such as doors, cabinetry, light boxes, sun catchers, wall hangings and more. Learn the art of glass cutting, grinding and soldering 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. Please wear closed-toe shoes and a long sleeve shirt. Ages 16+. Instructor: James Lupkin. Registration deadline: June 18. Min 4. Max. 7. There will be no class July 2.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342009-T1	6/25-7/30	T	6-8:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 5/\$98/\$103 after June 18
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Beginning Pottery

A skill such as pottery allows you to express your creativity and produce something that you can use or display, but it can also be therapeutic by relieving stress and improving dexterity and fine motor skills. So many benefits in such a fun hobby! In our beginning pottery class you will learn how to prepare clay, how to work the clay by hand and with a pottery wheel, and various glazing techniques. You will create several unique pieces to take home. All pottery 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+. Registration deadlines: June 3 and June 20. There will no class on July 4. Min. 5. Max. 6.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342004-M1	6/10-7/15	M	6-9 pm
342004-R1	6/27-8/8	Th	6-9 pm

Sessions/ Fee: 6/\$107/\$112 after deadlines
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Macramé Is Back

Make your own BoHo wall hanging. You will learn how to begin a macramé piece, how to work a few different basic knots and create a design, texture and pattern within your piece by varying the knots as you work. You will complete your own beautiful wall hanging in this 2-session class. All supplies are included and no prior experience is necessary. Ages 14+. Registration deadlines: June 13 and July 11. Min. 4. Max. 6.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342037-R1	6/20-6/27	Th	6-8 pm
342037-R2	7/18-7/25	Th	6-8 pm

Sessions/Fee: 2/\$45/\$50 after deadlines
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Wire Wrapped Jewelry

Wire wrapping is one of the world's oldest jewelry-making techniques. Wire can be wrapped, twisted and woven around itself or various items to make exquisite jewelry. Join us for this informative introduction into wire wrapping stones. You'll discover the artistry and joy of crafting stunning pieces to wear yourself or to share with others. You will leave this class with your own hand-crafted ring and necklace. Registration deadline: August 9. Min. 5. Max 8.

Code	Date	Day	Time
342039-F1	8/16	F	12-1:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$57/\$62 after August 9
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

A Practical Hobby

Chair Recovery

Don't give up your comfortable chair just because it is 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. Ages 18+. Instructor Celeste Rosales has been reupholstering furniture for over 11 years and works in a local upholstery shop. Registration deadline: July 1. Min. 8. Max. 12. Class will not meet on September 2.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342903-M1	7/8-9/16	M	6-9 pm

Sessions/Fee: 10/\$105/\$110 after July 3
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.



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This Sounds Relaxing



Fairy Gardens and Moss Boxes

With the choice to make it simple or complex, you can let your creativity run wild as you create your own unique moss box. You will be guided through selecting the right components, arranging them in an aesthetically pleasing way, and caring for the moss. By the end of this workshop, you will have a beautiful, personalized moss box to add to your home décor or give as a gift. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: August 6. Min. 5. Max. 12.

Code	Date	Day	Time
342042-T1	8/13	T	1:30-3 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$48/\$53 after August 6

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Sound Meditation

This full-body listening experience uses vibrational tones to invite gentle yet powerful therapeutic and restorative processes to nurture your mind and body. Sound immersion is a simple and direct-connect to the powerful benefits of meditation – promoting deep restorative relaxation and a quiet mind. The harmonic resonance orchestrates an energetic reset to release stress and tension. 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. Instructor: Heather Williams MA, LMT, CRMT. Ages 16+. Registration deadline: June 10. Min. 8. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342366-M1	6/17-7/22	M	7-8 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$48/\$53 after June 10

Location: Haven of Healing, 2018 Fairfield Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Tech Training

MS Word

Microsoft Word is a powerful word processing tool for creating text-based documents. You will learn how to create new documents, apply text enhancements, add bulleted lists, print documents, add pictures to a document and create tables. Experience with Windows, file management, and cut-copy-paste is required. Instructor: Keith Herring. Registration deadline: June 20. Min. 5. Max. 8.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342102-W1	6/26-7/31	W	1-3 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$36/\$41 after June 20

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

USB Flash Drive

Whether you call it a jump drive, a thumb drive, a USB stick, a flash drive or a “thing-a-ma-bob”... bring your handy little device to class and learn how to save information (including photos) to it and how to organize that information into files and folders. Experience with Windows, file management, word processing, internet surfing, and cut/copy/paste tools is required. Instructor: Keith Herring. Registration deadline: August 7. Min. 5. Max. 8.

Code	Date	Day	Time
342123-W	8/14	W	1-3 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$22/\$27 after August 7

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Microsoft Excel 2019

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: July 3. Min. 5. Max. 7.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342109-W1	7/10-8/14	W	10 am-12 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$36/\$41 after July 3

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Computer Lab

The Community Center Computer Lab is open to the public and staffed by a volunteer on Thursdays 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Lab Fee: \$2/hour

B/W Copies: 10¢ single/15¢ double

Color Copies: 15¢ single/25¢ double

Photo Prints: 35¢ for 4" x 6"

\$1.50 for 8.5" x 11"

Questions? 427-6000

Botanical Conservatory



Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory

1100 S. Calhoun St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802 • (260) 427-6440 • botanicalconservatory.org

Conservatory & Gift Shop Hours

Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm

Thursday 10 am-8 pm

Sunday 12-4 pm

Closed Mondays



BOTANICAL
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Admission

Adults \$7/Children age 3-17 \$5

Ages 2 and under Free

\$1 Thursdays 5-8 pm

Admission fee not required
for the café or gift shop.

Parking

The Admission Desk validates tickets for FREE parking across from the entrance at Calhoun Street and Jefferson Boulevard in the Civic Center Parking Garage; its third-floor skywalk bridge provides indoor access to the Botanical Connector through the Hilton Hotel, Grand Wayne Center and Embassy Theatre. Metered parking is available on surrounding streets and is free on evenings and weekends. Bus and handicap-accessible parking is available in the circle drive off Calhoun Street near Conjure Coffee.

Conservatory Membership

Enjoy annual membership to the Botanical Conservatory. Members receive free garden admission anytime during public hours, a 10% discount in the Conservatory Shop and reciprocal benefits at more than 330 gardens around the country. Visit shop.botanicalconservatory.org to become a member today!

Conservatory Shop & Sales Garden

The Conservatory Shop offers a boutique-style atmosphere filled with houseplants, home & garden essentials, unique toys & books, trendy apparel and fashion accessories along with seasonal merchandise perfect for souvenir-taking and gift-giving! Local vendors are also featured from Fort Wayne and the surrounding area. The outdoor Sales Garden offers a selection of perennial flowers, herbs, tropical plants, flowering baskets and patio containers. Conservatory admission is not required to shop during public hours Tuesday through Sunday.

CONJURE (COFFEE)

Tue-Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sun 12-4 p.m.

Enjoy thoughtful hospitality, fresh pastries and hand-crafted beverages featuring local ingredients. Coffee is hand-roasted at Conjure's Columbia Avenue location as a uniquely fresh experience. More details at conjurecoffee.com. Catering options are available to Conservatory renters and downtown businesses.



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COLOR IN MOTION

Live Butterfly Exhibit

Thru June 23
Public Hours

Live butterflies have landed at the Botanical Conservatory bringing with them an array of natural beauty and wonder. Watch in awe, their wings in flight, as they flash with color pigments and refracted light. Observe exotic butterflies emerging from their chrysalides right before your eyes! An epic display of multicolored flowers and foliage elevates this annual spring exhibit. Sponsored by the Fort Wayne Park Foundation, English Bonter Mitchell Foundation, "In memory of Jo Ann and William Wyatt," 97.3 WMEE and 21Alive.



97.3 WMEE
Today's Best Variety



Breakfast with Butterflies

Reserve your spot for an unforgettable experience at the Botanical Conservatory! As a VIP guest, this special occasion includes a personalized visit with exotic butterflies, a youth-oriented craft and breakfast. Enjoy French toast sticks, bacon, hash browns, fruit and a beverage of your choice, especially prepared for you by Classic Café. You will also receive a souvenir and Painted Lady Butterfly Kit to continue the transformative fun at home. All attendees must register including adults and children under 2. **All children must be accompanied by a registered adult.** Please reserve highchair or booster seat during registration. Registration deadlines: May 24 and May 31. Min. 20. Max. 48.

Code	Date	Day	Time	
327200-U1	6/2	Su	10 am-12 pm	# Sessions/Fee: 1/\$30
327200-U2	6/9	Su	10 am-12 pm	Ages 2 years & under: Free



Raise a Glass! Exhibit

June 29-November 17, Public hours

We're celebrating 40 years at the Botanical Conservatory. Since 1983, this unique botanical venue has served as a cultural anchor in Fort Wayne, having welcomed nearly three million visitors from near and far! During its 40th anniversary, the Botanical Conservatory is capturing vivid streams of light and reflecting into glimmers of a vibrant future. Raise your glass to the continued health, happiness, and success of this community treasure. Sponsored by Fort Wayne Park Foundation, English Bonter Mitchell Foundation, Majic 95.1, WANE 15 and Sycamore Tree Care.

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Raise a Glass! \$1 Nights

Thursdays, 5:00-8:00 p.m. July 4 - November 14

Here's a toast celebrating not only 40 years as a unique botanical venue for public education and enjoyment, but 200 years since Allen County was officially born. During the Raise a Glass! Garden Exhibit, here from June 29-November 17, take advantage of \$1 admission EVERY Thursday evening from 5-8 pm. Cheers to the Botanical Conservatory as a community treasure serving over 3,000,000 tourists and residents since opening its doors in 1983... AND here's to Allen County having been established in 1824 with 400,000+ residents thriving and residing today. Together, the Botanical Conservatory and Bicentennial Executive Board wish to celebrate the past, present and future with YOU!



Summer Family Fun at the Conservatory

FATHER'S DAY in the **GARDEN**



June 15 & 16

Saturday 10 am-5 pm • Sunday 12-4 pm
at the Botanical Conservatory

Sunday 12-3 pm
Lawn Games
G-Money Band
Beer & Delectables
available for purchase from
Hop River Brewing Company
and The Spicy Bird

Dads admitted FREE!

live butterflies garden displays potted plant



Treat Dad, Granddad and Father Figures to a special outing at the Botanical Conservatory where they get in FREE Father's Day weekend. Make it a family outing with live butterflies and beautiful garden displays where the first 300 Fathers to visit receive a free plant! On Sunday from 12:00-3:00 p.m., make the day extra special while enjoying lawn games and live music from the G-Money Band in addition to beer & delectables available for purchase from Hop River Brewing Company & The Spicy Bird. Sponsored by 96.3 XKE.



JULY 20

\$10 ALL AGES

**DOORS 5:30 PM
SHOW 6-10 PM**

2024 CONCERT

**WEST CENTRAL QUARTET
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BOTANICAL ROOTS MUSIC FEST



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1100 S. Calhoun St. | Fort Wayne

FRIDAY AUGUST 2 5-11 PM

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SATURDAY AUGUST 3 5-11 PM

BLUES | R&B SOUL | \$15

JOHN PRIMER & | **ALIAH SHEFFIELD**
THE REAL DEAL BLUES BAND

FEATURING: PHIL SCHURGER'S SUNGATE | SWELL TIME



2-Day Ticket | \$25
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Turning knowledge into solutions.



Grammy Nominee 2024, 2016 & 2010
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John Primer & the Real Deal Blues Band

Grammy Winner 2024
Best Regional Roots Music Album
Buckwheat Zydeco Jr & the
Legendary Ils Sont Partis Band



and enjoy the musical entertainment!

You Need More Plants!

Fall Plant Swap

Swap quality established plants with fellow plant enthusiasts and bring home the same amount of plants, if not more! Perennials, bulbs and houseplants are preferable this fall. Please label ahead of time and bring a carrier for transporting. Swaps are FREE, though space is limited. Registered participants are given priority. Reserve your spot by calling 427-6000. Registration deadline: September 1. Min. 10. Max. 45.

Code	Date	Day	Time
427700-S1	9/7	Sa	10-11 am

Sessions/Fee: 1/FREE

Location: Botanical Conservatory, 1100 S. Calhoun St.



Daylily Show

Saturday, July 13, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Celebrate during the Three Rivers Festival with a visit to the Botanical Conservatory. On the first Saturday, members of the Fort Wayne Daylily Society display a wide range of cheerful Daylilies – one of summer's most iconic flowers. These experienced gardeners are eager to share tips on growing this durable, delightful plant. Plants are even available for purchase! Regular admission rates apply. Presented by the Fort Wayne Daylily Society.

Iris Sale

Sunday, July 21, 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Local Iris hobbyists return to the Botanical Conservatory for this special occasion where you can purchase rhizomes of their favorite varieties. Bring home various colors and types such as Siberian, bearded, crested and more. You will surely enjoy them for years to come in spring and early summer! Regular admission rates apply. Presented by the Northeast Indiana Iris Society.

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On the Wall

Art Displays

Enjoy works of art by local and regional artists on display at the Botanical Conservatory. General admission fees apply. If interested in exhibiting, submit your artwork for consideration to Botanical.Programs@cityoffortwayne.org.

Dani Kiefer: Wild and Free

April 16-June 22

Dani Kiefer is a teacher, graphic designer, illustrator and fine artist. She received a Bachelor of Arts in graphic design and photography from the University of Saint Francis in 1999. Upon graduation, she moved to Chicago and began designing exhibits and marketing materials for the Field Museum of Natural History. She continued her career in Chicago at the Chicago Botanic Garden and the Lincoln Park Zoo where her brand design for the Pritzker Family Children's Zoo was awarded first place by the American Association of Museums. She currently teaches part-time at Concordia Lutheran High School, leads art workshops in her home studio and designs communication materials and illustrations for a variety of clients. "I'm drawn to wildflowers. They thrive in the most unlikely of circumstances. They are strong, resilient, patient, trusting, wild and free."

From Concept to Celebration

June 29-November 16

This visual timeline displays the history of the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory from an original idea to our current-day fortieth anniversary! Images, news articles and short stories provide historical context during the celebratory Raise a Glass! Garden Exhibit. Enjoy this unique display as a collaboration of archives from both the Foellinger Foundation and the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory.

National Pollinator Week

Tuesday-Saturday, June 18-23, Public hours

Join us as we celebrate National Pollinator Week at the Botanical Conservatory! Get a thrill out of the Conservatory's Live Butterfly Exhibit and Observation Bee Hive both having returned for another season. In addition, explore the amazing world of pollinators and learn, too, the importance of pollinators in our world. Regular admission rates apply.



Be Well

Conservatory Kids

T'ai Chi for Balance

Enhance your balance through the ancient Chinese practice of T'ai Chi. Certified instructor, Liz Monnier, guides movement in the method of Qigong to improve balance and induce relaxation, healing and internal harmony. Please bring a water bottle and wear comfortable fitting shoes. With class consensus and weather permitting, instruction may be held outdoors in the shade. Includes individual garden admission during public hours. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: May 27. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
327400-T1	6/4-7/9	T	10-11 am

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$55 Member Fee: \$50

Location: Botanical Conservatory, 1100 S. Calhoun St.

T'ai Chi in August

Embrace summer while relaxing the body and focusing the mind with certified T'ai Chi instructor, Sandy Gebhard. As an instructor skilled in guiding movement through the Sun Style Form of T'ai Chi, Sandy modifies movement to suit instruction for students ranging from beginning to advanced. Please bring a water bottle and wear comfortable fitting shoes. Class will be held outdoors in the shade, weather permitting. Includes individual garden admission during public hours. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: July 29. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
327400-T2	8/6-8/27	T	10-11 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$42 Member Fee: \$37

Location: Botanical Conservatory, 1100 S. Calhoun St.

T'ai Chi in September

Transition into fall with returning instructor, Liz Monnier. While practicing T'ai Chi in the method of Qigong, prepare your mind, body and internal center for the changing of the seasons. As a certified instructor, Liz guides movement to promote relaxation, healing and harmony. Please bring a water bottle and wear comfortable fitting shoes. With class consensus and weather permitting, instruction may be held outdoors in the shade. Includes individual garden admission during public hours. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: August 26. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
427002-T1	9/3-9/24	T	10-11 am

Sessions/Fee: 4/\$42 Member Fee: \$37

Location: Botanical Conservatory, 1100 S. Calhoun St.

Botanical Field Trip & Outreach

Tuesday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

The Botanical Conservatory is an ideal field trip destination for public, parochial, private and home school students. Teachers may choose the standards-based curriculum that best meets their students' needs while engaging them in experiential learning about plants, scientific methods, data collection and more! Reservations must be made at least 2 weeks in advance having submitted an online **Field Trip Request Form** available at botanicalconservatory.org.

Camp ACTiVenture

The Botanical Conservatory's Camp ACTiVenture engages campers in active, adventurous fun! This exciting day camp incorporates off-site excursions to city and state parks, rivers, trails and other recreation destinations where campers experience northern Indiana adventures such as biking, bouldering, zip lining, kayaking, fire building, hiking, orienteering or cooling off in freshwater sources in a small-group setting. Camp ACTiVenture integrates values exploration and nature play to foster individual accomplishment, community belonging and character development. Natural elements of earth, air, water and fire are also explored through safe, outdoor challenges that educate and thrill. Registration deadlines are one week prior to each session. Space is limited to 12 campers per week.

Location

The Botanical Conservatory is the base for Camp ACTiVenture. Staff-led excursions to various Northeast Indiana destinations are within walking distance or a 1-hour driving range.

Ages

Ages 9-13 (as of June 1, 2024)

Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:00 am-4:00 pm

AM Camp Care: 7:00-9:00 am

PM Camp Care: 4:00-6:00 pm

Sessions

Week #1 June 10-14

Week #2 June 17-21

Week #3 June 24-28

Week #4 July 8-12

Week #5 July 15-19

Week #6 July 22-26

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Salomon Farm Park



Salomon Farm Park

817 W. Dupont Rd. Open daily, 6:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

Salomon Farm Park is a true historic gem and a perfect location for walking, jogging, biking, bird watching, photography and more. The Salomons established the farm in 1871, but visitors will notice the endearing 1930's theme. Stop by for a visit to admire historic buildings, relax at the wetlands or enjoy our fully paved 1.8 mile trail around the property. Follow us on Facebook for news, events, updates and announcements! Contact us at SalomonFarm@cityoffortwayne.org.

Goat Meet & Greets

Brush, pet, play and take pictures with these adorable animals! You have 36 opportunities this summer for a private meet and greet with our friendly goats. Each Meet & Greet session is 30 minutes of exclusive interaction with our goats for up to 4 people. It makes a wonderful family outing. Park in the lot near the big windmill. Closed toe shoes are a must. Registration deadlines are 3 working days prior to each Meet & Greet session, but they tend to fill quickly, so don't wait. Register online at fortwayneparks.org.

Dates: June 1, 9; July 13, 21; August 3, 18
Times: 9:00, 9:45, 10:30, 11:15, 12:00, 12:45

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$45

Location: Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd. Park in lot near the windmill.



Draft Horse 101

Meet draft horses up close and personal and learn all about these magnificent animals. You will learn about the various breeds, the harnesses used and the types of work the horses perform. Bring a lawn chair and any questions you have. This program is presented by the DeKalb County Horseman's Association. Children under age 5 attend free with a registered adult. Registration deadline: June 1. Min. 10. Max. 50.

Code	Date	Day	Time
353844-S1	6/8	Sa	10 am-12 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$5

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



Concert on the Farm



Sunday | 1-7 pm
Aug 25

Salomon Farm Park
817 W. Dupont Rd.



Sunny Taylor with Paul Kobylensky



Bring a lawn chair or blanket (limited seating inside the barn).

Food (Shigs in Pit), alcohol, popcorn, face painting, flowers for purchase.

Gates open at 1:00. Music begins at 1:30.

Admission: \$5/person



Dinner in the Flower Garden

Saturday, August 17, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd.

Treat yourself to unique outdoor dining experience surrounded by fragrant flowers at Salomon Farm Park. You are invited to take a pre-dinner walk through the fields selecting beautiful flowers to create your own bouquet, then settle in to enjoy an adult beverage, soft music, conversation with friends and a 4-course meal prepared by Mad Anthony Catering. Additional adult beverages will be available for purchase. The dinner is served outdoors so please dress accordingly. Closed toe shoes are recommended due to uneven ground in the flower field and the dinner area is finely mulched. Reservation deadline: August 3. Ages 21+. \$70/person. No refunds for cancellations. 353850-S1



There's music in the air and dinner in the flower garden!

Farm Life

Hostas: You Can't Have Just One

"I need that one, and that one, and, oh, I must have that one!" Beware . . . once you've seen a few varieties you can easily be infected with the Hosta-Gotta-Haves. Advanced Master Gardener Simone Alberding, one of the area's premier hosta experts, will share garden design and care tips, as well as the fascinating history of hostas. But, fair warning, her affinity for hostas is contagious. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: August 13. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
353831-T1	8/20	T	6-7 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$22

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



Salomon Farmers' Market

Wednesdays, 4-7 pm

June 5 - September 4

Historic Old Barn, Salomon Farm Park

Fresh Produce • Baked Goods • Honey
Homemade Pies • Artisan Goods

Celebrating our 20th Season!



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Growing Nutritional Greens Indoors

Did you know you can grow nutritious greens indoors in as little as 7-10 days? Our Master Gardener from "C's Greens" will share tips on how to grow microgreens and sprout seeds for eating and wheat grass for juicing. You'll be enjoying home-grown greens year-round. An introductory starter kit is included. Ages 14+. Registration deadline: August 8. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
353832-R1	8/15	Th	6-7:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$45

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

Blacksmith Skills Workshop

Learn new techniques and practice your forging skills while working on simple projects. Participants must wear leather closed-toe shoes, full-length pants, natural fiber clothing (cotton, wool, etc.) and hair must be tied back. Gloves and protective eye wear will be provided. Ages 15+. Participants under 18 must have a parent or guardian present during class session. Registration deadline: July 20. Min. 3. Max 5.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
353819-S1	7/27 & 8/24	Sa	9-11 am

Sessions/Fee: 2/\$20

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

Blacksmithing for Women

Learning decorative techniques to create functional items. Participants must wear leather closed-toe shoes, full-length pants, natural fiber clothing (cotton, wool, etc.) and hair must be tied back. Gloves and protective eye wear will be provided. Ages 15+. Participants under 18 must have a parent or guardian present during each class session. Class meets at the Blacksmith Shop on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month. Registration deadline: June 29. Min. 3. Max. 6.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
353843-S1	7/6-9/21	Sa	10 am-12 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$30

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

Salomon Farm Volunteer Opportunities

Salomon Farm Park relies on volunteers to help maintain the park and provide various amenities and services to our community. If you are interested in becoming a garden volunteer or getting involved in farm park operations indirectly through the Tractor Club, Flax and Fleece Guild or Gardeners of America, please plan to attend any of the clubs' meetings. All meetings are held at the Salomon Farm Park in the Wolf Family Learning Center, 817 W. Dupont Rd. Please direct any questions regarding volunteering or possible service projects for your group to SalomonFarm@cityoffortwayne.org or call Larry at 427-6005.

You Can Yoga Anywhere



Yoga in the Big Red Barn

The historic barn at Salomon Farm Park, surrounded by quiet, calming open space and bathed in natural light, provides an ideal atmosphere for yoga practice. The rustic setting adds a unique and grounding element that allows for a deeper connection to nature and oneself. Four yoga sessions are offered throughout the summer. Bring your mat and give it a try. Parking for the barn is near the large windmill. Ages 18+ Instructor: Laura Kahn. Registration deadline are 7 days prior to each session. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
353809-R1	6/20	Th	6-7 pm
353809-R2	6/27	Th	6-7 pm
353809-R3	7/11	Th	6-7 pm
353809-R4	7/18	Th	6-7 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$15

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

Seeking 2024 Fall Harvest Festival Vendors

We are now accepting applications for the 2024 Fall Harvest Festival. Vendors must produce their goods within a 75-mile radius of Salomon Farm Park and are required to grow their own fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs. We strive to find vendors who embrace sustainable and organic growing practices. A vendor may also include baked goods, honey, maple syrup, handmade crafts, food, demonstrations, entertainment and/or children's activities. The Fall Harvest Festival is Saturday September 28, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. If you are interested in receiving a Fall Harvest Festival application, please call 260-427-6790 ext. 2 or email DeAnna.Harris@cityoffortwayne.org.

For the Farm Kids

Animal Playdates

*Adult/Child

Salomon Farm Park is home to chickens, goats, pigs, and mini horse that love playdates with children! In these hands-on, interactive sessions boys and girls ages 3-6 learn all about the animals at Salomon Farm Park and enjoy a fun animal related craft. Ages 3-6. Registration deadlines: August 20 and August 22. Min. 6. Max. 12

Code	Date	Day	Time
353930-T1	8/27	T	9:30-10:30 am
353930-R1	8/29	Th	9:30-10:30 am

Sessions/fee: 1/\$10

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



Kids Painting on the Farm

Bring out your inner artist! We're in a painting frenzy at Salomon Farm Park this summer. Our instructor Angela Esselburn will share her passion for art as she guides you step-by-step from blank canvas to finished painting. Subjects include a Squishmallow (paint our model or bring your own) and a whimsical fairy forest. Both classes provide a unique opportunity to express yourself through art and bond with your peers in an engaging setting. All necessary supplies will be provided. Ages 6-12. Registration deadlines: August 5 and August 12. Min. 10. Max. 20.

Code	Date	Day	Time
Squishmallow 353940-M1	8/12	M	6-7:30 pm
Fairy Forest 353940-M2	8/19	M	6-7:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/\$20

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

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Kitchen w/ icemaker, refrigerator, freezer

Presentation / slide show looping capabilities

Great venue for any event

OUTDOOR RENTAL AREAS

Available Upon Request & Availability

Covered Bridge Area Capacity 50

North Flower Garden Area Capacity 150

(only available in combo rental with Wolf Family Center)



SALOMON FAMILY HOMESTEAD

Available Year-Round

Climate controlled, antiqued interior

Capacity 25

ADA accessible / restrooms

Ample space for gathering in sitting rooms / dining room

Large kitchen space (no working appliances)

First floor occupancy only

The peaceful setting of Salomon Farm Park makes our elegant rental spaces perfect for weddings, receptions, reunions, concerts, dances, and many other special events. The modern Wolf Family Center is fully equipped to accommodate business meetings or retreats. We are now accepting 2025 reservations!

Sports & Fitness

It's Your Serve



Intro to Pickleball

What's the big "dill?" Come see for yourself why pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America. It's social, it's great exercise and, most of all, it's FUN! Learn basic technique and rules of the game and you'll be ready for hours of fun on the court. Ages 18+. Registration deadline: June 17. Min. 6. Max. 16.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
344600-M1	6/24-7/29	M	5-6 pm
344600-M2	6/24-7/29	M	6-7 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$24/29 After June 17

Location: Lakeside Park, 1401 Lake Ave.

Adult Tennis Lessons

Many people start playing tennis at an early age, but if you're an adult who's never set foot on a tennis court, don't fret - it's never too late to begin learning how to play this exciting sport. Our beginner lessons use the USA 1-2-3 program. This program consists of 5 beginner lessons, 4 sessions of supervised play along with ongoing instruction. Each session lasts 90 minutes. You will be introduced to the rules of tennis, basic strokes, serving and volleying. Intermediate classes consist of six 90-minute lessons and focus on consistency of strokes and court strategies, as well as learning more advanced strokes. Please bring your own racket. Balls will be provided. Registration deadlines are one week prior to class starting. Min. 8. Max 14.

Code	Dates	Days	Time
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Beginner/USA 1-2-3

344500-S1 6/8-8/3 Sa 10:45-12:15 pm

344500-T1 6/4-7/2 T, Th 6-7:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 9/\$81/\$86 after deadlines

Intermediate

344500-M1 6/3-6/19 M, W 6-7:30 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$50/\$55 after deadlines

Location: Bob Arnold Park, Parnell at E. State Blvd.

Fitness is Fun

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: June 3. Min. 6. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342320-M3	6/10-7/15	M	6:15-7 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$66/\$71 after June 3

Location: Turnstone, 3320 N. Clinton St.

Yoga

The practice of yoga has many benefits. While the physical practice helps increase flexibility, strength and balance, the mindful side of the practice helps release stress, stiffness and anxiety. Yoga connects you to your breath, body, mind and spirit. Come do something for yourself and your overall wellness. Classes are open to any skill level, as modifications are offered in all routines. Please dress comfortably and bring your yoga mat. Drop-ins are welcome (\$10/class). Ages 16+. Instructor Melissa Vanyo-Hey is a Certified 200-hour RYT with Yoga Alliance. Registration deadline: July 2. Min. 8. Max. 30.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
342300-T1	7/9-8/27	T	4:30-5:45 pm
342300-R1	7/11-8/29	Th	6-7:15 pm

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$52/\$57 after July 2

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.



Play More Golf

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:

- Season Passes
- Group and Individual Golf Instruction
- Junior and Pee Wee Golf Tours
- The Lifetime Sports Academy
- Certified PGA Pro/Managers
- Tournament and Group Outings
- Special Promotions and Discounts

Contact the golf course clubhouse to reserve weekend tee times, make league reservations or to arrange tournaments or outings. Take advantage of the great golf discounts on page 49 and **PLAY MORE GOLF!**



Make a tee time today and play the parks!

	Weekday	Weekend/Holiday	Cart	Driving Range
Foster Park Golf Course Rudisill Blvd. & Old Mill Road 427-6735 fostergolfcourse.com	9 holes \$12 18 holes \$20	9 holes \$13 18 holes \$24	9 holes \$8 18 holes \$16 Punch Card 20/9h 10/18h \$145	
Shoaff Park Golf Course & Driving Range 6401 St. Joe Road 427-6745 shoaffgolfcourse.com	9 holes \$12 18 holes \$20	9 holes \$13 18 holes \$22	9 holes \$7 18 holes \$14 Punch Card 20/9h 10/18h \$125	small bucket \$6 large bucket \$10 Punch Cards 10 small/\$50 10 large/\$80
McMillen Park Golf Course & Driving Range Oxford St., East of Anthony Blvd. 427-6710 mcmillengolfcourse.com	9 holes \$7 18 holes \$14	9 holes \$8 18 holes \$16	9 holes \$7 18 holes \$14 Punch Card 20/9h 10/18h \$125	small bucket \$6 medium bucket \$8 Punch Card 10 small/\$50 10 medium/\$65
Mad Anthony III's Short Course Oxford St., East of Anthony Blvd. 427-6710 mcmillengolfcourse.com	Adults \$5; Youth \$4 Lifetime Sports Academy Certified Players FREE!		9 holes \$7 18 holes \$14 Punch Card 20/9h 10/18h \$125	

Season Passes

	Individual	Family (2 people)	Junior	Senior
McMillen or Shoaff	\$550	\$700	\$200	\$450
Foster	\$650	\$820	\$225	\$490

Individual Season Pass valid at all four municipal courses – \$750!

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 Shoaff and Foster Park Golf Courses. College and high school students must show a 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

Purchase a 5-round/9-hole card at regular rates (card not included) and receive a 6th 9-hole round FREE. The free round is valid at Foster, Shoaff or McMillen Park Golf Course (your choice).

Foster \$60 Shoaff \$60 McMillen \$35

• Weekday Combo

Play 18 holes with a cart at Foster for just \$26, at McMillen for \$23 and Shoaff for \$26 weekdays from opening until 12:00 p.m.

• Weekday Twilight Special

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

Golf Leagues & Lessons

Senior Men's Golf League

The Senior Men's Golf Association is open to men 55 years of age. 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 Jim Taper at 479-7770.

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.

Golf Lessons

Instructors Edgar Leano (PGA member) and Mark Beneke (PGA Associate and Indiana Tech Golf Coach) as well as Manager of Golf Operations and PGA Certified Professional Gary Whitacre are available for private golf lessons at either Shoaff or McMillen Park Golf Course. Call 427-6016 to schedule a lesson.

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. See page 9 for details.

A Different Kind of Golf



Disc Golf Courses

The Parks and Recreation Department maintains four 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.

Bob Arnold Park, Parnell Ave. at E. State Blvd.

Shoaff Park, 6401 St. Joe Rd.

Swinney Park, 1600 W. Jefferson Blvd.

Tillman Park, 600 Tillman Rd.

FootGolf at Mad Anthony III's

FootGolf combines soccer and golf into a fun and fast growing new sport. 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.

Adult 9 holes \$5; Youth 9 holes \$4

Soccer Ball rental \$2

Children 14 and under play free with a paid adult.

The Great Outdoors



Lindenwood Nature Preserve

600 Lindenwood Ave. Open daily from dawn until dusk

Lindenwood Nature Preserve encompasses 110 wooded acres with an open-air pavilion and 4 hiking trails: Trillium Trail (.5 miles), Oak Paradise Trail (.75 miles), Trail of Reflection (1 mile) and Maple Spur Trail (.25 miles). Hiking, wildlife viewing, photography, picnicking and just relaxing in nature are a few of the activities you'll enjoy at the preserve. Admission is free. The park has portable restrooms on site, but no running water, so please plan accordingly. Follow us on Facebook for nature news, updates and announcements! Pets and bikes are not allowed in the preserve. Admission is FREE.

Go Take a Hike



Summer Solstice Sunset Hike

Celebrate the longest day of the year with a sunset hike through the preserve. Keep your eyes peeled for the many creatures active at dusk, and enjoy the forest at this special time of day. All ages are welcome, and the program is free. Pre-registration is required by June 14. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Code	Date	Day	Time
348004-F1	6/21	F	8-9 pm

Sessions/Fee: 1/FREE

Location: Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave.

Tree ID Hike

What kind of tree is it? Join the Lindenwood naturalist for a hike in the woods and learn how to identify the various trees found there. You'll discover simple tips and tricks for identifying the most common trees! All ages are welcome. Pre-registration is required by June 15. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Code	Date	Day	Time
348123-S1	6/22	Sa	9:30-10:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 1/Free

Location: Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave.

Cómo identificar los árboles

¿Qué tipo de árbol es este? Únase al guía naturalista de Lindenwood para una caminata en el bosque y aprenda a identificar los diversos árboles que se encuentran allí. ¡Descubrirás consejos y trucos sencillos para identificar los árboles más comunes! Todas las edades son bienvenidas. Se requiere inscripción previa. Llama a la Red de Servicios Lingüísticos – LSN al 260-426-6764 para registrarse.

22 de junio

Caminata en inglés - 9:30-10:30 am

Caminata en español - 10:45-11:45 am

Full Moon Hikes

There's nothing like hiking under a full moon. Join us for a special moonlit adventure and experience nature in a completely different perspective. We'll meet in the parking lot at the entrance to the preserve and hike the Trail of Reflection for a scenic stop at the pond. The hikes will last approximately one hour. Youth hikes are for ages 17 and under with an adult. Adult hikes are for those 18 and older. The hikes are free; however, pre-registration is required by July 12 and August 9. Min 5. Max 25.

Code	Date	Day	Time
Buck Moon – Youth Hike			
348000-S1	7/20	Sa	8-9 pm
Buck Moon – Adult Hike			
348000-S2	7/20	Sa	9:15-10:15 pm
Sturgeon Moon – Youth Hike			
348000-S3	8/17	Sa	8-9 pm
Sturgeon Moon – Adult Hike			
348000-S4	8/17	Sa	9:15-10:15 pm

Fee: FREE
Location: Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave.

Woodland Plants Hike

Sometimes they say “you can't see the forest for the trees” but out at Lindenwood, we try to focus on every part of the environment! If you'd like to learn about some of the smaller woodland plants you may find on your visits, come along on this hike! Pre-register by August 16. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Code	Date	Day	Time
348125-S1	8/24	Sa	9:30-10:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 1/Free

Location: Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave.

Plantas que habitan en los bosques

Muchas veces hemos escuchado decir: “no se puede ver el bosque por los árboles”, pero en Lindenwood, tratamos de centrarnos en cada parte del medio ambiente! Si desea aprender sobre algunas de las plantas forestales más pequeñas que puede encontrar en sus visitas al lugar, ivenga a esta caminata para ver qué plantas podemos encontrar! Llama a la Red de Servicios Linguísticos – LSN al 260-426-6764 para registrarse.

24 de agosto

Caminata en inglés - 9:30-10:30 am

Caminata en español - 10:45-11:45 am

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Questions? 427-6000

Wild Walkers

2nd and 4th Fridays of each month

Explore some of northeast Indiana's finest outdoor areas with 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 2024 schedule is posted on our website at www.fortwayneparks.org.

Stargazing

Twinkle, twinkle little star! Lindenwood Nature Preserve is the perfect place for stargazing! From super moons to meteor showers come join us as we learn about the wonders of the night sky. You will be able to use a telescope to locate planets and constellations in our galaxy. There is no charge, however, registration is required for planning purposes. All ages are welcome. Registration deadlines are 5 working days prior to each hike. Min. 5. Max. 25.

Code	Date	Day	Time
Summer Solstice			
348006-R1	6/20	Th	9-10 pm
Clear View			
348006-R2	7/18	Th	9-10 pm
Perseids Meteor Shower			
348006-T1	8/13	T	9-10 pm

Fee: FREE

Location: Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave.

Nature Story Time

Join our naturalist for a story and short hike along Trillium Trail. Search for beautiful wildflowers that adorn this path during the spring and summer. Story Time is free; however, pre-registration is required by the previous Monday and space is limited. Ages 10 and under. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Code	Date	Day	Time
348114-S1	6/8	Sa	10-10:30 am
348114-S2	7/13	Sa	10-10:30 am
348114-S3	8/10	Sa	10-10:30 am

Sessions/Fee: 1/Free

Location: Lindenwood Nature Preserve, 600 Lindenwood Ave.

**Register on-line at
fortwayneparks.org**



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Preserve**

Hurshstown Reservoir



Hurshstown Reservoir

1600 Roth Road, Grabill, IN

Open Tuesday-Sunday, 7:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Hurshstown Reservoir may be the best fishing spot in Allen County. It also features a 2.75-mile walking path, area for picnics, kayak rentals and row boat rentals. Admission is \$5/car or \$1 to walk or bicycle in. Season passes are available to purchase at the reservoir. For more information call (260) 427-6000 or the reservoir at (260) 627-3390 during hours of operation.

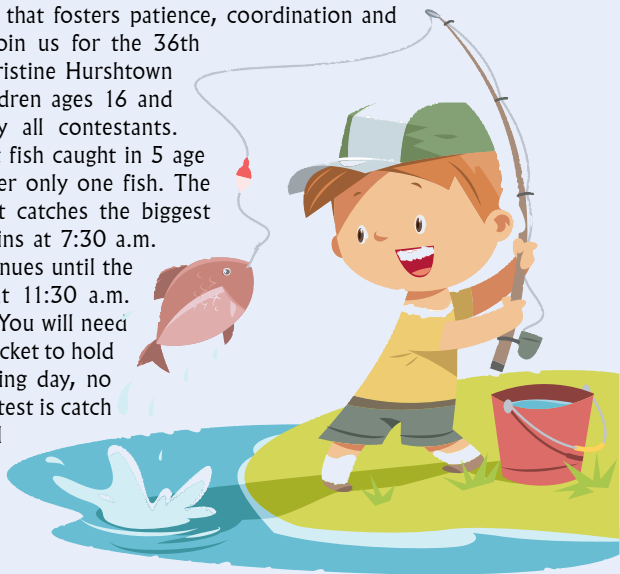
36th Annual

Kids' Fishing Derby

Saturday, June 1, 8:00-11:30 a.m.

Hurshstown Reservoir, 16000 Roth Rd., Grabill

Fishing is a favorite Hoosier pastime that fosters patience, coordination and an appreciation for nature. Please join us for the 36th Annual Kids' Fishing Derby at the pristine Hurshstown Reservoir. The derby is open to children ages 16 and younger. An adult must accompany all contestants. Prizes will be awarded for the biggest fish caught in 5 age categories. Each participant may enter only one fish. The grand prize will go to the child that catches the biggest fish overall. On-site registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Fishing begins at 8:00 a.m. and continues until the weigh-in at 11:00. Awards will be at 11:30 a.m. Contestants must be present to win. You will need to supply your own bait, tackle and bucket to hold your fish. Because this is a free fishing day, no fishing licenses are required! This contest is catch and release only. Please call or e-mail Eden at 427-6008 or eden.lamb@cityoffortwayne.org for more information. Admission to Hurshstown is \$5 per car. The derby is FREE.



Did You Know?

FREE Seminars on Topics That Matter to You

Home, Sweet Home

Hints for the First Time Homebuyer

Thursday, June 20, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Learn a few basic things you should know before you purchase your first home. We will cover everything from income calculations to down payment assistance and everything in between. We will provide checklists of items needed prior to meeting with a mortgage professional and tips to help you choose the right "team" to help you navigate the purchasing process. Dawn Cook from PNC Home Lending will be the presenter. This seminar is free; however, pre-registration is required. Call 427-6460 by June 20 to sign up.

Chaos to Comfort: Mastering Downsizing

Wednesday, July 17, 1:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

After a lifetime of making a home for your family, it may be time to think about downsizing. Or maybe you are relocating your parents and have questions about the process. Whatever the situation, your family is unique and so are the challenges. Join this discussion with Kurt Ness as he breaks down the dos and don'ts of downsizing, addressing your concerns and answering your questions about the process. This seminar is free. Call 427-6460 by July 10 to sign up.

Planning Your Cottage Garden

Wednesday, July 10, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Cottage gardens, with their seemingly casual mix of flowers, herbs and vegetables, actually have a design and formality that help give them their grace and charm. Master Gardener Pam Snyder will share the history and purpose of a Cottage Garden and the types of plants you might include in your own garden. Call 427-6460 by July 3 to sign up for this free seminar.

Assisted Living Lunch & Learn

Thursday, June 20, 1:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

People often confuse assisted living facilities for nursing homes, but the two senior care options are very different. Silver Birch staff will discuss the topic of preparing yourself or a loved one for an assisted living community. What is an Assisted Living Community? What is the cost? Can spouses live together? Can I leave when I want? Is there financial assistance for assisted living communities? What services are offered in this type of setting? These are all questions that will be answered while you enjoy lunch! The seminar is free; however, pre-registration is required. Call 427-6460 by June 13 to sign up. Min. 5. Max. 15.

Questions? 427-6460



Get answers to your questions.



Concerning Finances

Avoiding Fraud

Wednesday, June 26, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Surveys suggest one-third of consumers have been a victim of fraud or identity theft. Perhaps it's even happened to you. Prevention begins with awareness. Learn to identify scams that come in the form of text messages, phone calls, emails, hacked accounts, compromised mail and more. Team members from 3 Rivers Federal Credit Union discuss the most common types of scams our community faces and how to identify, respond to, and report them in order to keep your personal information and your finances safe! To sign up for this free seminar, call 427-6460 by June 20.

Convenient & Secure Mobile Banking

Tuesday, July 16, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Mobile banking is convenient, but must be done in a safe and secure manner. Learn the various banking services that can be performed online and how to manage them securely, as well as those services which are better handled in person. This seminar is free; however, pre-registration is required. Call 427-6460 by July 9 to sign up. Sponsored by Fire Police City County Federal Credit Union.

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Personal Finance

Tuesdays, June 4-June 25, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Do you worry about running out of money before the end of the month? Have you put off understanding investment choices? This seminar covers tracking expenses, modifying expenses, banking/loans, and investment choices. Please call 427-6460 by May 28 to sign up. The seminar is free.

Preserving Assets for the Future

Wednesday, June 26, 1:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Some time ago, the rules changed drastically for people entering a nursing home or needing Medicaid assistance. These laws could affect you or someone in your family. An Elder law attorney, will discuss your planning options and answer your questions in this FREE informational seminar. Please call 427-6460 by June 20 to reserve your seat.

Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finance

Monday, August 19, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

This seminar by the Alzheimer's Association® is designed to help you understand the costs of caregiving and the benefits of early planning; teach you how to avoid financial abuse and fraud; help you start a conversation about finances; assess your financial and legal needs; and find the support you need. Call 427-6460 by August 12 to reserve your place in this FREE seminar.

It's For Your Health

Medicare & Medigap Supplements

Monday, June 24, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 24, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Learn the basics of Medicare and the supplemental insurance that is needed to fill gaps. We will review how each Medicare coverage (Parts A-D) works together with Medicare Advantage Plans or with Medicare Supplemental Insurance. You will also learn where you can obtain the information you need to help you in your Medicare decision process. This free seminar is presented by Ray Hunert. Call 427-6460 by June 17 or July 17 to register.

Advance Care Planning

Wednesday, August 21, 11:30 a.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Have you thought about who would make medical decisions for you if 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. Call 427-6460 by August 14 to sign up for this free seminar.

Effective Communication Strategies

Monday, July 15, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Communication is more than just talking and listening – it's also about sending and receiving messages through attitude, tone of voice, facial expressions and body language. As people with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias progress in their journey and the ability to use words is lost, families need new ways to connect. Join us to explore how communication takes place when someone has Alzheimer's, learn to decode the verbal and behavioral messages delivered by someone with dementia, and identify strategies to help you connect and communicate at each stage of the disease. The Effective Communication Strategies program of the Alzheimer's Association was designed to provide practical information and resources to help dementia caregivers learn to decode verbal and behavioral messages from people with dementia. If you are interested in this free seminar call 427-6460 by July 8 to register.

Eating Smart, Moving More

Wednesday, June 26-August 7

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Eating Smart and Moving More is all about food, nutrition and exercise. You will learn how to plan nutritious meals, be more 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! The program is free; however, pre-registration is required. Call 427-640 by June 20 to sign up.

Funeral/Cemetery Preplanning

Tuesday, August 6, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

With over 30 years of professional experience in the cemetery and funeral home industry, presenter Sarah (Schwehn) McMillen shares what you need to know before making pre-arrangement decisions. She includes helpful information for veterans, as well. The seminar is free; however, pre-registration is required by July 30. Call 427-6460 to sign up.

Phones & Computers

Getting the Most Out of Your iPhone & iPad

Wednesday July 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Get the most out of your iPhone, iPad or smart phone. Sign up for an individual 20-minute session between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. Please know your Apple ID and password. Dave Collins will be providing the assistance which is free, however, you will need to call 427-6460 to by July 10 to schedule an appointment.

Introduction to the Internet

Wednesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Learn how to access web browsers, how to navigate reliable sources of information, conduct a Google search, correspond through email, access social media and more. This free seminar is designed for those with little to no computer experience. Call 427-6460 by July 10 to sign up.



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Social Seniors

Monday Luncheons

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Monday luncheons are prepared right here at the Community Center by our own "culinary staff" and volunteers. Come dine among friends and make new ones! See if you can guess the menu by the theme. We will begin serving at 12:00 p.m. Call 427-6460 or stop by the Community Center by 4:00 p.m. on the previous Wednesday to make your reservation. The cost is just \$5 (no refunds or transfers). Ages 50+. Note: Our Luncheon is one week earlier because of a Senior Games conflict on June 17.

Monday, June 10, 12:00 p.m.
"That's a Wrap!"

Monday, July 15, 12:00 p.m.
"Backyard Cookout"

Supporting Sponsor: The Waters Fort Wayne

Monday, August 19, 12:00 p.m.
"Back-To-School Lunch"

Supporting Sponsor:
Bethlehem Woods Nursing and Rehabilitation

Relaxation Station: Adult Coloring

3rd Mondays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

June 10, July 15, August 19
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Who doesn't like to color? Visit with your neighbor and color till your heart's content using colored pencils or gel pens. No pre-registration is necessary. Just drop in! Drop-in Fee: \$2. Note: Our monthly Monday Luncheons are on the same dates, so make plans to stay for lunch. Please note that our June coloring date is a week earlier due to a Senior Games conflict on June 17.

Book Sales

July 9-11 and August 6-8

8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Book sales are open to the public and feature hardback books for \$1, paperback books for 50¢ and DVDs for \$1. Other items such as magazines, cards, CDs and puzzles are also available. Donations of these items are accepted year round.

Questions? 427-6460



Tuesday Movies

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Join us for an afternoon movie at the Community Center! Most features are recent releases or popular classics. Admission is FREE, however, we do require pre-registration by the Monday prior to the movie. Call 427-6460 to reserve your seat. Light refreshments will be available. Tuesday movies are sponsored by The Waters of Fort Wayne and American Senior Communities. **Show time is 1:30 p.m.**

June 4Walk the Line
July 2Next Goal Wins
July 16.....Crazy, Stupid, Love
August 6 Moving On
August 20Holes



Fitness After Fifty

ABC Exercise: Activate, Boost & Challenge

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:30-10:15 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

ABC Exercise 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, start with this class because it is specifically designed to improve strength and flexibility, reduce pain caused by arthritis and other ailments and increase mobility. No pre-registration is required for this ongoing drop-in program. Ages 50+. Drop-in fee: \$2

Cardio Flex

Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays
10:45-11:30 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Cardio Flex is for those individuals who desire a more intensive workout than that offered in ABC Exercise. 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. No pre-registration is required for this ongoing drop-in program. Ages 50+. Drop-in fee: \$2

Indoor Circuit Training

Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 4-August 29
10:00-10:45 a.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

The Community Center has a 10-station Life Fitness Circuit Series located on the second floor. You are welcome to use the equipment on your own or join us on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for this instructor-led circuit training class. Pre-registration is not required. Just drop in! Ages 50+. Drop-in fee: \$2

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The Community Center will be CLOSED
Monday, May 27, Memorial Day
Wednesday, June 19, Juneteenth
Thursday, July 4, Independence Day



FitLot Fitness

Join us at the AARP sponsored FitLot at the Community Center for outdoor fitness fun! You will be guided through a 1-hour fitness routine using the FitLot equipment and your own body weight for resistance. The class is designed to accommodate all ages and abilities. Registration deadline: July 1. Min. 8. Max. 12.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
341214	-M1 7/8-8/26	M	9:30-10:30 am
# Sessions/Fee: 8/\$43/\$48 after July 1			
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.			

Senior Yoga

While not a cure-all, yoga offers countless benefits to seniors. It helps keep your mind sharp, strengthen bones and joints, improve balance, reduce stress, improve sleeping habits, slow down aging and reduce back pain. Yoga for Seniors offers a safe, individualized approach for persons at any fitness level. Dress comfortably and bring a yoga mat. You may perform yoga poses seated in a chair, if you prefer. Ages 50+. Registration deadlines are five working days prior to the start of each class. Min. 8. Max. 45. There will be no class on July 4.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
341200-T1	6/4-7/23	T	12-1 pm
341200-R1	6/6-8/1	Th	12-1 pm
341200-R2	8/22-10/10	Th	12-1 pm
341200-T2	8/20-10/8	T	12-1 pm

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$44/\$49 after deadlines
Sign up for both Tuesday and Thursday classes for a reduced rate of \$78 (16 sessions)
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Senior Aqua Fit

Aqua Fit offers total body toning with minimal stress on bones and joints. Our instructor will guide you through various aerobic movements set to music and using resistive and buoyancy equipment. Some of the benefits include of Aqua Fit 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 deadline: July 3. Min. 7. Max. 15.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
341209-W1	7/10-9/11	W	11:30-12:15 pm

Sessions/Fee: 10/\$72/\$77 after July 3

Location: Turnstone, 3320 Clinton St.

Senior Tap Dance

Tap dancing is great exercise and a fun way to spend a Thursday afternoon. Whether you've tapped before or just want to try something new, you are invited to join the fun! You'll learn dance technique and performance skills. No previous experience is required. Tap shoes or hard sole shoes are recommended. Ages 50+. Instructor: Linda Mullenhour. Registration deadline: May 29. Min. 5. Max. 15. Class will not meet on July 4.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
341210-R2	6/6-8/1	Th	3:30-4:15 pm
341210-R1	6/6-8/1	Th	2:45-3:30 pm

Beginners

Advanced

Sessions/Fee: 8/\$16/\$21 after May 29

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Alley Kats

The Alley Kats are a 15-member performing tap dance troupe made up entirely of active senior women ages 50 and over. The Alley Kats are available to perform for your organization or private party. To get involved and to book the Alley Kats for your function, please call 427-6441.

Downtown Walkers

Wednesdays through October 30, 11:00 a.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Lace up your walking shoes and join us on Wednesday mornings for some fresh air, a little exercise and friendly company as we cruise various routes through downtown Fort Wayne. Walks are usually about one mile and may include stops at various locations for a quick tour. Drop-in fee: \$2

West Central Neighborhood Tour

Tues, July 16 & Thurs July 18, 3:30 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

There are some interesting Fort Wayne landmarks located in the west central downtown area and we're going to visit three of them on this walking tour. The former home of Ronald T. McDonald, an electric lighting pioneer who founded Jenney Electric which became the local General Electric Works, is located on Wayne St. On Superior St. we find the former home of Hugh McCulloch, the Comptroller of Currency and Secretary of Treasury for President Abraham Lincoln. Carole Lombard, a 1930s film star, spent her early years in a beautiful home located on Rockhill St. near Swinney Park. Your tour guide will be local historian Keith Hood. Sign up at the Community Center by July 10. Fee: \$2

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Play the Game

Fun & Games

Join in 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 Fun & Games programs. Just drop in and join the fun! Ages 50+. Drop-in fee: \$2

Game	Days	Time
Billiards	M-F	8 am-4:30 pm
Bingo*	2 nd /4 th Fri	1 pm
Cornhole	M-F	8 am-4:30 pm
Crochet	W	10 am-12 pm
	W	1-3 pm
Euchre	Th	12-3:30 pm
Mah Jongg	Th	1-3 pm
Quilting	Th	1-4 pm
Scrabble	M	1-4 pm
Scrapbooking	T	1-3 pm
Shuffleboard	M-F	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Table Tennis	M, W	8:30-11:30 am
Wii Bowling	T	1-3 pm

* Note: There will be no Bingo on June 14 due to a conflict.

Many THANKS to Heritage Park for their contribution to Bingo.

Bingo

2nd and 4th Fridays, 1:00 p.m.

June 28, July 12 & 26, August 9 & 23

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Prizes include snacks, canned goods and miscellaneous household items. Sponsored by Heritage Park. Fee: 3 cards/\$1. Note: There will be no Bingo on June 14. Sponsored by American Senior Communities.

Community Cornhole League

Wednesdays, July 10-August 14, 1:00 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Toss your cares away and join us for some friendly cornhole competition on our brand new boards! Men, women, beginners and experts . . . all are welcome! Play continues for 6 weeks with prizes awarded to the top 3 finishers at the conclusion of the league. Call 427-6441 to sign up. Fee: \$2/session. Min. 6. Max. 24. Sponsored by Englewood Health & Rehabilitation Center.

Recreational Shuffleboard League

Wednesdays, July 10-August 14

10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

There's a lot of pushing and shoving going on at the Community Center and you can get in on the action by joining our recreational shuffleboard league. We have all the equipment. You just sign up and show up. Set-up begins at 9:45 a.m. with games beginning at 10:00 a.m. for the first league and 11:00 a.m. for the second league. Prizes will be given to the top 3 places at the conclusion of the league. Call 427-6441 to sign up. Fee: \$2 per session. Min. 6. Max. 16. Sponsored by Story Point Senior Living.

Dabble in Scrabble

Mondays, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Do you dabble in Scrabble? Come put your word play skills to the test with fellow Scrabble enthusiasts. No registration required. Just drop in and join the Monday afternoon fun! Ages 50+ Drop-in fee: \$2

45th Annual Senior Games

Compete in any of over 40 physically and mentally challenging events to test your talent and skill while enjoying good company and making new friends. Participants and individual event winners will be recognized at an Awards Cookout on Thursday, June 27. Choose one event or challenge yourself in as many as you like . . . just don't miss the fun!

Monday, June 3	Tuesday, June 4	Wednesday, June 5
8:30 Health & Wellness Fair/ Breakfast/Opening Ceremonies 11:00 Paper Airplane Flying W 12:30 Paper Airplane Flying M 1:00 Darts W 2:00 Darts M CC	9:00 Casual Bike Tour, 5 miles SHP 11:30 Horseshoes M AL 5:00 Pickleball 70+ Doubles W 5:30 Pickleball 70+ Doubles M MPCC	9:00 Table Tennis Doubles W 11:00 Table Tennis Doubles M 1:00 Table Tennis Mix Doubles CC 1:30 Archery TS-A 5:00 Basketball Shooting TS-B
Monday, June 10	Tuesday, June 11	Wednesday, June 12
8:00 Miniature Golf 9:30 Miniature Golf PP 10:00 Bowling 1:30 Bowling MVP 2:00 Euchre CC 4:00 Pontoon Ride 5:15 Pontoon Ride 6:30 Pontoon Rides GP	8:00 Miniature Golf 9:30 Miniature Golf PP 9:00 Horseshoes W AL 1:30 Cornhole 70+ M 5:00 Cornhole 50-69 M CC	9:00 Cornhole 70+ W 1:30 Cornhole 50-69 W 5:00 Cornhole Mix Doubles CC
Monday, June 17	Tuesday, June 18	Wednesday, June 19
9:00 Table Tennis Singles W 11:00 Table Tennis Singles M 5:00 Test Your Trivia CC	8:30 Walking Tour LAW 9:00 Connect Four 11:00 Checkers 2:00 Shuffleboard 70+ W 5:00 Shuffleboard 50-69 W CC	Juneteenth Holiday
Monday, June 24	Tuesday, June 25	Wednesday, June 26
10:00 Timed Jigsaw Puzzle 1:30 Wii Bowling CC 4:00 Pontoon Ride 5:15 Pontoon Ride 6:30 Pontoon Ride GP 5:00 Axe Throwing DED	8:30 Bocce W KRG 12:30 Skee Ball M 1:30 Skee Ball W CEC 5:00 Axe Throwing M DED	8:30 Bocce M KRG



To Register Download a Senior Games brochure/registration form at fortwayneparks.org or call 427-6000 to have one mailed to you. Registrations must be received by 4:00 p.m. Friday, June 2 to qualify for the registration fee of \$1/event. Late registrations will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. two days prior to an event or Friday at 12:00 p.m. for a Monday event. All registrations received after June 2 will be charged \$2/event. Community Center hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 6	Friday, June 7	Saturday, June 8
8:30 Softball Throw W 9:30 Softball Hitting W LAW 9:00 Pinochle CC 5:00 Chip & Putt 6:00 Chip & Putt MPG	8:30 Shuffleboard 70+ M 12:00 Shuffleboard 50-69 M CC 7:30 Golf 18 Holes W 8:15 Golf 9 Holes W SHP	8:30 Pickleball Dbles 50-69 M MPCC 9:00 Wheeling & Dealing Bike Tour, 12 miles YMCA
Thursday, June 13	Friday, June 14	Saturday, June 15
11:00 Billiards 9-Ball CP 2:00 Euchre CC 4:00 Pontoon Ride 5:15 Pontoon Ride 6:30 Pontoon Ride GP 5:00 Pickleball W 50-69 Dbles MPCC	8:30 Softball Throw M 9:30 Softball Hitting M LAW 9:00 Spades CC 11:00 Billiards 8-Ball CP 3:00 Computer Challenge CC	8:30 Golf Par 3 9:30 Golf Par 3 SHP
Thursday, June 20	Friday, June 21	Saturday, June 22
8:00 Timed Walk M 9:00 Timed Walk W KRG 5:00 Disc Golf	7:30 Golf Men 18 Holes MPG 1:00 Ultimate Bingo	8:30 Pickleball Mixed Dbles MPCC
Thursday, June 27	Site Key	
5:30 Cookout/Awards SHP	AL American Legion CC Community Center CEC Chuck E. Cheese CP Corner Pocket DED Dead Eye Dicks GP Guldlin Park KRG Kreager Park LAW Lawton Park	MPG McMillen Golf Course MPCC McMillen Park Center MVP MVP Lanes PP Putt-Putt Fun Center SHP Shoaff Park TS Turnstone, Lots A & B YMCA Parkview Family YMCA

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Evergreen Village at Fort Wayne
Silver Birch Senior Living
DO McComb & Sons Funeral Home



Look What I Made!

Hooked on Crochet

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. &
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. Ages 50+. No need to call ahead. Just drop in! Drop in fee: \$2

Creative Quilting

Thursdays, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Creative quilting has much in common with the quilting bee, an extremely popular social event in the mid-nineteenth century. It provides an opportunity to meet other quilters, make new friends, share ideas and express your artistic capabilities. Rather than everyone working on one common quilt, however, you are encouraged to bring your current quilting project to work on. An iron and ironing board will be set up for your use and large tables available for laying out your quilt. Ages 50+. There is no need to call ahead just drop in! Drop-in fee: \$2



Behind the Easel: Oil or Acrylic

Join us behind the easel and take your pick: oil or acrylic. Our instructor 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 deadlines: May 29 and July 24. Min.5. Max. 12. There will be no class on September 2.

Code	Dates	Day	Time
341301-M1	6/10-7/15	M	1:30-4 pm
341301-M2	8/5-9/16	M	1:30-4 pm

Sessions/Fee: 6/\$80/\$85 after deadline
Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Crop Till You Drop

Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Discover the joy of scrapbooking and paper-crafting! As a hobby, it is as relaxing as it is creative and it preserves memories to look back on for years to come. When crafters get together to scrapbook it is called "cropping." Whether you are a seasoned pro or just thinking about creating your first scrapbook, come join the fun! Just bring your supplies (some supplies will be made available) and your imagination and we'll provide any help you need to pull your project together. Ages 50+. There is no need to call ahead just drop in! Drop-in fee: \$2

Community Center Rental

The Community Center at 233 W. Main Street offers beautiful, flexible space for receptions, anniversary and birthday parties, meetings, performances, dances, home parties, office parties, seminars, proms and more. The Community Center is audio-visually equipped, has WiFi and 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.

Register on-line at
fortwayneparks.org



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We Can Help

Legal Counseling

Have a legal question? Beers, Mallers Attorneys at Law are at the Community Center on the first Wednesday of every month to provide answers. Please call 427-6460 to make an appointment. This FREE service is offered to persons age 50 and over.

Day	Dates	Time
W	6/5, 7/3, 8/7	9:20-11 am

Location: Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Getting the Most Out of Your iPhone & iPad

Wednesday July 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

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Can You Help?

Volunteer/Instructor Opportunities

The Community Center offers numerous opportunities for people of any age to join our family of over 140 volunteers. 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 volunteer on a regular weekly schedule, occasionally as needed or share your skills by teaching a class. Please call Josh Ogle 427-6441 or email at Joshua.Ogle@cityoffortwayne.org for more information. Examples of volunteer positions include:

- Fitness & Conditioning Coordinator
- Senior Games Coordinator
- Craft Coordinators and Assistants
- Volunteer and Paid Special Interest Class Instructors
- Cleaning Assistants
- Computer Lab Assistants and Instructors
- Special Events Helpers
- Music Education
- Shuffle Board League Coordinator
- Cornhole League Coordinator
- Brain Teaser Leader
- Pinterest Instructor

Sensory Clubhouse

in the Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Hours: M-Th 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. & Fri 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Unwind your mind in the new Sensory Clubhouse! Sensory rooms are designed to help promote calmness, stimulate positivity and emotional well-being, improve socialization and increase focus particularly for those individuals with dementia or autism spectrum disorder (ADS). Time spent in a sensory room may reduce distress and agitation. It can also improve visual, auditory and tactile processing and cognitive awareness.

The Sensory Clubhouse may be reserved in ½ hour increments and must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance by calling 427-6460.

Drop in fee: \$2



Unwind Your Mind

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



Bingo

2nd and 4th Friday, 1:00 p.m.
 June 28, July 12 & 26, August 9 & 23
 Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Bingo is held at 1:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. Prizes include snacks, canned goods and miscellaneous household items. Fee: 3 cards/\$1. Sponsored by American Senior Communities.

Relaxation Station: Adult Coloring

3rd Mondays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
 June 10, July 15, August 19
 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 or gel pens. No pre-registration is necessary. Drop-in fee: \$2

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Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finance

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Effective Communication Strategies

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 Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

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Eating Smart and Moving More

Wednesday, June 26-August 7
 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
 Community Center, 233 W. Main St.

Eating Smart and Moving More provides FREE lessons on food, nutrition and exercise. You will learn to plan nutritious meals, be active, handle food safely, spend food dollars wisely and improve food purchasing and preparation skills. You can earn a free cookbook and handy kitchen items just by attending! This program is free, however, pre-registration with an email address is required. Please call 427-6460 to sign up by June 20.

Celebrate History



Historic Fort Wayne

1201 Spy Run Ave.

260-437-2836

oldfortwayne.org

FB: [HistoricFortWayne](https://www.facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne)

The Old Fort is located at 1201 Spy Run Avenue. Parking is available in the lot across from the Fort. Please use caution when crossing Spy Run Avenue! Always visit our website oldfortwayne.org, [HistoricFortWayne](https://www.facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne) on Facebook, or call (260) 437-2836 for schedule updates and information. Admission to Historic Fort Wayne events is a free-will donation.

Siege of Fort Wayne 1812

Saturday, June 8, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 9, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

This weekend at the Old Fort, reenactors will recreate the Siege of Fort Wayne during the War of 1812. Come experience the conflict! Observe musket and cannon demonstrations. Visit with soldiers, civilians, and period artisans. Enjoy children's activities and check out the latest Old Fort merchandise!

Napoleonic Days

Saturday, August 3, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 4, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Come experience this dramatic military period! Witness the French and Coalition armies meet on the battleground outside the Old Fort. Observe both military and civilian reenactors engage in daily life and drills. Visit with local artisans and check out the latest Old Fort merchandise.

Post Miami

Saturday, August 24, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 25, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

This weekend at the Old Fort, witness French and British forces reenact the clash for control of the area. In addition, fur traders, Native Americans, soldiers, and civilians will demonstrate daily activities. Experience the sound of muskets and cannons! Visit with local artisans and check out the latest Old Fort merchandise.

Swinney Homestead

1424 West Jefferson Blvd.

260-424-7212

settlersinc.org

Celebrating General "Mad" Anthony Wayne Day

Tuesday, July 16, 1:30-4:00 p.m.

The Anthony Wayne Organization, Inc. of Fort Wayne is celebrating General "Mad" Anthony Wayne's leadership during the Revolutionary War and the 245th anniversary of his victory at the battle of Stony Point, NY, July 16, 1779. Following a noon ceremony at the Statue of General Anthony Wayne in Freimann Square, at which Greg Shipley, archeologist and historian, will be presented with a "Legion of the United States" Award, the public is invited to the Swinney Homestead. At 1:30, Shipley will present a program and share his array of artifacts found at the archeological digs of the Forts of General Wayne during the Revolutionary War and discuss their relevance to Fort Wayne area history. There is no fee or registration necessary for this event; however, seating is limited to 50 people.

Greenways & Trails



Explore the Trails!

Meet 6:00 p.m., Departs 6:10 p.m.

Find fitness, fun, and new friends on the trails! The City of Fort Wayne and Fort Wayne Trails, Inc. offer free, family-friendly trail exploration events where you can get to know the 140+ miles of trails within the Greater Fort Wayne Trail Network! Starting locations vary, and all skill levels are welcome. Individuals are responsible for their own safety at all Trail events.

Trek the Trails: These guided group bicycle rides take place every Tuesday. Helmets are strongly encouraged. Ride lengths vary. Route maps and additional ride information for each trek can be found at fwtrails.org. Participants should come prepared with water. Trek the Trails dates (Bicyclists ONLY) are listed below in black.

Tread the Trails: Fort Wayne Running Club and the City of New Haven have joined the City of Fort Wayne and Fort Wayne Trails, Inc. to provide guided 1 mile & 5k walks/runs beginning at different locations throughout the area! All speeds and ability levels are encouraged to attend, including those with mobility devices. **Tread the Trails** events are held **every other Thursday**. Tread the Trails dates (Walkers, Runners, Mobility Device Users ONLY) are listed below in red.

For more information about either program, call the City of Fort Wayne Greenways Department at 260-427-6228 or Fort Wayne Trails, Inc. at 260-969-0079. Follow Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation, Fort Wayne Trails, Inc., and Fort Wayne Running Club for weather-related updates.

Dates listed in black are for bicycles ONLY and dates in red for walkers/runners/wheelchairs ONLY.

Trek	Tread	Start Location	Length
6/4	----	Covington Elementary, 2430 W. Hamilton Rd., main lot	7.37 mi
6/11	6/13	Cookie Cottage, 620 W. Washington Center Rd. Please avoid parking directly in front of the building	8.13 mi
6/18	----	Jefferson Middle School, 5303 Wheelock Rd.	9.14 mi
6/25	6/27	Indian Trails Park, 10300 Aboite Center Rd., back of park	7.77 mi
7/2	----	Haley Elementary, 2201 Maplecrest Rd.	7.64 mi
7/9	7/11	Towpath Trailhead, 7001 Engle Rd. & Statesmans Way	7.67 mi
7/16	----	Purdue Fort Wayne, 2101 E. Coliseum Blvd., Lot 10	6.5 mi
7/23	7/25	Turnstone, 3220 N. Clinton St., Lot C	8.38 mi
7/30	----	Deer Ridge Elementary, 1515 S. Scott Rd.	8.21 mi
8/6	8/8	Moser Park, 601 Main St., New Haven, trailhead near ballfields	7.48 mi
8/13	----	Renaissance Point YMCA, 2323 Bowser Ave.	6.38 mi
8/20	8/22	Stillwater Hospice, 5910 Homestead Rd.	9.16 mi
8/27	----	Pathway Church, 1010 Carroll Rd.	11.0 mi

Children's Zoo



Fort Wayne Children's Zoo

3411 Sherman Blvd., Fort Wayne • (260) 427-6800 • kidszoo.org

Open Daily thru November 3

9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Wild Wednesdays May-July

9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

CLOSED JUNE 20



Admission

Visit kidszoo.org
for ticket prices

Special Events at the Zoo

Join the fun and learn about the amazing animals who call the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo home. Celebrate with us:

June 14..... Kids for Nature Play Day

June 21..... World Giraffe Day

June 28..... Kids for Nature Play Day

July 3..... Enrichment Day

July 12..... Kids for Nature Play Day

July 16..... Grossology Day

July 26..... Kids for Nature Play Day

All special events listed above are FREE with zoo admission. Visit kidszoo.org for full details.

Story Time

Tuesdays & Wednesdays, April-October

10:45 a.m.

Enjoy an animal-themed story paired with nature themed activities every Tuesday and Wednesday in Central Zoo's Discovery Garden. This fun program is designed for children ages 5 and under with an adult. Story Time is FREE with zoo admission. For more details visit our website at kidszoo.org.

Volunteer at the Zoo!

Be a part of the excitement and volunteer at your nationally recognized Zoo! It's easy- fill out the volunteer application online and attend Adult Basic Training in June or August. Visit kidszoo.org or contact us at 260-427-6800 x 302 or volunteer@kidszoo.org for details.



kidszoo.org

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. E-mail RentBotanical@cityoffortwayne.org 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.

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 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.

Promenade Park

Promenade Park, located in the heart of downtown Fort Wayne, offers a number of unique venues to consider for your next event. From the beautiful, fully enclosed Park Foundation Pavilion to the historic Wells Street Bridge, the expansive Auer Lawn, the Sweetwater Band Shells to the Old National Bank Plaza . . . we can accommodate your small family gathering, company picnic or community-wide event. For more information and a full range of options, please e-mail rentpromenade@cityoffortwayne.org.

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 rentsalomonfarm@cityoffortwayne.org or 427-6790, ext. 1. Rentals at Salomon Farm include the Historic Old Barn, the Wolf Family Learning Center, the Salomon Family Homestead and the Covered Bridge. See page 46 for more details.

Questions? 427-6000



Reserve up to a year in advance.

Leave a Legacy



SUPPORT OUR PARKS



OUR MISSION

To enhance the quality of life in Fort Wayne by providing positive opportunities for a leisure time and being stewards of our parklands, facilities, public trees, and other resources entrusted to our care.

Quality of life means many things. It may be a child picking up a new sport or making new friends at summer camp. It may be an older adult enjoying social interactions while participating in games and hobbies. Sometimes, quality of life is just a quiet walk in a park.

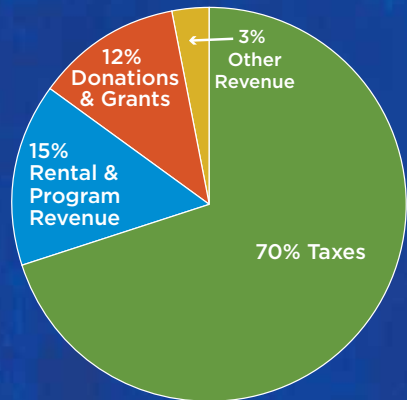
MAKE AN IMPACT

If you are able, we humbly ask that you consider donating to support our mission. You have the option of supporting specific projects, programs and facilities, including:

- Youth Scholarship
- Rivergreenway Trails
- Community Center Programs
- Lifetime Sports Academy
- Park and Street Trees

EVERY DOLLAR COUNTS

On average, the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department receives over \$3 million in gifts annually, which are used to support the programs and services that directly impact our community.



For more information on how you can make an impact by supporting the mission of the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department, please contact

Rob Hines
Manager of Development
260.427.6028
rob.hines@cityoffortwayne.org

fortwayneparks.org/donate



WORK WHERE YOU PLAY

In the PARK • At the POOL • In the TREES

On the SPORTS FIELD • On the FARM

At the GOLF COURSE • In the GARDENS

On the RIVER • In the WOODS • At the THEATRE

SUMMER JOBS

Day Camp Counselors
Youth Center Coordinators
Sweet Breeze Deck Hands
Foellinger Theatre Utility
Lifetime Sports Academy
Playground Leaders
Youth Sports Instructors

Maintenance Positions

Horticulture
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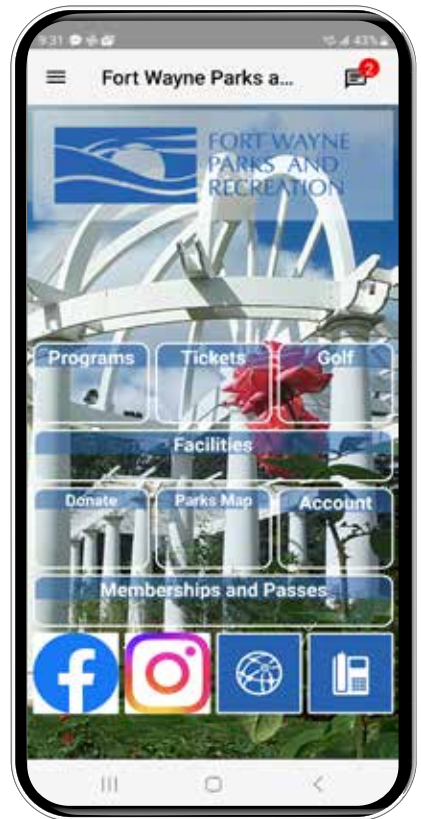
See jobs and apply online at
www.fortwayneparks.org/jobs



Coming Soon

If you want to . . .

- Register for a program
- Book a tee time
- Purchase a season golf pass
- Reserve a pavilion
- Purchase tickets
- Find information about a park
- See a park map
- Purchase a Botanical Conservatory Membership
- Check our social media posts
- Make a donation
- Manage your Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation account



There's an APP for that!

Coming this summer to the app store on your phone.

Follow us on Facebook for details.



FIND YOUR AUDIENCE IN THE PARK!

Sponsorships Available Now

Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation offers a variety of activities for everyone, and your business or organization can help us make these experiences even more successful as an event or program sponsor!

To learn more about becoming a sponsor with Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation, contact Rob Hines at 260-427-6028 or rob.hines@cityoffortwayne.org.

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 copy.
- We reserve the right to cancel a class due to insufficient enrollment.
- We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express.

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.

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
Hursttown 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

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

Register for programs online at fortwayneparks.org. Select "Online Services."

2) By Phone

Register by phone at 427-6000, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Please have all the information requested on the registration form ready before you call.

3) By Mail

Complete the registration form (or a copy) 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

Register in person at 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 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. Available 24 hours a day!

Register early!

Health & Safety Policy

The Parks and Recreation Department continues to monitor health & safety issues and follow best practices. The information in the Fun Times is subject to change as needed to comply with new guidelines as well as other unforeseen circumstances.

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:
 - 2 or more months before rental date: Refund less 20% OR transfer* one time with no fee (additional transfers will be assessed 20% processing fee)
 - 1-2 months before rental date: Refund less 40% OR transfer with 20% processing fee
 - Less than 1 month before rental date: NO REFUND/NO TRANSFER
6. Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for processing refunds. Credit card refunds are credited to your account immediately, but may take 3-5 days to appear on your account.

* Transfers must be within 364 days of the current reserved date.

Inclement Weather Policy

Any program changes, facility closures or other weather related adjustments will be posted to the FWPRD social media pages, website, and text alerts will be sent (to those that have opted in to this service). If the Mayor declares an emergency, all Parks and Recreation facilities and programs will be closed or canceled.

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 () _____ - _____

Additional Family Members:

First Name	Last Name	Gender M/F	Grade	Birthdate	Relationship

Registration Information

Household # _____
(if Household Set-Up is complete)

First Name	Last Name	Program	Code #	Fee
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$

Total Due: \$ _____

Method of Payment: Cash Check MasterCard Visa Discover AmEx

_____ / _____
Card Number Exp. Date CVV

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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