

Greencastle Parks & Recreation Department Summer Newsletter

Monday, May 20, 2019

SUMMER-TIME IS HERE, SO ENJOY ACTIVITIES IN THE PARKS!

We at the Greencastle Parks & Recreation Department would like to welcome everyone to a fun-filled summer in the parks. We have many activities scheduled this summer that we feel you will enjoy. From our swimming at the Greencastle Aquatics Center, training at the Police Boot Camp, participating in the S.P.A.R.K. Program, running trains with the Pacific & Eastern Model Railroad Club at the Putnam County Museum to attending the Parkfest Summer Concert Series at the new band shelter in Robe-Ann Park, there are a lot of fun activities offered this summer. We would like to continue promoting our wonderful programs with this 4-page leaflet, with our Fall & Winter Activity Brochure available in August. When you receive this, we hope that you would post this on the bulletin board or refrigerator at home and re-view it often. If you should receive more than one copy and instead of tossing it in the recycle bin, please pass it on to someone else, another family member or friend who may not have received it. Thank you!

Greencastle Civic League's Parkfest Concerts

The *Greencastle Civic League* is proud to sponsor their 26th season of *Parkfest*, a summer concert-in-the-park series, which will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings in the new band shelter located in Robe-Ann Park. Many different musical genres will be represented by our favorite local musicians as well as touring regional and national acts. The 2019 Parkfest Schedule is as follows:



May 28	Ribbon Cutting/Presentation & Dreadful Greta
June 4	Cole Woodruff and Cari Ray
11	Legend Puncher
18	Covered Bridge Harmony and Convergence
25	Dominic Rivers and Black Market Vinyl
July 2	Fret Set and Lincoln Street
9	Him & Her and Bridge 19
16	Chris Wurster and Blue River Band
30	Mike VanRensselear and Guilina and The Gem
August 6	Rain Make-Up

For more information, see www.greencastlecivicleague.org.

REGISTER ON-LINE FOR G.P.R.D. PROGRAMS!

That's right! No more travelling around town in search of hard copy registration forms or having to physically drop them off at city hall. You can register on-line through the parks & recreation department website at www.greencastleparks.com. You will find information on our park amenities and facilities and the ability to register for our programs from the comfort of your own home or your favorite mobile device!

Hard copy registration forms are still available at a number of locations around town, which include the *Putnam County Public Library*, *Greencastle Pediatric Dentistry* and *Greencastle City Hall*.



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Aquatics

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GREENCASTLE AQUATICS CENTER

Municipal Pool Season: Saturday, May 25 to Sunday, August 11, 2019

Aquatics Program Fee Structure:

Daily Admission:

0-4 years	Free
5 years & over	\$ 5.00
Twilight Swim (5:00-7:00 p.m.)	\$ 3.00

Season Passes:

Individual Season Pass	\$ 60.00
Family Pass (4 people)	\$175.00
+ each additional person	\$ 35.00

Greencastle Gate Pass:

10-Punch Pass (Save \$10.00)	\$ 40.00
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Private Pool Rentals (2-hours):

1-75 people	\$195.00
76-150 people	\$260.00
151 + people	\$350.00
Bob York Splash Park evenings	\$125.00
Saturdays 8:00-10:00a.m.	\$150.00

Birthday Parties:

Base Rate 1-10 people	\$100.00
+ each additional person	\$ 5.00

Swim Lessons (special form needed):

Learn-To-Swim (7 years & up)	
- Ten (10) 1/2 hour classes	\$ 45.00

Water Babies (Preschool)	
- Ten (10) 1/2 hour classes	\$ 40.00

Private Lessons *	
- Ten (10) 1/2 hour classes	\$ 90.00

- Private swim lessons are scheduled by the department and instructed during **Adult Lap Swim** and **Twilight Swim**.

Bob York Splash Park: FREE

The splash park is free for use from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily, weather permitting.

Daily Hours of Operation:

8:30 - 9:15 a.m.	Class I: Learn-To-Swim Lessons
9:20-10:05 a.m.	Class II: Learn-To-Swim Lessons
10:10-10:55 a.m.	Class III: Learn-To-Swim Lessons
11:00-11:55 a.m.	Varies Each Day

- ◆ June 3 - July 12 M, W, & F S.P.A.R.K.
 - ◆ June 4 - July 11 T, T, & Sa Adult Lap/Water Walk
 - ◆ July 13 - Aug 4 M - Sa Adult Lap/Water Walking
- 12:00 - 5 :00 p.m. Open Swim
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Twilight Swim
- ◆ *Pool hours may vary due to special events or private rentals, in which case the change will be posted at least 1-day prior to the event or pool rental.*
 - ◆ *Lessons will be offered on set dates and not daily.*
 - ◆ *The pool may be rented, if lessons are not offered.*

Birthday Parties - Special birthday party packages are offered during open or family swim sessions and include admission to the aquatics center, picnic area decorations and birthday cupcakes! Base rate for 1-10 people is \$100.00, while others may be added for \$5.00 per person.

WREB Days! - Special "94 cents" entry days have been scheduled with music and WREB 94.3 FM on the pool deck! Games, giveaways and other great fun activities have been scheduled. Listen to WREB 94.3 FM for more information!

Private Pool Rentals - Pool rentals may be held daily from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and 8:15-10:15 p.m. To ensure staff, all pool rentals must be booked through the Greencastle Aquatics Center least 14-days in advance of the desired rental date.

The **Bob York Splash Park** may be added to a private pool rental from 8:15-10:15 p.m. for an additional \$125.00.

The **Bob York Splash Park** may be rented for private gatherings on **Saturday mornings** from 8:00-10:00 a.m. for \$150.00.

PUTNAM COUNTY SWIM TEAM - THE GRIFFINS

The Putnam County Swim Team Griffins will hold their annual outdoor long-course (50-meter) invitational swim meet at the Greencastle Aquatics Center again this summer. For more information in regards to the summer swim team, please check out their website at: <http://putnamcountyswimteam.com>.



Event Date: Saturday & Sunday, June 22 & 23, 2019

Where: Greencastle Aquatics Center

AQUA FIT CLASSES

Adults 16 & up

Exercise & enjoy yourself, through our Aqua Fit Classes. It's a perfect way to get in shape, all the while staying cool in the pool! Varying times offered.

Instructor: Stephanie Hoffa

Monday & Thursday nights	7:15 - 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday mornings	11:00 - 11:45 a.m.

Location: Greencastle Aquatics Center

Fee: \$6.00/person/class

\$3.00/season pass holders

Summer Programs

LEARN-TO-SWIM LESSONS Ages 5 & Up

Swimming lessons will be offered at the Greencastle Aquatics Center during three sessions. For more information, please see the official registration form. Registration fee: **\$45.00** per student.

Swim Lessons Schedule:

Session A June 3-June 14

9:15-10:00 a.m. Levels: 1,2,3,4,5,6
 10:10-10:55 a.m. Levels: 1,2,3,4,5,6
 5:00-5:45 p.m. Levels: 1,2,3,4

Session B June 17-June 28

9:15-10:00 a.m. Levels: 1,2,3,4,5,6
 10:10-10:55 a.m. Levels: 1,2,3,4,5,6
 * 5:00-5:30 p.m. Waterbabies (6 mo-2yrs)
 * 5:30-6:00 p.m. Waterbabies (3-4 years)

Session C July 8 - July 19

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 10:10-10:55 a.m. Levels: 1,2,3,4,5,6
 * 5:00-5:30 p.m. Water Babies (6 mo-2yrs)
 * 5:30-6:00 p.m. Water Babies (3-4 years)

LEARN-TO-SWIM: WATER BABIES! Pre-K

We are offering Water Babies Classes at the Greencastle Aquatics Center, which is a program for children 6 months to 5 years of age. These classes are fun for both you and your child, because you will learn how to help your young one become more comfortable in the water. Parents must participate in the water with their children in the classes targeting ages 6 months to 4 years. The 5 year olds will participate by themselves, following the Level 1 Learn-To-Swim course. See registration form.

Dates: Session 1: June 17 to June 28
 Session 2: July 8 to July 19
Times: 5:00-5:30 p.m. 6 months-2 years
 5:30-6:00 p.m. 3-4 years
Fee: **\$40.00** per student

Did you know the Monon Bell trophy awarded to the victor of the annual college football matchup between the Wabash College Little Giants, Crawfordsville, and the DePauw University Tigers, Greencastle, is a 300-pound steam locomotive bell from the Monon Railroad?



"ALL ABOARD THE P & E!"

All!

"*All Aboard!*" is a term used for telling passengers that they need to get on a ship, bus, or train, because it will be leaving soon; so, how fitting to announce that the **Pacific & Eastern Model Railroad** has returned to the Putnam County Museum for a two month stay!

Come join us each Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to learn the history of the **Pacific & Eastern Model Railroad**, join in an operating session of the layout, share stories of your railroad experiences, and talk about the history of the railroad in Greencastle and Putnam County.

When: Saturdays until July 6 (or by appointment)
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Location: Putnam County Museum
Fee: **FREE!**

Plan an Event in a
**Greencastle
 Park!**

Reserve a shelter at:
Robe-Ann Park

**Big Walnut
 Sports Park**

Shelter Reservations are perfect for:
Family Reunions
High School Graduation Receptions
Birthday Parties
Baby Showers
 And many other events!

Three different parks with three different personalities!

Contact City Hall at (765) 848-1515 to reserve a shelter!

Summer Programs

CELEBRATE KIDS FISHING DAY!

Boys & girls, ages 2 to 17, grab your tackle box, favorite fishing rod and join us for a fun-filled morning of fishing. This fishing derby will offer a Kids Casting, Biggest Fish, Smallest Fish, Most Fish Caught, and Huckleberry Finn Costume Contest.

Date: Saturday, June 1

Registration: 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Contest: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Weigh-ins: On-going

Awards: 11:00 a.m.

Location: Jaycee Park

Fee: FREE!



POLICE BOOT CAMP

Youth, grades 5-8

What is Police training like? What do our local Police Officers learn at their academy? What does S.W.A.T. mean? What other branches of law enforcement are there? Are you interested in the law enforcement career?

Come and learn the answers to these questions through physical fitness training, marching, team building exercises, and flag ceremonies. Participate in a K-9, S.W.A.T. Team, and rescue dive demonstrations, and a whole lot MORE!

Police Boot Camp is for both boys and girls in area schools, and pre-registration is required!

Dates: Monday to Friday, June 17 to June 21

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Location: Greencastle Aquatics Center

Enrollment: Minimum of 10, Maximum of 40

Fee: \$10.00/person, includes t-shirt, hat & snacks

Program Partners: Greencastle Police Department, Putnam County Prosecutor's Office, Indiana Excise Police, Indiana State Police, Putnam County Fraternal Order of the Police, Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Pizza King, Taylor Made Awards and the Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department.

S.P.A.R.K.

Youth, entering grades 1 to 6

Summer Program of Awareness and Recreation for Kids is open to youth entering grades 1 to 6. Grouped by grade, SPARK includes large group activities, structured games, local field trips, small group arts-n-crafts, team building activities and daily swimming at the aquatics center. Youth should dress for the weather, wear closed toed shoes and their swimsuits under their clothes. No flip flops!

Program Organizer: Nancy Hagen

Days: Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays

Dates: June 3 to July 12

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Location(s): Robe-Ann Park Band Shelter, Greencastle Aquatics Center, and other fun locations in town!

Fee: FREE! (Donations accepted)



S.P.A.R.K. PROGRAM FUNDRAISER DAYS

Myer's Market

Thursday, June 13

For one day only, Myer's Market will donate 10% of store sales to the SPARK Program! Funds raised will be used to help pay for program expenses, so join us on Thursday, June 13 for a sandwich or your grilling needs!

Kentucky Fried Chicken

Monday, June 17

On Monday, June 17 from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., our new KFC will host a special fundraiser day with 15% of store sales donated in support of the SPARK Program. So, will it be a bucket of Original or Extra Crispy for supper?!

MIKE ROKICKI MEMORIAL ROAD RUN

All!

Begin your July 4th with an early run through Greencastle!

Date: Thursday, July 4

Time: 7:00 a.m. Registration, 8:00 a.m. Start

Location: Shelter #5 in Robe-Ann Park

Event Divisions: Runners & Walkers

Age Groups: 19 & Under, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60+

Awards: 3 places in each event and age division

Fee: \$20.00 per person, \$25.00 day of event

Pre-Registration Deadline: Tuesday, July 2, 5:00 p.m.



CELEBRATE "4" IN GREENCASTLE!

What better way to celebrate Independence Day than with the Friends of the Park Association of Putnam County's Celebrate "4" Committee. This year's event will offer the following activities and more, ending with the fireworks display on Monday, July 4th!

8:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Mike Rokicki 5K Road Run
 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Pancakes 4 Parks and Pathways
 9:15 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Firecracker Fun Run
 11:00 a.m. - Dusk Food Court Opens

12:00 Noon - 5:00 p.m. Free Open Swim at Greencastle Aquatics Center
 12:00 Noon - 1:00 p.m. Corn Hole Tournament
 Registration and Practice
 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Corn Hole Tournament
 3:00 p.m. - Dusk Musical Stage Entertainment
 5:30 p.m. - Dusk Big Bounce Fun House
 Inflatables

The Annual July 4th Fireworks Show begins at dusk!