

FALL 2020

Welcome to the City of Akron Recreation & Parks

The City of Akron Recreation & Parks Division offers quality of life activities for all of our area residents – the young and young at heart! We offer active adult activities, sports for kids and adults, programs and classes at all of our community centers, events for the whole family to enjoy, and opportunities to engage in your neighborhood. Find out all we have to offer and get involved today!



DANCE | AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES | TINY TOTS | SASQUATCH | SIP AND PAINT | FORBIDDEN READS | ART CLASSES
 ONLINE FITNESS | CREATIVE MOVEMENTS | TAI CHI | BASKETBALL SKILLS AND DRILLS | TOTS CORNER | COVID UPDATES

Community Centers Are Open!

The City of Akron Recreation and Parks Division is excited to welcome back programming and visitors to our community centers. The safety of our visitors and staff members is our highest priority. We will have safety guidelines and procedures in place for all of our centers that are based on the guidance of the Ohio Department of Health's Responsible Restart Ohio, the Summit County Public Health department, and City of Akron policies.

Keeping You Safe

- Access to the facilities is limited to registered participants, scheduled programming, and staff.
- Programming will be limited.
- Group sizes for programs and meetings are limited to 10 participants or less.
- All visitors must sign in when entering the facility.
- Staff will perform temperature checks on each visitor/participant when they arrive.
- Face masks are required while in the facility.
- Social distancing and maintaining at least six feet between individuals in all areas of the facility.
- Stay home if you have a fever, are sick or not feeling well, or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19.
- If a visitor has a temperature or exhibits signs of illness, the visitor will not be permitted entrance to the facility.
- Participants involved with City of Akron Recreation and Parks programs will need to review and sign the program waiver and health addendum waiver before participating.
- Buildings may be closed for a short time period to disinfect properly between programming.
- Community center spaces will be cleaned and sanitized by staff and custodial crews daily.

If you have any questions about specific programming, please contact your local Community Center for additional details.

COVID-19 Updates

- **Playgrounds** opened to the public. Please be advised that the City of Akron does not regularly clean or sanitize playground equipment. All individuals are encouraged to practice 6+ feet of physical distancing from those outside their household. If you are feeling sick, please stay home. Use at your own risk.
- **Field permits** are now being issued.
- **Outdoor tennis courts** are open.
- **Community Centers** are open with safety procedures in place.
- **Outdoor basketball courts** are open.
- **Balch Street Fitness Center** is open, membership required.
- **Parking giveaways** have continued in the community center food kits throughout the City's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and will move indoors starting in November.
- **City parks** remain open for outdoor recreation, like walking or jogging. Join **BioBlitz**, **Walking Together...** **Apart and Walking with Akron** to enhance your outdoor walking experience.

For the most up-to-date information on the City of Akron's proactive response to this virus, please visit www.akronohio.gov/COVID19

Dance Registration

Northwest Family Recreation Center is still accepting registration for the fall dance program!

BALLET - HIP-HOP - TAP
LYRICAL - JAZZ - SCOTTISH

To register, visit AKRON.RECDESK.com

Limited Space!



tiny tot program

Firestone park Community & Ellet Community Center

Begins the week of October 26th and runs through the week of December 9th.



Register @ akron.recdesk.com

MASON PARK COMMUNITY CENTER AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

MONDAYS

3:00-4:30 pm
Fun & Games: Activities will include: obstacle course, putt-putt golf, shuffle board, movies and more!

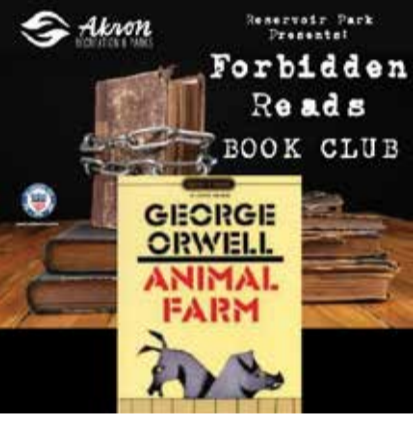
WEDNESDAYS

3:00-4:30 pm
Arts & Crafts: Halloween, Give Thanks for Thanksgiving, Christmas and other crafts!

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NOVEMBER 10TH 5:30 PM

\$10 INCLUDES ALL SUPPLIES AND INSTRUCTION



Featured books are reserved at the Goodyear Branch Library. Due to Covid 19 you must pre-register.

Join us the first Tuesday of every month 10 am – 11 am to discuss a featured banned/challenged book.
November 10th (second Tues due to Election Day) **Animal Farm**, by George Orwell.

FUTURE READS:
December: **Kindred**, by Octavia Butler. **January:** **Lord of the Flies**, By William Golding and **February:** **The Hate You Give**, By Angie Thomas.

#sasquatchselfie



Hopefully fame will not go to his head as he made the news on FOX 8! Follow Bigfoot on our Facebook to see where he will show-up next. Snap a selfie, tag and post your sighting and follow him as he makes his way thru Akron!



Sip & Paint

Have you tried our Sip & Paint? Participants receive all of the materials and for \$15 for a live ZOOM instruction. Thanks to Alice Incorvia, Greg Nyburg AND all our participants! We did an Akron skyline at dusk painting in September, a Fall pumpkin for October and our next class Nov 12th will be a Thankful Wreath! Go to Akron.RecDesk.com to sign-up!



Northwest Family Recreation Center ART CLASSES

Registration for our art program is now open!
Intro to art K-3rd
Intro to painting 4th-8th
Intro to sculpting 4th-8th



VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND LET YOUR LITTLE ONE ENJOY AN ON-LINE STORY, CRAFT AND SING-A-LONG! NEW SESSION EVERY WEDNESDAY.

TOTS CORNER

iNaturalist BioBlitz

Hey Akron, we want to see your flora and fauna from throughout the City of Akron. Plants, animals, insects, fungi... anything living and wild is free game in this all inclusive BioBlitz. Download the app for iNaturalist and join the Akron BioBlitz project to participate in the fun. Check our Fungi Friday on our Facebook!

FITNESS 4 EVERYONE

Basketball Skills & Drills Clinic

Our clinic objectives are: to improve basic game skills; shooting, dribbling, rebounding and passing, improve offensive and defensive positional play, improve overall fitness, learn basic strategies and rules of basketball, and to learn more about basketball while enjoying the game. The goal of our clinics is to improve the level of play of each participant and provide him or her with a rewarding and fun experience while learning the fundamentals of basketball, making new friends and creating a safe learning environment for all participants, accountability, and sportsmanship.

This is a free program but participants must register at Akron.RecDesk.com

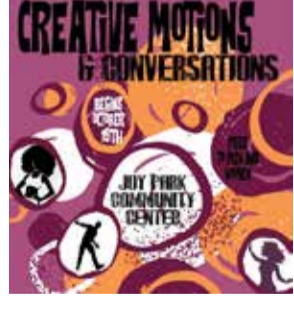
THIS PROGRAM IS OFFERED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- MASON PARK COMMUNITY CENTER**
 Tues & Thurs | 6:00p-7:00p | ages 8-10
 Tues & Thurs | 7:30p-8:30p | ages 11-13
 Saturdays | 10:00a-11:30a | ages 14-17
- LAWTON STREET COMMUNITY CENTER**
 Mon & Wed | 5:30p-6:30p | ages 8-10
 Mon & Wed | 7p-8p | ages 11-13
 Tues & Thurs | 5:30p-6:30p | ages 5-7

- ED DAVIS COMMUNITY CENTER**
 Tues & Thurs | 5:30p-6:30p | ages 7-10
 Tues & Thurs | 7:00p-8:00p | ages 11-13
- PATTERSON PARK @ BALCH STREET GYM**
 Tues & Weds | 5:30p-6:30p | ages 8-10
 Tues & Weds | 7:00p-8:00p | ages 11-13
- JOY PARK COMMUNITY CENTER**
 Mondays | 4:00p-6:00p | ages 8-10



We have added a New Fitness Page to our Facebook. Here you will find videos and live streams of some of our Fitness Classes. This page is open for discussions, to ask questions to encourage, share and support other members who are somewhere in their fitness journey!



Creative Motions at Joy Park promotes physical activity through the form of repetitive dance movements, healthy nutrition, and develop community friendships in a fun way. This program is designed to enlighten the participant in how they can stay mobile through dance. It will also encourage positive conversations and fellowship for the Men and Women participants through the group setting.



TAI CHI Patterson Park Community Center offers free classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:15 am - 10:15 am. Evidenced based program proven to reduce falls and improve fitness. If you use a cane or walker you will still be able to do this. Participants are required to register.

The Senior Citizens Commission

The commission is made up of community representatives and professionals in the field of aging. Its goal is to make Akron a better place for people 60 and over to live and making strides as part of Age-Friendly Akron. Everyone is welcome at the monthly meeting. This is a great place to learn about services available to you or a loved one. Be part of the discussion about issues affecting seniors in our city and to report issues you've noticed or experienced. City of Akron's 311 is a great resource.

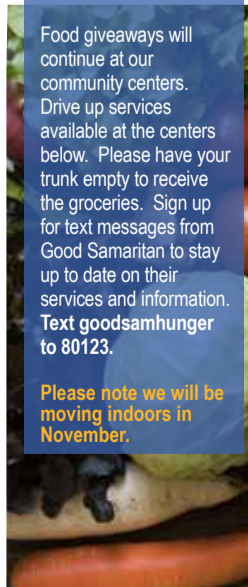
The Senior Citizens Commission meets the second Monday of the month at 12:00 pm on zoom.



For All City Services
Your One Call To City Hall

OFFICE HOURS
 Mon through Fri: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Closed weekends and holidays

Simply dial 311 on your phone to report potholes, high grass, leaves, trash and more!



Food giveaways will continue at our community centers. Drive up services available at the centers below. Please have your trunk empty to receive the groceries. Sign up for text messages from Good Samaritan to stay up to date on their services and information. Text goodsamhunger to 80123.

Please note we will be moving indoors in November.



- MONDAY | TUESDAY**
JOY PARK 10/19 AND 10/26 1:30-3:00 P.M.
ED DAVIS 10/20 AND 10/27 1:30-3:00 P.M.
- THURSDAY | FRIDAY**
SUMMIT LAKE 10/22 AND 10/29 4:00-6:00 P.M.
PATTERSON PARK 10/23 AND 10/30 1:30-3:00 P.M.

Free Community Table Meal



The Salvation Army has resumed their Community Food Program at Patterson Park and Summit Lake Community Centers Mon-Thurs. The program is free to everyone. If you are in need of a nice meal, we encourage you to stop on by.

- PATTERSON PARK** 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
SUMMIT LAKE 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

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RecDesk is the recreation software that we are using to make things easy for everyone that wants to use our services. You can find information about our programs and events, register for a program, and pay online through RecDesk. It's free and easy to use. Create an account now so that you are ready to register anytime you want for one of our programs, [akron.recdesk.com/Community/Member/Login](http://akron.recdesk.com/)

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