

New Albany

Parks & Recreation



Winter-Spring 2024



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As the winter season arrives in New Albany, I am excited to extend a warm invitation to each and every one of you to explore the opportunities that await in our Winter Parks Brochure!



In these pages, you'll discover many programs and leagues designed to keep you active, engaged, and connected with our vibrant community. Whether you are a seasoned athlete, or someone looking to try something new, there's an activity for everyone throughout these pages.

Please take a moment to look through, find a program that sparks your interest, and join us in our commitment to stay healthy and active. Let's make this winter season one filled with laughter, camaraderie, and the shared warmth of community.

Mayor Jeff Gahan



MAYOR JEFF M. GAHAN

Program Registration Information

Multiple ways to register: Silver Street Park, Griffin Recreation Center, or online using our website. *Register for classes at the specified location or online.

- Park shelter rentals will be issued at the Silver Street Park Office.
- The City and New Albany Parks and Recreation are not responsible for any loss and/or injuries while participating in our activities.
- Refunds will not be issued for customer cancellations.
- Class sizes vary. If class minimums are not met, classes may be canceled.
- Fees will not be adjusted for classes missed.

Please note: New Albany Parks and Recreation provides persons with disabilities equal access to community-based leisure and cultural activities. For assistance in fulfilling your special needs, contact 812-949-5448.



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Preschool

Wiggles and Giggles - Indoor Playground

Attention youngsters ages 5 and under!

Come wiggle and giggle in our playroom and indoor playground at the Griffin Recreation Center! From cooking up something in our pretend kitchen, sailing the ocean in our pirate ship, or building obstacle courses with our foam play blocks, kids will have a blast with all the age-appropriate toys! Kids can enjoy our indoor playground on Thursdays; full of ride on toys, toy cars, and lots of space to run! Ages 0-5 years old. Call 812-949-7275 for more information.

It's FREE!

Dates:

- Mondays, 10:00am - 12:00pm (Playroom Only)
- Thursdays, 10:00am - 12:00pm (Playroom and Indoor Playground)

Important note: The playground and playroom are UNSUPERVISED. Parents and caregivers are responsible for their children at all times.

Special Event Days: On special event days, in addition to all normal Wiggles & Giggles playtime, crafts, snacks, and other activities are available as well. Ages 0-5 years old. No pre-registration required. 10:00am - 12:00pm, **It's FREE!**

Dates:

- Thursday, February 8 - Valentines
- Thursday, March 14 - Easter Egg Hunt

Preschool...continued

Stories & STEM

Join us at Silver Street Park with our friends from the Floyd County Public Library for stories and activities. We'll share some stories and do an activity or craft on each day! All ages welcome!

Dates:

- Wednesday, March 13 - Easter
- Wednesday, April 10 - Spring
- Wednesday, May 8 - Flowers

Time: 10:00am

Location: Silver Street Park- Shelter #4 (large shelter by railroad tracks) or inside if weather is not suitable

Cost: Free

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Youth Activities

Little Sluggers Pre-Tee Ball for Boys and Girls Ages 3-5

Join our Little Sluggers Pre-Tee Ball league where we will teach the basic fundamentals of baseball/softball while utilizing whiffle balls and bats at the Silver Street Park Indoor Facility! We will teach throwing, base-running, batting, and fielding in an effort to build game awareness and improve hand-eye coordination. Little Sluggers will be a 4-week league. 30 minutes of practice will be followed by a 30 minute "game" with focus being on taking each day's lesson into game. Registration will begin January 8. Parents MUST be present for these events!

Registration Deadline: March 8

Dates: Thursdays, April 4 – April 25

Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Location: Silver Street Park

Cost: \$25 per child

After School Recreation Centers for Ages 5-12

Community recreation centers provide safe, supervised activities for school age boys and girls throughout the winter and spring. Weekly programs include arts & crafts, STEM enrichment activities, get fit classes, and occasional field trips. In addition, nutritious snacks are served free of charge to all participants through our Snack Attack program. Call 812-949-7275 for more information.

Dates: Mondays – Thursdays,
January 8 – May 9

Times: 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Locations:

- Parkview Center,
300 Erni Avenue
- Riverside Center,
55 Riverside Drive
- Griffin Recreation Center,
1140 Griffin Street

Cost: Free (registration required to participate)

Spring Break Camp

Kids 5-12 years old are invited to get in on the fun this spring! Children will participate in STEM, cultural enrichment, art classes, sports & wellness camps, and field trips! To register, please visit Griffin Recreation Center. For more information, please call 812-949-7275.

Dates: Mondays – Thursdays, March 18 – March 28

Times: 11:00am – 3:00pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: Free



Free Youth Soccer Clinic

For beginning soccer players that want to learn skills to play in a fun, competitive sport! Join us this winter in our indoor turf facility for our free soccer clinic starting January 10. No registration required.

Dates: Wednesdays,
January 10 – March 13

Time: 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Location: Silver Street Park

Cost: Free



Volleyball Lessons – Grades 3-6

This program teaches basic volleyball skills through fun drills and gameplay. Our team will place heavy emphasis on learning to bump, set, and serve with instructor Denise Beckwith.

Dates: Tuesdays, February 6 – 27

Time: 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: \$20



Adult Activities

Adult Leagues

New Albany Parks and Recreation will be introducing numerous Adult Leagues throughout the year. Leagues include: Flag Football, Kickball, Whiffle Ball, Dodgeball, Ultimate Frisbee, and Soccer. All leagues will have indoor and outdoor sessions throughout different parts of the year. All leagues will have a Men's and Co-Ed league available at time of signups. Four teams are needed to start leagues.

Novice Adult Pickleball Clinic

This class is for individuals wanting to learn the basics of this active sport. Whether it's your very first time ever playing pickleball, or if you've just started and want to play more in a non-competitive setting, this is for you. Learn all the rules and strategies to improve your skills.

Dates: Tuesdays,

January 23 – February 13

Time: 10:30am or 11:30am session

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: \$20

Adult Pickleball Open Gym

Bring a friend and get in the game. Stay warm this winter by playing on one of our two indoor courts. Ongoing unless there is a decrease in attendance. No registration required.

Recreational/Beginner

Dates: Fridays,
starting January 12

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: \$2 per visit

Advanced

Dates: Wednesdays,
starting January 10

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: \$2 per visit



Open Volleyball

Individuals interested in getting fit through non-competitive play can hit the court. Bring your friends for an evening of fun.

Dates: February 20 & 27

Time: 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: \$5 per session



Senior Softball League

New Albany Parks and Recreation is excited to announce that we will be hosting our seventh season of the Indoor Senior Softball League this winter! Games will be played in our 50x50 yard indoor sport-plex. For more information, please contact us at parks@cityofnewalbany.com!

Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays,
January 8 – March 13

Time: TBD

Location: Silver Street Park

Cost: Free

For information on all leagues, please contact the Parks & Recreation office at parks@cityofnewalbany.com

Slow-Pitch Softball Leagues

The Spring/Summer and Summer/Fall Softball Slow-Pitch Leagues will once again be run through Joel Kintner at GPE Events. If you'd like to register, please do so by emailing Joel at joelkintner1@yahoo.com.



Lifeguard Classes

Interested in becoming a lifeguard? Join us in one of our 3-day classes! We will provide you with all the training you will need to get certified by the American Red Cross. Put your lifeguarding skills to good use and join our lifeguard staff at River Run Family Waterpark this 2024 Summer Season! Please register online at www.nariverrun.com.

Dates: All classes take place
Friday – Sunday

- January 26 – 28
- February 23 – 25
- March 22 – 24
- April 26 – 28
- May 17 – 19

Times:

- Fridays: 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Saturdays: 9:30am – 5:00pm
- Sundays: 9:30am – 2:30pm

Location: YMCA – 33 State St

Cost: \$100

Adult Basketball Open Gym

Join your friends and athletes for weekly pick-up basketball scrimmages.

Dates: Mondays,
January 22 – February 12

Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Location: Fairmont School Gymnasium
1725 Abbie Dell Avenue

Cost: Free

Dates: Tuesdays, starting January 9
(Ongoing unless there is a decrease in attendance)

Time: 5:00pm – 7:00pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: Free





Family Events

35th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

Join the City of New Albany and New Albany Parks and Recreation to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with gospel musical group “Anthology” in concert. Call 812-949-7275 to reserve seats for your family.

Date: Saturday, January 13

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: Free

Family Fitness Event

Grab the family and start your Saturday with some exercise! This class is tailored to kiddos 3 to 10 years old, but everyone is welcome. This is a great time for the whole family to play in the gym, enjoy a themed craft, and use the game room. Bring your water and wear comfy clothes. Pre-register online. Parents are free!

Date: Saturday, January 27

Time: 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: \$5 per child (Pre-registration required)

Family Events...continued

Touch-A-Truck

Get ready to see, touch, and explore all your favorite vehicles at Touch-A-Truck! From emergency vehicles to construction trucks and more, there will be plenty to experience at this hands-on event. A sensory half-hour will be observed during the first thirty minutes to allow those who are sensitive to flashing lights and loud noises to enjoy themselves without worry.

Date: Saturday, May 11

Time: 9:30am – 12:00pm

Location: 325 E. 4th Street

Cost: Free

Valentine Dance Party

Kids and parents are invited to this special afternoon event. Pre-register online.

Date: Wednesday, February 14

Time: 4:00pm – 5:15pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: Free (Pre-registration required)

Griffin Street Park Easter Egg Hunt

Join us at the Griffin Street Park - playground for an Easter egg hunt for children 10 years and under. In addition to our egg hunt, there will be face-painting, delicious refreshments, and an opportunity to meet the Easter Bunny! Thanks to our partners for the candy and prizes. Pre-register online.

Date: Thursday, March 28

Time: 4:30pm

Location: Griffin Street Park

Cost: Free (Pre-registration required)

Silver Street Park Easter Egg Hunt

Join us at Silver Street Park for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. When you're not hunting the Easter eggs, please enjoy our games, crafts, music, and make sure to grab a photo with the Easter Bunny!

Date: Saturday, March 23

Time: 9:00am – 11:00am

Location: Silver Street Park

Cost: Free



Special Populations

Special Friends

A program designed for adults with disabilities to socialize and enjoy games and activities with peers. Pre-registration is required. Please call 812-949-7275 to pre-register and for more information.

Dates:

- Thursday, January 11 - Snow
- Thursday, February 8 - Valentines
- Thursday, March 14 - Easter
- Thursday, April 11 - Spring Fun
- Thursday, May 9 - Flowers

Time: 4:00pm – 5:00pm

Location: Griffin Recreation Center

Cost: Free



Senior Outreach

Recreator's Senior Club

Now in its 48th year, membership for this senior citizen club is again at capacity, with several on the waiting list. Founded in 1976, this club has lived up to its name to create memorable leisure events with each group encounter no matter how large or small. Lifelong friendships have formed from good people coming together.

East End Club

The Recreation staff offers programs and classes for active adults ages 55 and older. New members are now being accepted for the East End Club. Participants will enjoy entertainment, educational presentations, and light refreshments. To join the fun, call the Recreation staff at 812-949-7275 for an application and schedule. Must be a Floyd County resident to join the club.



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Instagram: NewAlbanyParks

Griffin Recreation Center

1140 Griffin Street • New Albany, IN 47150
Follow the signs at State and Lewis Streets
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River Run Waterpark

224 West Daisy Lane • New Albany, IN 47150
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Instagram: nariverrun

New Albany Dog Park

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