

November 2014
Parks & Recreation Newsletter Information

PARKS and RECREATION OFFICE

Location: The **Parks and Recreation Office** is located inside the **Depot** at 100 Depot Street, Alabaster

Office Hours: Mon. thru Fri. from 8 am until 5 pm

Phone: 205-664-6840

Website: www.alabasterparks.org

Closed for Holidays

The Parks and Recreation Office, and Veterans Skate Park will be closed on the following dates:

- Tuesday, Nov. 11, in observance of Veterans Day.
- Thursday & Friday, Nov. 27 & 28, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

- The annual Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6 at 10 am on Highway 31 South.
- The 2014 theme is “The Gift of Christmas”.
- Anyone wishing to participate in the Parade will need to register On-line, or return a completed registration form to the Parks and Recreation office between Oct. 13 and Nov. 14. The form will be on our web site. There is no fee to participate.
- All participants are strongly encouraged to decorate even if their entry is not a “float”.

BASKETBALL

- Youth Basketball practice will begin the first week of November.
- Games are scheduled to begin after Thanksgiving; break for the Christmas holidays; and then resume play after the first of the year.
- Pictures are scheduled for Dec. 13th. Location TBA.

SOCCER

- Our Fall Soccer season is about to conclude with 43 teams participating.
- We would like to say “Thank You” to all of the volunteer coaches and team moms for your dedication and time spent working with the players.
- Please watch for future postings of Spring Soccer Registration which will occur in early January.

FOOTBALL and CHEER

- We had another successful year with 186 Football players and 167 Cheerleaders.
- We will have several teams in the playoffs, and hope to bring home a championship.
- Berry High School will be hosting the JSYFL Championship games on Nov. 22. The games will begin at 9 am and run all day. Please come out and support our teams.

FLAG FOOTBALL

- Flag Football, which was offered for the first time through the City, had 49 participants.
- We interlocked with Helena, and the YMCA of Alabaster and Pelham.
- We will be hosting our first Flag Football Championship Day on Nov. 1 at Buck Creek starting at 9:00 AM.

FALL BASEBALL

- Fall Baseball had 140 participants at the conclusion of the program at the end of October.
- We would like to say “Thank You” to Coach Hamrick and his staff from Thompson High School for conducting this program.
- Spring Baseball registration will occur during January so be sure to watch for future postings of details and dates.

GIRL’S SOFTBALL

- Girl’s Fall Softball had five teams playing in Alabaster as well as the surrounding communities of Helena, Chelsea, and Columbiana.
- “Thank you” to all the coaches and parents who supported our Fall program.
- Girl’s Spring Softball registration will occur during January so be sure to watch for future postings of details and dates.

PAVILIONS FOR RENT

- **Outdoor Rental Facilities:**
 - Several of our City Parks offer pavilions for events such as picnics, family reunions and birthday parties. The best way to make sure your event happens at the location of your choice is to contact Parks & Recreation before our books are filled with reservations. Pavilions are available for use by permit only. There is a \$40 rental fee (no checks accepted) and an additional refundable \$40 deposit (cash or check only) which must be paid before your reservation is complete.
Note: Inflatables, charcoal grills, and piñatas are not allowed in any of the City parks. Please see our web site for a complete list of rules.
 - All open picnic tables (those not under a covering) are available free of charge on a first come, first served basis.
