

February 2016 Parks & Recreation Newsletter Information

STAY INFORMED THRU EMAILS

If you are not receiving emails from Parks and Recreation regarding registrations and events, you can sign up by going to www.alabasterparks.org and scrolling down the page to the SIGN UP link. The only required information is your name and email address.

NOTE: We cannot accept Checks as a method of payment. Please be prepared to pay for any fees with Cash, Debit, Visa, Master Card, or Discover.

ARBOR DAY TREE GIVEAWAY

- **140 trees and seedlings** will be given away at no charge on Saturday, **Feb. 27**, at Veterans Park in the Maintenance Shop. Registration will begin at 8 AM. Tree distribution will begin at 9 AM.

ADULT SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

- **Registration** for teams (not individuals) will begin on March 1 and end on March 31 at the Depot as well as On-Line at www.alabasterparks.org.

START SMART BASEBALL

- **February 22 – 8:00 am: Registration** will begin for Start Smart Baseball at the Depot. Registration will close out once 20 children have registered, or at 5:00 pm on March 4, whichever occurs first. The fee is \$90 (plus 10% for non-residents).
- The program is designed for children **ages 3 and 4** as of April 1, 2016.
- It is a **six week program** with emphasis on fundamentals. The six week sessions will be held on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm beginning April 5 and ending May 10. There will be a game and pizza/cupcake party on May 14 at 10:00 am.
- Registration must be done **in person** at the Parks and Recreation office.
- **Birth Certificate** copies are required for new participants.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Children will need to wear cleats and bring a glove to Observations and/or Try-outs.

Baseball Observations at Veterans Park:

Children will need to wear cleats and bring a glove.

- **Feb. 5 (Fri.):**
 - 6:30 pm – Metro (ages 13/14) – Field 1
 - 6:30 pm – Major (ages 11/12) – Field 4

- **Feb. 6 (Sat.):**
 - 9:00 am – Rookie (ages 5/6) – Field 2
 - 9:00 am – Minor (ages 9/10) – Field 4
 - 11:00 am – Farm (ages 7/8) – Field 5

Softball Observations at Veterans Park:

- **Feb. 7 (Sun.):**
 - 2:00 pm – 6U (ages 5/6) – Field 5
 - 3:30 pm – 8U (ages 7/8) – Field 2
 - 4:45 pm – 10U (ages 9/10) – Field 5
 - 4:45 pm – 12U (ages 11/12) – Field 2

Select Team Try-outs at Veterans Park (based on whether enough children signed up):

- **Feb. 6 (Sat.):**
 - 1:30 pm – Minor (ages 9/10) – Field 2
 - 3:00 pm – Major (ages 11/12) – Field 5
 - 4:30 pm – Metro (ages 13/14) – Field 1

Fields open for practice:

- **Feb. 15 (Mon.)**

Team Mom meeting at Alabaster Senior Center:

- **Feb. 22 (Mon.)**

Parade of Teams for Baseball/Softball at Veterans Park:

- **March 18 (Fri.)**

Opening Day for Baseball/Softball:

- **March 19 (Sat.)**

Picture Day for Baseball/Softball:

- **April 9 (Sat.)**

SOCCER

Soccer Observations at Municipal Park on the 3 Acre Field located between THS & TMS:

Children will need to wear their Soccer cleats.

- **Feb. 5** (Fri.):
 - 6:00 pm – U6 (ages 4/5)
 - 7:00 pm – U8 (ages 6/7)

- **Feb. 6** (Sat.):
 - 9:00 am – U9 Girls (age 8)
 - 10:30 am – U9 Boys (age 8)
 - 12:00 pm – U10 Girls (age 9)
 - 1:30 pm – U10 Boys (age 9)

Practice Begins:

- **Feb. 16** (Tues.)

Games Begin:

- **March 18** (Fri.)

Picture Day:

- **March 19** (Sat.)

PAVILIONS FOR RENT

- **Outdoor Rental Facilities:**

- **On-Line Pavilion Rentals** – available at www.alabasterparks.org
- Several of our City Parks offer pavilions for events such as picnics, family reunions and birthday parties. The best way to assure your event happens at the location of your choice is to reserve it early.
- Please do not send out invitations listing one of our parks as the event location before you have secured a pavilion through Parks and Recreation. The pavilion you plan on using may not be available.
- Pavilions are available for use by permit only. There is a **\$40 rental fee (no checks accepted)** 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.
