

December 2020 Parks & Recreation Newsletter Information

Alabaster Parks and Recreation offers a variety of youth sports and a couple of adult programs, along with several community events throughout the year. Additionally, they oversee pavilion rentals for all City parks.

IMPORTANT: The Parks and Recreation Office moved to **200 Depot Street**, Alabaster, in June 2020. We are no longer at Veterans Park.

Hours of operation are Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm.

If you would like more information concerning Parks and Recreation programs, please contact the Office at 205-664-6840 or parksandrec@cityofalabaster.com.

STAY INFORMED THRU EMAILS

If you would like to receive 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.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

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

- Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24 and 25, in observance of the Christmas holidays.
- Friday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's Day.

DOG PARK MAINTENANCE

- **The Dog Park** at Veterans Park will be closed on Wednesday, Dec. 2, for maintenance.
- If needed, the Rain-Out date will be the following Wednesday, Dec. 9.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

- **Event Date:** The annual Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 10 AM.
- **Parade Route:** The parade location will be Highway 31 South beginning at Ernest McCarty Ford before turning onto 2nd Place N.W., traveling down 1st Street S.W., and ending at the stop sign in front of Southbrook Village.
- **Theme:** The 2020 theme is "Alabaster Celebrates Our 2020 Hometown Heroes".
- **Event:** The Parade is filled with bands, floats, dancers, Santa, and much more! Don't miss out on a fun filled morning as we celebrate our Police, Fire, Teachers and Medical Personnel.

- **Details:** Please check our website periodically in case any adjustments need to be made to our normal Parade procedures due to COVID.
- **Spectators:** All spectators will be asked to adhere to social distancing guidelines that are in place at the time of the event.

BASKETBALL

- Youth Basketball is underway with 224 participants.

PAVILIONS FOR RENT

Note: You can begin reserving pavilions for your 2021 events on Jan. 1.

- **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 ensure 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.
 - All open picnic tables (those not under a covering) are available free of charge on a first come, first served basis.
 - **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.
