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SUMMER/FALL/WINTER

CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE PARKS & RECREATION ACTIVITIES GUIDE



PARKS AND RECREATION

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Mission Statement

To meet the parks and recreational needs of all by providing a safe and diversified parks system that encourages community pride, visionary planning and operations, and environmental stewardship.

Something for Everyone!

The City of Fayetteville manages over 4,300 acres, including 35 parks, 16 natural areas, and 17 trails. With more than 68 miles of trails, 26 playgrounds, 26 sports fields, 27 pavilions, 7 tennis courts, 7 volleyball courts, 3 lakes, a swimming pool, skate park, and picnic facilities. You will find a park to fit every need.



Wilson Park Castle

Come Join the Fun!

At Fayetteville Parks and Recreation, we are in the people business! It is our intent that individuals of all abilities, ages, interests and needs, feel welcome in our programs and facilities. Fayetteville Parks and Recreation has been recognized as the "Best in Arkansas," but we are not content "being the best." We constantly add new programs and build new parks to keep up with the needs of our residents. We want to be your number one stop for family fun and recreation. If there are any special accommodations you might need in order to participate, please let us know. Parks and Recreation invites you to enjoy our 35 parks and more than 68 miles of trails. Come enjoy one of our free Summer Concerts or swim at Wilson Park Pool.. We are confident you will enjoy it all!

Website

The City of Fayetteville's website offers patrons the opportunity to register online for many programs, view dates for programming, and download various forms required for activities, events, and reservations. In addition, patrons can sign up for our e-newsletter to be the first to know what is going on in Parks and Recreation.

www.fayetteville-ar.gov

Park Pavilion Reservations

Fayetteville has 15 pavilions located in city parks that can be reserved for free. All pavilions are reserved on a first-come first-served basis beginning on January 1 of each calendar year. Make your reservation online at www.onlinesignup.org/fayetteville. If you do not have access to a computer, come by the Parks office at 1455 S. Happy Hollow Road and use our computer at the front desk to make your reservation. Free computer usage is also available at the Public Library and the Yvonne Richardson Community Center. Pavilions are available for company get-togethers, family reunions, or just a day at the park. Large parties are required to fill out a special event request form and put a cleaning deposit down for their pavilion reservation. Please call the Parks office at (479) 444-3471 if you have additional questions.





Active Lifestyles

Since the establishment of the Parks and Recreation Department in 1967, our citizens have requested park facilities and trails that meet their active lifestyles whether it is fishing, playing soccer, bird watching or enjoying our trails. Expanding our trail system has been a high priority of our citizens. Fayetteville has teamed up with surrounding cities in a project known as The Northwest Arkansas Razorback Regional Greenway. The concept of a regional greenway has been a goal of regional planners, cities, and residents of Northwest Arkansas for more than two decades and been made possible through the Walton Family Foundation Matching Grant Funding. The Razorback Regional Greenway is a 36-mile, primarily off-road, shared use paved trail that extends from the Bella Vista Trail in north Bentonville south of Walker Park in south Fayetteville. The trail links together dozens of popular community destinations including downtowns, local parks, hospitals, shopping and entertainment areas. There are 9.4 miles of the Razorback Greenway within Fayetteville including portions of the Lake Fayetteville Trail, Clear Creek Trail, Scull Creek Trail, Mud Creek Trail, and Frisco Trail. www.accessfayetteville.org/government/engineering/programs/Trails.cfm

Adopt a Park/Trail

Adopt-A-Park, Adopt-A-Trail, and Trail Trekker programs are part of our volunteer program and are essential to Fayetteville Parks and Recreation. Every organization that chooses to adopt a park or a trail will have their name installed at the adopted facility. For more information regarding this program, visit fayetteville-ar.gov to download the volunteer handbook.



Lake Fayetteville Marina

TRAILS	Miles
Clabber Creek Trail	(.65)
Clear Creek Trail	(1.04)
Finger Park Trail	(.72)
Frisco Trail	(1.79)
Gregory Park Trail	(.93)
Gulley Park Trail	(.85)
Hamestring Creek Trail	(.64)
Lake Wilson Trail	(2.68)
Lake Fayetteville Trail	(5.52)
Lake Sequoyah Trails	(6.2)
Meadow Valley Trail	(2.43)
Mount Sequoyah Woods Trail	(6.0)
Kessler Mountain	(8.0)
Mud Creek Trail	(2.49)
Oak Ridge Trail	(.58)
Red Oak Park Trail	(.20)
Scull Creek Trail	(4.07)
St. Paul Trail	(.78)
Town Branch Trail	(.96)
Tsa La Gi Trail	(1.11)
Walker Park Trail	(1.22)
Wilson Park Trail	(.90)

PARKS

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| Bayyari Park | Lake Fayetteville Park |
| Braden Park | Lake Sequoyah Park |
| Bryce Davis Park | Lake Wilson Park |
| Bundrick Park | Lewis Soccer Complex |
| Charles J. Finger Park | Kessler Mountain |
| Clarence Craft Park | Mount Sequoyah Gardens |
| Combs Park | Mount Sequoyah Woods |
| Dale Clark Park | Ralph "Buddy" Hayes Park |
| David Lashley Park | Red Oak Park |
| Doc Mashburn Park | Regional Park |
| Gary Hampton Softball Complex | Rodney Ryan Park |
| Gordon Long Park | Salem Park |
| Greathouse Park | Square Gardens |
| Gregory Park | St. Joseph Park |
| Gulley Park | Sweetbriar Park |
| Harmony Pointe Park | Walker Park |
| Holland Park | White River Park |
| Hotz Park | Wilson Park |

WILSON PARK POOL



Make a Splash!

Wilson Pool is the only municipal pool in the City and it provides a wealth of atmosphere for your swimming experience. Tucked into one of Fayetteville's most popular parks, Wilson Pool is surrounded by shade trees and beautiful landscaping.

Wilson Pool opens May 28th through August 14th and offers recreational swimming, instructional swim lessons, fitness opportunities and family swim times.
Wilson Pool: (479) 442-2641

Admission Prices

Daily Youth - \$3
Daily Adult - \$4
Season Youth - \$55
Season Adult - \$75
Season Family - \$135

Youth rates apply to those 15 years of age or younger.

Children under the age of seven must be accompanied by a person sixteen or older.

Pool Hours

Monday - Friday

10:00am - 12:00pm - Swim Lessons
12:00pm - 1:00pm - Adult Lap Swim
1:00pm - 5:00pm - Open Swim
5:00pm - 7:00pm - Swim Lessons & *Adult Lap-Width
7:00pm - 8:00pm - **Family Swim

Saturday - Sunday:

1:00pm - 6:00pm - Open Swim

Notes: Adult Lap will change every Friday from width to length of pool, if we do not have make-up lessons scheduled. **Family Swim- no camp or group reservations are available during this time.

Swim Lessons

Fayetteville Parks and Recreation teaches Red Cross certified swimming lessons to children and adults of all skill levels. Lessons are 40 minutes in length and run in two week increments (Monday-Thursday) throughout the summer. Lessons are available in the evening. The cost is \$50 for a two week session. Registration closes once full or the Friday prior to each session start date.



FREE ADMISSION TO ALL! Wilson Park Pool will host four Dive-In Movies each season. These events are free and open to the public. Doors will open at 7:15pm with the movie starting at dark. Movies are sponsored by the Fayetteville Fire Fighters Association. Oh, and did we mention they are free!?

Dive In Movie Dates:

June 3: Tangled

June 24: Max

July 15: Inside Out

August 5: Ratatouille



*Gates open at 7:15PM *Movies start at dark
*Free Admission *Concessions Available

675 N Park Ave, Fayetteville, AR 72701
Wilson Pool: (479) 442-2641 or
Park and Rec office: (479) 575-8369 or email us
parks_and_recreation@fayetteville-ar.gov .

Pool Rentals

Interested in reserving the pool for a special functions? The pool is available to rent Mon-Fri at 8pm and Sat-Sun before 1pm or after 6pm. Please see our friendly pool office staff for inquires.

Camp/Group Reservations

Wilson Pool can accommodate group reservations within normal business hours. Please see our friendly pool office staff to inquire and make a reservation.



History

The Yvonne Richardson Community Center (YRCC) was established in 1996 by a group of citizens seeking a safe environment for youth to benefit from positive programs and policies. YRCC was built in memoriam of former Arkansas Razorback Basketball Coach Nolan Richardson's daughter, Yvonne Richardson. YRCC is a free membership based community center that provides quality free programs to the citizens in Fayetteville and surrounding areas.

YRCC is committed to shaping today's youth for tomorrow's challenges by providing recreational, educational, and social opportunities.

Amenities



Gym



Computer Lab



Multi-Purpose Room



Garden



Playground

Contact Information:

240 East Rock Street, Fayetteville, AR 72701
 Phone: (479) 444-3461 Fax: (479) 444-3462 or
 email: yrcc@fayetteville-ar.gov
 Website: friendsofyrcc.org

Facility Rental

YRCC is available and affordable for public party rentals, team practices, or events. Give us a call today to make a reservation.

Hours

During School:

Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sunday *Closed*

Summer Hours (Starting in June):

Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday *Closed*

Sunday *Closed*

Volunteer and Donate

YRCC could not offer programs without the help of our donors, sponsors, and volunteers. Ask us about volunteering or donating today!

Nonprofit Status

Friends of YRCC is YRCC's non-profit board (501c3). The board meets the 3rd Thursday of the month to discuss matters concerning the center and the community; the public is invited.



Youth Programs



Kids' Nite Afterschool Program



Summer Fun4Kids Camp



X-Factor Homeschool P.E.



Spring Break Camp



Kid Crops Youth Gardening



Adult Programs



Open Gym Basketball



Pickleball

Community Programs



Easter Egg Hunt



Thanksgiving & Christmas Bingo



Acts of Kindness



Celebrate Our Kids Banquet



LifeSource Food Basket



connect with the YRCC

Find us on Facebook & Instagram!

<http://facebook.com/YvonneRichardsonCommunityCenter>
<http://instagram.com/ycccrocks>

For more info on these programs and others please contact us by phone at (479) 444-3461 or email: yrc@fayetteville-ar.gov.



Registration

Online registration is available for all programs, fields, and pavilion rentals at www.onlinesignup.org/fayetteville. For assistance with online registration, please contact the Fayetteville Parks & Recreation office at (479) 444-3471 or by email at parcs_and_recreation@fayetteville-ar.gov. You may also register in person at the Parks office located at 1455 S. Happy Hollow Rd Fayetteville, AR 72701.

Parks and Recreation reserves the right to cancel or postpone programs or events due to inclement weather or low enrollment.

Volunteers Needed

Members of the community with knowledge and passion for various programs are encouraged to register to coach. All potential coaches are required to successfully pass a criminal background check and attend a coaches meeting to be briefed on program rules and procedures. Coaches are provided with all required equipment and training resources. Please contact us at (479) 444-3471.



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Find us on facebook! Follow us on Twitter & Instagram!

<http://facebook.com/fayparksandrec>
<http://twitter.com/fayparksandrec>
<http://instagram.com/fayettevilleparksandrec>

Register online!



Program scholarships are available for youth programs through Pagnozzi Charities. Please contact Pagnozzi at (479) 443-2550 about Pagnozzi scholarships.

The mission of Pagnozzi Charities Youth Scholarship Program is to open the door of athletic experience to underprivileged youth by giving them the same opportunity as their peers and introducing them to positive life experiences. Since 2004 Pagnozzi Charities has granted over 5,000 scholarships to over 3,500 youth. We are proud to have Pagnozzi Charities in our City!

Wait List

In the event a program has more interest than available space, we will keep a waiting list. Individuals on the waiting list will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis. In the event of an opening, individuals from the waiting list will be contacted.

Inclement Weather

To find out the status of games related to inclement weather, please contact us on our social media pages or call our Weather Hotline at (479) 443-727 after 3:30 p.m. weekdays and 8:00 a.m. weekends.

SPECIAL EVENTS



Gulley Park Summer Concerts

Fayetteville Parks and Recreation brings to you the 20th annual summer of concerts at Gulley Park. This summer will be one of our greatest yet, with six shows featuring some of the top music the region has to offer. Best of all, concerts are FREE! The Gulley Park Summer Concert Series includes six concerts. Sponsors of the series provide you a variety of food and treats to purchase. Bring your own chair or blanket. Concerts are on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. Thanks to the bands, sponsors, and fans who make the Gulley Park Summer Concert Series a success every year. See you at the shows!

Special Event Request

Interested in hosting your own event? Call us at (479) 444-3471 to learn more about organizing your own fund-raiser, tournament, or social gathering.

Field Rentals

Schedule your practices with us! Reserve fields online at www.onlinesignup.org/fayetteville or call us at (479) 718-7681 with any questions on reserving field space.



20TH ANNUAL

Presented by
Fayetteville Parks & Recreation and
White River Nursery

GULLEY PARK

2016

May 26
BRUNS

June 9
Dana Louise and
The Glorious Birds

June 23
Blue Healer

July 7
Danielle Nicole

July 21
Flashback

August 4
Effron White

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Thursday Nights
7 PM - 9 PM



Designed by
The Belford Group

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Team Sponsorship

Let the community know you support youth sports in Fayetteville by sponsoring a youth athletic team. You can choose from different levels that best fit your budget and interest. City run youth leagues includes Soccer (all ages) and Fast Pitch Softball (all ages). A sponsorship includes your business/organization logo displayed on the front of the team jerseys along with other recognition options.

League Sponsorship

Looking for maximum exposure? Incorporate your business/organization into the theme for an entire league. Your company name will be displayed on all league schedules. Company literature will be included in the team packets distributed to the coaches. In addition your company name will be included on sponsorship signs posted at the athletic fields, website and other publications.

Available league sponsorships include: Adult Softball, Adult Kickball and Adult Volleyball.

Field Sponsorship

Let the community know you support youth sports in our community by sponsoring a youth baseball or softball field. For \$500 your company name will be displayed on 2' x 4' banners on the back of the 1st and 3rd base dugouts on one of our youth softball fields.

Tournament Sponsorship

Headline a tournament drawing local and out-of-town teams and have your business/organization on all promotions, banners, and awards. This is a great way for residents in the region to know that your business supports youth in the community.

For more information or to request a sponsorship package, please call (479) 444-3471 or email us at parks_and_recreation@fayetteville-ar.gov

Youth Camp Sponsorship

Fayetteville Parks and Recreation is offering eight one-week long Be Active Summer Camps. Each week is themed and promotes wellness, fun, and education. You can help by sponsoring one or more of these camps. Your business/organization name and logo will be displayed on the front of the campers shirts along with other promotional material.

Gulley Park Summer Concert Series

Single Show Sponsor \$150 - Event Sponsors may set up a promotional booth, table, etc. at one show of your choice. Monies may be exchanged on-site during concerts. Name and logo displayed on all promotional materials.

Event Sponsors \$750 - Event sponsors may set up a booth, table, etc at all six shows of the Gulley Park Concert Series. Monies may be exchanged on-site during concert. Name and logo displayed on all promotional materials

Series Sponsor \$3,000 - Series Sponsor will be given equal recognition with Fayetteville Parks and Recreation for the entire Gulley Park Summer Concert Series!

Thank you Sponsors!

Your business plays an important role in the lives of our youth and the surrounding community. Last year, our sponsors contributed over \$17,000 for our programs and activities. The City prides itself on being able to offer a variety of opportunities for adults and children alike and we are always looking for some assistance to continue offering such activities. FPR offers various ways to promote your business while giving back to your community. On behalf of the staff, parents, and children, thank you for your consideration in helping the City of Fayetteville further develop and maintain special events and programs!



Youth Soccer/First Touch

- 4/18-23** Spring Soccer Make Ups if Needed
- 5/9** Fall Soccer Registration Begins
- 7/3** Fall Soccer early registration Ends
- 7/17** Fall Soccer Late registration Ends
- 8/6** Fall Soccer Coaches Meeting
- 8/19** Fall Soccer Kick Off Celebration
- 8/20** Fall Soccer practice Begins
- 9/6** Fall Youth Soccer/First Touch games Begins
- 10/13** Fall Soccer games/First Touch Ends
- 10/15-20** Fall Soccer Make Ups if Needed
- 11/7** 2017 Spring Soccer registration Begins

Adult Co-ed Kickball

- 5/16** Registration begins for summer leagues
- 6/19** Registration ends for summer leagues
- 6/27** Season begins for summer leagues
- 7/25** Registration begins for fall leagues
- 8/9** Kickball Championship Series Summer Tourn.
- 8/12** Registration ends for fall leagues
- 8/20-21** Golden Ball Classic Tournament
- 8/22** Season begins for fall leagues
- 10/10** Kickball Championship Series Fall Tourn.

Fayetteville Race Series

- 5/14** Square to Square Bike Ride - Spring
- 5/22** Ladies Du Fayetteville
- 8/12** Splash & Dash
- 9/10** Square to Square Bike Ride - Fall
- 11/20** Run for the Parks!
- 1/14** Frozen Toes Trail Run 2017

Adult Co-ed Volleyball

- 8/29** Registration begins for fall leagues
- 10/9** Registration ends for fall leagues
- 10/25** Season begins for fall leagues
- 11/7** Registration begins for 2017 winter leagues
- 12/13** FPR Post-Season League Tournament begins
- 12/16** Registration ends for 2017 winter leagues
- 1-2017** Season begins for winter leagues

Youth Girls Fastpitch Softball

- 3/27** Registration ends for spring league
- 3/28** 14/18USpring league coaches meeting
- 4/6** 6-10U Spring league coaches meeting
- 4/18** Spring practice begins
- 4/25** Spring clinic for league participants
- 5/9** Spring regular season games begin
- 6/18-19** Fayetteville Rotary Softball Tournament
- 6/27-30** Post-Season League Tournament begins

Adult Softball/Incrediball

- 4/18** Registration begins for summer league
- 5/26** League/tournament play ends for spring
- 6/11** Registration ends for summer league
- 6/20** League play begins for summer
- 7/5** Registration begins for fall league
- 8/4** League/tournament play ends for summer
- 8/7** Registration ends for fall league
- 8/15** League play begins for fall
- 10/20** League/tournament play ends for fall

Youth Camps

- 6/6-10** Outdoor Adventure Camp #1
- 6/13-17** Soccer Camp
- 6/20-24** Outdoor Adventure Camp #2
- 6/27-7/1** Tennis Camp
- 7/4-8** Outdoor Adventure Camp #3
- 7/11-15** Drama Camp
- 7/18-22** Outdoor Adventure Camp #4
- 7/25-29** Camp Wilson Week 1
- 8/1-5** Camp Wilson Week 2

Wilson Pool

- 5/2** Registration begins for swim lessons
- 5/28** Wilson Pool opens/Dive in Movie
- 6/13-23** Swim Lessons Session #1
- 6/27-7/7** Swim Lessons Session #2
- 7/11-21** Swim Lessons Session #3
- 7/25-8/4** Swim Lessons Session #4
- 8/14** Wilson Pool closes for the year

*All dates and times are subject to change.

YOUTH SPORTS: SOCCER



Registration Cost: Range \$60-\$105 per season (varies by age)
For information please call (479) 575-8369
or email lballard@fayetteville-ar.gov



Fayetteville Parks and Recreation has an AWESOME youth soccer program. This recreational program emphasizes an environment that is fun for all ages and skill levels. Every child is guaranteed to play at least half of each game, while learning the basics of soccer and good sportsmanship.

Our recreational soccer program is for girls and boys ages three to eighteen. This program is part of Fayetteville Parks and Recreation's Good Sports recreational programs where fun is emphasized! The season begins with two or three practices, followed by playing two games per week. All players registering with Fayetteville Parks and Recreation are randomly assigned to a team based on age. Volunteer coaches are screened and trained by Parks and Recreation. Players who sign up for both the fall and spring season will remain on the same team for both seasons. In our program, the games belong to the kids and the top priority is fun and skill improvement.

Registration Dates:

2016 Fall Registration: May 9th - July 3rd
2016 Fall Season: Aug. 20th - Oct. 13th
2017 Spring Registration: Nov. 7th - Jan. 8th
2017 Spring Season:

Practice and Game Times:

Monday at 5:45pm & Saturday at 9:00am - U5 Boys, U7 Boys, U9 Boys, U10 Boys

Tuesday at 5:45pm & Saturday at 10:30am - U6 Boys, U8 Boys, U12 Boys, U12 Girls

Thursday at 5:45pm & Saturday at 12:00pm - U5 Girls, U6 Girls, U7 Girls, U8 Girls, U9 Girls, U10 Girls

First Touch Participants:

Our First Touch Program is an introductory program for three and old children. A variety of activities and drills are used to introduce the fundamentals of soccer. Children in First Touch will play Mondays and Saturdays, Tuesdays and Saturdays, or Thursdays and Saturdays depending on the group assigned. Each session consists of 25 participants and is instructed by Parks and Recreation staff.

U5-U15 Participants:

Practices and games are held on Saturday mornings and one night during the week. Game times are based on age group. Please note that due to the number of U5 and U6 Boys teams, they are divided into two leagues, the RED league and the BLUE league. If your team name is B-Wizards, you are in the Blue league. If your team name is listed as R-Union, you are in the Red league.

U18 Participants:

Our oldest league plays teams from all over Northwest Arkansas. Your coach will provide a schedule when he/she contacts you. Games are typically played one night a week and on Saturdays.

TIPS:

If you registered for both fall and spring - then you do not need to re-register for the spring season and the player will remain on the same team for the spring.

If you did not register in the fall to play both seasons, but wish to play in the spring, you will need to fill out the Re-Registration form. Filling out the Re-Registration form will enable those players to remain on the same team.

If you are a new player and/or did not register to play in the fall, but would like to sign up for spring, you can register for the spring season only. Dual season registration only takes place during fall sign ups.

YOUTH SPORTS: FAST PITCH SOFTBALL



Youth Softball and Youth Fast Pitch Softball is perfect for players and coaches whom wish to learn skills and play games that meet the national standard of softball, but also want a positive experience in that players, coaches, and umpires work together to ensure that *every* player succeeds. Parks and Recreation softball is perfect for new players interested in softball and those whom are experienced players. More than 250 girls participated on 23 teams in the 2015 season. All players receive a full uniform including: a jersey, softball pants, and socks; teams receive catcher's gear, bats, and practice equipment including practice balls, batting tees, and much more. All fields have 200-foot fences. Our program is sanctioned through the United States Specialty Sports Association - (USSSA), and players ages four through 19 are eligible to play **depending on the player's birth date**. All coaches must be at least 18 years old. Coaches receive clinical instruction and a practice guide so that every interested parent or volunteer may serve a role in our program without prior experience coaching softball. Players participate in a pre-season clinic each year.



5U/6U – Coach Pitch/Tee Ball

Four, five, and six-year-olds play in the coach pitch/tee ball league Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings at Wilson Park Softball Field. Each player bats each inning and team sizes are small so that players receive as much instruction as possible. When batting, players first receive three pitches from their coach, and may hit two balls from the batting tee if the batter does not hit a fair ball thrown from their coach. Players use a 10-inch reduced injury factor softball. Games are seven innings or 55 minutes.

8U – Machine Pitch

Six, seven, eight, and nine-year-olds play in the machine pitch league twice each week Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday evenings. Playing days rotate throughout the season. When batting, players first receive three pitches *in their strike zone* from a spring-loaded pitching machine, and may receive two pitches from the batter's coach if the batter does not hit a fair ball thrown from the machine. The pitching machine is set between 34 and 36 miles per hour, which is a perfect speed for growing softball players! Players use an 11-inch reduced injury factor softball. Games are seven innings or 60 minutes.

10U – Fast Pitch

Players eight through 11 years play fast pitch softball twice each week Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday evenings. Playing days rotate throughout the season. The pitcher's plate is set at 35 feet, and pitchers receive pitching instruction throughout practice. When batting, if “the count” is ever 3-0, 3-1, or 3-2, then the batter's coach relieves the pitcher so that games do not rest on the pitcher's ability. Players use an 11-inch softball and are subject to national USSSA Fast Pitch Softball rules. Games are seven innings or 60 minutes.

12U, 14U, and 18U – Fast Pitch

Practice and games in each league are twice each week Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday evenings. Playing days rotate throughout the season. The pitcher's plate is set at 40 feet in the 12U league and at 43 feet in the 14U and 18U leagues. Teams play other recreation league teams throughout Northwest Arkansas within a 30-minute radius of Fayetteville. Players use a 12-inch softball and are subject to national USSSA Fast Pitch Softball rules. Games are seven innings or 60 minutes.

Registration & Season Dates

Registration begins in January each year. Practices begin in late March or early April, and games begin the first Monday in May. Games end no later than the first week of July.

Registration Cost: Range \$70-80 (varies by age)
For more information, please email Recreation Program Coordinator Joe Kieklak at jkieklak@fayetteville-ar.gov or call him at (479) 444-3471.

SUMMER CAMPS



be Active!

The goal of Be Active! Summer Camps is to provide healthy, fun, and educational activities for campers between the ages of five through fifteen, children must have completed Kindergarten to participate. We strive to create an environment where your child has an enjoyable experience fostering a life-long participation in sports and recreational activities. Children are encouraged to attend regardless of experience and skill level. Participant receives a t-shirt on the first day of the camp. Each child needs to bring sunscreen, bottled water (labeled with name), and wear appropriate clothing and shoes every day. Each camp session ends with a Friday showcase event in which parents are encouraged to attend. All camp sessions are 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Campers may be dropped off as early as 8:30a.m. and picked up no later than 12:30 p.m.

Registration

Registration opens: April 4
Registration Fee: \$70 per session*
How to register:



Online- www.onlinesignup.org/fayetteville
Mail in-

ATTN: Fayetteville Parks and Recreation
113 W. Mountain St.
Fayetteville, AR 72701

Drop off at Parks and Recreation Office-
Fayetteville Parks and Recreation
1455 S. Happy Hollow Rd.

*Parents/guardians receive a \$5 discount per session for registering a child for four or more sessions.

*Registration must be accompanied by payment to guarantee a child's spot in the camp. Due to limited space, there are no refunds for these programs.

*Please contact Parks and Recreation about scholarships available through Pagnozzi Charities. For more information, visit us on the web at fayetteville-ar.gov/parks



Outdoor Adventure Camp – Lake Fayetteville Marina Ages 8-12 * June 6-10, June 20-24, July 4-8, July 18-22

Outdoor Adventure Camp participants will fish, hike, play disc golf, and learn ultimate frisbee with Fayetteville Disc Association instructors as well as ride mountain bikes, climb a 25 foot rock wall, and paddle a kayak. The camp will end with the annual Outdoor Adventure Games. All campers receive a camp shirt and a bike helmet.

Soccer Camp – Lewis Soccer Fields Ages 5-12 * June 13-17

Soccer Camp is an excellent way for children to improve their skills in "the beautiful game," especially with the guidance of Oliver Soccer instructors. Each morning participants work on skills such as shooting, dribbling, and passing, while playing various games designed to improve foot-eye coordination in a fun atmosphere. All campers receive a t-shirt and soccer ball, which they bring to camp with them each day.

Tennis Camp – Wilson Park Ages 5-12 * June 27 - July 1

Tennis Camp teaches and refines basic tennis form and techniques including forehand, backhand, volley, serving, and footwork. With the help of tennis instructors children enjoy games in the USTA's 10 and under format to improve their skills and earn the title of "Court Champion!" All campers receive a camp t-shirt as well as a camp themed visor to keep the sun out of the eyes of our future tennis masters!

Drama Camp – Gulley Park Ages 5-12 * July 11-15

Drama Camp will introduce campers to the theatre with fundamental acting techniques and methods. Stagefright be gone; campers will find their voice! With the help of Young Actors Guild instructors, campers will learn acting techniques and theatre terminology. Campers also explore character creation through fun and games. The camp will culminate on Friday with an original showcase performance. All campers receive a camp t-shirt as well as a camp giveaway.

Camp Wilson – Wilson Park Ages 5-12 * July 25-29, August 1-5

At Camp Wilson, campers engage in a variety of games and activities while getting to know Wilson Park. From kickball to volleyball, tennis to four square, swimming to a dance-off, Camp Wilson has it all! Campers are required to bring their swimsuit, towel, and tennis shoes to camp each. Each camper receives a camp t-shirt as well as drawing bags.

ADULT SPORTS: SOFTBALL



Fayetteville Parks and Recreation offers Adult Slow Pitch Softball for three seasons consisting of Spring, Summer and Fall. There were over 2,800 participants in softball in 2015. During each of these seasons, leagues are available for Men, Women, and Coed teams for many different competition levels. Teams play a double header on the same night each week. Games are played at both Gary Hampton and Lake Fayetteville complexes.

Registration Cost: Range \$350-\$450 per team (varies by season)
For information please call (479) 718-7681
or email bshrader@fayetteville-ar.gov.

Grab your team and GO!

Register for one of Fayetteville's most popular adult sports. Form a team with your co-workers, organization, family, friends, or church, and register for any league. The leagues are divided into three divisions: Men's, Coed, and Women's with four competitive classification levels: North (most competitive), South, East, and West (most recreational). Team registration only. Teams must provide their own softballs and jerseys which feature numbers on the back, alike in color.

If one night per week is not enough, then pick up and play on more than one team. A player can legally play on one men's team, and one coed team. Leagues and game times are organized where a person could potentially play in all three leagues within the same season.

Registration Dates

Spring League: February 8–March 13
Summer League: April 18–June 11
Fall League: July 5–August 7

Entry

\$450
\$350
\$450

League Play

March 28-May 12 (7 weeks)
June 20-July 21 (5 weeks)
Aug 15-Oct 6 (7 weeks)

Tournament

May 23-May 26
Aug 1-Aug 4
Oct 17-Oct 20

How to Register

- Online at <http://www.onlinesignup.org/fayetteville>
- Mail in: Fayetteville Parks and Recreation Softball, 113 West Mountain, Fayetteville, AR 72701
- Drop off: Parks and Recreation Office, 1455 Happy Hollow Road, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Incrediball

Incrediball is a trendy recreational adaptation to regular slow pitch softball. The league uses a soft/rag ball which is not hit as far or nearly as hard. It gives players the opportunity to play the same game you love with a more recreational feel! It's great for corporate, church, and first year teams. We offer Incrediball leagues in the Summer. Email bshrader@fayetteville-ar.gov for more information on times and dates.



FAYETTEVILLE RACE SERIES



Parks and Recreation launched a new program last year, the “Fayetteville Race Series”. This series is comprised of 6-8 annual events that vary between running, cycling, and multisport racing. Each event is different from the others and offers something for all. By offering a race series, Parks and Recreation plans to enhance the already active culture of NWA while also reaching a new audience. This program is a grassroots effort that will grow year after year into a premier race series in the state of Arkansas.



Frozen Toes Trail Run

It might be cold, there might even be snow, but get out on the Kessler Mountain Trails and you'll warm up pretty quick! This 15k is perfect for runners looking from the common 5k/10k to longer distance runs. *January 2017*

Square to Square Bike Ride

Get out and explore the regional greenway with this bicycle ride from Fayetteville to Bentonville! This organized fun ride features festive post ride activities for participants of all ages. *Saturday May 14, 2016*

Ladies Du Fayetteville

Run, ride, run around the scenic Lake Fayetteville area in this ladies only duathlon. This will be one of few ladies only events offered in the state and will feature swag and entertainment specific to the female crowd. The race will utilize the hard surface trails of Lake Fayetteville. *Sunday May 22, 2016*

Splash & Dash

Test the waters of multisporting with our Splash & Dash at Wilson Pool. This aquathlon will be held on a Friday evening and consist of a short swim (80-200yd) and a short run (1/2-1 mile). Splash & Dash is our youth event of the series and is open to ages 7-18. *Friday August 12, 2016*

Square to Square Bike Ride

Get out and explore the regional greenway with this bicycle ride from Bentonville to Fayetteville! This organized fun ride goes the opposite direction of the event that is offered in May. The event features festive post ride activities for participants of all ages. *Saturday September 10, 2016*

Run for the Parks!

What could be more Fayettevillesque than a Sunday morning run in the parks? Show your appreciation for the city's parks and trails by participating in our Run for the Parks event. This race will have three distance options (8.5, 4.5, 2.5 miles) each starting from one of the lovely Fayetteville parks along our trail system and finishing at Walker Park. *Sunday November 20, 2016*

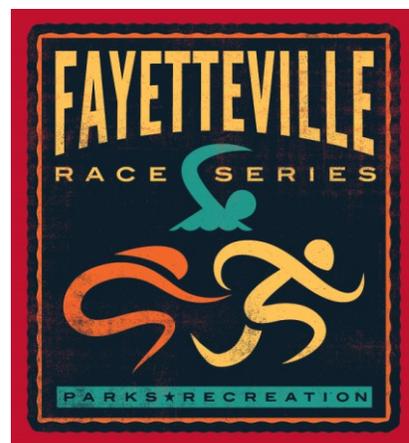
Race Series Volunteers

There are plenty of opportunities to be involved with the Fayetteville Race Series. Volunteers are key to successful events. More information on volunteer opportunities can be found at GivePulse.com.

Race Series Sponsorship

We appreciate your willingness to support and contribute to the Fayetteville Race Series. Contact our offices for more information on how to be involved through service donation, product donation, and financial contribution.

For more info on the Fayetteville Race Series, please contact us by phone at (479) 444-3463 or email tgaulke@fayetteville-ar.gov





Kickball Leagues

Fayetteville Parks and Recreation offers summer and fall leagues of Adult Co-Ed Kickball. Sign your team up for the fun and games this year! The summer league begins in late June and the fall league begins in late August. Each season concludes with a city-wide tournament and the KCS (Kickball Championship Series) post-season celebration. All games are played Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday evenings at the Walker Park baseball fields. League fees are \$275 per team which include costs for one official per game and awards for KCS winners.

Registration Dates

Summer League Registration: May 2-June 16

Fall League Registration: July 11- August 12



Indoor Co-Ed Volleyball

Fayetteville Parks and Recreation offers an organized weeknight co-ed volleyball league for adults 16 years or older with any level of volleyball experience! All matches are played at the Yvonne Richardson Community Center (240 E. Rock Street) at 6, 7, 8, and 9 p.m. Teams are guaranteed a minimum of eight matches per season and play in the post-season league tournament. League fees are \$275 per team which includes costs for one 'up' and 'down' ref per match and awards for tournament winners.

Registration Dates

Fall League Registration: August 31-October 9

Winter 2017 League Registration: November 13-December 16

For information please email Recreation Program Coordinator Joe Kieklak at jkieklak@fayetteville-ar.gov or call him at (479) 444-3471.

Officials and Scorekeepers Needed:

Earn extra money as a sports official or scorekeeper. Fayetteville Parks and Recreation offers opportunities to earn money officiating sports such as fast pitch/slow pitch softball, soccer, kickball, and volleyball. Training is provided and state and national certification is offered. Help make it possible for recreational sporting opportunities to exist! Please contact the Fayetteville Parks & Recreation office at (479) 444-3471 or by email at parcs_and_recreation@fayetteville-ar.gov for more info!



PARK PARTNERS



Walker Park Senior Activity Center

Parks and Recreation has partnerships that engage our community to efficiently and effectively utilize the resources we have available in order to achieve the best recreational facilities and programs for our citizens.



Fayetteville Disc Association

For more info on being one of our park partners, please contact us by phone at (479) 444-3471 or email parcs_and_recreation@fayetteville-ar.gov.

Fayetteville Youth Baseball
Contact President/Treasurer John Long at 479.601.2449
or email john.long@fybaseball.com

Fayetteville Disc Association (Ultimate Frisbee)
Contact April Johnson at 479.966.2516
or email apey800@gmail.com

NWA Chain Gang (Disc Golf)
Contact Ray Moore at 479.426.8407
or email ray910mo@yahoo.com

NWA Horseshoe Association
Contact Darcy Smith by email
at smithydarcy@yahoo.com

Ozark Flyers Club
Contact President Norman Ross at 479.251.1585
or email futurase@cox.net

Ozark Volleyball Club (OVC)
Contact Don Cox at 479.466.3637
or email doncox695@aol.com

Arkansas Gryphons Rugby Club
Contact President Caleb Schoeppe at
479.426.4045 or email info@arkansasrugby.com

Walker Park Senior Activity & Wellness Center
Contact the information desk at 479.571.2920 or
email fayseniorcenter@sbcglobal.net

Lake Fayetteville Park Environmental Study Center
Contact Director Dana Smith at 479.973.8604 or
email dana.smith@fayar.net

Botanical Gardens of the Ozarks
Call 479.750.2620 or email info@bgozarks.org

Fayetteville Boys and Girls Club
Contact the information desk at 479.442.9242
or email info@fayettevillekids.org

Rowing Club of NWA
Contact Margaret Britain at 479.236.0926
or email rowingclubofnwa@gmail.com



FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fayetteville Public Library
Fayetteville Public Library summer starts with the Super Saturday: Summer Reading Club Kick-Off Party! Beginning June 4th 10am. Enjoy bounce houses, photo booths and much more. Following is the start of the Mountain Street Stage music series on Sundays, starting June 5th at 2pm. My life. My summer. My FPL! Visit www.faylib.org for a full listing of events, contact (479) 856-7000 for more information.

KESSLER MOUNTAIN



Kessler Mountain is a recent addition to the Fayetteville Parks System. The 376-acre forested property is located in southwest Fayetteville immediately adjacent to the developing Regional Park. This land features elevations that reach 1,856 feet above sea level, several miles of nature trails, unique rock outcroppings, and expansive views of Fayetteville.

Kessler Mountain will serve as a natural complement to the active recreational facilities planned and developed at the Regional Park. The Regional Park will be the primary access to Kessler Mountain, in effect becoming the Mountain's front yard. Currently, there is trailhead parking at 2600 West Judge Cummings Road. A larger parking lot is now under construction in conjunction with development of four baseball and six soccer fields which will be operational in the fall of 2016. The proximity of this parking lot to the base of the mountain will make this a popular trailhead and a new trail connecting this lot to the existing trails will be a priority.

A master plan for additional trail development on the mountain was adopted in early summer of 2016. This plan establishes recommendations for improvements to the existing trails and future trail needs. Stay tuned for upcoming developments at Kessler Mountain and the Regional Park at www.fayetteville-ar.gov.

LEISURE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE Outdoor Classroom (K through Ph.D)

Mountain Biking
Nature Photography
Hiking
Trail Running
Nature Study



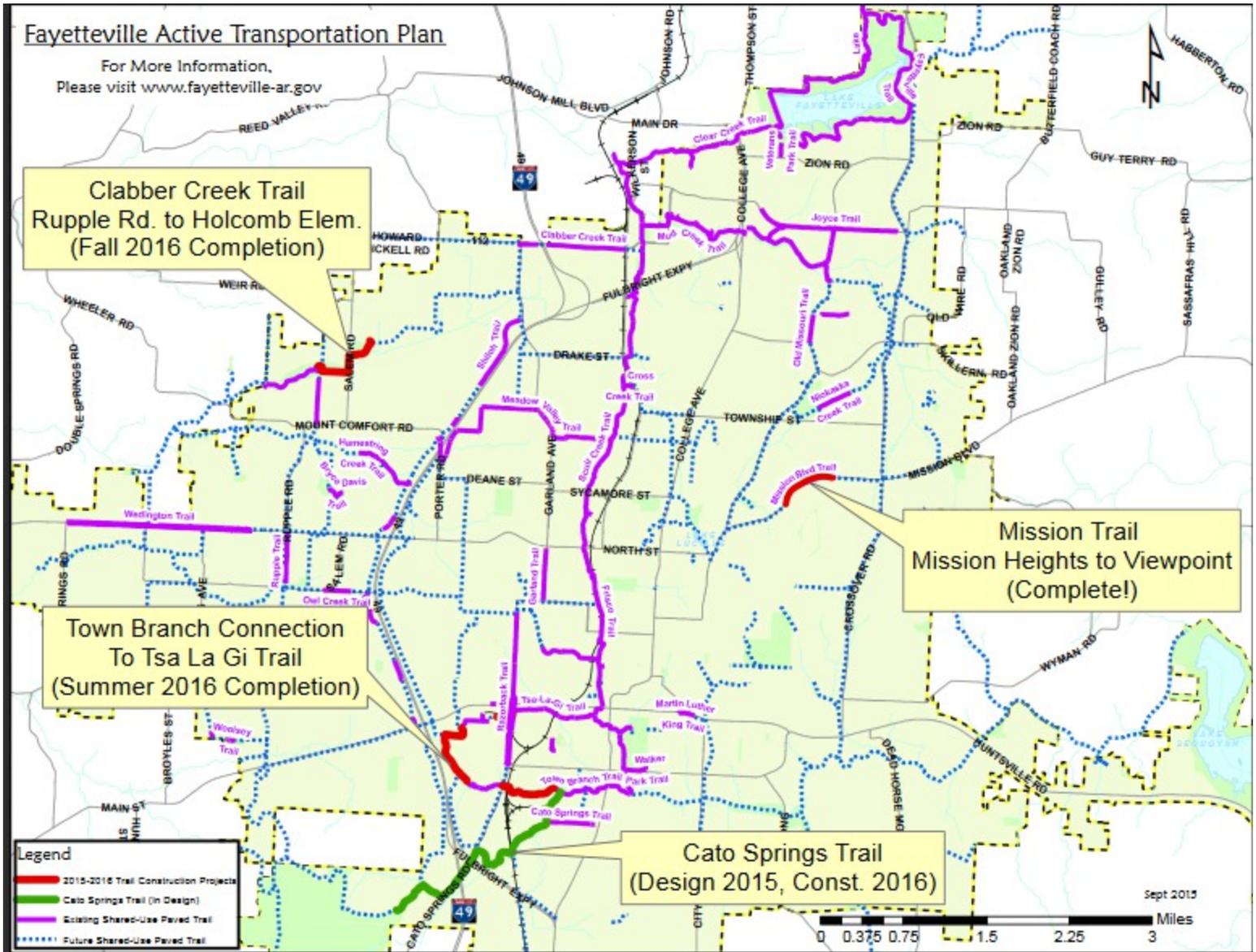
KESSLER MOUNTAIN IS A TREASURE YEAR-ROUND WITH VIEWS, VIVID FALL COLOR, ABUNDANT WILDLIFE AND GEOLOGIC FEATURES. GO OUT AND EXPERIENCE NATURE AT ITS BEST- YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID!

For information please call (479) 444-3471
or email parcs_and_recreation@fayetteville-ar.gov.

2016 TRAIL PLAN



The City of Fayetteville created a unique, in-house trail construction program in 2005. The trail construction program consists of a partnership between City departments including Engineering, Transportation and Parks and Recreation. Engineering houses the Trails Coordinator who is responsible for designing trails, acquiring property and overseeing construction. Transportation provides a nine member trail construction crew which is exclusively tasked with efficiently constructing high quality trails. Parks and Recreation assumes maintenance of the trails once completed. This program has created over 40 miles of 10 or 12 foot wide multi-use trails that are enjoyed by hundreds of citizens every day for recreation and transportation. Trails scheduled to be built in 2016 are shown below on the map.



View or Download Trail Schedule & Project Maps
<http://www.fayetteville-ar.gov/1261/Trail-Construction-Program>

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: REGIONAL PARK



You wanted a one-stop recreation park. Good news...we are building it!

Phase one of the new Fayetteville Regional Park is near completion of construction, and is located at 2600 W. Judge Cummings Road. The first phase of construction includes six lighted soccer fields, four lighted baseball fields, two restroom/concession buildings, about 400 parking spaces, and other associated infrastructure including an entry road, water, electric, sewer lines, and a temporary trailhead access to the Kessler Mountain trails. Future phases will include four additional baseball fields, four softball fields, a new trailhead with restrooms and pavilion, basketball courts, tennis courts, sand volleyball courts, a large pavilion, additional trails, and a playground. Planning for the Regional Park has been underway since 2000. Through an extensive site selection process, this location was chosen and approved by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board in 2003. The plan went through several development strategies, but in 2010 approximately 200 acres were generously donated by Chambers Bank for construction of the park.



The future park will include:

- *Picnic areas
- *Soccer fields
- *Pavilions
- *Baseball fields
- *Playgrounds
- *Tennis courts
- *Softball fields
- *Great lawn
- *Water features
- *Sand volleyball
- *Amphitheater
- *Basketball courts
- *Multi-purpose fields
- *Nature trails

Since that time and combined with overwhelming support of the public, an additional 350 acres of pristine Ozark forest adjacent to the park on Kessler Mountain were acquired. This terrain, combined with the Regional Park, includes vast open meadows, steep rolling hillsides, beautiful bluffs, and mature native forests filled with typical Ozark species including oaks, hickories, dogwoods and redbuds. Two intermittent streams flow through this property providing an invaluable supply of water for the wildlife residing on the site. This land is now preserved and will serve as a beautiful backdrop for the Regional Park, as well as provide a natural playground and learning environment for our native flora and fauna.

At full build out, the Regional Park will be the largest multi-purpose park in the City of Fayetteville and will serve tens of thousands of citizens each year and will generate significant revenue for the city through hosting tournaments and special events. The park will be opened in the fall with soccer league playing on-site. Baseball will be played at the park in Spring of 2017.

What is the current status?

Much of the initial efforts were directed at large scale grading for the baseball fields, soccer fields, roadways, parking and drainage. Vegetation is being established on slopes and bare soils, the playing fields have taken shape, fencing is underway for the baseball fields, sports lighting has been installed, and utilities are now being incorporated. Construction is underway on the concession/restroom buildings, most of the concrete sidewalks and curbing is installed, and paving on the roadways and parking will soon start. Final completion of phase one is anticipated for this Fall, 2016.

Funding Needed

One third of the Regional Park is currently being built. We need your help to complete the remainder of the park at a cost of more than \$20 million. Please donate to help us build this great asset in our city that will impact so many citizen's lives and increase the quality of life in Fayetteville. For more information, please call 479-444-3471.