

November 2017

Parks & Recreation Newsletter Information

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:

- Friday, Nov. 10, in observance of Veterans Day.
- Thursday & Friday, Nov. 23 & 24, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

- The annual Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 2, at 10 am on Highway 31 South.
- The 2017 theme will be posted on our web site as soon as it's announced.
- **On-Line Registration:** Available at www.alabasterparks.org began at 8 am on **Oct. 16** and will be ending at 11 pm on **Nov. 3**.
- **Walk-in Registration:** Available at the Depot between 8 am and 5 pm, weekdays only, from **Oct. 16 thru Nov. 3**.
- **Cost:** FREE
- **Who:** Anyone wishing to participate in the Parade is required to register.
- **Decorations:** All participants are strongly encouraged to decorate even if their entry is not a "float".
- *The City of Alabaster reserves the right to refuse any Person/Organization participation in the 2017 Christmas Parade.*

BASKETBALL

- Youth Basketball practice began on Oct. 21.
- 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 Saturday, Dec. 9, in the Thompson High School Gym.

SOCCER

- Our Fall Soccer season is about to conclude with 32 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 on Spring Soccer Registration which will occur in early January.

FOOTBALL and CHEER

- We had another successful year with 162 Football players and 142 Cheerleaders.
- We hope to have several teams in the playoffs and bring home a championship.
- The JSYFL Championship games for 3rd thru 6th grade teams will be played on Nov. 18. The games will begin at 8:30 am and run all day. Please come out and support our teams at the old Berry High School.
- K/1st and 2nd grade Championship games were held in October in Helena.

FLAG FOOTBALL

- Flag Football had 61 participants.
- We interlocked with Helena.
- We hosted our Flag Football Championship Day on Oct. 28 at Veterans Park.

FALL BASEBALL

- Fall Baseball had 150 participants who interlocked with Calera, Helena, Montevallo, and Pelham.
- We would like to say “Thank You” to Coach Hamrick and his staff from Thompson High School for conducting this program.
- Please watch for future postings of Spring Baseball registration which will occur in early January.

GIRL’S SOFTBALL

- Girl’s Fall Softball had seven teams playing in Alabaster as well as the surrounding communities of Calera, Helena, and Pelham.
- “Thank you” to all the coaches and parents who supported our Fall program.
- Please watch for future postings of Girl’s Spring Softball registration which will occur in early January.

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 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.
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.
