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OFFICE INFORMATION

PHYSICAL LOCATION:

320 TOM HENRY CT VIROQUA, WI 54665

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. * Office Hours Subject to Change

GENERAL LINE 608.637.7183

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ONLINE REGISTRATION viroqua.recdesk.com/Community/Home

WEBSITE

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Parks and Recreation Department is to ensure a fun, friendly atmosphere for every age to enjoy. We are committed to providing quality and diverse programming that will enrich the lives of every age that participates through promotions, betterment, and development of facilities, programs, and our beautiful parklands. These efforts are broadly supported by participants, private donors, and City of Viroqua taxpayers.

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	ONLINE:	viroqua.recdesk.com/Community/Home
Registration	USPS MAIL:	Completed Registration Form & Payment * <i>Please make checks payable to: Viroqua Parks & Rec</i>
Registree begins on Monday, April 1		* Mail to: ATTN: PARKS & REC DEPT. 124 W. Decker St. Viroqua, WI 54665
Mon	WALK-IN:	Stop by the VPR office Monday - Friday 7 a.m - 3:30 p.m 320 Tom Henry Ct. (Park Bowl Complex)
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RESIDENT / NON-RESIDENT FEE POLICY R = Resident NR = Non-Resident

A resident is anyone who resides within the Viroqua City limits and pays property taxes to the City of Viroqua. All other individuals are considered non-residents and will be charged an additional fee per person, per program. Residency for our programs is NOT based on school district attendance or mailing address. It is based on what community you pay your property taxes to.

(If you are a City of Viroqua resident, you must enter "City of Viroqua" in the City section of your registration information.)

CONFIRMATION OF ENROLLMENT

Registration receipts are emailed when registration is complete through our online RecDesk Software. Please consider this your enrollment confirmation, and plan to attend the first advertised class unless otherwise notified by the Viroqua Parks & Rec staff.

Parks & Rec Monthly Photo Contest

Each year we celebrate Parks and Recreation Month with a photo contest. The photo must be taken at a city event or program, or in a city park. Send us your photos via Facebook or by email to viroquarec@viroqua-wisconsin.com. These photos will be entered into a competition to choose next year's activity guide cover. Photo submissions are due by July 23 and the winner will be announced on July 31.

JOIN OUR TEAM!

WE'RE HIRING FOR A VARIETY OF SEASONAL ROLES THROUGHOUT THE DEPARTMENT.

* APPLY TODAY!

- PARKS
 - Parks Maintenance
 - Athletic Field Grounds Crew
 - Weekend Parks Keeper / Summer Waterers
- RECREATION
 - Youth Sports Supervisors
 - Youth Sports Coaches
 - Youth Program Aides
 - BSB & SB Tournament Supervisors
 - Baseball & Softball Umpires
 - Fitness & Wellness Instructors
 - Recreation Photographer

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The City of Viroqua is not responsible for any injuries sustained as a result of participation in any department sponsored activities. We encourage you to obtain your own insurance prior to, and for the duration of, the activities you participate in.

ACCOMMODATION REQUEST

If a reasonable accommodation is necessary to participate in a program, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 608.637.7183 to discuss. Every attempt will be made to accommodate the request.

PHOTO POLICY

Viroqua Parks & Recreation programs and events are often photographed for promotional purposes. If you do not wish to be included in a VPR Department photo, please indicate this to the instructor and/or photographer.

FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

Stay up-to-date & follow programs and events facebook.com/ViroquaParksRec

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REGISTRATION DEADLINES & LATE FEES

A \$20.00 late charge will be added to your fee if your registration is received after the registration deadline date listed. There will be no prorating of program fees for late registrations.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance applications are available at the VPR Department and are good one year from the date submitted.

YOUTH SPORTS EQUIPMENT DRIVE

VPR will be collecting new or gently used sports equipment for our "Sporting our Youth" equipment closet.

Accepted items include:

<u>GOLF</u> Youth clubs, bags

SOFTBALL/BASEBALL

Gloves, bats, rubber cleats, batting gloves

<u>TENNIS</u> Tennis Rackets

Youth athletic shoes in new or like new condition

If you or someone you know is in need of equipment to participate in a Viroqua Parks & Recreation program, please contact our office at 608.637.7183

REFUND POLICY

- Full refunds (minus credit card processing fees) will be given if a program is cancelled by the VPR Dept.
- Cancellations made <u>before</u> the registration deadline date listed are subject to a \$5.00 administrative charge (credit card processing fees are non-refundable).
- There are no refunds issued <u>after</u> the registration deadline date listed.
- Participants who miss classes due to illness, vacation, etc. will not have the opportunity to make them up.
- Refunds can be placed as a credit on your account or by check that will be mailed out. Please note that it takes approximately 2-3 weeks to receive a check refund.

NSF POLICY

A \$35.00 service charge will be assessed on all checks returned due to non-sufficient funds (NSF). Once an NSF check occurs, all future payments must be made in cash.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

In the event of inclement weather, the department will use multiple factors to determine if a program will be cancelled. Morning programs may be cancelled up to 30 minutes before it begins. A decision regarding evening programs will be made no earlier than 3:00 PM on the day of the activity. Participants will receive notification of cancellations via email and it will also be posted on our VPR Dept. Facebook page.

Special Events ~ Sports

Wiffle Home Run Derby

See if you have what it takes to be declared the home run champion! Participate with others in your age division to see who can blast the most home runs! Each participant should bring someone to be their pitcher (their pitcher can also be a participant).

Ages 6-17Co-EdFee:\$10 (R) / \$15 (NR)Location:Park Bowl Softball Field

Date: Friday, June 14 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Δ

Kickin It Kickball

Lace your shoes and get in line...look out kids, it's kickball time! Kickball is a simple, fun game consisting of two teams and, played like baseball. The object is to score more runs than the opposing team. Participants will be split into teams the day of and compete for the tournament crown.

Ages 6-13Co-EdFee:\$10 (R) / \$15 (NR)Location:Park Bowl Softball Field

Date: Friday, July 26 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Volunteer with VPR - GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE

Want to make a difference in your community? Give back to what you love, from your local park to your favorite recreational program! We have volunteer opportunities for individuals, small teams, and large groups.

Potential opportunities: Youth Sports & Athletics, Arts and Enrichment Programs & Parks - trails, playgrounds, shelters, ball fields





*** BUS SCHEDULE ***

Summer School buses will not be available on Fridays during summer Park & Rec programs.

Buses will NOT be available during the weeks of June 24-28 and July 1-5.

The summer school shuttle is available Monday - Thursday to Park & Rec events that start and end between the hours of 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Students will need to provide their own transportation to activities occurring outside of these times.

Sports Camps & Clinics

Basketball Camp

Camp is designed to provide an opportunity for youngsters to learn the fundamentals of basketball. Campers will participate in a variety of activities including station drills such as shooting, ball handling, conditioning, defensive tactics, camp contests & competitions.

Date: Friday, July 12	Fee: \$10 (R) / \$15 (NR)	Location: VHS Gym
	Ages 6-11 8:30 a.m 10:0	0 a.m.
	Ages 12-17 10:30 a.m 12:0	0 p.m.

Hitting Camp

Does your child need a few more reps throughout the summer? This time will be set aside to grow and maintain their hitting swing and focus on the hitting mechanics. (June 4 - 27 & July 9 - 25)

Dates	: Tuesdays & Thursdays	Location: Park	Bowl Baseball Concession Stand
Fee:	\$40 (R) / \$45 (NR)	Ages 6-12	Times: 10:30 a.m 11:15 a.m.

BASEBALL / SOFTBALL CLINIC

These clinics will feature instruction on the fundamentals and allow players to knock off the "rust" from the winter. *This event is being provided in partnership with the VHS Baseball and VHS Softball coaches & teams.*

Date:	Thursday, May 30
Location:	Park Bowl Fields
Ages 6-8:	8:30 a.m 10:00 a.m.
Ages 9-12:	10:30 a.m 12:00 a.m.
Fee	\$10 (B) / \$15 (NB)

Be on the lookout for additional information for possible upcoming football camps



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UMPIRE CLINIC TRAVEL LEAGUE BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

The Umpire Clinic is open to boys and girls ages 14 & up. This clinic is **MANDATORY** for any new kid(s) wanting to umpire this summer. It is **REQUIRED** for all returning umpires with less than 3 years experience. **ALL** new attendees **MUST** complete an **application** prior to the clinic.

Date:	Thursday, May 30
Time:	1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.
Location:	Park Bowl Softball Field
Fee:	Free

Sports Lessons



Tennis

Children ages 6-14 of all ability levels are invited to join us for youth tennis lessons. These lessons will focus on making tennis an enjoyable, rewarding activity and emphasize recreational play. Equipment is available for first time players, so come ready to have some fun!

Dates:June 3 - 27 & July 8 - 25Fee:\$40 (R) / \$45 (NR)Location:VHS Tennis Courts

*No classes the Week of July 1

Beginner	Ages 9-12:	Mondays & Wednesdays	8:30 a.m 9:15 a.m.
Inter./Adv.	Ages 9-14:	Mondays & Wednesdays	9:30 a.m 10:15 a.m.
Beginner	Ages 6-8:	Tuesdays & Thursdays	9:30 a.m 10:15 a.m.
Beginner/Inter.	Ages 6-10:	Tuesdays & Thursdays	10:30 a.m 11:15 a.m.

Pickleball

Give your kids a chance to learn the fastest-growing sport in America this summer! We are offering youth lessons designed to teach the fundamentals of the game in a fun and energetic format. The camp will focus on using different techniques to help create good habits, while familiarizing kids with the rules. This will equip them with the basic skills needed to continue enjoying the sport they can play for a lifetime! Equipment is available for first time players, so come ready to have some fun!

Dates: Fee: Location:

June 3 - 27 & July 8 - 25 \$40 (R) / \$45 (NR) VHS Tennis Courts Ages 6-10: Ages 9-14:

Mondays & Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

*No classes the Week of July 1

Disc Golf

For kids under the age of 14, this is designed to provide a fun, introductory experience to the sport of disc golf. The goal of the lessons is to introduce beginners to the sport and provide them with a solid foundation of knowledge and skills.

Dates: June 3 - 27 & July 8 - 25 Fee: \$40 (R) / \$45 (NR) Location: VFW Veteran Hills



Ages 6-10: Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Ages 9-14: Mondays & Wednesdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

*No classes the Week of July 1

Sports Lessons



Soccer

Soccer is a GREAT way to introduce a child to the joy of sports, with skills and concepts that are simple for kids to grasp and develop. This introductory / beginner level course will teach the basic fundamentals of soccer through fun, interactive games and activities, and will help prepare kids to participate in The Driftless recreational soccer leagues. Game-like situations will be used to introduce basic rules and strategy, and age appropriate equipment and experienced instructors will make this program both safe and FUN for all participants!

* LITTLE KICKERS (6 weeks)

\$30 (R) / \$35 (NR) Fee: Dates: June 3 - 24 & July 8 - 15 Location: Prairie Wind Park

Ages 3-5 with caregiver Mondays 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.



Fee: \$40 (R) / \$45 (NR) Dates: June 3 - 24 & July 8 - 22 Location: Prairie Wind Park

Ages 6-8: Mondays 6:00 p.m. - 6:50 p.m. Ages 9-11: Mondays 7:00 p.m. - 7:50 p.m.

*No classes the Week of July 1

Golf

This program is designed to help individuals ages 6-14 develop the skills needed to enjoy and succeed at golf. Participants will experience a well-rounded curriculum which will focus on the core areas of swing mechanics, short game, etiquette and strategy. Skills will be developed through engaging activities and games utilizing different areas of the facility. 10 Max per class.

Fee:	\$40 (R) / \$45 (NR)
Dates:	June 2 - 28 & July 8 - 26
Location:	Viroqua Hills Golf Course

*No classes the Week of July 1

Ages 9-14: Mondays & Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Ages 8-12: Mondays & Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Ages 6-10: Tuesdays & Thursdays Ages 6-8: Tuesdays & Thursdays

8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.



Tumbling (Little Tumblers)

For ages 3-5 with a caregiver. Kids in this class will learn basic tumbling terminology, body positions, and skills. Tumbling skills introduced will include forward rolls, handstands, cartwheels, back bends, and kick-overs. (6 weeks)

June 3 - 26 & July 8 - 17 Dates: Fee: \$30 (R) / \$35 (NR) Location: **Bigley Park Shelter**

Mondays & Wednesdays Times: 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

*No classes the Week of July 1

Sports Leagues



T-Ball (Little Hitters)

For ages 4 & 5 with a caregiver. This is a fun way to teach the fundamentals of baseball and softball to younger children. Participants in T-Ball will spend most of their time practicing the fundamentals like throwing, catching, running bases, and more. Caregiver and kids arrive to warm up (toss ball around, run bases and practice hitting off tee). Caregiver needs to be a full participant on the field to help their child hit, run, catch, throw, or wait on a base. There will be some scrimmaging done at the end of the season. *Includes a shirt for each child.* **(6 weeks)**

Fee: \$30 (R) / \$35 (NR) Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays June 3 - 26 & July 8 - 17 Time: 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Age 4 (Co-Ed)Location:Polo FieldAge 5 (Co-Ed)Location:Ebbets Field

*No classes the Week of July 1

Baseball (Minors)

Minor League teaches players more situational baseball and continues to develop the fundamentals. Participants are ages 6-8 and will have a chance to hit by the coach pitching or off a tee. This program meets at the Park Bowl for practice. Participants are then transported to Ebbets, Polo, or Park Bowl ball field. *Busing is provided from fundamentals practice to game fields, if needed.* Playoffs will begin the week of July 15 with a **Championship game on July 24**. *Rain date is July 25*.

Ages 6-8Dates:Mondays & WednesdaysFee:\$40 (R) / \$45 (NR)June 3 - 26 & July 8 - 24Location:Park Bowl Softball FieldTime:8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. (Practice)9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. (Games)

*No classes the Week of July 1

Baseball (Majors)

Major League is live baseball where the participants, ages 9-12, pitch to each other. This program meets at the Park Bowl for practice. Participants are then transported to Ebbets, Polo, or Park Bowl ball field. *Busing is provided from fundamentals practice to game fields, if needed.* Playoffs will begin the week of July 15 with a **Championship game on July 24.** *Rain date is July 25.*

* Participants must be no older than 12 years old by June 1, 2024 to play.

Ages 9-12Fee:\$40 (R) / \$45 (NR)Location:Park Bowl Softball Field

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays June 4 - 27 & July 9 - 25 Time: 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. (Practice) 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. (Games)

*No classes the Week of July 1

Sports Leagues



Softball (Pony)

Pony League teaches players ages 6-10 more situational softball and continues to develop the fundamentals. Participants will have a chance to hit by the coach pitching or off a tee. This program meets at Polo & Ebbets Field for practice.

Ages 6-10 Fee: \$40 (R) / \$45 (NR) Location: Polo & Ebbets Fields Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays June 4 - 27 & July 9 - 25 Times: 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

*No classes the Week of July 1



Park Bowl End of Summer Bash

Viroqua Parks & Recreation will wrap up summer with with our in-house league championship games!

Wednesday July 24 @ PB Softball Field - FREE (Rain Date July 25 - times might change)

Softball Pony Championships @ 3:00 pm Minors Championship @ 5:00 p.m. Majors Championship @ 7:00 p.m.

MEMORIAL BENCH

The Bench Dedication Program provides an opportunity for groups and individuals to donate benches in honor of LOVED ONES. Benches purchased through the program can be installed in City parks, along trails, and in other appropriate outdoor spaces. Exact placement is at the discretion of the Department. Applications for Memorial benches are accepted all year, however, benches are only placed in the spring and fall months. (weather depending)



Traveling Softball Teams 10

* REGISTRATION STARTS MARCH 18 *

\$70/City Resident

\$80/Non-Resident

U10 R&V Softball

Entering into 4th & 5th Grades, players will play on the U10 team and will play in the Ridge and Valley League on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons/evenings. They will practice on Monday and Wednesdays. They may play in one or two weekend tournaments. Transportation will be provided to weekly Ridge & Valley league games.

U11 R&V Softball

Entering into 6th Grade, players will play on the U11 team and will play in the Ridge and Valley League on Tuesday & Thursday afternoons/evenings. They will practice on Monday and Wednesday when not playing. They may play in one or two weekend tournaments. Transportation will be provided to Ridge and Valley league games.

12U Independent Softball

Entering into 7th Grade, players will play on the 12U and will play in the Seven Rivers Sports League. They will practice on Tuesday and Thursdays with games on Monday and Wednesday evenings. They may play in one or two weekend tournaments. Transportation will NOT be provided for this league.

U13 R&V Softball

Entering into 8th Grade, players will play on the U13 and will play in the Ridge and Valley League on Tuesday & Thursday afternoons/evenings., They will practice on Monday and Wednesday when not playing. They may play in one or two weekend tournaments. Transportation will be provided to Ridge and Valley league games.

14U Independent Softball

Entering into 9th Grade, players will play on the 14U team and will play in the Seven Rivers Sports League. They will practice on Tuesday and Thursday with games on Monday and Wednesday evenings. They may play in one or two weekend tournaments. Transportation will NOT be provided for this league.

Youth Sports Coaches

Do you like to help create a positive learning environment where the children learn sportsmanship, fundamental skills, teamwork, and responsibility? Then VPR could use you! Viroqua's youth programs emphasize skill development, fair play, teamwork, cooperation, sportsmanship, responsibility, and fun.

Coaching a youth sports team is a rewarding way to give back to our community and inspire our youth. Contact us if you're interested in coaching!

Traveling Baseball Teams

*REGISTRATION STARTS MARCH 18 *

\$70/City Resident \$80/Non-Resident

U10 R&V Baseball

Entering into 4th Grade, players will play on the U10 team and will play in the Ridge and Valley League on Monday and Wednesday afternoons/evenings. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This team may also play in up to 3 weekend tournaments. Transportation is provided to the weekly league games only. Participants need to be registered for Minors League to participate.

10U Independent League Baseball

Entering into 5th Grade, players will play on the U10 Independent team and will play in the Seven Rivers Sports League. Games will be on Monday and Wednesday nights. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This team may also play in up to 3 weekend tournaments. Transportation is NOT provided for this league. Participants need to be registered for Minors League to participate.

U12 R&V Baseball

Entering into 6th Grade, players will play on the U12 team and will play in the Ridge and Valley League on Monday and Wednesday afternoons/evenings. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This team may also play in up to 3 weekend tournaments. Transportation is provided to league games only. New participants need to have played one year in Major League to participate.

12U Independent League Baseball

Entering into 7th Grade, players will play on the U12 Independent Baseball team and will play in the Seven Rivers Sports League. Games will be on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Practices will be on Mondays and Wednesdays. This team may also play in up to 3 weekend tournaments. Transportation is NOT provided for this league. New participants need to have played one year in Little League to participate.

U14 R&V Baseball

Entering into 8th Grade, players will play on the U14 team and will play in the Ridge and Valley League on Monday and Wednesday afternoon/evenings. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This team may also play in up to 3 weekend tournaments. Transportation is provided to the weekly league games only.

14U Independent League Baseball

Entering into 9th Grade, players will play on the U14 Independent Baseball team and will play in the Seven Rivers Sports League. Game nights will be on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Practices will be on Mondays and Wednesdays. This team may also play in up to 3 weekend tournaments. Transportation is NOT provided for this league.

Jr. Legion Ages 15 & 16

Junior Legion is a traveling team for players not on Varsity Legion. They play 30-40 games and various tournaments throughout the summer. FEE: \$110 / Resident \$120 / Non-Res

Schedule & Tournament Info will be posted as they become available to the City's P&R Page ~ Tentative Dates ~

R&V Schedules & Tournaments - Early May Independent Schedules & Tournaments - Mid May Practices - May - *Practices times vary depending on coaches availability

Outdoor Rec



Sports Sampler (Little Athletes)

Young athletes will play a different sport (soccer, t-ball, flag football, basketball, kickball, etc.) each week throughout this 6-week season!

For ages 3-5 with a caregiverFee:\$30 (R) / \$35 (NR)Location:Bigley Shelter

Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays June 3 - 26 & July 8 - 17 Time: 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

*No classes the Week of July 1

Wheels Up

Geared toward beginners and first-time skaters. Learn safety, balance, and stance prior to exploring pushing, turning and other skills. Learn the Skateboarding method in a fun and friendly environment at the skatepark.

Ages 6-10 Fee: \$20 (R) / \$25 (NR) Location: Park Bowl Skate Park Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays July 9-25 (3 Weeks) Time: 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

LOOKING FOR INSTRUCTORS

Teach a class through Parks & Recreation! If you would like to lead/instruct a new program, please contact us at viroquarec@viroqua-wisconsin.com with your ideas. Keeping in mind that we publish activity guides 2 times per year, the best times to get in touch are early December and early June, but we would love to hear your ideas anytime!

Viroqua Parks Scavenger Hunt

Join in the fun for a family scavenger hunt! There will be a list of things to "hunt" for which will be emailed to participants during the week of June 10. Document as many items from THE LIST as you can by picture or drawing. Submit a collage of your photos and drawings of THE LIST between August 12 and 13. The top 3 families who find/do the most items win a prize! Be creative, and use ADVENTURE as your collage theme for this years Scavenger Hunt.

* FREE EVENT, but pre-registration is required *

Program Suggestions?

Got an Idea for a NEW class or program you would like to see the Parks & Recreation offer?

Advertise in this Guide!

Do you want to advertise your event or program in a Parks & Rec Guide?

Shoot us an email @ viroquarec@viroqua-wisconsin.com



Oodles of Art

This program offers age-appropriate art activities and hands-on art for the young artist in a park setting. Drawing, painting, and crafting will make your young child's imagination soar! All supplies will be provided. Parent or caregiver participation is allowed, but not required. (6 Weeks)

Ages: 4-7 Fee: \$25 (R) / \$30 (NR) Location:...Bigley Park Shelter Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays June 4 - June 27 & July 9 - July 18 Time: 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. *No class the Week of July 1





Be a Superhero!

If you could have special powers, what would they be? Explore superhero qualities through books, invent an identity, design a costume, choose a superpower, maybe even concoct a batch of kryptonite! Expand your imagination & become the ultimate being! Parent/care provider attendance is highly encouraged. There is no registration for this class. Drop ins are welcome!

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Ages: 4-7 Fee: Free Location: Bigley Park Shelter Dates: Tuesdays (6/4-18 & 7/9-23) Times:.. 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

*No class the Week of June 24 & July 1

Berry Fairy Tales

An active class to play fairy games, drink fruity fairy tea, read stories, and roam in the garden. Parent/care provider attendance is highly encouraged. There is no registration for this class. Drop ins are welcome!

Ages:..4-7 Fee:.. Free

Location:...Library's Garden on Rock Avenue Behind the Historic Bathouse Dates:...Thursdays (6/6-20 & 7/11-25) Times:...8:30 a.m.-9:15 a.m.

*No class the Week of June 24 & July 1

Art in the Park

People of all ages are welcome to a morning full of hands-on art activities! Arts and craft "stations" will be arranged to support the abilities and interests of select age groups, including: toddlers, elementary-aged children, tweens/teens, and adults. Creation stations will include: finger painting, side walk chalk, tye-dye, button-making, water colors, plus more! No registration is required. Parent/care giver participation is highly encouraged. Dress for mess. Bring a T-shirt or something to tye-dye.

Ages: Youth & Adults Fee: Free Location: Eckhart Park Shelter Date: Friday, June 28 Time: 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Fitness & Wellness



Adult Pickleball Ladder League

The pickleball ladder allows users to schedule matches on their time in an environment that allows both casual and competitive play. Matches are to be played once every 2 weeks to maintain standing and are scheduled at an agreed upon location between all parties involved.

> Ages: 18 & Over Fee: \$40 (R) / \$45 (NR) Location: Court St Park or Hanson Park Dates: June - August Time: Monday-Sunday (9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.)

Adult Tennis Single Ladder League

A fun opportunity for tennis league play without the inconvenience of traveling to other communities. Each week, registered players will be paired against another player to play competitively. The tennis courts will be reserved for match play on Monday nights, but matched players may make other arrangements. Each game earned will be counted as a point, giving us a winner at the end of the league.

Ages: 18 & over Fee: \$40 (R) / \$45 (NR) Location: HS Tennis Courts Dates: May - July Time: Mondays (6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.)

Fitness in the Park

Look, feel, and be healthier with Viroqua Parks and Recreation fitness & wellness programs! Our well-trained, motivating staff will provide you with a quality exercise program that suits any fitness level. Begin your journey to a healthy lifestyle today!

Costs:\$35 (R) - \$40 (NR) per class Location: Eckhart Park Mondays - Zumba - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Wednesdays - Balance & Tone - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Fridays - Gentle Yoga - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Dates: June 10-28 & July 8-26 *No class July 8 with make-up on July 29

Ultimate Frisbee

Ultimate frisbee is a co-ed, non-contact, team sport popular around the world. In this fast-paced sport, teams of seven pass a frisbee to one another to score in an endzone while the other team defends. Ultimate frisbee stresses the importance of fair play and sportsmanship. This free drop-in recreational league welcomes all skill levels.

DRIFTLESS ULTIMATE CLUB

Ages:..15 & over Location:...Washington Park Dates & Times... Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (May 23- August 29)



Tackle Football



7th/8th Grade Tackle Football

The Middle School Tackle Football Program is for those entering 7th or 8th grade in the current calendar year. This program will serve as a positive and exciting experience for your Middle School athlete.

HS Practice Field w/ games at the VHS FB Field

*** REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, July 31 ***

EQUIPMENT HANDOUT: Aug. 12 (3:30 p.m. @ Weight Rm)

PRACTICES: Start August 19 (Monday-Thursday 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.)

GAMES: Played on Thursdays * First game on September 5, last game on October 17 *







Help us celebrate Arbor Day by participating in our 7th Annual Arbor Day coloring contest!

Visit our Park & Recreation website on Friday, April 26 to get your coloring sheet.

All entries must be returned to the Park & Rec office by Wednesday, May 15.

Categories include: Pre-K/Kindergarten, 1st/2nd grades, 3rd/4th grades. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 winners in each category!

The Great PARK & REC Medallion Hunt!!!

The search is on....somewhere hidden in one of the Viroqua City Parks is a "Park and Rec Medallion" waiting to be discovered! Explore your city parks on this adventure as you discover unknown places. *Treasure awaits the lucky family who uncovers the secret spot!* The winning family will receive a prize basket. Clues will be posted starting July 15 and will continue until the medallion is found. This is a free event, and no registration is required, so get out and find that MEDALLION!!!

Please remember, the earlier you sign up, the easier it is for us to do our job! Deadline dates are imperative to scheduling our programs. It is crucial to sign up in a timely manner, so we can organize leagues and order the correct amount of supplies needed to run our programs properly. Thank you, Parks & Recreation Staff

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ADULT PROGRAMS

Monthly Programs:

- Fiber Fun: Begins in May
 - 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm at the library
- Tabletop Takeover: Begins in May
 - 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 4:00-6:00pm at the library
- Art Classes *
 - Ord Thursday of the Month at 5:30pm at the library.
- Meet Your Neighbor
 - Oracle of the Month at 10:00am at the library.
- Bring Your Own Book Club (B.Y.O.B.C.) *
 - 4th Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at Magpie Gelato
- Chess: Until May 15th
 - Every Wednesday from 4-6pm in the adult library

For detailed information about presenters and topics, please visit our website at mcintoshmemoriallibrary.org under adult programs.

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You must know what date to use the pass to be able to check the pass out.

Adult Program Registration: We are fully online for our registration process. To sign up please go to https://forms.office.com/r/keGBmetiJ0











ADULT PROGRAMS

PROGRAMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE = REGISTRATION REQUIRED THROUGH THE LIBRARY

March:

- Beekeeping with Jim Krause *

 Saturdays March 2 & 9
 9-12:00pm in the lobby
- Election 411 with Lori Polhamus
 - Thursday, March 14 at 10:00am in the lobby
- Dam Decommissions

 Friday, March 15 at 10am
- Seed Swap and Presentation
 Saturday, April 6 10-12pm
- Solar Viewing: family friendly *
 - Monday, March 18 at 3:45-5:00pm in the lobby

Eclipse Astrology with Ryan Evans

- Tuesday, March 26 at
 5:30pm in the lobby
- Needle Felting Eggs *
 Thursday, March 21 at 1-2:30pm
- Adult Art: Paint the Moon *
 Thursday, March 21 at 5:30pm
- B.Y.O.B.C. *
 - Thursday, March 28 at 5:30pm

April:



- How Can we Find Other Life in the Universe? With Professor Thomas Beatty
 - Monday, April 1st at 5:30pm
 - What is WAV with VSN
 Thursday, April 4 at 5:30 pm
- Book Read with ADRC *
 - Friday April 5 at 10:00am in the conference room
- Solar Eclipse Viewing
 - Monday, April 8 at 12:30pm1:30pm in the program room
- Chess:
 - Every Wednesday from 4-6pm in the adult library
- All Things Firehouse
 - Friday April 19 at 10:00am in the lobby
- Adult Art Class: TBD *
 Thursday, April 18 at 5:30pm
- B.Y.O.B.C *
 - Thursday, April 25 at 5:30pm

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May:

- Magic and Miracles with Rebecca Brown *
 - Thursday, May 2 at 5:30pm
- Tabletop Takeover
 - 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 4:00-6:00pm
- Native Planting for Birds with VSN
 Thursday, May 9 at 5:30pm
- Fiber Fun
 - 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm
- Meet Your Neighbor: TBD
 Friday, May 17 at 10:00am
- B.Y.O.B.C *
 - Thursday, May 23 at 5:30pm

June

- Tabletop Takeover

 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 4:00-6:00pm
- Meet Your Neighbor: TBD
 Friday, June 21 at 10:00am
- Fiber Fun
 - 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm
- Birding Talk with VSN
 Thursday, June 13 at 5:30pm
- Chimney Swift Count with VSN
 Date TBD
- B.Y.O.B.C *
 Thursday, June 27 at 5:30pm

July:

- Tabletop Takeover
 - 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 4:00-6:00pm
- Fiber Fun
 - 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm

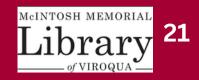


Meet Your Neighbor: TBD
 • Friday, July 19 at 10:00am



Thursday, July 25 at 5:30pm





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August:

- Tabletop Takeover
 - 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 4:00-6:00pm
- Fiber Fun
 - 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm
- Meet Your Neighbor: TBD

 Friday, August 16 at 10:00am
- B.Y.O.B.C *
 - Thursday, August 22 at 5:30pm

Special Events:

- Coon Creek Conservation Day
 Saturday, May 4 in Coon Valley
- Ridges & Rivers Book Festival
 - April 26-27 throughout downtown Viroqua.
- Vernon County Reads
 - Begins June 3, with an Artist Talk TBD
 - Author Talk at the Westby Performing Arts Center
- Friends of the Library Book Sale
 - June 6-8 at the McIntosh Memorial Library
- Vernon County Dairy Breakfast
 - Saturday, June 8. Location TBD
- Viroqua Chamber Beer Walk
 - Saturday, June 15 6:00pm-9:00pm
 - Library station in Western Technical College's Parking Lot

Viroqua Pride

- Saturday, June 22
- Vernon County Night Out
 - Tuesday, August 6 at the Fair Grounds

McIntosh Memorial Library Youth Services May 2024





Wednesdays: 10:30-11:00am Ages 0 - 5

Stories, rhymes, and dances. Aviary Seating Area

Chess Club 65

Wednesdays: 4:00-6:00pm January 3rd - May 15th All ages and levels of experience!

Chess coaches are available for instruction. Registration is required and ongoing.

Friday Resource Sessions

Fridays: May 3rd and 10th 9:30-11:30am All ages Families gather to utilize educational materials in the program room.

Aviary Seating Area

Toddler Play Group

Thursdays: 9:30 - 11:00am Ages 0 - 3

Hosted by the Parenting Place.

Table Top Takeover

Mondays: May 6th and 20th 4:00 - 6:00pm Ages 12 to Adult

Strategic game-playing time for folks ages 12 and older with a focus on role-playing, table top,

and strategic board games.

The Fellowship Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30pm January-September Ages 16-30



Autistic community-building art space! Registration required at islandsofbrilliance.org



Youth Summer Program Kick-Off Book Give Away!

Tuesday, May 28th and Wednesday, May 29th 10:00am - 2:00pm All Ages Program Room

Our program room becomes a free bookstore of children's books! Choose a new or used title to own and read over the summer! Pick up your summer reading logs and learn more about what is being offered during our summer program. We will be serving snacks and boba tea too!

Snake Discovery

Thursday, May 30th

Location: Viroqua High School Gymnasium

All Ages

Session One: 9:00-10:00am (First 40 children will receive a Snake Take & Make Bag!) Session Two: 10:30-11:30am

This program is instructed by Snake Discovery zookeepers from Maplewood, Minnesota.



We will see and touch common and rare reptiles.



A large boa constrictor makes an appearance!

Register

McIntosh Memorial Library Youth Services Presents: An Introduction to the 2024 Youth Summer Program May, June, July, August 2024



Introduction!

The Youth Summer Program offers educational and entertaining programs for youth ages 0 to 17. Please note the age-range for each program. Our programs are best suited for those specific ages. Youth ages 7+ may be dropped off once they have been registered for R/R programs.

R/R "Registration Required"

Some programs will require registration if they are marked "Registration Required" or "(R/R)". Registration occurs online at mcintoshmemoriallibrary.org under the Youth Programs Tab. Or, register by using the QR code found on promotional flyers.

Rain delays/cancellations for programs held outdoors: Announcements will be made up to 30-minutes before the program. Check Viroqua Library Facebook and/or call the library at (608)637-7151 x. 6.

Programs at a Glance by Age:

Ages 0-3: "Toddler Play Group" on Thursday mornings year round

Ages 0-5: "Story Times" on Wednesday mornings year round

Ages 4-7: "Be a Superhero" on Tuesdays in June and July & "Berry Fairy Tales" on Thursdays in June and July Ages 5-10: "LEGO Club" in August (R/R)

Ages 6+: "Story Times with Gordon the Dog" in June; and "Tuesday Afternoons" in June and July Ages 7+: "Open Chess" on Wednesdays in May, June, July, and August

Ages 7-10: "PBS KIDS Playful Learning Workshops" in August (R/R)

Ages 10+: "Tween Leadership Council TLC Meet Ups" on Thursdays

Ages 11+:"Switch Gaming Tournaments" once a month in June, July and August (R/R)

Ages 12+: "Table Top Takeover" on the first and third Mondays of the month May-August

Ages 16+: "The Fellowship" a community-building, art-focused class for Autistic young adults R/R at islandsof offered every Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm now through September 2024 (R/R) brilliance.org

All Ages Programs!

May 28th & 29th: "Kick Off Book Giveaway!" Pick up summer reading logs. Pet Pen Pals begins. May 30th: "Snake Discovery" June 25th: "Pet Parade, Costume Contest, and Animal Dance Party!" (R/R) McINTOSH MEMORIAL June 28th: "Art in the Park" July 30th: "The Amazing Race: Viroqua Edition" (R/R) July 31st: "Mermaid Pool Party" Times, locations, descriptions are available August 1st: Pick up Read to Win reading logs

at mcintoshmemoriallibrary.org

McIntosh Memorial Library Youth Services June 2024





Pet Parade! Costume Contest! Animal Dance Party! Tuesday, June 25th 9:30am - 12:00pm All Ages Parade marchers meet in library's courtyard. The parade routes to Eckhart Park. Children are encouraged to dress up like their favorite animal and/or bring their pet to march in

Friday, June 28th 10:00am - 12:00pm All Ages

the parade. Dress up the pet too! Prizes are awarded. A DJ'd dance party follows at the park! Registration is required for those bringing their pets.

In partnership with Parks & Rec! Arts and crafts "creation stations" for all ages!

Eckhart Park

McIntosh Memorial Library Youth Services July 2024



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Story Time & Family Dance

Wednesdays: July 10, 17, 24 10:30-11:30am Ages 0 - 5 Stories, then Family Dance w Mandy Herrick Aviary Seating Area / Library Garden

Be a Superhero!

Tuesdays: July 9th, 16th, 23rd

Offered in collaboration with Park & Rec!

8:30-9:15am at Bigley Park Shelter Ages 4-7

An active class including superhero training

activities, reading stories, and making costumes.

Open Chess Ages 7-Adult Wednesdays: July 10th, 17th, 24th 4:00-6:00pm

Tuesday Afternoons

Ages 6 +

Treasure Hunt July 9th 3:30-4:45

Learn how-to read maps from Valley Stewardship Network staff. Then, use a map to find your treasure chest to keep at Eckhart Park.

Bluedog Cycles July 16th 3:45-4:45

Learn all about bicycle maintenance, bicycle riding, and local bicycle sports in the lobby.

Camping Playshop July 23rd 3:45-4:45

Enjoy a pretend campsite in the lobby. Activity sheets, fishing pond, crafts, and s'more snacks!

Toddler Play Group

Thursdays: 9:30 – 11:00am Ages 0 - 3 Hosted by the Parenting Place. Aviary Seating Area

Berry Fairy Tales

Thursdays: July 11th, 18th, 25th

8:30-9:15am in library's garden Ages 4-7

An active class to play fairy games, read stories and roam in the garden.

Switch Gaming Tournament: Mario Cart Fri. July 19th 3:30-5:30pm Ages 11+ Reg. Req.

Tween Leadership Committee "TLC" Thursday Meet Ups Ages 10 + Library Lobby

Escape Room July 11th 3:30-5:30 Crack the code to escape the adventure-gone-wild-themed room!

Popin' Cookin' July 18th 3:30-5:00

Use popular Japanese Kracie kits to make tiny candy that is shaped like food!

Salsa Competition and Yard Games July 25th 3:30-5:00

Chips 'n salsa, cornhole, giant jenga and more!



Wednesday, July 31st 1:00-3:00pm All Ages Bigley Pool Meet and take pictures with real mermaids poolside. Splash and swim in the zero entry pool!

McIntosh Memorial Library Youth Services August 2024



Toddler Story Time

Wednesdays: 10:30-11:30am Ages 0 - 5 Mr. Christopher offers Story Circles! Aviary Seating Area

PBS KIDS Playful Learning Workshops

Ages 7-10 in the Program Room Registration is required for each workshop.

Learn from the characters of multiple PBS KIDS shows for interactive and playful learning!

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Garden Pollinators August 6th 10:00 - 11:15am

Learn about the helpful bugs in the garden!



Garden Recipes August 7th 10:00 - 11:15am

Make a snack with produce from the garden!



Engineering Robots August 8th 1:00 - 2:15pm

Interact with several robots and coding tech!

- Engineering Rockets August 9th
- 1:00 2:15pm

Learn the science behind and launch air propulsion rockets!



Read to Win



Beginning Thursday, August 1st 🛀 📜 During Open Hours Front Desk Ages 0 - 17

Read to Win is a reading incentive for youth to earn either an entry pass or a ride ticket for the:

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Vernon County Fair!

Submit the reading log to the front desk once 600 minutes of reading is accomplished by the youth, Total reading time averages 15-minutes/40 days. More information on mcintoshmemoriallibrary.org

Toddler Play Group

Thursdays: 9:30 – 11:00am Ages 0 - 3 Hosted by the Parenting Place. Aviary Seating Area

Open Chess

Wednesdays: 4:00-6:00pm August 7th, 14th, 21st In the Adult Library

Ages 7 - Adult All levels of experience.

LEGO CLUB

Tuesdays: 1:30 - 2:30pm August 6th, 13th, and 20th In the Program Room

Ages 5 - 10

A club for building block enthusiasts. Club meetings will be guided by a theme for building, but free-form is welcome too! Independent and group prompts!

Registration is required.

Table Top Takeover Mondays: 4:00 - 6:00pm



August 5th and 19th Ages 12 to Adult

Strategic game-playing time for folks ages 12 and older with a focus on role strategic games.

Switch Gaming Tournament: Players' Choice

Fri. Aug. 9th 3:30 - 5:30pm Ages 11+ Reg. Req.

The Fellowship



Autistic community-building art space!

Registration required at islandsofbrilliance.org

