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CITY NEWS



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SAFETY



PARKS &
RECREATION

UPCOMING

Events

JANUARY

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
Jan 4	Th	7 pm	The Ultimate Elvis Show	Community Arts Center
Jan 15	M	2 - 6 pm	Community Blood Drive	Fairfield Fire Dept., 375 Nilles Rd.
Jan 16	T	7 - 8 pm	Urban Coyotes	Community Arts Center
Jan 19	F	6 - 8 pm	Family Game Night - BINGO	Community Arts Center
Jan 19	F	7 pm	Madcap Puppets present <i>The Wonderful Wizard of Oz</i>	Community Arts Center
Jan 26	F	7 am	TCT on Tour presents <i>Cinderella Wore Cowboy Boots</i>	Community Arts Center
Jan 27	S	8 pm	Sons of Mystro	Community Arts Center

FEBRUARY

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
Feb 2	F	7 pm	<i>The Spirit of Harriet Tubman</i>	Community Arts Center
Feb 6	T	6:30 - 7:30 pm	Nature Program: Owl Prowl	Harbin Park
Feb 10	S	11:30 am - 1:30 pm	Galentine's Day Lunch	Community Arts Center
Feb 12 - 16			Heart Hunt	Community Arts Center
Feb 23	F	7:30 pm	Fairfield Footlighters' <i>You Can't Take it with You</i>	Community Arts Center
Feb 24	S	2 & 7:30 pm	Fairfield Footlighters' <i>You Can't Take it with You</i>	Community Arts Center
Feb 25	Su	2 pm	Fairfield Footlighters' <i>You Can't Take it with You</i>	Community Arts Center
Feb 28	W	5:30 - 7 p.m.	Preschool Open House	Community Arts Center

Fairfield FYI

is a mobile app with access to the City at your fingertips. Submit requests, stay updated, and initiate change in your community!



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THANKS to our volunteers

The City of Fairfield would like to thank all of the volunteers listed below for their service between September 1 - October 31, 2023!

55+ Activities: Debbie Daniels, Donna Hart, Ann Otten, Luann Schwieterman, Mark Wagner

Mail Couriers: Bill Biddinger, Diane Landi, Darvin Mueller, Walt Stubenvoll, Scott Wood

Park Ambassadors: Rob Bruner, Kim Kent, Terry White

Police Fleet: Matt Becknell, Joe Luebbe, Kathy Scalf

Preschool: Marcy Martin

Ushers: Cindy Broenner, Vivian Crooks, Deannie DeLorenzo, Mary Haslit, Issak Kemp, Pat Lyons



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to get involved, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 513-867-5348.

Theatre Ushers – The usher's primary responsibility is to insure the safety and comfort of all Fairfield Community Arts Center patrons during theatre performances. These volunteers interact with the public and provide a valuable service to theatre patrons at the CAC. Ushers also get to see theatrical events at no cost.

Park Ambassadors – Help document maintenance needs, report acts of vandalism, interact with park users, promote park safety, and encourage an overall positive use of our public parks.

FAIRFIELD Welcome New Employees



Kyle Crofford
Firefighter/Paramedic



Blake Olson
Firefighter/Paramedic

FAIRFIELD Flyer

CHECK DEADLINES AND FILE ON TIME
APRIL
15

CITY OF FAIRFIELD 2023 INCOME TAX FILING INFORMATION

Who Needs to File:

- Residents between the ages of 18-65 (including part-year residents)
- Residents 65 years or older with taxable income.
- Businesses doing business in Fairfield.
- Employees working in Fairfield whose employer failed to fully withhold Fairfield taxes.
- Non-residents with income or losses from self-employment and/or rental property earned with the City limits.

When to File:

- Individuals and Business Net-Profit (excluding fiscal year filers) due **April 15, 2024.**
- Employer reconciliations due **February 29, 2024.**
- Please visit our website for details on extensions for time to file your return.

What is Needed to File:

Individuals

- Federal 1040 with any applicable schedules.
- W-2(s)
- Any additional supporting documentation.

Business Net-Profit Returns

- Completed business return.
- Federal Tax Return.
- Any supporting statements, schedules, or other documentation.

Employer Withholding Reconciliations

- Completed Fairfield Reconciliation form.
- Employee W-2(s) in electronic or paper format (see website for details).

Returns can be mailed or dropped off to:

City of Fairfield
Income Tax Division - Annex Building
701 Wessel Drive
Fairfield, OH 45014

Emailed to:

Income.tax@fairfield-city.org

Faxed to:

513-867-5333

Filed online by going to

www.fairfield-city.org and clicking "File Taxes".

The Income Tax Division Hours:

Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

(Open until 6:00 p.m. from April 8 - April 15)

Saturday, April 13 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Mofongo City on Route 4

INTERNATIONAL FOOD OPTIONS ADDED TO ROUTE 4

Two new restaurants have joined the food scene on Route 4.

Mofongo City offers Caribbean cuisine at 7373 Dixie Highway. The namesake mofongo dish is available in twelve varieties, with the primary ingredient being mashed plantains. In addition to mofongos, the restaurant provides a full Latin food menu.



Located at 6025 Dixie Highway, **Taqueria La Jarocha** Mexican Restaurant offers another Latin food option. Owner Laura Fernandez takes pride in the menu, which features authentic Mexican food dishes.



Freddy's Opening Soon

Construction is nearing completion on the new Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers located in front of the Meijer store on South Gilmore Road. Freddy's is a rapidly growing fast-casual restaurant chain that serves burgers, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches, and frozen custard. The Fairfield location will be the second in Butler County and will feature both indoor and outdoor seating as well as a drive-thru.

Gordon Food Service Plans Upgrade

Fairfield Planning Commission has approved plans for a major interior and exterior renovation to the Gordon Food Service Store on Route 4. The project includes a complete redesign of the store entrance, refaced facades, and new signage. The project represents a \$2 million investment by the company. The store will remain open during renovations.



Current



Proposed



Annual Chamber Awards

The Fairfield Chamber of Commerce presented awards at its 67th Annual Dinner

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT



Koch Foods

Recognizing Koch's \$250+ million investment to construct a second manufacturing plant. Koch is the City's largest industrial employer with more than 1,500 associates.

SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR



Taqueria Mercado

Recognizing Lourdes Leon and her team for building an incredible business hub around Taqueria Mercado, with a restaurant, grocery, and bakery all in one shopping plaza.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER



Scott Clark

Recognizing Scott's deep dedication to the Fairfield community, which includes involvement in numerous local boards and organizations.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AWARD WINNERS!

EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION (EVP) SYSTEM

Many traffic signals throughout the United States have a small light that is placed between or off to the side of the traffic signal lights. Sometimes you see them change when emergency vehicles are passing through.

These are for emergency vehicle preemption of the traffic signals. The confirmation lights are part of a system that allows the operator of a vehicle to override the normal operation of a traffic light. In the City of Fairfield, the confirmation lights are eight inch diameter, white LED's and they are at every traffic signal in the City.

In Fairfield, as in most jurisdictions, if the light is steady that means the signal has been preempted and will give a green light for a signal in that direction. However, if the light is flashing, it means that the signal has been preempted to give the green light in a different direction.

Emergency Vehicle Preemption (EVP) systems are installed in order to reduce emergency vehicle response by allowing emergency vehicles to get to scenes faster and clear a path for the vehicle. It can also improve safety by giving a red light to all other lights at the intersection so no traffic impedes an emergency vehicle.

EVP systems were first installed in the early 1980s in the United States. There are several different systems including radio, GPS, emitter based, etc. The City of Fairfield uses an audible based system. The reasoning for the audible based system is that it allows all of our neighboring jurisdictions to be able to use the system when responding to an emergency.

Our Fire Department and Police Department report any issues they may have to our Public Works Department in order for repairs to be made. The Public Works Department also has these systems tested regularly as part of our regular signal maintenance procedures.



Introducing the Fairfield Police Department Special Needs Registry

Emergencies can happen at a moment's notice. Mobility, learning, developmental and other physical disabilities can create specific needs that individuals must address to be able to respond to an emergency.

Many communities ask people with a special need, severe medical condition, or special circumstance to register with the local fire or police department or emergency management office, so help can be provided quickly in an emergency. The City of Fairfield Police Department is launching a similar voluntary special needs checklist. This list is a tool that enables emergency responders to prioritize their response during emergency situations. To be fully inclusive, the City of Fairfield proactively decided to collaborate with its residents to ensure the highest level of service and safety. The checklist requests information to serve the residents who are vulnerable, at risk, or with a physical, intellectual, or development disability. In emergency situations, keeping everyone safe and calm is paramount. With this list, dispatchers can alert first responders to any special needs that may be onsite. The Fairfield Police Department's voluntary registration is open to all citizens with special needs who reside, attend school, or are employed in the City of Fairfield.

Information about the SNR registrant shall be kept strictly confidential.

Other municipalities who have instituted a voluntary special needs checklist have been able to strategically train public safety and better plan for large scale disasters across the entire city. Major Ervin said, "Inclusive practices that prioritize the safety and well-being of all residents, regardless of age or ability, are essential in ensuring effective emergency preparedness and response. This list creates a stronger connection between the department's commitment to be community focused." To register yourself or a member of your household please visit:

<https://www.fairfield-city.org/479/Online-Services> and click on Special Needs Checklist for First Responders.



THE FAIRFIELD
POLICE DEPARTMENT'S
VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION
IS OPEN TO ALL CITIZENS
WITH SPECIAL NEEDS WHO
RESIDE, ATTEND SCHOOL,
OR ARE EMPLOYED IN THE
CITY OF FAIRFIELD.



Tell us about your neighborhood!

The City is helping to build a stronger community and improve quality of life through the neighborhoods initiative. In order to succeed, the City needs to hear from you. Each survey response generates conversation, new ideas, and new perspectives. Join the conversation TODAY!

Help create a stronger, more identifiable Fairfield community!

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Solar Energy Systems For Your Home

Solar energy is sustainable, renewable, and plentiful. As the cost of installing solar energy systems goes down each year, people around the United States, including many in Fairfield, are increasingly adding solar panels to supplement the energy options for their homes.

Adding solar energy systems to your house can provide numerous benefits, including:

Cost Savings – Solar energy systems provide an opportunity to significantly reduce monthly utility bills. Over the long term, the monthly savings will greatly outweigh the initial installation cost.

Increased Property Value – Numerous studies show that solar energy systems increase property values. Solar systems are viewed as home upgrades, like a renovated kitchen or a finished basement.

Environmental Benefits – Each kilowatt-hour (kWh) of solar energy that is generated will substantially reduce greenhouse gas emissions like CO₂, as well as other dangerous pollutants such as sulfur oxides, nitrogen oxides and particulate matter. Solar also reduces water consumption and withdrawal.

There are different types of solar energy systems, each with different pros and cons, so if you are considering one be sure to consult with a qualified solar company and ask many questions to ensure you get the system that best fits your needs.

Installing a solar energy system requires building permits and inspections from the City of Fairfield Building Division. These systems are significant construction projects that typically require review of building structural support elements, rooftop installation, battery storage units, and substantial electrical work. For your safety

and protection, anyone considering adding a new solar energy system should use a qualified installer and make sure all required permits and inspections are secured.



Hefty ReNew Program

Rumpke Waste & Recycling and Hefty's ReNew program have partnered to allow people to recycle hard-to-recycle plastics. The program will be able to divert more waste from landfills. Residents can request a free starter kit at bit.ly/3Fb9YZx and purchase more bags at their local Kroger store or online at Kroger. Each orange bag features a list of hard-to-recycle items that can be collected in the bag for recycling. The ReNew program will not replace current recycling habits and routines. Recycling customers should continue to place paper, cardboard, cartons, glass and plastic bottles, tubs, cups and aluminum and steel cans in their Rumpke bins loose and un-bagged. The new orange bags, once filled, can be placed in a Rumpke Recycling bin or public recycling drop box for collection.



Check this list for the many hard-to-recycle plastics that can go in your Hefty® ReNew™ orange bags. All items must be clean, dry and free of foil lining:



PLASTIC PACKAGING - NO FOIL LINING

- See-through chip bags
- Snack food bags
- Plastic pet food bags
- Fresh/frozen vegetable & fruit bags
- Salad bags
- Shredded cheese packages
- Cheese stick packages
- See-through granola & energy bar wrappers
- See-through candy wrappers
- See-through stand up pouches
- Pudding cups
- Yogurt tubs
- Butter/Margarine tubs
- Sour cream tubs
- Dry mix liners (cake, powder mixes)
- Cereal box liners
- Cookie/cracker box liners



PLASTIC BAGS & WRAPS*

- Plastic air pillow packs
- Plastic bubble wrap
- Plastic grocery bags
- Plastic food wrap
- Food storage bags



FOAM PRODUCTS

- Foam cups, plates & bowls
- Foam to-go boxes
- Foam packing peanuts
- Foam egg cartons
- Foam block packaging



PLASTIC DINNERWARE

- Plastic straws and stirrers
- Plastic utensils
- Plastic colored cups
- Plastic plates and bowls
- Rigid plastic clear glasses



The following items ARE NOT accepted in the orange bags

NO



NO batteries or electronics



NO food, liquid or coffee grounds



NO cans, glass or plastic bottles



NO 1, 2, or 3 plastics



NO paper, cartons or boxes



NO medical products or hazardous waste



NO hoses, tubes or rope



NO foil or aluminum

*Please include plastic bags & wraps if store drop-off recycling programs are not available locally.



Grant Awards to Jumpstart Two Critical Neighborhood Connectivity Projects

Fairfield was recently awarded nearly \$2.5 million in Federal transportation grant funding to support two priority shared use projects within the City's neighborhoods. The funding was competitively awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI) as part of a \$50.4 million package of transportation projects within the region.

The two projects include:

1

Great Miami River Trail Extension

OKI approved funding in the amount of \$750,306 towards extension of the Great Miami River Trail (GMRT) from its current terminus at Waterworks Park to connect with the existing trail segment within Marsh Park. This extension, to be constructed in 2027, will bring the trail south to the roundabout at River and Gray Roads, facilitating future expansion to the Furfield Dog Park.

The GMRT is a regional multi-use trail envisioned to extend from Hamilton County north to Shelby County. Neighboring jurisdictions have secured funding to close the remaining trail gaps between Hamilton and Middletown, connecting more than 80 miles of unbroken trail. Unlike many sections of the GMRT that follow the Great Miami River, Fairfield's segment will be unique in that it will move away from the river, providing stunning views of Marsh Lake and improved connections to the surrounding neighborhoods.

2

Pleasant Avenue Shared Use Path

OKI approved funding in the amount of \$1,738,290 towards construction of a shared use path on the west side of Pleasant Avenue/ US 127 between Hunter Road and Wessel Drive.

This project, to be constructed in 2027, will create a separated shared use path in coordination with traffic calming improvements planned for the corridor.

The new path will connect to the Fairfield Town Center area, providing residents with the option to walk or bike to reach local restaurants, retail stores, Village Green Park, and the DORA district. On the south end, the path will end at Hunter Road, which provides a direct connection to Harbin Park.

Both projects were identified as priorities in the Fairfield Connects plan, a connectivity master plan adopted by Fairfield City Council to identify opportunities to improve the walkability and bikeability of the City and its neighborhoods. Now that OKI has approved funding for both projects, the City will advance engineering and detailed design in preparation for construction.

Thank You Public Works Crew!

One of the many services that the City of Fairfield offers is our residential leaf pick up program. The Public Works Department operates this program every fall. The mechanics on staff will service all four of our leaf machines as well as the four trucks that are used to pull the leaf machines and haul the leaves. The Street Division crews will go out to a few neighborhoods in late October to make sure all of the equipment is functioning properly and ready for use. The program starts the first full week of November and the crews will sweep the City working from west to east for two months making sure to go by every residential home at least three times (often more).

The Public Works crew will spend 2000-3000 hours in a given fall in order to get this work done, often working from daylight to dark and on Saturdays during the busiest weeks. Our crews spend even more hours on leaves than we do on snow and ice, though we average nearly 2000 hours per winter on that seasonal operation. That doesn't include all the training and prep work for up to twenty-two vehicles used for snow operations. Every leaf season is different with the weather sometimes being too hot, sometimes too cold, sometimes too wet, and surprisingly it can be too dry. Regardless of the conditions, the dedicated crew will pick up an average of 5000 cubic yards of leaves every autumn. The weight and volume can vary greatly depending on precipitation during the leaf season; it can be over 1500 tons of leaves, or enough to fill a 50-pound trash can nearly 60,000 times.

100% of these leaves (as well as all material from our brush collection and brush-box program) is diverted from the landfill. Brush materials are ground up and used in commercial mulch. The leaf material is either included in mulch making or used to add nutrients to the soil on agricultural land.

The support shown to our crews during the fall and winter months from the community is appreciated by all of those who work to provide this service to our residents.



“Our crews spend even more hours on leaves than we do on snow and ice, though we average nearly 2000 hours per winter on that seasonal operation...”

Dear Public Works Division:

Please pass along my sincere thanks to the crew with truck 41 for a job well done this morning.

They did a very quick and thorough job of cleaning up what I had placed at the curb for collection.

As long time Fairfield residents, our family truly appreciates this annual service. Please pass along this compliment to the crew and, if your policy allows it, a copy of this correspondence placed in their personnel files.

Sincerely,
Jim Morsch

MADCAP  PUPPETS

THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ

Travel down the Yellow Brick Road as Madcap brings this epic adventure to life with breathtaking puppets in this enchanting, family-friendly classic.

FRIDAY, JAN. 19 | 7PM

**\$7 AT 513-867-5348 OR
BIT.LY/PARKSBOXOFFICE**

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**HEAR, YE!
HEAR, YEEE-HAW!**
The King is throwin' a royal ball!

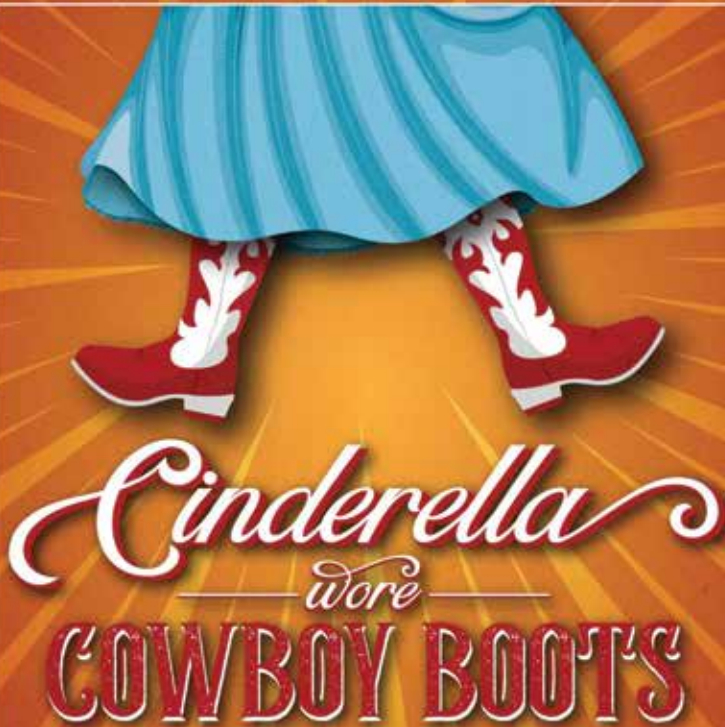
SADDLE UP!

The power of childhood imagination lassos this rags-to-riches story in a way you will never forget.

Our storyteller will round-up audiences as they get pulled into this hilarious, interactive and knee-slappin' adaption of Cinderella.
Recommended for ages 4 and up.

FRIDAY, JAN. 26 | 7PM

**\$7 AT 513-867-5348 OR
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The Children's Theatre
OF CINCINNATI

 Fairfield
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SOM

SONS OF MYSTRO

Malcolm McNeish and his brother, Umoja, are the violin duo Sons of Mystro. In their electric live act, they use violins to interpret pop music, reggae, and other genres with DJ Venimis and a drummer.

SATURDAY, JAN. 27 | 8PM

**\$36 AT 513-867-5348 OR
BIT.LY/PARKSBOXOFFICE**

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**EMERGING ARTIST
UNDER 21 AWARD**
-International Reggae and World Music Awards

Opened for
**SEAN PAUL &
THE FRAY**



THE ULTIMATE ELVIS SHOW

**THURSDAY
JAN. 4
7PM**

**\$47 ORCHESTRA | \$37 STADIUM
\$27 MEZZANINE
AT 513-867-5348 OR
BIT.LY/PARKSBOXOFFICE**

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THE SPIRIT OF HARRIET TUBMAN

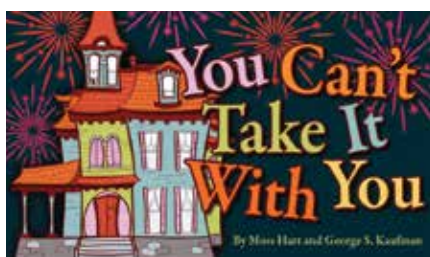
A One-Woman Show by Leslie McCurdy
Friday, Feb. 2 | 7pm | \$25 Adults, \$12 Students

The life of the famous Underground Railroad conductor brought to life, using words said to have been Harriet Tubman's own.



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513-867-5348 or BIT.LY/PARKSBOXOFFICE



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**February 23 | 7:30 pm
February 24 | 2 pm & 7:30 pm
February 25 | 2 pm**

\$15 AT 513-867-5348 OR BIT.LY/PARKSBOXOFFICE



FAMILY GAME *Night* BINGO

FRIDAY, JAN. 19 | 6 - 8PM

It's time for a fun night out with your family!
Spend some quality time together enjoying dinner and a few games of Bingo. The dinner menu will be cheese pizza, salad, and ice cream. You may even win a prize!
All ages welcome.

Fairfield residents: \$10 | Non-residents: \$12
Price is per person

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**SATURDAY,
FEB. 10
11:30AM - 1:30PM**

GALENTINE'S DAY LUNCH

GET YOUR "GAL PALS" TOGETHER FOR AN
AFTERNOON OF FUN!

A LIGHT LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AND EVERYONE
WILL MAKE A VALENTINE'S DAY THEMED CRAFT TO
TAKE HOME. CASH BAR WILL BE AVAILABLE.

THIS EVENT IS INTENDED FOR PARTICIPANTS
AGES 18 AND UP.

FAIRFIELD RESIDENTS: \$20
NON-RESIDENTS: \$25

GET TICKETS AT 513-867-5348 OR
BIT.LY/FAIRFIELDPROGRAMS

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Heart Hunt

FEBRUARY 12 - 16

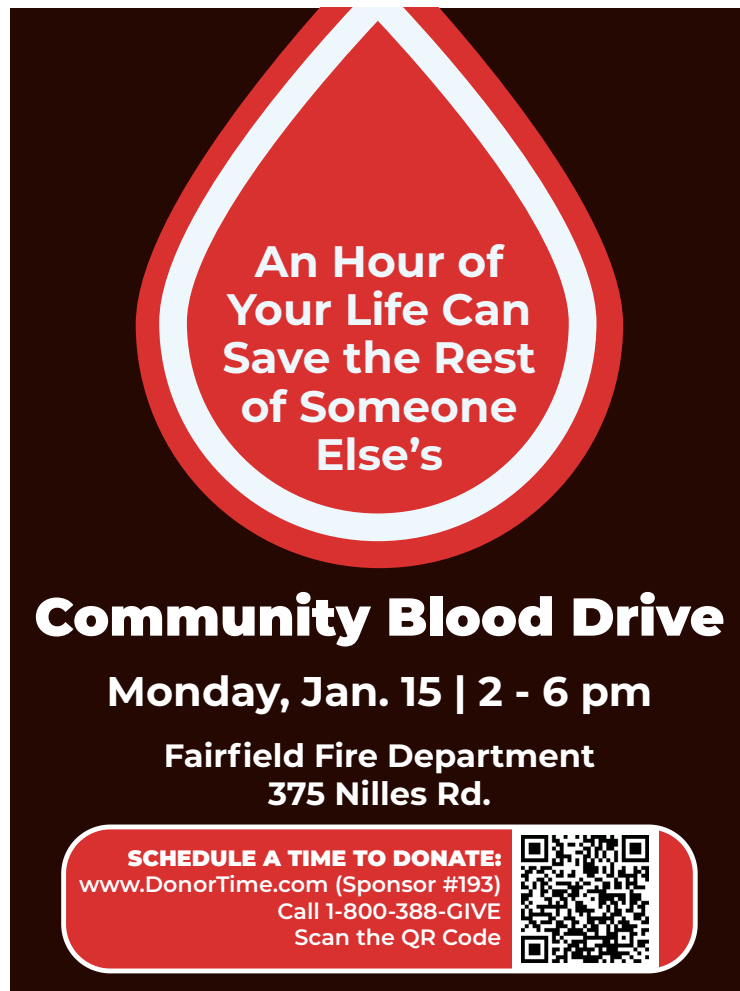
Cupids, let's hunt some hearts!

The Fairfield Community Arts Center's first floor lobby will have several hearts hidden in it from February 12th through the 16th.

Grab a Heart Hunt sheet at the front desk during hours of operation and start your hunt.

Once you find them all,
turn your sheet in for a treat.

 Fairfield
CommunityArts
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**An Hour of
Your Life Can
Save the Rest
of Someone
Else's**

Community Blood Drive

Monday, Jan. 15 | 2 - 6 pm

**Fairfield Fire Department
375 Nilles Rd.**

SCHEDULE A TIME TO DONATE:
www.DonorTime.com (Sponsor #193)
Call 1-800-388-GIVE
Scan the QR Code



55 PLUS SENIOR PROGRAMS

ALWAYS OPEN TO ADULTS 55 YEARS OR BETTER!

MONDAY – FRIDAY | 8AM – 5PM

Fairfield Community Arts Center

Craft Corner

Chair Volleyball

Social Night Out

Cards

Games & More!



Find more information and the Games & Activity Schedule at FairfieldOH.gov/55

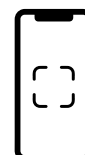
NOW HIRING!

WWW.GOVERNMENTJOBS.COM/CAREERS/FAIRFIELDOH

- ◆ **Arts & Crafts Instructors:** Part-time, \$15 - \$25/hour
- ◆ **Theater Sound-AV Tech:** Part-time, \$12 - \$16/hour
- ◆ **Fitness Instructors:** Part-time, \$20/hour based on experience/qualifications
- ◆ **Park Ranger:** Part-time, \$25.71 - \$29.05/hour



SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY



NEW! • NEW! • NEW! • NEW! • NEW! • NEW!

ONLINE REGISTRATION NOW AVAILABLE!!

QUICK & SIMPLE

We are excited to announce that we have upgraded our website and you can now register for Programs, Classes, Camps and more online!

Simply go to bit.ly/fairfield-parks-recreation
or scan the QR code below.



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Questions?

Don't worry, we are still available in person at the CAC or over the phone (513-867-5348) if you need assistance.



Megan Filipek Scholarship Fund

Scholarship opportunities are available to give residents of all ages the opportunity to participate in Parks and Recreation programs.

Up to 50% matching scholarships are available to qualifying applicants, established in memory of former lifeguard and clerk Megan Filipek.

Applications are available in person at the Fairfield Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Dr. or online at the QR code or bit.ly/filipekscholarship.



APPLY TODAY!

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PARKS AND RECREATION

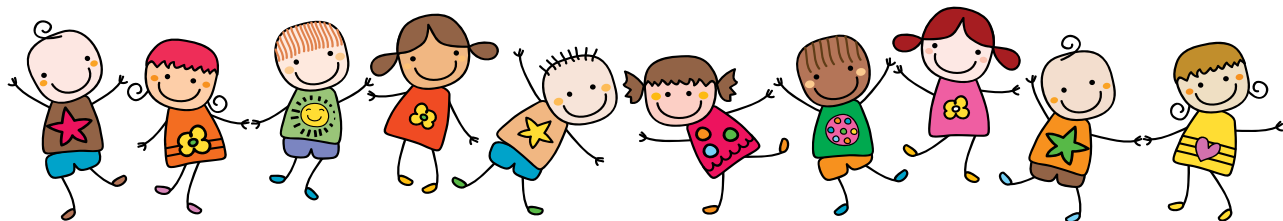




REGISTRATION Call 513-867-5348 to register for classes and programs.

PRE-SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN CLASSES ~ AGE 6 AND UNDER

PLEASE NOTE THAT CHILD MUST BE POTTY-TRAINED (Unless Listed As Parent/Child Class)



STILL TAKING REGISTRATIONS

OPEN HOUSE for the 2024-2025 School Year

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28
5:30 - 7 P.M.**

**AT THE FAIRFIELD
COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER**

Come meet the
teachers and pick up
registration packets!

S.M.A.R.T.I.E.S. (Four to Six Year Olds)

Social Studies/Science-Math-Art-Reading-Together-In an-Educational-Surrounding

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, September - May | 1 - 3 p.m.

A hands-on approach to academics through education, recreation, and nature that will help your child excel in kindergarten. Kids must be older than age four by December 31, 2023.

Registration rates are \$170/month for Fairfield residents, \$190/month for non-residents.

PreS.M.A.R.T.I.E.S. (Three to Four Year Olds)

Tuesdays & Thursdays, September - May | 10 a.m. - Noon

Through arts and crafts, this recreational/educational program helps children recognize letters, shapes and colors. All kids must be potty-trained and three years old before December 31, 2023.

Registration rates are \$130/month for Fairfield residents, \$145/month for non-residents.

For further information on either program, please contact Lori Haven at 513-896-8410 or lhaven@FairfieldOH.gov



TIME TO LEARN

INSTRUCTORS: Lori Haven/Marcy Martin

Kids are introduced to basic skills, concepts (shapes, numbers and colors) and socialization skills in a fun engaging way. An adult must stay with the child.

Ages: 2 - 3

Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 - Feb. 14

Time: 10 - 11 a.m.

Location: CAC Children's Room

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$45 / \$50

Ages: 2 - 3

Dates: Wednesdays, Feb. 28 - March 27

Time: 10 - 11 a.m.

Location: CAC Children's Room

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$38 / \$43



FAIRFIELD STARZ DANCE AND ACRO PROGRAM

The Fairfield Starz Dance and Acro Program is taught by Jean Meyers and runs from January - May, with recitals on May 3rd or 4th in the Community Arts Center Theater. No class the weeks of January 15, February 19 and April 1.

BEGINNING BALLERINAS

Students who are just entering the world of ballet will learn the basics of dance and movement spending time at the ballet barre and progressing out into floor work. Ballet shoes are required.

Ages: 2.5 - 5

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

Ages: 2.5 - 5

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

PEE WEE BEGINNER ACROBATICS (ACRO)

A mini version of the acro program, this class is designed especially for preschoolers. Basic tumbling skills include backbends, cartwheels, hand/headstands, rolls and other acrobatic skills.

Ages: 2.5 - 5

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 11:15 - 11:45 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$75 / \$80

BEGINNER ACROBATICS (ACRO)

This program centers on fundamental acrobatic technique. Basic tumbling skills include backbends, cartwheels, hand/headstands, rolls and other acrobatic skills.

Ages: 5 - 14

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 4:15 - 5 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

BEGINNER DANCE

This class will work on the basics of ballet, traditional dance, tap and jazz. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Ages: 4 - 6

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 1 - 1:45 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

Ages: 4 - 6

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 5 - 5:45 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

Ages: 4 - 6

Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 - May 1

Time: 5 - 5:45 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

INTERMEDIATE/SENIOR HIP-HOP CLASS

Hip-Hop dance is high energy and encompasses many of the classical dance styles, but is presented in a street or non-traditional format. Students will learn rhythm, control, posture and coordination through age-appropriate hip-hop choreography.

Ages: 8 & Up

Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 - May 1

Time: 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

INTERMEDIATE DANCE I

This is a combination class including ballet and tap technique. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Ages: 6 - 8

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 5:45 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

INTERMEDIATE DANCE II

This class is designed to move beyond the fundamentals of basic dance, while refining skills and technique while developing strength, confidence and flexibility. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Ages: 8 - 10

Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 - May 1

Time: 5:45 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

PRE-TEEN DANCE

This class will focus on faster, more intricate footwork in tap, while becoming more proficient in ballet and jazz movement and technique. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Ages: 11 - 13

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

TEEN DANCE

Teens will enjoy learning ballet, jazz and tap while developing confidence, mental concentration, physical coordination and grace. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Ages: 13 & Up

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - April 29

Time: 7:15 - 8 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135

PRE-POINTE/BEGINNER POINTE & BALLET TECHNIQUE

Previous ballet experience required and students must also be enrolled in Intermediate II, Pre-Teen or Teen Dance. Students will focus on ballet technique. Leather ballet slippers required.

Pre-Pointe - Ages: 10 & Up

Beginner Pointe - Ages 11 and up with instructor permission

Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 - May 1

Time: 4:15 - 5 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

R/NR: \$120 / \$135



REGISTRATION Call 513-867-5348 to register for classes and programs.

YOUTH & TEEN CLASSES ~ AGES 6 - 17



KID'S POTTERY

INSTRUCTOR: Jen Combs

Various hand-building techniques demonstrated for students to form their own functional and decorative pieces of art from clay. Hand-building techniques must be approved by the instructor before kids can move on and be taught how to do wheel throwing projects.

Ages: 7 - 17

Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 9 - Feb. 13

Time: 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Art Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$85 / \$90

Ages: 7 - 17

Dates: Tuesdays, Feb. 27 - March 26

Time: 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Art Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$73 / \$78



ART TECHNIQUES WITH ALEXIS - NEW!

INSTRUCTOR: Alexis Fisher

Learn the basic techniques of painting with different mediums in fun and creative ways.

Ages: 12 - 17

Date: Saturdays, Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

Time: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: CAC Art Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$85 / \$90



VALENTINE CAKE

INSTRUCTOR: Alicia Favaron

Decorate a Valentine cake to share with your loved ones.

Ages: 8 - 17

Dates: Saturday, Feb. 10

Time: 10 a.m. - Noon

Location: CAC Children's Room

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$40 / \$45

CAKE DECORATING 123

INSTRUCTOR: Alicia Favaron

This class is designed for beginners who would like to learn a few basic cake decorating designs, enabling them to create relatively simple, though beautiful, cakes.

Ages: 8 - 17

Dates: Thursdays, Jan. 11 - 25

Time: 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Children's Room

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$60 / \$65



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ADULT CLASSES ~ AGE 18 AND OLDER



ADULT POTTERY

INSTRUCTORS: Maggie and Kevin Carpenter

This class is designed as a learning class for beginner and intermediate students. The main focus is to develop your wheel throwing, hand-building, glazing, and decorating skills.

Ages: 18 - Up

Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 - Feb. 14

Time: 6 - 8 p.m.

Location: CAC Art Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$100 / \$105

Ages: 18 - Up

Dates: Wednesdays, Feb. 28 - March 27

Time: 6 - 8 p.m.

Location: CAC Art Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$85 / \$90



TAROT CARD READING CLASS - NEW!

INSTRUCTOR: Elizabeth Morris

Grab a friend and learn a fun new skill. Secular Tarot is a six-part class, designed for beginners, that focuses on developing basic competency of the Rider-Waite Smith tarot system by using a numerology-based approach. Tarot decks will be available for class use, with the option to purchase if desired.

Ages: 18 - Up

Dates: Thursdays, Jan. 11 - Feb. 15

Time: 6 - 8 p.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$90 / \$95



THROUGH THE EYES OF WATERCOLORS

INSTRUCTOR: Howard Krauss

Discover that art is not merely copying the scenes but interpreting shapes and designs into your artwork. The instructor will teach skills that he has learned over the years of his experiences. Each class you will go home with a landscape watercolor masterpiece. All supplies included. *No class January 15.*

Ages: 18 - Up

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - 29

Time: 10 a.m. - Noon

Location: CAC Art Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$60 / \$65

STEP 2 of THROUGH THE EYES OF WATERCOLORS

INSTRUCTOR: Howard Krauss

This class will show techniques that make/create paintings that incorporate the foundations and theories of art that you learned in Through the Eyes of Watercolors. All supplies included. *No class January 15.*

Ages: 18 - Up

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - 29

Time: 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.

Location: CAC Art Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$60 / \$65



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FALL FITNESS PASS 2024

All your favorite classes at just \$150 (\$160 for non-resident) for WINTER A and WINTER B sessions. **It's a great deal if you take multiple classes per week!**

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Mind & Body Classes

FULL BODY STRETCH AND RECOVER

INSTRUCTOR: Kristen Humphrey-Schulz
Come for the Cardio Mix class and stay to stretch out those hard-worked muscles, or come just for this class to stretch your tight, weary muscles from a week of work and be ready to face the rest of your weekend.

No class March 23 and 30.

Dates: Saturdays, Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

Time: 10:35 - 11:35 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$35 / \$40

Dates: Saturdays, March 2 - April 6

Time: 10:35 - 11:35 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$29 / \$34 (5 sessions)

YOGA FLOW

INSTRUCTOR: Ann Colaco
Flow through poses, as you increase balance, flexibility, and strength of body and mind in this movement-based class. All levels are welcome.

No class April 3.

Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 - Feb. 7

Time: 6 - 7 p.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$35 / \$40 (5 sessions)

Dates: Wednesdays, Feb. 28 - April 10

Time: 6 - 7 p.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$42 / \$47

YOGA @ THE MANSION

INSTRUCTOR: Bevy Sue Hammons
This gentle yoga class explores the fundamentals and calms the mind while improving flexibility, balance, and core strength. Includes a short meditation and long relaxation to leave participants feeling renewed.

No class January 15.

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - Feb. 12

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Elisha Morgan Mansion

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$43 / \$48 (5 sessions)

Dates: Mondays, Feb. 26 - April 1

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Elisha Morgan Mansion

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$51 / \$56

TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

INSTRUCTOR: Barbara Miller
Gentle, yet powerful form of exercise that combines fluid movements with energy circulation, breathing and stretching techniques. Improve muscle tone, balance and reduce stress.

No class January 15.

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - Feb. 12

Time: 6:35 - 7:35 p.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$42 (5 sessions)

Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 9 - Feb. 13

Time: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$50

Dates: Mondays, Feb. 26 - April 1

Time: 6:35 - 7:35 p.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$50

Dates: Tuesdays, Feb. 27 - April 2

Time: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$50

YOGA STRETCH

INSTRUCTOR: Ann Colaco
Gentle, restorative yoga that focuses on slowing down and on deeper stretching holds. Increase flexibility, core strength, and balance. Enroll in Tuesday and Thursday and save.

No class April 2 and 4.

Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 9 - Feb. 13

Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$42

Dates: Thursdays, Jan. 11 - Feb. 15

Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$42

Dates: Tuesdays, Feb. 27 - April 9

Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$42

Dates: Thursdays, Feb. 29 - April 11

Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$42

TAKE BOTH SESSIONS AND SAVE!

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays,
Jan. 9 - Feb. 15

Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$69

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays,
Feb. 27 - April 11

Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$69



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ADULT CLASSES ~ AGE 18 AND OLDER

Strength & Cardio Classes

BARRE BOXING

INSTRUCTOR: Cassie Ruhlman

15 minutes of cardio kickboxing, followed by 45 minutes of a full-body Barre workout to shape longer, leaner muscles using a ballet barre and your own body weight.

No class April 2.

Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 9 - Feb. 13

Time: 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$39 / \$44

Dates: Tuesdays, Feb. 27 - April 9

Time: 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$39 / \$44



STAYING FIT

INSTRUCTOR: Bonnie Fahl

Have fun, build strength, and move to music using light hand-held weights, resistance bands and your own body weight. All fitness levels are encouraged to attend.

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Jan. 9 - Feb. 15

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

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$50

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Feb. 27 - April 4

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

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$50

INDOOR CYCLING

INSTRUCTOR: Ann Colaco

Low-impact, 45-minute, moderate to high-intensity workout on stationary bikes, followed by 15 minutes of strength and flexibility training. Enjoy the energy and motivation of a group class. Beginners to seasoned cyclists welcome.

No class April 2.

Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 9 - Feb. 13

Time: 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$30 / \$35

Dates: Tuesdays, Feb. 27 - April 9

Time: 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$30 / \$35

REV + FLOW BY REFIT®

INSTRUCTOR: Keri Cunningham

High intensity, low-impact workout set to music with a focus on toning. Some weight training and floor work. Pair this with REFIT for a great combo of cardio and strength.

Dates: Thursdays, Jan. 11 - Feb. 15

Time: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$35 / \$40

Dates: Thursdays, Feb. 29 - April 4

Time: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$35 / \$40

REFIT® FOR SENIORS

INSTRUCTOR: Keri Cunningham

Cardio dance movements, strengthening, and stretching. Same great REFIT, modified for a more gentle approach with our Seniors in mind.

No class March 29.

Dates: Fridays, Jan. 12 - Feb. 16

Time: 10 - 10:45 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$35

Dates: Fridays, March 1 - April 12

Time: 10 - 10:45 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$35

GET MOVING

INSTRUCTOR: Bonnie Fahl

Are you over age 55 and need to get your heart pumping? Get your body moving with this low impact cardiovascular class. Includes some light weight work.

Get Moving will not be held during the Winter A session.

Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays

Feb. 26 - April 3

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

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$50

CARDIO MIX

INSTRUCTOR: Kristen Humphrey-Schulz

Start your Saturdays off right with this fun, upbeat class designed to get your heart pumping with strength, interval, and circuit training. Movements can be modified to fit all fitness levels to meet your needs.

Dates: Saturdays, Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

Time: 9:30 - 10:25 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$35 / \$40

Dates: Saturdays, March 2 - April 6

Time: 9:30 - 10:25 a.m.

Location: CAC Dance Studio

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$35 / \$40

REFIT®

INSTRUCTOR: Keri Cunningham

A power-packed hour filled with cardio dance movements, strength training, and stretching. Pair this with Rev and Flow for a great combo of cardio and toning. Ages 10 - 15 welcome with an enrolled adult. *No class January 15.*

Dates: Mondays, Jan. 8 - Feb. 12

Time: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter A

R/NR: \$29 / \$34 (5 sessions)

Dates: Mondays, Feb. 26 - April 1

Time: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: CAC Basement

Session: Winter B

R/NR: \$35 / \$40



OUTDOOR adventure

The Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department and MetroParks of Butler County have partnered to deliver **FREE** nature programming in the City's parks and facilities.



URBAN COYOTES

Coyotes have been in the area for several decades but you may be noticing them more as their population increases and wild habitat decreases. As we get closer to their mating season, we can anticipate more sightings. Join us to discuss how they got here, their role, common behaviors and how to avoid negative interactions.

Date: Tuesday, Jan. 16

Time: 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: CAC Community Room A/B

FREE and open to ages 16 and up. Registration is not required.

Walk-ins are welcome.



OWL PROWL

Join us as we explore Harbin Park at night. We will learn what makes owls such amazing hunters before venturing out to search the trails for these cool creatures.

Date: Tuesday, Feb. 6

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Harbin Park, meet at Overlook Shelter

FREE and open to all ages! Registration is not required.

Walk-ins are welcome.

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Smart Water Meters: Manage your water account like a pro!

As the Public Utilities Department recently installed new “smart” water meters in every home and business in Fairfield, the City encourages customers to utilize the new metering technology to be active account managers. The ‘My Water Advisor’ portal, which is linked to the City’s smart metering system, allows customers to access water account information via a web-ready device such as a computer, tablet or smartphone. The portal provides real-time water use data, and enables customers to:

- Create monthly water budgets;
- Be alerted of possible leaks and high or unusual consumption patterns; and
- Proactively conserve water.

Utility customers can easily create an account through My Water Advisor’s online portal at <https://mywateradvisor2.com/> by following these simple steps:

1. Click on the blue ‘Join My Water Advisor’ button.
2. Once selected, a new sign up window will appear. Enter your account number as listed on your water bill and then your first and last name.
3. Enter a valid email address and create a password.
4. Once registered, you can access your account by computer or smartphone using your email and password.

Customers can also download the free smart-phone app from Apple App store and Google Play store: search for **My Water Advisor 2.0**.

