

Greencastle Parks & Recreation Department

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Program Guide

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405 South Bloomington Street, Greencastle, IN 46135

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How to Register

Registration just got a whole lot easier!

Visit our website at www.greencastleparks.com to register for any of our programs, see what's going on in the parks! Registration forms for our programs are also available for pick up at Greencastle City Hall as well as other local establishments.

Questions? Contact our office at (765) 653 - 3395.



From The Director

The Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department is continuously striving to add more exciting programs, facilities and events each season! Our brand new Band shelter is finished and we are thrilled the community will be able to use it for band concerts, movie nights, family reunions, and more! If you take a moment and flip through this brochure you'll see we have new programs that are sure to strike an interest and traditional programs that are a hit every year! We hope you find something you and your family can enjoy together.

-Rod Weinschenk, Director of Parks & Recreation

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Greencastle Parks & Recreation Department is to provide wholesome recreational opportunities, which reflect the interests and needs of the Greencastle community and to plan, acquire, develop, and maintain quality and attractive parks and facilities that will enhance the City of Greencastle.

General Information

Municipal Park Use Rules

- All parks open at sunrise and close at 11:00 p.m.
- No alcohol beverages allowed in the parks.
- Put little in trashcans provided.
- Do not park on the grass. Stay on the roadways.
- For shelter reservations, visit our website.
- All pets must be kept on a leash.
- Please clean up after your pet.
- To report an emergency or illegal activity, dial the police at (765) 653-3155 or **dial 9-1-1**.
- To report broken equipment, maintenance concerns or vandalism, please notify the Parks & Recreation Department office at (765) 653-3395.



People Pathways Trail System

All pathway users should remember that the People Pathways located throughout the community are unsupervised facilities, with users using them at their own risk. When using the pathways, please be courteous of others as well as respect the trail environment.



Volunteer with us!

The Greencastle Parks & Recreation Department is constantly striving to meet the needs of the community. We recognize our volunteers are a crucial part to the success of our department! Contact our office at (765) 653-3395 to ask about volunteering opportunities!

Youth Basketball

Greencastle Parks & Recreation Youth Basketball

The Greencastle Parks & Recreation Department's Youth Basketball Program is an instructional program designed for children of diverse skill levels. Open to students attending Greencastle schools, grades 1 to 6, the Youth Basketball Program will provide instruction on how to play and improve the basic fundamental skills of basketball, while promoting four primary objectives: **1) Instructing proper fundamental skills, 2) Promoting the value of teamwork, 3) Displaying good sportsmanship and fair play, all while 4) Having fun at practices and games.** The program includes a skills building clinic and player evaluation period at the beginning of the season prior to team assignments, followed by team practices, skill reviews, and a competitive game schedule. Practices will be held once a week starting the end of November, with Saturday games beginning in January. Equal playing time will be promoted. Officials will be scheduled, beginning with the Kindergarten "My First Shot" Basketball Program in the hopes of creating a more competitive program, while still concentrating on the program's four major goals.



Register for the
**GPRD Youth Basketball
Program**
& score a free ticket to an
Indiana Pacers game.
Register by Wednesday,
October 31st & receive a
chance to win an
autographed basketball
signed by an *Indiana Pacers*
player! **Go Pacers!**

Youth Basketball Program Itinerary

Registration Begins: Monday, September 24th

Registration Deadline: Monday, November 19th

Skills Clinic Begins: Monday, November 26th

Team Practices Begin: Monday, December 3rd

No Team Practices: December 20th - January 3rd

1st Game Day: Saturday, January 12th

Last Game Day: Saturday, February 23rd

Youth Basketball Fundraiser: February 23rd

Youth Basketball

\$65.00 / Student

"My First Shot!" Basketball

\$35.00 / Student

A large orange basketball with white lines, serving as a background for the registration deadline text.

**Register by
October 31st to
receive a \$10.00
discount!**

Is your business or company interested in sponsoring a team? Team sponsorships are \$150.00! Contact our office today at (765) 653-3395 for more information!

Programs

Glow Tag in Robe Ann

Wednesday, October 3rd | 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Robe Ann Park | \$2.00 per person

We're getting out our glow necklaces and heading out to Robe Ann Park for some fun after dark! Glow Tag will be a blast with you and your friends so put on your gym shoes and get ready for an epic game of tag!

Capture the Flag

Saturday, October 6th | Noon - 4:00 p.m.
Big Walnut Sports Park | \$15.00 per team

That's right we're bringing it back but tournament style! Capture the Flag at B.W.S.P. will be a program you won't want to miss out on! 10 players per team, must be 16 and over to play. Minimum of 6 teams, Maximum of 8 teams. Think you're team has what it takes to take home the trophy?

Kick Ball

Sundays in October | 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Robe Ann Park | Free

We're starting up a kick ball game ever Sunday night in October! Gather your friends and come on over to Robe Ann Park softball field, we'll draw teams and get the ball rolling!

Brick-Mania: Crack the Vault

Tuesday, October 16th | 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Greencastle City Hall | \$14.00 per person

Come join the Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department for Brick-Mania: Crack the Vault! We're recognizing the day John Dillinger robbed the Center National Bank downtown 85 years ago on October 23rd! Are we celebrating this, "NO!". This hard-to-find kit features 122 LEGO Building Blocks which include a mini-figure, alarm box and even a wanted poster! Open to the first 12 paid registrants, minimum of 6 participants required to hold program. Deadline is October 12th.

Have a special interest you would like to turn into a program? Contact our office at (765) 653-3395!

HALLOWEEN IN GREENCASTLE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27TH
ROBE ANN PARK

REVENGE OF FRANKENSTEIN

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. | \$5.00 / Person

Join the Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department for a spooky craft that will give you the thrill you're looking for this Halloween! We're re-creating Frankenstein and you as the creative scientist will add your special touch to make your Frankenstein perfect! Program designed for children in grades 1st - 6th.

PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | \$3.00 / Pumpkin

Do you think you have what it takes to enter into our Pumpkin Carving Contest? Break out your carving tools and stencils and meet us at Shelter#1! We will hold our "Creative Carving" session from 3-5 p.m. Judging will take place at 5:00 p.m. Enter your pumpkin into one of three categories: individual, family, or organization.

HUNT FOR THE GREAT PUMPKIN

7:30 p.m.. | \$10.00 / Person

Join the Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department for a "spook"-tacular event filled with candy and prizes! We're spreading 2,000 Halloween colored eggs in Robe Ann Park filled with candy and redemption tickets for awesome prizes! Are you up for the challenge to find the Great Pumpkin Grand Prize? Open to children in grades 3rd - 6th.

REGISTER FOR ALL 3 EVENTS FOR
\$15.00!



Programs

Game Night

Mondays in November | 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Greencastle City Hall | Free

Every Monday in November we are breaking out our classic board games and setting up a Greencastle City Hall for a game night! Each night we'll feature a classic game that will have a special twist to it! Grab your family and head on over for a fun evening, snacks provided!

Model Railroading 101

Tuesdays in November | 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Putnam County Museum | \$27.00

November is Model Railroading Month and what better way to celebrate it than with a Model Railroading Class?! If you have an electric train set tucked away in your closet and/or would like to learn how to create your own model layout, here's the program for you! Join us as we take you through basic steps of model railroading. Each student will create a miniature HO scale diorama scene suitable for display and which may then be incorporated into their home layout. Limited to 12 students, deadline is November 1st.

Toddler Turkey Time

Monday, November 19th | 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Putnam County Library | Free

Join the Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department for a festive afternoon at the Putnam County Library as we read stories about Thanksgiving and create toddler turkey time crafts!

Brick-Mania: Pilgrims Feast

Tuesday, November 20th | 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Putnam County Museum | \$12.00 / Person

Just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday, retired set features a hungry pilgrim in a traditional outfit with a pilgrim hat and shoes enjoying two tasty turkey drumsticks! This project would make a great centerpiece for any Thanksgiving table. Special holiday LEGO displays, the opportunity to free-build with the department's collection of building blocks, build-your-own mini-figures, treats & drinks will be available. Minimum of 6 participants, 12 maximum.



Snow Sculpture Contest!

December 1st - March 1st

Awards: Greencastle City Hall on March 7th

Have fun with family, friends & snow! During the months of December, January and February build a snowman, snow creature or snow sculpture and submit photo to be judged by the Park Board on March 7th. The top entries in each category wins! Enter as an individual, family or organization!

Holiday Challenge x 2!

Awards: Thursday, December 6th | 7:30 p.m.

Greencastle City Hall | Free

Who will be designated the most creative artist in this year's Holiday Challenges - Gingerbread and Brick-Mania!? The theme this year is Santa's Workshop! All entries must be carried into City Hall, displayed all day and judged at our Monthly Park Board Meeting. Awards will be given to 1st place in three divisions: Individual, Family & Organization. See official registration form for a complete set of rules.

Programs

Phone Calls from Santa!

Saturday, December 8th | 10:00 a.m.

Free!

Again this year, we've lined up a special connection to the North Pole so area youth, ages 2-6 years, can speak to Santa Claus about their Christmas Wishes! Separate registration forms will be available closer to the holidays at special collection sites around town. So, if you want that special call, be sure to fill one out and return it to City Hall!

Brick - Mania: LEGO Christmas Party!

Saturday, December 8th | 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Greencastle City Hall | Free-Will Donation

In this special holiday edition of Brick-Mania, we're hosting a LEGO Christmas Party for all to attend! Special holiday LEGO displays and dioramas will be on display! Attendees will have the opportunity to free-build with the department's collection of building blocks throughout City Hall. Stocking Stuffer idea: Past Brick-Mania project kits will be for sale!

Breakfast with the Grinch

Saturday, December 15th | 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Putnam Inn | \$10.00 per person

We've invited the Grinch to join us for breakfast, and extending an invite to you, too! Our young guests will have the opportunity to listen to the story of how the "Grinch Stole Christmas!" and then eat "Green eggs and ham" take pictures with the Grinch and makes crafts! Come dressed up as the famous Max or Cindy Lou Who and enter into our Costume Contest! Pre-registration is required, only 40 spots available. Registered adult must accompany child. See official registration form for menu.

Itty Bitty New Years!

Monday, December 31st | 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Putnam County Public Library | Free

We're counting down to the New Year, Itty Bitty style! Join the Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department at the Putnam County Library for our New Year's Celebration perfect for tots! Enjoy fun games, crafts and counting down to Itty Bitty New Year (noon). Cake and ice cream will be served while supplies last.



Brick-Mania: Melt These Winter Blues

Saturday, January 5th | 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Greencastle City Hall | \$12.00 per person

This program is open to the first 12 participants with paid registration and includes a special LEGO kit to take home that is sure to warm things up! Included is the opportunity to free-build with the department's collection of building blocks, "Build Your Own" mini-figures will be available for sale with a portion of the proceeds used to replenish our LEGO Building Blocks. Don't forget the treats and drinks!

Walk & Talk: Winter Edition

January 8th - January 31st

Tuesday's & Thursday's | 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Looking to add a little exercise to your daily routine? Put your walking shoes on and head on over to DePauw University's Indoor Track Facility! Check in at the Parks & Recreation Table! Attend all 8 sessions and receive a chance to win a prize!

Programs

Winter Wine Bottle Decorating

Wednesday, January 16th | 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Greencastle City Hall | \$6.00 per person

No need to throw out your empty wine bottles anymore, we have an awesome way of recycling them that will definitely spruce up your home this winter! Participants are asked to bring 1-3 wine bottles to decorate. A few empty wine bottles will be available for \$2 at the event. Enjoy light refreshments throughout program! Registration deadline: January 11th.

Winnie the Pooh Day!

Friday, January 18th | 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Putnam County Library | Free

We're celebrating Winnie the Pooh day with story time, crafts, games, and of course some Winnie the Pooh approved treats! Come dressed as your favorite Winnie the Pooh character and enter into our costume contest! Winner will receive a special prize!

Brick-Mania Birthday Bash!

Sunday, January 27th | 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Putnam County Museum | Free-Will Donation

The LEGO Building Block was born 61 years ago on January 28th, 1958; so we're throwing a birthday party in recognition of that fantastic date! All LEGO Building Block fans are invited to come view special displays from the Indiana Lego User Group, play LEGO Stadium basketball, soccer and downhill skiing sports games, flip through the department's LEGO library and then free-build our building blocks! Don't forget the cake in ice cream! Admission is one non-perishable food item or free-will donation per person. All donations will go to the Putnam County Food Pantry.

Painting in the Park: Winter Edition

Monday, February 4th 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Greencastle City Hall | \$28.00 per person

If you loved our Painting in the Park: Fall Edition, then you're sure to love our Winter Edition! Featuring a skilled artist from Paint and Party, you'll be given step-by-step instructions on creating your very own valentine's day themed canvas! A perfect gift for a loved one or even for yourself! Minimum of 10 participants needed to hold program, maximum of 20. Session will be held during the first two weeks of February!

Milk & Cookies

Wednesday, February 6th | 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Putnam County Library | Free

Join the Greencastle Parks and Recreation Department at the Putnam County Library for Milk & Cookies! Enjoy the reading of "*If You Give A Mouse A Cookie*" by Laura Numeroff and of course some delicious cookies!

Cupid's Valentine's Day Workshop

Monday, February 11th | 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Greencastle City Hall | \$3.00 per person

With Valentine's Day just around the corner, we're breaking out our super craft box and making awesome Valentine's Day cards to give to all your friends and family! Some Valentine's Day treats will be provided! Minimum of 6 participants needed to hold program, registration deadline is February 8th.

National Tell a Fairy Tale Day

Tuesday, February 26th | 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Putnam County Library | Free

Join the Greencastle Parks & Recreation Department for National Tell a Fairy Tale Day at the Putnam County Library! Everyone will have the opportunity to create their very own fairy tale! To give everyone a little inspiration, we will read a few fairy tale classics to get your imaginations ready!

Dr. Seuss Birthday

Monday, March 4th | 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Putnam County Library | Free

"Oh, the places you'll go!" "You have the brain in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose" -Dr. Seuss

Follow the advise of Dr. Seuss and steer yourself to the Putnam County Library as we celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday with story reading and crafts! Cake will be served while supplies last!

Parks & Trails

Robe-Ann Park



Located at 405 South Bloomington Street, Robe-Ann Park is centrally located in Greencastle and hosts the Greencastle Aquatics Center, Bob York Splash Park, Daughters of the American Revolution Historic Log Cabin, Emerald Palace Playground, 3 tennis courts, 6 pickle ball courts, 2 horse shoe pits, and skate park.

Big Walnut Sports Park



Located at 1300 S. Co. Rd. 275 East, Big Walnut Sports Park includes 10 soccer fields, 2 little league baseball diamonds, 3 girls softball diamonds, 1 adult softball diamond, 1 basketball court, 19—hole disc gold course, dog park, Jo-Anne Haymaker Pine Grove, 3 picnic shelters and 1.28 mile perimeter walking pathway.

Jaycee Park



Located at 1681 East Co. Rd. 225 South. This nature park provides a great opportunity to relax and enjoy wildlife in a natural setting. A small pond that is accessible for fishing, wooded nature trail, mountain bike trails, pit restrooms and 2 picnic shelters providing many

Maple Berry Park



Located at the intersections of Maple and Berry Streets, Maple Berry Park was designed as a neighborhood park containing a basketball court, park benches, picnic tables, and an open grassy play area.

Calbert Way Park



Located at the intersection of Highway 240 and Calbert Way Drive, Calbert Way Park serves as the trailhead for the Greencastle-to-Filmore Trail and offers picnic shelter, park benches, open space, and trail use parking.

Mary Rogers Field Park



Located next to Greencastle City Hall, this small pocket park was created in memory of Mary Rogers Field. The park offers picnic facilities, benches, ornamental flower beds and is a great place for meditation.

Micaela Cancilla Park



Named after a life-long resident of the area, includes a newly installed playground, picnic table and green space.

People Pathways

Approximately 10-miles of pathways and trails located within and around the City of Greencastle. The Greencastle-to-Filmore Trail links to a shared bike system in Greencastle and is a portion of the Peoples Pathway that links to the Vandalia Trail to Coatesville. To learn more about People Pathways please visit our website at

www.greencastleparks.com

Facility Reservation

Shelter Reservations

Shelters may be used from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily. Once reserved and paid, a sign will be posted on the date of use with the party's name. If shelter reservation fee is not paid as of the reserved date, the reservation will be terminated and the shelter will be available for use to the public. Please note that at no time are alcoholic beverages allowed in any of the parks. Call **(765) 848-1515** to reserve shelter. See rental fee scale below.

Disc Golf Course

Our 19-hole Disc Golf Course at Big Walnut Sports Park is available for rentals by organizations wishing to provide an activity for their members or for fundraiser tournaments. Specific fees have been established by the Park Board for those organizations wishing to charge their users an entry fee

Softball Fields

Softball fields located at Robe-Ann Park and Big Walnut Sports Park are available to users for practices, games, and fundraiser softball tournaments. To use the forms, park office documents need to be filed. To obtain these forms, please contact our office at **(765) 653-3395**.

Not-For-Profit Organizations

The Greencastle Board of Park Commissioners has recognized the need for discounted prices for "not-for-profit" organizations. To be eligible for discounted use, a state or federal recognized 501(c)(3) certificate must be presented at the time of reservation. All fundraisers also extend beyond the "normal" use of the park facilities and the park board requires a written request to be reviewed during their monthly meetings. Please contact our office at (765) 653-3395 for more

Resident vs Non-Resident Fees

In the following fee structure, "residents" are defined as living within the corporate city limits of Greencastle and who pay city property taxes and "nonresidents" live outside the corporate city limits. This means that if you live inside the City you will see facility rentals drop in most cases. If you live outside the City, you can expect to pay a little bit more.

Facility Rental Fees:

Shelter Rentals	Seats	Resident	Non-Residents	Not For Profits
Robe-Ann Park Shelters Shelter #1	90	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$25.00
Shelter #2	120	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$25.00
Shelter#5	48	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$25.00
Band shell Band/Show/Event		\$50.00	\$65.00	\$35.00
Jaycee Park #1 w/fireplace	50	\$30.00	\$45.00	\$15.00
#2 w/fireplace	40	\$25.00	\$40.00	\$20.00
Big Walnut Sports Park Shelter #1	27	\$30.00	\$45.00	\$20.00
Shelter #2	48	\$25.00	\$40.00	\$15.00
Shelter#3	40	\$25.00	\$40.00	\$15.00
19-hole Disc Golf Course Includes BWSP Shelter #3				
No even entry fee		\$60.00	\$90.00	\$40.00
w/entry fee		\$85.00	\$115.00	\$65.00
Softball Diamonds				
Reserved Practice		\$15.00	\$30.00	\$10.00
1 Game (w/o lights)		\$20.00	\$40.00	\$15.00
1 Game (w/lights)		\$35.00	\$55.00	\$25.00
League play		\$50.00	\$75.00	_____
Tournaments				
1 - Day *		\$100.00	\$135.00	\$85.00
2 - Day *		\$175.00	\$210.00	\$150.00
3 - Day *		\$250.00	\$285.00	\$200.00
Diamond Drying supplies - \$15.00 per bag applied				
* "Day" is defined				as games scheduled per each given calendar date

Check out our website at...
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Monday - Friday

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

