

**2016 - 2017
Fall/Winter**



**VAN BUREN
TOWNSHIP
RECREATION
PROGRAM**

Please visit our
website at:
www.vanburen-mi.org



46425 Tyler Road
Van Buren Twp, MI 48111
(734) 699-8921



"A great place to live, work and play"

VAN BUREN RECREATION CENTER

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Van Buren Township, MI 48111

RECREATION CENTER HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 8:50 p.m.

Friday 7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 5:50 p.m.

HOW TO CONTACT US:

Phone: (734) 699-8921 Fax: (734) 699-8502

Website: www.vanburen-mi.org

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Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation

GIFT CERTIFICATES

Ever wonder how to wrap the gift of fun, family memories, summer camp, pavilion rentals, or nature excursions? A Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation gift certificate will help you do just that. You can purchase certificates in increments of \$5, \$10, \$25 and \$50.

Use certificates for a variety of activities:

Recreation Classes (Excluding Jazzercise and Youth Dance), **Pavilion Rentals, Summer Camp, Annual Park Passes and Community Garden Plots**

Just stop by our office at 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Twp., MI 48111 to purchase your certificate for that special someone.

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF

Jennifer Wright

Director of Parks & Recreation

Jennifer Zaenglein

Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation

Account Clerk Jennifer Price

Account Clerk Tina Harman

To contact any of the Parks & Recreation Staff, please call (734) 699-8921.

2017 RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Recreation Committee meetings are regularly held the second Tuesday every other month in the Denton Room at the Township Hall:

February 14, April 11, June 13, August 8, October 10 and December 12

Meetings are open to the public. For meeting agendas please visit our website.

www.vanburen-mi.org

EVENT SPOTLIGHT

TEEN FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT

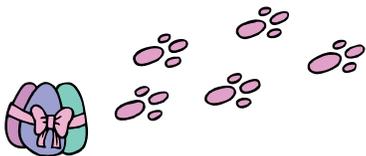
Friday, April 14 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Located at Van Buren Park (50901 S. I-94 Service Drive)

A twist on the traditional Easter Egg Hunt. Teens are invited to bring a flashlight, a basket and a friend or 2 for an awesome evening of Easter Egg hunting in the dark! Tons of treats to be found and who will be the lucky one who finds the Golden Egg?? If you do, you'll win the grand prize!

Participants are asked to bring a flashlight. Please dress accordingly as this event is outdoors. Pizza and pop under the pavilion to follow.

\$2.00 per person. Pre-registration required by April 7th.



TOUCH A TRUCK



Saturday, October 1 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(Horn Free 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.)

FREE!!! Event located at Van Buren Park

Calling all those children who love trucks! This is an opportunity for kids to climb aboard and explore vehicles of all types - public service, emergency, construction, and transportation all in one place.

Children and those young at heart can ask questions about what each vehicle does and all its functions while in a safe environment. Accompanying personnel will be on hand to demonstrate how the vehicles work and how they help us in our community. Other activities for children such as crafts and games will be on site.

Enjoy the awesome inflatable obstacle course and trackless train for the little ones plus come see all the amazing trucks!

Bring your vehicle to the event: Do you or your company have a unique vehicle that you would like to share with the community at the Touch a Truck event? If so, please fill out the Vehicle Registration Form downloadable from our website www.vanburen-mi.org on the Parks and Recreation page and return it by fax at (734) 699-8502 or email to Jennifer Wright at jawright@vanburen-mi.org.

NEW!!! - Videomobile

**Great Lakes Rolling Video Game Mobile will be a new addition to Touch a Truck!
The Video Game Mobile will be there from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**



JITTERBUGS ELITE DANCE INC. - YOUTH DANCE

Classes resume September 10th.

Monday:

Preschool Ballet/Tap	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Ages: 3-4
Kinder Hip Hop	6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Ages: 5-6
Junior Hip Hop	7:00 - 7:45 p.m.	Ages: 7-10
Senior Hip Hop	7:45 - 8:45 p.m.	Ages: 11 & up

Tuesday:

Mommy & Me	11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	
Solo w/Ms. Jennifer	4:30 - 5:00 p.m.	
Competitive Acro Jr. & Sr. Dancers	5:00 - 5:30 p.m.	
Competitive Lyrical Jr. & Sr. Dancers	5:30 - 6:00 p.m.	
Junior Ballet II	6:00 - 6:45 p.m.	
(Competitive Team Only - Ages 9-10)		
Senior Ballet	6:00 - 7:00 p.m. (Competitive and advanced approved dancers - Ages 11 and up)	
Ballet Production	7:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Ages: 10 & up
Jr. Comp. Tap	7:30 - 8:00 p.m.	
Sr. Comp. Jazz	7:30 - 8:15 p.m.	
Senior Tap	8:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Ages: 11 & up
Sr. Competitive Tap and Technique	8:15 - 9:00 p.m.	

Wednesday:

Solo w/Ms. Jennifer	4:30 - 5:00 p.m.	
Kinder Ballet	5:00 - 5:30 p.m.	Ages: 5-6
Kinder Tap	5:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Ages: 5-6
Kinder Jazz	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Ages: 5-6
Jr. Ballet II	6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Ages: 7-10
Jr. Tap	7:15 - 8:00 p.m.	Ages: 7-10
Jr. Jazz	8:00 - 8:45 p.m.	Ages: 7-10

Thursday:

Preschool Ballet/Tap	5:00 - 5:30 p.m.	Ages: 3-4
Kinder Ballet	5:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Ages: 5-6
Sr. Ballet	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Ages: 11 & up
Pointe	7:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Ages: 11 & up
Sr. Stretch, Turn & Leap for Ballet	7:30 - 8:00 p.m.	
Sr. Jazz	8:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Ages: 11 & up

Saturday:

Preschool Ballet/Tap	10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	Ages: 3-4
Kinder Ballet/Tap	11:00 - 11:30 a.m.	Ages: 5-6
Jr. Ballet I	11:30 - 12:15 p.m.	Ages: 7-10

Register with Jennifer Valinski at:

www.myjitterbugs.com (734) 777-0201**Fall/Winter Fee Schedule:**

Classes run from September 2016 till June 2017 (10 months)

1/2 hour class = Monthly fee \$30 (\$300 yearly, 38 classes including all extra rehearsal time for our 2017 Dance Retail)**45 minute class = Monthly fee of \$35** (\$350 yearly, 38 classes including all extra rehearsal time for our 2017 Dance Recital)**1 hour class = Monthly fee of \$40** (\$400 yearly, 38 classes including all extra rehearsal time for our 2017 Dance Recital)**Mommy & Me Fee = \$30****Jr. Competitive Monthly Fee = \$85****Sr. Competitive Monthly Fee = \$150****Solo Monthly Fee = \$55****Duet Monthly Fee = \$60**

Please note, you will receive 10% off all tuition for three or more classes that your child/children are enrolled in, this does not include Solos, Duets or any Competitive Classes.



NATURE SCOUTS



Nature Trackers

Saturday, January 7 10:00 a.m. - Noon
Presentation on animal tracks, track activities and games, make & take a plaster track cast.

Wilderness Survival

Saturday, January 14 10:00 a.m. - Noon
Create easy fun art projects through painting and printing! We will make pet rock magnets, a finger-print art print and a watercolor wall hanging.

Art in Nature

Saturday, January 21 10:00 a.m. - Noon
Basics of wilderness survival, hands-on activities, make your own mini survival kit.



Rocks and Minerals

Saturday, January 28 10:00 a.m. - Noon
The basics of rocks and minerals will be discussed. We will make volcanos and mini rock collections.

Nature Scouts Program Series

- Kids ages 6-10 years old
- Programs offered each Saturday in January
- Programs are 2 hrs. in length
- \$5.00 per child per program
- No charge for parents or teachers
- Children are to attend with an adult
- Registration is limited to 20 participants
- Pre-registration is required



FROG NIGHT FRIDAY

Friday, April 28 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Peep! Croak! Ribbit? Join us at Riggs Heritage Park on Martinsville Road for Frog Night Friday!

Family Program

- Program open to all ages
- Activity held outdoors, please dress accordingly
- **\$2.00 per person**
- Registration is limited...sign up today!
- Pre-registration is required
- Please register at the Van Buren Township Recreation Department located at 46425 Tyler Road

Join us this evening to:

Learn all about frogs

Participate in froggy activities

Make a fun froggy craft

Go on a frog-hunt

TAE KWON DO

Ages: 8 to adult

Tuesdays & Thursdays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**Fall Session: Sept 13 - Dec 1 (No Class Nov 8 & 24)****Winter Session: Jan 17 - April 6**

Certified Instructor: Pete Mulka, 4th Degree Black Belt

Tae Kwon Do offers a family oriented, practical, self defensive learning experience. Students are taught respect, discipline, responsibility and self control while growing in confidence, understanding and awareness. Each class includes a great physical workout and teachings in the traditional art form of Tae Kwon Do. Accept the challenge and set your goal today!

Van Buren Residents = \$55 Non-Residents = \$70

KID KWON DOAges: 3-7 **Thursdays 6:00 - 6:45 p.m.****Fall Session: September 15 - November 17****Winter Session: January 19 - March 23**

This is a children's introductory class into Tae Kwon Do. Focus will be on stranger safety as well as games and exercises to develop coordination, balance, strength and flexibility. Students will work on basic martial art techniques that will prepare them with a head start for our Tae Kwon Do class as well as other sports they may go on to participate in.

Van Buren Residents = \$45 Non-Residents = \$60

ZUMBA JUNIOR**Mondays, Sept 26 - Nov 21 (No Class Oct 31)****Mondays, January 16 - March 6****Ages: 8-13 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.**

Perfect for our younger Zumba® fans! Kids 8-13 years old get the chance to be active and jam out to their favorite music. Kid-friendly routines based on original Zumba choreography. Moves will be broken down with added games, activities and cultural exploration elements into the class structures. The program will help develop a healthy lifestyle and incorporate fitness as a natural part of children's lives by making fitness fun!

Van Buren Residents = \$50 Non-Residents = \$55
Drop-In = \$7**CHEERLEADING**

Instructor, Laura Abney, former Easter Michigan University Cheerleader, will teach students the basic fundamentals of cheerleading including sidelines, cheers, jumps and routines.

Mondays, 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Ages: 5 and up**Fall Session: September 19 - October 24****Winter Session: January 23 - February 27**

Van Buren Residents = \$50 Non-Residents = \$65

**Sept 28 - Nov 16 (8 weeks)****Jan 18 - Mar 8 (8 weeks)****Wednesdays, 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.**

Designed exclusively for youth. Zumba® Kids classes are rock-in', high-energy fitness parties packed with specially choreographed routines and all the music they love, like hip-hop, reggaeton, cumbia, and more. Youth will increase their focus and self-confidence, boost metabolism and enhance coordination.

Van Buren Resident = \$50 Non-Resident = \$55

Ages: 4-7 Drop-In = \$7**GYMNASTICS****Saturdays, Sept 17 - Nov 19 (9 wks) (No Class Oct 29)****** Saturdays, January 14 - February 4 (4 wks)****Saturdays, Mar 11 - May 20 (10 wks) (No class April 15)**

Instructor Laura Abney will teach fundamental skills of gymnastics.

Tot Tumbling

11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages: 3-4

Van Buren Residents = \$60/\$32**

Non-Residents = \$75/\$47**

Kinder Tumbling

11:30 - 12:00 p.m.

Ages: 4-5

Van Buren Residents = \$60/\$32**

Non-Residents = \$75/\$47**

Beginners I

12:15 - 1:00 p.m.

Ages: 6 and up

Van Buren Residents = \$65/\$35**

Non-Residents = \$80/\$50**

Intermediate/Adv.

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages: 6 and up

Van Buren Residents = \$70/\$40**

Non-Residents = \$85/\$55**

Beginners II

2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

Ages: 6 and up

Van Buren Residents = \$65/\$35**

Non-Residents = \$80/\$50**

SUMMER CAMP

OPEN REGISTRATION - MONDAY, MARCH 6

First Session: June 19 - July 14 (No camp July 4th)

Second Session: July 17 - August 11 (4 weeks sessions)

Registration for 1st session ends May 19

Registration for 2nd session ends June 26

Or until registration is full.

**** Please notice registration is based on grade level for the 2016-2017 school year, not age. ****

Tot Camp: (Grades: K-1) Held at Van Buren Park

Day Camp: (Grades: 2-4) Held at Van Buren Park

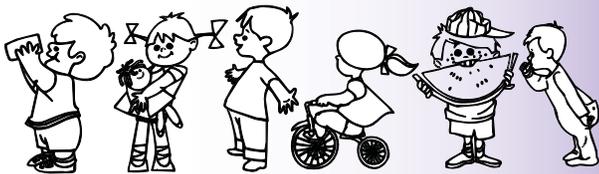
Tween Camp: (Grades: 5-8) Held at Van Buren Park

Van Buren Resident = \$475 Non-Resident = \$490

All camps run from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Camps Include: transportation for those who live in Van Buren Township and the City of Belleville, one camp t-shirt, games, crafts, field trips, socialization with peers, supervision from highly trained counselors, and a chance for a camper to just be a kid while enjoying the outdoors. The camp is licensed through the State of Michigan.

MUST PAY IN FULL, only 50 % refunds after registration date. No refunds given a week before camp starts. Please contact the Recreation Department for Parent Orientation date/time information at (734) 699-8921.



SUMMER CAMP PARENT ORIENTATION

1st Session - Monday, June 12

Tot Camp Orientation: 6:00 p.m.

Day Camp Orientation: 6:30 p.m.

Tween Camp Orientation: 7:00 p.m.

2nd Session - Tuesday, July 11

Times to be determined.

You will receive your Camp Parent Pack with all the necessary forms that can be completed and turned in that evening.

Held at the Recreation Center, 46425 Tyler Road.

NATURE IN THE CLASSROOM

Let Van Buren Parks and Recreation bring nature to you! The program takes place at your school and are scheduled for late fall through early spring. Each program lasts 1 hour and costs **\$4.00 per student.**

Fantastic Frogs

This program covers everything you would want to know about our native frogs including their lifecycle, physical characteristics, and habitat. Children will have a blast learning how to imitate the calls of these amazing amphibians.

Awesome Insects

This program covers the basics of Earth's largest group of animals - Insects! We will discuss insect body parts, life cycles, habitats and whether they are beneficial or harmful. Students will learn the difference between insects, bugs, and spiders!

Programs can also be held at Riggs Heritage Park as a Field Trip for schools within Van Buren Township including Homeschool groups.

For more information on these programs or to set up a "Nature in the Classroom"

field trip, please contact:

Jennifer Zaenglein at (734) 699-8921

jzaenglein@vanburen-mi.org



WHY TEACH A CLASS AT VAN BUREN REC DEPT?

Van Buren Township Parks & Recreation Department's main concentration is providing our community of all ages and abilities quality recreational opportunities in a fun and safe environment. Programs that are offered to the community focus on health and wellness, social interaction, team building skills, as well as personal/professional/cultural enhancement. Hiring qualified instructors enables us to provide the highest standards we strive for when offering these programs.

Van Buren Township is a growing community that thrives for recreational opportunities. New ideas are greatly appreciated but traditional classes are still just as popular. The Recreation Department is open to various ideas and values "out of the box" thinking.

Please call (734) 699-8921 or visit our website to obtain an Instructor Proposal Packet.



Zumba combines Latin rhymes and easy to follow moves to create a fun and dynamic fitness program. The routine features interval training sessions where fast and slow rhythms and resistance training are combined to tone and sculpt body while burning fat. Participants will have a blast and won't even realize they are exercising! **Designed for all ages!

Instructor: Rosabella Schofield

Mondays & Wednesdays 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Starting September 7 - Ongoing

6 class Punch Card:

\$35 - Cards do not expire.

\$6.00 - drop-in fee

**** Punch cards can be used any Monday and/or Wednesday.**

TOUCH OF CLASS URBAN STYLE BALLROOM

Let instructor Dennis Radford enlighten you on Urban Ballroom Dance. Urban Ballroom dancing is a contemporary form of hand dance derived from the basic Cha Cha, a dance that takes two. Executing the Cha Cha along with turns, spins, dips and lifts. This dance fashions an urban flavor with the smoothness and elegance of each partner. It is danced on the beat of most urban music, some jazz, R&B and soul. It begins with the social or greystone position, then proceeds to the male leading his partner in a series of steps.

Beginner: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Intermediate: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesdays, September 20 - November 29 (10 weeks)
(No Class November 8)

Tuesdays, January 17 - March 21

Van Buren Resident = \$6/class or \$50/per person

Non-Resident = \$7/class or \$60/per person

VAN BUREN PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN

Fitness researchers have found that gardening provides all three types of exercise; endurance, flexibility and strength. Researchers have also found that digging in soil can help with mental health and relieve depression so why not rent a garden plot to help start and/or maintain a healthy lifestyle while helping to keep your grocery bill down.

Rent a plot in this year's Community Garden located in Van Buren Park. You are able to tend your own plot all summer long and have the ability to grow vegetables, fruits, herbs, and flowers. Perfect for those who live in apartment complexes or who don't have a yard of their own.

Plots are open from May 15 to October 15

\$25 a plot for the season includes an annual park pass.



Jazzercise is a pulse-pounding, bass-dropping fitness program that gets results...fast. Customers can incinerate up to 800 calories in one 60 minute class. Fresh body pulsing music and new moves keep you psyched to sweat. Instructors train every year to master the Jazzercise method, which fuses cardio, resistance training, Pilates, yoga, kickboxing and, of course, the demanding forms of dance. There are a variety of classes to choose from including Strike, Fusion, Core, Interval, Strength and our most popular class, Dance Mixx. Dance Mixx fuses dance-based cardio with strength training for a core chiseling workout that blasts fat.

Ongoing, Mondays & Wednesdays

**8:15-9:15 a.m., **9:30-10:30 a.m., 4:30-5:30 p.m.,
5:45 - 6:45 p.m. and 7:00-8:00 p.m. (low impact)

****Childcare is available Monday-Friday mornings for only \$1.00 per child/per day. Must make reservation by 8:00 p.m. the night prior to class by calling Holly Haddell at (734) 644-4656.**

Ongoing, Tuesdays & Thursdays

**8:15-9:15 a.m. (not on Thursday),
**9:30 - 10:30 a.m. (not on Tuesday),
4:30-5:30 p.m., 5:45-6:45 p.m.
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Thursday Only)

Ongoing, Fridays

**8:15-9:15 a.m., **9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
and 5:45 - 6:15 p.m. (Express)

Ongoing, Saturdays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Ongoing, Sundays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.,
10:45 - 11:45 a.m. (Body Sculpting)

12 Month Option: \$35 joining fee and \$42/month

6 Month Option: \$50 joining fee and \$46/month

Daily Pass: \$12

For more information call Holly Haddell at
(734) 644-4656 or email: dance.fitness.llc@gmail.com

PICKLEBALL

Ongoing, Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Ages: 18 and up \$2.00 per person

Bring your own paddle, balls are provided. (Limited paddle rentals will be made available by providing a valid Driver's License to the recreation desk staff).

Pickleball is a fun game that is played on a badminton court with the net lowered to 34 inches at the center. It is played with a perforated plastic baseball (similar to a whiffle ball) and wood or composite paddles. It is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players.

Held in the Van Buren Rec Gymnasium
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WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE

Two Day Seminar

Friday, October 14 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 15 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Friday, March 24 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 25 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Women need to know what to do if they find themselves in a compromising situation. There might not be a second chance! Don't be caught off guard. 4th degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and ex law enforcement officer, Peter Mulka will teach basic escape techniques and simple counter moves. Learn quick thinking strategies and about weapons of opportunity to help you develop into a strong minded and empowered woman ready to take control when necessary. Sign up today for yourself and for those who depend on you. Bring your mom, sister, daughter, grandma and friends too.

2 Day Seminar: VB Resident = \$25 Non-Resident = \$30

NEW!**BELLEVILLE AREA COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS****PRESENTS...****KID'S ART CLUB: ARTISTS' PETS****Saturdays, January 7 - February 11 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

Elementary aged students will enjoy learning about famous artists along with different art media while receiving step by step instruction to create beautiful art pieces. Each week will focus on a different artist and media to build skills and appreciation.

Instructor: Mendie Russell

\$50 per student and \$10 material fee payable to the instructor at the first day of class.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY**Thursdays, January 12 - February 16 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

Learn digital photography from the basics to actual photo critique. Start with the basics of digital photography all the way to live shoots and end with photo critiques. Learn skills, technique and workflow.

Instructor: Chris Hardy Ages: 16 and up

\$90 per person and \$10 material fee payable to the instructor at the first day of class.

FROM POTATOES TO T-SHIRTS**Mondays, January 23 - February 27 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.****Ages: 12 - Adult**

The emphasis of this course will be to provide each student with the necessary skills to create original works by transferring an existing image onto a variety of substrates such as papers, wood and cloth as long as they are more or less flat. The course will cover printmaking techniques, such as multiple printing, registration and chemical reversals, with an emphasis on creativity and the development of a personal style.

Students will be able to use their designs to make things such as; greeting cards, posters, art prints and even t-shirts using a variety of techniques ranging from printing with a potato to serigraphy. No previous experience needed.

Instructor: Ken Voight

\$35 per student and \$15 material fee payable to the instructor at the first day of class.

Please register for classes early so we can plan accordingly.

****All classes are held at the Van Buren Rec Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville, MI 48111.**

OPEN SCRAPBOOKING & SEWING**Fridays: 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

September 30, October 28, January 27, February 24, March 31, April 28 (No Class in Nov or Dec)

Have an unfinished project you just can't seem to complete at home? Well look no further and come to the recreation department to finish that scrapbook or sewing project while meeting people and enjoying some pizza!

\$2.00 per person (pizza included)

****Must pre-register at least one day in advance for us to properly plan.**

ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR**Wednesday, October 12 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.****Wednesday, January 18 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

Free Seminar on basic estate planning documents such as wills, power of attorney (financial and medical) and trusts. Presenter, Amy Eversole will discuss these topics and more. Be prepared by getting the knowledge you need for when you need it.

No cost - FREE Seminar!

To help with planning, please pre-register for this seminar. Refreshments will be provided.

CANDY LOOP

Saturday, October 29 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
FREE!! FREE!! FREE!! **Rain or Shine**

The Candy Loop will take place at Quirk Park behind the Township Hall near the pavilion. Little ghosts and goblins can walk the path to various candy stops to receive tricks or treats. Walk the loop as the DJ plays fun Halloween music.

Businesses looking to be a part of this event, please call (734) 699-8921 to obtain your free sponsorship package. Candy volunteers are needed!

**HOPPIN' HULLABALOO
 ON THE "EGG AVENUE"**

Saturday, April 15 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. FREE EVENT!!!

Ages 1-10 are invited to attend the Hoppin' Hullabaloo. Little ones can walk the Egg Avenue hallway in the Township Hall. At the end of the route Baloo the Bunny will be waiting for you. Bring your camera to capture the special moment of your child with Baloo the Bunny. Then enjoy fun craft stations and face painting.

(See Page 2 for Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt)

COCOA & CUPCAKES

Saturday, December 17 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Ages: 6-11

Parents, still have some last minute holiday shopping or wrapping to do? Then drop your little ones off at the Recreation Department where they can have fun making yummy cocoa and decorating delectable cupcakes!

Kids will play some fun games and make a holiday sparkle craft to take home. Sign up today, it will be a delightful and delicious time.

Van Buren Resident = \$6
 Non-Resident = \$7

Pre-Registration required by December 5th

HOLIDAY ARTS & CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, December 3 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Van Buren Township Community Center
 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Twp, MI 48111

CRAFTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

- **ALL CRAFTS MUST BE HANDMADE.** (Non-handmade items will not be allowed.)
- Electricity is not provided for crafts.
- Crafters must provide their own display setup.
- Setup begins Friday, December 2, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- Setup Saturday begins at 8:00 a.m.
- Crafters are expected to stay until 3:00 p.m.
- Call for space availability before sending payment.
- Send 2 pictures of your display.
- Checks are payable to Van Buren Township.
- Call (734) 699-8921 for more information.

8' x 8' Space = \$20 bring your own table
 \$25 - 6 ft. table supplied

8' x 10' Space = \$25 bring your own table
 \$30 - 6 ft. table supplied

10' x 10' Space = \$30 bring your own table
 \$35 - 6 ft. table supplied

\$5 for additional table.

**22ND ANNUAL
 DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE**

Dads, bring your little princess to a Candyland filled with sweet moments. Come ready to dance in a candy atmosphere to be shared with your sweetheart.

**Friday, February 10 or Saturday, February 11
 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Grandfathers, uncles, big brothers, etc... are invited as well. There will be no refunds. No tickets sold at the door. Tickets are limited.

Van Buren Residents = \$20 per couple
 Non-Residents = \$25 per couple
 \$5 for each additional child
 \$10 for each additional adult

****Pre-Registration is necessary, register by February 3.**

**The Great Monarch Butterfly Adventure
and Kid's Fun Run**



Saturday, September 17 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Kid's Butterfly Costume Contest - 1:30 p.m.
Kids Butterfly Fun Run - 3:30 p.m.



Join us at Riggs Park for a great family outing!
 (12945 Martinsville Road, Van Buren Twp, MI)

The Monarch Butterfly population is greatly in decline and you can help by coming out and joining us for The Great Monarch Butterfly Adventure!

Activities Include:

Butterfly Games and Crafts, Butterfly Hikes, Milkweek Mud Mud Ball Toss, Scavenger Hunt, Butterfly Full-Face Painting, Butterfly Gardening Tips.



Kid's Butterfly Costume Contest: (Elementary-aged Kids)
 Kids... Come dressed like a butterfly and try to win a prize!



Kid's Butterfly Fun Run: (Elementary-aged Kids)

Fun Run is a short, non-competitive run.

\$15 per child - Includes a t-shirt and finishers medal

Participants must register for the Fun Run by August 1st to guarantee a shirt!

2017 Pavilion Rentals



Pavilions 1, 2, 3, at Van Buren Park and Riggs Park Pavilion:

Residents/Non-Profit Groups (8:00 a.m. to Close)	\$100
Non-Resident/Commercial (8:00 a.m. to Close)	\$120

Pavilion 4 at Van Buren Park and Quirk Park Pavilion:

Residents/Non-Profit Groups (8:00 a.m. to Close)	\$90
Non-Resident/Commercial (8:00 a.m. to Close)	\$110

**** All pavilion patrons at Van Buren Park are still subject to the vehicle gate fees (See Page 13) ****

VAN BUREN PARK

50901 S. I-94 Service Drive

Located on the S. I-94 Service Drive between Belleville and Rawsonville Roads



Amenities: Hiking trails, 2 playstructures, picnic areas, pavilions, basketball court, swings, grills, beach area, sled hill (winter only), community garden and restroom facilities.

ENTRY FEE:

Daily Pass: \$5 = Van Buren Residents \$7= Non-Residents
 \$15 = Van Buren/Belleville Resident Annual Pass
 \$20 = Non-Resident Annual Pass
 \$8 = Seniors (55 and older) Annual Pass

Fall/Winter Park Hours:

Monday - Friday: 10:00 a.m. - Dusk
 Saturday & Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - Dusk

**** Holidays will use weekend hours ****

RIGGS HERITAGE PARK

12945 Martinsville Road

Located on Martinsville off of Huron River Drive.



Amenities: Pavilion, restroom facilities, trails and nature scenic views. No entry fee.

QUIRK PARK & SENIOR GARDEN

Located on Quirk Road behind Van Buren Township Hall. Parking is available at the Community Center or at the Quirk Park Pavilion located on the corner of Quirk and Ayres Roads.



Amenities: Playstructure, walking paths, vita course, picnic tables, grills, pavilion, soccer fields, swings, shuffleboard, checkers and chess tables. No entry fee.

FRENCH LANDING PARK

12090 Haggerty Road

Located on the West Side of Haggerty Road just South of the S. I-94 Service Drive.



Amenities: Fishing, picnic areas, restrooms and a playground. No entry fee.

HAGGERTY NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

Located in Haggerty Subdivision
 With entrances located on both Hamilton and Jackson Streets.



Amenities: Playstructure, swings, pavilion, picnic tables and grills. No entry fee.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES/PROGRAMS

Register at the Community Services Desk, Monday through Thursday between 7:30 a.m. - 8:50 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:50 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 5:50 p.m. We are located at 46425 Tyler Road between Belleville and Beck Roads. Registration is taken on a first come, first serve basis. We accept cash or check. Please make checks payable to:

Van Buren Township

OPEN GYM PARTICIPANTS

Patrons who show one of the following will pay:

Valid Driver's License showing current address
\$3.00

Current School I.D.
\$2.00

Non-Residents
(Must show current I.D.)
\$5.00

Everyone MUST HAVE a picture I.D.!!!

Any disregard of gym rules can result in being banned from the gym

Sunday	Jazzercise Open Basketball Gym closes at 5:50 p.m.	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 12:30 p.m. - 5:50 p.m.
Monday	Jazzercise Pickleball Jazzercise Open Basketball Gym closes at 8:50 p.m.	7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 8:05 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.
Tuesday	Jazzercise Open Basketball Jazzercise Tae Kwon Do Gym closes at 8:50 p.m.	7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - 3:50 p.m. 4:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.
Wednesday	Jazzercise Pickleball Jazzercise Open Basketball Gym closes at 8:50 p.m.	7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 8:05 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.
Thursday	Jazzercise Open Basketball Jazzercise Tae Kwon Do Gym closes at 8:50 p.m.	7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - 3:50 p.m. 4:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.
Friday	Jazzercise Pickleball Jazzercise Gym closes at 6:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday	Jazzercise Gymnastics Gym closes at 3:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

****Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Parents/Guardians please make certain that you are here prior to closing to pick up your child. Times are subject to change, please call (734) 699-8921 to confirm the open gym schedule times.**

Participant's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Age, if under 18: _____

Email Address (recreation brochure will be sent out electronically): _____

Health conditions, allergies, special precautions, necessary accommodations, or anything staff should be aware of (such as wheelchair use, seizures, diabetes, etc.): _____

In case of Emergency - person should be available during program hours.

Name

Relationship

Phone

ACTIVITY

DATE/TIME

FEE

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

OF CLASSES: _____ **AMOUNT PAID:** _____ **RECEIPT #:** _____

I hereby accept all responsibility for and will not hold the Charter Township of Van Buren, Van Buren Township Board of Trustees and/or Van Buren Parks and Recreation Department or its employees liable for any loss, damage, or injury to property or any person as a result of involvement in Van Buren Township's recreation classes or programs.

In the event of sudden illness, accident, or injury which may occur while my self or my child is participating in an activity supervised by Van Buren Township employees, when neither the parents or guardians can be contacted, I hereby give my consent for emergency medical treatment as shall be necessary under the circumstances by an physician licensed under the laws of the State of Michigan.

I understand that the Township may take photographs for use in Township publications and news releases without my written consent. It is my intention that this release be as broad as Michigan Law allows releases to be. I understand that, without this document, the cost of participation would be necessarily greater, and I also acknowledge that I may obtain insurance to protect myself if I so choose.

Signature: (Parent or Guardian, if not over 18)

Date

Please mail to: Van Buren Recreation Department, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Twp, MI 48111

REFUND POLICY

E-NEWSLETTER

Patron satisfaction is our most important objective.

Full refunds will be issued if the Recreation Department cancels a program. If you are seeking a refund, refunds will be given during the first week of the class/program ONLY. NO refunds after one week of classes starting. A \$10.00 administrative fee per person, per program, per season will be charged for all refunds requested by the participant. Credit vouchers are another opportunity for a refund. \$10.00 administrative fee is waived on credit vouchers. Refunds or reduction of fees will not be given for classes missed by the participant. Refunds will be received in the mail within 4-6 weeks. No refunds for one-day programs, community events and trips.

E-Newsletters are another form of communication provided by the Township that can be sent to your personal e-mail address that will help keep you up to date on happenings in the recreation department such as new classes, programs and special events. Simply go to www.vanburen-mi.org and click on "E-Newsletter Sign-up!" You will then enter your first name, last name, and e-mail address into the provided fields, and select the E-Newsletter(s) that you wish to subscribe to. Shortly thereafter you will receive a "Welcome to our newsletter" confirmation e-mail.

VOLUNTEERS

The Van Buren Parks and Recreation Department is looking for volunteers to assist with our community activities, events and youth programs. There is something for everyone, ongoing volunteer programs or a few hours of activity helping others. Upcoming volunteer opportunities include: Daddy/Daughter Dance, Hoppin' Hullabaloo and Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt. For more information, please contact Jennifer Wright at: (734) 699-8921 or jawright@vanburen-mi.org.

IMPORTANT RECREATION PHONE NUMBERS:

Van Buren Community Soccer Association
(734) 649-2454 or www.vanburensoccer.com
You must register with the Association for soccer.

Belleville Tigers Youth Football and Cheer
Amy Harkle (734) 502-7694, Deb Parraghi (313) 670-2059
or www.bellevillecougars.com
You must register with the Belleville Cougars.

Van Buren Area Little League
Marc Littleson (734) 260-6017
www.vanburenarealittleleague@yahoo.com
You must register with the Van Buren Area Little League.

Belleville Junior Tiger Swim Club
Email: bellevillejrtigerswimclub@yahoo.com
Facebook: [Junior Tiger Swim Club](https://www.facebook.com/JuniorTigerSwimClub)
You must register with the Junior Tiger Swim Club.

Belleville Wrestling Club
(734) 697-7887 or bellevillewrestling@yahoo.com
You must register with Belleville Wrestling Club.

Belleville Lacrosse Athletic Association
P.O. Box 500, Belleville, MI 48112
Email: bellevillelaxboosters@gmail.com
Angela Mercer, President: (734) 493-2760
You must register with the Belleville Lacrosse.

**All of the above groups are parent ran organizations.
Groups use recreation department's facilities only.**

PROGRAM CANCELLATION OR MODIFICATION

Van Buren Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel or modify a program due to low enrollment or other unforeseen circumstances. Registrants will be notified if changes occur to their respective programs.

REGISTER EARLY!

Register for a program at least one week prior to the start of class. This will help eliminate the need to cancel classes due to low enrollment. Reserve your spot today!

ADA ACCESSIBILITY

The Van Buren Parks and Recreation Department is working toward making all of our facilities, programs, services and activities accessible to everyone. Individuals requiring an auxiliary aid or accommodations should advise us of your needs at the time of registration or a minimum of 72 hours prior to the start of the service. Every effort will be made to make the facilities accessible.