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Personnel Coordinator Retires

After 25 years of public service, Brenda Lovell has decided to retire. Brenda was hired by the City of Groveport in 2003. While employed by the City of Groveport, she was awarded the Pacesetter Award by the National Public Employee Relations Assn. for founding the Central Ohio Human Resources Network. Prior to working for the City, Brenda worked for Franklin County Child Support as a Supervisor in the Administrative Paternity Department.

With more free time on her hands, Brenda hopes to spend more time with her husband (David) and family, travel, garden and exercise at the Groveport Rec. Center. Mayor Westcamp, City Council and all of the City staff appreciate Brenda's work over the years and wish her all the best. She will be missed.



Brenda Lovell

Personnel Director Hired

Please join us in welcoming Sue Wadley to our City of Groveport staff as Personnel Director. Sue brings a wealth of knowledge regarding human resource practices with her. Her previous experience includes eight years as Director of Human Resources with Licking County and, most recently, five years as Director of Human Resources with the City of Gahanna. Sue holds a Bachelor degree in Human Resources Management from Franklin University, and has earned multiple certifications in human resources from HRCI, Shrm and IPMA.

One of Sue's goals is to work with employees to provide specialized education opportunities, with an emphasis on safety, for all of our employees. She believes that this encourages better efficiency, lowers time away from work with work-related injuries, and ultimately saves the taxpayer money. Welcome to our team Sue!



Sue Wadley

Celebrate St. Patty's Day at The Paddock

Stop over to the Paddock Pub (1005 Richardson Road, Groveport, OH 43125) on Friday, March 17 for dinner & drink specials. Live music will be available from 6 pm to 9 pm (no cover charge). The Pub is located adjacent to the Links At Groveport Pro Shop. To learn more about the Paddock Pub, visit www.thepaddockpub.com.



Creating community through parks, recreation, education, culture, art & people

CITY OF GROVEPORT

- General News -

614-836-5301 / www.groveport.org

Ed Rarey resigns from Council

Groveport City Council accepted the resignation of Ed Rarey, a long time Councilman, at their February 13, 2017 Council meeting. Ed, currently in his sixth term in office, resigned due to recent health issues. Always one to do his best to represent the needs of Groveport residents, Ed was instrumental in emphasizing recreation projects, such as the aquatic center, recreation/senior center, bike path, and golf course improvements. Two projects that Ed recently touted was last year's Wirt Road pedestrian path and this year's Hendron Road improvements. Ed's pride in Groveport is always present, and our pride in him knows no limits. We wish Ed the best.



Getting the itch to play golf?

If you are a central Ohio golfer and you have not hit the fairways at The Links At Groveport... you don't know what you are missing. The 18 hole, par 72 course features:

- Public play for Groveport residents & non-residents
- Affordable green fees
- Lush irrigated & mature tree-lined fairways
- Small manicured greens
- (4) sets of tees
- Practice putting & chipping greens
- Large driving range
- Gas golf carts
- Pro shop
- Golf Outings & Leagues
- Lessons
- Youth Clinics
- Banquet facility
- Restaurant & Bar "The Paddock Pub"

The front nine was built in 1929 and was designed by Frank Waught. The back nine was built in 1971 and was designed by Hurdzan/Kidwell. The course is owned and managed by the City of Groveport.

1005 Richardson Road • Groveport, OH 43125
614-836-5874 / www.groveport.org/213/Golf

*"Just a driver and a 5 iron from
the Groveport Rec Center."*



Council Vacancy

The City of Groveport is accepting resumes to fill the unexpired term of Councilmember Ed Rarey. The unexpired term will be effective March 11, 2017 through December 31, 2017. Resumes, along with a Letter of Interest, will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. on March 10, 2017. Resumes received after that time will not be considered.

For additional information, contact Clerk of Council Ruth-Anne Ross at (614) 830-2052. Resumes should be sent to the attention of:

Ruth-Anne Ross, *Clerk of Council*
City of Groveport
655 Blacklick Street
Groveport, Ohio 43125

GRC making a difference in the greater Groveport area

The Groveport Recreation Center teamed up with the students from the Fairfield Career Center Exercise Science students to raise money for the Groveport Madison Human Needs Adopt-A-Family Program. The Groveport Recreation Center's fitness instructors donated class time and organized a raffle to raise money. The students from the career center organized a week long Fit Fest complete with fitness classes, personal training sessions and fitness competitions. The program had hoped to raise \$2,500 in 2016. With our combined efforts, we were able to raise \$2,810.00 for the Groveport Madison Adopt-A-Family Program.

The "Week To Give" program was developed by Stephania Bernard-Ferrell (Sports/Fitness Manager) in 2012. In it's first year, the program raised \$685. Since it's inception, the program has raised over \$7,995 for Groveport Madison Human Needs Adopt-A-Family.



Groveport Community Garden

Plots are still available for the Groveport Community Garden (located at Heritage Park, 551 Wirt Road) \$10 per plot & multiple plots are available. Planting begins in early April and continues thru late November. Questions, contact Kyle Lund (Recreation Director) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1503 or klund@groveport.org.



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Gift Cards

Gift cards can now be purchased at the Groveport Recreation Dept. and can be used at either the Groveport Rec. Center or Groveport Aquatic Center. The cards are re-loadable and are treated like cash. Who doesn't like getting a gift card?

March Climbing Wall Hours

Monday	6 - 8 PM
Tuesday	6 - 8 PM
Thursday	6 - 8 PM
Saturday	12 - 3 PM
Sunday	12 - 3 PM

Quote of Month:

**It's not about
having time,
it's about
MAKING TIME**

Birthday Parties

If you are a parent with an active child, you need to read further. \$250 covers 20 Day Passes to the GRC • 90 minute room reservation • 3 Large Single Item Pizzas • 1 Dairy Queen Ice Cream Cake • 4 Two Liters of Pop • Disposable plates, cups, napkins & utensils • T-shirt for the birthday boy or girl • 4 GRC Day Passes to be used at a later date. Your child will also have his birthday splashed on our massive digital marquee sign. All you need are a few decorations, some invitations and maybe some ear plugs (optional). Additional party guests are only \$5/person. To check room availability, please call our office at 614-836-1000. **Booking now for summer parties.**

Soccer Officials Needed

Do you have a teenager who knows a little bit about the game of soccer or previously played the sport? Want that teenager to learn what it takes to make his or her own money? If so, have your teenager call Amy Van Huffel (Rec. Coord.) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1505 to learn more about working in our Youth Soccer Leagues. Training is provided.



**Adults are also
welcome to serve as
Soccer Officials with
the Recreation Dept.**

How can you avoid sleeping with the dog outside?



Answer:

**Register your son
or daughter for
our Youth Spring
Soccer League.**

**MARCH 1st is
the deadline.**

On-Line Registration Available

Did you know that you can register on-line for most of our programs, including swim lessons? www.groveportrec.com. Please see our front desk staff to set up a User Name & Password.

Employee of the Month

Maria is being recognized by her peers for being a hard working, helpful & thorough staff member, who is trained to work in many areas of the facility. She is constantly interacting with customers of all ages and is not afraid to ask questions. Even when she is cleaning fitness equipment, Maria has a genuine smile on her face. At some point in her young life, Maria hopes to work in the field of Exercise-Science.



Maria Zamaripa-Vargas
- January 2017 -

**BONUS... Get an extra month for
FREE when you renew with the**



This bonus applies to persons who renew within 30 days of their pass expiration. Not sure when your pass expires? Just give us a call at 614-836-1000.

GROVEPORT RECREATION DEPT.

- Fitness -

614-836-1000 / www.groveportrec.com

DAY	TIME	CLASS	INSTRUCTOR
Mon.	9:15 a.m.	Trim Tummies	Denune
	10:00 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Frank
	10:00 a.m.	SilverSneakers Classic	Denune
	10:00 a.m.	Boot Camp	Newland
	11:15 a.m.	Arthritis Aquatics Program	Frank
	5:00 p.m.	Arthritis Land Based Program	Frank
	6:00 p.m.	Water Aerobics	Denune
	6:15 p.m.	Zumba	Frank
Tues.	6:30 a.m.	Beginners Yoga Flow	Faith
	7:00 a.m.	*PuroFitness	James
	8:30 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Denune
	10:00 a.m.	Indoor Cycling	Newland
	11:15 a.m.	SilverSneakers Circuit	Denune
	5:30 p.m.	Pilates	Neu
Wed.	6:45 p.m.	Strength and Conditioning	Neu
	9:15 a.m.	Cycling with Sara	Denune
	10:00 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Frank
	10:15 a.m.	SilverSneakers Yoga	Denune
	11:15 a.m.	Arthritis Aquatics Program	Frank
	11:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	Quamme
	6:00 p.m.	Piloxing® Barre	Neu
	6:15 p.m.	Aqua Zumba	Frank
Thurs.	6:30 a.m.	Beginners Yoga Flow	Faith
	7:00 a.m.	*PuroFitness	James
	9:00 a.m.	Stretch to Fitness	Frank
	9:15 a.m.	H2O Kickboxing/Step	Denune
	10:30 a.m.	SilverSneakers Classic	Frank
	12:00 p.m.	Tai Chi for Beginners	Henry
	5:00 p.m.	Arthritis Land Based Program	Frank
	6:15 p.m.	Zumba / Strength & Tone	Frank
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Denune
	8:45 a.m.	Tai Chi for Arthritis + Fall Prevent.	Henry
	10:00 a.m.	Cycling with Sara	Denune
	5:30 p.m.	Pilates	Neu
Sat.	8:10 a.m.	Hot Yoga	Stollard
	10:00 a.m.	Boot Camp	Newland
	11:15 a.m.	Indoor Cycling	Newland
	12:00 p.m.	*Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do	Evans
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	Restorative Yoga	Finneran

Free Blood Pressure Screenings

Compliments of the Madison Township Fire Dept., free blood pressure screenings will be offered in the lobby of the Groveport Recreation Center. *Due to emergency runs, there may be times when the Madison Twp. Fire dept. staff may not be available.*

Date:	Time:
Thursday, March 2	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Thursday, March 16	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

A blood pressure cuff is also available if these times are not accessible. Ask a fitness attendant for help.

Hot Yoga

Do you avoid Yoga classes because you think you aren't flexible enough? Do you skip it because you don't sweat enough? If so, then the new Hot Yoga flow is perfect for you! A standard flow class is done in an 80-90 degree room that will not only make you sweat and help flush out toxins. It will also help loosen your muscles and allow you to go deeper into the poses. All levels welcome. However, prior yoga experienced and basic knowledge recommended. Please bring a water bottle and towel along with your mat.

Who:	Ages 13 and over
Dates/Times:	Sat., 8:10 - 9:10 AM
Location:	Groveport Recreation Center
Fee:	\$8 Res. / \$9 NR

Month Long IRONMAN

Track your progress and earn an Ironman Challenge T-shirt by completing the distances. Do the challenge on your own or with 2 to 3 other people. If competing as a team, each team member must turn in their own challenge form with their & their team name listed. SWIM: 2.4 miles (76 down & back laps in our pool). BIKE: 112 miles. RUN: 26.2 miles. Simply complete the Ironman Challenge progress chart and turn it in to the fitness desk. Earn an additional award by completing an Ironman for every month from March through December 2017. For more info., pick up a flyer in the lobby of the GRC or call Stephania Bernard-Ferrell at 614-836-1000 ext. 1513.

Who:	Ages 13 and over
Months:	March - December
Location:	Groveport Rec. Center
Fee:	FREE

* Pre-registration REQUIRED.

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- Fitness / Sports Med. Minute -

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Trail Riders Group Bike Ride

Join this weekly drop-in bike ride to explore local trails and try some new lunch spots! Each ride will be approximately 10 – 15 miles per round trip, with a lunch stop scheduled along the way. **BEGINNERS ARE WELCOME.** No riders are left behind. The first Wednesday of the month will have a free pre-ride bike clinic led by Cyclist Connection at 10:30 a.m. (*). Rides begin at 11:00 am.

Participants are responsible for buying their own lunch at the food stops, as well as providing their own locks/chains if securing bikes while eating. Helmets are required. The ride should last approximately 2-3 hours, including the lunch stop. Some on-road riding may be required to reach the lunch destination. Questions? Call Amy Van Huffel, Recreation Coordinator, at 614-836-1000 ext. 1505 or email avanhuffel@groveport.org.

Date	Start	Lunch
4/5*	Cruiser Park	Birch Tavern
4/12	Walnut Woods Metro Park (Richardson Rd.)	Paddock Pub
4/19	Pickerington Ponds Metro Park (Glacier Knoll)	Tim Horton's
4/26	Three Creeks Metro Park (Heron Pond)	Flyers Pizza & Subs
5/3*	Cruiser Park	Littly Italy
5/10	Walnut Wood Metro Park (Richardson Rd.)	Paddock Pub
5/17	Pickerington Ponds Metro Park (Glacier Knoll)	Arby's
5/24	Three Creeks Metro Park (Heron Pond)	Los Mariachis
5/31	Groveport Rec Center (West Lot)	Birch Tavern

Little League Elbow

(SPORTS MED. MINUTE)

With the increasing participation and competitive level of today's youth sports, more adolescent and pediatric patients are being evaluated and treated for a variety of elbow injuries. Each year over two million children participate in Little League activities. Previous surveys have shown symptomatic elbow pain in 17-20% of all little league throwers. A more recent study found a 26% frequency of elbow pain in 9-12 year-old baseball players.

SPORTS MED. MINUTE CONTINUED...

In 1960, the term "little league elbow" was coined to describe an acute fracture of the medial epicondyle (the bump on the inside of the elbow) in an adolescent pitcher. Today, "little league elbow" includes injuries that are not only unique to the immature upper extremity, but also to the specific demands of sports like baseball, tennis, golf and gymnastics. Both acute elbow fractures and certain overuse elbow injuries can distort the growth process in children, and may lead to long-term dysfunction.

Acute fractures and dislocations within the elbow joint are often seen and considered orthopedic emergencies; swelling and disruption of the elbow structures can damage one or more of the major nerves which pass over the elbow joint to control the forearm, wrist, and/or hand. Even partial damage to the blood supply can lead to a very serious condition called "compartment syndrome." Failure to recognize this condition can lead to permanent loss of function.

More common, are the "overuse" injuries, which cause elbow pain in the young athlete. Elbow pain is usually one of the following conditions:

- apophysitis of the medial epicondyle
- osteochondritis dissecans of the capitellum or lateral epicondyle (the bump on the outside of the elbow), or
- damage to the growth plate at the end of the arm bone interfering with normal growth of the bone.

In children whose bones are still growing, the muscle tendons attach to the growth cartilage (called the apophysis) at the elbow joint. This attachment is weaker than the muscle tendons. With the repetitive stress produced by varying stages of throwing, portions of the apophysis may gradually be pulled off by the repetitive throwing motion. This produces a gradual onset of pain on the inner aspect of the elbow.

Throwers often complain of decreased ability to throw as hard or as far in comparison to pre-injury levels. Swelling and loss of elbow motion may occur. Any child who experiences such pain should immediately be removed from sports activity and evaluated by a pediatric specialist. Xrays, or MRIs, are taken to assess the extent of damage to the injured joint. If the diagnosis reveals only mild displacement of the growth cartilage from the underlying bone, non-surgical treatment is appropriate. This entails rest, no throwing, and physical therapy to restore range of motion. Children must wait at least 6-9 weeks before returning to sports. When significant displacement occurs, surgery may be needed to ensure proper positioning of the detached cartilage as healing occurs. In surgery, the detached fragment is reattached with pins, screws, or suture stitches. Throwing is often prohibited for six months after surgery.

To learn more about Osteochondritis and the treatment of Little League Elbow, visit

<http://www.nationwidechildrens.org/little-league-elbow-article>

GROVEPORT RECREATION DEPT.

- Adult Sports / Youth Sports -

614-836-1000 / www.groveportrec.com

Adult Pickleball Play

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 wiffle ball) and wood or composite paddles. The game can be played as singles (one person per side) or doubles (two people per side). It is easy for beginners to learn, and can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players.

Who: Men and Women 18 and over

Date/Times: Tuesday - All Skills
9:00 - 11:30 AM
Thursdays - Advanced
6:00 - 8:30 PM

Location: Groveport Rec. Center

Player Fee: \$40



Spring/Summer Softball Leagues

The sunshine will be here before you know it. Get your team and your gloves ready. Each team will play 10 weeks of regular season. The top 6 teams will be invited into a single elimination tournament.

Who: Men and Women, 18 Yrs & over
Mon. (Men's Competitive) Fri. (Co-Rec)
Tue. (Men's Open) Sun. (Co-Rec)
Thur. (Men's Open)

Date: Tentatively the week of April 24

Location: Groveport Park

Registration: Jan. 2 - April 14 **Team Fee:** \$375



Want to play on a team, but don't have a team to play on?

If this is you, contact Stephania Bernard-Ferrell at 614-836-1000 ext. 1513 or sbernard@groveport.org. She will then put you on "Free Agent List" and will try and get you placed on a team. If there are enough Free Agents, a "Free Agent Team" may be formed.

Groveport Tennis Academy

The Groveport Rec Dept. is offering high quality tennis instruction for juniors (3 ½ years and up) and adults at an affordable price. Clinics are available for beginners through tournament level and league players. Let Chris Brown-Borden, USPTA Certified Teaching Professional and former Assistant Head Pro of New Albany Country Club, introduce you to the game or further your knowledge and skills. Quick Start Instruction will be used with Juniors. All lessons will take place at Groveport's Degenhart Park located at 355 Lesleh Ave., Groveport. If you have any questions please contact Chris at (614) 282-4779 or groveporttennis@hotmail.com. A minimum of 3 registered participants for class to run, additional sections will be added when possible with 3 on the waiting list. Racquets will be available to borrow for junior clinics up to age 12. Adult size racquets are available to purchase after opportunity to try various demo racquets. Space is limited, please register early.

Who: Ages 3.5 - Adult

Dates: Apr. 17 - May 20

Times: Varies per class (see website)

Fee: Varies per class (see website)

Location: Degenhart Park

Reg. Deadline April 14

*New dates for
Open House
are noted below.*



Free Open House

If you are new to Groveport Tennis and would like to meet Chris Brown-Borden and see his instruction style first hand, please call the Groveport Recreation Center and sign up for one of our small group instruction times. Availability is limited.

All participants must Pre-register.

(rainout date: Sunday, April 9)

Who: Ages 3.5 - Adult

Date / Time: Saturday, April 8 / 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Fee: FREE

Location: Degenhart Park

Registration: Call 614-836-1000

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- Youth Sports -

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Spring Soccer League

The season will consist of 8 games, which will be played on Saturday mornings and several Sunday afternoons. Practices are 1 - 2 nights a week and are scheduled by the individual volunteer coach. Volunteer coaches are needed. Interested persons should contact Amy Van Huffel (Recreation Coordinator) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1505 or avanhuffel@groveport.org.

Leagues: 4.5-6 years, U8, U10, U12, U15
Age determined as of Dec. 31, 2017

U6 division is coed; all others are gender-divided

Practices: Tentatively begin in late March

Games: Played April 1 - May 20

Fee: \$45 Res. / \$55 Non-Res.

U15 Fee: \$70 Res. / \$85 Non-Res.

Reg.: Jan. 2 - March 1



Community Cleat Box

The Community Cleat Box is a used cleat exchange program. Used cleats (in good condition) may be donated, then participants needing cleats for the upcoming season may select a pair from the inventory free of charge.

We have a good amount of cleats available right now. If you are looking for a pair, contact Amy Van Huffel at avanhuffel@groveport.org or 614-836-1000 ext. 1505 for available sizes.



Soccer Officials Training

The Ohio South State Referee Committee (OSSRC) will be offering an entry level soccer officials training and certification on March 1, 2, and 4. Participants must attend all 3 days of the training to become certified.

Certified officials earn more money than non-certified officials, so don't miss out on this training opportunity. For questions, contact Amy Van Huffel (Recreation Coord.) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1505 or avanhuffel@groveport.org

Dates/Time: Wed. 3/1 & Thurs. 3/2, 5:30 - 8:30 PM
Sat. 3/4, 10 AM - 3 PM

Fee: \$70 **Location:** Groveport Rec Ctr.

Registration: www.ossrc.com or contact Keith Emerson at ddi3@ossrc.com / 614-353-3404

Summer Camp (Jump Start Sports)

Jump Start Sports Camps are fun-oriented and highly instructional. The relaxed and nurturing atmosphere enables children to learn, grow, make friends, and have a meaningful summer experience. The camps focus on the fundamentals of the sport for beginners but more experienced players will learn more advanced concepts and be coached at their ability and level of understanding. Jump Start Sports Camps also focus on children learning proper sportsmanship and understanding the importance of recreational game play and the benefits of physical activity! We utilize innovative drills, competitions, and games to help teach as well as to make the programs more fun for children. Please contact Aaron Bally at 614-505-6532 or abally@jumpstartsports.com if you are in need of flex payment options for this program.

Who: Boys and Girls entering grades 1 - 6

June 12 - 16 All Star Baseball

June 19 - 23 All Pro Football & Cheerleading

June 26 - 30 World Cup Soccer

July 10 - 14 Lacrosse and Volleyball

July 17 - 21 Ultimate Warrior

July 24 - 28 Basketball

July 31 - Aug. 4 Olympics



Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Before and After Care are available for an additional fee

Location: Groveport Rec Center & Groveport Park

Weekly Fee: 6+ Weeks = \$110 2- 3 Weeks = \$130
4 - 5 Weeks = \$120 Any 1 Week = \$140

Registration: www.jumpstartsports.com



[GroveportRecreationDepartment](https://www.facebook.com/GroveportRecreationDepartment)



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Little Hoop Stars (Jump Start Sports)

Players are taught the basics of dribbling, passing, shooting, positioning, defense, and rebounding then apply what they have learned in fun, non-competitive games. Parents are welcome to assist in coaching, but classes are run by Jump Start Sports instructors. Players are assigned to teams and each session includes a game as well as the instruction. Questions? Contact Aaron Bally at 614-505-6532 or ABally@JumpStartSports.com.

Who: Boys & Girls, 4-6 Years Old
Dates: Tuesdays, March 7 - April 11
Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm or 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Location: Groveport Recreation Center
Fee: \$60
Registration: Jan. 1 - Feb. 28

Hummingbirds Soccer (Jump Start Sports)

Kids will have fun and learn the basics of soccer: dribbling, passing, trapping, shooting, and positioning. Each session consists of instruction in each aspect of the game, and participation in fun, age appropriate drills that are designed to teach skills, and low-key, non-competitive game. **Shin guards are required.** For questions, contact Aaron Bally at (614) 505-6532 or ABally@JumpstartSports.com

Who: Boys and Girls 3 - 4.5 Years
Dates: Mondays, April 3 - May 8
Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm or 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Location: Groveport Recreation Center
Fee: \$55
Registration: Jan. 1 - Mar. 27

T-Birds T-Ball (Jump Start Sports)

This is a fun and highly instructional introduction to baseball for 3 and 4 year old boys and girls. Players learn the basics of throwing, catching, fielding, batting, and base running, then apply what they have learned in fun, non-competitive games. Jump Start Sports staff members conduct the instruction and oversee the game play while volunteer team coaches assist. For questions, contact Aaron Bally at (614) 505-6532 or ABally@JumpstartSports.com

Who: Boys & Girls, 3-4 Years Old
Dates: Fridays, May 5 - June 9
Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm or 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Location: Groveport Park
Fee: \$65
Registration: Jan. 1 - April 30

Underwater Easter Egg Hunt

We've invited the Easter Bunny to the Groveport Rec Center's Indoor Pool. Kids will have an opportunity to collect Easter eggs from the water. There will be one golden egg for each age group. The person who finds the golden egg will take home a special prize. Kids can then swim and play in the water for the remainder of the hour. Parents are encouraged to bring their camera so they can take their children's photo with the Easter Bunny. All children participating in the event will also take home a complimentary day pass to the Groveport Aquatic Ctr. Please bring a bathing suit and towel. Kids that are not toilet trained must wear a clean diaper or disposable swim diaper covered by separate rubber pants. All flotation devices must be U.S. Coast Guard Approved.

Date: Sat., April 8
Times: 12:30 pm (Infants)
 1:30 pm (Pre-Schoolers)
 2:30 pm (6 - 9 Yrs.)
 3:30 pm (10 - 12 Yrs.)

Fee: \$3/child. Adults accompanying child are free.

Reg. Deadline: April 5



Dinner with the Bunny

The Bunny is back! Bring the family to the GRC and check out all of the Easter fun, including dinner, crafts, dancing, coloring contests, and of course... a photo with the Easter Bunny. Please bring your own camera. Everyone attending the event must be pre-registered.

Who: All Ages
Date/Time: Sat., April 8
 5:30 - 6:45 pm
Fee: \$6 / person
Reg. Deadline: March 31



Marshmallow Drop

Bring the whole family out for this fun, free & unique event. A helicopter will fly over Groveport Park and drop thousands of marshmallows for kids to collect and then exchange for candy. This is a free event. If you are attending Dinner with the Bunny, it will take place directly after, so you can participate!

Date/Time: Sat., April 8 / 7 PM



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Kids Night Out

Ditch the parents and head to the GRC for some good old-fashion fun. Play games, swim, eat pizza, climb the wall (on occasion) and more under the watchful eyes of our staff. Pack your swimsuit and towel, and don't forget your tennis shoes! **The registration deadline is the Thursday before the program date. Registrations will not be accepted at the door.**

Who: 6 - 12 years
Date/Time: Mar. 10 & 24 / 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
 April 7 & 21 / 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Fee: \$8 Res. / \$10 Non-Res.
Reg. Deadline: Thursday before program date

Parent Tot Open Swim/Gym

Open Gym - We provide the space, music, toys and opportunities for gross motor play, as well as some structured staff led activities. Come have fun and make some new friends. Participants must wear soft-soled shoes. All children must be accompanied by an adult. **Open Swim** - All children must be accompanied by an adult. Children that are not toilet trained must wear swim diapers.

Who: Parents & their children (5 yrs. & under)
Dates: Mon. & Weds. (Gym) & Friday (Swim)
 *Program won't meet any time facility is closed
Times: 10 AM - 11 AM
Fee: \$2.50 one child; \$4 two children;
 \$5 three children; \$8 four+ children
 \$20 for a 10 visit punch pass.
 Kids must be in same family to receive multi-child discounted rate.
Registration: Drop-In



Season Passes go on sale April 1, 2017



Home School Swim Time

You must be enrolled in either Home School Gym or Water Fun in order to participate in Swim Time. Swim time is an open swim to give your children an opportunity to have fun in the water without direct instruction. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult (18 and over) who must directly supervise them while in the pool.

Who: 4 - 18 Yrs.
Dates/Times: Spring: Fri., 3/24 - 5/19, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Location: Groveport Rec Center Indoor Pool
Fee: \$25

Home School Water Fun

*Instructional swimming course. You do not need to be enrolled on an additional class in order to participate. **Water Fun is not the American Red Cross Learn to Swim Program.*

Who: 5 - 10 Yrs.
Dates/Times: Spring: Fri., 3/24 - 5/19, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Location: Groveport Rec Center Indoor Pool
Fee: \$25

Home School Gym ~ Fun with Fitness

Home School Gym Class will help your child develop motor skills, learn teamwork, improve social skills all while getting exercise. Your child will be engaged in active group games as well as learn the basics of traditional and non-traditional sports. Please wear appropriate gym attire along with soft soled, closed toed shoes.

Who: 4 - 6 Yr., 7 - 10 Yr., 11 - 18 Yr.
Dates/Times: Spring: Fri., 3/24 - 5/19, 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM
Location: Groveport Recreation Center
Fee: \$25

GROVEPORT RECREATION DEPT.

- Classes & Special Events -

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Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do Beginner (White Belts)

Our classes are all inclusive. Even though we take students as young as 6 years old, this is not "just a kids class." Teens and adults are strongly encouraged to participate. For new students. This class will familiarize you with the most basic techniques that we teach & give you enough time to make an informed decision as to whether or not you wish to learn more.

Who: Ages 6 and over
Dates/Times: Sat., Mar. 4 - Apr. 8, 12 PM - 12:45 PM
 Sat., Apr. 29 - June 3, 12 PM - 12:45 PM
Location: Groveport Recreation Center
Registration: Accepted thru first day of class
Fee: \$28 Res. / \$48 NR

Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do Advanced (Yellow - 2nd Blue Belts)

For intermediate students. You have decided that you enjoy what we teach and wish to learn more. Students registering for this class must have reached at least the rank of 1st Yellow Belt, through our formal Promotion Tests, scheduled on the 6th week of each session. Students who reach the rank of 2nd Blue Belt are considered to be graduates of this program.

Who: Ages 6 and over
Dates/Times: Sat., Mar. 4 - Apr. 8, 12 PM - 1:30 PM
 Sat., Apr. 29 - June 3, 12 PM - 1:30 PM
Location: Groveport Recreation Center
Registration: Accepted thru first day of class
Fee: \$38 Res. / \$58 NR

Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do Main Class

This class is only for committed students, who desire to become Black Belts. This class sets the bar high. Students participating in this class must first be formally invited to join by Master Evans. Students lower in rank than 2nd Blue Belt can also join this class, through Master Evans' invitation. All invited candidates will be required to be exceptional in their commitment to being good students and mentors.

Who: Ages 6 and over
Dates/Times: Sat., Mar. 4 - Apr. 8, 12 PM - 2:30 PM
 Sat., Apr. 29 - June 3, 12 PM - 2:30 PM
Location: Groveport Recreation Center

Registration: Accepted thru first day of class

Fee: \$60 - 1 Person / \$110 - Family of 2
 \$145 - Family of 3 / \$35 each person over 3

Visit taekwonkido.vpweb.com for more details

Spring Photo Contest

Calling all amateur photographers! Submit your 8 x 10 photograph taken in the Groveport area for a chance to win the GRD's spring photo contest. The theme is Springtime. Photos should capture some kind of recreational aspect or nature of the area. Examples are nature shots like flowers, trees, wildlife, etc. Recreational spring activities like gardening, biking, spring sports, kite flying, roller blading, running, skate-boarding, etc. There will be 3 age categories: 17 & Under, 18 - 54 Yrs. and 55+. Rules are noted below.

1. Photos must be 8x10 photos, framed and wired on back, ready to hang (matting optional).
2. Photos can be color or black and white, but must be original pieces taken within the past year and follows theme of contest.
3. Subject matter of photos should be appropriate & suitable for the general public's viewing.
4. Altered photos are not eligible (any alterations that distorts / enhances the original image is not permitted).
5. Prizes for Judge's Choice & People's Choice in each age category.
6. All eligible photos will be on display for public voting at the Groveport Recreation Center and on social media from May 8 - 22.
7. All entries must be labeled on back with contact name and phone number.
8. Winning photos WILL NOT be returned as they will be displayed at the Groveport Recreation Center and Senior Center.

Age Categories: 17 & Under, 18 - 54 Yrs. & 55 Yrs.+

Fee: \$5.00 per entry

Submission Deadline: April 30

Submission Location: Groveport Recreation Center

Voting: May 8 - May 22

Winners Announced: May 26



GROVEPORT RECREATION DEPT.

- Aquatics -

614-836-1000 / www.groveportrec.com

Lifeguard Certification Classes

Are you at least 15 years of age? Good swimmer? Enjoy working around people and outside? If so, you should consider becoming a LIFEGUARD with the Groveport Rec. Department.

WHY BECOME A LIFEGUARD? 1.) Provide amazing public service, 2.) Start a career in the parks & rec industry, 3.) Stay fit and get more fit, 4.) Work with like-minded people, 5.) Gain a life skill that will come in handy the rest of your life, 6.) Work outside, 7) It's challenging mentally and physically, 8.) Work out at the Groveport Rec Center FREE, 9.) Flexible hours & 10). It's fun.

PREREQUISITES: There are a number of pre-course skills that you have to pass. To learn more about the pre-requisites and free skill assessment, pick up a brochure in the Groveport Recreation Center lobby or visit the Winter Aquatics area on our website (www.groveportrec.com).

Who: Persons 15 years of age and up

Dates: Session 2: March 13 - 18
Session 3: April 17 - 22
Session 4: May 8 - 13
Session 5: June 5 - 9



Times: Session 1 - 4: M - F, 4 PM - 9 PM
Sat, 9 AM - 2 PM
Session 5: M - F, 9 AM - 6 PM

Fee: \$220 (Credit Cards Only).

Registration: Registration deadline is the first day of class.

Questions: Steve Hawkins (Aquatics Manager)
614-836-1000 ext.1510 / shawkins@groveport.org

SCUBA Lessons

Are you in the mood to try something new? Why not SCUBA? The Groveport Rec. Dept. is currently accepting registration for SCUBA classes. This class is being taught by PADI certified instructors from Columbus SCUBA at the Groveport Rec Center's Indoor Pool. This is an Open Water PADI entry level course. Columbus Scuba offers Open Water certification (lifetime certification). Course includes all three segments, rental gear (both Confined and Open Water), required textbooks, log book, dive tables & certification fees.

Who: Persons 10 years of age and up

Dates/Time: Sundays, 3/5 - 3/26 or 4/23 - 5/14
5 pm - 6 pm Classroom; 6 pm - 8 pm Pool

Fee: \$389.00. Checks only. Please make checks payable to Columbus Scuba

Registration Registrations are being taken on a first come first served basis. Registration deadline is the first day of class.

Questions: Columbus Scuba at 614-500-7234

Group Swim Lessons

Let our staff teach your child the skills they will use the rest of their life. Classes normally fill quickly. Registrations are taken on a first come - first served basis. In the event of bad water chemistry or storms in the area, some classes may be held out of the water. We are a local provider of the American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim Program. To learn more about all of the levels offered, visit www.groveportrec.com.

Who: 6 months - 15 years, plus Adults 16+

Fee: \$45 Resident / \$55 Non-Res. \$5 late fee applied if registering after deadline, provided space is available.

Class Dates **Registration**

Sat., (3/11 - 4/29) a.m. @ indoor 2/27 - 3/10

T/Th., (3/14 - 4/16) p.m. @ indoor 2/27 - 3/13

T/Th. (4/18 - 5/11) p.m. @ indoor 4/3 - 4/17

Private & Semi-Private Lessons

Is your little one having a hard time integrating into a group lesson? Are you looking for stroke refinement for your older swimmer? Private Lessons might be just what you need. We offer Private (1 swimmer) or Semi-Private (2 or more swimmers) Lessons. Please contact Kelly Carter (Aquatics Coord.) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1512 to be set up with an instructor. \$180 for six 30-min. Private or \$240 for six 30-min. Semi-Private Lessons.

Master's Swimming

Are you at least 19 years of age? Enjoy swimming as part of your workout? If so, contact Kelly Carter (Aquatics Coord.) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1512 / kcarter@groveport.org. She would be happy to give you more information regarding our Masters Swim Team. Practices are Mon., Wed. & Fri., 6 - 7 AM.

Underwater Easter Egg Hunt

We've invited the Easter Bunny to the Groveport Rec Center's Indoor Pool. Kids will have an opportunity to collect Easter eggs from the water. There will be one golden egg for each age group. The person who finds the golden egg will take home a special prize. Kids can then swim and play in the water for the remainder of the hour. Parents are encouraged to bring their camera so they can take their children's photo with the Easter Bunny. All children participating in the event will also take home a complimentary day pass to the Groveport Aquatic Ctr. Please bring a bathing suit and towel. Kids that are not toilet trained must wear a clean diaper or disposable swim diaper covered by separate rubber pants. All flotation devices must be U.S. Coast Guard Approved.

Registration Deadline: April 5

Fee: \$3/child; adults accompanying children are free

Date: Sat., April 8

Times: 12:30 pm (Infants) 2:30 pm (6 - 9 Yrs.)
1:30 pm (Pre-Schoolers) 3:30 pm (10 - 12 Yrs.)

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- Important Dates -

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EVENT / PROGRAM	DATE
Youth Spring Soccer Registration Deadline	Mar. 1
Month Long IRONMAN begins	Mar. 1
Groveport Community Garden - Non-Resident registration begins	Mar. 1
Soccer Officials Training	Mar. 1, 2 & 4
Free Blood Pressure Screening (9 am - 12 pm)	Mar. 2
Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do registration deadline	Mar. 3
SCUBA registration deadline	Mar. 5
Kids Night Out at GRC	Mar. 10
American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification Class	Mar. 13 - 18
Kids Night Out at GRC	Mar. 24
Dinner with the Bunny registration deadline	Mar. 31
Groveport Aquatic Center Season Passes go on sale	Apr. 1

Please see page 11 for important dates regarding our Group Swim Lessons

Thinking a head to warmer months

NEW EVENT

A MAGICAL MOM & SON AFTER-HOURS

Moms & sons (up to 12 yrs. of age), join us for an evening of pizza, fun activities, swimming, prizes & magic. Gordon Russ the Magician, who has performed around the globe, will perform his spectacular 45-minute show at the Groveport Aquatic Center. *Grandmothers, aunts, older sisters, dads, etc. may attend if mom is not available.

Date: Fri., July 14

Time: 8:15 PM - 11 PM

Fee: Season Passholders: \$4/person
All Others: \$8/person

Reg.: Please register at the Groveport Rec Ctr. by July 10. Pre-registration is required.



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GROVEPORT SENIOR CENTER

- General News -

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Are you 55 years or older? Do you enjoy shooting pool, playing cards, going on day and overnight trips, playing board games, participating in educational seminars, dancing, playing shuffleboard, making crafts, eating meals, playing ping pong, participating in holiday special events and more? If so, you might want to consider joining the Groveport Senior Center. Under most cases, persons must be a member of the Groveport Senior Center to participate in programs. Annual membership dues are only \$6. Questions, call Deb at 614-836-4599.

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Monday	Progressive Euchre	12:00 p.m.
Tuesdays	Line Dancing	9:30 a.m.
	Pinochle	10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays	Game Day	11:00 a.m.
	Quilting	12:30 p.m.
Thursday	Crafts	9:30 a.m.
	Lunch	11:45 a.m.
	Hand & Foot	Times Vary
Saturday	Progressive Euchre	4:00 p.m.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Hearing Screenings: Avada Audiology & Hearing Care will be at the Senior Center on the 2nd Thursday of every other month between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to offer FREE hearing screenings and to check for wax blockage. Call the Senior Center to schedule a 15 minute appointment or just drop-in. The next screening day is **March 9**.

Monthly Craft: Join us as we make a different craft each time we meet. Pre-registration is required for this FREE event taking place on **March 10**, at 10:30 a.m. This program is sponsored by the Inn at Winchester Trail.

Wellness Clinic: A nurse from Winchester Place is at the Senior Center on the 3rd Thursday of each month (10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.) and will offer free blood pressure checks. Stop in and get your blood pressure checked. The next Wellness Clinic is scheduled for **March 16**.

Foot Care Clinic: We will have a registered nurse from **Everyday Divinity** here on the first Thursday of every month to do foot care. The cost is \$27 for a 30 minute appointment and will include a complete foot assessment, expertly trimmed, thinned and filed nails and corns and callouses filed and buffed if necessary. Call or stop in to schedule your appointment for **April 6**.

UPCOMING TRIPS

March 14-15: Wheeling Island Casino & Racetrack. This two day one night trip includes motorcoach transportation and hotel accommodations along with \$25 free play each day and vouchers for the breakfast and dinner buffets. You can try your luck on the slots or the dogs but for \$99 per person double occupancy you can't pass this one up! Payment due on sign up.

April 7: LaComedia Dinner Theatre presents "Away in the Basement." The Church Basement Ladies are back, serving up more laughs! Audiences can't seem to get enough of these witty, lovable ladies so they are back for the third installment of the popular series. It's the 1959 Sunday School Christmas program and as the children rehearse, the ladies are finishing up costumes discussing the politics of who's playing the various roles. Little do they know what surprises are in store for them. Known for their hilarious antics and subtle charm, the Church Basement Ladies are once again called upon to save the day! The cost is **\$60.00** per person, due on sign up and includes transportation, buffet luncheon and the show.

May 14-20: Branson, Missouri. Join us as we travel to the "entertainment capital of the world!" This trip includes deluxe motorcoach transportation, 6 nights hotel accommodations including overnight stays to and from Branson, breakfast and dinner daily along with 7 great shows including Shoji Tabuchi performing in his beautiful theatre and a dinner cruise and show on the Showboat Branson Belle. Also included will be local touring in Branson, baggage handling and all taxes and gratuities on included items. The cost is **\$799.00** per person double occupancy with a \$200.00 deposit due on sign up. Final payment is due before April 10th.

September 8-14: South Dakota, The Black Hills & The Badlands. Highlights include but not limited to are Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, Black Hill Gold, Needles Highway, Custer State Park, Pine Ridge, Badlands National Park, Wall Drug, Deadwood, Spearfish and much more. The cost is \$2,449 per person double occupancy. Stop in for a full brochure.

You do not have to be a member of the senior center to join us on any trip.



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GROVEPORT CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

- Adult Programs -

614-836-3333

Community Affairs Department

Line Dancing

All skill levels & ages are invited to participate in this daytime line dancing program. Wear shoes with leather soles or socks.

Dates/Times: Mon. & Wed. / 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Fee: Free
Registration: Drop in

Art of Movement

The Art of Movement Foundations combines the East and West intuitive dance practices to help you add energy & relieve stress.

Who: 16 and up
Dates/Times: Thursdays / 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Fee: \$4 resident / \$5 nonresident
Registration: Drop in

TOPS Weight Loss Support Group

Who: Everyone
Dates/Times: Wednesdays / 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cook's Corner

Adult (kid friendly) program series on the first Friday of each month. Join the fun and be a part of the demonstrations that include hands-on cooking, discussions, experiencing new foods & learning new skills. March Topic: Irish Ideas. Space is limited.

Who: Adult **Fee:** Free
Date/Time: Friday, March 3 / 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Registration: By March 1

Sewing Group

Do you have sewing projects that you think you don't have time to finish, or maybe need help figuring out the next step on a sewing project? Come and be a part of the Sewing Group for support & advice on how to start or complete your projects.

Who: Everyone **Fee:** Free
Dates/Time: Friday, March 10 & 24 / 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Registration: Drop In
Supplies to Bring: Sewing machine & sewing project / supplies

Tuesdays@One

Adult (child friendly) art and education program every Tuesday. Speakers, demonstrations, creative projects and activities. Registration is required, due to supplies being provided.

Who: Adults (child friendly)
Dates/Time: Tuesdays / 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main St.
Cost: Free (supplies provided for March projects)
Registration: Accepted thru Tuesday of each class

March 7 Shamrock Jar
 March 14 Luck of the Irish Craft
 March 21 Garden Plate Flower
 March 28 Burlap Bunny



Home Buyer Education Workshop

OSU Extension, Franklin County and the City of Groveport are hosting a free workshop series where you can: learn the basics of budgeting, credit, mortgage loans, and the home buying process. Network with professionals such as lenders, realtors, insurance agents, and home inspectors and get information about financing options, including grants, loans, down payments and closing cost assistance. Participants must attend all four workshops. Those who do and attend a budget counseling session will earn a HUD-certified Certificate of Completion, which often is required to apply for cost assistance programs.

Who: Adults **Fee:** Free
Dates/Times: Thurs., March 2, 9, 16 & 23 / 6 PM - 8 PM
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Registration: By February 27 at: <http://go.osu.edu/HBEGroveportMarch> or call 614.836.3333

Coyote Awareness

To broaden awareness and understanding for the Eastern Coyote, Metro Parks is hosting a Coyote Awareness program. Families will learn recommendations to prevent negative interactions with coyotes. Humans can co-exist with coyotes peacefully and enjoy sharing the land with this clever and beautiful animal. Program will also include other aspects of wildlife safety with raccoons, opossums and geese.

Who: Families
Date/Time: Saturday, March 4 / 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Fee: Free
Registration: By March 2



GROVEPORT CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

- Adult Programs / Youth Programs -

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Community Affairs Department

Paint with Me - New Program!

Your child will paint side 1 and you will paint side 2, put the sides together and you have created a special memory and a full picture. Canvas size per side is 5"x7". Class is step by step instructor taught by Groveport's featured Art Gallery artist, Steven Riggs. All supplies included.

Who: Adult & child
Date/Time: Saturday, March 4 / 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Location: KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Fee: \$10/couple resident / \$12/couple non-resident
Registration: By March 2



Irish Gig

Bob Ford & Friends will entertain and enliven Town Hall's Irish Gig with their skilled musicianship, lighthearted humor, and family fun. The timeless beauty of their songs will touch your heart and remind you of days gone by, back when friends & kinfolk actually got together to share songs and stories.

Richens/Timm provides a fun, friendly, family atmosphere where each dancer is given polished skill set which allows each dancer to pursue many stages of Irish dance. Richens/Timm dancers entertain thousand annually at performances.

Who: Everyone
Dates: Saturday, March 11
Times: Bob Ford & Friends: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Richens/Timm Irish: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Dance Academy
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Registration: Drop in
Fee: Free



Preschool Playgroup Grow with Me

Activities designed to accommodate different age groups within the same setting. Lessons, snacks & free play help children grow academically and socially. Adult participation is required.

Who: Preschool children
Dates/Time: Every Tues. & Wed. / 10 AM - 11:30 AM
Location: KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Registration: No registration - Drop in
Fee: Free

Preschool Playgroup Rock n' Rollers

Music and movement centered program for your junior rocker. Adult participation is required.

Who: Preschool children
Dates/Time: Every Thursday / 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Location: KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Registration: No registration - Drop in
Fee: Free

Preschool Picassos

Creative crafts that little hands can easily construct. Adult participation is required.

Who: Preschool children
Dates/Time: Every Friday / 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Location: KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Registration: No registration - Drop in
Fee: Free



Preschool Science

Are you ready for a messy, fun time? Learn about science with hands on activities. Dress for mess! Space is limited. Program will start after Preschool Grow with Me.

Who: Ages 3 - 5 (Adult participation required)
Dates/Time: 1st Wed. each mo. (3/1) / 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Location: Groveport KidSpace, 630 Wirt Rd
Registration: No registration - Drop in
Fee: Free



GROVEPORT CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

- Youth Programs -

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Community Affairs Department

Preschool Sing with Me

Music, singing and instruments that your little ones will enjoy. Adult participation is required. Program will start after Preschool Grow with Me. Adult participation is required.

Who: Ages 3 - 5 **Fee:** Free
Dates/Time: 2nd Wed. each mo. (3/8) / 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: Groveport KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Registration: No registration - Drop in

Preschool Let's Read

Your little one will be read to in a group setting. We will focus on a different author each month. Activity/game. Program will start after Preschool Grow with Me.

Who: Ages 3 - 5 (Adult participation is required)
Dates/Time: 3rd Wed. each month. (3/15) / 11:30 AM - 12 PM
Location: Groveport KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Registration: No registration - Drop in
Fee: Free



Home School Art

This month let's celebrate Dr. Seuss by making our own all about me book on March 2. Let's welcome in spring with our art work on March 16: Ladybugs! Ladybugs!

Who: Ages 4 and up
Dates/Time: Thursday, March 2 & 16 / 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Registration: Deadline two days before each program date
Fee: Free



Science Experiment Night

Join the fun and be part of the things that make us go OHH and AHH! March experiment: Crazy Color Reaction

Who: Ages 5 - 12
Date/Time: Monday, March 6 / 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Location: Groveport KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Registration: By March 3
Fee: Free

Preschool Art Pizzazz

Come join us for an evening hour of fun arts and crafts.

March 7: Rainbow Pot of Gold
 March 21: Preschool Jeopardy

Who: Ages 3 - 5 **Fee:** Free
Dates/Time: Tues., March 7 & 21 / 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Location: Groveport KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road
Registration: Deadline two days before each program date

Nature Program - Winter Hike Series



The second of our Nature Winter Hike park series! Join me on a winter hike, rain, snow and shine! Let's see what's rumbling in the leaves and have fun being in the fresh air. Please wear weather appropriate clothing.

Who: Families **Fee:** Free
Date/Time: Saturday, March 11 / 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: Lock walk. Meet by the Cruiser statue in front of the Rec. Center, 7370 Groveport Road
Registration: By March 9

Kid's Night - Paper Heart Art

Come and learn how to take a paper heart and turn it into a flower or tree that can be 2-D or 3-D art.

Who: Ages 5-12 **Fee:** Free
Date/Time: Tuesday, March 14 / 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Location: Groveport KidSpace, 630 Wirt Rd.
Registration: By March 10
Fee: Free



Youth Sewing

Youth will learn how fun sewing can be. This is a hands-on class. They will learn basic important skills: sewing on buttons to a more complex skill like threading a sewing machine to following a pattern. Learn how to sew a different project each month. March project: Fuzzy Kitten.

Who: Ages 10 - 16 **Fee:** Free
Date/Time: Monday, March 20 / 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main St.
Registration: By March 17
Supplies: Bring 1 pair of fuzzy socks.



GROVEPORT CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

- Youth Programs -

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Community Affairs Department

Youth Connection

Come join us once a month to hang out and do things with kids your own age. The activities will be based on the desires of the class. Ideas of programs already put on the table are: arts & crafts, working with fabric, drawing/painting, fashion and nutrition. Come and make a connection. March project: Spring Friendship Bracelet and Melted Crayon Spring Bouquet

Who: Ages 10 - 16
Date/Time: Monday, March 27 / 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Registration: By March 21
Fee: Free

March Art Gallery

Classical Shadows

by Garith Smith & Steven Riggs

An exhibit of classical paintings that herald to days of wonder and Mythology. Each painting is beaming with a mystical flair and dreamlike aura that compels the viewer to dream. Garith is an up and coming artist from the Circleville area and Steven is a Central Ohio art instructor.

On display from March 4 - March 25



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April Art Gallery Groveport-Madison Local Schools

Groveport-Madison Local Schools annual art show at Town Hall. Art pieces will be on display from Saturday, April 1 through Tuesday, April 11. Please come and see the talent of our future artists. Open during Town Hall's normal business hours. Free. Groveport Schools open house on Thursday, April 6 from 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM.

Groveport Heritage Society

Special Program: *Not on my Watch*
The Oberlin-Wellington Rescue of 1858

This program is created and performed by the members of the Kelton House Underground Railroad Community Advisory Committee that commemorates the dramatic events that occurred in Wellington and Oberlin, Ohio in 1858. The narrative centers on the capture of a runaway from his jail and the subsequent trial that brought the country to the brink of war. Carefully selected narratives from periodicals and historical scholars, specifically drawn from the book, "The Town that Started the Civil War" by Nat Brandt, form the basis of the program.

March 28, Town Hall, 648 Main Street. Free. Program begins at 7:00pm.



Princess Party

Saturday, April 22 (2:00 PM - 4:00 PM)

Town Hall

\$5 per person. Spaces fill quickly.

Call 614.836.3333 to register and pay by April 20.



GROVEPORT CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

- This and That -

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1. March Madness commercials cost millions of dollars.
2. The term "March Madness" was used to describe high school basketball.
3. A 16 seed has never defeated a 1 seed.
4. UCLA holds the record for the Men's Division I Championships.
5. In 2012, Harvard made its first appearance in March Madness since 1946.
6. Warren Buffett donates \$100,000 each to the 20 closest brackets.
7. You will never ever have a perfect bracket.
8. Some offices let employees watch March Madness at work.
9. Fans sacrifice sick days for March Madness.
10. The NCAA doesn't want you betting on the games



"Don't walk behind me;
I may not lead.
Don't walk in front of me;
I may not follow.
Just walk beside me
and be my friend."

MARCH WORD SEARCH

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GROVEPORT CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

- Important Dates -

614-836-3333

Community Affairs Department

EVENT / PROGRAM	DATE	EVENT / PROGRAM	DATE
Line Dance TOPS Preschool Grow with Me Preschool Science	Wed., March 1	Preschool Picassos	Fri., March 17
Preschool Rock n' Rollers Home School Art Art of Movement Home Buyer Education Program 1 of 4	Thurs., March 2	Line Dance Youth Sewing	Mon., March 20
Preschool Picassos Cook's Corner	Fri., March 3	Preschool Grow with Me Tuesdays@One Preschool Art Pizzazz	Tues., March 21
Paint with Me Coyote Awareness Program	Sat., March 4	Preschool Grow with Me Line Dance TOPS	Wed., March 22
Line Dance Adult Coloring Science Experiment Night	Mon., March 6	Preschool Rock n' Rollers Art of Movement Home Buyer Education Program 4 of 4	Thurs., March 23
Preschool Grow with Me Tuesdays@One Quilting 2 of 5 Preschool Art Pizzazz	Tues., March 7	Preschool Picassos Sewing Group	Fri., March 24
Preschool Grow with Me Preschool Sing with Me Line Dance TOPS	Wed., March 8	Line Dance Youth Connection	Mon., March 27
Preschool Rock n' Rollers Art of Movement Home Buyer Education Program 2 of 4	Thurs., March 9	Preschool Grow with Me Tuesdays@One Quilting 4 of 5 Groveport Heritage Society Program	Tues., March 28
Preschool Picassos Sewing Group	Fri., March 10	Preschool Grow with Me Line Dance TOPS Art of Movement (on Wednesday this week)	Wed., March 29
Nature Program IRISH GIG CONCERT/ PERFORMANCE	Sat., March 11	Preschool Rock n' Rollers	Thurs., March 30
Line Dance	Mon., March 13	Preschool Picassos	Fri., March 31
Preschool Grow with Me Tuesdays@One Quilting 3 of 5 Kid's Night	Tues., March 14		
Preschool Grow with Me Preschool Let's Read Line Dance TOPS	Wed., March 15		
Preschool Rock n' Rollers Home School Art Art of Movement Home Buyer Education Program 3 of 4	Thurs., March 16		

Need a room to hold your meeting or event?

Room rentals at Town Hall and Crooked Alley KidSpace are available. \$25.00 non-refundable fee for residents to reserve a room. Please contact Town Hall at 614.836.3333 for non-resident rates or for more information.



NOTE: Many of the programs noted have registration deadlines and space could be limited. For more information, please call Town Hall at 614.836.3333. - Thank you.



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Department Phone Numbers

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Community Meetings

Mon., March 13	6:30 PM Council
Mon., March 20	5:30 PM Council Committee of Whole
Mon., March 27	6:30 PM Council

* all meetings at 655 Blacklick Street, Groveport, OH 43125,
 unless otherwise noted.



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