

# BRYAN PARKS & RECREATION



## FALL 2021 PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES



## **MISSION STATEMENT**

To create strong ties within the Bryan community in order to achieve diverse leisure experiences, to preserve and utilize the natural beauty of our environment, and to enhance the quality of life for all.

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### **Addresses and Phone Number**

Parks & Recreation Department Office

1399 E. High Street

P.O. Box 190

Bryan, Ohio 43506

Phone: 419-633-6030      Fax: 419-633-6035

E-Mail: [parks-rec@cityofbryan.com](mailto:parks-rec@cityofbryan.com)

Website: <https://www.cityofbryan.com/parks-recreation/>

### **OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:30AM - 3:30PM**

(Second floor of the Don North Building)

Community Center - 1130 Buffalo Road

East End Community Room - 1400 E. High Street

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION!**

COVID-19 has changed the structure of our programs. We are continuing to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic situation and are following the best practices put forth by public health authorities. Therefore the information in this brochure is subject to change as needed to comply with new guidelines. Masks and social distancing will be encouraged. If you are experiencing potential symptoms of COVID-19, we ask you not to participate in the program. Our number one priority is the health and safety of our citizens and staff. We appreciate your cooperation and support.

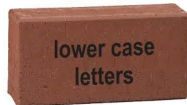


# THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND

**FACILITIES RENTALS** - Looking for a place to picnic or meet in 2021-2022? Now is the time to make your reservations. The Parks Dept. has a community center, six shelters with electricity and restrooms, an ice rink, and five open-air pavilions available for rental at reasonable prices. Moore municipal pool can also be rented during the summer. Call 419-633-6030 today to make your reservations.



**BUY A BRICK - BUILD A PARK** - Central Park (corner of Center and Portland Streets) is finished. However, there are still plenty of bricks available for engraving. A \$40.00 donation will purchase a beautiful engraved brick with your name, your family's name, or a loved one's name will become a permanent part of the landscape in this beautiful Victorian Park. These brick make great gifts. If you are interested, call the Parks Department at 419-633-6030 to inquire about application forms.



## MEMORIAL AND GIFT OPPORTUNITY

Remember a loved one or bring honor to that special individual you wish to recognize. The Parks and Recreation Department offers a way you can fulfill your wishes and at the same time benefit the Bryan park system.

**Memorial Trees** - The Memorial Tree Program was developed by the Parks & Recreation Department many years ago. Most trees are planted in October and November. The family of the loved one is notified by the Parks & Recreation Dept. as to what kind of tree was planted, where the tree was planted and who donated it. A memorial tree cost a minimum of \$100.00. A larger caliper tree may be purchased with more money. A metal stake for the tree cost \$20.00, and a name plate for the stake cost \$5.00. Applications may be picked up at the office or call 419-633-6030 for more information.



**DOG LOVER** - Would you like it if your neighbor's dog ran loose in YOUR yard? We have noticed that dogs running loose in the parks have become a growing problem in the past several years. Did you know that a City Ordinance says that **ALL DOGS IN THE PARKS MUST BE ON A LEASH?** Please respect other people's rights by keeping your dog on a leash. Prevent the possibility of your dog biting someone or making an **UNWANTED MESS** that others (especially children) might step in. Remember, the city's parks are everyone's yards, and everyone (including park employees) have a right to tell persons to keep their dogs on leashes and clean up their dog's messes.



**LEISURE WALKING PATHS** - There has been a slow but steady growth in the number of Walk-Bike Paths in and around the City of Bryan the past several years. If you haven't already tried some of these, please take note:

Garver Parks concrete paths in and around the Park.

Recreation Park (half-mile) Trail— begins at Center Street or Moore Park parking lot.

Mattie Marsh Park (one mile & 1/2 mile) Trail - begins & ends at Mattie Marsh shelter house on Trevitt St.

Williams & Defiance County Joint Watershed (1.3 mile) Trail – begins in parking lot off County Road C.

Lick Creek (.25 mile) Nature Trail— begins in tree farm off of County Road D.



Memorial Trail (.9 mile) - accessible from Newdale Drive or Townline Road. You may pick up a map of the trees for this walk at the Parks and Recreation office, so you may learn to identify the different types of trees as you walk.

**BRYAN PARK BOARD** - Anyone that would have an interest in serving on the Bryan Park Board may call the office (419-633-6030) and have your name put on a list. We have no openings at this time but it would be nice to have a record of possible alternatives should the need arise.



**PARK RULES: No Alcohol in any of the Parks ..... No Littering.... Obey All Speed Limits..... All City Parks Close At 11:00PM**

# SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

## COMMUNITY “HOLLER”WEEN PARTY!

(Ages 4th grade and younger) - Let your youngster celebrate Halloween with the whole community in a setting that is FUN and SAFE. They won't soon forget an afternoon of SPOOKY FUN at the MacDonald-Ruff Ice Arena which will be sponsored and manned by the Parks and Recreation Department and high school students. There will be a LOT of PRIZES and CANDY at the many colorful booths. Crawl through a giant maize (don't get lost!), fish at the giant pond, jump in the inflatable, or throw hoops over the witch's hat. Don't forget to take the hay ride through the park. We ask everyone to come in costume and to be accompanied by mom or dad.



Saturday, 2:00-4:00 PM  
**October 30th**  
MacDonald-Ruff Ice Arena



## THE CITY – WIDE TRICK-OR-TREAT WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY October 30th FROM 5:00-6:30 PM.



## TRUTH AND TREAT @ MATTIE MARSH PARK

If you have a sweet tooth and want some sweet truth, then this is the party for you!!! Along with candy for the kids and hot dogs and cider for the weary moms and dads, there will be fun activities and amazing truths to discover, like; “What are the 3 things God cannot do?” So come taste and see!!!! This is a free family friendly event that is sponsored by Eastland Baptist Church. For more information you can call the Church at 419-636-3835.



Saturday, 5:00-7:00 PM  
**OCTOBER 30th**  
Mattie Marsh Park



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## PRE SCHOOL PROGRAM

This state-licensed and professionally run program includes supervised activities for 3,4, and 5 year olds. This program runs from late August thru mid-May. Children must be 3 years old by September 30th. The 3 & 4 year olds meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 AM or 12:30-2:30 PM. The 4 & 5 year olds meet on Mon., Wed., & Fri. from 8:30-11:30 AM or 12:30-3:30 PM. Curriculum includes supervised activities such as workshops, show & tell, circle time, individual work time with the teacher, songs, art projects, large motor activities, movement with music, and snack time. Our program meets early learning standards set by the State of Ohio to promote kindergarten readiness. Please register or place your name on a waiting list by calling 419-633-6030.







## FOUNTAIN CITY AMPHITHEATER

The Fountain City Amphitheater's first summer season has been a big success! The schedule was full of a variety of different activities for the Bryan community. This summer we housed not only concerts, but yoga, movie nights, a comedian night and more! Stay informed of all the amphitheater upcoming events by following the Fountain City Amphitheater Facebook page or by visiting our website.

Want to sponsor the second season of the Fountain City Amphitheater? Contact Jeffrey Tonjes, our Fountain City Amphitheater Coordinator, by calling (419) 633-6030 or email

[fcamph@cityofbryan.com](mailto:fcamph@cityofbryan.com).

Rental opportunities for the Amphitheater are also available. If you have an event and need a space give us a call at 419-633-6030 or email [fcamph@cityofbryan.com](mailto:fcamph@cityofbryan.com)



## September Events

- Sept 11 9:30pm Family Movie Night
- Sept 18 11:00am Story time at the AMP
- Sept 25 8:00pm Jim Lowe Jr Memorial Concert



# REGISTER FOR A FALL CLASS

You may register for any class by phone (419-633-6030), by mail (P.O. Box 190, Bryan, Ohio 43506), or in person at the office.

## CHEERLEADING MINI CLINIC

(Preschool-6th grade) Would you like to learn cheers and chants? This clinic will introduce jumping and arm placement skills needed for cheerleading along with the basic motions. You will then practice these skills through cheers and chants. This clinic will run for two nights and follow up with cheering under the Friday night lights cheering with the Bryan Golden Bear Cheerleaders at the football game on September 17th. Instructors: Instructors are the Bryan High School Cheerleaders.

September 15 & 16; **5:00-6:00 PM**  
**BRYAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - Lower Gym**  
(2 nights), \$20.00  
Includes a T-Shirt  
CHEER AT THE GAME ON SEPTEMBER 17th



## CHILDREN'S CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

(Ages 4-7) We have some fun planned for boy and girls this Fall. They will start with crafts and end with a fun activity to get your children moving. Have your child join instructors Courtney Powell so that they can have fun making crafts, dancing, and playing games while meeting new friends. There will be different crafts and activities at each session, sign up for one or all three! There is a limit of 12 for each session so call early to reserve a spot (419-633-6030). Classes will take place in the East End Community Room (Parks & Recreation pre-school room).

East End Community Room  
\$10.00 per child/per session  
10:00-11:15 AM

Session One: October 2nd, Fall Theme  
Session Two: November 6th, Thanksgiving Theme  
Session Three: December 11th, Christmas Theme



## HELLO, NORTH POLE CALLING

Would your pre-school or kindergarten son or daughter like to receive a personal phone call from the North Pole? As the cold wind swirls and the elves pound away and jabber in the background, Santa's Elf Secretary will first talk to your child, then turn the phone over to Santa himself. Santa will ask what your son or daughter wants for Christmas and encourage conversation. Sign-up sheets will be out the week of November 1st and calls made on December 6th and 7th. Check our website (<https://www.cityofbryan.com/parks-recreation/>) or email [parks-rec@cityofbryan.com](mailto:parks-rec@cityofbryan.com) for a registration form.



Fees are charged to cover salaries of instructors. Therefore no refunds can be given after a class begins. Classes will be cancelled prior to there scheduled starting date if minimum registration has not been reached (fees will be refunded in full). Fees are due at the first class of each session. We accept cash or checks, **NO credit/debit cards**. Make checks payable to the Bryan Recreation Department. You may register for any class by calling the Parks & Recreation office (419-633-6030) or in person at the office (1399 E. High Street, second floor of the Don North Building).



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## YOGA CLASS

Yoga is a great way to calm your mind and relieve stress while increasing your flexibility, strength and balance. You're sure to learn something new, and at the same time, get rid of that stress you've built up throughout the day. Standing, seated and lying down poses are included in this class, ending with a deep relaxation. All fitness levels welcome in this class; although, you must be able to climb stairs, for this class is on the second floor. Bring a towel or mat to class; it is also highly recommended that you bring a yoga strap and two yoga blocks. Class limit of 14 students. Instructor: Clarissa Votaw 200RYT



Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 PM  
Community Center, upstairs  
5 Weeks (10 classes): \$25.00 per session  
Starts October 5th



## BASIC DOG OBEDIENCE/MANNERS CLASS

(Dogs 5 months and older.) Want to have a better relationship with your dog and have some fun? In this class you will learn how to create a peaceful home environment with your dog aided by instructor, Amy L. Snyder. This Basic Dog Obedience/Manners Class you will not only learn how to train your dog in everyday commands such as sit, stay, and down; you will also learn to prevent or correct some unwanted behaviors. This class is great for the first time dog owners, shelter dogs, or anyone who feels the need for a refresher course. All students must bring a copy of their dogs current vaccination record to the first class. Classes are limited to eight people/dogs to ensure that no one gets lost in the crowd and will run for six consecutive Saturdays. Equipment required for this class is a buckle collar, a 6 foot leather/nylon leash, and a lot of treats. The classes on September 25th and October 30th will be at the Jaycee Pavilion all others will be held at the Ice Rink. **NO CHAIN LEADS!**



Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 AM  
Jaycee Pavilion/MacDonald-Ruff Ice Arena  
Six Classes; \$65.00  
Starts September 25th



## CLASS INSTRUCTORS

The Bryan Parks and Recreation Department is looking for persons who would be interested in instructing a class in whatever subject that they would be qualified to teach. We are looking for adult or children classes. If you are skilled in crafts, can draw, or have your own special talent and would like to hold a class; contact us. The classes would be held in the Community Center on Buffalo Road. For room availability, pay, scheduling, etc., call the Parks and Recreation Department at 419-633-6030 or email us at [parks-rec@cityofbryan.com](mailto:parks-rec@cityofbryan.com).



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## POUND CLASS

POUND® transforms drumming into an incredibly effective way of working out. Instead of listening to music, you *become* the music in this exhilarating full-body workout that combines cardio, conditioning, and strength training with yoga and pilates-inspired movements. Designed for all fitness levels, POUND® provides the perfect atmosphere for letting loose, getting energized, toning up and rockin' out! The workout is easily modifiable and the alternative vibe and welcoming philosophy appeals to men and women of all ages and abilities. Using Ripstix®, lightly weighted drumsticks engineered specifically for exercising. Burn



up to 900+ calories per hour, strengthen and sculpt infrequently used muscles, and drum your way to a leaner, slimmer physique – all while rocking out to your favorite music! Ripstix® intensify each POUND® position with light, peripheral resistance that not only works the shoulders, biceps, triceps, forearms, and back. Class size is limited to twelve and students must be at least 12 years of age. Bring a mat if you have one. Ripstix will be provided by instructor, Ashley Kendall.

Thursdays, 6:45PM  
Community Center; upstairs  
4 nights for \$15.00 or all 11 for \$40.00  
September 9th - November 18th



## CHALK COUTURE



Come let your creativity show; although you really do not have to be that creative with Chalk Couture, this is where simplicity meets creativity by using silkscreen transfers and chalk paste. **Make your masterpiece!** You will have fun chalking with reusable transfers where you basically just peel and press to create a perfect design in minutes. Chalk Couture will be changing your walls and halls from drab décor to wonderful wows. Join us and create your own one-of-a-kind beautiful artwork! All supplies will be furnished by instructor Cyndi Stoller. Cyndi will have a **wide variety** of popular transfers at each session along with different seasonal ones, including many new Fall transfers. There is a limit of 8 for this class, so be sure to register early (419-633-6030). You can view a sample of the creations on Cyndi's web page. <https://www.facebook.com/ccscyndiscreations/>

Class cost is determined by which surface you choose for your creation; prices range from \$20.00-\$35.00. Wood Pumpkins will be available for \$20.00.

Session I: September 23rd, 6:30 PM  
Session II: September 30th, 6:30 PM  
Community Center



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## CONTEMPORARY FUSION BELLY DANCE



(Women ages 15 and up): **Girls just wanna have fun!** Belly dance provides the best of both worlds, an excellent way to total body fitness plus the joy of creative self-expression. Improving rhythm, grace, strength, flexibility, and confidence (yes, all of that and more!), women of every body type can be beautiful belly dancers. Directress Rita Michele will be presenting a new format, grounded in the classic Egyptian Baladi style and infused with contemporary technique, interpretation, and musicality.

This class is multi-level, open to both beginners and seasoned dancers. Please wear comfortable clothing that is not too loose. You can dance barefoot or in dance shoes, and a scarf tied around the hips is recommended. Students are welcome to take notes during class. Warm up and cool down exercises will be included, and bringing an exercise mat will be helpful.

All classes will be held upstairs at the Community Center on Buffalo Rd., on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., beginning promptly. Sessions will run four weeks each with a fee of \$40.00. Any cancelled classes will be made up on the Wednesday following the end of the session. Please call **419-633-6030** to reserve your space!

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 PM  
Community Center, upstairs  
4 Weeks: \$40.00 per session  
Session 1 -- Starts September 15th



Session 2 -- begins October 20 (A brief review of previous material will be given. Continuing students will receive more advanced instruction, while new students will cover the basics.)



## “TWINKLE LIGHT TOUR”

Organized in cooperation with John's Son's Donut Depot, this local contest recognizes outstanding holiday decorations in the Bryan area and also awards prizes for the winning entries. Participants must be within the Bryan School District to be eligible. Call 419-633-6030 before December 13th to enter your house. **If your house is not submitted, it will not be judged!** A “Twinkle Light Tour” guide will be published in the paper and will serve as a handy guide for those who want to drive around and view the community decorations.

# JOIN A CLUB

## BLACK SWAMP ART GUILD

Join the Guild members and share their interest in Art, all forms of Art. They meet once a month to exchange ideas, talents, receive instruction, and to create within the group. The yearly membership fee is \$25.00 per person. Meetings are held the 4th Mondays of each month at the Bryan Community Center (downstairs), unless otherwise stated in their newsletter. For more information email [blackswampartguild@gmail.com](mailto:blackswampartguild@gmail.com) or call 419-459-4467.



## CLASSIC FEATHERS BIRD CLUB

Meet and network with area bird lovers and share information about the care, breeding, and enjoyment of birds. Write to Classic Feathers, P.O. Box 7001, Bryan, OH 43506 for more information. Meets the 2nd Sunday in February, April, June, August, October & December at the Community Center on Buffalo Road.



\$15.00 yearly fee (includes newsletter)  
Begin any time.

## DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Open to all area bridge players who enjoy competitive play. Call Sally Priest (419-485-3366) for more information.

Wednesdays, 1:00 PM  
Community Center on Buffalo Road



## WALK, JOG, AND BIKE CLUB



Walk, jog, or bike in our **toppers** paths such as Ed Herroon's footsteps (3,535 miles), jog at Stan Tipton's pace (653 miles), or pedal in Edith Trowbridge's path (3,866 miles). No matter how many walk, jog, or bike miles you total, report them weekly or monthly and earn a prestigious 2020 mileage tee-shirt at the end of the year (your choice of color).



Call 419-633-6030 to report monthly mileage.  
Must participate at least 8 months to be eligible for a tee-shirt.  
Begins January 1st, 2022



## SPORTS LEAGUES AND ASSOCIATIONS

**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE** - Open to ladies 18 and older (by November 1st) not playing on a high school or college team. Preference given to teams with players living or working in the Bryan School District. There will be a season-ending tournament. Tee shirts will be awarded to tournament Champions. Call the Parks and Recreation Department at 419-633-6030 before October 4th to enter a team into the league.



Wednesday Evenings, 7:30-10:30 PM  
Bryan Elementary School - Upstairs  
November through January  
Fee: \$120.00/team  
**PAYMENT DUE BY November 15th**



**CHURCH COED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE** - Open to all area churches with preference given to last year's teams and those churches within the Bryan School District. This is a non-competitive league. No referees. Call the Parks and Recreation department at 419-633-6030 before January 11th to enter a team into the league.

Mon.-Tues.- Thurs. Evenings, 6:00-9:00 PM  
Bryan Elementary School - Upstairs  
February through April  
No Fee



**MEN'S OVER-30 BASKETBALL OPEN GYM** - Open to men 30 years or older (by October 1st) who LIVE OR WORK IN THE BRYAN SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY. New teams each week. Players may start playing anytime.



Wednesday Evenings, 6:00-8:00 PM  
Bryan Elementary School - Downstairs  
No Fee



## CONTACTS FOR YOUTH SPORTS

**GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION** - Please visit their website ([www.bryanyouthsports.com](http://www.bryanyouthsports.com)) to answer any questions you may have.

**BRYAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION** - For more information visit [www.bryanyouthsports.com](http://www.bryanyouthsports.com) or e-mail [bryanlittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:bryanlittleleague@gmail.com)

**BRYAN SOCCER ASSOCIATION** - Visit them at [www.bryanyouthsports.com](http://www.bryanyouthsports.com)

**BRYAN SWIM TEAM** - Visit [bryanswimteam.com](http://bryanswimteam.com) for more information.

**BRYAN LITTLE BEARS** - For more information please follow Bryan Little Bears Football on facebook. [www.bryanyouthsports.com](http://www.bryanyouthsports.com)



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## SEPTEMBER

9th - 6:45 Pound Class Begins  
14th - 5:00 Cheerleading Mini Clinic Begins  
15th - 6:30 Contemporary Fusion Belly Dance, Session 1  
18th - 8:00 CPC Walkathon  
23rd - 6:30 Chalk Couture Class, Session I  
25th - 9:30 Basic Dog Obedience Class Begins  
25th - 10:00 Barnfest  
30th - 6:30 Chalk Couture Class, Session II



## OCTOBER (Continued)

30th - 2:00 Community Halloween Party  
30th - 5:00 Trick-or-Treat  
30th - 5:00 Truth and Treat @ Mattie Marsh Park

## NOVEMBER

6th - 10:00 Children's Crafts & Activities  
20th - 5:00 "2019 Holiday Celebration" Sarah's Friends  
25th - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

## DECEMBER

6th - 5:30 North Pole Calling (Pre-School)  
7th - 5:30 North Pole Calling (Kindergarten)  
10th - Twinkle Light Tour Registrations Due  
11th - 10:00 Children's Crafts & Activities  
25th - MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## OCTOBER

2nd - 10:00 Children's Crafts & Activities  
4th - Ready, Set, Relax  
5th - 5:30 Yoga Class, Session I Begins  
20th - 6:30 Contemporary Fusion Belly Dance, Session 2

4th - Women's Volleyball League Registration Due



## CPC WALKATHON

CPC annual "Steps For Life" walkathon. Saturday, September 18, 2021 at the Mac Donald-Ruff Ice Arena, 601 Townline Road. Walk, Color Run, and 5K registration begins at 8:00 AM. Other activities include face painting, bake sale, bounce house, diaper dash, and more. Visit [cpcnwo.org](http://cpcnwo.org) online or call 419-636-5692 for more details or to register.

## BARNFEST

Newlyn Quest Club's annual Barnfest is a fall tradition. Picture a clear blue sky, changing leaves, and pots of soup cooking on open fires - - that's Barnfest! Over fifty area craftsmen will feature colonial and traditional crafts, pumpkins, mums, demonstrations, and musical entertainment. Club members dressed in early American costumes will serve their traditional iron pot of vegetable soup, homemade breads, pies and giant chocolate chip cookies. Proceeds go towards their scholarship funds and various charitable projects. There will be free shuttles from the downtown Bryan square to the Barnfest events at the MacDonald-Ruff Ice Arena.



Saturday, September 25th  
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
MacDonald-Ruff Ice Arena



## 2021 VIRTUAL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

14th Annual Holiday Soiree. A fundraising event for Sarah's Friends of Williams County. The Holiday Celebration will be held on Saturday, November 20th and will consist of a reverse raffle. Dinners will be available for pick-up at J.J. Winns Restaurant in Montpelier. When you participate in the Holiday Celebration, you are giving a gift to Williams County. Proceeds for this event will benefit Sarah's House in its work with crime victims in Williams County and its violence prevention education. Call Sarah's Friends at 419-636-7272 for more information.