

THE PARK "PLAYBOOK"

SUMMER 2020



Parks & Recreation Department

Fun Happens Here!



Special Events *No alcoholic beverages please! Most events are FREE unless otherwise noted.*

Spring Events

Delmar Duathlon IX

Sunday, April 26 8am
Elm Avenue Park

Run 2 miles, cycle 10 miles, run 2 miles! This event is sponsored by the Bethlehem Park Commission. For more information visit townofbethlehem.org under special events. Registration is ongoing and is limited to 300 registrants.

CANCELED due to Covid-19



Saturday, May 16, 2020
10:00am-1:00pm

250 Delaware Avenue, Delmar

CANCELED due to Covid-19

See page 17 for more details!



National Senior Health & Fitness Day

Wednesday, May 27 12-3pm

Help us celebrate this national day by participating in a walk and fitness event at Elm Avenue Park. Large amount of free registration at 518-439-4955 x 2131. If registering online please use activity #652000-A.

CANCELED due to Covid-19

If you need transportation, contact Senior Services at 518-439-4955 X1176, spaces are limited.

Thursdays in the Park

Bring a picnic, blanket and join us on Thursday evenings at Elm Avenue Park for some live children's entertainment. All shows begin at 7pm on the special events lawn (adjacent to the pool entrance). In case of rain, performances will be relocated to the large pavilion at the back of the park.

The Tick Brothers

July 9

The Tick Brothers are River Jack & Mike. They are a local act that will bring you a tale of a fun band sound that's sure to soothe the soul and rock your bones! The Tick Brothers pick up where the Zucchini Brothers left off. This duo includes one of the founding members!

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Sean-O & Friends

July 16

Stilts and Schtick with SEANO! This classic Circus experience celebrates "kids" with acrobatics, unicycles, and more. Come join in the fun-there's something for everyone!

CANCELED due to Covid-19

The Rev Theater Co.

"The Golden Goose"

July 23

Based on the story of Han, a young boy who is trying to support his family. When Han shows kindness to an injured old man in the woods, he is given the reward of a golden goose! Find out what happens on young Han's journey as the story unfolds!

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Jester Jim

July 30

Back by popular demand! Jester Jim returns with a new show titled "Best Family Show" by Entertainment America.

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Holiday & Evening Fun

Family Day

Saturday, July 4
Elm Avenue Park Pool & nearby grounds



(regular pool fees are in effect)
12pm-Geurtze's famous Chicken BBQ, sports equipment, and more at the Club.
12-2pm-**CANCELED due to Covid-19**
12:45pm-Saxophone Jam
1-3pm-Air Bounces
2-4pm-Face Paint
2-4pm-Live Music-"Raisinhead"

Field games



Late Night Movie @ the Pool

Friday, August 7

Join us for a late night swim and movie under the stars on the big screen. The movie will be shown on the big screen. Tickets allow you to reserve a spot for the movie. Help us choose your favorite out of a choice of 5 movie candidates, which will be posted in the pool lobby. Voting will take place at the Elm Avenue Park Pool, beginning June 10, opening day. Pool patrons can vote everyday once a day until July 10.

CANCELED due to Covid-19

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 4
Elm Avenue Park

RESCHEDULED TO OCTOBER DATE-TBD



See page 17 for event details!!!

Elm Avenue Park Pool Complex - Opens Wednesday, June 10th!

Residency Requirements

- The pool complex is open to Town of Bethlehem residents and their guests. Non-resident guests must be accompanied by a resident with a valid pool pass.
- Bethlehem Central School District residents who do not live in the Town of Bethlehem may obtain a special Pay-As-You-Go pass and pay guest rates. Bethlehem Central School District tax bill is required to obtain pass.

Special Notes:

- Pools are cleared daily at 7:50pm.
- At times throughout the summer, sections of the pools may be closed due to staff availability.
- Days from June 29-August 7, a small section of the L-shaped pool will be open from 12:15pm.
- From August 8-September 7 the pool complex will be open from 12:15pm Monday-Friday and 12:15pm on Saturday, Sunday and holidays. Hours may vary on staff availability.
- A photo ID page 9 must be provided for anyone age 14

Pool Hours

- The pool complex will be open daily from **June 10-September 7**.
- Hours of operation are listed below: (weather permitting)

- ☼ Olympic, L-Shaped & Splash Islands:.....Daily 12:15pm-7:00pm
- ☼ Diving Pool:.....Daily 12:15pm-7:00pm
- ☼ Concession Stand:.....Daily 12:15pm-7:00pm

Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express accepted at the pool. Pay-as-you-go passes available.

Elm Avenue Park Pools will remain closed for the 2020 season. We are currently planning to open the splash pads only. Date to be determined.

Pool Fees

Season Pass Rates

Family rates apply to residents of Bethlehem.

☼ Family 4+.....	\$100.00	☼ Adult Guest.....	\$8.25
☼ Family 3.....	\$75.00	☼ After 5:00pm.....	\$6.75
☼ Family 2.....	\$50.00	☼ Child Guest (age 2+).....	\$6.75
☼ Individual Adult (age 18+)	\$100.00	☼ After 5:00pm.....	\$5.75
☼ Individual Child (age 5-17)	\$85.00	☼ Senior Guest.....	\$5.50
☼ Child Care Provider (non-resident)	\$115.00	☼ After 5:00pm.....	\$4.25

(Must be employed by a Bethlehem family at least 8 weeks & 30 hours per week during the summer)

Pool Complex Rules...

are posted on the website and at the pool. Your compliance is appreciated.

Use Protect Against Recreational Water Illness!

- Individuals with diarrhea shall not use the pools or Splash Islands.
- Shower yourself and your child after using the toilet.
- Use foot showers at Splash Islands.
- Children who are not fully toilet trained must wear a swim diaper covered by rubber pants.
- No urinating, discharging of fecal matter, expectorating or blowing the nose in the pool or Splash Islands.
- Please use locker rooms for diaper changing.
- Spray features use recycled water; DO NOT DRINK.

Party Reservations at the Pool

Town of Bethlehem residents with a valid pool pass may reserve the "arts & crafts" shelter and surrounding grass area near Splash Islands according to the following schedule:

- Monday-Friday 4pm-7pm (not available beginning August 10)
- Saturday or Sunday 12:15pm-7:00pm (not available beginning August 10)

Pool Parties CANCELED due to Covid-19



- The fee is \$135 and includes 2 hours of time and admission for up to 20 party attendees (wristbands will be provided). Additional guests are \$4.50 each. You will also receive a shout out on the pool PA system and a white board greeting. A wagon will be available to transport your party supplies from your car to the pool area. For further information, visit the Parks & Recreation Department website (www.townofbethlehem.org).
- Reserve a date now using the Pool Party Permit form on the website (www.townofbethlehem.org). Submit form with payment to the Parks & Recreation Office.

Elm Avenue Park-Pool Pass Renewal Form



REMEMBER: You can renew/obtain your pool pass right at the pool! We do, however, **strongly recommend renewing passes early** to avoid waiting in line on hot days.

All permanent residents age 5 & older must have a pool pass with a bar code to enter pool complex.

• If you have a pass, don't throw it away!! You can renew it. Senior Citizen passes with a bar code do not have to be renewed.

1) Renew online

- ◆ townofbethlehem.org Click on the Recreation Registration button.
- ◆ Residency for all online pass renewals will be verified using the current tax rolls. Sorry this option is only available if you are a property owner. All other residents must use option 2 or 3 below.

2) Renew by mail

- ◆ Complete form below.
- ◆ If you reside in the Town of Bethlehem but are NOT a property owner, you must provide proof of residency.
- ◆ Include payment (if season pass).
- ◆ Passes are not required to be renewed.

3) Renew in person at the pool.

- ◆ **POOL: Daily** (if you are a property owner, you must provide proof of residency before closing)
- ◆ **OFFICE: Season** (if you are a property owner, you must provide proof of residency during the season)

Acceptable proof of residency:

Photo I.D. **AND** a current utility bill, property tax bill or lease agreement (all bills or agreements must have printed street address, **NO P.O. Boxes**).

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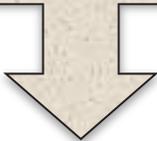
PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____
 City: _____ Work Phone: _____
 Primary Email address: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M F
 Family Member (must provide address) _____ ***(required)**

(if applicable)

Name: _____ Pass Code: _____ Date of Birth: * _____ M F Fee: _____
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Residency will be verified using 2020 property tax rolls. If you are not a Town of Bethlehem property owner, you must provide proof of residency. Don't forget to include payment for Season Passes!



Pool Pass Types	Pass Code	Total Fee Due
Season Individual Adult (age 14-61)	IA	\$100
Season Individual Child (age 5-13)	IC	\$85
Season Family of 2	F2	\$165
Season Family of 3	F3	\$215
Season Family of 4+	F4	\$245
Child Care Provider	CC	\$115
Pay-As-You-Go Adult	PYGA	N/A
Pay-As-You-Go Child	PYGC	N/A

Mail to: Town of Bethlehem Parks & Recreation Department, 261 Elm Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054 OR Fax (credit card only): 518-439-2144

INDICATE METHOD OF PAYMENT: CASH CHECK MC VISA DISCOVER

(Check payable to: **Town of Bethlehem**, \$20 fee for returned checks)

Credit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

PRINT Name of card holder: _____

Activity, Registration & Other Important Information

- Activities are open to anyone regardless of residency! So bring a friend and take advantage of this opportunity **(see box to the right for details about residency)**.
- Activities may not necessarily meet every week due to facility availability or holidays. Occasionally school activities or inclement weather will force cancellations of some sessions. In such cases we will attempt to reschedule however there is no guarantee.
- Children must be age specified by the first scheduled class.
- Adults are 18 and older unless otherwise specified.
- Please attend only the activity (ies) for which you have registered.
- There will be a \$20 fee for returned checks.
- Please notify the office if you have any medical condition, special need, or you require special assistance to participate in an activity.
- All grade levels refer to grades entering in September.



You Snooze...You Lose!

Nothing ruins an activity quicker than waiting until the last minute to register. If there are not enough registrants five (5) days prior to the start of an activity, it may be cancelled. Entering the Lottery Spin is your best chance to get into your desired activity!

So don't wait!

Online registration for the Lottery Spin begins NOW!

CHOOSE TO: Enter the Lottery Spin (For Town of Bethlehem RESIDENTS* ONLY)

- All activity registrations received from the form on page 18 will be entered into the Lottery Spin as received, or existing households may enter using our online registration system.
- Your registration fee will be deposited immediately.
- You will receive an email (if you provided one on the household form) stating you have been entered into the **Lottery**. You must have an email address to use the online system.
- Following the Lottery Spin (**April 8**) you will receive another email informing you of your **Enrollment** or **Wait List** status.
- If you are not selected for desired activities you will be placed on a waiting list. See **Wait List** policy on the right.
- Household registration form with payment (see page 18) may be mailed, dropped off at the Park Office, or placed in the drop box at the office after hours.

The deadline to be included in the Lottery Spin is **Friday June 12th at 9:00am**. During the actual computerized "spin" of the lottery, the online system will be unavailable.

OR: Telephone, walk-in and online registration for residents & non-residents

Telephone, walk-in and online registration for all remaining openings after the Lottery Spin will be accepted following the Lottery Spin on **Friday, June 12** Call **518-439-4955 Ext. 2131** or visit the Park Office between 8:30am-4:30pm Monday through Friday. Please have your Visa, MasterCard or Discover card ready when calling in. Walk in payment (s) may be made by cash, check (**payable to Town of Bethlehem**) or credit card. You may also fax: 518-439-2144. Online registration will be available 24 hours a day.



*About Residency....

- Residents (R): Persons living in or owning property within the Town of Bethlehem. The Town may require proof of residency when enrolling a new household.
 - Non-residents (NR): May register for activities beginning April 8 after the lottery spin is complete.
- R=Resident fee / NR=Non Resident fee**

ACTIVITY CANCELLATION, REFUND & WAIT LIST POLICY

- To withdraw from an activity, participants must notify the office (518-439-4955 Ext. 2131). Activity supervisors do not report cancellations to the office.
- A cancellation fee of **10% per person per refund** request will be deducted from all refunds **OR** your refund may be applied to your household as a credit with no cancellation fee.
- A pro-rated refund will be granted if the office is notified prior to the second class following the participant's registration date.
- If the Parks & Recreation Department must cancel an activity no cancellation fee is charged.
- Check refunds may take 4-6 weeks.
- If an activity fills, you will be placed on a waitlist and your payment will be processed. You will be notified by email and/or phone call if an opening occurs. If not selected, your payment will be applied to your household as a credit, or you may request a refund by phone or email.

ABOUT ONLINE SERVICES...

- Use your Household ID # and Password to register for activities **AND** renew your pool passes.
 - If you are brand new to our registration system, please call 518-439-4955 Ext. 2131 to set up a household ID #, or visit the Park Office M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm.
 - This ID # will be your permanent User Name for all future online activity registrations and pass renewals. You will be able to:
 - ~Register for activities.
 - ~Renew pool passes.
 - ~Receive email confirmations
- of online transactions.
~View facility calendars to check availability of picnic pavilions.
- Please review your household information to make sure the information is correct and that your email address is up to date.

Go to : www.townofbethlehem.org

Links are available from the homepage of the Town website under Recreation Registration on the left side of the page and from the Parks & Recreation Department homepage.

Don't forget to take advantage of our online pass renewal! It's quick AND easy!



Adult Fitness & Athletics

50+ Softball

- Elm Avenue Park Office
- Tuesday (15 classes)
- \$49(R)/\$54(NR)

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Recreational softball games. No standings. Bring your own mitt.

#341050-A May 12-August 18 6:00pm-dusk

Healthy Bones for Life

- Elm Avenue Park Office
- Monday (15 classes) &/or Thursday (15 classes)
- Monday: \$15

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Progressive weight-bearing exercises designed to increase bone health in older adults. Weights are optional.

Sponsored by Retirement Services. #352038-A May 11-August 24 (not 5/25) 9:00-10:15am

#352038-B May 14-August 27 (not 6/4) 9:00-10:15am

HIIT (High Intensity Interval Training)

- Elm Avenue Park Office Building
- Monday (5 classes)
- Session I & II: \$38(R)/\$43(NR)
- Instructor: Sara Lasher

Session 1 Moved to Virtual Class!

High Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) is a full-body exercise which includes periods of short high-intensity exercise followed by less intense recovery periods. This class will improve cardiovascular endurance, flexibility/mobility, as well as overall strength. A quick yet thorough warmup will get the body ready for a great workout. We will end the class with a calming cool down and light stretching. All fitness levels are welcome as modifications will be provided.

#342008-A June 1-29 7:00-8:00pm

#342008-B July 6-August 3 7:00-8:00pm

Pickleball

- Elm Avenue Park Tennis Courts #1-4
- Tuesday (10 classes)
- 6:00-8:00pm
- FREE!



Come play and learn about the sport of pickleball. All levels welcome. Bring your own equipment. This free drop in activity will be led by Risa Carr. **Must pre-register with the Park Office @518-439-4955 (Ext. 2131)**

#341077-A June 23-September 1 6:00-8:00pm

Pilates

- Elm Avenue Park Office
- Wednesday (Session I: 4 classes/Session II: 5 classes)
- Session I & II: \$35(R)/\$40(NR)
- Instructor: Jennifer Clunie

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Pilates is a low-impact exercise that strengthens & tones muscles, improves posture, and increases flexibility. Bring a yoga mat.

#342040-A June 10-July 1 6:00-7:00pm

#342040-B July 8-August 5 6:00-7:00pm

Seniors in Motion

- Town Hall Auditorium
- Tuesday and/or Friday
- \$4.00
- Instructor: Jennifer Clunie

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Low level exercise program for seniors. Dr.'s approval if not in the program. **Must pre-register.**

#552046-B June 12-August 25 9:00-10:00am

Sunrise Vinyasa Flow Yoga

- Elm Avenue Park field near large pavilion
- Tuesday (7 classes)
- \$56(R)/\$66(NR)
- Instructor: Jennifer Clunie

NEW OUTDOOR DATES!

This class will start with slow movements to warm the body and release muscular tension, then move to a faster paced series of poses designed to strengthen the body and increase balance, range of motion, and flexibility. Sunrise Vinyasa Flow is recommended for those individuals with an established yoga practice, however options as well as modifications will be offered for those that wish to participate in class. Bring a yoga mat.

#342002-A June 9-July 21 6:30-7:30am

#342002-B August 11-September 8 7:00-8:00am

Chair Yoga

- Town Hall Auditorium
- Monday (Session I: 4 classes/Session II: 5 classes)
- Session I: \$31(R)/\$36(NR)/Session II: \$39(R)/\$44(NR)
- Instructor: Jennifer Clunie

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Enjoy all the benefits of yoga in a more accessible format. This class is designed for those with decreased muscle tone, flexibility, balance, or those who prefer a more traditional yoga practice. We will move easily from standing to seated to floor positions.

#352040-A June 8-29 11:00am-12:00pm

#352040-B July 6-August 3 11:00am-12:00pm

Yoga

- SEE BLUE BOX FOR LOCATION
- Thursday (4 classes)
- Session I & II: \$35(R)/\$40(NR)
- Instructor: Jennifer Clunie

Session 1 Moved to Virtual Class!
Session 2 Elm Ave Park Large pavilion outdoor area

Yoga combines movement, breathing and meditation to create a challenging and dynamic workout. Also included is yoga theory and relaxation. Bring a yoga mat. (Yoga blocks and straps also encouraged). All levels welcome!

#342082-C June 4-25 6:00-7:15pm

#342082-D July 2-23 6:00-7:15pm

Youth Services

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

The Youth Employment Service (Y.E.S.) is a free, community service helping youth ages 14-21, find work and Bethlehem residents and businesses find reliable workers.

For more information, contact Carol Rhatigan, Y.E.S. Director at 518-439-4955 Ext. 1608 or yes@townofbethlehem.org

While Y.E.S. does not have scheduled office hours, emails and phone messages are checked regularly and mail is picked up at the Parks & Recreation Office once a week.



Aquatics

ACTIVITY NOTES & GUIDELINES:

- We welcome children of all abilities in our swim programs. If you call ahead to let us know your child's specific needs, we will be happy to learn how we can best serve you.
- All children must be the age specified by the first scheduled lesson.
- All lessons are held rain or shine at the Elm Avenue Park Pool. During inclement weather, the class will meet, but may not swim. *(Will not meet July 3)*
- Register for any number of sessions. Do not register for 2 time slots in the same session.
- During early morning lessons, the pool complex will close at 10:40am and will reopen at 11:00am.
- ☀️ Town residents who participate in aquatic activities after 11:00am must leave their updated pool pass at the front desk prior to the start of class and must pick up their pass within 1/2 hour after their class ends.
- ☀️ Non-residents (NR) who participate in aquatic activities after 11:00am must leave their driver's license at the front desk prior to the start of class and must pick up their driver's license within 1/2 hour after their class ends.



Learn to Swim

- Grades 1 & older
- Monday-Friday *(not July 3)*
- Session I: \$69(R)/\$79(NR)
- Session II & III: \$77(R)/\$87(NR)

Our experienced staff offers **small group** instruction. Skills are taught based on levels established by the American Red Cross. Your child will learn new aquatic skills and refine/reinforce skills that they may already possess, all while maintaining a fun and enjoyable experience! On the first day meet along the Islands fence.

Choose your session and time below:

Session I: June 29-July 10 *(not July 3)*

- #323029-1B 9:35-10:05am
- #323029-1C 10:10-10:40am

Session II: July 13-24

- #323029-2B
- #323029-2C



Elm Avenue Park Pools will remain closed for the 2020 season. We are currently planning to open the splash pads only. Date to be determined.

Tiny Tot Swim

- Ages 3-6 only
- Monday-Friday *(not July 3)*
- Session I: \$60(R)/\$70(NR)
- Session II-VI: \$75(R)/\$85(NR)

Individual instruction for your child to learn! Various swimming skills are taught based on your child's ability and comfort level. When registering, please include any special needs you know about your child that will help us provide the best experience with an instructor. Class meets at the splash pads.

Session	Time
July 20-24	9:35-10:05am
July 20-24	10:10-10:40am
July 20-24	11:10-11:40am
July 20-24	11:45am-12:15pm
July 27-31	9:35-10:05am
July 27-31	10:10-10:40am
July 27-31	11:10-11:40am
July 27-31	11:45am-12:15pm
Session VI: August 3-7	9:35-10:05am
Session VI: August 3-7	10:10-10:40am
Session VI: August 3-7	11:10-11:40am
Session VI: August 3-7	11:45am-12:15pm

The last day of each session is "Splash Pad Day." This long standing tradition provides the opportunity to "show off" your child's accomplishments to parents, family and friends. Bring your camera!

One on One

- Ages 4-12
- Monday-Wednesday
- \$45(R)/\$50(NR) ☀️

A 30 minute **one on one** personalized instruction class that is tailored to the participant's level of swim ability. Meets 3 consecutive days, choose as many weeks as you like. **Thursday** will be the makeup day in case of weather related pool closures. Meet your instructor at the Splash Islands sign.

Sign up for as many weeks as you want!

Session I: June 29-July 1

- #323024-1A 3:00-3:30pm
- #323024-1B 3:35-4:05pm
- #323024-1C 4:10-4:40pm
- #323024-1D 4:55-5:25pm
- #323024-1E 5:30-6:00pm
- #323024-1F 6:05-6:35pm

Session IV: July 20-22

- #323024-4A 3:00-3:30pm
- #323024-4B 3:35-4:05pm
- #323024-4C 4:10-4:40pm
- #323024-4D 4:55-5:25pm
- #323024-4E 5:30-6:00pm
- #323024-4F 6:05-6:35pm

Session II: July 6-8

- #323024-2A 3:00-3:30pm
- #323024-2B 3:35-4:05pm
- #323024-2C 4:10-4:40pm
- #323024-2D 4:55-5:25pm
- #323024-2E 5:30-6:00pm
- #323024-2F 6:05-6:35pm

Session V: July 27-29

- #323024-5A 3:00-3:30pm
- #323024-5B 3:35-4:05pm
- #323024-5C 4:10-4:40pm
- #323024-5D 4:55-5:25pm
- #323024-5E 5:30-6:00pm
- #323024-5F 6:05-6:35pm

Session III: July 13-15

- #323024-3A 3:00-3:30pm
- #323024-3B 3:35-4:05pm
- #323024-3C 4:10-4:40pm
- #323024-3D 4:55-5:25pm
- #323024-3E 5:30-6:00pm
- #323024-3F 6:05-6:35pm

Session VI: August 3-5

- #323024-6A 3:00-3:30pm
- #323024-6B 3:35-4:05pm
- #323024-6C 4:10-4:40pm
- #323024-6D 4:55-5:25pm
- #323024-6E 5:30-6:00pm
- #323024-6F 6:05-6:35pm

More Aquatics

Aqua Fitness

- Adults (High School age welcome!)
- Elm Avenue Park Olympic Pool
- Meets rain or shine
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (3 classes on Wednesdays)
- \$27(R)/\$32(NR) per session



Elm Avenue Park Pools will remain closed for the 2020 season. We are currently planning to open the splash pads only. Date to be determined.

A low impact, cardiovascular workout in the water. Exercises. A great way to get in shape and improve your swimming skills required.

- #343080-1A 11:10-11:40am
- #343080-1B 6:00-6:30pm
- #343080-2A 11:10-11:40am
- #343080-2B 6:00-6:30pm

Toddler

- Ages 2-4
- Elm Avenue Park
- Meets rain or shine
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (3 classes on Wednesdays) (Thu and/or Fri-makeups)
- \$53(R)/\$63(NR) per session

Parent/child participation. Class filled with songs, toys and games. Designed to develop a comfort level in the water and readiness for learning to swim. Also emphasizes water safety. One parent to one child.

- #313074-1A July 6-15 11:10-11:40am
- #313074-1B July 6-15 6:00-6:30pm
- #313074-2A July 20-29 11:10-11:40am
- #313074-2B July 20-29 6:00-6:30pm

Friends of Parks



Love our Town parks?

We do too!

Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation is a collaborative partner with the Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department, working to protect, enhance and expand its recreation activities and parks to improve the quality of life for all residents.

Perhaps you've taken advantage of our Commemorative Tree & Bench Program, or joined us for I Love My Park Day or our annual bus trip to Boston. Or maybe we haven't met, but you believe in what we do. Why not make our Friendship official?

Come join our board.

Friends board members are community members just like you. Anyone with an interest in our mission has something to contribute. All are welcome, but those with skills in fundraising, publicity/communications or event planning are especially needed.

We meet formally just once a month. Otherwise, your level of involvement is up to you — whatever you can do, your ideas and energy will make a difference.

To learn more, please visit us online, email us at info@friendsofbethlehemparks.org, or call (518) 605-6580.



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Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation

Friends of Parks continued



Interested in donating a Tree or Park Bench to be placed ...

- * In your neighborhood park?
- * Along the river at Henry Hudson Park?
- * At the Elm Avenue Park pool complex or playground?
- * Along the fitness circuit trail at Elm Avenue Park?

Visit the Friends website at friendsofbethlehemparks.org and click on the "Tree & Bench Program" tab to see the full brochure.



Show Bethlehem parks some love!!

Volunteer on Saturday, May 2nd!

WHEN: Saturday, May 2, 2020 9:00-11:00am

WHERE: Town of Bethlehem DOG PARK

The Dog Park can be accessed from the Delmar By-Pass Extension, off of Rt. 32, adjacent to the Dog Park.

CANCELED due to Covid-19

PROJECT: Beautification & seasonal cleanup!
Stop by on I LOVE MY PARK DAY &

- Check out the Town Dog Park
- Help spruce it up for the summer season ahead
- Learn about the new Town policy allowing dogs in all Town parks-pick up the new brochure for dog owners and non-dog owners alike

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Go to:

friendsofbethlehemparks.org/news.php

Camp Corner

Early Care & Late Care

- Entering grades 1-7 in September
- Elm Avenue Park Large Pavilion
- Monday-Friday
- 7:45-9:00am and/or 4:30-5:45pm
- \$28(R)/\$33(NR)
- \$35(R)/\$40(NR)

CANCELED due to Covid-19

Camp Adventure

- Entering grades 4-7 in September
- Elm Avenue Park Large Pavilion
- Monday-Friday
- 9:00am-4:30pm (Bring a bag lunch)
- \$156(R)/\$181(NR)-1st week; \$195(R)/\$220(NR)-All other weeks

Campers take part in a variety of activities including: pool, arts & crafts, special events and a weekly trip to the pool. Age appropriate games, arts & crafts, special events and a weekly trip to the pool. Also includes off-site activities. Schedule visit www.townofbethlehem.org Department, Camp Corner. Both camps are inspected twice and licensed by the Albany County Health Department. Use the form on page 18 and include payment for your first week. Payment for all other weeks due by **June 1**. Online registrations must be paid in full.

Camp is CANCELED due to Covid-19

- #327015-A June 29-July 2 (not July 3)
- #327015-B July 6-10
- #327015-C July 13-17
- #327015-D July 20-24
- #327015-E July 27-31
- #327015-F August 3-7



Sunny Day Camp

- Entering grades 1-3 in September
- Elm Avenue Park Large Pavilion
- Monday-Friday
- 9:00am-4:30pm (Bring a bag lunch)
- \$132(R)/\$156(NR)

Camp is CANCELED due to Covid-19

Enjoy all of Elm Avenue Park's amenities including the pool. Age appropriate games, arts & crafts, special events and a weekly trip to the pool. Use the form on page 18 and include payment for your first week. Payment for all other weeks due by **June 1**. Online registrations must be paid in full.

- #327017-A June 29-July 2 (not July 3)
- #327017-B July 6-10
- #327017-C July 13-17
- #327017-D July 20-24
- #327017-E July 27-31
- #327017-F August 3-7

NEW!-Kid's Club

- Entering grades 1-5 in September
- Different locations throughout Elm Avenue Park
- Monday-Friday, 8:30am-12:00pm
- FOR RESIDENTS ONLY
- \$115
- Limited space!

- #327100-B July 6-10 8:30am-12:00pm
- #327100-C July 13-17 8:30am-12:00pm
- #327100-D July 20-24 8:30am-12:00pm
- #327100-E July 27-31 8:30am-12:00pm
- #327100-F August 3-7 8:30am-12:00pm

Play Factory

- Grades K-5
- 9:00-11:30am & 12:30-3:00pm
- Monday-Friday
- Play Factory is for all Town of Bethlehem residents and Bethlehem Central School District residents



Meets at two locations throughout the town. This program will include weekly themes, daily activities, and more! Parent/guardian must be present on their first day. Parents must sign a consent form each day. **We have a maximum enrollment of 40 children per session based on first come basis.** The program will close daily between 11:30am-12:30pm.

CANCELED due to Covid-19

- Hamagrael June 29-July 17 (not July 3)
- Becker July 20-August 7

Bethlehem Library @ the Park

Parks and Recreation is teaming up with the library to bring some special activities to our parks around town. Tuesdays at 11:00am.

CANCELED due to Covid-19

- Becker Elm Avenue Park
- Hamagrael Elm Avenue Park



Total Play Multi Sports Camp

- Ages 5-12
- Elm Avenue Park (Field space adjacent to playground)
- Monday-Friday (5 classes)
- 9am-12:30pm: \$175(R)/\$200(NR) Includes shirt & medal
- 9am-4:00pm: \$225(R)/\$250(NR) Includes shirt & medal
- Bring your own bag lunch also if full day.



CANCELED due to Covid-19

Multi Sports Camp is designed to experience a variety of sports throughout the program including soccer, basketball, flag football, cricket, handball, volleyball, and more! Players will work on developing their skills in each sport before participating in small tournament-style scrimmages. All participants will receive a shirt and certificate. This is the only sports camp truly dedicated to children of all abilities. **Once you have registered your child, you must visit US Sport's webpage to complete additional paperwork. The link to their page will be provided in your registration confirmation email.**

- #327065-A August 10-14 9:00am-12:30pm
- #327065-B August 10-14 9:00am-4:00pm

Amazing Athletes

- Ages 3-9
- Elm Avenue Park (Field space adjacent to playground) (In case of rain-call Park Office)
- Monday-Friday
- 9-10:30am: \$115(R)/\$130(NR) Includes t-shirt
- 9am-12pm: \$115(R)/\$130(NR) Includes t-shirt
- Please bring your own bag lunch

CANCELED due to Covid-19

The **3-4 year old** camp is designed to introduce children to 10 different sports, while focusing on age-appropriate areas of motor development. Children will learn the basic fundamentals and mechanics of baseball, basketball, football, golf, hockey, lacrosse, soccer, tennis, track & field and volleyball. Will also focus on the 7 key areas of motor-development through games, obstacle courses and other fun fitness activities!

The **5-9 year old** camp is a developmental sports and fitness program that teaches children the basic fundamentals and mechanics of 10 different sports: baseball, basketball, football, golf, hockey, lacrosse, soccer, tennis, track & field and volleyball. The children are able to learn and practice the basic fundamentals of each sport through game based activities.

- #321088-A August 17-21 (Ages 3-4) 9:00-10:30am
- #321088-B August 17-21 (Ages 5-9) 9:00am-12:00pm

Other Camps

KidzArt

- Entering grades 1-6 in September
- Elm Avenue Park Large Pavilion
- Monday-Friday
- \$175(R)/\$200(NR) 9am-12pm
- \$255(R)/\$280(NR) 9am-3pm
- Please bring bag lunch, 2 snacks & beverage for full day campers. For half day, bring snack & beverage.
- All artist quality materials are included. No experience needed! Friends and family are invited to join us for our end of camp art show. Space is limited!



JUNGLE SAFARI: Where Art Goes Wild

Grab your jungle hats and join us on a safari of fun. Learn about the jungle and all its little creatures from things that creep and crawl to things that jump and roar. Create a portfolio of masterpieces as you explore new and different techniques in art. Build a sculpture. Paint a canvas. Share your talents and discover new ones.

#324063-A August 17-21 9:00am-12:00pm
 #324063-B August 17-21 9:00am-3:00pm

ART ACROSS AMERICA:

This summer KidzArt takes artists on a journey across this great nation, exploring different American painters, sculptors, monuments and treasures of the United States. Artists will learn about history as you explore new and different art mediums while building their self – expression and artistic skills.

#324063-C August 24-28 9:00am-12:00pm
 #324063-D August 24-28 9:00am-3:00pm

Club Scientific-Chemistry of Wellness

- Entering grades 1-6 in September
- Elm Avenue Park Large Pavilion
- Monday-Friday
- \$270 (R)/\$300 (NR) 9am-12pm
- Please bring bag lunch, 2 snacks & beverage for full day campers.



CHEMISTRY OF WELLNESS

This is our most popular program. In this program, we explore essential oils, meditation and essential oils we will delve into the science of wellness. Start each day with a mindful meditation. Make your own bug spray, sunblock, sensory bottles, bath bombs and more. Learn about botany and build your own herb garden.

#324063-E August 10-14 9:00am-4:00pm

Albany County Activities

In partnership with the Albany County Department of Recreation. To register for these FREE programs, you must contact the Albany County Department of Recreation at 518-655-7948 or website:

<https://www.albanycounty.com/departments/recreation>

Basketball

- Ages 5-17
- Elm Avenue Park Basketball Courts
- Monday-Friday: TBD
- 9:00-10:30am (ages 5-10); 10:30am-12:00pm (ages 11-17)

This 5-day clinic will have an intense focus on individual skills, fitness, and game-like scenarios.

Flag Football

- Ages 5-15
- Elm Avenue Park (Field space adjacent to playground)
- Saturdays: TBD
- 10:00-11:00am (ages 5-7); 11:00am-12:00pm (ages 8-10); 12:00-1:00pm (ages 11-15)

Spend your mornings at Elm Avenue Park working on your footwork, hand-eye coordination, and understanding of the game. Sessions will include skills, drills, and scrimmages.

History Paddles

- FREE but please pre-register. See page 10 for registration details. If unable to attend registered dates, kindly call the Park Office to cancel. 518-439-4955 Ext. 2131
- In case of inclement weather, check the website for cancellations: bethlehemhistorical.org Information will be posted by 1 hour before launch/walking time.
- Tour Guide: Susan Leath-Town Historian. For questions, email sleath@townofbethlehem.org

Hudson River & Vlomankill Kayak Paddles

Enjoy a guided kayak/canoe paddle along the Hudson River and Vlomankill. Learn about Bethlehem's historic river connections from the unique perspective of actually being on the water. Experience the historic Nicoll-Sill House, Winne's Dock, Parada Hook and if the creek is passable, the waterfall on the Vlomankill. **Participants MUST bring their own kayaks and gear (rental kayaks available online through www.upstatekayakrentals.com), including personal flotation device, and be proficient paddlers, paddling at their own risk.** Ms. Leath will provide the history info, but is not a boating instructor.

High tide for 6/13 is predicted for 11:18am (unload & on water by 10am)
 High tide for 7/11 is predicted for 9:43am (unload & on water by 9am)
 High tide for 8/5 is predicted for 6:43pm (unload & on water by 6pm)

~~#695001-H Saturday June 13 10:00-11:00am~~
 #695001-K Saturday, July 11 9:00-10:00am
 #695001-M Wednesday, August 5 6:00-7:00pm

Cemetery Walking Tours

Come explore two cemeteries. Learn fascinating family stories and their connection to Bethlehem history while walking in these quiet, green spaces. Wear your walking shoes. Will be held rain or shine unless severe. See weather information above.

Bethlehem Cemetery (286 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar)

Established in 1865, yet the folks buried here, like Revolutionary War veteran Christian Bender and his wife Elizabeth Cramer, touch history back to the Adams family. Many other family stories include the Haswell, Slingerland and the garage, use Kenwood Avenue entrance.

#695005-A Saturday, June 27 10:00-11:00am

Elmwood Cemetery (Route 9W, Selkirk)

Also known as Bethlehem Rural Cemetery, was established in 1860 on land transferred from the First Reformed Church. Noted families include Becker, Leath, and the Baker. One family story sure to be interesting is the story of a man who lost his life at the Battle of Gettysburg. We will meet in the main driveway.

#695005-B Saturday, May 16 10:00-11:00am

Hudson River Kayak Eco-Tours

Did you know that the entire eastern edge of Bethlehem is bordered by the great Hudson River? Nature along the Hudson in Bethlehem can be grand (like bald eagles), subtle (like dragonflies), and crazy (like fish that can climb waterfalls). Join Bethlehem staff and local ecologists for an easy Hudson River Kayak Eco-tour of the river and its tributary, the Vlomankill, to learn about local fish, birds and even see a small waterfall. We will begin our paddle from the kayak launch at the south end of the Park. **Participants MUST bring their own kayaks and gear (rental kayaks available online through www.upstatekayakrentals.com), including personal flotation device, and be proficient paddlers, paddling at their own risk.** Tour leaders will provide the ecological info, but are not boating instructors. Contact Karen Shaw, Open Space Coordinator, with questions at kshaw@townofbethlehem.org, 518-439-4955 x 1106. **Must call the Parks & Recreation Department at 518-439-4955 x 2131 to pre-register!** Participation is free, space is limited.

#695007-A June dates CANCELED due to Covid-19
 #695007-B
 #695007-C Wednesday, August 19 5:00-7:00pm (high tide 5:35pm)

Parks & Recreation Department News

Dogs in Parks: It is now Town Code that allows dogs in all Bethlehem Town Parks, with **restrictions** and **enforcement measures**.

The following will be **enforced**: *Dogs must be Licensed with the Town *Dogs must be a minimum of 4 months old *Dogs must be on a leash no longer than 6 feet in length *Handlers must immediately clean fecal matter and properly dispose *Dogs in heat are prohibited *Additional rules that pertain to a dogs behavior are listed in Town Code, Chapter 61 Dogs.

Dogs are **restricted** from the following areas: *Pool Complex *Playgrounds *Fitness Stations *Tennis & Basketball Courts *On playing fields while in use *Community Gardens *Any areas that are temporarily closed

NEW for 2020 – Pool Fobs: Say goodbye to your old Pool ID passes! Starting this year we will incorporate a more convenient approach for residents to enter the pool. The new pool FOBS will be similar to current membership passes that you might already have at local grocery stores or other health and wellness centers. Pool FOBS will fit on a key ring, or if preferred, use your phone to take a picture of the bar code and scan your phone for admission.

Please continue to renew your current ID passes, this will definitely save you time upon your first visit. However, ID Pool passes will no longer be used for entry to the pool. So if you already updated your old ID pass we will easily exchange them with a new FOB at your first entry. If you did not renew an old ID pass, or just coming to the pool for the first time, you will be issued a pool FOB.

In short: Only new pool FOBS will be used for admission
Continue to renew your current passes, this will save you time upon first entry
Renewed "old ID passes" will be exchanged for FOBS at first visit

Community Event



Saturday, May 16, 2020
10:00am-1:00pm

Join us behind 250 Delaware Ave (Community Care parking lot) for various bicycle and walking activities & crafts, bike skills stations, vendors, and more! Be sure to bring your own water. This event is sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Department, Bethlehem Police Family Services Unit, and the Bethlehem Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee. Visit the event website for more details:

CANCELED due to Covid-19

<https://www.townofbethlehem.org/814/Walk-and-Roll-Fest>

Kayak Rentals

Kayak rentals are available at Henry Hudson Park beginning in late May. Upstate Kayak Rentals will provide an un-staffed Hub near the canoe/kayak launch at the south end of Henry Hudson Park. Reservations/policies/procedures/fees are available through their website only: upstatekayakrentals.com Cost includes personal flotation device and paddles. All questions or issues should be directed to their website.



Presented by
Bethlehem Police Department
Family Services Unit

RESCHEDULED TO OCTOBER DATE-TBD

Elm Avenue Park

- Free admission to the town park pool complex after 6pm
- Fire / EMS equipment display
- Bouncy Bounce
- And much more !!!



For more information contact Family Services Unit at 518-439-9973
www.townofbethlehem.org/142/Police

Join us as the Town of Bethlehem takes back the night, one of the largest Crime Prevention gatherings in the United States. Information about crime prevention and personal safety provided by many different organizations.

Fun for the Whole Family

Household Information & Registration Form

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

- Complete the household information form below. All of the information on the form is required for each family member.
**Complete Section I to help us build your household database.
**Complete Section II to enroll household members in activities.
- Send household form & payment to the address on the right or place in the drop box located near the front door of the Park Office building.
- Your receipt/confirmation will be emailed to you. In the event that you do not have an email address, or one is not supplied on the household information form, a self-addressed stamped envelope is required.

- Activity dates, skip dates, and other pertinent information will be included on your receipt/confirmation.
- If you are enrolled in your 2nd choice, you will not be put on the wait list for your 1st choice.
- For activity cancellation, refund and waitlist policy, see page 10.

2020 Summer Registration
 Elm Avenue Park
 261 Elm Avenue
 Delmar, NY 12054



Remember! The Lottery Spin deadline is June 12 at 9:00am!

SECTION I

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

(Please Print Clearly)

Primary Adult/Parent/Guardian

Name: _____ male female
 Address: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____ Ext _____
 (Cell) _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
(Required for online registration)
 Email: _____
(Required for registration confirmation/receipt)

(Please Print Clearly)

Secondary Adult/Parent/Guardian

Name: _____ male female
 Address: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____ Ext _____
 (Cell) _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
(Required for online registration)
 Email: _____
(Required for registration confirmation/receipt)

I am currently NOT receiving the FREE monthly Town e-newsletter but would like to. *(Please provide email address above)*

SECTION II

REGISTRATION FORM

Participant Name	Grade (Sept. 20)	School (Ex: Eagle)	Date of Birth	M/F	Activity #	Activity Name	Fee	2nd Choice Activity #

Online registration is faster & easier!!
 (See Page 10)

The Bethlehem Parks & Recreation Department welcomes people of all abilities. If you call ahead to let us know your specific needs, we will be happy to learn how we can best serve you.



Total Amount: \$ _____

INDICATE METHOD OF PAYMENT: CASH CHECK MC VISA DISCOVER

(Check payable to: Town of Bethlehem, \$20 fee for returned checks)

Credit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

PRINT Name of card holder: _____