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EVENTS • SUMMER 2015

FREE SUMMER EVENTS!

Both Entertainment in the Park and Otsego Movie Night are sponsored by:



OTSEGO MOVIE NIGHT

Bring the family out and enjoy an outdoor movie on our 16' movie screen. All the movies are free and will be making a visit at a variety of parks throughout Otsego.

In case of inclement weather movies will move inside to Prairie Center. Please call the Rec Info line at 763-235-3148 the day of the movie.

Movie Schedule and location:

AUGUST 19:
Zimmer Park
 Alexander's No Good Very Bad Day (PG)

AUGUST 26:
School Knoll
 Big Hero (PG)

SEPTEMBER 2:
Beaudry Meadows
 Dolphin Tale 2 (PG)



SEPTEMBER 11:
Prairie Park
 Paddington (PG)

SEPTEMBER 18:
Frankfort Park
 Box Trolls (PG)

ENTERTAINMENT IN THE PARK

Tuesdays: 10 a.m. at Otsego Prairie Park!

JULY 7: Tricia and The Toonies; *Family Fun Show*

JULY 14: Brodini Family; *Comedy and Magic Show*

JULY 21: Choo Choo Bob; *Children's Music*

JULY 28: Splatter Sisters; *Family Entertainment*

AUGUST 4: Brian Richards Magic Show;
Fun interactive magic show

AUGUST 11: Schieffelly Puppets; *Entertaining puppet show*

AUGUST 18: Kid Power with Rachel;
Live music and live animal show

AUGUST 25: Zoo Mobile; *See a variety of different animals*

ADULT NIGHT MOVIE NIGHT OUT!

TUESDAY AUG 11: Hitch (PG 13) at Otsego County Park.

Plan an **adult night out** and come to Otsego County Park. Remember to bring chairs, blankets and snacks.

MY LITTLE LIBRARY STORY TIME

Coming to a park near you! The Little Library Story Time will be rotating through Otsego Parks throughout the summer. Kids, bring your parents and come and play with friends, read stories, make an art project, play some games, and have a snack! **The Little Library Story Time is FREE!**

WEDNESDAYS 10:00-11:00 a.m. **at Prairie Park:**
 June 10 - August 19 (*Week of the July 4th off*)

THURSDAYS 10:00-11:00 a.m. **at the following parks:**

July 9: Zimmer Park	August 6: Beaudry Meadows Park
July 16: Lily Pond Park	August 13: School Knoll Park
July 23: Kittredge Park	August 20: Zimmer Park
July 30: Frankfort Park	

FLAG FOOTBALL:

Otsego Parks and Recreation Flag Football League is for girls and boys ages kindergarten to third grade. This program provides players an opportunity to engage in non-contact continuous action while learning lessons in teamwork. Players learn lessons that help them succeed on and off the field. Kids will get a jersey and a flag belt.

THURSDAYS,
 September 10 - October 22
 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 Prairie Park
 K-First Grade and
 Second-Third Grade
\$40



COLOR THE PARKS!

Come down and join the Parks and Recreation Department and Justin Bettinger from Thrivent Financial at Carrick's Waterfront Park (located behind Cold Stone Creamery) and help color the park! Kids can come down and color the trails with chalk that will be provided! Water and healthy treats will also be provided.



SATURDAY, JULY 18: 9:30 a.m.
FREE (Please register online)
Carrick's Waterfront Park
(located behind Cold Stone Creamery)
All ages welcome

WINE AND CANVAS NIGHT

Come for a fun, social night with a local artist who will guide you step by step in creating a fabulous piece of artwork (16x24). No painting experience necessary.

SUMMER:
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18
(Registration Deadline August 11)

FALL:
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 17
(Registration Deadline November 10)
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Held at POUR! Wine Bar,
15704 90th St., Otsego
\$40 (Cost includes all art supplies.
Beverages are separate.)

ACTIVITIES FOR 55+ AT OTSEGO PRAIRIE CENTER

MONDAY & WEDNESDAYS:
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Please see website (Recreation 55+ tab) for more info:
www.otsego.recdesk.com.

TINY TOT OPEN PLAY TIME

Kids, bring your parents/care-giver to this super fun playtime. Come and play with your child and meet other adults and kids in our community.

WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS:
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.*
Starting September 16 and 17*
Ages newborn - 5 with parents
Not Meeting October 14/15, November 25/26, December 23/24 and 30/31
Prairie Center
\$2 each time

MULTI-SPORT CAMP

This camp gives boys and girls an introduction to the fun and excitement of sports. There is no pressure, just lots of fun! Sports that will be introduced will be soccer, flag football and basketball.

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS
SESSION 2: July 14 - August 6
Ages 4-6: 11:00-11:45 a.m.
Prairie Park
\$25

YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

Start playing tennis with instruction for beginners on strokes, strategy, rules, terms, and equipment. Participants will be introduced to tennis by qualified and experienced local instructors.

WEDNESDAYS:
August 5, 12, 19, 26
School Knoll Park Tennis Courts
Ages 5-8: 9:00-10:00 a.m.
Ages 7-12: 10:00-11:00 a.m.
\$29

3RD ANNUAL OTSEGO "KICK-OFF" ADULT KICKBALL TOURNEY!

 Call your neighbors, friends and co-works to come out and play in this the 3rd Annual Otsego Kick-Off adult kickball tournament on Saturday, August 15. Otsego Parks and Rec and New Life Community are teaming up and running a one day tournament, there will be trophies for first place and best uniforms! Rules and team guidelines can all be found online: www.otsego.recdesk.com.

SOCCER CAMP

This program is designed to teach kids the fundamentals of soccer in a fun, supportive environment. Skills that will be works on are dribbling, shooting, passing, and team work. Participants will also have chance to scrimmage.

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\$25



BE A PRINCESS FOR A DAY

If you love Elsa, Anna, Cinderella and other princesses, then this is the class for you. Come celebrate all things magical as we create our very own special crown and learn a princess dance. Along the way we will learn to walk and curtsy like a princess, as well as read stories and listen to music. Dress-up is highly encouraged.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Prairie Center
Ages 3-8
\$15

ULTIMATE SUPERHERO DAY

If you enjoy Batman, Flash, Superman and other superheroes, then this is the class for you. We will make our own superhero accessory and play games. Will you be faster than the speed of light, or stronger than the Hulk in our obstacle course. Dress-up is highly encouraged. Two dates to choose from.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8
11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
Prairie Center
Ages 3-8
\$15



ADULT/CHILD ARCHERY CLASS

Archers come out together and learn or refine your archery skills this fall. Otsego Parks and Rec and Archery Country of Rogers are working together to provide a quality archery program. Parents and kids will learn archery with the instruction of the professional staff of Archery Country.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
9:00 - 11 a.m.
Class held at Archery Country
21135 South Diamond Lake Road, Rogers.
Ages 7-adult
\$45 for both adult and child
\$30 child only

DATE NIGHT COUPLES CANOE TRIP

Couples will park at the Otsego County Park and be bussed to a landing on the Mississippi River. Canoes, paddles and life jackets are also included so sit back and enjoy an evening on the river. At the completion of the canoe trip, a picnic dinner will be served in the park. After dinner, plan on staying and watching the movie "HITCH" on our large outdoor movie screen. You will have VIP seating (please bring your own chairs or blankets)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11
5:00 p.m.
Otsego County Park, 15186 96th Street NE
\$80 per couple

ADULT FITNESS

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SESSION 1: WEDNESDAYS
6:00 p.m. | July 8 - Aug 12
SESSION 2: WEDNESDAYS
6:00 p.m. | Sept 23 - Oct 28

YOGA FUSION

WEDNESDAYS
6:45 p.m. | Sept 23 - Oct 28

BOOTCAMP IN THE PARK

SESSION 1: TUESDAYS
5:30 a.m. | Sept 15 - Oct 20
SESSION 2: SUNDAYS
6:00 p.m. | Oct 4 - 25

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR FREE ADULT FITNESS CLASSES:

www.otsego.recdesk.com

More programs and information and to register online.