

2023

Summer Recreation Programs





MAKE TIME FOR FUN

The Mt. Zion Parks and Recreation Department would like to welcome and invite you to participate in our 2023 Summer Programs. Registration for any of the recreation classes may be sent by mail, or walk-in at Village Hall, 1400 Mt. Zion Parkway, Mt. Zion, IL 62549, beginning on May 12, 2023.

Registration forms can be found in this brochure, at Village Hall or from our website.

If the Recreation Department cancels a class, you will be notified one week prior to the class (if possible). If the class is cancelled, a full refund will be processed. Please allow 30 days for return of registration fees.

Most classes do not have a maximum number for registration but do have a minimum requirement. Please call prior to the class to make sure it has not been cancelled.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Village Hall at **(217) 864-5424**, or by emailing **t_wilson@mtzion.com**.

Thank you for your interest in making time for fun this summer with the Mt. Zion Parks & Recreation Department!

Office Information:

**Mt. Zion Village Hall
& Convention Center
1400 Mt. Zion Parkway
Mt. Zion, IL 62549**

**Telephone: (217) 864-5424
www.mtzion.com
Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday**

This program is a joint effort between the Mt. Zion Parks & Recreation Department, Decatur Community Tennis Foundation & the Decatur Athletic Club.



Youth tennis clinics for ages 3 - 18 years old starting after Memorial Day!

Join at any time for a great way to enjoy tennis in Mt. Zion at Fletcher Park! Spaces are limited! Taught by Cory Sandgren, a 30+ year USPTA expert!

- *a sport for ALL ages!*
- *FUN, FUN, FUN!!*

Due to possible renovations, Fletcher Park Tennis might require play at an alternate location as needed.
Notice will be given in advance!

Tennis is a great cross-training sport that helps with balance, agility, hand-eye coordination, problem solving, and self-reliance, all while having fun & making friends. Appropriate court size and equipment make for a more successful start into this great game!

For registration & all other tennis needs,
please contact Cory Sandgren

E-mail: sandgren25@comcast.net

Cell Phone: (217) 972-2133 (texting or calling)

Individual lessons available for kids & adults!



VBS

5 DAYS OF GAMES, CRAFTS & FUN
FOR AGES 4-6TH GRADE

JUNE 26 - 30 • 9AM - NOON
@ 720 W. MAIN, MT. ZION

FOR MORE INFO VISIT
FBCMTZION.ORG
OR CALL 217.864.2052

VILLAGE OF MT. ZION

FLETCHER PARK

323 FLETCHER PARK BLVD

HAPPY
SUMMER
2023!



Fletcher Park has 24 beautiful acres to rent! Your next birthday party, meeting, or wedding should be here!

- Indoor Recreation Center
- Large Outdoor Pavilion
- Amphitheatre
- Seasonal Classes & Events
- Concrete Walking Paths
- Sulphur Springs Schoolhouse
- Splash Pad
- Playgrounds
- Tennis Courts
- Fishing Ponds,
- and so much more!

Schedule a tour today:

Tiffany Wilson
Parks & Recreation
(217) 864-5424
t_wilson@mtzion.com



www.mtzion.com



CRAFTER'S PARADISE 2023 EVENTS

Join us for our 2023 Crafter's Paradise Events!

Bring your scrapbooking supplies or craft projects!
Create with like-minded people in a fresh
environment, no day-to-day distraction!

Everyone gets their own 6-ft table! Free wifi & full
kitchen available for your convenience!

TWO - DAYS

Jan 14-15
March 25-26
April 29-30

Sept 23-24
Nov 18-19
Dec 16-17

\$10

THREE - DAYS

Feb 24-26

Aug 11-13*

June 23-25*

Oct 20-22

\$20

For all 3-day events, Pizza will be provided at
5:30 pm on Friday evening.

*June & August events have been moved to the
Mt. Zion Convention Center

All days are 9 am - 9 pm.
Feel free to leave your items overnight!

D_REYNOLDS@MTZION.COM OR (217) 864-5424



CRAFTER'S PARADISE

IMPORTANT INFO

Crafter's Paradise is a no-frills, hassle free, open crop style event. Events begin at 9am and end at 9pm. You can come and go as you please and create as you wish. The building is locked securely for items left overnight.

A 6-foot banquet table is provided for each crafter. Seating is open and available on a first come, first served basis. Power is provided to each table. Due to the placement of power cords, we ask that tables do not get moved. Carts, wagons, side tables, etc. are acceptable.

A full kitchen available for use. No snacks or drinks provided unless stated.

COST & CANCELLATION

A 2-day event is \$10 per person. A 3-day event is \$20 per person with pizza provided on Friday at 5:30pm.

Cancellations received by email at least 24 hours prior to the first day of the event will be issued a credit to use at a future event. Please note that Crafter's Paradise events are subject to cancellation if the minimum requirement of 10 crafters is not met. Cancelled events will be notified by email 3 days prior.

REGISTRATION

Registration will open 2 weeks prior to the event. You can register by email to d_reynolds@mtzion.com or by phone at 217-864-5424. Payment must be made at least 2 days prior. Money will not be exchanged at the event.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- credit card by phone
- cash/check/credit at Village Hall (Mon - Fri 7:30 am-4 pm)
- cash/check by after-hours secured drop box



Free WiFi - fast fiber optic internet.

FREEBIE TABLE

We will have a designated table for freebies. Bring new or used supplies that you no longer need and grab a supply that maybe you've been searching for.

SPOTLIGHT CRAFTER

We will present a "Spotlight Crafter" each month. If you are interested in being a Spot Light Crafter, please email me your information. Months will be assigned by the order interest is received. A designated table will be provided to display and/or sell your products, have a prize drawing, offer a technique demonstration or make and take. You can do as much or as little as you wish. There is no charge to be a Spot Light Crafter.



Fletcher Park
Recreation Center
323 Fletcher Park Blvd.
Mt. Zion, IL 62549

DINING, LODGING, SHOPPING FROM FLETCHER PARK

Hawthorne Suites
3.8 miles

Walmart
4.7 miles

Hampton Inn
3.9 miles

Joann Fabrics
12.9 miles

Restaurants/fast food
1.1-4.6 miles

Hobby Lobby
21.4 miles

CRAFTER'S PARADISE

2023 JUNE & AUGUST

LOCATION CHANGE

The June 23, 24, 25 & August 11, 12, 13 Crafter's Paradise has been moved to the Mt. Zion Convention Center!

All of the same amenities,
just in a bigger space!



Mt. Zion Convention Center
1400 Mt. Zion Parkway
Mt. Zion, IL 62549

VILLAGE OF MT. ZION

ACRYLIC POUR CLASSES

BY LAURIE BROWN

KID CLASSES

JUNE 8, JULY 13 OR AUGUST 10 @ 10AM

\$30

FLETCHER PARK REC CENTER
JUICE & SNACK PROVIDED

CHOICE OF :

- wood star
- wood unicorn
- wood heart
- wood butterfly

ADULT CLASSES

JUNE 8, JULY 13 OR AUGUST 10 @ 6PM

FLETCHER PARK REC CENTER
FEEL FREE TO BRING YOUR OWN
ADULT BEVERAGES & SNACKS

\$30

CHOICE OF :

- 12" MDF wood circle
- 12" square canvas

CALL OR STOP BY VILLAGE HALL TO SIGN UP
(217) 864-5424 | T_WILSON@MTZION.COM

Village of Mt. Zion

dreamcatcher class

thursday, june 29th

make your own
dreamcatcher with
laurie brown of
l'art theory!

kids class @ 10 am
adult class @ 6 pm

at fletcher park rec center
323 fletcher park blvd

t_wilson@mtzion.com
(217) 864-5424

\$30



SUMMER CLASSES

2023 wines

Thursday, June 22

"Snap, Crackle, Pop Wood"

\$40

\$42

Thursday, July 20

"Christmas in July"

Women In Need Of Sanity!

Bring some wine & join us for a monthly ceramic painting class! Projects will be announced on our Facebook page & website at least a month in advance. Must sign-up & pre-pay (REQUIRED) to reserve spot! Limited spaces available!

All classes begin at 6:30 p.m. & are held in the Fletcher Park Recreation Center (323 Fletcher Park Blvd., Mt. Zion, IL 62549).

to register, contact: t_wilson@mtzion.com or (217) 864-5424

MT. ZION RECREATION DEPARTMENT

VOLLEYBALL CAMP 2023

JULY 17 - 19
MONDAY - WEDNESDAY

9-11 AM: going into 2nd - 3rd grade
11-1 PM: going into 4th - 6th grade
at MTZ High School Field House

Camp participants will either be introduced to fundamentals or the experienced can improve their skills at this camp, instructed by Mt. Zion Volleyball Coach, Traci Dyer-Townsend and high school players.

Stop by or contact Mt. Zion Village Hall to register!
(217) 864-5424 or t_wilson@mtzion.com

\$49



Village of Mt. Zion

succulent terrarium class

Thursday, July 6 @ 6 pm

Adults will create a beautiful
terrarium with succulents, guided by
Laurie Brown from L'Art Theory!

\$45

at the Fletcher Park Recreation Center

t_wilson@mtzion.com
(217) 864-5424



FREE!

* pre-registration & waiver required!

**MT. ZION PARKS
& RECREATION**

park play days

at
Fletcher Park

Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday!
**Two hours (10 AM - 12 PM) of exciting
summer fun!**

**Supervised play & activities include crafts,
snacks, stories, team games,
and group activities!**

Children must be old enough to be in the park on their own. If your child is younger & you would like to stay with your child - they are welcome to participate.

Participants must pre-register in advance & sign a waiver prior to the start of the event.

Theme Weeks Include:

Garden Week ☆ June 13 - 15
The Great Outdoors ☆ June 20 & 22
Fishing Derby ☆ June 21 (limited spaces)
Patriotic Week ☆ June 27 - 29
Hometown Heroes ☆ July 5 & 6
Space Week ☆ July 11 - 13
Under the Sea ☆ July 18 & 19
End of Summer Cookout ☆ July 20

**Register via
Google Form
today!**

**To register:
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www.mtzion.com/parks-programs

MT. ZION PARKS & RECREATION

FISHING DERBY

a park play days event

READY TO CATCH A BIG ONE?

Come & join us at the Fletcher Park pond, where you will learn all about casting, catching, and boating safety from a local angler.

THEN TRY YOUR LUCK AT CATCHING A FISH!

EVERY CHILD will get to catch a fish. Goodie bags for all. Door prizes & much more!

Limited spaces available. Must pre-register by June 15.

Wednesday, June 21
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
at Fletcher Park Pond



DECATUR PARK DISTRICT

SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION (SRA)

The Decatur Park District's SRA, in cooperation with the villages of Forsyth and Mt. Zion, improves the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities. Through advocacy, awareness and inclusion, the SRA provides recreation programs to promote a successful leisure lifestyle. Programs are led by qualified, caring, experienced staff. Activities, including field trips, concerts, sporting events, shows, and dances are included in a monthly calendar. Call (217) 429-7750 to be added to the mailing list!

BINGO

BINGO is held once a month. Seven games are featured along with great prizes, drinks and snacks.

Craft Night

Join us once a month when we make a fun craft! All supplies are furnished.

Game Night

Come and play Wii, Dominoes, and cards once a month.

Special Olympics

Athletes can participate in Special Olympics events year-round! Sports include basketball, bowling, track and field. Participants must be at least 8 years old and have a current medical application on file.



Camp I Can

Swim, create arts and crafts, and visit the zoo in this camp designed for special kids with special needs. Fun activities at Nelson Park, Splash Cove, Scovill Zoo and more!

CODE	AGE	DAY	DATE	TIME
529130-43	6-14	M-F	June 5-9	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
529130-44	6-14	M-F	June 12-16	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
529130-45	6-14	M-F	June 19-23	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
529130-46	6-14	M-F	June 26-30	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Location: Scovill Activity Center

Fee: \$80 (\$75 with Decatur Park District resident discount)

Camp F.I.R.E.

Camp F.I.R.E. (Fostering Independent Recreation Education) is for youth aged 15 and up. Participants in this extension of Camp I Can visit Scovill Zoo, DISC, Overlook Adventure Park, and Splash Cove!

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529140-43	15-21	M-F	June 5-9	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
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Location: Scovill Activity Center

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Any questions, call (217) 429-7750 ☺

Mt. Zion Parks & Recreation

JUNIOR COOKING CLASS

Join us in learning basic cooking skills
while we prepare our own lunch!

**AGES 8+
ONLY!**

June 19

10:00 am - 12 :00 pm

Fletcher Park Recreation Center

**Chicken Pot
Pie & Dessert**

\$18

July 10

10:00 am - 12 :00 pm

Fletcher Park Recreation Center

**Lasagna
& Salad**

\$18





FREE!

Village of Mt. Zion Presents

BLUE RIBBON NIGHT



MONDAY, JULY 3RD, 2023


**GATES OPEN @ 5 PM
LIVE MUSIC @ 6 - 9 PM
FIREWORKS @ DUSK**

MUSIC BY:

LADY LUCK

FOOD TRUCKS BY:

**SACKS FOOD TRUCK,
MAD DOG CONCESSIONS,
LEMONADE FACTORY
FAIR FOOD TRUCK,
NOTORIOUS P.I.G.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS,
SWINGSATIONS, & MORE!**



323 Fletcher Park Blvd., Mt. Zion

ALCOHOL FREE EVENT ★ NO COOLERS



2023 SUMMER

FREEBIES AT THE PARK

**REGISTER VIA
GOOGLE
FORM
TODAY!**



Join us in the park for crafts & activities! All Freebies will be held at Fletcher Park in the Recreation Center or Large Pavilion, & are FREE!

If rain is in the forecast the morning of, please check our Facebook or call the Village to be notified of cancellations or location changes.

Freebie staff are not responsible for participants. School age children must be accompanied by an adult. All Freebies are drop-in during the time frame indicated. Most activities will not take up the whole duration of time. Please be respectful of your time, so that all kids can have a chance at participating!

Some Freebie's require pre-registration*. Please be mindful in letting us know if you're attending, so that we can prepare enough supplies for everyone!
Please call for clarification on any activity or event.



SUGAR COOKIE DAY

Wednesday, June 7 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Let's have some fun & decorate some sugary treats!
Choose from icings of the rainbow & jazz up your cookies however you like!



CANVAS PAINTING

Friday, June 30 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Come paint a canvas with a creation of your very own!



CHALK THE WALK

Monday, July 17 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Stop by & design your own square of the sidewalk! Help us cover Fletcher Park!

Freebie's will provide chalk from 10 am - 2 pm, but feel free to create all through the day with your own!

HALLOWEEN IN JULY

Friday, July 21 @ 5 pm - 8 pm

Dress up in a costume & come hang out with us for some fun spooky summer activities!



Then stick around for Disney's 'Haunted Mansion' at the Amphitheater at DUSK!

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facebook.com/
villageofmtzion



CREATIVE COOL-OFF

Tuesday, July 25 @ 10 am - 2 pm

Stop by & set your imagination into motion!

Pick out & complete a coloring picture from our collection!
Make a bracelet or key chain from scratch! Create your very own scrapbook.



All supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring anything extra of your own!

P.S. You can color & submit a picture to be displayed at Village Hall. Make sure to write your name & number.. a winner will be awarded a prize at the end of Summer!



SLIME MAKING

Thursday, July 27 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Create your own slime to take home!

Sign-up requested to assure enough supplies! FREE!

TIE DYING

Tuesday, August 2 @ 10 am - 12 pm

Let the colors dazzle you & create a tie dye masterpiece! * Sign-up requested to assure enough supplies & sizes!* FREE!



KINDNESS ROCKS

Wednesday, August 9 @ 10 am - 2 pm

Stop by and paint a rock with a beautiful design or nice words for someone else! Then find a secret location in the park for someone else to find your kind message. And take a few of your creations home with you!

MT. ZION RECREATION DEPARTMENT

MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023 • ALL DAY!

FLETCHER PARK

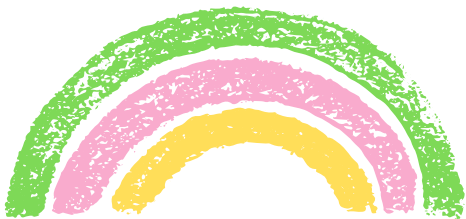


CHALK THE WALK



SHOW OFF YOUR ARTISTIC SKILLS BY
HELPING US COVER THE SIDEWALKS OF
FLETCHER PARK IN CHALK

CHALK WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM
10 AM - 12 PM, BUT FEEL FREE TO BRING
YOUR OWN THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND
HELP US SPREAD OUR ARTWORK AROUND



See you
there!





HALLOWEEN IN JULY

Friday, July 21 @ 5 PM
Fletcher Park



WALT DISNEY PICTURES
PRESENTS

EDDIE MURPHY

FREE!



BYOB
Bring
Your
Own
Blanket

BYOS
Bring
Your
Own
Snack



**MOVIE
STARTING
@ DUSK**



Dress up in a costume & come hang out with us
for some fun spooky summer activities!



Then stick around for Disney's
'Haunted Mansion'
at the Amphitheater at DUSK!



CREATIVE COOL-OFF

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

10 AM – 2 PM

**AT THE FLETCHER PARK
RECREATION CENTER**

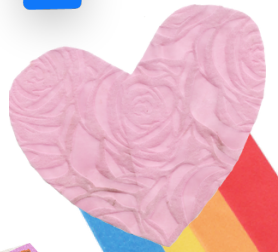
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Kids must be accompanied by an adult.



**FREE
EVENT
JUST
DROP
BY**



www.thekindnessrocksproject.com



Kindness
ROCKS!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2023
@ 10 AM - 2 PM

AT FLETCHER PARK REC CENTER



#THE KINDNESS ROCKS PROJECT

Stop by to design your own rock. Feel free to create your own at any time & deliver to our "Rock Stations" located at Fletcher Park & Village Hall.

2023

AUGUST
25 & 26
FALL
CRAFT
SHOW

FRIDAY @ 7 PM - 9 PM
SATURDAY @ 9 AM - 3 PM

FREE ADMISSION

FOOD FOR PURCHASE
OVER 50 TALENTED VENDORS



MT. ZION CONVENTION CENTER | 1400 MT. ZION PARKWAY



Mt. Zion Parks & Recreation Department Program Registration Form

<i>Participants Name</i>	<i>Gender</i>	<i>Age</i> <small>(If applicable)</small>	<i>Grade</i> <small>(If applicable)</small>	<i>Class Name</i>	<i>Shirt Size</i> <small>(If applicable)</small>	<i>Fee</i>
Total Payments						

Waiver & Release of All Claims and Assumptions of Risk

All participants of Mt. Zion Recreation Programs will be required to complete a registration form and liability waiver. All participants must be registered by the deadline as space may be limited in the programs. Full refunds will only be given in the event that a class is cancelled by the Recreation Department. Refunds will be issued if the participant becomes ill or is injured prior to the start of the class or program. A doctor's excuse will be required. No refunds will be issued to participants once classes are completed. Requests for refunds due to extreme or unusual circumstances will be left to the discretion of the Director of Parks & Recreation. An administrative processing fee will be deducted from all refunds requested by participants. Please allow 30 days for the issue of a refund. Participants may be moved to different levels if the program instructor feels that he/she is performing above or below his/her ability. Instructor and supervisors have the right to remove from any program, without a refund, any participant who is disruptive, violent, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

This waiver and release of all claims is provided to the Village of Mt. Zion and Mt. Zion Community Unit School District #3 (School District) in consideration of enrolling the participant in one of more of the following programs. This waiver will be in effect for the duration of each program organized and/or operated by the Village of Mt. Zion, including programs that are scheduled to meet on the property of the Mt. Zion Community Unit School District #3.

The enrollment is hereby acknowledged; the undersigned hereby releases, acquits, and forever waives and discharges the Village of Mt. Zion and School District, its Officers, Board Members, agents, servants, and employees from any and all actions, causes of action, claims, demands, damages, cost, expenses, and compensation claimed to have been received by the undersigned, or the undersigned's minor child, as a result of participating in any Village of Mt. Zion program. This release is valid for any and all programs the participant enrolls in after the date set forth below.

The undersigned recognized that a participant in the above-mentioned program(s) may be exposed to certain risks of injury. The undersigned agrees to be fully responsible for all injuries, including death, and financial losses, sustained by the undersigned as a result of participating in the above program(s).

The undersigned agrees to waive and relinquish all claims the undersigned may have as a result of participating in the above-mentioned program(s) against the Village of Mt. Zion, School District, and its Officers, Board Members, agents, servants, and employees.

The undersigned further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend the Village of Mt. Zion and School District and its Officers, Board Members, agents, servants, and employees from any claims resulting from injuries, including death, damages, and losses sustained by the undersigned and/or the undersigned's dependents that arise out of in connection with or in any way associated with the activities of the program.

I have read and fully understand the above waiver and release of all claims.

Signature (18 years or older or Parent/Guardian) _____ **Date** _____

Name (Parent/Guardian) _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Email Address _____ **Phone Number** _____