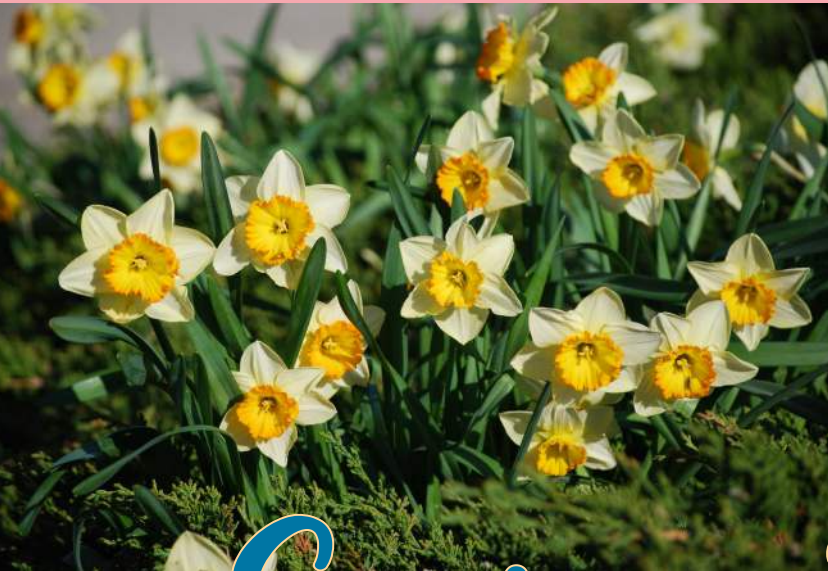




Godley Park District



Spring Brochure
2024

Welcome to Godley Park District!

Just a short jog off Route 66, we are tucked away in the Southwestern corner of Will County in the Village of Godley. Our facilities, grounds, programs & events are open to visitors from all communities.



The Community Center is open Monday through Friday, from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. Saturday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. We are closed on Sundays. The grounds are open daily 6:00 am - 10:00 pm.

Our Community Center houses a gymnasium, fitness center, game room and child-care center. Our beautiful grounds include two large playgrounds, two softball/baseball fields, basketball & sand volleyball courts, various pavilions/gazebo, a pond, 1-mile paved walking path, and two off-leash dog parks.

Unique to our Park, is our Barn area behind the Community Center. There you can visit our donkeys, deer, horse, llama and sheep any time the grounds are open. Per doctor's orders, please refrain from feeding our furry friends.



Child Care & Preschool

Our Child Care Center offers a safe and educational environment to care for your children. Our secure facility operates from 6:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Classrooms Offered:

- ◆ Infants & Toddlers (6 weeks - 2 years)
- ◆ Busy Bees (2-3 years)
- ◆ Early Childhood (3-5 years & potty-trained)
- ◆ Preschool - Terrific 3s & Fabulous 4s
- ◆ Before/After School Program (Kindergarten-12 years old from Reed-Custer Elementary & Middle Schools & Braceville Elementary)
- ◆ Summer Camp (school aged students)

Please call Jill Hook-Vollmer at (815) 458-6129 x5 for more information.

We have a fun spring season lined up! If you would like to become a sponsor of any of our annual special events, please contact us.

Sweeties Dance* Saturday, February 10 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

This annual dance for kids is always a good time! Concessions will be available.

Grades 1st - 8th grade

Fee: \$5 per child at the door

**For security purposes, a parent or guardian must come into the Community Center after the dance to pickup child(ren).*

Melissa's Closet & Crystal's Jewelry Box sponsored by Ace Hardware Saturday, March 2 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

All students should be able to afford prom! Choose from the thousands of dresses that are kindly donated in memory of Melissa & Crystal for only \$5 a dress! Jewelry, shoes and other prom accessories will also be available for purchase.

Donations can be dropped off at your nearest Ace Hardware location. For more information, visit: www.melissascloset.org.

Special Events

Saturday, March 23

Bunny Breakfast

Enjoy a tasty breakfast buffet with a visit from the Easter Bunny. Breakfast served at 10:30 am. Fee includes breakfast and photo with the Bunny.
10:00 - 11:30 am
\$6 ages 1-12; \$10 ages 13-adult
Register & Pay by March 15
Pre-registration only. No walk-ins.

Easter Egg Hunt - FREE event!

Kids, bring a bag or basket to hunt for colorful eggs & then visit with the Easter Bunny.

12:00 pm - Ages 1-5 at the Childcare Playground attached to the building
12:15 pm - Ages 6-12 at the ball field closest to the Community Center

Programs

Family Bingo Nights

Take a Friday night off from cooking! Let us feed you and your family while you all enjoy playing bingo for prizes! Pre-registration only. No walk-ins. Dinners TBD.

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Ages: 5 to Adult

Fees: \$6 ages 5-12, \$10 ages 13+

March 8

Register/Pay by March 1

April 12

Register/Pay by April 5

May 10

Register/Pay by May 3

Circle Jam

Do you play a musical instrument and want to join other musicians for a jam session? Give Circle Jam a try! This FREE program is held at the Rec Hall (next to the water tower). **Saturdays, February 10, March 9, April 13, May 11 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

Gong Meditation

We will begin & end with a brief guided meditation in order to draw you deeper into the experience. Cory Flanigan will play the gong for an hour. Wear layers of comfortable clothing that do not constrict the body, allowing for deep abdominal breathing and warmth. Bring a mat to lie on as well as a pillow and blankets as needed. Arrive early to allow yourself time to settle into the space.

Saturday, March 16 11:00 am - 12:30 pm (doors open at 10:30 am)

Fees: \$25 per person

Next Session: June 15 @ 7:00 pm

Call to pre-register & pay up until the day of class. Maximum of 25 participants per session. Walk-ins are welcome if maximum has not been met. *Cash/check only at the door.*

Seasonal Self-Care Class **NEW!**

This class is designed to promote beneficial daily habits. We will be utilizing techniques from Eastern and Western traditions to deepen the breath, move the body, and experience a deeper state of relaxation. Please bring an exercise/yoga mat to lie on as well as a firm blanket or two.

Instructor: Mary Griffin

The Spring session will focus on breathing, posture and relaxation.

Thursdays, April 4 - May 9 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Fees: \$45 per person, per session or \$10 drop-in

Next Session: July 11 - August 15 (breathing, strength, relaxation)

Call to pre-register & pay up until the day of class. Maximum of 15 participants per session. Walk-ins are welcome if maximum has not been met. *Cash/check only at the door.*

Fitness Center

The Park District Fitness Center offers state of the art fitness equipment. The Fitness Center is available during the hours that the Community Center is open. A fitness membership entitles the member to the access to the gymnasium (for no extra charge) during open gym times. Yearly, monthly & daily memberships are available.



Payment of membership fees and completed waiver is required before you are permitted to use the Fitness Center. Fitness members ages 13-17 are allowed but **MUST** be under direct supervision of a legal guardian who is also a fitness member. Locker room/shower facilities are available. Rates can be found on our website. Godley residents must show current proof of residency to receive resident rates.

Fitness Center Amenities Include:

- ◆ Weight Machines
- ◆ Free Weights
- ◆ Kettlebells
- ◆ Cardio Equipment
- ◆ TVs
- ◆ Locker Rooms
- ◆ Water Bottle Refill Station

Open Gym Co-ed Volleyball nights

FAN FAVE!

Volleyball is back! Grab your friends and come out for some pick-up games!

When: Friday, March 8 & Friday, March 15 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Where: GPD Community Center Gymnasium

Who: Anyone ages 13 and up

How much: \$2 per person drop-in

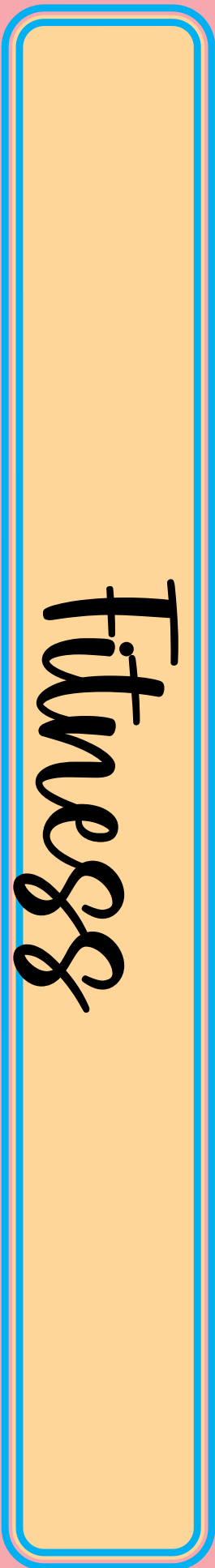


Gymnasium - Open Gym Time

Patrons from all communities are welcome to use our gymnasium during open gym times. Please call ahead for availability or check the calendar on the board outside the gym. Open to all ages. The fee for ages 18+ is \$2.

Outdoor Walking Path, Basketball Court, Volleyball Court

A 1-mile, paved path throughout the park is available for walking or biking. There is an outdoor basketball and sand volleyball court on the grounds that are free to use.



Rentals

Host your next event with us!

We have a wide range of options for both indoor and outdoor parties, events, sports practices & activities.

INDOOR

Rec Hall - Our Rec Hall is great for smaller parties such as a birthday party or baby/wedding shower. Maximum capacity is 80 people.



Gymnasium - Our Gymnasium can be booked two different ways. Hourly bookings are great for things such as a sports practice. Banquet bookings are available for bigger events such as a wedding, fundraiser or sports banquet. Maximum capacity for gym rentals is 450 people.

Inflatables in the Gym - Not sure what to do for your child's birthday party? Host a party in the gymnasium with our inflatables! We'll set up our bounce castle and slide for your child and their friends to enjoy for at least 2 hours.



Batting Cage - Did you know we have a batting cage and pitching machine? Now you do! Rent our batting cage by the hour to get in that pre-season practice.

OUTDOOR

Gazebo - Our gazebo can fit up to 60 people for a smaller outdoor event.

Large Pavilion - Our large pavilion offers the perfect shelter for an outdoor event. It is close to our pond which provides a lovely background for pictures. The pavilion can seat up to 250 of your closest friends & family.

Softball Fields - When you're ready to move baseball/softball practice outside, we have two fields that are available for hourly rentals. This is also a great option for a child's baseball/softball themed birthday party.



Gazebo (60 people)



Large Pavilion (250 people)

Seniors ALIVE!

Hey Seniors! Let's play some bingo and enjoy a delicious lunch with friends! Those 55+ are invited to join us the first Tuesday of every month for a morning of bingo, lunch, laughter and friendship. Food menu changes monthly.

Bingo starts at 10:30 am. Fee is \$10 per date.

March 5 Register/Pay by February 27
April 2 Register/Pay by March 26
May 7 Register/Pay by April 30

Godley Resident Luncheon

Adults 21+ from the Village of Godley can join us for a complimentary luncheon. Bingo starts at 10:00 am and lunch is served at noon. Come have fun with your neighbors!

February 15 Register by February 8
March 21 Register by March 14
April 18 Register by April 11
May 16 Register by May 9

Lunch Out & About

Come join the laughter and fun as we venture to different restaurants. Fee is \$6 for transportation. Lunch is on your own. All trips depart at 10:30 am.

Date:	Where to:	Register/Pay by:
February 28	La Mex Fine Mexican Cuisine (Morris)	February 21
March 27	Monical's Pizza (Bradley)	March 20
April 24	Brickstone Brewery (Bradley)	April 17
May 22	Baby Bulls Family Restaurant (Pontiac)	May 15

Chicago White Sox Games

Take me out to the ballgame! Jump on our bus for a ride to one of these fun filled White Sox games. Fee includes bus transportation, ticket to the game, admission to the Patio for all you can eat food & beverage buffet for 2 hours. Trip fee is \$80 per person. All trips depart at 9:00 am. Max of 14 for each game.

Date:	Game Opponent:	Register/Pay by:
May 15	vs Washington Nationals	May 3
July 31	vs Kansas City Royals	July 5
August 29	vs Texas Ranger	August 2

Four Winds Casino Tuesday, May 28

Travel with us for a day bus trip to New Buffalo, Michigan, to try your luck at the largest gaming facility in the Midwest. Trip will depart at 8:30 am and return at approximately 5:30 pm. Adults 21+ Fee: \$45 (includes \$10 food voucher & \$15 slot play) Min/Max 40/50 Register/Pay by May 3

Savannah, Jekyll Island & Beaufort September 15-21, 2024

Enjoy this 7 day/6 night bus trip to Georgia & South Carolina. Trip fee includes guided tours, an evening theatre show, 10 meals (6 breakfasts & 4 dinners).

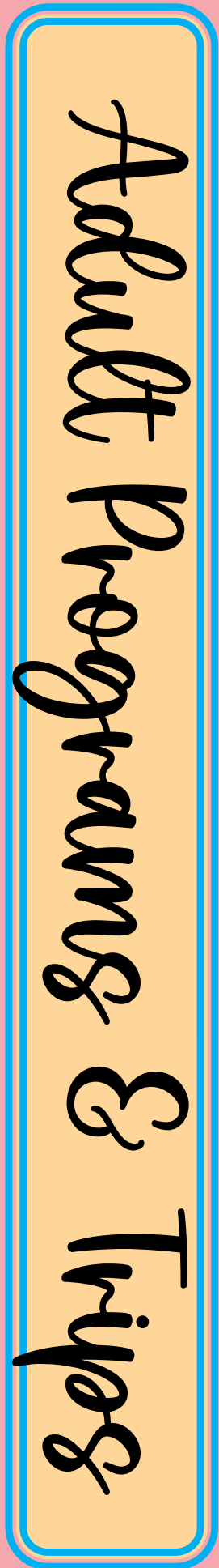
Departs at 8:00 am on Sunday, September 15.

Fees: \$999 per person for double occupancy
\$1253 per person for single occupancy

Sign up now with your \$75 deposit!
Final payment due July 8, 2024



For questions or more information regarding trips, contact Angie at (815) 458-6129 x2.



GPD Board Meetings

Our board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month beginning at 5:00 pm in the Community Center conference room.

The next meeting dates are: February 13, March 12, April 9, May 21

GPD Building Closures

The Community Center will be closed on the following holiday dates:

March 29 - Good Friday

May 27 - Memorial Day

For emergency closing information due to weather, please follow our Facebook page and check often for the most up-to-date information.

Save the Date

June 8 - Children's Fishing Derby

June 14 - Daddy/Daughter Dance

June 29 - GPD's Summer Festival

July 6 - Wacky Water Day

August 3 - Mudventures Jr. Fun Run



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- Circumstances may require that adjustments be made to programs, fees, schedules, etc. GPD reserves the right to make any such adjustments. The District apologizes for any inconvenience these errors or adjustments may cause.



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