



Fall 2025 Program Guide



Registration Begins August 1



GODLEY
PARK DISTRICT

New additions to our Barn area!
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500 S. KANKAKEE STREET, GODLEY, IL

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 childcare 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, goats, deer, horse, and sheep any time the grounds are open. Per doctor's orders, please refrain from feeding our furry friends.

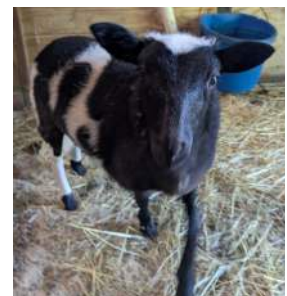


Meet Our New Friends!

We now have GOATS!!! Nigerian Dwarf goats to be specific. We have added two grown males and a 3 month old female to our furry family. They reside in our barn and have the pen closest to the main parking lot. Come visit them soon!



This is Honey. She is a 3 month old miniature Harlequin Sheep and lives in the barn with our new goats.



Fitness

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 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
- ♦ Cardio Equipment
- ♦ Water Bottle Refill Station
- ♦ Free Weights
- ♦ TVs
- ♦ Kettlebells
- ♦ Locker Rooms

Open Gym Pickleball

Get out of the weather elements and come play pickleball in our gymnasium.

\$2.00 per player

Dates & times will vary. Call ahead for availability.



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.

Special Events

If you would like to become a sponsor of any of our annual special events, please contact us.



TOUCH A TRUCK

FREE EVENT!

Saturday, September 20

2 pm - 4 pm

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Fall Fest

Caramel Apples **Popcorn**

INFLATABLE FUN VILLAGE

Music **Concessions** **26-foot Climbing Wall**

Pirate Ship Ride **Pumpkins for Kids**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
4 PM - 6:30 PM

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500 South Kankakee Street, Godley, IL www.godleypark.com

GHOST RIDE Thursday, October 30

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

(or while supplies last)

Trick-or-Treat your way along our “spooky” park road to gather goodies from the comfort of your vehicle. Your drive will start at the Smith Road entrance to the park. We’d love to see your fun Halloween costumes if they work for the car ride, but it’s not a requirement.

Free event

Drive-thru only



Special Events

Craft Show

Saturday, November 15

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Looking for the perfect way to jump start your holiday shopping? You're sure to find a special and unique gift here! Concessions available for purchase.

Godley Park District Crafter/Exhibitor Registration

Crafters & Exhibitors are invited to display their wares at the Godley Park District's Annual Craft Show.

Rental space is a 10' x 10' display area.

Fees: \$25 for one space; \$40 for two spaces; additional \$5 charge for electricity.

The Park District has set the following terms and conditions for exhibitors:

- ♦ Reservations will be accepted on a first-come basis
- ♦ Set-up time is 7:00 AM with the park providing one (1) 8 foot table and two (2) chairs upon request.
- ♦ Exhibitors will provide their own setup, covers, etc.
- ♦ Exhibitors are responsible for their own space and clean up.
- ♦ Crafters & Exhibitors have to remain until 1:00 PM.
- ♦ You will receive a postcard confirming your space.
- ♦ No refunds after November 1st.
- ♦ Exhibitors are responsible for taxes where applicable.

Godley Park District will not assume liability for losses, damages or injuries by or to exhibitors.

GPD Craft Show Crafter/Exhibitor Form

Applicant Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Nature of wares: _____

(1) Table & (2) Chairs per space (Please Circle) Yes No

Number of spaces needed: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

**Return this portion with payment by October 17, 2025 to
Godley Park District, 500 S. Kankakee Street, Godley, IL 60407
Call Angie at (815) 458-6129 x2 with any questions.**

Programs

Family Bingo Nights

Take a 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.

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Ages: 5 to Adult

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

Date:
Thursday, September 11
Thursday, November 13

Register/Pay by:
September 15
November 7

Dinner:
Tacos
Spaghetti

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. We meet in the Rec Hall by the water tower.

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

Fee: \$25 per person

Next Sessions: Saturday, October 25 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

(October's session will be outdoors in our Gazebo and is free of charge.)

Saturday, November 22 1:00 pm - 2:30 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.*

Breath & Bodywork with Mary Griffin

Mary has 20 years of experience with traditional practices from around the world, including: Yoga, Qigong and Pilates. The focus of the class is to develop beneficial daily habits that strengthen and relax the body. Our practice will be anchored at three areas: the pelvic floor, the diaphragm and the tongue. Additionally, we will pay particular attention to posture and to the feet & hands.

In some classes, we may apply self massage to the face, head & neck, belly, feet & hands. We will occasionally use props such as yoga blocks & straps, chairs, firm blankets and the wall. This class is beginner level and will be useful for anyone interested in fundamentals of the human body and how we can support our health with simple and consistent work.

Thursdays, August 14 - September 18 **6:30 pm - 7:30 pm**

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

Next Session: October 9 - November 13

Call to pre-register & pay up until the day of class. Maximum of 12 participants per session. Walk-ins are welcome if maximum has not been met. *Cash/check only at the door.*

Programs

Karate - New students, join now!

Learn the basics of traditional Japanese style of karate, known as Shorei Goju. Students are taught flexibility exercises combined with the kicking, punching and self-defense techniques of karate workouts.

Must be enrolled in Session 1 to attend future sessions. Session dates subject to change.

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Ages: 5 years - Adult

Fees: \$44 one day per week per session

\$64 two days per week per session

Session 1: September 2 - October 23 Register/Pay by September 2

Session 2: October 28 - December 18 Register/Pay by October 28

(no class November 11 & 27)



Pumpkin Carving

You bring your pumpkin, we'll provide the supplies! Bring 1 pumpkin or 5, but you only have 2 hours to create your masterpiece(s). We'll have carving tools, scoops, bowls, templates, and even recipes for your pumpkin seeds.

Date: Tuesday, October 28

Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Ages: All Ages, under 10 must be assisted by an adult

Fee: \$5 per carver

Register & Pay by October 21

Paint & Celebrate (2 night class)

Join us for a cozy, fun-filled class where you will paint and put together a lighted Christmas Tree. Bring your friends and family or just enjoy a solo night of creativity! Night 1 you will paint and glaze your tree. Night 2 you will put the rest of the tree together with the light kit & take it home.

Pre-registration only. No walk-ins.

Date: Thursdays, November 6 & November 20

Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Ages: All ages, under 12 must be assisted by an adult

Fee: \$60 - includes all materials

Register & Pay by October 10



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)
- ♦ Before/After School Program (Kindergarten-12 years old from Reed-Custer Elementary & Middle Schools & Braceville Elementary)
- ♦ Summer Camp (school aged students)

Preschool - Terrific 3s & Fabulous 4s

Our preschool classes run
September 2, 2025 through May 22, 2026*.
Call to check for availability.

*end date subject to change

Adult Programs

Ballroom Dance Class

Dancing is fun set to music! Join our basic classes taught by John & Liz Hand. No previous dance experience is necessary. Wear comfortable clothes and hard soled shoes (leather if possible, but no rubber soled tennis shoes).

This class will be held in our Community Center rec room.

Ages: 16+ Fees: \$50 per person; \$80 per couple

Tuesdays 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

September 2 - 30 Waltz Dance Register/Pay by August 26

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.

Date:	Register/Pay by:
August 5	July 25
September 2	August 25
October 7	September 29
November 4	October 27

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. You do not have to play bingo to attend.

Come have fun with your neighbors!

Date:	Register/Pay by:
August 21	August 14
September 25	September 15
October 16	October 6
November 20	November 10

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:
August 27	Burgers & Beer (Kankakee)	August 20
September 24	Chicago Dough Company (Kankakee)	September 17
October 22	Chef Klaus' Bier Stube (Frankfort)	October 15
November 26	Black Bear Diner (Morris)	November 19

Overnight Trips

Washington D.C.

September 11-16, 2025

Enjoy this 6 day/5 night bus trip to Our Nation's Capital.

Price Includes:

- ◆ Motorcoach transportation
 - ◆ 5 nights lodging including 3 consecutive nights in the Washington, DC area
 - ◆ 8 meals: 5 breakfasts and 3 dinners
 - ◆ Guided Tour of Washington, DC including the WWII Memorial, Capitol Hill, Embassy Row, the Korean War Veterans Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial, and more!
 - ◆ Evening guided memorial and monuments tour
 - ◆ Tram ride through Arlington National Cemetery
 - ◆ Visit to the Smithsonian Institution
- Departs at 8:00 am on Thursday, September 11.

Fees: \$839 per person for double occupancy
\$1,144 per person for single occupancy

Sign up now with your \$75 deposit.
Final payment due July 3, 2025.



Branson Show Extravaganza

December 8-12, 2025

Enjoy this 5 day/4 night bus trip to the Live Music Show Capital of the World - Branson, Missouri.

Price Includes:

- ◆ Motorcoach transportation
- ◆ 4 nights lodging in the Branson area
- ◆ 8 meals: 4 breakfasts and 4 dinners
- ◆ Admission to three morning shows: Christmas Wonderland, Doug Gabriel Morning Show and Beach Boys: California Dreamin'
- ◆ Admission to three evening shows: "David" Show at the Sight & Sound Theatre, The Haygoods Christmas Show, and Edge of Illusion featuring Reza
- ◆ Visit to Branson Landing

Departs at 8:00 am on Monday, December 8th.

Fees: \$865 per person for double occupancy
\$1,020 per person for single occupancy

Sign up now with your \$75 deposit!
Final payment due October 1, 2025



Rentals

Host your next event with us!

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

Gym Rentals



Our Gymnasium can be booked two different ways. **Hourly bookings** are great for events 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.

Call our front desk at extension 0 for more details and to book your date.



Rec Hall

This is a great place for smaller get-togethers such as birthday parties or baby & wedding showers. This facility has a full kitchen and restrooms. Maximum capacity is 80 people. Deposit: \$50** Hourly Rate: R \$20/NR \$30* Minimum rental time is 3 hours.

Inflatables Party!

Our inflatables are a fan favorite for a kids' party! We'll setup tables/chairs, the bounce castle & slide in our gymnasium for your friends and family to enjoy for at least 2 hours.

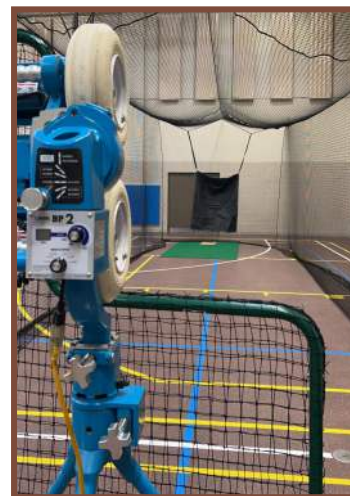
Deposit \$100**
2 hour rental: \$195
Additional time: \$55/hour



Rentals

Batting Cage & Pitching Machine

Rent our batting cage & pitching machine to get in some extra batting practice any time of the year. A waiver must be signed for all participants. Please note: this rental option does not reserve the whole gym. Hourly gym rental is available for an additional fee. Rental Fee: \$35/hour



OUTDOOR RENTALS



Our gazebo can fit up to 60 people for a smaller outdoor event. Rental of this facility ensures usage for the entire day (during outdoor park hours).

Deposit: \$50**

Rental fee: R \$50/NR \$75*

Softball Fields

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

Deposit: \$50**

Rental Fee: \$30/hour or \$45/hour with the lights



The Large Pavilion offers the perfect shelter for an outdoor event. It is close to our pond which provides a lovely background for pictures. Rental of this facility ensures usage for the entire day (during outdoor park hours).

Maximum capacity is 250 people.

Deposit: \$100**

Rental fee: R \$75/NR \$105*

For more information or to reserve one of our facilities, please call our front desk at the number below.

* R = Godley Park District Resident NR = Non-Resident

** Deposits are refundable as long as there is no damage to the facility/equipment and no violations of the facility rental agreement.

GPD Board Meetings

Our board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month beginning at 10:00 am in the Community Center conference room.

The next meeting dates are: August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12

GPD Building Closures

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

September 1 - Labor Day

November 11 - Veteran's Day

November 27 & 28 - Thanksgiving

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

November 15: Craft Show

December 13: Tree Lighting



GPD staff has made every effort to prepare this brochure as accurately as possible. However, errors can occur. 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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