



ACTIVITY GUIDE WINTER/SPRING 2022

Bellefontaine Recreation Center



LETTER FROM THE PARKS DIRECTOR



Dear Friends of the Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center:

I sincerely hope that you, your family, and friends are all very healthy and happy after the challenging last year and a half. There are so many changes and unknowns happening every week, but there are also many positives to which we can look forward. The park staff has worked hard throughout the pandemic to keep all of our facilities looking beautiful, safe, and available for Bellefontaine Residents and the surrounding community. I would like to share a recap of our progress in 2021 and what there is to look forward to in 2022.

The Bellefontaine Neighbors Outdoor Pool underwent a major renovation that included upgrades to plaster repairs, tiling, caulking, shade umbrellas, automated chemical controllers, filter sand replacement, safety fall pads, painting, flow meters, valve replacements, and pool maintenance equipment. The renovations were completed in time to operate during the 2021 summer season, and we are already looking forward to having everyone back in 2022. Pool memberships are available for purchase at the Recreation Center. In addition, the Aquatic staff received their first ever 5-star lifeguard audits in 2021. We are extremely proud of our employees that show up every day to provide a safe, clean, and enjoyable experience for all of our members.

We were fortunate enough to receive a grant in July 2021 through the Missouri Department of Conservation in the amount of \$18,432 to remove eleven critical risk trees in our city parks. This grant will allow us to make our parks safer and eliminate dead trees throughout our eight parks. The removal will be completed by March 2022.

Our gymnasium roof at the Recreation Center is experiencing major structural failure and is currently closed to the public. The Recreation Department received a grant from the Municipal Park Grant Commission in the amount of \$420,000 to help purchase new trusses and architectural design. We are anticipating construction on the project to be completed by the end of 2022. The Recreation Department is eager to reopen the gymnasium to provide residents with the opportunity to participate in basketball, pickleball, aerobic classes, and special events.

The Recreation Department offers a wide range of swim lessons, aquatic classes, fitness classes, special events for youth and seniors, free van transportation for resident seniors, park rentals and room rentals. Our amenities include a Recreation Center with indoor pool, weight room, gymnasium, and meeting rooms, Outdoor Pool, 18-hole mini golf course, and eight parks.

After 25 years of service, our Recreation Supervisor, Amy Mulholland, will be retiring in January of 2022. Thank you for your many contributions over the past twenty-five years, Amy. Your dedicated service played an integral role in our success and we wish you the best in your retirement.

Stay up to date with our events, programs, job openings, and announcements by following our Facebook page at Bellefontaine Neighbors Parks and Recreation, or City Website at cityofbn.com/departments/parks-and-recreation.

As always, please feel free to contact me with questions, concerns, and suggestions. Otherwise, I hope to see all of the Bellefontaine residents out enjoying our parks, events, and recreation facilities with your friends and family.

Jimmy Kirincich, CPRE
Director of Parks and Recreation

GENERAL INFORMATION

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NEIGHBORS**
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RECREATION CENTER

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Meets 3rd Tuesday at the Recreation
Center at 6:00 p.m.

Americans with Disabilities Act (A.D.A) & Inclusive

Recreation Services - Bellefontaine Neighbors Parks & Recreation Department welcomes people of all abilities. Our inclusion coordinator for the North County Region is responsible for facilitating the inclusion of people with disabilities into recreation programs as well as other inclusion matters. Every effort will be made to adapt a program to incorporate your individual needs. If assistance is needed, please call Martha Snead and she will contact our inclusion person or use Relay Missouri 1-800-735-2966. To place a grievance, you may contact Martha Snead at 314-867-0700, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Insurance - Bellefontaine Neighbors Parks & Recreation Department does not provide insurance coverage for injuries suffered while participating in recreation programs or while using our facilities.

Photo Policy - Our staff may take pictures of you or your child participating in recreational activities. These photographs could be used in future publications and on our website. If you do not wish to have your photo published, please inform the photographer.

ID CARDS, PASSES & DAILY FEES

General Id	Individual Annual Swim	Family Annual Swim	Primary Weight Room	Each Weight Room Add-on	Nonresident Pool (18 & over)	Nonresident Weight Room
\$5	\$75 + \$5	\$120 + \$5 per ID	\$50 + \$5	\$25 + \$5	\$135	\$135

- **Recreation Department resident ID cards are required by all residents six years of age or older to enter the facility, use the gymnasium, game room, pool, sauna, racquetball court, to reserve rooms or parks or receive resident rates for classes.** With a resident general ID card you pay daily user fees each time you swim, workout or play basketball, unless you have purchased a swim, weight or basketball pass. All passes also require a general ID card. All passes include basketball passes.
- All ID cards and passes will be valid 1 year from date of purchase with the exception of the weight room additional member. Both the primary and the additional weight room passes will expire together.

To get a resident ID card you must:

- Be on a current Bellefontaine Neighbors occupancy permit.
- Bring a picture ID showing your Bellefontaine Neighbors address (driver's license, school or work ID).
- Bring your occupancy permit, utility bill, or bank statement if your picture ID does not have your Bellefontaine Neighbors address.
- Bring a parent with a picture ID if a child does not have the required identification.

Daily Fees

Adult fee begins at age 15

Swimming Pool - 2 guests per card

Resident Child- \$4.00 Resident Adult-\$5.00

Guest Child- \$8.00 Guest Adult- \$9.00

5 & under free Labor Day to Memorial Day

Weight Room

Residents only - \$3.00

Miniature Golf Course - Open to the Public

Adult Resident - \$3.00 Nonresident - \$6.00

Child Resident - \$2.00 Nonresident - \$4.00

Gymnasium & Game Room - 1 guest per card:

Resident Adult or Child \$1.00

Nonresident Guest \$6.00

Racquetball per hour:

\$6.00

Wallyball per hour:

\$9.00

Pickleball:

\$2.00 per person



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BUILDING HOURS OF OPERATION

The Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Complex has these features available during regular hours:

Regular Business Hours

Monday through Thursday

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday

7:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

Saturday

9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Sunday
Closed**



- Recreation Department office for registration, facility reservations, obtaining ID and other department business
- Locker rooms
- Game room with 2 pool tables
- Weight room
- One racquetball court
- Two meeting rooms
- Miniature golf course with a playground and gazebo
- Outdoor sand volleyball court

The following areas have separate schedules

- Gymnasium -temporally closed
- Indoor pool
- Outdoor pool (closed Labor Day to Memorial Day)



GYMNASIUM SCHEDULE

Please be advised that the Bellefontaine Recreation Center Gymnasium is closed for extensive repairs. We are anticipating these repairs to be completed by the end of 2022.



POLICIES, CLOSINGS & POOL HOURS

Indoor Pool

Lap Swim

Monday & Thursday
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday
9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Open Swim

Saturday
12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Adult Time

Monday through Friday
12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.



Early Closings

Jan .1	Facility closed
Jan .17	Facility closed
Feb. 21	Facility closed
April 15	Facility closed
May 30	Facility open closing at 6pm
July 4	Facility open closing at 6pm
Sept. 5	Facility open closing at 6pm
Nov. 11	Facility closed

Facility Admission Policies and Rules

1. All patrons must abide by the department's ID, Pass, Fee, and Guest Policies
2. Inappropriate language or conduct perceived as threatening, inappropriate or less than family-friendly will not be tolerated and will result in removal from the facility.
3. Children 9 years of age and under must be with an adult age 16 or older at all times. An adult must remain in the building with the children during family time.
4. Guests must stay with the resident at all times. The resident is responsible for the guest's behavior. Misconduct of either party will result in the removal of both.
5. Proper attire is required in every area of the recreation facility at all times. This includes the wearing of shirts in the gymnasium, hallways and weight room as well as pants that cover any and all under clothing.
6. Weight room users must complete a release form. All users must bring a sweat towel and abide by the rules attached to the form.
7. No guests are allowed in the weight room.
8. As of June 1, 2019, **the daily resident admission to play basketball is \$1.00 per person.** Please consider purchasing a pass to forgo the daily fee.
9. Each resident is allowed **two** guests in the pool during open or lap swim. Nonresident swim guests must pay appropriate fee for admission.
10. All patrons on the pool deck must pay the admission fee.
11. Properly lined swim attire is required. No gym shorts, leotards, sport bras or street clothes are allowed in the pool.
12. All diapers must be changed using the diaper changing stations located in the locker rooms.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Resident Registration will begin **Monday, January 3** at 9:00 a.m.

Open Registration will begin **Monday, January 10** at 9:00 a.m.
and will run until class limits are met.

- Current resident ID is required for resident rates.
 - During open registration, residents and nonresidents may enroll.
 - Full payment in **cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express** must be made before being added to the roster.
 - The Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel any class due to low enrollment. If a class is cancelled, you will receive a full refund or credit.
 - You may cancel your enrollment before the class begins, with a \$3.00 surcharge. After the first class, refunds or credits can be issued with a **medical excuse only**.
 - If an accommodation is needed to participate in any program, please contact Martha Snead for our inclusion coordinator's name and phone number to discuss options.
- **SIGN UP EARLY TO PREVENT CANCELLED CLASSES**

SENIOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

This service is available to the senior or disabled residents of Bellefontaine Neighbors. Call the Recreation Center at 867-0700 to receive an information packet and application, or to make an appointment to use the service.

Title VI states that: No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

THE VAN WILL NOT RUN
MONDAY, JANUARY 17
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21
FRIDAY, APRIL 15
MONDAY, MAY 30
MONDAY, JULY 4

Winter/Spring Restaurant Trips

Tuesday, January 11
Pirrone's Pizzeria

Tuesday, February 8
Brew House

Tuesday, March 8
Cracker Barrel

Tuesday, April 12
Applebee's on Lindbergh

Tuesday, May 10
King of Soul Cafe

Nonresidents can now join these trips for a \$2.00 fee. You will be picked up at the Rec Center.

WHERE DOES THE VAN GO?

Medical Appointments	Monday through Thursday
Walmart	1st Tuesday of Month
Target	3rd Tuesday of Month
Handyman Hardware	4th Tuesday of Month
Family Dollar	Wednesdays
Schnucks, Aldi, Ruler	Fridays
Local Banking, Post Office	As needed
Drug Stores, Hair Salons	
Recreation Center for activities, meetings, classes etc.	

SPECIAL EVENTS

Valentine's Arts & Crafts Event

Join Mrs. Sarah for another youth craft event! Children ages 5-12 will be able to make three crafts, enjoy snacks, and a short film. This event will take place on Saturday, February 12 from 12pm-2pm at the Bellefontaine Recreation Center. Register at the Bellefontaine Recreation Center front desk. Residents \$6.00 and Non-Residents \$10.00



Easter Egg Hunt

Come join the Bellefontaine Parks & Recreation Department on Saturday, April 9 at 10:00 a.m. at Bissell Hill Park for an Easter Egg Hunt! This event is free to residents ages 1-12 and will include an egg hunt, pictures with the Easter Bunny and face painting. Do not forget to bring your own basket!

For registration information, please see page 7.

YOUTH SWIM LESSONS

Turtles

Recommended ages 1 - 4 years

This class teaches kicking, pulling and submersion. Using songs and games, parents learn to safely handle and guide their child in the water. Children must wear a commercial swim diaper under their suit. One adult participant in proper swim attire is required for each child.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Price</u>
Tuesday	7:00-7:40 p.m.	March 29	May 17	Res \$32 /Non-Res \$40

Preschool Lessons

Recommended ages 4-5 years

Classes will begin with the basic skills of water adjustment including submersion, floating, kicking, front and back glides and basic arm strokes. Rhythmic breathing, front crawl and elementary backstroke will be introduced at the student's pace. The goal of this class is to build a foundation for more advanced skills while creating awareness of water safety

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Price</u>
Wednesday	5:30-6:10 p.m.	March 30	May 18	Res \$32 /Non-Res \$40
*Saturday	10:00-10:40 a.m.	April 2	May 21	Res \$28/Non-Res \$35

*** No class on 4/16

Beginner Level

Recommended ages 6-12 years

Classes will begin with the basic skills of water adjustment including submersion, floating, kicking, front and back glides and basic arm strokes. Rhythmic breathing, front crawl and elementary backstroke will be introduced. Emphasis will be on independent performance of skills and introduction to deep water safety.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Price</u>
Wednesday	6:15-6:55 p.m.	March 30	May 18	Res \$32 /Non-Res \$40
*Saturday	10:45-11:25 a.m.	April 2	May 21	Res \$28/Non-Res \$35

*** No class on 4/16

YOUTH SWIM LESSONS

Intermediate Level

Recommended ages 6-12 years

Rotary breathing, front crawl and treading water will be emphasized as participants become more independent in the water. Back crawl and diving will be introduced. Greater endurance will be expected. This class is held in the deep end of the pool.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Price</u>
Saturday	10:45-11:25 a.m.	Jan. 22	March 12	Res \$32 /Non-Res \$40
Wednesday	7:00-7:40 p.m.	March 30	May 18	Res \$32 /Non-Res \$40
*Saturday	10:45-11:25 a.m.	April 2	May 21	Res \$28 /Non-Res \$35

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Advanced Level

Recommended ages 6-12 years

Participants must have the endurance to swim lengths of the pool. Basic strokes will be refined. Introduction to complete strokes and techniques as well as advanced deep-water skills. Breaststroke, sidestroke and basic turns are introduced.

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Wednesday	7:00-7:40 p.m.	March 30	May 18	Res \$32 /Non-Res \$40
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SWIM TEAM STROKE CLINICS

Practice incorporates drills to encourage proper stroke and turn technique along with conditioning to prepare swimmers for competition. Prerequisite skills vary according to age group with the minimum skills being to perform rhythmic breathing, swim 2 pool lengths, dive and tread water independently. A strong swim lesson background is preferred. This program runs in session from September 2021 through May 2022.



Weekday Morning Sessions

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price
Monday	9:00-10:20 a.m.	Jan. 24	March 7	Res/Team Member \$18 /Non-Res \$21
Wednesday	9:00-10:20 a.m.	Jan. 19	March 9	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28
Friday	9:00-10:20 a.m.	Jan. 21	March 11	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28
Monday	9:00-10:20 a.m.	March 28	May 16	Res/Team Member \$18 /Non-Res \$21
Wednesday	9:00-10:20 a.m.	March 30	May 18	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28
Friday	9:00-10:20 a.m.	April 1	May 20	Res/Team Member \$21 /Non-Res \$24.50

*** No class on 2/21 & 4/15

Evening Sessions

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price
Monday	5:30-6:40 p.m.	Jan. 24	March 7	Res/Team Member \$18 /Non-Res \$21
Wednesday	5:30-6:40 p.m.	Jan. 19	March 9	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28
Monday	5:30-6:40 p.m.	March 28	May 16	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28
Wednesday	5:30-6:40 p.m.	March 30	May 18	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28

***No class on 2/21

Weekend Sessions

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price
Saturday	9:00-10:00 a.m.	Jan. 22	March 12	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28
Saturday	11:00-12:00 p.m.	Jan. 22	March 12	Res/Team Member \$24 /Non-Res \$28
Saturday	9:00-10:00 a.m.	April 2	May 21	Res/Team Member \$21 /Non-Res \$24.50
Saturday	11:30-12:30 p.m.	April 2	May 21	Res/Team Member \$21 /Non-Res \$24.50

***No class on 4/16

SWIM TEAM OPEN HOUSE & REGISTRATION NIGHT

Thursday, May 5, 2022 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Bellefontaine Barracudas are a proud member of the Municipal Swim League - North. Our team stresses sportsmanship, personal improvement and a healthy competitive spirit. With team members ranging in age from 5 through 18 years, it is a rewarding experience for the entire family. Practices begin June 1 and continue through July. They are held Tuesday thru Friday mornings and some Mondays & Wednesday evenings. To find out more about the Barracudas, visit our Open House or contact Martha at the Recreation Center for an information packet.



WATER FITNESS

Water Fitness Programs— Exercise in the water provides the benefits of cardiovascular and strength training while minimizing impact on the joints. Join us as we use the water's resistance to increase muscle tone, improve flexibility, and balance while increasing energy levels! We hold class in the shallow end of the pool; no swimming ability is necessary.

Aqua Fitness— Consists of continuous resistance exercise designed to improve breathing, circulation, muscle tone, and flexibility.

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price	Instructor
Wednesday	10:30-11:15 a.m.	Jan. 19	March 9	Res \$24 /Non-Res \$32	Martha
Friday	10:30-11:15 a.m.	Jan. 21	March 11	Res \$24 /Non-Res \$32	Martha
Wednesday	10:30-11:15 a.m.	March 30	May 18	Res \$24 /Non-Res \$32	Martha
*Friday	10:30-11:15 a.m.	April 1	May 20	Res \$21 /Non-Res \$28	Martha

***No Class 4/15

Water Aerobics— A mixture of choreographed or repetitive motion cardiovascular exercises combined with resistance moves to strengthen and tone the whole body.

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price	Instructor
*Monday	6:45-7:30 p.m.	Jan. 24	March 7	Res \$18 /Non-Res \$24	Yolanda
Tuesday	10:30-11:15 a.m.	Jan. 18	March 8	Res \$24 /Non-Res \$32	Kathy
Monday	6:45-7:30 p.m.	March 28	May 16	Res \$24 /Non-Res \$32	Yolanda
Tuesday	10:30-11:15 a.m.	March 29	May 17	Res \$24 /Non-Res \$32	Kathy

***No Class 2/21

It is an option to pay as you go if the class is not at capacity. Res. \$3.50 /Non-Res \$4.50 per class.



- Proper swimwear is required for participation in our Water Fitness Classes. You are welcome to wear T-shirts or fitness wear over your swimsuits.
- Water shoes are encouraged
- Missed classes cannot be made up
- Anyone with continence problems is required to wear a commercial swim diaper.

For registration information, please see page 7.



Chair Exercise– Raise your heart rate and tone major muscle groups with this low impact aerobic workout. Participants will be seated in or standing behind a chair during class. This is an ideal workout to safely develop core strength, increase flexibility, and improve balance.. It is an option to pay as you go if the class is not at capacity.

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price
*Monday	12:00-12:45 p.m.	Jan. 24	March 7	Res \$13.50 /Non-Res \$16.50
Thursday	12:00-12:45 p.m.	Jan. 20	March 10	Res \$18 /Non-Res \$22
Monday	12:00-12:45 p.m.	March 28	May 16	Res \$18 /Non-Res \$22
Wednesday	12:00-12:45 p.m.	March 31	May 19	Res \$18/ Non-Res \$22

***No class 2/21 Instructor: Martha

Zumba– Latin style dance moves combine fast and slow rhythms to provide an effective aerobic workout! Zumba is an energetic way to target your legs, abs, glutes, and arms and bring about total body fitness.

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price
*Monday	6:00-7:00 p.m.	Jan. 24	March 7	Res \$21 /Non-Res \$24.50
Monday	6:00-7:00 p.m.	March 28	May 16	Res \$24 /Non-Res \$28

***No class 2/21 Instructor: Maria

African Dance- utilizes the concepts of polyrhythm and total body articulation. African dances are a collective activity performed in large groups, and usually involves significant interaction between dancers and the audience.

Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Price
Monday/Thursday	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Jan. 20	March 10	Res \$30 /Non-Res \$35
Tuesday/Wednesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Jan.18	March 9	Res \$30 /Non-Res \$35
Monday/Thursday	10:30-11:30 a.m.	March 21	May 10	Res \$30 /Non-Res \$35
Tuesday/Wednesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	March 22	May 11	Res \$30 /Non-Res \$35

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Free Income Tax Preparation

The Metro - St. Louis Community Tax Coalition will electronically prepare federal and state income tax returns as well as Circuit Breaker forms free of charge.

Appointments must be made in advance online. Please register on their website, mctcfreetax.org. The website should be active by the third week of December. If you do not have computer access, please call 314-690-3570 to make an appointment. **Please note that the Rec Center cannot accept appointments.**

Wednesday

9:00 a.m.-11:30 p.m.

February 9, February 23

March 9, March 23

April 3

Annual Mammogram

The Siteman Cancer Center is offering mammograms to women age 40 and over on Saturday, March 12, 2022 at the Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center. 9669 Bellefontaine Road, Bellefontaine Neighbors, MO 63137. Schedule your appointment by calling 314-747-7222 or 800-600-



For registration information, please see page 7.

ROOM INFORMATION

Room Reservations

There are two meeting rooms at the Recreation Center available for any **adult resident with a current ID card** to rent for birthdays, anniversaries, bridal and baby showers or other functions. Weddings receptions and family reunions are not permitted.



- The smaller room (109) will accommodate 35 and the fee is **\$165**
- The larger room (101) will accommodate 47 and the fee is **\$175**
- **The fee includes a \$75.00 damage deposit. Fees and deposits must both be paid in full before reservation is put on the calendar.**
- This deposit will be refunded if the room is cleaned up after your function, your group follows the facility rules and you do not exceed the limit of the room. Please note that all guests must stay in the room. The game room, gymnasium or pools are not available without the proper resident to guest ratio and fees paid. After you have cleaned the room, inform the recreation staff. You both will inspect the room and sign the check list. If everything is in order, you will receive your security deposit by mail within one month. The resident:
- May only reserve one room per date for an event.
- Any resident household may rent a room once a month maximum.
- Must be present for the entire function
- Is responsible for the behavior of their guests
- **Must bring your current Bellefontaine Neighbors ID card to check in at the office before anyone from your group will be admitted to the reserved room.**

Important Room Guide Lines

- You can not enter the room until 11:00 p.m. the day of the reservation. The room must be cleaned up and all guests must be out of the building before 5:30 p.m.
- Due to the size of our meeting rooms and our hours of operation, the rooms may not be reserved for wedding receptions or family reunions.
- Sales, collection of fees or admissions or fundraising of any kind is prohibited in our meeting rooms.
- No refunds will be issued for cancellations made less than two weeks prior to the reservation date.
- There is a \$3.00 service charge on reservation cancellations.
- **GLITTER OR CONFETTI ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE BUILDING. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR DEPOSIT.**
- **No painting or crafts that may damage the condition of the carpeting is allowed.**

PARK INFORMATION

	<u>Rec Center</u>	<u>St. Cyr Park</u>	<u>Tanglewood Park</u>	<u>Bissell Hills Park</u>	<u>Belgrove Park</u>	<u>Pruett Park</u>	<u>Klein Park</u>	<u>Wilderness Park</u>	<u>Doherty Park</u>
Acreage	9.3	6.2	6.2	4.4	1.1	5.1	.9	10.8	4.7
Picnic Shelter with Electric		1	1	1					
Restrooms	2	1	1	1					
Picnic Tables	6	12	6	8	1		2		
Nature Trails (miles)								.8	
Playgrounds	1	1	1	1	1		1		
Open Play Space	1					1			1
Softball Fields (unlighted)		2	1						
Football/Soccer Field		1	1						
Tennis Courts (unlighted)		2							
Gazebo	1						1		
Miniature Golf Course	1								
Sand Volleyball	1								



Park Reservations

Reservations for 2022 park rentals will start January 3, 2022. The City of Bellefontaine Neighbors has three picnic shelters with restrooms and electricity available for reservations located at:

- Bissell Hills Park, 10237 Ashbrook, capacity: 75
- St. Cyr Park, 1037 Hopedale, capacity 125
- Tanglewood Park, 1180 Chambers, capacity 125
- Bellefontaine Neighbors **residents with a current Bellefontaine ID card** may reserve any of the three shelters for \$60.00. Nonresidents may reserve Tanglewood Park only for \$100.00
- No refunds will be issued for cancellations made less than two weeks prior to the reservation date. A \$3.00 cancellation fee applies.

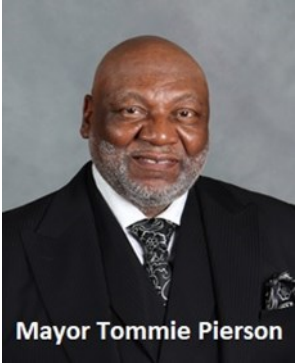
Park Rules

- The parks open at 9:00 a.m. and close at dusk.
- No glass bottles are allowed.
- Organized groups of 10 or more must obtain a park permit through the Recreation Department.
- Alcohol is allowed by permit only.
- Loud music is prohibited.
- All pet waste must be disposed of properly.
- No personal barbeque pits or play equipment (I.E. bounce houses, pools, etc.) are allowed in the parks.
- Any commercial entertainment business must provide the City with a certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 per incurrence naming the City as an additional insurer.

For registration information, please see page 7.

City of Bellefontaine Neighbors

Bellefontaine News



Mayor Tommie Pierson

Greetings,

The City maintains a strong financial position despite the receipt of \$750,000.00 in CARES ACT monies and the first of two installments of ARPA monies valued just over \$1,000,000.00. This money can be used for a variety of projects that the City needs, such as traffic calming devices to increase control over bad driving behavior and making investments into repairs of the City's eroding infrastructure, which could include municipal roadway and bridge repairs and repairs and upgrades to the City's structures and facilities that have gone unmaintained for many years prior to when I was sworn-in as Mayor.

On June 30, 2021, Missouri State Governor Michael Parsons signed legislation allowing cities and counties in Missouri to collect taxes on online sales. Known as Wayfair legislation, this stems from a 2018 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court in *South Dakota v. Wayfair Inc.* that allowed states to collect sales and use taxes from businesses that have no physical presence in the state but that sell and deliver products into the state. In Missouri, taxes on internet sales in local jurisdictions, such as Bellefontaine Neighbors, are subject to voter approval. The lack of an internet sales taxes has created large losses of revenue for the City. The Resolution required was approved by the Board of Aldermen so that the internet sales tax issue can go to a public vote.

This year the City received a Municipal Park Grant in the amount of \$420,000.00 from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments. This grant award is critical to the vitality of the City's Recreation Center. This award has been committed to the repair and replacement of the Center's roof and roof trusses. This project is expected to begin in the first quarter of 2022. Until this project is completed, the Center remains open to the public, however, the gymnasium remains closed because of the hazards of the failing roof and roof trusses. Although this may temporarily interfere with many who use the Center, safety is always our first priority.

The Missouri Department of Transportation's I-270 North Project continues as scheduled. As it concerns our City, in 2020, construction on the I-270 and Bellefontaine Road interchange began. In 2021, construction began on the I-270 and MO 367 interchange. Further, the Pershall Bridge over I-270, which connects Pershall Road and Dunn Road north and south of I-270 was completed. This new bridge provides more community commuting options and gives better response times for first responders that service the residence who live in the Harbor Landing subdivision and other future developments in that area.

The recent S&P Global ratings on bonds reported an A- credit rating for the City. This rating was assessed based on deficit budgets and actuals for the last few years, the lack of a Board of Aldermen quorum impacting the management of City business, and employee turnover. This makes the April 5, 2022 ward elections incredibly important. Conduct your research on the candidates and vote for the candidate who will best serve our community.

Keeping to my promise, I continue to manage City operations to ensure that quality services are provided. Part of this process involves community input. I encourage you to reach out to me to meet and discuss ideas that can better our City. In light of the dysfunctionality among the BOA, please stay focused on our community and remain positive knowing that the work done today will benefit everyone in the future. Never let the disappointments of yesterday rob your dreams of tomorrow. Hand in hand together we can!



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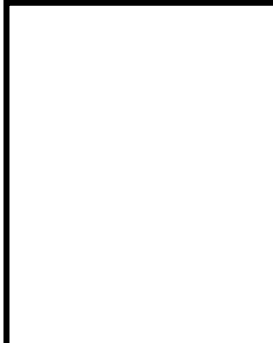
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City of Bellefontaine Neighbors Meetings

Board of Aldermen- 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Pre-Meetings are at 6:30 p.m.

Municipal Court- 2nd Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. and 4th Wednesdays, 1 p.m.

All meetings are open to the public



Message from the Chief of Police



Colonel Jeremy
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As we transition to colder weather, please be mindful and help reduce vehicle theft. Warming your vehicle unattended gives a thief an opportunity to take your vehicle. Please hide or remove valuables from your vehicle whether you are out and about or at home. Do not give thieves the opportunity to shop your car. Remember, ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. As always, please make an effort to connect and maintain relationships with your neighbors, be aware of your surroundings, and take steps to reduce opportunities for crime to occur. Your police department is here to support and assist you with your concerns.

When comparing 2020 and 2021 (Figure 1.), we experienced a 26% increase in crime. The biggest concern during this period comparison is assault. The overwhelming majority of assaultive behavior involves individuals who know each other in some way – whether family member, friend, acquaintance and so forth. Assaults have almost doubled and given that suspects and victims are known to each other (ex. domestic violence) makes it extremely difficult for the police department to deploy prevention techniques to stop the problem. Therefore, as I have many times before, I call upon our community members to report suspicious activity, potential problems in neighboring households, and other activities that are probable to result in crime.

As always, we must remain vigilant in our effort to improve the quality of life in our community. Live by the code of continuous improvement. We will succeed as long as everyone works together to achieve common goals.



Careers in Law Enforcement



Are you interested in a fulfilling career as a police officer with the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors? As a police officer in our community, you have the opportunity to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those you serve. We enjoy creating and maintaining an environment that supports a positive quality of life for our residents.

The Bellefontaine Neighbors Police Department is seeking highly motivated individuals for the position of police officer. The minimum starting salary for applicants that are Missouri Department of Public Safety Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Certified with no previous law enforcement experience is \$50,000.00 and may be adjusted depending on

qualifications. Salary is accompanied by an employee fringe benefits package, which includes health and dental insurance, paid holidays and vacation, tuition reimbursement for eligible areas of study, a defined pension plan (LAGERS), and a defined contribution 457 plan with a limited employer matching 401a plan. Please refer to the City's website for Police Officer Job Opportunities for a complete description of the job requirements, the application, and hiring process. The Bellefontaine Neighbors Police Department is an equal opportunity and diversity employer who gives preference to those who live in our community to serve on our team.





Winter Driving and Snow

Tips for Cold Weather and Winter Driving Safety

As common for our region during the winter season, we will experience extremely cold temperatures, freezing rain, sleet, and snow. As a reminder, cold weather driving presents different types of risks that we all must assess and prepare.

1. Check weather and assess road conditions and traffic before you travel. Always drive slow in inclement weather and allow for extra time to reach your destination.
2. Vehicle maintenance – check tire pressure and tread depth, test battery life, and ensure you have proper levels of coolant and windshield wiper fluid.
3. Stock your vehicle with supplies in the event you need them – snow shovel, ice scraper, flashlight, jumper cables, warning devices, blankets, cell phone charger, additional medicine as needed, etc.
4. Lastly, avoid risky driving behaviors such as distracted driving (ex, texting), obey posted speed limits, and do not drive under the influence of alcohol and drugs, including prescription drugs that cause impairment.

Ord. Sec. 17-323 Schedule IV. Snow Routes.

Addison, 1000 block
 Akron, 1400 — 1500 block
 Avant, 1000 block
 Comet Drive, between Ashbrook and Dwight
 Dwight, 10151
 Green Acres Road, from Bellefontaine Road generally westward to the Y-intersection at Lot No. 47
 Hamlet Court
 Kelvin Drive, cul-de-sac only
 Kimball Court
 Laire, 1100 — 1200 block
 Larue Court
 Orchard Court
 Orchard Lane
 Southworth Court
 Surf, 10232, 10236
 Willow Court
 Willow Lane

Ord. Sec. 17-177 Emergency snow routes.

The following is a brief summary:

"Snow emergency routes" shall mean those streets designated.

A prediction of two (2) inches or more of snow will activate an emergency and the snow route procedure will be enforced.

On each street designated as a snow emergency route, there shall be posted special blue and white signs with the wording: "EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTE — TOW AWAY ZONE". Vehicles parked, stalled, or otherwise unable to be removed may be towed.

The police are authorized to remove vehicles from streets parked on a part of a snow emergency route. The police can remove vehicles parked contrary to ordinance that interfere with snow removal operations even if the street is not designated as an emergency snow route.

Penalty for violation is \$100.00, plus towing and storage fees.

PORCH PIRATING!

Get what you paid for and prevent package thefts!

Commonly referred to as “porch pirating”, package thefts left outside for the homeowner to retrieve occur more often than you may think. The peak for these types of thefts happen during the holiday season when shipping to homes and businesses within our community increases exponentially. Here are a few tips to help you prevent yourself from being a victim of package fraud:

1. Use shipping tools to your advantage. Many shipping companies give you options such as notifications as your package passes through the shipping chain, when it is out for shipment to your home, and when it is delivered. Other options include specifying where the package is placed when delivered and whether you want the item you ordered shipped in a plain box that does not identify its contents. Also, almost all shipping companies have apps you can download to your phone to track and control your deliveries. However, these options do not prevent package theft but you most likely can report lost (whether it was stolen, not delivered, etc.) packages through these resources.
2. FedEx Delivery Manager allows a recipient to redirect their package delivery to a nearby FedEx office, Walgreens store, or other location for you to pick-up at the location selected.
3. UPS My Choice lets a recipient provide delivery instructions as to where the delivery person should leave a package, such as on the neighbor’s doorstep, at the side of the house, on the back porch, or at the back door.
4. The United States Postal Service allows you to stop the delivery chain at the local post office. Instead of having items delivered to your home, they can be picked up at the post office instead.
5. Amazon offers Amazon Locker. Using this type of service means that you will have to go to a third-party location to pick up your package. But you will not have to worry about it coming up missing because someone stole it.
6. WORK WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS – make an arrangement with your neighbors to take custody of your package after it is delivered when you are not home and your neighbors are available to do so.
7. The last tip for package theft involves BOXES! When disposing of shipping boxes and packaging waste, do not set them outside in plain view for anyone to shop your house for that new television you purchased. Break down all boxes and put in containers out view of the public. Please be environmentally conscious - recycle all paper and plastic waste.





As it concerns crime within the City, we have experienced an overall average increase of 26% in crime when collectively considering homicide, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft when comparing period for 2020 and 2021. (Figure 1.) As for crimes against persons, we have experienced increases in homicide rape, and assault along with a slight decrease in robbery. As for crimes against property, we have experienced an increase in larceny and

Figure 1.

notable decreases in burglary and motor vehicle theft.

Although we need to work together to mitigate all increases in crime, we still need to work on crimes that have decreased to keep them suppressed.

Policing starts with you – the community. You are the heart of the policing mission and we require your involvement to increase the safety and security of our community. If you observe suspicious activity, a crime about to occur, or a crime in progress please call the police immediately so that the police department can investigate these matters quickly to prevent and stop crime. **For non-emergency situations, call police dispatch at (636) 529-8210. For emergency situations, dial 911.** Any resident who would like to host a **Neighborhood Watch meeting** in their area to discuss crime and other policing related matters and initiatives, please contact the police department office during normal business hours, between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, to make arrangements. The police department welcomes this opportunity to meet with you and we will have a police officer available to attend your meeting.

Crime Type	January - October		
	2020	2021	% Change
Homicide	1.0	2.0	100%
Rape	2.0	6.0	67%
Robbery	20.0	19.0	1%
Assault	141.0	293.0	48%
Burglary	78.0	41.0	-47%
Larceny	127.0	164.0	23%
Motor Vehicle Theft	122.0	108.0	-11%
	491	633	26%



Christmas Tree Drop Off

The Bellefontaine Neighbors Street Department will be picking up live Christmas trees from December 30, 2021 thru January 30, 2022. Christmas tree drop off locations are St. Cyr Park, Wilderness Park, and Bissell Park. Please leave the Christmas tree in the marked designated area at each park.

Follow the Police Department on Facebook!



There are many times when certain situations occur within our community and that information needs to be disseminated quickly to the public to keep you informed. The police department encourages you to follow us on Facebook for the latest information affecting our community.

<https://www.facebook.com/BellefontaineNeighborsPD/>



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City Boards and Commission

Image and Beautification Commission:

- Chair: Jennie Stewart

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM

The Image and Beautification Board consists of volunteers who assist in enhancing the image and beauty of the City. It plans events, and upkeep of community gardens. Twice a year, with fellow citizens, elected officials and young adults from the Department of Social Service's Youth Division, Board members pick up litter along main thoroughfares. The board maintains several flowerbeds throughout the City, selects homes to receive Beautification Awards for upkeep and decoration, and annually selects homes for Christmas Decoration Awards. Additional residents are sought to serve on the Board and Community Garden Club; to volunteer, call City Hall at 867-0076

Parks and Recreation Board:

- Chair: Vacant

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday, 6:00 PM, at the Rec Center

The Board consists of eight members. It makes continuing studies of programs and matters for the benefit of the City's parks, park activities, the City Recreation Center and recreational center activities

Planning and Zoning:

- Chair: Patrick Barrett

Meetings: 2nd Monday, 7:00 PM

The Planning and Zoning Commission was created to provide for and stimulate, guide, direct, arrange and beautify the City for development and growth. It prepares and submits to the Board of Aldermen a master plan for physical development of the City, including the general location, character and extent of streets, bridges, parks, waterways, and other public ways, grounds and spaces, public buildings and other public property, public utilities and public housing projects, and periodically recommends modifications of plans in the City's interest.

Public Safety Committee:

- Chair: Vacant

Meetings: 4th Thursday, 6:30 PM

The Public Safety Committee consists of members appointed by the Mayor with approval of the Board of Aldermen. Members should be qualified by training, education, experience, or activity in public safety issues, and reflect a cross section of residents and businesses in the City. The Committee assists and advises the Mayor, Board of Aldermen and other City officials and departments on matters involving public safety policy.

Youth Commission:

- Chair: Alicia Smith

Meetings: 3rd Monday, 7:30 PM

The Youth Commission is comprised of nine regular voting members, appointed by the Mayor with approval of the Board of Aldermen. Activities of the Youth Commission are primarily concerned with promotion of the general welfare of youths and young adults. The Youth Commission also plans annual events including the Youth Deck Dance, Fishing Derby and Bike Rodeo.

There are openings on the following Boards/Commissions: Board of Adjustment, Image & Beautification, Planning & Zoning (experience required), Public Safety, Park and Recreation Board, and Youth Commission. If interested, print out the application found on the City website (www.cityofbn.com) and submit to the City Clerk or call 314-867-0076 if you have any questions.

NOW HIRING

Parks and Recreation:

Part-Time Front desk
Part-Time Lifeguard
Part-Time Swim Instructor
Part-Time Custodian
Part-Time Park Maintenance Worker

Administration:

Full-Time City Clerk

Police Department:

Full-Time Police Officer

Street Department

Full-Time Laborer

For a full list of current job openings and applications visit our website at www.cityofbn.com or call City Hall at 314-867-0700.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the regulations regarding leaves & grass?

Excess leaves shall be removed to avoid rodent harborage. Raking into streets, sewers, creeks is prohibited. Leaves raked into streets and washed down the sewers can cause sewer back-ups in your home and your neighbor's homes. Please place leaves in cans or paper yard waste bags (No Plastic Bags) and set out for removal. All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of eight (8) inches. Weeds are defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, but does not include cultivated flowers and gardens.

What is an Occupancy permit and is it necessary?

The Occupancy Permit informs our City of the person or persons living in the home. An Occupancy Permit is Issued to all new residents and is required per City Ordinance. Before an Occupancy Permit is issued the home must be inspected and approved. A Certificate of Code Compliance is issued after the inspection has been approved. Occupancy Permits are issued only in City Hall in the Building Department. A Driver's License or State-issued I.D. is required for all adult occupants and Birth Certificates are required for all minor children. The fee for this permit is \$40.00

Does the City Participate in the Lateral Sewer Repair Program?

The City will contract for the repair of a defective lateral, if after investigation, it is found to be defective due to causes beyond the control of the property owner. A sewer lateral is defined as the portion of the pipe which carries household wastes to the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District sewer main and which lies between the house connection and the sewer main. Before submitting the Sanitary Sewer Lateral Application, it is the responsibility of the Homeowner to have the lateral in-line video inspected and marked by flags or paint marks. The video must have audio narration describing the problem and location of the problem on the lateral, name and address of the house and the date the video was made. The Homeowner must also furnish a report and/or receipt from the plumbing or sewer service that cabled or jetted the lateral in an attempt to clear the lateral. The cost of the in-line video and locating of the lateral is to be paid by the Homeowner. A fee to cover these services for the City will be assessed at the rate of \$28.00 per year. The fee is included on the resident's annual St. Louis County Real Estate Tax Bill.

