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DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION
& PARKS SERVICES SCHEDULE
OF VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES



SPECIAL EVENTS

UPCOMING HOLIDAY EVENTS

Halloween Pop-Up

M, Oct 12-26



Pop by our Halloween Pop-Up Tent this October for a free Halloween mask giveaway! The Halloween Tent will be popping up throughout the City parks from October 12-26. Recreation staff will be posting pop up locations, times and updates on social media pages, Facebook @ **NorwalkSportsComplex** and Instagram @**recnorwalk**. Be sure to follow Recreation's social media pages and check-in with us because these tents will disappear faster than you can say, "Boo!" All children, 2-17 years of age, will receive a festive mask while supplies last.

City Wide Scarecrow Contest

Participation Fee: Free

Brush off those creative cobwebs and help us celebrate fall! Join the excitement by creating an original, fun, and creative scarecrow that you make yourself. The fall Scarecrow Contest is open to businesses and individual households in the City of Norwalk.

Rules:

1. Build, decorate and display your scarecrow by Friday, October 23, 2020.
2. All scarecrow displays must be original works.
3. Be creative and respectful.
4. Display your scarecrow outdoors and visible from the street.
5. Make sure your scarecrow can withstand the elements.
6. Scarecrows must be on display October 23-November 13.
7. Participants must be Norwalk residents or a Norwalk business.
8. One entry per household or business.

Important Dates

Registration Deadline: Fri, Oct 16

Scarecrow Display: Fri, Oct 23-Fri, Nov 13

Judging: Fri, Oct 23-Wed, Nov 4

Winners Announced: Mon, Nov 9-social media pages

Additional Information:

Registered participants will receive an instructional email. Be sure that you are following Recreation's social media pages on Instagram @**recnorwalk** and on Facebook @**NorwalkSportsComplex**.



Judging and Scarecrow Winner Information:

Winners will be judged in the following categories: People's Choice, Traditional, Most Original, and Best Overall Display. Households and businesses will be judged separately. Scarecrow displays will be judged by the Community and by the Recreation Department staff. Community judging will take place online from October 23-November 7. Recreation Department judging will take place beginning October 23. Participants will receive notification of a day and approximate time that their scarecrow will be judged based on geographic location. A photo of the winning scarecrows will be published in the Recreation Brochure, on the City of Norwalk website and the Recreation Department's social media pages. Prizes will be available for pick up by appointment after November 9.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Halloween Fun House Drive-in Event

Sat, Oct 31 • 5-8:30p
12700 Norwalk Blvd
Norwalk City Hall
Parking Lot
Pre-registration
is required

Celebrate all the tricks and treats of Halloween from the comfort and safety of your own vehicle. This not-too-scary adventure takes you and your family on a lively journey through the haunted fun house, where you'll meet some of your favorite clowns and friends. Get ready for tons of fun, music, and contactless sweet treats! Only one person per vehicle must register in advance to secure a parking space. Vehicles must be under 11 feet tall to participate.

Register now: <http://tiny.cc/funhouse>



Calls with Claus

Just like the rest of us, Santa Claus has learned how to use Zoom! He has scheduled time away from his workshop to chat with the little ones here in Norwalk. Join us for FREE one-on-one chats with Santa from the comfort of your own home. He has lots of children to talk to all over the world, so calls will last approximately five minutes. Get those wish lists ready! **Check the registration page for dates and times.**
Register now: <http://tiny.cc/callswithclaus>



Virtual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Sat, Dec 5 • 6-8p

Free

Join us for a Virtual Tree Lighting Ceremony on Zoom! Santa Claus will be joined by local dignitaries to light up the night with our gigantic Norwalk Christmas tree. Live entertainment will follow the tree lighting, as well as a special visit from a holiday character or two. Grab some hot cocoa, put on your coziest pajamas and enjoy a festive night in!

Zoom Meeting ID: 998 589 9090



Letters to Santa

Ho! Ho! Ho! Calling all children! You are invited to send a wish letter to Good Old Saint Nick at the North Pole. He has promised to answer all letters from every boy and girl who writes to him. The Recreation and Park Services Department will be collecting all letters to forward to Santa Claus. Drop off your letter in Santa's mailbox that will be located in front of the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex (13000 Clarkdale Ave) from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. from December 7-11, 2020. Be sure to include a return address!



VIRTUAL LOTERIA

AROUND TOWN

ACTIVITIES

Light Up Norwalk!



It's time to Light Up Norwalk! Residents are encouraged to decorate their homes and become a stop on the Light Up Norwalk Holiday Parade route. Participating residents can submit their address to BGrove@norwalkca.gov by Wednesday, December 9 to be included in the route. Judges will drive by all homes during the week of December 21. Winners will be selected and awarded in three categories: Best Use of Lights, Most Unique Design and Best Overall Holiday Display. The neighborhood or street that "puts themselves on the map" with the most enthusiastic holiday displays will also be awarded.

For those that want to enjoy the Light Up Norwalk as a spectator, grab your family, hop in the car and travel around town for some festive fun! Addresses will be added to a map that you can access directly from your phone from December 12-27. Instructions to access the interactive map and to guide you from house to house, to enjoy the lights and decorations, will be posted on social media on December 12.

Instagram: @recnorwalk

Facebook: Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex

Night at the North Pole

Sat, Dec 19 • 5-8:30p

Location: 12700 Norwalk Blvd
Norwalk City Hall Parking Lot

Pre-registration is required

Pack up the kids and come by the North Pole to enjoy a FREE drive-thru display! Participants will travel through different sections of Santa's Village, including his workshop, reindeer stables and more. Santa and his elves may even be on hand to distribute a treat or two! Cars must pre-register for a drive thru-time: <http://tiny.cc/norwalknorthpole>.



ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

Rec-In-Motion: Spreading Kindness

Nov 9-30

Free

We miss you! Keep an eye out for the Rec-In-Motion team in your neighborhood. Throughout November, the Recreation and Park Services staff will choose Norwalk households at random and deliver a fun surprise. Be sure that you are following Recreation's social media pages on Instagram @[recnorwalk](https://www.instagram.com/recnorwalk) and on Facebook @[NorwalkSportsComplex](https://www.facebook.com/NorwalkSportsComplex).



How Do I Sign Up?

No need to sign up! If you've registered for a class or activity in the past two years, you are automatically entered in the drawing. If you have never registered for our classes or activities in the past, you may create a family profile on Activenet by Thursday, November 5, at tiny.cc/norwalkrecaccount, to be included in the drawing.

AROUND TOWN

ACTIVITIES

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE
IN YOUR COMMUNITY!**

Teen Alliance Program "TAP"

Free

Join TAP and learn valuable working skills, develop social skills, interpersonal skills, and gain a sense of accomplishment, all while giving back to your community. You will have opportunities to volunteer with the City of Norwalk Recreation and Park Services Department. This is a great way to earn volunteer hours for school or church. The Teen Alliance Program General Membership meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month via Zoom. Meetings are **MANDATORY** and each T.A.P. member receives hours for attending.

DAY	DATES	TIME	AGE
W	Oct 7, Nov 4	4p	13-18

ZOOM meeting information will be posted on BAND and our social media platforms.

(Instagram @norwalkteencenter)



REFUND POLICY

CLASSES/PROGRAMS

Refunds will be issued in full only if the class/program is cancelled by the City of Norwalk.

Refunds requested the first week of class will be eligible for a full refund.

Refunds requested the second week of class will be assessed a \$4 administration charge.

After the second regularly scheduled class meeting, refund requests will not be accepted.

MEMBERSHIPS

Refunds are not allowed for any memberships.

All Memberships are non-transferrable.

The City reserves the right to revoke a membership if policies and procedures are not followed.

SPORTS

Refunds are not allowed for Small Fry and Youth Sports once games begin.

LEADERSHIP • DETERMINATION • SERVICE • DEDICATION



CADETS WANTED

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS:

Must be Norwalk residents
(or attend Norwalk schools);
between 13-18 years old

**ALL NEW
VIRTUAL
FORMAT!**



Benefits:

- Field training Ride-a-Long with Public Safety Officers
- Physical fitness
- Community Service hours through service projects
- Potential scholarship opportunities
- Participate in an Explorer Law Enforcement Academy
- Career exploration/ Educational workshops & field trips
- Gain hands on experience; assisting with community events, office operations

When:

Every Wednesday
5:30—7:30 PM

Location:

Online via teleconference
For more information, please call
the Department of Public Safety at (562) 929-5732
Participants must have online access to Zoom.



CALL: (562) 929-5732

AT HOME KITS

Family Date Night

Fee: \$20 per kit

4-12 yrs.

Kit pick up: Week of Nov 2



Parents, grab your little ones for a date night in! Register to receive an activity kit that will include crafts, games, snacks, pre-recorded videos of Recreation staff demonstrating all activities and much more. We encourage you to dress up for a daddy daughter or mother son date night, but enjoy all activities from the comfort of your own home! The date night may be scheduled at your convenience. Kit includes supplies for up to one parent and two children.

Gobbles & Games

Nov 26

Fee: \$20 per kit

All Ages

Kit pick up: Week of Nov 23-25

You provide the food and we'll provide the fun! Join us for a night of activities as you celebrate Thanksgiving with your households. Participants will receive a holiday kit which will include crafts, games and other fun activities that the whole family can engage in at home! Families can also follow along with Recreation staff as they demonstrate the activities in pre-recorded videos at their own Thanksgiving party. More information to come via email after registration.

Cookies & Crafts with Mrs. Claus

Fee: \$20 per kit

All ages

Kit pick up: Week of Dec 14



Enjoy an afternoon of festive fun with Mrs. Claus! She has created activity kits for the little ones here in Norwalk, including gingerbread house supplies, crafts and desserts. Pre-recorded videos of Mrs. Claus demonstrating all activities will be included in the kit. Activities may be completed at your convenience. More information to come via email after registration.

ADAPTIVE REC.

Virtual Edition • 929-5521

Register for Adaptive Programs at norwalk.org



This virtual program is designed for children, teens, and adults with developmental, physical, and/or learning disabilities. Participants are encouraged to maximize their abilities through recreation activities with a social emphasis. All participants must have a current medical/emergency form on file with the department in order to participate.

Please Note: Participants may need additional assistance while on Zoom meetings. For more information or to be added to the mailing list, please call **929-5922** or email us at AR@norwalkca.gov.

HEART Club



Recreation Adapted for Teens & Adults with Disabilities! Each week they will get to see all their friends through a weekly Zoom session and follow along with weekly themed activities including game nights, arts and crafts, and much more! A box of supplies will also be provided for the entire session.

***Once registered, Zoom information will be provided via email with time and date for supplies pick up.**

DAY	DATES	TIME	AGE	FEE
W	Oct 7,14,21,28	5-6p	13+	\$25
W	Nov 4,12,18,25	5-6p	13+	\$25

Register for Adaptive programs at norwalk.org

NASC

Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex • 13000 Clarkdale Ave • 929-5566

Have you been thinking about getting fit, starting an exercise program, and living a healthier lifestyle? Then join the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex virtual exercise programs.

NASC VIRTUAL CLASSES

Pre-registration is required for all virtual classes. Registration is taken online at norwalk.org on a first come, first served basis.



Creative Li'l Tots

We invite your little ones to join us for an exciting at-home learning experience. Prepare your child for Kindergarten and help them learn necessary skills in a fun and interactive environment. Your child will participate in a variety of learning activities, crafts, games and more through daily Zoom classes. Activities are selected to enhance the learning of shapes, colors, and the ABC's. With each registration, your child will receive an at-home Creative Li'l Tots kit that contains the necessary items for you and your child to participate in all activities.

DAY	DATES	TIME	AGE	FEE
M-Th	Oct 5-Oct 29	10-10:45a	3	\$40
M-Th	Oct 5-Oct 29	11-11:45a	4-5	\$40
M-Th	Nov 2-Nov 25	10-10:45a	3	\$40
(No Class Nov 11)				
M-Th	Nov 2-Nov 25	11-11:45a	4-5	\$40
(No Class Nov 11)				
M-Th	Nov 30-Dec 23	10-10:45a	3	\$40
M-Th	Nov 30-Dec 23	10-10:45a	4-5	\$40

NORWALK KIDS CLUB



The new Norwalk Kids Club virtual program offers opportunities for socialization, physical activity, creative crafting and fun science exploration for children 6-12 years of age. Zoom meetings will take place Monday-Friday from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Interactive socialization and

contests will take place on the Band App in a private, supervised group. Fee includes access to Zoom meetings, private Band group and a Kids Club monthly supply box.

DAY	DATES	TIME	AGE	FEE
M-F	Nov 2-20	4-5p	6-12	\$50/mo or \$15/wk
(No Class Nov 11)				
M-F	Nov 30-Dec 18	4-5p	6-12	\$50/mo or \$15/wk

VIRTUAL YOUTH SPORTS CLASSES



Please call **929-5566** for more information or visit us at www.norwalk.org. *All schedules are subject to change.

Live Zoom Meetings

Instructor: Recreation Sports Staff

Virtual Sports classes gives little ones the opportunity to shine! This virtual program is designed to introduce children to the basic fundamentals of soccer in an individual non-competitive environment.

SOCCER

DAY	DATES	TIME	AGE	FEE
Sat	Nov 7,14,21,28	10-10:30a	5-7	\$7
Sat	Nov 7,14,21,28	10:45-11:15a	8-10	\$7

TEEN CENTER

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12305 Sproul St • 929-5573

Summer may be gone, but that doesn't mean the fun is over! Join us virtually as the Norwalk Teen Center offers fun activities. Spend your afternoons with us on Zoom to make new friends while keeping busy and entertained. Activities will include cooking, painting, inspirational talks, physical activity, and more. We can't be together, but we can still have fun while we're apart!

Join us on BAND! All activities, daily inspiration, volunteer opportunities, pictures, registration for programs and more will be posted on the official Teen Alliance Program (T.A.P.) BAND app. Scan the QR code below with your camera to join, or find us by searching this link <https://band.us/n/a7a138x213K3K>. This is our main source of communication for sharing updates on all programs and volunteer opportunities.

Virtual Teen Events and Programs

Registration is accepted either on our BAND app or online for a small fee at norwalk.org. All events are subject to cancellation due to low enrollment.

Teen Talks

Get away from schoolwork and the fact that we're all stuck at home by joining your friends and staff for virtual Teen Talks on Zoom. We discuss a number of topics including mental wellness, cooking recipes, health and fitness, sports, and more. We are open to accepting new topic ideas, we want to hear from you!

DAY	DATES	TIME	AGE	FEE
T/Th	Oct 6, 8, 20, 22	5p	13-18	FREE
T/Th	Nov 3, 5, 17, 19	5p	13-18	FREE

Registration Deadline: Registration is ongoing and accepted through our BAND app at tiny.cc/norwalkteens or by scanning the QR code below.

Zoom meeting information will be posted on BAND and our social media platforms on Instagram @ [norwalkteencenter](https://www.instagram.com/norwalkteencenter). For easy registration, open your camera phone and point at QR code.

Canvas Paint Night

Join us for a fun night of step-by-step instructor-led canvas painting session through Zoom. All supplies are provided which includes a canvas, paint and brushes to complete the fall-themed painting seen below. Hang your masterpiece in your room or gift it to a loved one. Let's all find our inner artist!

DAY	DATE	TIME	AGE	FEE
Fri	Nov 20	7p	13-18	\$5

(includes all paint supplies)

For easy registration, open your camera phone and point it at the QR code.

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Don Knabe Golf Center & Junior Academy

M – Sun • 7a–9:15p

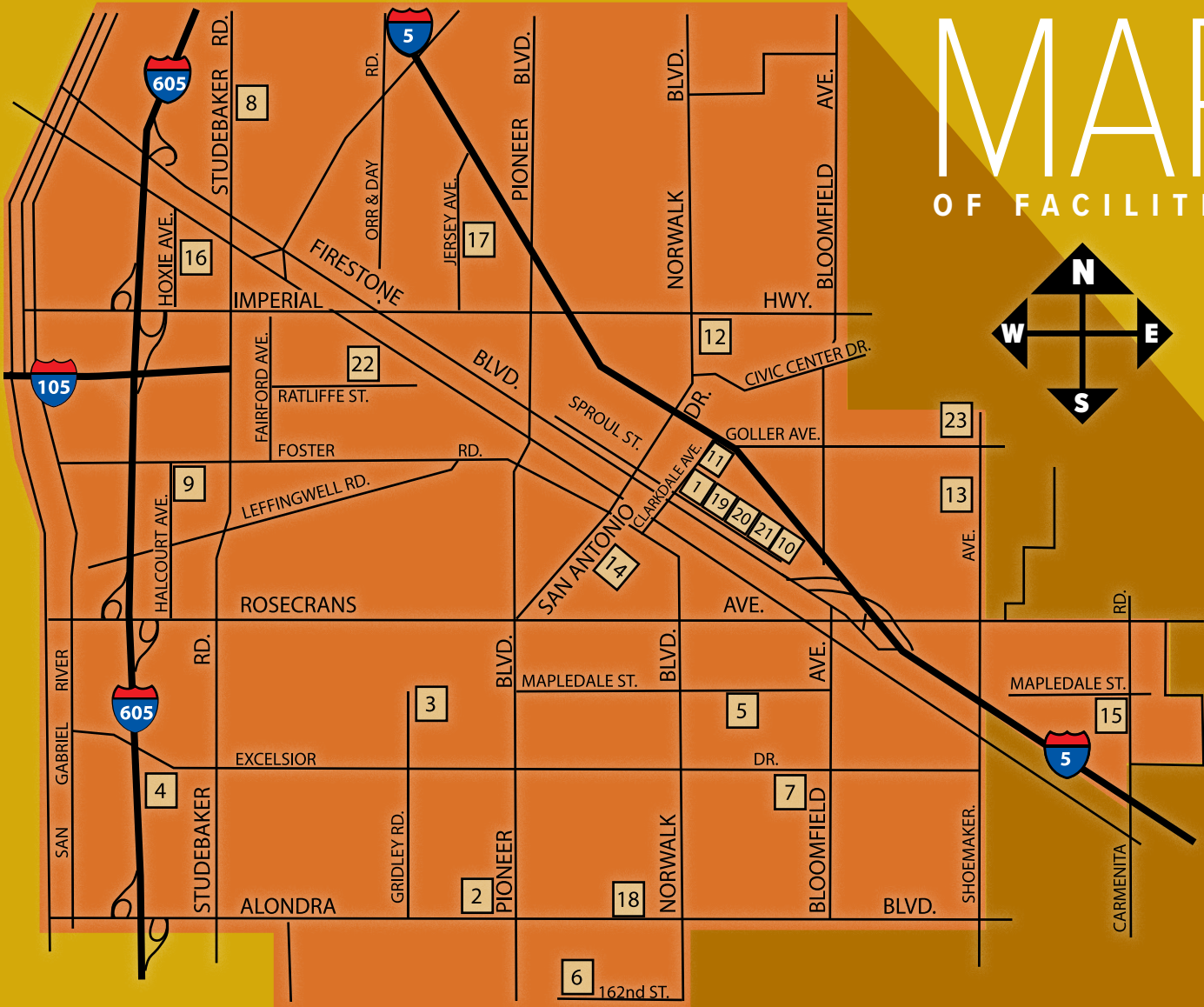
13717 Shoemaker Ave • 921-7047

The facility includes a 9-hole par 3 golf course, double deck driving range, practice pitching green with a bunker, and practice putting green. The entire facility is lighted and available for evening use. For more information, please visit playknabegolf.com.



Learn more at scgajunior.org/instruction, email us at instruction@scga.org, call (818) 980-3630 or stop by the Don Knabe Golf Center.

MAP OF FACILITIES



1. Cultural Arts Center

13200 Clarkdale Ave.
929-5521

7. Holifield Park

12500 Excelsior Dr.
929-5614

12. Norwalk City Hall

12700 Norwalk Blvd.
929-5700

18. Social Services Center

11929 Alondra Blvd.
929-5544

2. Excelsior Gym

15711 Pioneer Blvd.
929-5610

8. Lakeside Park

11620 Studebaker Rd.
929-5615

13. Don Knabe Golf Center

13717 Shoemaker Ave.
921-7047

19. Sproul Museum

12203 Sproul St.
929-5521

3. Gerdes Park

14700 Gridley Rd.
868-5817

9. New River Park

13432 Halcourt Ave.
929-5619

14. Norwalk Senior Center

14040 San Antonio Dr.
929-5580

20. Sproul Reception Center

12239 Sproul St.

4. Glazier Park

10810 Excelsior Dr.

10. Aquatic Pavilion

12301 Sproul St.
929-5622

15. Ramona Park

13244 Mapledale St.
929-5616

21. Teen Center

12305 Sproul St.
929-4260

5. Hargitt House Museum

12426 Mapledale St.
929-5612

**11. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex/
Norwalk Park
Skate Park**

13000 Clarkdale Ave.
929-5566

16. Robert White Park

12120 Hoxie Ave.
929-5617

22. Vista Verde Park

11459 Ratliffe St.
929-5618

6. Hermosillo Park

11959 162nd St.
929-5613

17. Sara Mendez Park

11660 Dune St.
868-1093

23. Zimmerman Park

13031 Shoemaker Ave.
929-5620

BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING



EACH OF US HAS A ROLE TO PLAY IN REDUCING OUR IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, AND OUR CHOICES MATTER.

WHY RECYCLE BEVERAGE CONTAINERS?

We all use them; plus, every bottle and can you recycle makes a difference!

Just in the United States, we use approximately 2.5 millions of plastic bottles every hour. Unfortunately, if a plastic bottle ends up in a landfill rather than recycled, it will take almost 700 years to break down.

BENEFITS OF RECYCLING BEVERAGE CONTAINERS

Saves Space in our Landfills

Conserves Natural Resources

Reduces Greenhouse Emissions

Creates Jobs

The City of Norwalk encourages all its residents to recycle their beverage containers on a regular basis. The best part is that recycling bottles and cans is EASY. Simply place any CRV containers in your blue lid recycling container or drop off at a buy-back center.



ALUMINUM CANS



PLASTIC BOTTLES



GLASS BOTTLES

Remember, when you recycle, you not only protect the environment, but you also keep our community clean and green!

For more information, please call 1-800-RECYCLE

