

**Franklin
Parks and
Recreation**

SEPTEMBER 2024 PARK BOARD MEETING

- Concessions season is finally over for the summer. We had a great year with great employees. We had a city-wide Lunch and Learn and fed some full-time city employees with extra food we had leftover. We will be getting everything cleaned in October to hopefully get some remodeling started in the pool concessions for next year.
- We currently have 121 booth spaces sold for the Fall Festival. That is around the same amount we had last year. We had to cut the waiting list off around 20 this year but I estimate we easily could've sold over 150 booth spaces based on all of the inquiries we had. Information goes out to the vendors this Friday.
- We will be an early voting site again this year. Voting starts on October 21st and goes until Election Day.

FACILITY RESERVATIONS

- Jamie

MARKETING



FACEBOOK:

FRANKLIN PARKS & RECREATION

- **FOLLOWER COUNT: 17,272 (+196)**
- **LIKE COUNT: 14,192 (+67)**
- **MOST LIKED POST: HAIRBANGERS BALL POST**
 - Number of Likes: 1,736
 - Number of shares: 3
 - Number of comments: 27



TWITTER (X): @FRANKLINPARKSIN

- **FOLLOWER COUNT: 1,059 (+2)**
- **MOST LIKED POST: FALL FESTIVAL POSTER**
 - Number of Likes: 2
 - Number of Impressions: 100
 - Number of replies: 0



INSTAGRAM: @FRANKLINPARKSIN

- **FOLLOWER COUNT: 1,701 (+27)**
- **MOST LIKED POST: FALL FESTIVAL POSTER**
 - Number of likes: 74
 - Number of comments: 3
 - Number of Sends: 24
 - Accounts reached: 713



TIKTOK: @FRANKLINPARKSIN

FRANKLIN PARKS & RECREATION

- **FOLLOWER COUNT: 1,001 (+21)**
- **LIKE COUNT: 1,736 (+36)**
- **MOST VIEWED POST: TAYLOR SWIFT VIDEO**
 - Number of views: 841
 - Number of likes: 29
 - Number of saves: 3
 - Number of comments: 0

As of Sept 17th



Saturday, December 7, 2024

- Courthouse Lighting
- Lighted Parade
- Winter Market
- Live Entertainment
- and so much more!



POTTERY BASICS

Learn the basics of pottery with a skilled instructor!

Discover the art of pottery with hands-on instruction from a talented Franklin College ceramics artist. Master the basics of creating beautiful pottery and get acquainted with making ceramics in an engaging and creative environment.

Ages: 5+

Cost: Children- \$45, Adults- \$60

Registration Fee includes 5 pottery courses held on 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5 and 11/12. Children's course is from 4:30-5:30PM, adults from 6-7:30PM

MUST pre-register at franklinparks.com
or at our Cultural Arts & Recreation
Center front desk



Franklin Parks & Recreation

FRANKLIN FRIENDS

(ADAPTIVE REC CLUB)

Join Franklin Parks and Recreation once a month for an adaptive Recreation club for adults with cognitive disabilities focused on building connections through recreation. Activities include adaptive crafts, sports, and music activities.
Cost: \$15/session



LAST TUESDAYS OF EVERY MONTH



1-2:30 PM



**Cultural Arts & Recreation Center
396 Branigin Blvd.
Franklin, IN 46131**



Aquatics

- Pool is officially done for the 2024 Season.
- Splash Pad will remain open through the Fall Festival.
- We plan to paint the pool within the next month, so it has time to fully cure. The best time to paint a pool.
 - Emmanuel Church will be helping paint the pool, paint the locker rooms, and help put equipment away during their Volunteer Day of Service the morning of September 28th. They will be approximately 50 volunteers.
- Indoor Swim Lessons at the Middle School began this week.
- Lap Swim, Aqua 2.0, and Aquacise at the Middle School began on September 3rd and are going very well.

Group Fitness Classes

- Fab PiYo was cancelled for September due to low registration. Will try again in October.
- We are now offering Aquacise in Mondays. It's a gentler and more cardio based water aerobics class.
- All Group Fitness registrations have been slowly becoming more popular.

FITNESS AND AQUATICS

- Alfonso

Community Garden

The gardening season is winding down, I will be sending out a survey for all who bought a plot this year to hear their thought for next year!

Our Town Players

They have received the licensing for "It's A Wonderful Life". This will add a holiday play along with "The Brother's Grimm Spectacular" they are performing in October.

PAAC and Art Programming

We have four events with the PAAC so far! Nick has solidified pottery with a local Franklin College student and the class is almost full! We have two canvas classes, wreath making, sign making, and splatter painting.

Recreation Events

We will have a busy winter here at the Rec Center.

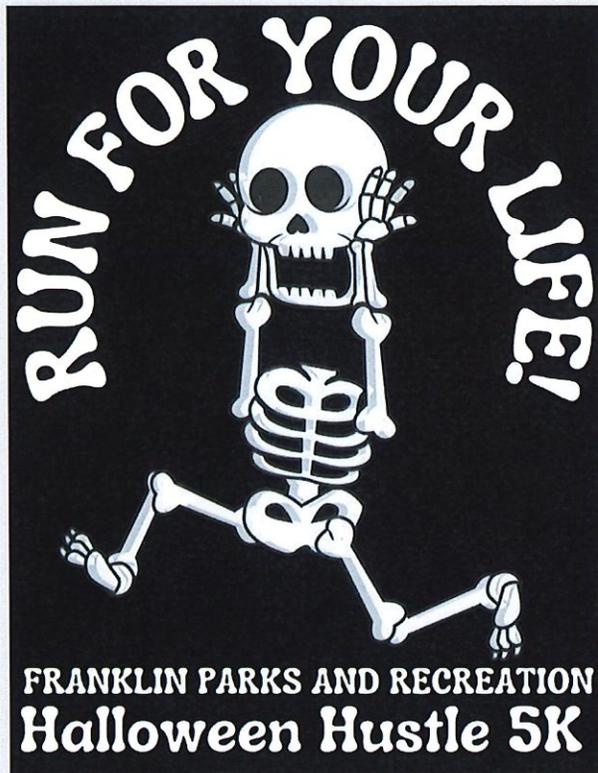
- Preschool Play starts in November and runs until February
 - Every Tuesday excluding (12/24 and 12/31)
- Princess Party is happening again on January 18th
 - There will only be one session this year with 140 seats available.

RECREATION PROGRAMS

- Courtney

Halloweentown

It is going great! I am working with Holly to spearhead this event. We will be doing a new course hopefully more through the cemetery for the 5K walk/run! Below is the design for the shirts this year. They will be printed in glow in the dark ink!



RECREATION PROGRAMS CONTINUED

- Courtney

Upcoming Program Updates:

Pottery Basics Adult/Child

Classes on Tuesdays 10/15-11/12.

Meeting with pottery instructor next week to talk ore about program structure and to check equipment.

Child class(\$40) 5 registered and 3 spots left

Adult class(\$60) 7 registered and 1 spot left

Franklin Friends-Adaptive Adult Group(\$15/session)

Group meets the last Tuesday of the month from October through April.

3 total registered for October. Talked with someone who works at Gateway who will rotate out a group of 4 each month so number should be increasing.

Have roughly 3 people who are interested in volunteering to help with program.

Hikes with Tykes(\$10/session)

Thursdays from October 10th-November 21st. (No session November 7th due to IPRA conference)

Pre-school aged program during the day, focused on park exploration and hands on nature activities.

Campfire Flames and Games

October 11th 8pm-10pm

Free drop in public program at Creekside Shelter with a fire, smores bar, cider, and board games.

RECREATION, EVENTS, & PROGRAMS

-Nick

PROGRAMMING:

We had a very busy August at the amphitheater with three concerts (Toy Factory, Crush and GrooveSmash). The crowds ranged from approximately 2,000 – 4,000+. Hairbangers Ball performed on Friday, September 13th to a crowd of 4,000 enthusiastic fans. It was a great show.

Remaining concerts for the year are below.

Friday, September 27 Corey Cox and Hank Ruff (Fall Festival Friday Night)

Saturday, September 28 Jai Baker (Fall Festival)

We finished up our Arts @ The Amp series for the year with a concert by the Franklin Community Band. This included an ice cream social and artist, Diana Porter, painting a picture during the concert. It is always a fun time and we had 250+ in attendance. We are lucky to have the support of the Branigin Foundation to fund this series. I have applied for a grant for 2025 to help continue and grow this series.

We are gearing up for the final stretch for 2024 with the following:

Friday & Saturday, September 27 & 28	Franklin Fall Festival
Friday, October 4	Movie in the Park
Saturday, October 26	Halloween Town
Saturday, December 7	Holiday Lighting
Sunday, December 8	Santa Paws
Saturday, December 14	Breakfast with Santa

Everyone in the department has been working on new programs and it is exciting. We have some great things planned and are looking forward to it. Planning for the 2025 concert series has been in the process for the past month and several concerts have been booked.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

-Holly

SPONSORSHIPS AND GRANTS: We are in the process of getting the packet ready for 2025 sponsorships and will be sending those out in October.

Concert Series

- Festival Country Indiana, Title Sponsor (\$10,000)
- Cornett Roofing, Beer & Wine Garden Sponsor (\$7,500)
- Horizon Bank, Gold Sponsor (\$5,000)
- Lambert Orthodontics, Gold Sponsor (\$5,000)
- Franklin Jewelers, Gold Sponsor (\$5,000)
- Compass Park, Gold Sponsor (\$5,000)
- Huston Electric (\$5,000 In Kind)
- Max Service Group, Silver Sponsor (\$2,500)
- Franklin Insurance, Silver Sponsor (\$2,500)
- Culligan (\$2,500 In Kind)
- Small Town Girl Boutique, Booth Sponsor (\$500)
- Farley Health Solutions, Booth Sponsor x 2 (\$1,000)
- Merrifield Exteriors, LLC, Booth Sponsor (\$500)

Easter Egg Hunt

- Community Baptist Church, Title Sponsor (\$750)
- Koenig Equipment, Candy Sponsor (\$250)

Cruisin' the Amp

Firecracker Festival

- Johnson County CASA Program, Red Sponsor (\$2,500)
- Miss M's Home and Garden, Red Sponsor (\$2,500)

Fall Festival

- Carpenter Realty, Gold Sponsor (\$2,500)
- Royalty Roofing, Bronze Sponsor (\$500)

Halloween Town

- **TRI KAPPA, TITLE SPONSOR (\$4,000) NEW**
- Koenig Equipment, Bronze Sponsor (\$500)

Family Movie Series

- Johnson County REMC, Title Sponsor (\$5,000)

Eclipse Festival

- Festival Country Indiana, Title Sponsor (\$15,000)
- Huston Electric (\$2,500 In Kind)
- Koenig Equipment, Half Moon Sponsor (\$1,000)

Arts @ The Amp

Grant and Art Programming Partnership with the Public Arts Advisory Commission from the Branigin Foundation for \$5,500

**COMMUNITY
EVENTS
CONTINUED**

-Holly

**Franklin Parks & Recreation Department
Human Resources Report – August/September 2024**

Name	Position	Action	Pay Rate	Date
Kendra Shirrell	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	New Hire	\$20.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Misty Boucher	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Brooklynn Burdine	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Mashall Doty	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Star Dunson	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Cynthia Michaels	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Charles Sanders	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Michelle Ward	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Roger Ward	Parks Part-Time - Custodian	Change Base Job	\$15.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Tina Childers	Parks Part-Time – Lifeguard	New Hire	\$13.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Jennifer Fuqua	Parks Part-Time – Lifeguard	New Hire	\$14.00/Hour	August 31, 2024
Riley Schaff	Athletic & Recreation – Front Desk Staff	Change Base Job	\$11.00/Hour	September 14, 2024
Halle Wertz	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	Add Transfer	\$12.50/Hour	September 14, 2024
Daisy Hayes	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	Add Transfer	\$12.50/Hour	September 14, 2024
Riley Mahan	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	Add Transfer	\$12.50/Hour	September 14, 2024
Gabi Sherry	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	Add Transfer	\$12.50/Hour	September 14, 2024
Haleigh Wilson	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	Add Transfer	\$12.50/Hour	September 14, 2024
Jennifer Wilson	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	Add Transfer	\$12.50/Hour	September 14, 2024
Drew Wilson	Athletic & Recreation – Recreation Class Instructor	Add Transfer	\$12.50/Hour	September 14, 2024

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

-Brooke