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RECREATION DISTRICT #1 OF ST. TAMMANY PARISH

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Recreation District #1 is a free-standing governmental agency. The District is supported by a property tax paid by the residents and businesses within the Recreation District. The general boundaries of the Recreation District are Lake Pontchartrain on the south side, the Tchefuncte River on the west side, Big Branch on the east side and Three Rivers Road on the north side. The District, which operates Pelican Park, is under the direction of a 7-member Administrative Board and staff.



Pelican Park is a great place with continued growth, good planning, dedicated Board and staff and good fiscal management.

HERE ARE THE HIGHLIGHTS:

STAFF:

39 full-time personnel and 30+/- part timers. 11 full-time personnel with five to ten years of service, 8 full-time personnel with 10 to 15 years of service, 3 full-time personnel with 15 to 20 years of service, AND 4 full-time personnel with 20 or more years of service

In 2022, we budgeted for the 44 approved full-time positions including one Assistant Park Superintendent and four Park laborers that have yet to be hired.

BUDGET:

Proposing a revenue (incoming) of \$4,399,577 for 2022. An increase of \$231,705. This increase is from additions in tax revenue, Castine Center rentals, programs, concessions and sponsorships.

To zero-out the budget, expenditures and capital outlay will be \$4,399,577.

Differences are increases in property insurance (30%), health insurance (17%) and workers compensation insurance (est. 20%). Prices are increasing for supplies such as fuel, turf care, and printing. Prices are increasing for services such as professional fees, computer technology, and repair contractors. However, the District's PERS contribution decreased from 12.25% to 11.5%.

BRINGING THE PARK INTO THE TECHNOLOGY OF THE 21ST **CENTURY:**

Change in payroll processing company that gives employees access to a portal with accrual vacation and sick hours available. In addition, the kiosks for "punching in" throughout the Park that will take pictures of the people at the time of "punching in."

Wifi internet at the Phase 6 maintenance facility for securing access to our server which safeguards all sensitive information. Wifi internet throughout the Park: Castine Center, gyms and all concession stands. Plans in 2022 to purchase a point-of-sale system in the concession stands in order to accept debit and

New computers, monitors, and printers have been updated for most staff.

OUTSIDE INFLUENCES **OF NOTE:**

Hard freeze — Louisiana experienced Pennsylvania-like weather in February with a hard freeze. We updated and implemented our "Extreme Cold Weather" procedure and many staff persons took a "snow day" and stayed home to avoid travel on icv roadways.

Hurricane IDA — with winds just shy of a category 5 hurricane, IDA slammed into St. Tammany Parish with a vengeance. CLECO moved into the park and operated a basestation to house and feed line workers for 16 days. Park Crew were able to take advantage of the closure of the park to the public during this time to clean-up debris and make most repairs. We opened back up less than three weeks post-storm.

COVID — As park and recreation professionals, we have been dramatically affected by this illness. We have had to morph and change what we do and how we do it. however, as P & R pros, we know how to handle anything! Thirteen staff persons have had the illness; that coupled with the many exposures we've had, caused closures and adjustments to schedules and programming. Our staff is amazing as they continue to handle the many curveballs COVID throws our way!

NEWSLETTE

Though we plan to continue mailing our newsletter to 15.000+ District resident households, we are condensing into three issues instead of the four we did in 2021.

PROGRAMS:

Celebrate St. Tammany: we organized a special event to celebrate National Park and Recreation Month joining all St. Tammany Recreation Districts as well as other agencies we showcased local talent and businesses. The event will be held in July 2022 to celebrate Parks and Recreation Month. Activities will include music, dancing, games, inflatables, food trucks, balloon creations and a 5K Run/Walk.

Car Shows: we have held two very successful car shows this year, with many repeat attendees and registrants.

Other Special Events:

Mutts and Milkshakes Twilight Eggstravaganza Paddles on Paddies Day Pickelball Tournament Splatter Beat

Father's Day Fishing Rodeo Barktober Fest Breakfast with Santa

Also, we've begun our Environmental Education classes and plan to greatly expand these offerings in 2022.

SPONSORSHIP: We

obtained our first sponsor in 2021 and hope to increase the program in 2022. Signs have been erected at each complex, gym, etc advertising sponsor opportunities.

FACILITIES:

Castine Center Renovations and Office

Expansion: The lowest contractor, Smith Construction Co., Inc. and the District signed a contract on July 15, 2021 at an original amount of \$2,978,816 to renovate the Castine Center arenas, construct a courtyard and renovate and expand the District's office space. Completion date is scheduled for September 2022.

Brown Gym Repairs Completed: After two years of hard work, the Brown Gym has been given a new life with new paint, flooring, ceiling with insulation and chicken wire covering, wall padding, new HVAC, LED lighting and a wrought iron fenced patio area with seating.

Pelicans Landing: What do you do with an old maintenance barn? Start with taking the walls down and creating an open air pavilion called Pelicans Landing. The Park staff worked hard to give Pelicans Landing a clean look for classes, game night, and rental by patrons. The area will seat 120 patrons for a theater-style program or approximately 75 seated at tables.

Shade Structure: The Shade Structure over the adult exercise equipment has been erected.

The District continues to serve their taxpayers to the highest level possible with more than one million annual visitors.

It has been my honor to uphold the ethical and fiscally responsible manner in which the District has always operated and it is my hope to serve for many years to come.



Margie Lewis Executive Director



Spotlights:

BOBBY MCKINNEY

Welcome the newest team member at Pelican Park, Bobby McKinney. Bobby was recently hired on as the new Recreation Superintendent.

His responsibilities will be the management of recreational activities including sports, leisure programs and events as well as recreation staff. Bobby has been coaching at Pelican Park for the past 7 years where he has done a fantastic job making a difference in the lives of children through his coaching of Softball, Volleyball, and Soccer teams. He is looking forward to working with the Park, coaches, parents, and players to help provide them with the best experiences possible. Some of his proudest moments while volunteering at Pelican Park: "I get very excited when I see my former players now playing for their club teams and high school teams. I am extremely proud that

I was able to help with so many players' development and love of their sports."

Bobby was born and raised in Harahan, LA and lived in the New Orleans area before moving to Mandeville 16 years ago. When asked about his hobbies when he's not working, he explained that, "I play volleyball, and I am a triathlete. I also love to read, and I may or may not be a karaoke master." Bobby is inspired when individuals and teams come together to overcome challenges and beat seemingly impossible odds.



TRACY ROSKENS

Tracy has worked for Pelican Park for the last 12 1/2 years as a Castine Center Event Supervisor. She is responsible for booking and running events which includes helping customers plan their event and being there for them on their big day. She also keeps up with all repairs, inspections, inventory, staffing, scheduling, purchasing, etc. Her favorite thing about her job, "No doubt about it...working with the customers."

When asked about her favorite or proudest moment over the last 12 1/2 years, Tracy commented "There's not one particular moment, although finding a place to bathe Humphrey the camel was a pretty funny one during Kids Day Expo. I'm proud after every event when

the customer, who is usually a nervous wreck before their event, has a smile on their face afterwards. If our crew can help when they're in a jam by doing some guick thinking and problem solving before, during or after the event, well, that's what makes me the proudest. It's about easing their anxiety during, what can be, stressful moments."

Tracy grew up in Sioux Falls, South Dakota and moved to New Orleans in 1995. Then in a typical Katrina transplant fashion, she moved to Mandeville in 2006 and currently lives in Pearl River. LA where she purchased her first pair of shrimp boots. When not working, she loves to work in her yard, fix things on her house, and hang out with her three dogs and two cats. Something a lot of people don't know about Tracv...She was the first female television news technical director in New Orleans, (and maybe in South Dakota). She worked at WGNO-TV for 14 years before she switched careers to Event Supervisor with the Castine Center in Pelican Park. She is inspired by good friends. a job well done and plenty of sleep and her Pelican Park phrase is. "Do the job right the first time."



Tracy Roskens Castine Center Supervisor

BOBBY SPEAK

Bobby Speak started working at Pelican Park in August and was hired on Full time on November 1st. He started in park maintenance and is now the Infrastructure Specialist. He is responsible for roadways, parking lots, signage updates and repairs. Bobby's favorite part about his job is that he works at the same place with his wife.

His proudest moment working at the Park is having the knowledge to obtain his job title as Infrastructure Specialist. He originally lived in Evansville, IN and moved to Slidell, LA in June of 2019.

When Bobby is not working, he enjoys hiking, fishing, leather work, and is inspired by God. His wife Andrea Speak, works at the front desk as an Administrative Assistant. He also has 2 daughters and a grandson.



Bobby Speak Infrastructure Specialist

LON LEVY

One of our Recreation Facility staff members that make a difference, is Lon Levy. He played sports out here as a kid and started working for Pelican Park 2 years ago as a Castine Center facility staff member, and then switched over to the recreation department. He is responsible for making sure that all activities in the Park for practices, games, rentals and events go smoothly for the kids, coaches, referees and all other patrons. The best part about working for Pelican Park is getting to play a role in letting kids and adults play sports.

Lon lived in New Orleans for 7 years before moving to Lacombe in St. Tammany Parish 17 years ago. When Lon is not working at the Park, he likes to play basketball and video games with friends and is inspired when people go out of their way to do nice things for other people.

When asked about his job at Pelican Park and his future here he said, "I have enjoyed my time here and have built nice relationships with many people here."



Lon Levv Recreation Facility Staff



COME JOIN OUR TEAM

We have both full and part-time positions available at this time. For full details about the following positions or to fill out an employment application, please visit our website at: pelicanpark.com under About/Employment/HR



FULL TIME POSITIONS

Full time positions include Excellent Benefits

Assistant Superintendent of Parks

This is a full-time salaried position; overtime is not paid. This is a professional position and reports to the Assistant Director of Parks. This position includes rotational Manager on Call shifts, working during scheduled tournaments and events, as well as being on call, if emergency repairs are required. Responsibilities include leadership of other employees, communication, training, record keeping, productivity, equipment operation, Park safety, and setting a great example for other staff members by taking the extra steps to ensure that every task performed is to the very best of the individual's ability. Full-time position with insurance, vacation, holidays, sick days and retirement.

Recreation Facility Staff

Full-Time support staff needed to work for the Recreation Department, to make sure all fields and gyms are ready for practice, games and open play. Flexible hours. This is a full-time position and requires a 40-hour week, mostly nights and weekends. It requires the employee to have the ability to handle all the listed duties and responsibilities. This job requires that the applicant be a minimum of 21 years of age or has been previously employed with the District for at least one year with a minimum age of 18. Starting Pay: \$12.75-\$15.22 per hour.

Park Labor and Maintenance

Full-Time This position offers 40 hrs. per week and does involve some overtime and weekend work. This position offers great benefits such as paid health /dental insurance, retirement, vacation and sick leave. The starting salary is \$12.70-\$16.56 per hour. This is an outdoor position that does include working in all weather conditions, such as rain, cold and heat.

Recreation District #1 hires through a temp agency. Please call the office at 985-626-7997 for more information.



PART TIME POSITIONS

Part-Time Facility Staff for Recreation

Part-time position starting at \$10.00 per hour. Support staff needed to work for the Recreation Dept. to make sure all fields and gyms are ready for practices and games. Flexible hours.

Facility Staff for Castine Center

Starting pay at \$10.00 per hour Support staff needed towork events in The Castine Center in Pelican Park. Flexible hours.

Concession Workers

Starting pay at \$8.00 per hour Evening and weekend shifts working in the Park's concessions stands. Must be 15 years old.



Scan here with your phone's camera for a direct link

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

YOUTH SPORTS REGISTRATION DATES

REGISTRATION DATES: DECEMBER 27TH 2021 - JANUARY 11TH 2022 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (9-15), OLDER BOYS BASKETBALL (13-18)

REGISTRATION DATES: FEBRUARY 21ST - MARCH 15TH 2022 SOFTBALL (5-15) & BASEBALL (5-15)

REGISTRATION DATES: MAY 23RD – JUNE 7TH 2022 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (13-15), BOYS BASKETBALL (7-18), GIRLS BASKETBALL (7-12)

REGISTRATION DATES: JULY 18TH - AUGUST 2ND 2022 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (9-15), SOFTBALL (7-15), FALL BASEBALL (7-15), FOOTBALL (5-12) CHEER (9-12)

REGISTRATION DATES: SEPTEMBER 26TH - OCTOBER 11TH 2022 GIRLS BASKETBALL (6-12) & BOYS BASKETBALL (6-12)

ADULT SPORTS REGISTRATION DATES

 $\frac{5510}{1} - \frac{2022}{2022}$ registration dates: February 7th - 18th 2022, MONDAY - FRIDAY FROM 8:00AM - 5:00PM IN THE OFFICE, **REGISTRATION ONLINE WILL START FEBRUARY 7TH AT 5:00PM**

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50003 - 2022 REGISTRATION DATES: JULY 25TH – AUGUST 5TH 2022, MONDAY - FRIDAY FROM 8:00AM - 5:00PM IN THE OFFICE, **REGISTRATION ONLINE WILL START JULY 25TH AT 5:00PM**

 $\frac{5510N4-2022}{4}$ registration dates: october 31st - november 11th 2022, MONDAY - FRIDAY FROM 8:00AM - 5:00PM IN THE OFFICE. **REGISTRATION ONLINE WILL START OCTOBER 31ST AT 5:00PM**

Debit/Credit Card Information

Please note that when using a debit or credit card for youth sports registration, your card will be pre-authorized and your bank may place a hold on your account for the registration amounts for 72 hours or longer for each registration you attempt.

Refund Policy

Until team formation, refunds are given upon request less a \$5 handling fee. Between the draft and the second game, a refund request is not guaranteed. However, a refund will be issued during this time if a child from the waiting list accepts the open spot. When the waiting list child has registered, we will issue a refund to the child dropping from the league less the \$5 handling fee when the uniform, if already issued, is returned. After the second game of the season is played, we do not issue refunds for ANY reason.

Scholarships Available

Should you need financial assistance with youth sports registration, please come in to our office and complete an application. Scholarships are available to District residents only and you must com in to our office to apply.

Secondary Medical Insurance

In the event of an accident or injury, you must contact the Park's office and complete an incident report. For more information, call the Pelican Park office at: 985-626-7997. If the offices are closed during the injury, call the facility staff at: 985-966-6645.

YOUTH REGISTRATION

EARLY SPRING REGISTRATION INFORMATION BOYS BASKETBALL AGES 13-18 - GIRLS VOLLEYBALL AGES 9-15

Registration: December 27th 2021 — January 11th 2022

Returning Players: May register on-line 24 hours a day at www.pelicanpark.com | New Players: Must register in the Pelican Park office at the Castine Center.

A BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND COPY OF ELECTRIC BILL IS REQUIRED FOR ALL NEW PLAYERS. | Office hours: 8am - 5pm Monday—Friday, Saturday hours 10am - 2pm (1/9 only), Closed Sundays | The office will be closed on 1/3/22 in observance of New Year's Holiday. | ****Play ups will not be allowed due to combined age groups***

EARLY SPRING

GIRLS EARLY SPRING VOLLEYBALL REGISTRATION

Come out this Early Spring and learn the game of volleyball with friends!

The objective of the Pelican Park volleyball program is to provide players with the fundamentals of volleyball, teach teamwork, and build character.

- Age Groups 9/10, 11/12, 13/15
- Age as of 9/1/2021 Must be 9 by September 1, 2021
- Practices begin Saturday, January 22nd
- Games begin week of January 31st
- 2 games per week, 1 weekday game and 1 Saturday game
- 10 game season with a single elimination tournament

BOYS EARLY SPRING BASKETBALL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Age as of 9/1/2021
- Practices begin Saturday January 22nd (5 preseason) (1 season practice per week)
- Games begin week of January 31st and may be played on any day of the week.
- 10 game season followed by a single elimination tournament
- 2 games per week, one weekday & one weekend (Saturday or Sunday)
- Evaluation schedule will be available at registration.
- Age 18 MUST be a high school student with a current school ID
- Players who are currently playing on a high school team (freshmen, junior varsity, or varsity) cannot participate in practices or games until their high school season is complete, including play-off games. This is in compliance with LHSAA. If this policy is violated, their high school may have to forfeit all games where the student was included on the roster.
- If your child plays on a high school basketball team we will make an exception to the playing cap rule ONLY if the Park receives verification that he is in fact on a high school team. This needs to be in the form a letter by the head coach of the high school basketball team stating that he is in fact on a high school team. Verification must be received by Monday, January 17th by 6:00pm. This letter can be emailed to donovanmcguire@pelicanpark.com, faxed to 985-626-9028 or the letter can be dropped off to the Park office.

REGISTRATION FEES

	DISTRICT	NON-DISTRICT
9/10 YR OLD	\$60.00	\$110.00
11/12 YR OLD	\$60.00	\$110.00
13/15 YR OLD	\$60.00	\$110.00

REGISTRATION FEES

	DISTRICT	NON-DISTRICT
13/14 YR OLD	\$92.00	\$142.00
15/18 YR OLD		\$142.00
No play ups will be	ıllowed due to combin	ed age groups



BOYS AND GIRLS LACROSSE CLINIC: AGES 6-9

Lacrosse is one of the fastest-growing sports in the nation. Many children are showing an increased interest in the sport of lacrosse and Pelican Park has a program to introduce your child to the sport.

When our kids enter elementary school, it's prime time for us to begin to teach them the fundamentals of the game. Teaching them how to catch and throw properly, where to stand on the field, and how to communicate with teammates and coaches are the building blocks of these age groups. This Spring we will be offering a Lacrosse Clinic for boys and girls ages 6-9 year olds. We want our kids to believe in themselves

and in their capacity to perform basic tasks, which in turn become the fundamentals of self-confidence.

REGISTRATION FEES

NON-DISTRICT

6-9 YR OLD \$50.00 \$100.00

No play ups will be allowed due to combined age groups

Pelican Park will be offering a Lacrosse clinic this upcoming Spring that will not only provide a fun, educational atmosphere for area youth, but will also put them on the fast track to becoming wellrounded athletes and people. Pelican Park has a group of volunteer coaches and high school players from Northshore Lacrosse Youth Program and Chaos High School program that are ready to offer a challenging, fair, and fun atmosphere for athletes of all skill levels to develop and learn the sport at the same time developing our parents into coaches. DON'T MISS OUT ON A CHANCE TO LEARN A

Registration for the clinic will be from December 27, 2021 to January 11, 2022. Age as of Date is 8/31/21. Equipment will be available to borrow with a \$75.00 deposit to be returned when the equipment is returned at the end of the clinic. You may reserve your equipment when registering. The sessions will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30PM — 7:00PM in February and March.





SPRING

NEW SPORT!!!

BOYS BASEBALL: AGES 7 – 15

Come join the 2022 Baseball season at Pelican Park, where the boys learn will learn America's favorite game.... BASEBALL. At the recreation level your child will learn how to hit, throw, and field a baseball, while they are learning and improving their techniques of baseball they will also benefit from teamwork, sportsmanship, and most of all having FUN with their friends.

The Baseball program at Pelican Park is designed for all talent levels of players from the new player to the very experienced player. The 7 & 8-year-old age groups will be coach pitch and will be introduced to having an official, scores and standings being kept. Kid Pitch starts at 9-year-old. The 9 & 10-year-old age group cannot steal until the ball crosses the plate. At age 11-year-old and up the players are allowed lead off and steal bases.

- Age as of date 4/30/22.
- Evaluations are held for ages 7 and above. Evaluation schedules will be available at registration & online.
- Players MUST attend evaluations to be eligible to be a pool player or to be eligible to pitch (age 9 and above).
- Practices will begin the week of March 28th 2022 and games will begin April 23rd 2022. (2 games -1weekday & 1 weekend game and one practice per week) The season may continue through the end of June depending on the weather.
- 14 games with a single elimination tournament for ages 7 and above.
- Some age groups may be combined depending on the number of registrants, which will be determined after registration ends.
- The season will conclude in the last couple weeks of June and can go to July 1st if there is inclement weather during the season.

REGISTRATION FEES

	DISTRICT	NON-DISTRICT
7 YR OLD	\$96.00	\$146.00
8 YR OLD	\$96.00	\$146.00
9 YR OLD	\$96.00	\$146.00
10 YR OLD	\$96.00	\$146.00
11/12 YR OLD	\$99.00	\$149.00
13/15 YR OLD	\$104.00	\$154.00
Price will vary per age grou		ards and cost of officials. ***

will not be allowed from the 10-year-old age group to the 11/12-

GIRLS SLOW-PITCH SOFTBALL

Looking for something for your daughter to do this Spring, have her come play softball at Pelican Park!!! The purpose of this league is to teach the proper ways to catch, throw, field and hit along with basic skill development, teamwork and most of all to **HAVE FUN!**

The softball program is designed for players ages 7 through 15. Players are assigned to an age group based upon the age as of 12/31/2021.

- Age as of date 12/31/2021.
- Evaluations are held for ages 7 and above. Evaluation schedules will be available at registration & online.
- Players MUST attend evaluations to have a parent coach, be eligible to be a pool player or to be eligible to pitch (age 9 and above).
- Practices will begin the week of April 5th and games will begin April 26th. (2 games 1 weekday & 1 weekend game and one practice per week) The season may continue through the end of June depending on the weather.
- 12-game softball season with a single elimination tournament for ages 7 and above.

Only players that are registered can be evaluated. Evaluations are used in the drafting of teams to ensure that equal talent is spread among all teams. The skills evaluated are throwing, fielding, hitting, and pitching (9 yr old and above). The 5/6-year olds do not evaluate.



PELICAN PARK PLAY-UP POLICY

The Park no longer allows play-ups for leagues with combined age groups. This change is to keep with the philosophy that was set years ago by the Board of Commissioners that restricts three age groups, with the exception of high school age players, from playing together in the same league. The philosophy was established for player safety and development. This means that parents will not have the option to play their child up if the age group they are moving into already has two ages combined. (Example, a 10-year-old player could not move into the 11-12 age groups.) Play-ups to single age groups will remain a parent's choice. Play-up requests to single age groups will be pending until leagues are formed.

REGISTRATION FEES

5/6 YR OLD

7/8 YR OLD

9/10 YR OLD

11/12 YR OLD

13/15 YR OLD

DISTRICT

\$57.00

\$88.00

\$88.00

\$89.00

\$92.00

NON-DISTRICT

\$107.00

\$138.00

\$138.00

\$139.00

\$142.00

ADULT REGISTRATION.

ADULT SPORTS SESSION 1 AND 2

PELICAN PARK ADULT SPORTS TEAM REGISTRATION

Pelican Park offers a variety of adult sports to serve our community. The purpose of the leagues is to provide an outlet for adults to continue to play their favorite sport, have fun, stay fit, and to socialize. The Park offers three (3) levels of play for the adult leagues...

- Just For Fun level these legaues have no officials with open rosters throughout the duration of the session
- Recreation level these leagues have officials with open rosters for throughout the duration of the session
- Competitive level these leagues have officials, locked rosters, tournament and awards

Registration is done by teams only for adult sports; however, individuals may call the Park and have their name added to a list of interested players. If enough individuals call to make a team, the Park will assist them in forming a team.

PELICAN PARK IS NOT JUST FOR KIDS!

Recreation District #1/ Pelican Park offers many options for ADULTS too! We have adult sports on all different levels from "Just for Fun" to Competitive sports, as well. Most seasons offer volleyball, softball, basketball and pickleball leagues that meet once a week for some friendly competition and socializing. Have you seen all of the leisure programs offered throughout the year? Did you know that just this year, in 2021, Pelican Park has scheduled almost **300** leisure programs and

classes for our patrons so far. Many of these classes are free or have a small fee. These programs have been painting and technique class, card designs, card stamping, making specialty gift items, crocheting, embroidering, cooking, Yoga, Pilates, line dancing classes and all types of other arts and crafts. There is also classes for socializing like canasta or the crochet circle that meet once a week to have fun together.

Adult sports are a great way to have some "ME" time and add some additional exercise and socializing to your weekly routine. Please like and follow our Facebook Page to find out about our registrations for sports and events and visit our website at PelicanPark.com for a list of adult sports and classes and find a few for yourself and register now!

SESSION 1

Monday, February 7th — February 18th
Registration will be Mon-Fri from 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM in the Office
Online Registration will open at 5:00 PM February 7th

TEAM REGISTRATION IS LIMITED DUE TO SPACE AVAILABILITY!!!! FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE UNTIL FILLED — CANNOT REGISTER MORE THAN ONE TEAM IN A LEAGUE - MUST HAVE A DIFFERENT CAPTAIN FOR EVERY TEAM!! CAPTIANS CAN REGISTER MULTIPLE TEAMS ONLY IF IN DIFFERENT LEAGUES. NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED BEFORE 6:00 PM ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 7TH 2022

REGISTRATION FEES

MEN'S RECREATION SOFTBALL — SUNDAY AFTERNOON - \$270.00 PER TEAM
MEN'S OVER 30 COMPETITIVE BASKETBALL LEAGUE — SUNDAY NIGHTS - \$500.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN PICKLEBALL - TUESDAY NIGHTS - \$126.00 PER TEAM

COMPETITIVE CO-ED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE - WEDNESDAY NIGHTS - \$320.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN CO-ED SPIKING VOLLEYBALL - ALPHA LEAGUE — THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$93.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN CO-ED SPIKING VOLLEYBALL - BRAVO LEAGUE - THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$93.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN CO-ED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE - THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$93.00 PER TEAM

CO-ED RECREATION SOFTBALL LEAGUE - THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$270.00 PER TEAM

SESSION 2

Monday, May 2nd — May 13th
Registration will be Mon-Fri from 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM in the Office
Online Registration will open at 5:00 PM May 2nd

TEAM REGISTRATION IS LIMITED DUE TO SPACE AVAILABILITY!!!! FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE UNTIL FILLED — CANNOT REGISTER MORE THAN ONE TEAM IN A LEAGUE - MUST HAVE A DIFFERENT CAPTAIN FOR EVERY TEAM!! CAPTIANS CAN REGISTER MULTIPLE TEAMS ONLY IF IN DIFFERENT LEAGUES. NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED BEFORE 5:00 PM ON MONDAY May 2nd 2022 (IN OFFICE OR ONLINE)



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REGISTRATION FEES

MEN'S RECREATION SOFTBALL — SUNDAY AFTERNOON - \$270.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN PICKLEBALL — TUESDAY NIGHTS - \$126.00 PER TEAM

COMPETITIVE CO-ED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE — WEDNESDAY NIGHTS - \$320.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN CO-ED SPIKING VOLLEYBALL - ALPHA LEAGUE — THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$93.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN CO-ED SPIKING VOLLEYBALL - BRAVO LEAGUE — THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$93.00 PER TEAM

JUST FOR FUN CO-ED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE — THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$93.00 PER TEAM

CO-ED RECREATION SOFTBALL LEAGUE — THURSDAY NIGHTS - \$270.00 PER TEAM

UMPIRES, OFFICIALS & REFS

PLEASE READ THIS VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT OUR OFFICIALS!

Recreation District #1 / Pelican Park does not personally hire the umpires, officials and referees like you may think. The Park has a contract with a local official association that hires the officials for every sport at Pelican Park and they strategically schedule the officials that are age appropriate and qualified for each sport.

Unfortunately, during this time, there is a shortage of officials in all ages, local recreation, jr. high school and high school sports. There has been an increasing concern growing for several years; however, the COVID-19 pandemic and new requirements have moved the issue to heightened levels.

According to National statistics, registration of officials across the country is down approximately 30 percent this past year. In the past, players became officials because they loved the game and wanted to still be a part of it, but young players these days, after dealing with angry parents for a season or two, they ask themselves: Do I really want to go out there and be yelled at, threatened and emotionally abused as part of my job? Do I love the game enough to be scrutinized on a daily basis?

Parents, let's do all we can to keep the men and women who are currently giving of their time to officiate sports at Pelican Park. The next time you think about getting upset and yelling at the referees during your child's recreational game, please take a breath and remember, this game is for learning and friendly competition! If there is an issue with an official, please use our forms available for all parents and visitors in the game box and explain the situation. Those forms go to the owners of the official association.

If you think you got what it takes to be an official...we need you!

No experience? Don't worry, they will train you. If you're interested in becoming an official, please contact the office for additional information.



WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING TO EXPAND OUR ADULT LEAGUES.

Please email Bobby at bobbymckinney@pelicanpark.com with any suggestions or comments to help improve or expand our leagues.



Recreation District #1 offers a Variety of leisure programs. Pre-registration is required for all program types with the exception of designated socials. To register, call (985) 626-7997 or visit www.pelicanpark.com for more information, including detailed descriptions. Note, class registrations open on the 15th of the month prior. For example, February classes will open for registration on January 15th. This is current Park Policy for all Leisure Programs.

Pelican Park Leisure Programs offers

fun for everyone. With a variety of programs, Pelican Park hosts an average of five hundred classes per year including arts & crafts, personal development, health & well-being, outdoor adventure, and social activities. Pelican Park Leisure Programs welcomes children and adults to participate in a creative, educational, and entertaining atmosphere promoting a healthy body, mind, and spirit.

Disclaimer: All dates, times, and locations are subject to change due to availability, weather, or other unforeseen circumstances. Established Covid-19 regulations for the determined date(s) will be enforced for each event listed below. Please be sure to monitor our notifications at www. pelicanpark.com for the most up-to-date information regarding each of our classes.

Please note: The Castine Center will be receiving renovations over the course of November 2021-early 2022. Because of this, leisure programming may be moved to the various locations in order to accommodate classes and ongoing construction. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we continue to progress.





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KIDS PROGRAMS

CREATIVE MOVEMENT

Creative movement is a class that helps dancers explore movement through music, develop physical skills, channel energy that promotes creativity and stimulates the imagination.

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Ages: 3-4 years old | Dress code: Black leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes (can be found at Walmart or Academy). | Date(s): 1/4, 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12, 4/19 | Skip Mardi Gras Holiday | Registration Required | Fee: \$100 District, \$125 Non-District | Time: 4:45pm-5:30pm | Location: Castine Center

BALLET JAZZ COMBO I

This is a combo class that teaches the beginning fundamentals of both ballet and jazz. This class allows students to have loads of fun learning dance to the upbeat style of jazz while also setting the foundation for dance technique through ballet class. No previous experience required!

Ages: 5-9 years old | **Dress code:** Black leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes (can be found at Walmart or Academy). | Date(s): 1/4, 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12, 4/19 Skip Mardi Gras Holiday | Registration Required | Fee: \$105 District, \$130 Non-District | Time: 5:30pm-

6:30pm | **Location:** Castine Center

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SPECIAL POPULATIONS

UNIFIED BASKETBALL

Unified Basketball brought to you by Pelican Park and Special Olympics of Louisiana begins Sunday, January 9th at the White Pelican Gym. This eight week program is open to athletes 18+ years or older with special needs, wishing to experience the fun of the game and socialize with fellow peers. The Spring Basketball Season will be held on Sundays from 4:30pm-6:00pm beginning January 9th, continuing weekly through March 6th. Come on out to play basketball learn new skills, make new friends, and have a great time! Registration opens December 20th!

We are also seeking volunteers ages 16 and older who would like to assist with the program. For more information, visit our website or contact Recreation Supervisor, Erika Lehrmann at erikalehrmann@pelicanpark.com or (985) 626-7997.

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ARTS & CRAFTS

CROCHET & CROSS STITCH Create your own crochet and cross stitch projects using various skills and techniques. This class will introduce you to various styles, patterns, and tools, while allowing you to create unique pieces. Join us for one of our upcoming classes featured here.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.



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Registration Required | Ages: 15+ | Class Fee (for each date listed): \$0 District

Senior, \$5 Non-District Senior, \$5 District Resident, \$10 Non-District Resident

Time: 10:00am-12NOON | Location: Castine Center

ONE OF A KIND CARDS Come learn how

to make your own "one of a kind" cards for any occasion. You will never have to purchase another card and the recipients will cherish your hand made cards even more. Card making not only saves you money but is a lot of fun and teaches you to express your creative side.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.

LOCATION:

Jan 5th, 1pm, White Pelican Gym Jan 12th, 1pm, White Pelican Gym Jan 19th, 1pm, White Pelican Gym Jan 26th, 1pm, White Pelican Gym Feb 2nd, 1pm, Castine Center Feb 9th, 1pm, Castine Center Feb 16th, 1pm, Castine Center Feb 23rd, 1pm, Castine Center March 2nd, 1pm, Castine Center March 9th, 1pm, Castine Center March 16th, 1pm, Castine Center March 30th, 1pm, Castine Center

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Registration Required | Ages: 15+ | Class Fee (for each date listed): \$0 District Senior,

\$5 Non-District Senior, \$5 District Resident, \$10 Non-District Resident

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm | Location: Castine Center

PAINTING WITH MICHELLE Learn

the techniques of acrylic painting with a fun and creative art experience. Enjoy a pop of color with each of these paintings. Some projects may feature upcoming holidays or seasons.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.

SUBJECT:

Hippie Gnome, Jan 10th, 10am, White Pelican Gym Hummingbird, Jan 17th, 10am, White Pelican Gym Learn to Shade, Jan 20th, 10am, White Pelican Gym Abstract Woman, Jan 20th, 1pm, White Pelican Gym Valentine Gnome, Jan 24th, 10am, White Pelican Gym Valentine Puppy, Jan 26th, 10am, White Pelican Gym Mardi Gras Gnome, Feb 7th, 10am, Castine Center Mardi Gras Jester Hat, Feb 9th, 10am, Castine Center Lady Bugs, Feb 14th, 10am, Castine Center

Landscape Freestyle, Feb 17th, 10am, Castine Center
Bathroom, Feb 17th, 1pm, Castine Center
Fire Flies, Feb 21st, 10am, Castine Center
Thumper, March 7th, 10am, Castine Center
Tree with Squares, March 10th, 10am, Castine Center
Birch Tree with Birds, March 10th, 1pm, Castine Center
Swirl City, March 14th, 10am, Castine Center
Paint Can Spilled, March 28th, 10am, Castine Center
Watercolor Day/ Night, March 30th, 10am, Castine Center

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Registration Required | Ages: 15+ | Class Fee (for each date listed):

\$0 District Senior, \$5 Non-District Senior, \$5 District Resident, \$10 Non-District Resident

Time: Varies by Date- see above **Location:** Castine Center

STAMPING CARDS Make a card using various stamps and basic scrapping knowledge. Each class will expose you to different scrapbook tools and ideas that can be incorporated into scrap books, cards, or multiple other uses.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.

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Registration Required | Ages: 15+ | Class Fee (for each date listed): \$0 District Senior, \$5 Non-District Senior, \$5

District Resident, \$10 Non-District Resident | Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm | Location: Castine Center

TECHNIQUES WITH ROBIN Using scrapbook paper, you will design and fold coordinating paper to a given pattern and create an attractive card or embellishment. This class also introduces you to various paper weights and techniques for an assortment of desired appearances.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.

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Registration Required | Ages: 15+ | Class Fee (for each date listed):

\$0 District Senior, \$5 Non-District Senior, \$5 District Resident, \$10 Non-District Resident | Time: 10:00am-12noon

SOCIALS

CANASTA Join us for Canasta, typically held every Wednesday morning from 9am-12noon at the Castine Center. Canasta, a card game deriving from the game of rummy, uses two full decks of cards, including jokers, and is normally played in pairs or partners. Never played? No problem! Our Canasta social is relatively easy and open to beginners. Drop in and enjoy free play with us!

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Ages: 18+ years old | Time: 9:00am-12noon |

Location: Castine Center | **Event Address:** 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448

GIANT GARDEN GAME NIGHT Game

on with Pelican Park for our newest 2021 social event! Join us for Giant Garden Game Night on Thursday, January 27th, February 24th, March 31st, & April 28th beginning at 6pm at the newly renovated Groves Pavilion — Pelicans Landing. Family Fun just got a whole lot better with Pelican Park's Giant Connect 4, Checkers, Chess and Jenga recently added to our small leisure games area. We look forward to seeing your game skills on the last Thursday of every month. When the weather is questionable, please check the Park Hotline at (985) 626-1444 for updates and weather conditions.

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Date(s): 1/27, 2/24, 3/31 | Time: 6:00pm-9:00pm | Location: The Groves — Pelicans Landing Pavilion

HEALTH & WELLNESS

MONDAY PILATES The focus of pilates is to build a strong core, specifically in those areas supporting the spine and abdomen. Posture, core strength and flexibility can be expected to improve with each class. The results should leave you feeling physically and mentally strengthened, balanced and renewed. Bring a yoga mat and/or beach towel and dress comfortably.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.

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Date(s): 1/10, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, 2/21, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21 | **Ages:** 15+ years old Registration Required | Fee: \$50 District, \$60 Non-District | Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Locations vary by date. Visit our website for more information.

TUESDAY YOGA These one hour yoga classes are suitable for those new to yoga as well as those with some experience. The class includes instruction in Vinyasa foundational yoga poses and breathing techniques. The postures are modified to accommodate the needs of individual students. The class concludes with time for relaxation and integration. Please bring a water bottle, yoga mat and blanket or cushion with you to class. Wear loose comfortable clothing and refrain from eating a meal one hour before class time.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.

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Date(s): 1/4, 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22 | Ages: 15+ years old | Registration Required

Fee: \$50 District, \$60 Non-District | Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm | Location: Castine Center

WEDNESDAY PILATES The focus of pilates is to build a strong core, specifically in those areas supporting the spine and abdomen. Posture, core strength and flexibility can be expected to improve with each class. The results should leave you feeling physically and mentally strengthened, balanced and renewed. Bring a yoga mat and/or beach towel and dress comfortably.

*NOTE: Some supplies required. See our website for more information.

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Date(s): 1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23 **Ages:** 15+ years old

Registration Required

Fee: \$50 District, \$60 Non-District | Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm | Location: Castine Center

THURSDAY YOGA These one hour voga classes are suitable for those new to yoga as well as those with some experience. The class includes instruction in Vinyasa foundational yoga poses and breathing techniques. The postures are modified to accommodate the needs of individual students. The class concludes with time for relaxation and integration. Please bring a water bottle, yoga mat and blanket or cushion with you to class. Wear loose comfortable clothing and refrain from eating a meal one hour before class time.

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Date(s): 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24 | **Ages:** 15+ years old | **Registration Required**

Fee: \$50 District, \$60 Non-District | Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Locations vary by date. Visit our website for more information.

COMING SOON! PICKLEBALL CLINICS

Be on the lookout for great new additions to Pelican Park Leisure Programs this Spring! Visit www.pelicanpark.com for updates and class registrations.

Join us for a five week series on the game with the funny name! As the fastest growing sport across the nation, Pickleball can be played by anyone at any age! In the series below, prepare to learn the basics of pickleball including grip, serve, score, and more. Our instructor will walk you through all you need to know. Already know how to play? Great! Sharpen your skills with other players at a competitive level. We ask that you dress comfortable and wear athletic shoes. If you have your own paddle and outdoor ball, please bring it with you. We will also have a limited amount of equipment available for those in need.

BEGINNER CLINIC SERIES

Ages: 15+ years old | Registration Required | Registration Opens: February 15, 2022 **Date(s):** 3/16,3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13 | **Time:** 6:00pm-7:30pm | **Fee:** \$55 District, \$70 Non-District

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INTERMEDIATE CLINIC SERIES

Ages: 15+ years old | Registration Required | Registration Opens: February 15, 2022 **Date(s):** 3/16,3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13 | **Time:** 10:00am-11:30am | **Fee:** \$55 District, \$70 Non-District

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JUNIOR CLINIC DAY

Date: Saturday, April 30th, 2022 | Registration Required

Registration Opens: March 15, 2022 Fee: \$30 District, \$35 Non-District

Ages 8-12 years old, Ages 13-18 years old **Time:** 9:00am-12noon, **Time:** 2:00pm-5:00pm



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PELICAN PARK FOR GIANT THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH!

Family Fun just got a whole lot better with our Giant Connect-4, Checkers, Chess and Jenga that have been recently added to our small leisure games area. Games begin at 6pm at the newly renovated open-air pavilion called Pelicans Landing in The Groves. If the weather is questionable...call the Park hotline at 985-626-1444 before coming out to the Park. We look forward to seeing your game skills on the last Thursday of every month!

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED TEACHING AT PELICAN PARK?

We are currently looking for new and fun ideas to share with our community. If you are experienced in personal development, cooking, business, technology, or child development, consider being a Pelican Park instructor. Instructors give back to our local community through leisure classes via their shared knowledge and expertise.

If interested, please contact Erika Lehrmann at 985-626-7997 or email her at: erikalehrmann@pelicanpark.com



Upcoming Events

2022 QUARTER 1

CASTINE FAMILY CAMPOUT Fri & Sat, March 4-5, 2022
PADDLES ON PADDY'S DAY Thurs, March 17, 2022
HOPPY PAW PICS Fri, April 8, 2022
TWILIGHT EGGSTRAVAGANZA Sat, April 9, 2022
CRUISIN' THE CASTINE Sat, April 23, 2022

Disclaimer: All event dates, times, and locations are subject to change due to availability, weather, or other unforeseen circumstances. Established Covid-19 regulations for the determined date will be enforced for each event listed below. Please be sure to monitor our events at www.pelicanpark. com for the most up-to-date information regarding each of our events.

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MINGLE WITH MUTTS

Single and ready to mingle? Join us on Friday, February 11th from 6pm-8:30pm for Mingle with Mutts — a Speed Dating Mixer with Furry Friends! This local speed dating event will be held at Pelicans Landing, Pelican Park's Outdoor Pavilion, and is open to participants ages 21-35 as well as their wagging wingmen. Don't go at love alone — bring man's best friend to help! Registration includes participation for one individual, one pet, and a raffle ticket. For more information, visit www. pelicanpark.com or contact our office at (985) 626-7997.



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REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, January 1, 2022 | REGISTRATION ENDS: Friday, February 11, 2022 - 4pm | *Disclaimer: Due to event preparation, pre-registration is required. Registrations will not be available on site. | Please Note: Pets must remain on a six foot, non-extendable leash. | This event is BYOB. Sheriff Detail will be on site. Event Date: Friday, February 11, 2022 | Ages: 21-35 years old | Registration Required | Fee: \$15 (includes individual participation, one pet pass, & one raffle ticket) Time: 6:00pm-8:30pm | Location: Pelicans Landing Pavilion — The Groves | Event Address: 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448 **Contact:** Main Office Phone (985) 626-7997 or erikalehrmann@pelicanpark.com.

CASTINE FAMILY CAMPOUT

Adventure awaits as Pelican Park hosts the Castine Family Campout, March 4-5th. Rough it with us as we pitch our tents and roll out our sleeping bags for a night of camping demonstrations, scavenger hunts, games, wildlife meet & greets, and smores.

The Castine Family Campout is open to families and residents of all ages. Children must be accompanied by an attending adult. Registration will be processed by adult (Camp Captain) with the name of the participating family member(s) listed under each registration information.

Unfortunately, we are not able to accommodate special dietary needs or restrictions for this event. If necessary, please plan accordingly, Participants are responsible for providing their own bedding, sleeping arrangements, and personal items needed for the event. Participants must arrive no later than 6pm on Friday, March 4th and depart before 10am on Saturday, March 5th. Tent set up will be from 5-6pm on Friday, March 4th with activities to follow.

*Disclaimer: Due to event preparation, pre-registration is required. Registrations will not be available on site. No refunds within 7 days of the event. Please, no pets allowed.



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REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, January 1, 2022 | **REGISTRATION ENDS:** Friday, February 25, 2022 | Registration Required | Event Date: Friday-Saturday, March 4-5, 2022 | Rain or Shine: In the event of inclement weather, all activities and arrangements will be moved indoors. | Fee: Individual (18+)= \$35, Family of 2= \$67, Family of 3= \$100, Family of 4= \$135 | *Please call the Main Office for Pricing & Registration for groups larger than those listed. *Additional fees added for commemorative Campout Kits (crafts, compass, & commemorative items) = \$15 per kit | Time: 5:00pm-9:00am | Location: The Groves at Pelican Park | Event Address: 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448 | **Contact:** Main Office Phone (985) 626-7997 or louisettescott@pelicanpark.com | **Hotline:** (985) 626-1444

PADDLES ON PADDY'S DAY

Test your luck with Pelican Park's Paddles on Paddy's Day pickleball tournament, on Thursday, March 17th, 2022—St. Patrick's Day! This one day tournament will be conducted in a round-robin format. Registration will be determined by skill level with space limited in each division.

REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, January 1, 2022 | **REGISTRATION CLOSES:** Monday, March 7, 2022 | Registration Required | *Disclaimer: Due to event preparation, pre-registration is required. Registrations will not be available on site. | Event Date: Thursday, March 17th, 2022 | This event will be moved indoors in the event of inclement weather. | Men's, Women's, & Mixed Doubles | **Skill Level Divisions:** Beginner (<3.0), Intermediate (3.5), Experienced (4.0), Advanced (>4.5) | Fee: \$30.00 per player (Includes Lunch) | *T-shirts can be purchased (through 2/28) for an additional fee at the time of checkout | Ages: 18+ years old | Check-In Time: 7:00am | Play: 8:00am-6:00pm | Location: The Groves — 8 outdoor pickleball courts | **Event Address:** 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448 | Contact: Main Office Phone (985) 626-7997 or donovanmcquire@ pelicanpark.com | Hotline: (985) 626-1444



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HOPPY PAW PICS

Peter Cotton Tail will be coming to Pelicans Landing on Friday, April 8th to take pictures with your furry family members from 5:30pm-7pm. This FREE event will be a Hoppy, Tail Wagging Good Time, you don't want to miss.

Event Date: Friday, April 8, 2022 | Time: 5:30pm-7:00pm | Location: Pelicans Landing Pavilion — The Groves | **Event Address:** 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448

Contact: Main Office Phone (985) 626-7997 or nikibutler@pelicanpark.com

Hotline: (985) 626-1444



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TWILIGHT EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Get your baskets & flashlights ready! Pelican Park will be hosting its fifth annual Twilight Eggstravaganza Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9, 2022. The event is open to ages 1-12 years. In addition to four fabulous age-specific egg hunts, you and your child will enjoy a variety of activities and games. Be sure to register early to secure your spot! Space is limited.

District Registration Opens: Monday, February 21, 2022 | Non-District Registration Opens: Monday, March 14, 2022 | Registration Required | Event Date: Saturday, April 9, 2022 | This event will be moved indoors in the event of inclement weather. Ages: 1-12 years old | Event Time: Varies by Age Group, visit www.pelicanpark for specifics Event Address: 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448 | Location: Orange Complex Contact: Main Office Phone (985) 626-7997 or donovanmcquire@pelicanpark.com

Hotline: (985) 626-1444



CRUISIN' THE CASTINE

Experience automotive history as this event is open to all vehicles, makes, and models throughout the decades. This open car show invites attendees, participants, and vendors, to share an afternoon of automotive enthusiasm, concluded by an award ceremony and fantastic display of fireworks. With over 200+ vehicles attending our previous shows, you won't want to miss one of the largest displays of car culture on the Northshore.

*Disclaimer: Due to event preparation, registration is required. No refunds within 3 days leading up to the event. Full refunds will only be granted should the event be cancelled.

Event Date: Saturday, April 23, 2022 | Rain Date: Sunday, April 24, 2022 Ages: 18+ years old | Registration Required | Fee: \$25 Early Bird Registration (NOW February 28th) (includes shirt & goody bag), \$30 Pre-registration (March 1st — April 22nd) (includes dash plaque), \$35 Day of Registration (April 23rd/ 24th pending rain date) Based on Availability | Time: 10:00am-3:00pm, show vehicles must be parked by 12 Noon **Location:** Castine Center | **Event Address:** 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448

Contact: Main Office Phone (985) 626-7997 or tracyroskens@castinecenter.com Hotline: (985) 626-1444 | Vendor Contact: tracyroskens@castinecenter.com



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ANKS FOR COMING

Pelican Park sends a BIG THANK YOU out to all those who have joined us at one of our recent events. Since the start of 2021, Pelican Park has hosted various events, all socially distanced and within Covid-19 regulations. To those who attended and volunteered for our Barktoberfest, Fall Car Show, and Breakfast with Santa events, thank you for joining in on our fun! We hope you thoroughly enjoyed your time with us and we look forward to seeing you at some of our future events. To see all the fun, visit our website www.pelicanpark.com and click the Photo Gallery Tab.

BARKTOBERFEST was held on Saturday, October 30th from 1pm-4pm at the Pelican Park Bark Park. Mummies and Mutts alike, joined in on holiday themed Costume Contests, Tricks for Treats, and Paw-casso Painting. In addition to all the fun festivities, Barktoberfest also hosted two adoption agencies, St. Francis Animal Sanctuary and Once Upon a Tail Rescue, helping to promote pet adoptions. For those who attended, tails wagged at the sight of goodie bags, which included a festive fall bandana, squeaky ball, and more. Be sure to look for our next Furry Friend event coming as early as February 2022.

CRUISIN' THE CASTINE revved and rumbled on Saturday, November 13th from 12:00pm-6:30pm, as roughly 150 vehicles were in attendance. The event hosted antiques, classics, modern day and more, as it drew to a close with a new, creative award ceremony and stellar firework show. We hope you can join us for our next Cruisin' the Castine Car Show on Saturday, April 23rd, 2022. Be sure to visit our website for more information or to register.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA was a ho ho whole lot of fun on Saturday, December 11th, from 8-11:30am. Roughly 150 children enjoyed a magical morning including breakfast, provided by Liz's Where Y'At Diner, a visit with Santa, topped off with a bag full of goodies and trinkets. Be sure to follow our Pelican Park Facebook Page to see all the fun and festivities.

SAVE THE DATES FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

Native Plant & Wildflower Festival – May 7, 2022 Mother's Day Teddy Bear Tea — May 7, 2022 Splatter Beat - May 21, 2022 Father's Day Fishing Rodeo — June 18, 2022 Celebrate St. Tammany - July 16, 2022 Back to School Blue Jean Ball - August 6, 2022

Mother's Day Teddy Bear Tea

Registration opens April 11th | Event:Saturday, May 7th, 2022 1:00pm-3:00pm | White Pelican Gym @ Pelican Park High Tea Attire Optional

Splatter Beat

Registration opens April 11th Event: Saturday, May 21st, 2022 | 8:00pm-10:00pm

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Want to Make a Difference?

Are you interested in volunteering at Pelican Park? Volunteers certainly make a difference in our community and are great additions to our events and programs. We have a variety of upcoming opportunities in need of volunteers of all ages. See the list of opportunities below or visit our website www.pelicanpark.com for more information.

Coachi

Open to adults ages 21+, coaching is a great opportunity to give back to the youth of our community. Volunteer coaches leave a lasting impression and memorable experience for most young athletes, helping to pave the way to their future endeavors. Pelican Park is required to do background checks for all coaches. The reason for doing this is to provide the safest environment for children to play sports as possible. We use the National Recreation and Park Association recommendations for credentialing volunteers. The background check will be done at

no cost to you, as the District will be absorbing all fees.

Visit our website WWW.PELICANPARK.COM for more information on volunteer coaching and upcoming sport season information. Your service could earn you a future tax deduction.

Castine Family Campout Pelican Park is searching for hearty volunteers

brave enough to take on the outdoors at our first Castine Family Campout. Open to volunteers ages 14+, we're currently seeking anyone interested in assisting us in event set up, breakdown, as well as camping demonstrations, crafts, games, and more. We also welcome local scout aroups to participate in providing educational demonstrations. This event is currently scheduled to begin Friday, March 4th at 5pm through Saturday, March 5th at 9am at The Groves of Pelican Park. All activities will be held on Friday, March 4th between the hours of 6-9:45pm. Volunteers can anticipate early arrival and late dismissal to accommodate event set up and break down. For more information regarding this event or how you can volunteer, contact Louisette Scott at LOUISETTESCOTT@PELICANPARK.COM.

Twilight Eggstravaganza

Open to volunteers ages 14+, this holiday event will be held on Saturday, April 9th from 5:30pm-8pm. Volunteer duties will include candy dispersing, carnival games, event clean up and inventory. Volunteers can anticipate early arrival and late dismissal to accommodate event set up and break down. For more information regarding this event or how you can volunteer, contact Donovan McGuire at DONOVANMCGUIRE@PELICANPARK.COM.

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These opportunities are quickly approaching and we are looking for volunteers like you to be a fundamental part during these events and programs.

We do have service hour forms for any of those who may need them for academics, school or community groups, such as boy or girl scouts.

If you are interested, send us your name, contact number, and a working email address to the supervisor listed for each event or call Pelican Park to get on our Volunteer List. The Park phone number is (985) 626-7997.

Thank you for your help and we look forward to seeing you for our event!

Cruisin' the Castine Car Show

Consider being a volunteer for one of Pelican Park's largest events! Open to volunteers ages 14+, we're currently seeking anyone interested in assisting us in event set up, break down, parking, visitor information, as well as our check-in station. This event is currently scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd and would require extended hours, including the event time of 12pm-7:30pm. Volunteers can anticipate early arrival and late dismissal to accommodate event set up and break down. For more information regarding this event or how you can volunteer, contact Tracy Roskens at TRACYROSKENS@CASTINECENTER.COM.

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To Volunteer, Sign Up By Email

erikalehrmann@pelicanpark.com



Great! Please see the opportunities listed to assess which

might be the best fit for you. Vendors are determined by a first come, first served basis and will only be considered for an event once all necessary paperwork, payment, and applications have been received.

Pelican Park does our best to limit competing vendors and/or conflicts with our own concession sales. Due to this effort, all vendors will be required to list all sale items on their event application forms. No other items will be permitted. Vendor Fees will vary by event, requested space, and sale type (food, craft, etc.).

Disclaimer: All dates, times, and locations are subject to change due to availability, weather, or other unforeseen circumstances. Established Covid-19 regulations for the determined date(s) will be enforced for each event listed below. Please be sure to monitor our notifications at www. pelicanpark.com for the most up-to-date information regarding each of our events.

CASTINE FAMILY CAMPOUT

All requirements, including but not limited to business license, insurance, etc., are necessary at the time of registration.

The inaugural Castine Family Campout will be held from 5pm on Friday, March 4th through 9am Saturday, March 5th. This outdoor event will host activities and participant interaction on Friday, March 4th between the hours of 6pm-9:30pm. Pelican Park is currently seeking outdoor, wilderness, and camping related vendors for this event. For more information regarding this event or how you can be involved, contact Tracy Roskens at tracyroskens@castinecenter.com.

CRUISIN' THE CASTINE

All requirements, including but not limited to business license, insurance, etc., are necessary at the time of registration.

Cruisin' the Castine will be held on Saturday, April 23rd from 12pm-7:30pm, with a rain date of Sunday, April 24th at the Castine Center. This outdoor event is free to the public with approximately 1,500 attendees at each of our past three events. Pelican Park is currently seeking food, craft, and automotive related vendors for this event. For more information regarding this event or how you can be involved, contact Tracy Roskens at tracyroskens@castinecenter.com.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

send us your name, contact number, and a working email address to tracyroskens@castinecenter.com or call Pelican Park at (985) 626-7997.

Thank you for your help and we look forward to seeing you for our event!





OUR 2 DOG PARKS

Come out and visit the Pelican Park Bark Park with your furry family members. The Park has 2 fenced in exercise areas, one for small dogs and one for large dogs. Both areas have gazebos, benches, pools, water fountains for dogs and patrons and plenty of green space for your dogs to play and make new friends. There is a dog washing station outside of the fences for everyone's use and the larger dog area has agility equipment for the dogs to play in and on as well. Parking for the Bark Park is located across the street next to the Pelican's Nest Skate Park. Recreation District #1 also has an additional dog park located in Covington. It's called Pretty Acres Dog Park, located on Andrew Drive, off of Hwy 190 in Covington. Pretty Acres is a one-acre green space for you and your furry family member to enjoy.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO READ ALL OF THE POSTED RULES BEFORE ENTERING THE DOG PARKS. OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR DOGS BEHAVIOR.



DISC GOLF

Disc Golf is a perfect way for family or friends of all ages to enjoy some outdoor fun and friendly competition together. The sport is played using discs (frisbees®) and is similar to golf, however one throws a disc instead of hitting a ball. Players complete a hole by throwing a disc from the tee area toward a target which is called the basket. The player with the lowest number of total throws at the last hole wins. Go to our website for more information at: pelicanpark.com



KATE PARK

The Pelican's Nest Skate Park is located at the north end of Pelican Park and is recommended for all ages and abilities. Lights are provided for night riding as well. DAILY HOURS: 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Bikes are permitted at the skate park during the following times:

- Tuesday & Thursday from 5-7 p.m.
- Sat- 7-9 a.m.

During these times, the skate park is for bikes only (no skateboards or scooters). Helmets, knee pads and elbow pads are strongly encouraged.



In 2019, Pelican Park built an outdoor Pickleball facility with eight pickleball courts. They were the first of their kind built in St. Tammany Parish. Open Play is available on a first-come, first-served basis, seven days a week, excluding the times scheduled for park programming, facility rentals, and tournaments. The courts are lighted for evening play hours and it's a perfect way to let off steam, have some friendly competition and/or end your day. It's also a perfect game for all ages young and old, so gather your family, friends and coworkers and come join our pickleball community and the Pelican Park Pickleball Facility.



ADULT EXERCISE

The Groves features 9 outdoor fitness machines made by Greenfield Exercise Equipment. The equipment consists of machines that develop stamina, arms and upper body, legs and lower body as well as overall conditioning. The machines use your body weight for resistance. The Groves is a great place to get a workout in while the kids are at practice. Combine the equipment circuit training with our walking trail for a great overall workout! Please make sure to sanitize your hands and equipment before and after use — sanitizing stations are provided at every complex in the Park.



SOCCER

Recreation District #1 has partnered with Mandeville Soccer Club (MSC) to provide this community with one of the best soccer programs in the South. The District provides the fields, painting of the game lines, goals and turf care and MSC handles all aspects of the administration of the soccer programs which includes registration, team formation, coaches and schedules. If your child is interested in playing soccer, call MSC at: 985-624-8080 or visit their website at mscsoccer.ora







THE GROVES SMALL **GAMES AREA**

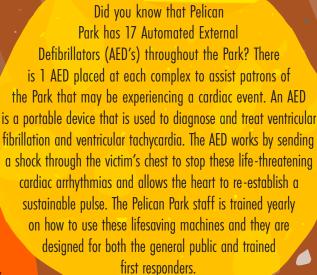
Next to the Pickleball Courts and the Pelicans Landing open-air pavilion at The Groves, we have a small games area that has Bocce Ball, Shuffleboard, Horseshoes and our newest addition, Cornhole. We also have a scheduled Giant Garden Games night on the last Thursday of Every month, beginning at 6pm. Family Fun just got a whole lot better with Pelican Park's Giant Connect-4, Checkers, Chess and Jenga that have been recently added to our small leisure games area.

When the weather is questionable...check the Park hotline at 985-626-1444 before coming out to the Park. We look forward to seeing your game skills on the last Thursday of every month!

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The Pelicans Landing open- air pavilion at The Groves has Giant Games including Chess, Checkers, Connect 4, and Jenga. There is also a small game area that has Bocce Ball, Shuffleboard, Horseshoes, and Cornhole. The Pelicans Landing Pavilion is open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis, and can also be rented for events such as birthdays, showers, ceremonies and meetings.

Pelican Park has a recreation facility staff team that oversees the Park on weeknights and weekends. They are responsible for setting up for practices and games, turning on lights, attending to restrooms, meeting the public, answering questions and problem solving. If you need their assistance in the Park after the office closes at 5:00pm on the weekdays and/or on the weekends, please call the facility staff at 985-966-6645.

The Pelican Park 24-hour hotline is also available for field updates and Park information at 985-626-1444

At the Silver Complex there are 3 Baseball Fields and 3 rectangular fields that are open to the public on a firstcome first-served basis, unless they are reserved. The dates and times that the fields are reserved are posted at the fields and online at pelicanpark.com (Under: Pelican Park/Current Rentals). Fields can be reserved by calling the office at 985-626-7997.

ENERGY EFFICIENT LIGHTING AT THE PARK Did you know.... The

Recreation District received a grant a few years ago for energy efficiency provided by the Public Service Commission and Cleco thru the Statewide Energy Efficiency Program (SEEP). The District worked with Brilliant Efficiencies to provide new LED sports lighting, gym lighting and street lights throughout the Park. They have changed out 1,068 field lights already and have 264 left to be changed at the Gold and Silver Fields.

These energy efficiency improvements will help the environment, reduce demand for energy and help reduce the District's electrical bill.





WATER SYSTEM AT THE PARK Did you know....

That Pelican Park maintains their own water system?

We have (2) water wells. The Castine Center has a 50 horse power submersible tank that generates 500 gallons per minute with a 12,000-gallon storage tank. Our second one is located at the Brown Pelican Gym and has a 15 horse power tank that generates 120 gallons per minute with a 2,500-gallon storage tank. Pelican Park and their certified staff maintains a Class 1 water operator's license and produces, chemically treats and distributes over 80 million gallons of water per year for the Castine Center, 3 gyms, 10 pavilions and irrigation for 33 fields.

Sponsolship OPPORTUNITY

Pelican Park now has unique sponsorship opportunities for your organization to support Pelican Park and the 65,000+ Recreation District #1 residents we serve.

Don't see a perfect fit? A package can be customized to suit your needs and help you reach more than one million Pelican Park visitors each year.

For more information about this opportunity and to view our catalog, please visit our website and click on the "About" tab, then "Sponsorships" or call the office at 985-626-7997 and someone will help you.



Sign Up Today!



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Nature News

SPRING FLOWERING TREES

By: William Afton, LSU AgCenter County Agent, St. Tammany Parish

The first part of the year can be a little bland in the South Louisiana landscape. Our coldest months aren't known for anything spectacular. However, if you look closely, you'll notice a few trees stand out amongst the rest. See below for a list of spring flowering trees that can be added to your landscape.





Grancy Graybeard (Chionanthus virginicus)

GRANCY GRAYBEARD (Chionanthus virginicus) is a small native tree occurring throughout the Gulf coast. It averages about 20ft tall and produces white fringe-like flowers starting in March. The Chinese fringe tree (C. retusus) has a similar habit but produces a darker green leaf and a slightly showier flower.







Parsley hawthorn (Crataegus marshallii)

PARSLEY HAWTHORN (Crataegus marshallii) and GREEN HAWTHORN

(C. viridis) are both native trees that occur from Virginia to Florida and all the way west into Texas. They both average around 20ft tall and 15ft wide. Both trees typically bloom in late March. The green hawthorn produces white flowers and the parsley hawthorn produces white to pinkish colored flowers. Whereas parsley hawthorn flowers are not fragrant it is reported that green hawthorns produce an unpleasant odor.

Eastern redbud tree (Cercis canadensis)



EASTERN REDBUD TREE (Cercis

canadensis) is one of the most popular native trees grown in the nursery industry. It is known for its beautiful heart shaped leaves and tiny pea-like flowers. The magenta-colored blooms appear in late February and March before the foliage. Redbuds are also known for their yellow fall color. The cultivar 'Forest Pansy' produces scarlet-purple leaves in the beginning of the season that eventually fade to green in the summer months.





Japanese magnolia

Japanese magnolia flower

DECIDUOUS MAGNOLIAS.

commonly referred to as Japanese magnolias, are extremely popular late winter flowering trees. The most popular cultivars are called the 'Little Girl' magnolias. 'The Little Girl' magnolias were bred from interspecific cross between lily magnolia (Magnolia liliiflora) and star magnolia (M. stellata). Some of the more popular cultivars and their flower colors are 'Ann' (deep purplepink), 'Susan' (red-purple, and 'Jane' (light pink-purple). All three of these trees have a multi-branched habit and reach heights about 15ft tall.





Serviceberry trees (Amelanchier arborea)

SERVICEBERRY TREES (Amelanchier arborea) are an understory tree that occurs naturally from Florida to Texas and all the way to Canada. The tree produces an abundance of white flowers in early/

tree produces an abundance of white flowers in early/late March depending on temperature. It also produces an edible fruit similar to a blueberry. They make for a great wildlife plant.



Taiwan flowering cherry (Prunus campanulata)

Cherry and cherry-like trees such as **TAIWAN FLOWERING CHERRY** (Prunus campanulata), **KWANSAN CHERRY** (P. serrulata), and **PURPLE LEAF**

They are some of the showiest late winter/early spring bloomers in the landscape. The Taiwan cherry blooms rosy-pink flowers in late January/early February depending on temperatures. The Kwansan cherry produces large, heavy rosy-pink blooms in early spring. Despite the name, purple leaf plum is actually another species of cherry. It is known for it's dark maroon purple that bleaches into a bronze purple later during the summer. All three trees will reach between 15-20ft tall and 10-15ft wide.

Check your local nursery for current availability and build local demand by asking for these plants by name!



For more information, visit www.pelicanpark.com

IN JANUARY

Concessions Is ROCKIN'!

In May, concessions hosted 5 tournaments and one park special event, Splatter Beat. We served over 10,000 customers over 5 weekends. It takes a lot of hard work and smiling faces to feed all the hungry mouths that visit us, but we had fun doing it!

We love our patrons!



National Popcorn Day is January 19th \$1 popcorn on this Wednesday!



National Jelly Bean Day April 22nd. Guess how many Jelly Beans are in the Jar to win! (1 guess per family)

DID YOU KNOW?



Pelican Park Concessions sold almost 6,200 pretzels in 2021 WOW!



Did you know that March 14th is National Potato Chip Day?



If you know of someone who may be interested in working in our concessions, please have them contact Melissa Smith for an application at melissasmith@pelicanpark.com or call the office at (985) 626-7997 and ask how to get an application. Must be at least 15 years old.





The First National Bank & CocaCola are the official bank & drink supplier of Pelican Park



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CASTINE CENTER RENOVATIONS AND OFFICE EXPANSION CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES!

Great things are coming soon...
Please pardon our appearance...

The District put the project out to bid in June of 2021 and the bid was awarded to Smith Construction of Lacombe at a cost of \$2.7 million. The Castine Center renovations will include new flooring and sound attenuation in the arena, renovated restrooms, new fixtures, a new outdoor courtyard area, upgraded restrooms in the conference room area, a new family restroom and skylights with enhanced lighting in the concourse. Additionally, the District is adding much needed office and storage space to accommodate our growing staff and needs.

The District is working closely with the contractor to limit impact to our rental groups, leisure program participants and general public. Things may be a little messy for a while, but it will be so worth the wait and it will fulfill the current and future needs of the community. We appreciate your patience and can't wait for you to see all the new changes!

