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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.

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Director's Message



Hello Recreation District #1 residents and guests!

I am pleased to be sending this communication in post-Covid time. I am sure that we are not finished with the illness as of yet, but so glad that we are getting back to normal.

Pelican Park is committed to serving our community through a variety of new programming and events. Back for a second year is the Celebrate St. Tammany, held on Saturday, July 16. The event honors National Park and Recreation Month, and showcases all of the recreational opportunities in St. Tammany Parish. Rockin Doopsie will join us again this year! So, pack your picnic chairs and enjoy the music, children's entertainment and, of course, food! More information on this events may be found on [page 32](#). Other special events honor Mother's: Teddy Bear Tea and Father's: Fishing Rodeo – registration information for these special events can be found on [page 22](#).

We are starting a new adventure this summer with our Nature Explorer's Summer Camp, an Environmental Education Camp for children ages 6 – 12, this program will be based in Court 3 of the Brown Gym with time spent indoors and outdoors exploring our wonderful natural world. More information and registration can be found on [page 26 & 27](#).

Youth sports programs are not just for elementary-aged children any longer! We are hosting our Little Dribblers program for 4 and 5-year-olds. In addition, our adult sports and leisure programs are a great option to meet people and make new friends.

As always, if you have an idea for a program or if you would like to teach a program, please call or email me with your talent!

Enjoy the Summer!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margie Lewis".

Margie Lewis
Executive Director


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 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.

Employment Opportunities



We have both full and part-time positions available. 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](#). Please apply at the Pelican Park office, inside of the Castine Center at: 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA. Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm.


Scan Me
to Apply!



Full-Time Positions

Full time positions include Excellent Benefits!

Park Assistant Superintendent

Salary: \$46,040.87 - \$63,773.11

This is normally a full-time, 40 hour / week position that includes rotational Manager on Call shifts. Job will require employee to work overtime during scheduled tournaments and/or if required for emergency repairs. It requires the employee to have the ability to handle all the listed duties and responsibilities and possess experience/knowledge required for this position. It also requires the listed physical abilities.

Labor Maintenance

Starting Salary: \$15.00 per hour

Recreation District #1 / Pelican Park, which is a public agency, is seeking to fill openings for Labor Maintenance. 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 per hour. This is an outdoor position that does include working in all weather conditions, such as rain, snow and heat.

Part-Time Positions

Pelican Park Facility Staff

Starting Salary: \$15.00/hour

This staff works in the park in the evenings and on weekends preparing for practices and games, turning on lights, attending to restrooms, some field set up, meeting the public, answering questions and problem-solving. This position works outside the majority of the time and requires the ability to be able to lift 50lbs. Communicates with other staff and management on a two-way radio and takes public calls via phone. It also requires the ability to communicate in written form. Flexible hours.

restrooms, removing trash from all areas of the building, cleaning and setting up tables and/or chairs, vacuuming, mopping and cleaning interior/exterior windows. Position requires the ability to lift 50lbs, communicate with other staff and management via two-way radio and communicate verbally with rental groups. This is a part-time position with the majority of scheduled hours on evenings and/or weekends.

Castine Center Event Staff

Starting Salary: \$15.00/hour

The staff works in the Castine Center to maintain all areas of the facility in "show condition" at all times including before, during and after events. Duties include but are not limited to cleaning

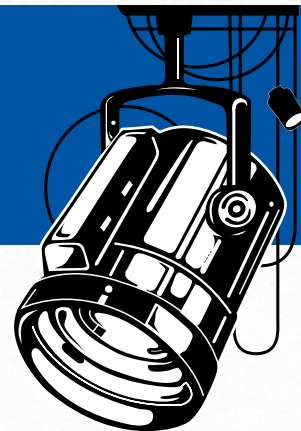
Concessions Staff

Starting Salary: \$10.00/hour

Concession Staff workers are responsible for selling concessions to spectators at a variety of sports and local events. Welcoming guests at the concession stand, taking orders for food or beverage, presenting prices, and options, processing cash payments, operating food preparation equipment, and maintaining the concession area so it is clean and sanitized.

Staff News

Employee Spotlights

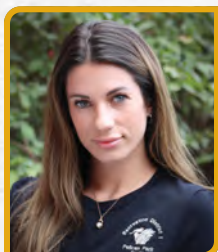


Darlene Caronna

Retired this year after working for Pelican Park for the past 13 years.

“As I retire from Pelican Park, I feel a sense of accomplishment and I will definitely miss assisting all of our patrons each day. I started as a full time Facility Staff member in 2009 and so loved being out in the park on evenings and weekends. I got to know some of the families and it was a delight to watch their kids play and grow up at the park. I moved to the front office in 2012 continuing to help assist patrons with questions and concerns. One of my proudest moments is when I was

given recognition for my 10 years of service. Now as life is slowing down and it’s time to relax, I plan to take road trips to see America and spend more time with my family.”



Sherry Champagne

Sherry Champagne is one of our newest employees to join the team as an Administrative Assistant in the front office. She was born and raised in Slidell, Louisiana for the last 26 years. She has worked many different types of jobs as well as working for her Dad’s construction business since 2016. When she was searching for a new job she explained, “My goal was to find a motivating company with an environment that pushes boundaries. That was exactly what I found here!”

When she isn’t working hard and learning her new position, she enjoys reading, writing, cooking, going to the gym, making memories with friends and family, and traveling to different states and countries. What people may not know about her is that she has an interest in the foreign exchange market, stocks and investing. Sherry’s quote, “The most reliable way to predict the future is to create it.”



Stephen Barnes

Stephen Barnes has been a part of the Pelican Park team since 2013 when he was working at the batting cages. He now works with the Recreation Facility staff where he is responsible for ensuring that all games and practices runs smoothly. He explains that his favorite part of his job is, “Working with so many people that strive to provide the best park experience possible.” His proudest moments so far, have been at an event, or during a game, when he realizes that he is part of a great team. “Being part of great memories in our community, makes me very proud to work at Pelican Park.”

Originally, Stephen lived in North Carolina and moved to St Tammany Parish 10 years ago with his family. When Stephen is not working, he loves music and playing the drums and guitar. Something you may not know about Stephen, is that he is in a local band called Wastelander, where he plays the guitar.



Brett Howard

Brett Howard started working at Pelican Park in December of 2020. He was originally hired as a part-time Recreation Facility Staff member and recently started working part-time with the Park Crew Staff as well, to be a full-time employee. When Brett is working with the Recreation facility staff, he works the evening shift, where he turns on lights in gyms and fields, and sets up nets or goal heights. When he works for the park crew, he is responsible for prepping fields, cutting grass, prepping gyms and cleaning the facilities before games.

My favorite part about my job is the flexibility, my co-workers and my bosses are super cool and easy to work with. His proudest moment, was “One day I had to change a basketball goals height on the fly when a game was going on, unfortunately the measuring stick was missing. I changed both goals in white 2 from 8 & half feet to 9ft by just my instinct. Another staff member came in later to set the goals with the measuring stick and checked they were exactly 9ft!”

He was born in New Orleans and moved to the Northshore in Covington in 2005 and then to Mandeville with his parents. Brett is inspired by music, strong friendships and/or relationships and his favorite quote is, “A life without changes can’t be called life, you can only call it experience.”



Pelican Park News

Changes & Updates

Castine Center Renovations In Full Swing!

Many of you have had the opportunity to see a lot of the upgrades and renovations to the inside of the Castine Center. There's still more to do, but it's really shaping up. The project, with a low bid of \$2.7 million, was awarded in late 2021 and is expected to be complete by the end of the year.

Construction has progressed to the outside of the building where the foundation and framing for the new office expansion has begun as well as the foundation for the highly anticipated courtyard for outdoor events. An additional storage area is being built on the West side of the building to house more equipment for special events.

When complete, the concourse will boast skylights and a water feature. Out front will also be renovated with a fountain and a gorgeous pelican water feature, benches, landscaping and upgraded lighting.

Please bear with us while we work to bring you **YOUR** beautiful, expanded facilities.

Our 2 Dog Parks

A great way to socialize and meet new dog lovers is to come out to our dog parks! Our Pelican Park Bark 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. 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

Do you want to get your steps in for the day, have some friendly competition and enjoy a walk through the park? 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





Skate 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.
- ▶ Saturday from 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.



Pickleball

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 lit 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 Equipment

The Groves has added a shade structure over our 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 mcsoccer.org

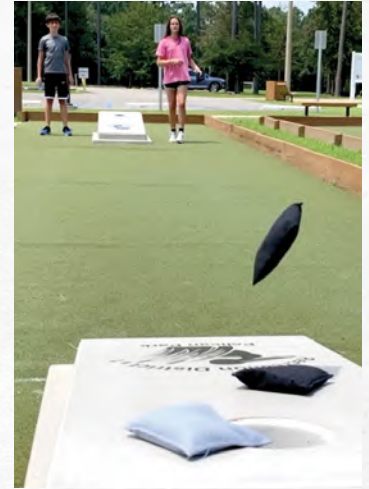
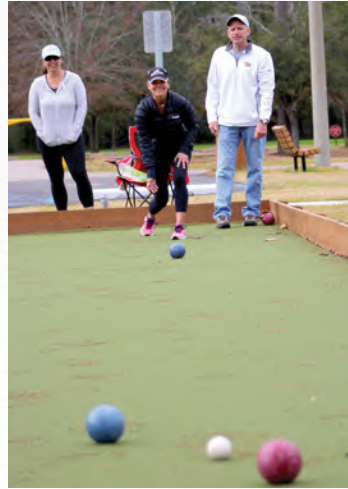




The Groves Small Games Area

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, Shuffle Board, Horseshoes and our newest addition, Cornhole.

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!



Sand Volleyball Courts

Pelican Park upgraded our two sand volleyball courts in the Silver Complex with new standards, nets and sand. Please stop by and play a few games with your family and friends. The sand courts are open on a first-come, first-served basis and has a washing station for your hands and feet when you are done. Grab a volleyball and head out for some fun or spend some time practicing your serves and skills.



DO YOU LOVE DOGS?

Do you want to help your community? Wouldn't it be great to combine your love of dogs with helping your community? Well, you can! My name is Francine Weaker and I am an Air Force Veteran and a Reserve Police Officer who trains a Search and Rescue dog to find lost and missing individuals. I'm looking for people to hide from my dog so she can find them. This can be a great opportunity for families, for scouts to earn badges, or students to earn service hours. Training can be at Pelican Park and at a time convenient to you. If you are interested, please contact me at (504) 554-2515.



Youth Sports News

Upcoming Youth Registration Dates at a Glance

Summer 2022

Monday, May 23rd – Tuesday, June 7th

Fall 2022

Monday, July 18th – Tuesday, August 2nd

Winter 2022

Monday, September 26th – Tuesday, October 11th

Upcoming Clinics

Check out our website and like & follow us on Facebook & Instagram for more information:

Boys and Girls Lil Dribblers Basketball (4-5 year old)

Boys and Girls Basketball Clinics (6 year old)

Lacrosse (6-9 year old)

Girls Volleyball (7-10 year old)

Boys Volleyball (10-15 year old)

Fast-Pitch Softball (11-15 year old)

Youth Sports Prices

Summer Basketball

- ▶ 7 – 12 year old: R \$75; NR \$125
- ▶ 13 – 18 year old: R \$85 ; NR \$135

Summer Volleyball

- ▶ 13 – 15 year old: R \$65 ; NR \$115

Fall Baseball

- ▶ 5 – 6 year old: R \$57 ; NR \$107
- ▶ 7 – 12 year old: R \$99 ; NR \$149
- ▶ 13 – 15 year old: R \$109 ; NR \$149

Fall Softball

- ▶ 5 – 6 year old: R \$57 ; NR \$107
- ▶ 7 – 15 year old: R \$95 ; NR \$145

Fall Cheerleading

- ▶ 7 – 8 year old R \$75 ; NR \$125
- ▶ 9 – 10 year old R \$75 ; NR \$125

Fall Volleyball

- ▶ 9 – 15 year old: R \$65 ; NR \$115

Fall Football

- ▶ 5 – 6 year old: R \$95 ; NR \$145
- ▶ 7 – 12 year old: R \$105 ; NR \$155

Fall Older Boys Basketball

- ▶ 13 – 18 year old: R \$95 ; NR \$145

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 come 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.

General Registration and New Player Information

Office Registration Hours – Mon-Fri 8:00am-5:00pm

First time players can create an account online, or bring a copy of their birth certificate to the office.

If you are interested in playing your child up, please contact the office immediately and request the proper paperwork. Due to limited registration, play-ups are not guaranteed and will only be granted in the order they are received. Unlike regular season basketball, determination will not be made until after registration has ended and only if openings are available in that age group.

Summer Youth Sports Registration Information

Registration – Monday, May 23rd – Tuesday, June 7th

Age as of date for all players is 9/1/2022. The age group your child will register for, depends on what age they will be on September 1, 2022.

The season begins with Pre-Season practices around June 25th, it's an 8 game season followed by a single elimination tournament that will end the first week in August.

Age groups MAY be combined in order to form a league. If any age group is combined the rules from the youngest age in that group will be used.

SUMMER LEAGUES HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS – REGISTER EARLY!

This registration is a limited registration due to court availability.

- ▶ District Registration Dates: May 23rd – May 30th
- ▶ Non-District Registration Dates: May 31st – June 7th

Online registration:

- ▶ Returning District players may register 24 hours a day beginning at 12:01am on May 23rd
- ▶ Returning Non-District players may register 24 hours a day beginning at 12:01am on May 31st

Boys and Girls Summer Basketball

Ages 7-12

Registration Fees: District - \$75.00 Non-District - \$125.00

Boys Summer Basketball

Ages 13-18

Registration Fees: District - \$85.00 Non-District - \$135.00

Summer Girls Volleyball

Ages 13-15

Registration Fees: District - \$65.00 Non-District - \$115.00

Fall Youth Sports Registration Information

Registration – July 18th –August 2nd

Age as of date for players:

- ▶ Baseball 4/30/22
- ▶ Softball 12/31/22
- ▶ Volleyball 9/01/22
- ▶ Cheerleading 9/01/22
- ▶ Football 6/01/22
- ▶ Older Basketball 9/01/22

The age group your child will register for, depends on what age they will be on the dates above.

The Baseball, Softball and Volleyball season begins with Pre-Season practices around August 22nd, with a 12-game season, followed by a single elimination tournament that will end around October 22nd.

Football and Cheer leagues will begin around August 22nd with a 7-games season and end around November 5th.

Age groups MAY be combined in order to form a league. If any age group is combined the rules from the youngest age in that group will be used.

Fall Baseball Registration Fees:

- ▶ **Ages 5-6** District - \$57.00 Non-District - \$107.00
- ▶ **Ages 7-12** District - \$99.00 Non-District - \$149.00
- ▶ **Ages 13-15** District - \$109.00 Non-District - \$159.00

Fall Softball Registration Fees:

- ▶ **Ages 5-6** District - \$57.00 Non-District - \$107.00
- ▶ **Ages 7-15** District - \$95.00 Non-District - \$145.00

Fall Cheerleading Registration Fees:

- ▶ **Ages 7-8** District - \$75.00 Non-District - \$125.00
- ▶ **Ages 9-10** District - \$75.00 Non-District - \$125.00

Fall Volleyball Registration Fees:

- ▶ **Ages 9-15** District - \$65.00 Non-District - \$115.00

Fall Football Registration Fees:

- ▶ **Ages 5-6** District - \$95.00 Non-District - \$145.00
- ▶ **Ages 7-12** District - \$105.00 Non-District - \$155.00

Fall Older Boys Basketball Registration Fees:

- ▶ **Ages 13-18** District - \$95.00 Non-District - \$145.00



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**FOR SPONSORING OUR NATIONAL
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

MARCH 18TH -22ND



Pelican Park's National Basketball Tournament

Pelican Park hosted the Bidly Basketball National Tournament from March 18th – 23rd. 51 teams (approximately 600 players) participated in the tournament in four divisions (Winners also listed):

- ▶ 10U Girls: Jefferson Parish East
- ▶ 12U Girls: Jefferson Parish East
- ▶ 10U Boys: Jefferson Parish West
- ▶ 12U Boys: New Orleans Recreation Department

Awards were also given for, other divisions, All-American players, Skills competition winners, and MVPs. Teams traveled from throughout the state of Louisiana, and one team came all the way from Kansas City, MO. Five teams also represented Pelican Park during the tournament.



Congratulations to our Pelican Park Girls Bidy Basketball All-Stars and their Coaches!!!

They have had an Amazing Season with a record of 21 wins and only 2 losses!

They Won:

- ▶ 3 Invitational Championships
- ▶ 1 Invitational Runner-up
- ▶ 3 girls were voted to the World Bidy Tournament All American Team.
- ▶ 1 was voted as Miss Itty Bitty of World Bidy Tournament
- ▶ AND this Amazing team WON the World Bidy Championship!

Great Job Mandeville Warriors!



Pelicans Landing Pavilion Rent It For Your Next Event!

Did you know that you can rent Pelicans Landing Pavilion birthdays, family gatherings, company picnics, team parties, etc.? The pavilion is conveniently located next to The Groves and all it has to offer, including bocce, horseshoes, shuffleboard, corn hole, boardwalk, pond and more!

The facility boasts a giant charcoal grill, 30' of concrete counters with outlets for food warmers, a sink, charging stations, restroom, picnic tables with seating for 68 and room to put more, plus two enormous fans to keep you cool in the summer!

For rates and availability, please call the office at 985-626-7997.



Adult Sports News

Adult Sports 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 leagues 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

New Individual Registration

Participants will register individually online or in-person. Make sure to add your team captain and team name into the “notes” section during registration.

Session 2

Registration – May 2nd – May 13th

Season – May 22nd – July 11th

- ▶ Men’s Rec Softball – \$27 / player
- ▶ Co-Ed Recreation Softball – \$27 / player
- ▶ Competitive Co-Ed Volleyball – \$40 / player
- ▶ Just for Fun Co-Ed Spiking (Alpha) – \$20 / player
- ▶ Just for Fun Co-Ed Spiking (Bravo) – \$20 / player
- ▶ Just for Fun Co-Ed Volleyball League – \$20 / player

Session 3

Registration – July 25th – August 5th

Season – August 14th – October 23rd

- ▶ Men’s Over 25 Competitive Basketball – \$27 / player
- ▶ Men’s Rec Softball – \$27 / player
- ▶ Co-Ed Recreation Softball – \$27 / player
- ▶ Competitive Co-Ed Volleyball – \$40 / player
- ▶ Just for Fun Co-Ed Spiking (Alpha) – \$20 / player
- ▶ Just for Fun Co-Ed Spiking (Bravo) – \$20 / player
- ▶ Just for Fun Co-Ed Volleyball League – \$20 / player

We are always looking to expand our Adult Leagues. Please email David at davidbonicard@pelicanpark.com or Bobby at bobbymckinney@pelicanpark.com with any suggestions or comments to help improve or expand our leagues.



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 last year, in 2021, Pelican Park scheduled almost **300** leisure programs and classes for our patrons? 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, wellness classes and all types of other arts and crafts. There are also classes for socializing like canasta or the crochet circle that meet once a week to have fun and spend time 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 or Instagram to find out more 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 classes for yourself and register now!

**DO YOU WANT TO
UMPIRE
FOR BASEBALL OR
SOFTBALL AT
PELICAN PARK
AND EARN SOME
EXTRA MONEY?**

NIGHTS AND WEEKENDS

FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE

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Leisure Programs

Recreation District #1 offers a variety of leisure programs. Pre-registration is required for most programs. To register, call **(985) 626-7997** or visit www.pelicanpark.com for more information, including detailed descriptions.

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.

SAVE THE DATE Programs at a Glance

Youth Programs

Creative Movement

Tuesdays, 5/24-7/26 (Skip 6/28)
4:45pm-5:30pm

Ballet Jazz Combo I

Tuesdays, 5/24-7/26 (Skip 6/28)
5:30pm-6:30pm

Beginner Acro

Wednesdays, 5/25-7/27 (Skip 6/29)
5:00pm-6:00pm

Pickleball Clinics

Saturday, April 30th, 2022
8-12 years old - 9:00am-12noon
13-18 years old - 2:00pm-5:00pm

Arts & Crafts

One of a Kind Cards

Wednesdays, 4/27-6/29 (Skip 5/4)
1:00pm-3:00pm

Acrylic Fluid Painting

Every Other Tuesday, 5/10-6/28
10:00am-12noon & 1:00pm-3:00pm

Painting With Michelle

4/25, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 6/9*, 6/13, 6/27
10:00am (and 1:00 pm on 6/9)

Painting with Rika

5/18, 6/15
10:00am-12noon

Stamping Cards

Mondays, 4/25-6/27 (Skip 5/2, 5/30)
1:00pm-3:00pm

Techniques With Robin

5/11, 5/25, 6/8, 6/22
10:00am-12noon

Personal Development

Starting & Marketing a Business

Tuesday, May 10, 2022
6:00pm-8:00pm

Fundamentals of Finance & Investing

Thursdays, 5/26, 6/23, & 7/28
6:00pm-8:00pm

Improv Your Life

Wednesdays, 5/11-6/29
6:30pm-7:30pm

Environmental Education

Boating Safety Class

4/23, 6/4, 8/27
9:00am-5:00pm

Dance

Hip Hop Fitness

Tuesdays, 5/24-7/12
7:00pm-8:00pm

Health & Wellness

Hospice 101

Tuesday, May 17, 2022
6:00pm-8:00pm

Tai Chi

Thursdays, 6/2-7/21
3:30pm-5:00pm

Pilates

Mondays, 6/13-8/8 &
Wednesdays, 5/26-7/14
6:00pm-7:00pm

YOGA

Tuesdays, 5/17-7/5 &
Thursdays, 6/2-7/21
6:00pm-7:00pm

Socials

Canasta

Every Wednesday
9:00am-12noon



YOUTH 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.

Ages: 3-4 years old

Dress code: Black leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes (can be found at Walmart or Academy).

Date(s): Tuesdays, 5/24-7/26 (Skip 6/28)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$75 District, \$90 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): Tuesdays, 5/24-7/26 (Skip 6/28)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$75 District, \$90 Non-District

Time: 5:30pm-6:30pm

Location: Castine Center



Beginner Acrobatics

This is a combo class that teaches the beginning fundamentals of acrobatics & tumbling. This class allows students to have loads of fun learning basic skills including balance, core strength and more, while creating a good foundation for gymnastics. No previous experience required!

Ages: 5-9 years old

Dress code: A leotard with athletic shorts, biketard (which is essentially a leotard and shorts combined), or a fitted shirt, such as a tank top, and athletic shorts.

**Please refrain from loose clothing as this class does involve tumbling*

Date(s): Wednesdays, 5/25-7/27 (Skip 6/29)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$75 District, \$90 Non-District

Time: 5:00pm-6:00pm

Location: Castine Center

Jr. Pickleball Clinics

Join us for a one-day clinic 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.

Junior Clinic Day

Date(s): Saturday, April 30th, 2022

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration Opens: March 15, 2022

Fee: \$30 District, \$35 Non-District

Ages: 8-12 years old | **Time:** 9:00am-12noon

Ages: 13-18 years old | **Time:** 2:00pm-5:00pm

COMING SOON!

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



ARTS & CRAFTS

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.

Date(s): Wednesdays, 4/27-6/29 (Skip 5/4)

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: White Pelican Gym (4/27)

Location: Castine Center (5/11-6/29)

Acrylic Fluid Painting

Learn the techniques of paint pouring with a fun and creative art experience. Embrace the abstract and organic nature of creating a visually stimulating masterpiece using various techniques and mediums.

All supplies are included in the cost of the class and will be provided by the instructor.

Date(s): Every Other Tuesday, 5/10-6/28

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Ages: 14+

Class Fee (for each date listed): \$15 District Senior, \$20 Non-District Senior, \$20 District Resident, \$25 Non-District Resident

Times: 10:00am-12noon or 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.

Dragonfly	4/25	10am	White Pelican Gym
Lighthouse	5/9	10am	Castine Center
Dancer	5/16	10am	Castine Center
Mandala	5/23	10am	Castine Center
Lady in a Dress	6/9	10am	Castine Center
Flip Flops	6/9	1pm	Castine Center
Cinderella	6/13	10am	Castine Center
Watermelon Slices	6/27	10am	Castine Center

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: Varies by Date- see above

Painting with Rika

Experiment with impressionistic painting, as our instructor walks you through various painting techniques and mediums. Students can anticipate guided direction on composition, brush stroke, and paint mixing.

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

Date(s): 5/18, 6/15

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

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 scrapbooks, cards, or multiple other uses.

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

Date(s): Mondays, 4/25-6/27 (Skip 5/2, 5/30)

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: White Pelican Gym (4/25)

Location: Castine Center (5/9-6/27)

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.

Date(s): 5/11, 5/25, 6/8, 6/22

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



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Starting & Marketing a Business

Please join us as we partner with KBD Specialty Chemicals CEO, Ken Digby, to bring our community a FREE educational class on how to start and market a business. As a self made CEO, Ken will walk us through the basic necessities and how to's for creating a great business foundation from scratch. Starting and Marketing a Business will answer questions regarding LLCs, prioritizing your to-dos, and how to stay relevant in your market.

Date(s): Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Ages: 15+ years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Castine Center

Improv Your Life

Know what to say and when to say it with Pelican Park's new improv acting classes! This class is structured using group activities and exercises to help establish basic fundamentals, while sharpening skills. Over the course of eight weeks, participants can anticipate an open, fun, and creative collaboration resulting in stronger listening and quick-thinking skills.

Date(s): Wednesdays, 5/11-6/29

Ages: 15+ years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$50 District, \$60 Non-District

Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: Castine Center

Fundamentals of Finance & Investing

Please join us as we partner with Dr. Joseph O'Neil, to bring our community a FREE educational class on finance & investing – “things you wish you had known 20 years sooner.” As a teaching professor for LSU, the University of Kentucky, and the Medical College of Virginia, Dr. O'Neil has instructed young doctors and professionals on similar topics. He will use his knowledge to walk us through the basic steps and procedures for proper investing. We highly recommend this course for young adults and professionals looking to get ahead for years to come.

Date(s): Thursdays, 5/26, 6/23, & 7/28

Ages: 15+ years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Castine Center





DANCE

Hip Hop Fitness

Dance your way through a healthy exercise circuit with Pelican Park's new Hip Hop Fitness classes. Pop, Lock, and Drop a few pounds as we utilize dance to stimulate cardio, whole body workouts, and muscle sculpting. Funk Up your fitness routine with this high energy hip-hop dance class. Fitness is now fun as our instructor will guide you through each step, with no prior dance experience necessary.

***Please Note:** Flashing, strobe, and various colored lights are part of this program, and may not be suitable for those with medical conditions affected by light or light sensitivity.

Date(s): Tuesdays, 5/24-7/12

Ages: 15+ years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$50 District, \$60 Non-District

Time: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Castine Center



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!

Date(s): Every Wednesday

Ages: 18+ years old

Time: 9:00am-12noon

Location: Castine Center



HEALTH & WELLNESS

Hospice 101

Please join us as we partner with Hospice House to bring our community a FREE educational class for hospice resources. We are here to help ease your concerns and answer questions. Hospice 101 will cover the basic definition of hospice care, the different types of care, what the care provides, eligibility, family and patient rights, as well as local resources.

Date(s): Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Ages: 15+ years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$0 District, \$0 Non-District

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Castine Center

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.

Date(s): Mondays, 6/13-8/8 & Wednesdays, 5/26-7/14

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.

Tai Chi

Master the art of Tai Chi by getting back to basics with Pelican Park's new eight-week session. You can anticipate guided instruction through each motion to help strengthen your core and improve overall balance. Join us for martial arts basics with added health benefits.

Date(s): Thursdays, 6/2-7/21

Ages: 15+ years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$65 District, \$80 Non-District

Time: 3:30pm-5:00pm

Location: Castine Center

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.

Date(s): Tuesdays, 5/17-7/5 & Thursdays, 6/2-7/21

Ages: 15+ years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Fee: \$50 District, \$60 Non-District

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Castine Center



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

SAVE THE DATE Events at a Glance

Mother's Day Teddy Bear Tea

Saturday, May 7, 2022
1:00pm-3:00pm

Celebrate St. Tammany

Saturday, July 16th, 2022
3:00pm-9:00pm

Pickled Pink Pickleball Tournament

Saturday & Sunday,
October 8 & 9, 2022

Splatter Beat

Saturday, May 21, 2022
8:00pm-10:00pm

Back To School Blue Jean Ball

Monday, July 18th, 2022
6:00pm-8:00pm

Barktoberfest

Saturday, October 29, 2022

Father's Day Fishing Rodeo

Saturday, June 18, 2022
8:00am-12noon

Fall Fest

Sunday, September 25, 2022



Mother's Day Teddy Bear Tea

Pelican Park invites you to celebrate Mom during an afternoon tea on Saturday, May 7th, 2022, from 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Don't forget to tell your nearest & dearest—sisters, aunts, and grandmas too, there's plenty to share at this tea to-do! We'll have sandwiches, sweets, and other delectable treats. Sip & savor teas, lemonade, and create handmade keepsakes while making memories with Mom. Registration Reservations will be by the attending adult.

The Mother's Day Teddy bear Tea is open to families and residents of all ages. Children must be accompanied by an attending adult. Registration will be processed by adult with the name of the participating family member(s) listed under each registration information. Registration is required and must

be completed by Friday, May 6th. Registration fees include an assortment of desserts, tea or lemonade, and keepsakes for each paid participant.

Unfortunately, we are not able to accommodate special dietary needs or restrictions for this event. If necessary, please plan accordingly.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration Opens: Monday, April 4, 2022

Registration Ends: Friday, May 6, 2022 (while space lasts)

***Disclaimer:** Due to event preparation, pre-registration is required. Registrations will not be available on site. No refunds within 5 days of the event.

*High Tea Attire Optional

Date: Saturday, May 7, 2022 (rain or shine)

Fee: Participant with 1 child = \$40

Family of 3 = \$60

Family of 4 = \$80

Family of 5 = \$100

**Please call the Main Office for Pricing & Registration for Groups larger than those listed.*

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

Location: The White Pelican Gym Courts #1 & #2

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

Hotline: (985) 626-1444



Splatter Beat

Calling all TEENS! Dress for the mess to celebrate the start of summer with this upbeat and energetic event. Messy merriment is the name of the game as teenage participants splash through colored paint and powder, covering themselves and peers to the sounds of music. While the beat drops and the paint flies, teens cover their white attire to the dancing sounds of DJ entertainment, light shows, and glow accessories.

Please Note: Sheriff Deputies will be on site throughout the event.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration Opens: April 4, 2022

**First 50 participants registered will receive a FREE Goody Bag

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR WHITE!

Date: Saturday, May 21, 2022

Rain Date: June 4, 2022

Ages: 13-18 years old

Fee: \$25 per person, Day of Event \$30 per person (cash/check) (proof of DOB required)

Add-On Fee: T-Shirt for \$15.00. Event T-shirts will be available at Check-In.

Time: 8:00pm-10:00pm

Location: Gold Complex

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

Hotline: (985) 626-1444



Father's Day Fishing Rodeo

Celebrate Father's Day weekend with a local fishing experience, but don't forget to grab your rod & reel! Pelican Park and the City of Mandeville are partnering to bring an organized fishing rodeo event to the Mandeville Lakefront at Sunset Point Pier. Reel in the fun as we'll host youth fishing competitions, educational information, demonstrations, prizes, and more. Bond over bobbers and bait as we enjoy a morning of family fun and fishing!

Date: Saturday, June 18, 2022

This event is weather dependent: Rain date to be determined.

Ages: 5-15 years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration Opens: Monday, May 9, 2022

Fee: \$35 per child & guardian

Time: 8:00am-12noon

Location: TBD

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

Hotline: (985) 626-1444

Back To School Blue Jean Ball

Breakout those denim diamond jeans and dust off those blue suede shoes, because Pelican Park is hosting a Back to School Dance for ages 10-14. Join us on Saturday, August 6th from 6:00pm-8:00pm as we'll boogie in our bellbottoms and dance the night away. We encourage our in-betweeners to attend this groovy and upbeat event to socialize and settle in to the new school year. Dress in your best denim duds, jeans, and jewels as we strap on our dancing shoes for the Back to School Blue Jean Ball.

Ages: 10-14 years old

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration Opens: Monday, July 18th, 2022

Fee: Advanced Registration = \$7, Day of Event = \$12

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Brown Pelican Gym

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

Hotline: (985) 626-1444

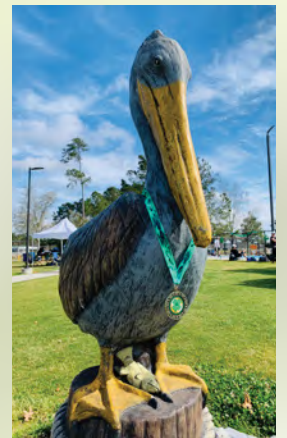
Thanks for Coming....

Pelican Park sends a **BIG THANK YOU** out to all those who have joined us at one of our recent events. To those who attended and volunteered for our Castine Family Campout, Paddles on Paddy's Day Pickleball Tournament, and Twilight Eggstravaganza 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 Event Tab or visit our Facebook Page.



Castine Family Campout was held for the first time on Friday, March 4th through Saturday, March 5th at Pelican Park's Groves. We welcomed 105 participants who enjoyed an overnight stay featuring scout demonstrations by Troops 8720 & 310, Dinner, Smores, Wildlife Meet N' Greet, Astronomy, and Breakfast the next morning.

Paddles on Paddy's Day was a stroke of luck as pickleball players competed in a one-day round robin tournament held on Thursday, March 17th – St. Patrick's Day! The tournament hosted 110 players from as far as Texas and Mississippi participating in Men's, Women's & Mixed Doubles. First, second, and third place awards medals were given to the top contenders in each category.



Twilight Eggstravaganza hosted approximately 200 children and their families for an evening egg hunt on Saturday, April 9th. Attendees enjoyed four age specific egg hunts, activities, games, and prizes. Four lucky winners from each age, found the golden egg with a redeemable ticket resulting in a large prize basket.



Cruisin' The Castine revved and rumbled on Saturday, April 23rd from 10:00am-2:00pm, as roughly 200 vehicles were in attendance. The event hosted antiques, classics, modern day and more, with an award ceremony to top it off. Thank you to O'Reilly Auto Parts for sponsoring this year's Cruisin' the Castine! We hope you can join us for our next Car Show – Pelican Park's Jeep Jamboree on Saturday, November 12th, 2022. Be sure to visit our website for more information or to register starting June 1st.



Environmental Education



Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries: Boating Safety Class

This class will be conducted by Agent Dempsey of the LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and is a mandatory class for anyone born on or after January 1, 1984 who will be operating a boat. After the completion of the course each student will take a test and receive a certificate of completion. Participants must be at least 10 years old to receive a certificate of completion.

We ask that participants interested in attending the course register with the Wildlife & Fisheries at www.wlf.louisiana.gov/page/boater-education

April 23, 2022

Time: 9:00am-5:00pm

Location: Mandeville Soccer Club (MSC)

Address: 790 Florida Street, Mandeville, LA 70448

June 4, 2022

Time: 9:00am-5:00pm

Location: Castine Center

August 27, 2022

Time: 9:00am-5:00pm

Location: Castine Center



Louisiana Iris Conservation Initiative

Thank you to the Louisiana Iris Conservation Initiative (LICI) and local volunteers that came and spent one rainy morning on January 16th 2022, at Recreation District #1 Pelican Park. The volunteers planted almost 200 beautiful Irises that our community can watch grow and prosper in the Park!! This is one of the key sites that the Louisiana Conservation Initiative has been using to rescue irises over the last two years. The original site that is permitted for commercial development in the near future, was for sale and was full of local irises that would be destroyed. (LICI) has been working on rescuing them by transplanting them in areas like these in our community for over the last two years. The plan is to relocate as many Irises as possible where they can safely grow for years and still be available to us to thin out for future projects.





8 Pelican Park has Fun-Filled Weeks of **NATURE EXPLORERS** summer camp

Registration is NOW OPEN

at PelicanPark.com

2 age groups (6-8 & 9-12)

~Weekly Field-Trips

~Fun Hands on Learning

Why Nature-based?

Science has proven that an increase in "screen time" and lack of time spent outdoors has an adverse effect on children. Contact with nature awakens our senses. Consider the smell of an ocean breeze or the sweet scent of a freshly mown hay field. Close your eyes and listen to the story a songbird sings to greet the day and the soothing hoot of an owl putting the day to rest. Taste a sun-warmed blueberry or the single droplet of sweetness inside the flower of the honeysuckle bush. Touch the smooth back of a frog or the soft fur of a rabbit.

By allowing children to explore and spend time with nature, we can foster and renew this connection with the natural world, which has been lost to classrooms and technology. *Louv (2008) states that "Natural play strengthens children's self-confidence and arouses their senses" (p. 186). *Louv,R. (2008). Last child in the woods: Saving our children from nature-deficit disorder (Updated and expanded). Chapel Hill, NC: Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill.

Children who learn and play outdoors are healthier and more socially well-adjusted, not to mention, their attention span is superior to children who spend the majority of their time indoors. Our program addresses the whole child, his or her cognitive development, of course; but also social, emotional, communication and self-help areas of development.

Join us for this exciting, thought-provoking & fun summer experience!



Pelican Park Nature Explorers

8 week Environmental Education Summer Camp.

Date(s): May 31st – July 22nd 2020

4-day weeks: Memorial week & July 4th week

Total Number of Campers: 40 (2 groups of 20)

Age Groups: 6-9 and 9-12

Supply Fee: \$35.00 (one time)

Camp Hours: 9:00am-3:00pm. Before care provided (no charge) from 7:30am-9:00am. Aftercare (fee) from 3:00pm-5:30pm.

Field trips provided (1/week)

CAMP TUITION

5-day Week Rates: \$195.00 per week

***4-day week rates (Week 1 & Week 6):** \$156.00 per week

AFTER CARE RATES

5-day Week After Care Rates: 3:00pm-5:30pm

\$65.00 per week

***4-day Week After Care Rates: (Week 1 & Week 6)**

\$50.00 per week

*Week 1: May 31st – June 3rd

Water Wonders: *4-day week

Water, water, everywhere! Come get your feet wet as we discover about of #1 natural resource. We will compare ponds, rivers, and wetlands and learn about the animals that live in them.

Week 2: June 6th – June 10th

Nature's Seeds, Leaves, Bark and Trees:

Discover nature first hand and learn about nature's seeds, leaves, bark, and trees. We will take a close up look at the nature around us and the plants and animals that call it home.

Week 3: June 13th – June 17th

Aquatic Investigations:

Water, water, everywhere! Come get your feet wet as we discover about of #1 natural resource. We will compare ponds, rivers, and wetlands and learn about the animals that live in them.

Week 4: June 20- June 24th

Bird's and Bugs in Nature:

Take a bird's eye view of nature's best vocalist and become a bird detective. We will also take a close look at water bugs and water quality.

Week 5: June 27th – July 1st

Awesome Insects, Reptiles and Amphibians:

Biodiversity at its best! Come explore the wonderful world of Louisiana's insects, reptiles and amphibians.

*Week 6: July 5th – July 8th

Beach Encounters: *4-day week

Calling all beach lovers! Learn about beaches, sand, and the animals that live there.

Week 7: July 11th – July 15th

Nature Conservation:

Explore the natural wonders of Mother Nature and learn how to protect it.

Week 8: July 18th – July 22nd

Scat, Fur, Prints, and Teeth... Louisiana Animals Galore:

Set out for an adventure to Experience everything you need to know about Louisiana's animals. We will investigate mammals, snakes, and butterflies and more.



JOIN OUR TEAM! *Seasonal Employees*

Head Nature Camp Counselor & Nature Camp Counselor

These are Seasonal positions. The most important out of all Camp Counselor duties is to ensure campers are safe at all times. You'll be responsible for overseeing their activities and ensuring they don't get lost or hurt. The job duties of a Camp Counselor also include planning summer camp games, educating children and setting up equipment. Being reliable and able to build good relationships with children are two essential traits of a Camp Counselor. You also need to have knowledge around outdoor activities, like hiking, canoeing or caving. If you're patient, energetic but strict when needed, we'd like to meet you. Send your resume to LouissetteScott@PelicanPark.com.



The Purple Martin



What is a Purple Martin?

- ▶ Purple Martins (*Progne subis*) are native songbirds in the swallow family. They are the largest swallow in the family and the only martin in North America.
- ▶ The adult male is the only Purple Martin to have the iridescent purple feathers covering the entire body. Female Purple Martins are duller in color with gray on their head and chest, and a lighter lower belly.
- ▶ Purple Martins are aerial insectivores, eating only flying insects. They eat large insects such as dragonflies, butterflies, moths, bees and wasps. Martins are fast fliers, foraging for food during the day, high in the sky.
- ▶ Purple Martins are cavity nesters, building nests in hollowed out locations. Nests are shallow, constructed of thin twigs and straw and lined with green leaves. On average, martins lay 5-7 white eggs that hatch 16 days after the last egg is laid.

Where are Purple Martins?

- ▶ Purple Martins are long distant, neo-tropical migratory birds. They spend the breeding months in North America, where they lay eggs, raise young, and prepare for migration. During non-breeding months, the birds can be found in South America, feeding over the tropical rainforest, rivers and farmland of Brazil.

- ▶ In eastern North America during the summer, look for Purple Martins around man-made martin houses that many people put up in yards. In the West, you will find them nesting in natural cavities of trees and cactus.
- ▶ Foraging Purple Martins hunt insects higher in the air than other swallows, but in the afternoon and evening they may feed low and close to nest sites. In late summer you might see enormous roosts of Purple Martins, particularly in the Southeast as they prepare to migrate to South America.

Why are Purple Martins important?

- ▶ Purple Martins are secondary cavity nesters. They nest in a cavity, but do not excavate the cavity themselves. Instead, they use old woodpecker cavities, or natural cavities in dead trees, cliff faces or cactus.
- ▶ In the eastern half of North America, Purple Martins have undergone what is known as a tradition shift. Gradually, they have switched from using natural cavities to artificial housing humans supply for them. Native Americans started this tradition shift hundreds or even thousands of years ago, by putting up dried, hollowed-out gourds for the martins.
- ▶ Today in the eastern half of North America, martins are completely dependent on supplied housing for breeding. They now nest only in gourds and multi-compartment wood and metal housing. This bond created between us and bird cannot be undone and without the continued support from people, purple martin housing will decline and along with it, the populations of these graceful, insect eating companions.



Sponsorship Opportunities



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

Don't see a perfect fit? A package can be customized to suit your needs and help you reach more than 1 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.

FAQs

Do you have a lost and found?

YES, it is located in the brown gym in between the office and the concession stand.

What fields are open?

We have a weather hotline that is updated every morning and afternoon. You can call the number at any time at 985-626-1444.

What sports do you offer?

On our website at www.pelicanpark.recdesk.com under sports, general info. You can find all the information you are looking for.

When are evaluations?

Evaluations are different depending which sport and age group. When you register you receive a copy of the invoice in your email, at the bottom, there is 'additional notes' with dates, times, and location available to you. It is also on our website at www.pelicanpark.recdesk.com under sports, current sports info, youth sports.



HOT DOG!

Come celebrate National Hot Dog Day with us on July 20th. Get a fresh, juicy hotdog for just \$1.

**Chili and cheese extra*

Fun Fact:

Americans consume **20 BILLION** hot dogs per year!



Vendor Opportunities



Are you interested in being a vendor for one of our upcoming events? Great! Please see the opportunities listed below 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.

Celebrate St. Tammany

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

Celebrate St. Tammany will be held on Saturday, July 16th from 3pm-9pm at the Groves of Pelican Park. This outdoor event is free to the public with approximately 1,500 attendees at our 2021 event. Pelican Park is currently seeking food, craft, and handmade related vendors for this event. For more information regarding this event or how you can be involved, contact Tracy Roskens at tracyroskens@castinecenter.com.

Fall Fest

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

Fall Fest will be held on Sunday, September 25th from 2pm-5pm at the Groves of Pelican Park. This outdoor event is free to the public with approximately 500 attendees at our past event. Pelican Park is currently seeking food, craft, and holiday 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!

Volunteer Opportunities



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.

Coaching

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.

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 erikalehrmann@pelicanpark.com.

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.

Splatter Beat

Pelican Park is looking for adult volunteers to help with the highly anticipated event, Splatter Beat! Open to volunteering adults ages 21+, this teenage event is in need of adult chaperones willing to get down and dirty. It's bound to get messy, so plan on wearing appropriate clothing suitable for paint splatter and stain. This event is currently scheduled for Saturday, May 21st from 8:00pm-10:00pm. Volunteers can anticipate early arrival and late dismissal to accommodate event set up and break down. In the event of inclement weather, this event will move to a tentative date of June 4th.

For more information regarding this event or how you can volunteer, contact Erika Lehrmann at erikalehrmann@pelicanpark.com.

Celebrate St. Tammany

Consider being a volunteer for one of Pelican Park's largest events, Celebrate St. Tammany! Open to volunteers ages 14+, we're currently seeking anyone interested in assisting us in event set up, break down, visitor information, parking, and more. This event is currently scheduled for Saturday, July 16th and would require extended hours, including the event time of 2pm-8pm. 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 Margie Lewis at margielewis@pelicanpark.com.

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 at **(985) 626-7997** to get on our Volunteer List.

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



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63350 Pelican Drive
Mandeville, LA 70448

Celebrate St. Tammany

Saturday, July 16th, 2022 at 3:00pm-9:00pm



Pelican Park invites you to celebrate Parks and Recreation Month as we showcase the benefits of St. Tammany recreation. This family fun event will feature Northshore entertainment, including local bands, fireworks, food, and more. For the kids, we'll have an afternoon of fun including inflatables, games, and activities. Make a plan to enjoy a leisure evening with your recreation district on Saturday, July 16th!

The Groves & Pelican Park
63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA 70448

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

Hotline: (985) 626-1444



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