



Collier County Government

DIVISION OF PUBLIC SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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FALL CALENDAR OF EVENTS UPDATE (SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER)

HIGHLIGHTS OF PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Programs by: Domestic Animal Services, Extension Services, Museums, Parks, Libraries, Housing & Human Services and Veteran Services; Sections: Highlighted Programs, Events, Activities for Kids & Parents and For Adults/Seniors

Public Contacts are listed in each entry.

Highlighted Programs

(NEW - PARENTS) After School Adventures with Collier County Parks & Recreation

Info: All community parks run by Collier County provide superior child care during school to assist working parents. Camps include arts, crafts, athletics and team building. Pre-registration is required at the park you choose, however parks only provide transportation from elementary schools in their immediate area. More information available in Parks' online recreation guide located at www.colliergov.net/parks.

Date: Aug. 20-Dec. 21 (M-F)

Time: School release-6 p.m.

Location: All community Parks including: Max Hasse, Veterans, Vineyards, East Naples, and Immokalee Community Parks as well as the Golden Gate Community Center

Cost: \$500 per child (payment plan available)

Contact: (239) 254-4000 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

(NEW - KIDS) Brain Games by Veterans Community Park

Info: Preschoolers keep their brains ticking while instructors use games and activities to build their puzzle solving, logic and memory skills.

Date: For ages 3-4: Sept. 4-Oct. 9 (Tuesdays) or Oct. 23-Dec. 4 (Tuesdays)

For ages 4-5: Sept. 6-Oct. 11 (Thursdays) or Oct. 25-Dec. 6 (Thursdays)

Time: 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Location: Veterans Community Park at 1895 Veterans Park Dr. in Naples, FLA.

Cost: \$35 per child per six week session

Contact: (239) 566-2367 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

(NEW - KIDS) Children's Collector's Corner by North Collier Regional Park Exhibit Hall

Info: Do you collect baseball cards, matchbox cars or Barbie dolls? Put your child's collections on exhibit at North Collier Regional Park's exhibit hall to showcase your tiny one's prized possessions. For children in K through seventh grades.

Date: Individual collections, once received, will be displayed for a two week period (ongoing)

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Location: North Collier Regional Park Exhibit Hall at 15000 Livingston Rd. in Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: Nancy Olson at (239) 254-4060 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

(REMINDER) Sea to Shining Sea; 200 Years Charting America's Coast

Info: For all ages.

This exhibit is provided by the Smithsonian Institution and showcasing NOAA, the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, celebrating America's oldest scientific research organization.

The NOAA was originally charged by President Thomas Jefferson.

Date: June 21-Oct. 31, 2007 at both the Collier County Museum and Collier County Parks and Recreation North Collier Regional Park

Time: Museum hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (M-F) and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (Saturdays); North Collier Regional Park hours are 9 a.m.-9 p.m. (M-F) and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Saturday)

Location: Collier County Museum (main campus) 3301 E. Tamiami Tr. E. or North Collier Regional Park at 15000 Livingston Rd., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: Museum (239) 774-8476; North Collier Regional Park (239) 254-4060

Events *(in order by date)*

(Location Change) Child Safety Fair by Collier County Parks & Recreation

Info: Families have fun while learning about safety. Dozens of vendors create an interactive, Educational atmosphere at the annual Child Safety Fair. Special cartoon characters make Appearances. Activities: face painting, rock wall climbing, entertainment, food and air slide.

Date: Saturday, Oct. 13

Time: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Location: **MOVED FROM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK TO:** North Collier Regional Park at 15000 Livingston Rd., Naples, FLA

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 254-4000 (North Collier Regional Park)

USO Show at Naples Depot by Collier County Museums

Info: For all ages who love oldies music and remembering those who fought and died for this Country. The USO show is held at the Naples Depot, because the Museum was converted into a USO during the 1940s. Event includes refreshments, music and a tribute to Veterans as part of Veterans Day. Music is Andrews Sisters.

Date: Sunday, Nov. 11

Time: 12-2 p.m.

Location: Naples Depot Museum at 1051 Fifth Ave. S., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free but tickets required; tickets available at the Headquarters Regional Library, Marco Island Branch Library and Naples Regional Library or by mail.

Contact: (239) 774-8476 or visit www.colliergov.net/museum

(Location Change) Veterans Day Concert at Veterans Community Park

Info: Every year Collier County Parks & Recreation hosts a Veterans Day concert to recognize Veterans of every generation.

Date: Sunday, Nov. 11

Time: 2-4 p.m.

Location: Sugden Regional Park at 4894 Lake Avalon Dr., Naples, FLA. (previously scheduled for Veterans Community Park)

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 254-4000 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

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Howl-A-Day Jubilee by Collier County Domestic Animal Services

Info: Pet lovers of all ages celebrate their pets at the Howl-A-Day Jubilee Pet Festival fundraiser for the Domestic Animal Services (DAS) Donation Trust Fund. The trust fund benefits homeless animals by paying for unanticipated emergency medical care and officer training. Event activities include: pet and owner look-a-like contest, pet costume contests, 40 vendors to holiday shop for your pets, dog agility shows, pet photography, DAS shelter pet adoption show, pet and owner games PLUS raffles with fantastic goodies for you and your family! Platinum event sponsors are WINK 96.9 FM and Animalife Veterinary Clinic.

Date: Saturday, Nov. 17

Time: 2-7 p.m.

Location: Veterans Community Park at 1895 Veterans Park Dr. in Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free entry

Contact: Camden Smith at (239) 530-5326

Christmas Trees and Trains at Naples Depot by Collier County Museums

Info: Get into the holiday spirit by taking in the site of decorate Christmas trees and Miniature trains at the Naples Depot Museum. The Depot will boast nostalgic Memories of transportation from the 20's and will show how trees at that time were decorated as well.

Date: Monday, Nov. 19-Monday, Dec. 31

Time: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Monday-Friday); 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (Saturdays)

Location: Naples Depot Museum at 1051 Fifth Ave. S., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 262-6525 or visit www.colliergov.net/museum

Snowfest by Collier County Parks & Recreation

Info: 70 tons of snow fun make this a successful, fun family event every year. Snowfest includes Glice ice skating, a slide mountain, entertainment, carnival, Mrs. Claus Craft Shop and real ice snow piles for playing. Photos with Santa and refreshments. Parking is off-site – location to be determined.

Date: Saturday, Dec. 1

Time: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Location: Golden Gate Community Park at 330 Santa Barbara Blvd., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free entry

Contact: (239) 254-4000 (Collier County Parks & Recreation)

Christmas Around the World by Collier County Parks & Recreation

Info: 50 tons of snow includes glice ice skating, a slide mountain, entertainment, carnival, Mrs. Claus Craft Shop and real ice snow piles for playing. Photos with Santa and refreshments.

Date: Saturday, Dec. 8

Time: 6-10 p.m.

Location: Immokalee Sports Complex at 505 Escambia St., Immokalee, FLA.

Cost: Free entry

Contact: (239) 657-1951 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

(NEW) 50s Sock Hop by Headquarters Regional Library

Info: For all ages. This party will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Collier County Public Library system. There will be events marking this benchmark throughout the year and the 50s Sock Hop is sure to be a hit with fun DJ Bill Craven of Solid Gold Memories, dancing, snacks and other activities. Have your photo taken with Truly Nolen's 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air Convertible or other vintage cars scheduled for the event. *Limit of four tickets per family or group.*

Date: Friday, Dec. 14

Time: 7-10 p.m.

Location: Headquarters Regional Library at 2385 Orange Blossom Dr., Naples, FLA.

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Cost: Free but tickets required; tickets available at the Headquarters Regional Library, Marco Island Branch Library and Naples Regional Library or by mail.

Contact: (239) 593-0177 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS & PARENTS

HIGHLIGHTED PROGRAM-

Semi-Annual Bargain Book Sale by Naples Regional Library

Info: Grab a bargain book and enjoy reading a new adventure. The bargain book sale includes books, magazines, CDs, videos/DVDs and children's books at such low prices we won't ruin the surprise. Spend pennies and gain a wealth of knowledge!

Date: Friday, Oct. 26

Time: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. until inventory is gone

Location: Naples Regional Library at 650 Central Ave., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Price of books ranges from \$.50 to \$5

Contact: (239) 775-5592 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

Parent & Child Aquatics Level B by Collier County Parks & Recreation

Info: For ages two to five years old with a parent; children learn basics of swimming

Date: Oct. 15-Nov. 2 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays (no class Oct. 31)

Time: 5-5:30 p.m.

Location: Golden Gate Aquatic & Fitness Facility at 3300 Santa Barbara Blvd., Naples, FLA.

Cost: \$40 for eight sessions

Contact: (239) 353-7128 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Level One Swimming Lessons by Collier County Parks & Recreation

Info: For ages five to 12-years-old; children learn swimming strokes with instructor assistance

Date: Oct. 15-Nov. 2 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

Time: 5:45-6:15 p.m.

Location: Golden Gate Aquatic & Fitness Complex at 3300 Santa Barbara Blvd., Naples, FLA.

Cost: \$40 for eight sessions

Contact: (239) 353-7128 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Hip-Hop/Music Video Dance by Max Hasse Community Park

Info: For ages nine to 13; Kids learn hip-hop dance moves and create an awesome routine. Pre-registration is required.

Date: Oct. 5-26, Nov. 2-30 and Dec. 7-28 (Fridays)

Time: 4:30-5:30 p.m. for all sessions

Location: Max Hasse Community Park at 3390 Golden Gate Blvd. W., Naples, FLA.

Cost: \$55 for one four-week session

Contact: Michele Ryan (239) 262-1748 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

A Pet in my Pocket by Collier County Public Library & DAS

Info: Domestic Animal Services talks to kids (K+) about alternative pets like gerbils and hamsters

Date: Thursday, Sept. 13

Time: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Location: Vanderbilt Beach Branch Library at 788 Vanderbilt Beach Rd. Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 597-8444 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

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ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS & PARENTS CONTINUED

Science Guys Go on a Dinosaur Dig by Collier County Public Library

Info: Children bring their imaginations to life and help super scientists put together dinos; For K and up, registration required

Date: Thursday, Oct. 11

Time: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Location: Vanderbilt Beach Branch Library at 788 Vanderbilt Beach Rd. Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 597-8444 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

Youth Aerobics by Immokalee Sports Complex

Info: For ages 10 through 15 to help reduce obesity in youth, improve fitness and endurance

Date: Nov. 26-Dec. 19 (Mondays and Wednesdays)

Time: 3-4 p.m.

Location: Immokalee Sports Complex at 505 Escambia St., Immokalee, FLA.

Cost: \$20 for four weeks of classes

Contact: (239) 657-1951 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Santa's Workshop by Max Hasse Community Park

Info: Parents enjoy a day to themselves while children create holiday gifts and crafts and participate in holiday games; Parents use this time for holiday shopping

Date: Saturday, Dec. 8

Time: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Location: Max Hasse Community Park at 3390 Golden Gate Blvd. W., Naples, FLA.

Cost: \$10 per child

Contact: (239) 348-7500 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Bilingual Story Time (English/Spanish) all ages by Collier County Public Library *(recurring)*

Info: For those who are bilingual or wish to expose their children to both languages

Date: Thursdays through December 2007

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Golden Gate Branch Library at 4898 Coronado Parkway, Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 455-1441 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

Story Time Craft by Collier County Public Library *(recurring)*

Info: Children enjoy arts and crafts that go with a story theme and listen to a story

Date: Thursdays through December

Time: 11 a.m.

Location: Marco Island Branch Library at 210 S. Heathwood Dr., Marco Island, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 394-3272 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

Drop In Family Day Story Time by Collier County Public Library *(recurring)*

Info: The entire family enjoys story time and parents watch as children learn

Date: Saturday, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10 and Dec. 8

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Headquarters Regional Library at 2385 Orange Blossom Dr., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 593-0177 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

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FOR ADULTS & SENIORS

HIGHLIGHTED PROGRAM-

(NEW) Adopt-A-Pet by Collier County Public Library and Domestic Animal Services

Info: The East Naples Branch Library is proud to host an Adopt-A-Pet program in conjunction with its Public Services Division counterpart Domestic Animal Services. The library will educate customers about the health benefits of pets such as lowering blood pressure and reducing stress.

Date: Saturday, Sept. 22

Time: 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Location: East Naples Branch Library at 8787 Tamiami Tr. E., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Adoption fees if pets are adopted are \$58 for a dog and \$48 for a cat including the pet's Spay/neuter surgery, license, micro chip ID and a bag of food, a \$400 value

Contact: (239) 775-5592 (Collier County East Naples Branch Library)

Men's Softball – Men Over 35

Info: Teams must obtain a sponsor to pay their sponsorship fee to compete in Men's 35 Plus Softball with Collier County Parks & Recreation.

Date: Organizational meeting at North Collier Regional Park softball complex on Aug. 29 at 7 p.m.
League play begins Oct. 3

Time: Games times vary

Location: North Collier Regional Park Softball Complex

Cost: \$760 per player plus team sponsorship fee

Contact: Ed Torrone at (239) 254-4022

Water Aerobics by Collier County Parks & Recreation

Info: For adults only – keep in shape without impacting your joints and enjoy our beautiful weather

Date: Nov. 6-29 (Tuesdays, Thursdays)

Time: 10-11 a.m.

Location: Golden Gate Aquatic & Fitness Complex at 3300 Santa Barbara Blvd.

Cost: \$5 per class or \$45 for 12 sessions

Contact: (239) 353-7128 (Collier Parks Administration) or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Water Arthritis Exercise (Seniors only)

Info: For adults only with existing swimming skills to improve mobility in those with arthritis

Date: Sept. 4-Nov. 30 (Tuesdays and Fridays)

Time: 11 a.m.-Noon

Location: Golden Gate Aquatic & Fitness Facility at 3300 Santa Barbara Blvd.

Cost: \$1 donation required to Arthritis Foundation plus \$5 fee

Contact: (239) 353-7128 (Collier Parks Administration) or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

(NEW - VOTERS) League of Women Voters Constitutional Amendment Discussion

Info: The League of Women Voters explains the upcoming January constitutional amendments proposed and how it could affect your life in Southwest Florida. The public library systems encourages voters to learn about the ballot before voting in January of 2008. Pre-registration is required.

Date: Wednesday, Dec. 12

Time: 2 p.m.

Location: East Naples Branch Library at 8787 Tamiami Tr. E., Naples, FLA.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 775-5592 or visit www.colliergov.net/library

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FOR ADULTS & SENIORS CONTINUED

Zumba (Ages 13+)

(recurring)

Info: For exercise enthusiasts who like to have fun and dance! This fun dance, exercise class has taken America by storm – you won't want to stop dancing – steps are easy to learn.

Participants may be 13 years or older, however ages 13 and 14 require parent participation.

Date: Wednesdays (every week)

Time: 6-7 p.m.

Location: North Collier Regional Park RecPlex at 15000 Livingston Rd.

Cost: \$7 per class or free with a Max Hasse fitness membership (memberships: \$300/year, \$100/month, student memberships range \$125-165/year)

Contact: (239) 254-4066 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Cycle Alley (Ages 16+)

(recurring)

Info: Get your heart pumping in this push-it-to-the-max exercise class. Stationary Bikes are used for aerobic training to improve overall fitness – a popular class.

Date: Monday through Saturday

Time: 9:15 a.m. (Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays), 5:30 p.m. (Tuesdays, Thursdays) and 6:30 p.m. (Mondays, Wednesdays)

Location: North Collier Regional Park Exhibit Hall at 15000 Livingston Rd.

Cost: \$7 per class or free with a Max Hasse fitness membership (memberships: \$300/year, \$100/month, student memberships range \$125-165/year)

Contact: (239) 254-4066 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Shape Up With Sharon by Housing & Human Services Dept. (Seniors only)

Info: For people 55 plus – class improves muscular strength

Date: Wednesdays and Fridays

Time: 1-2 p.m.

Location: East Naples Community Park at 3500 Thomasson Dr.

Cost: Free

Contact: (239) 252-2273 or visit www.colliergov.net/parks

Find more programs online at the Public Services Division's department websites: www.colliergov.net/library, www.colliergov.net/pets, www.colliergov.net/parks, www.colliergov.net/veterans, www.colliergov.net/humanservices, www.colliergov.net/museum. Other departments may be visited at www.colliergov.net.

Note: A special release will be sent with all Halloween and holiday events/programs

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