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Go online to register for events and programs at otsegoparksrec.com!

The Otsego Parks and Recreation Department will be allowing participants to register for winter and spring programs. Preregistration is required for every event and program. No on-site registration will be allowed.



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SANTA DAY | HOLIDAY EVENTS





SANTA DAY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

FREE - PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED

The North Pole is coming to Otsego! The elves are busy transforming the City Shop into a winter wonderland for you and your friends/family to walk through. The kids will get to listen to holiday music, meet some of Santa's friends and say hi to Santa himself with an opportunity to take a selfie with him. Kids are allowed to hand a letter to Santa. Register early as space at the North Pole fills fast (space is limited).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 10:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.

This is a free event but you must pre-register for a time slot for your group to attend. No on-site registrations will be allowed and quantities are limited.

IF EVENT IS FULL, PLEASE ADD YOURSELF TO THE WAITLIST, WE WILL CONTACT YOU IF THERE IS AN OPENING.

LOCATION: OTSEGO CITY HALL, 13400 90TH ST. NE



TREE LIGHTING

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 6:00 p.m. at Prairie Center

Kick off the holiday season with the Otsego Tree Lighting! Join Mayor Stockamp as she lights the tree, accompanied by the joyful sounds of holiday carols from SOAR Regional Arts. Afterward, Sprinkles the Elf will lead everyone inside Prairie Center to warm up with hot chocolate and enjoy a delightful storytime. The Rogers Otsego Dayton Women of Today will be serving fresh popcorn as a tasty treat during the festivities. Kids will also have the special opportunity to write and mail their letters to Santa.

SANTA SHARK IN THE PARK HUNT

DECEMBER 2-DECEMBER 16

The Santa Shark in the Park Hunt is a fun and adventurous way to explore Otsego's parks this winter! From December 2 to December 16, weekly clues will guide participants in finding the hidden Santa Shark. Once found, post a picture on the Otsego Parks and Rec Facebook page (without revealing the location) to be entered into a grand prize drawing. The deadline for photo submissions is 8:00 a.m. on Monday, December 16. For more details, check out the Otsego Parks and Rec website or their Facebook page!

LETTERS TO SANTA

NOVEMBER 26 - DECEMBER 14

Drop off your child's letter, including a return address, by December 14 to receive a personal letter back from Santa! After the deadline, the elves will deliver all letters to Santa at the North Pole. Don't miss this magical opportunity!

Send child's letter to recreation@ci.otsego.mn.us or drop off letters at North Pole Mail Box located outside Prairie Center.



:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Brought to you





2025 WINTER FEST (FREE)

Bundle up for frosty fun at the newest event, Winter Fest! Enjoy snowshoeing through the snowy landscape, search for a hidden medallion, or experience the excitement of dogsledding. Warm up with hot cocoa by the fire when the cold hits. Thanks to the Bank of Elk River, there's a \$250 cash prize for the person who finds the hidden medallion!



Brought to you by Wright County and Otsego Parks and Recreation. For more details and to register, please visit our website.

WEEKDAY MORNING PRESCHOOL CAMPS AND PLAYTIME





OPEN PLAYTIME

AGES BIRTH-5

Open Playtime provides kids and their caregivers a chance to play, meet new friends and spend time together. There are toys, activities, crafts, and room to move. An adult must watch their participant; program staff are there to help facilitate the activities. This program runs during the school year. New

this year, check the website for the activity calendar to find out what special things are happening each time. Under one year of age is free and welcome to join! Check Facebook for weather related updates.

What people love about Open Playtime:

- Drop-in. Come one day or come all days.
- Meet new friends.
- A great space to play and get energy out during the cold months.
- Coffee for the adults, kids leave tired.

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS

November - December 12 & January 6 - May 2025

10:00-11:30 a.m. \$3/child

Please check website for days not meeting (No program Dec. 16-Jan. 2, Jan. 20, Feb. 17).

LOCATION: PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE



MINI ART CAMP - LOVE & THE COLOR RED THEME

We will use a variety of art materials to create masterpieces to take home. Come prepared to get messy (but leave the mess with us). Adult must accompany their participant(s). No prior art experience is necessary.

THURSDAYS: 3 SESSIONS

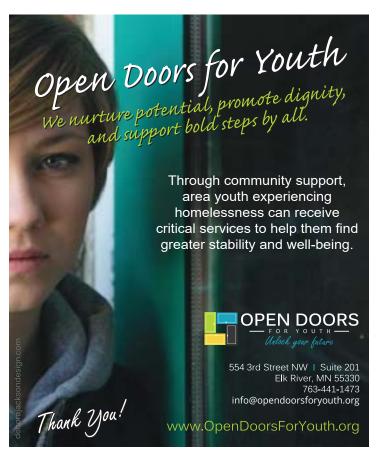
February 6-20 9:00-9:40 a.m. \$27

LOCATION: PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE









YOUTH PROGRAMS

TUMBLING CLASSES WITH ADULT

AGE 2

This adult/child class offers an intro to tumbling basics. Class will be full of tumbling, balance, and movement-based activities working to build strength, coordination, and fun. Dress for movement and bring water. Please note adult participation is required for the entire class. We recommend only taking this class one time.

SATURDAYS

9:00-9:25 a.m. **SESSION 1**: February 8-22 \$27 9:00-9:25 a.m. \$27 **SESSION 2**: March 1-15

LOCATION: INSIDE PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE

ACTIVE ALL-STARS

This class will focus on gross motor skills through a variety of games, activities, and socialization. This class will include things like Duck, Duck, Gray Duck/Goose, parachute games, relay races, and so much more. Whether it's running, jumping, or meeting new friends, every session promises fun and physical development. Come dressed to move and bring a water bottle.

SATURDAYS

SESSION 1: February 8-22 9:45-10:15 a.m. \$27 **SESSION 2**: March 1-15 9:45-10:15 a.m. \$27

LOCATION: INSIDE PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE

ULTIMATE NINJA CLASS

This program is all about building ninja skills. There will be obstacle courses, training exercises, and other ninja fitness activities. While an active program, there is an emphasis on fun and safety. Future ninjas should come dressed to move and bring a water bottle.

SATURDAYS

SESSION 1: February 8-22 10:30-11:00 a.m. \$27 SESSION 2: March 1-15 10:30-11:00 a.m. \$27

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YOUTH PROGRAMS



MULTI-SPORT CAMP WITH ADULT

These intro-to-sports camps introduce kids to the fundamentals of sports. There will be warm ups, drills, and skills. No prior experience is necessary. Sportsmanship will also be emphasized. Bring water and come dressed to move. Please bring a change of shoes to wear during class.

THURSDAYS

\$25 **SESSION 1**: February 6-30 \$25 **SESSION 2**: February 27-March 13

5:30-5:55 p.m. Age 2 year WITH ADULT

An adult must participate with their participant. Sports include soccer, basketball, and t-ball.

Ages 3-4 6:05-6:35 p.m.

Sports include soccer, basketball, and t-ball.

Ages 5-6 6:45-7:15 p.m.

Sports include soccer and basketball.



NEW! SPORTS INDOORS

We are taking our popular sports class to the gym! These introto-sports camps introduce kids to the fundamentals of sports. There will be warm-ups, drills and skills. No prior experience is necessary. Sportsmanship will also be emphasized. Bring water and come dressed to move. During inclement weather, please bring a change of shoes to wear for class. Sports include soccer, t-ball, and football (see one class that is t-ball only). Please note, to accommodate the most participants, classes are back-toback. Please be patient as the class before wraps up. Since these classes take place on school district property, classes will follow school cancellations for inclement weather. The price has been calculated to reflect the assumption one might get cancelled.

WEDNESDAYS: 4 SESSIONS

January 29-February 19 \$32 Ages 3-4 5:30-6:00 p.m.

6:00-6:30 p.m. Ages 5-6 Ages 5-6 (T-BALL ONLY) 6:30-7:00 p.m. Ages 6-7 7:00-7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: PRAIRIE VIEW ELEMENTARY

WINTER PARTIES

DOLL PARTY

AGES 3-7

Bring your doll friend for an evening of fun! We will have a mini tea party, create a few crafts and have a dance party. Doll crafts are based on 18-inch dolls. Please eat dinner before you arrive - a small snack will be served during the tea party.



VROOM, VROOM, BEEP, BEEP **AGES 3-7**

Calling all automobile enthusiasts. This party is for you! We will help clean the fleet with our own mini carwash, decorate our own vehicle, and race on tracks galore. A light snack will be provided (please eat dinner before you arrive). Must be potty trained.

FRIDAY MARCH 28

6:00-7:15 p.m. \$18/kid

LOCATION:

INSIDE PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE



ADULT PROGRAMMING

ADULT FITNESS

WEEKLY CLASSES AT PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE **ALL LEVELS AGES 12+**

CLASS FEES:

Electronic Group Fitness Punch Cards -

Each class, unless otherwise specified, is one punch.

- · 10 class punch card = \$55
- \cdot 5 class punch card = \$40

Come experience the community group fitness classes. We will be offering the following for our Winter Season: drumming, cardio dance, yoga, barre fusion, boot camp, and watch for Turbo Kick pop-ups!

You can always find the latest monthly schedule on our Facebook page as well as otsegoparksrec.com.

ADULT YOGA CLASS

This class incorporates a series of yoga poses designed to warm up your body and enhance your awareness of connecting breath to movement. Through basic yoga poses, we aim to improve both strength and flexibility. Modifications will be provided to accommodate all levels. Please bring your yoga mat and wear appropriate clothing.

SUNDAYS (4 SESSIONS):

January 5 - January 26 6:45-7:45 p.m. February 2 - March 2 (not meeting Feb. 9) 6:45-7:45 p.m.

You need to register for this class at otsegoparksrec.com.

FEE: \$20

LOCATION: PRAIRIE CENTER. 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL WINTER LEAGUE **JANUARY 2025**

Offered by the City of Otsego Parks & Recreation in partnership with Community Education. We are back and ready for some fun! Adult Women's Volleyball League consists of an 8-game regular season schedule with a single elimination tournament to follow. Matches are on Sunday evenings at 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 p.m. at Prairie View Elementary.

There will be a captain's meeting at 6:00 p.m. on December 15 via Zoom.

WINTER LEAGUE: SUNDAYS, JANUARY 12-MARCH 9

Not meeting February 9 and March 16. Inclement weather makeup day is March 13 (if needed).

Single elimination tournaments: March 23, March 30, and April 6

COST/TEAM: \$250

Deadline to Register: December 9

MOONLIGHT SNOWSHOEING CLASS **AGES 10-ADULT**

It's time to discover winter's wonders off the beaten path as we venture to and through areas accessible only by snowshoe in winter. Under the full moon this winter, explore the wonders of Otsego Prairie Park! Snowshoes are included

in the program.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 Ages 10-17 7:00-8:30 p.m. \$20 7:00-8:30 p.m. Ages 18 and up

LOCATION: MEET AT PRAIRIE CENTER 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE SNOWSHOEING WILL BE AT **PRAIRIE PARK**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OTHER UPCOMING FREE FAMILY COMMUNITY EVENTS IN 2025:

WINTER FEST - Saturday, February 1, 2025

EGG HUNT – Saturday, April 12, 2025

HOPPIN' HOUNDS EGG HUNT – Saturday, April 12, 2025

TOUCH A TRUCK EVENT - Tuesday, May 13, 2025

OTSEGO PRAIRIE FESTIVAL & CAR SHOW - Saturday.

PUMPKIN PATCH - Saturday, October 11, 2025

HOWLIN' HOUNDS – Saturday, October 11, 2025

TREE LIGHTING – Monday, December 2, 2025

SANTA DAY - Saturday, December 13, 2025

SANTA PAWS – Saturday, December 13, 2025

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Pumpkin Patch Highlights:

Despite a chilly start and light rain, this year's Pumpkin Patch was a huge success!

Around 600 kids enjoyed trick-or-treating at 18 stations along the trail, with exciting games, treats, and prizes provided by Otsego Coborn's, Abra Autobody and Glass, Pack 90 Scouts, and Otsego Parks and Recreation.

Special highlights this year included DJ Mike, who added extra fun with music and games for families, and Farmer Lewerenz, who brought tractors for kids to explore — with plenty of honking!

A big thank you to all the commissioners, council members, friends, and family who volunteered. Your support made this event possible!





55+ ACTIVITY CENTER

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD AT PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

ACTIVITY CENTER

The Prairie Center (8899 Nashua Ave. NE) is home to the Otsego 55+ Activity Center. Programs and classes are free unless listed. Questions about any programs? Call the Rec Line at 763.235.3148.

Mondays-Thursdays 10:00-3:00 p.m. (Closed on City Holidays)

LOCATION: PRAIRIE CENTER, 8899 NASHUA AVE. NE

55+ DRIVER DISCOUNT

JANUARY 8 & MAY 14 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | PRAIRIE CENTER

Complete this course to get a 10% discount on your auto insurance premiums! Taught as a presentation from a certified instructor, you'll discuss challenges we face as drivers, new road designs, vehicle technology, and updates on current laws. Best of all, there are no written or behind the wheel tests! Certificate will be provided at the end of class.

**8-hour initial class requirement has been removed as of July 1, 2024. Participants must take 4-hour course to initially earn the discount and then repeat the 4-hour class every three years to maintain the discount.

Cost is \$24 per participant. Pre-registration is required. Call 320.308.1400 or 1.888.234.1294 to register. You can also register at driverdiscountprogram.com.

MONDAYS:

HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME

Join us for an enjoyable game of Hand and Foot, a fun and strategic card game that's perfect for socializing and exercising your mind. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, this group is welcoming to all skill levels. Meet new friends, sharpen your card-playing skills, and have a great time. Light refreshments will be provided.

Mondays 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

BOOK CLUB

Join us for engaging discussions and literary adventures in our Senior Book Club! Each month, we delve into a new book, exploring different genres and authors. It's a fantastic opportunity to share your thoughts, discover new favorites, and connect with fellow book enthusiasts. Light refreshments are provided. For the current book list or any questions, please call the Rec Line at 763.235.3148.

The second Monday of the month 12:00-1:00 p.m.

CHAIR YOGA

Chair yoga increases flexibility, strength, and body awareness. It can be practiced either sitting or using chairs for support in various postures, designed to mindfully increase range of motion. This class is ideal for everyone.

Mondays 12:15-12:45 p.m.

SENIOR BINGO (FREE)

Come and enjoy a lively game of Bingo with fellow seniors! This fun and social event is a great way to keep your mind active and make new friends. Prizes will be awarded, and light refreshments will be served. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to Bingo, everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Mondays 1:00-3:00 p.m.

THE THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH IS THEME BINGO:

December 16 Celebrating the Holidays Bingo 1:00-3:00 p.m. Warm and Cozy Bingo 1:00-3:00 p.m. January 27 February 10 Cupid's Celebration 1:00-3:00 p.m.

TUESDAYS:

MAHJONGG

Discover the fascinating game of Mahjongg, a tile-based game that combines skill, strategy, and a bit of luck. Whether you're an experienced player or new to Mahjongg, this group offers a supportive and friendly environment to learn and enjoy the game. Join us for a fun and engaging session that's perfect for socializing and mental stimulation.

Tuesdays and/or Thursdays 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

SCRABBLE

Come join us for an enjoyable game of Scrabble, where word lovers unite! Whether you're a Scrabble enthusiast or new to the game, this is a great opportunity to challenge your vocabulary, make new friends, and have fun. Light refreshments will be provided. Beginners are always welcome!

Tuesdays 1:00-3:00 p.m.

INDOOR PICKLEBALL

Come try the exciting game of pickleball! This fun and engaging sport combines elements of tennis, badminton, and ping-pong. Whether you're a seasoned player or a beginner, you'll enjoy a great workout and the chance to meet new friends. We provide the paddles and balls, and players rotate in and out. Beginners are always welcome!

Tuesdays 5:30-8:30 p.m.

LOCATION: GUARDIAN ANGELS, 9200 QUANTRELLE AVE. (GYM)

WEDNESDAYS:

500 CARDS

Join us for a fun and engaging session of 500, a popular card game that combines elements of euchre and bridge. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, you'll find a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. Meet new friends, challenge your skills, and enjoy some light refreshments. Beginners are always welcome!

Wednesdays 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

55+ ACTIVITY CENTER

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SENIOR LINE DANCING

Get moving and have fun with Senior Line Dancing! This class offers a fantastic way to stay active while learning various dance routines in a supportive and friendly environment. Perfect for all skill levels, the class will help improve your coordination and provide a great social outlet. No prior dance experience is required—just bring your energy and enthusiasm!

Wednesdays 1:00-2:30 p.m.

CREATIVE ART CLASS

Unleash your creativity and join us for our Senior Art Class! Throughout the year, we'll be creating beautiful, holidaythemed art masterpieces in a relaxed and friendly environment. Whether you're an experienced artist or a beginner, this class is a wonderful opportunity to explore your artistic talents, meet new friends, and have fun. Most materials are provided and please call the Rec Line at 763.238.5421 to register.

The third Wednesday of the month, preregistration is required.

2:30-4:00 p.m.



SENIOR SOCIAL CRAFT HOUR

Bring your favorite craft project and join us for Social Craft Hour! Whether you knit, crochet, scrapbook, or enjoy any other craft, this is a wonderful opportunity to work on your projects in a relaxed and social environment. Meet new friends, share tips and ideas, and enjoy light refreshments as you craft and chat. All skill levels are welcome!

The first Wednesday of the month 2:30-4:00 p.m.

ACOUSTIC MUSIC JAM

Strummers and pickers, bring your acoustic guitar, ukulele, or other stringed instrument to our acoustic music jams at Prairie Center. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Join the fun of making music with other musicians in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. For more information, contact the Parks and Rec Line at 763.235.3148.

The second and fourth Wednesday of the month

6:00-7:30 p.m.

THURSDAYS:

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Tuesdays and/or Thursdays

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

MEXICAN TRAIN

Join us for a lively game of Mexican Train, a popular and easyto-learn dominoes game perfect for socializing and having fun. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, you'll find a welcoming and friendly group ready to share in the excitement. Enjoy a fun time filled with camaraderie, laughter, and friendly competition.

Thursdays 1:00-3:00 p.m.



