



Newsletter | June 2023

# SOUTH PORTLAND

## PARKS, RECREATION, AND WATERFRONT

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### **Skatepark Grand Opening**

**June 21, 4-6pm**

Join us for a ribbon cutting and celebration of the new South Portland Skatepark!



### **Concerts in the Parks**

[Learn More](#) about summer concerts in Mill Creek Park and Redbank.

### CONNECT WITH US

#### South Portland Community Center

21 Nelson Rd

South Portland, ME 04106

Hours: M-F 6a-9p, Sat 8a-5p, Sun 10a-6p

207-767-7650

[www.sopoparksrec.com](http://www.sopoparksrec.com)



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# Community Calendars

The South Portland Community Center and Redbank Community Center offer scheduled programs, open use, and drop-in programs. View the calendars to learn more about when these spaces are available for use.

## Pool

### Hours:

Monday-Friday  
6am-9pm  
Saturday 8am-5pm  
Sunday 10am-6pm

[Calendar](#)

## Senior Drop-in Center

### Hours:

Monday-Thursday  
9am-3pm  
Friday  
9am-12pm.

[Event Calendar](#)

## Teen Center

### Hours:

Monday-Friday  
2:30pm-6pm

[More Info](#)

[Calendar](#)

## Announcements

### Summer Hours

Summer hours at the South Portland Community Center go into effect Friday, May 26 through Labor Day.

#### Summer Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 6a-9p  
Friday: 6a-5p  
Sat/Sun: Closed

### We're Hiring

- Teen Center Program Assistant
- Boat Launch Attendant
- Parks Laborer
- Seasonal Grounds Maintainer
- Seasonal Lifeguards

Apply: Visit the [City Job Board](#) for full details.

## Closures

Community Centers and all city buildings are closed on the following days:

May 29 (Memorial Day)

June 19 (Juneteenth)

June 7-SPCC will be closed from 6a-9:30a



# May Highlights



The new playground on School St. is complete and has been named the Sgt. Jason W. Swiger Memorial Park.

Sgt. Jason W. Swiger, a South Portland native who frequented the playground as a child, and who was killed while serving in Iraq in 2007.



Stormy weather washed ashore a (deceased) sturgeon on Willard Beach. Sturgeons are an endangered species.

Teen Center teens enjoyed lots of great weather for ice cream parties!



Youth Lacrosse started up in April and they are now approaching the end of their season.



# Youth Programs

## Teen Center

### Mission Statement

To provide Middle School and High School aged students with a fun, safe place to spend their after school hours in an environment that is free of violence and intimidation, encouraging the development of social and emotional growth among its teen members.

**June 8th is the last day for the Teen Center for the school year.**

[More Info](#)



## Bike Rodeo

**Date:** June 17

**Time:** Saturday, 10a-12p

**Location:** SPCC Parking Lot

### Program Cost

FREE, registration required

[Register](#)



## Youth Triathlon

**Ages:** 7-14

**Date:** June 25

**Time:** Sunday, 9a-10:30a

**Location:** SPCC

### Program Cost

Resident \$15

Non-resident \$30

[Register](#)







## Scott Mann Junior Golf Academy

**Ages 6-9:** Wednesdays

June 14 - July 12

**Ages 10-13:** Thursdays

June 15 - July 13

**Times:** 9-10:15am

**Location:** SP Municipal Golf Course

### Program Cost

Resident: \$90

Non-resident: \$100



## Start Smart Golf

**Ages:** 3-5

**Program Date:** June 13-July 18

**Times:** Tuesday, 5:30-6:15pm

**Location:** Redbank Community Center

### Program Cost

Resident: \$90

Non-resident: \$100

[Register](#)

[Register](#)



## Riot Pride Football Clinic

**Dates:** Thursdays, June 29-July 27

**Grade 2-4 Time:** 5:30-6:30p

**Grade 5-6 Time:** 6-8p

**Grade 7-8 Time:** 6-8p

**Location:** SPHS Stadium

### Program Cost

Residents: \$50

Non-Residents: \$60

[Register](#)



## Advantage Tennis for Kids

**Dates:** Wednesdays, June 21- July 19

**Ages 5-7 Time:** 8:30-9:30a

**Ages 8-11 Time:** 9:30-10:30a

**Location:** SPHS Tennis Courts

### Program Cost

Residents: \$80

Non-Residents: \$90

[Register](#)



## Karate Kids

**Ages:** 5-12

**Dates:** June 2-30

**Times:** Fridays, 4-5p

**Location:** SPCC

### Program Cost

Residents: \$60

Non-Residents: \$70

[Register](#)



Camp	Age	Dates	Cost	Register
Nothing But Net Girls Summer Basketball Camp	Grade 2-8	Jun 20-23 & Jul 17-20	Varies by Session R: \$45-\$120 NR: \$55-\$130	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Big Red Boys Basketball Camp	Grade 2-8	Jun 26-30	R: \$120 NR: \$130	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Steamworks for Kids-STEM Camps Topics: Dino Dig, Wonderful Wizardry, Ancient Egypt	Age 6-11	Jun 26-30 & Jul 24-28	R: \$190 NR: \$200	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Track & Field Camp	Grade 2-9	Jun 19-29 & Jul 3-13	Varies by Session R: \$40-70 NR: \$50-80	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>





Camp	Age	Dates	Cost	Register
Maineix Lacrosse Camp	Grade 3-8	Jul 5-7	R: \$115 NR: \$125	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Grand Slam Tennis Summer Camp	Age 7-16	Jul 10-14	R: \$182 NR: \$192	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Junior Police Academy Camp	Grade 6-8	Jul 10-14	R: \$80 NR: \$90	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Mr. Reagan's Theater Camp	Age 6-12	Jul 17-21	R: \$200 NR: \$210	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Movie Magic Dance Camp with Drouin Dance	Age 3-8	Jul 24-28	R: \$85 NR: \$95	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>
Edge Academy Baseball Camp	Age 6-14	Jul 31-Aug 4	Varies by Session R: \$140-225 NR: \$150-235	<a href="#">Sign-up</a>



# August Summer Camps

Camp	Age	Dates	Cost	Register
Red Riot Boys Youth & Middle School Lacrosse Camp	Grade 3-8	Aug 1-10	R: \$60 NR: \$70	<a href="#"><u>Sign-up</u></a>
Challenger Sports: British Soccer Camps	Age 2-14	Aug 7-11	Varies by Session R: \$120-\$225 NR: \$130-\$235	<a href="#"><u>Sign-up</u></a>
Challenger Sports: Multi-Sport Camps	Age 3-14	Aug 14-18	Varies by Session R: \$85-\$210 NR: \$95-\$220	<a href="#"><u>Sign-up</u></a>
Paddle Summer Camp	Age 8-18	Aug 14-18	R: \$225 NR: \$235	<a href="#"><u>Sign-up</u></a>
Cross Country Running Camp	Grade 5-9	Aug 14-18 & Aug 21-25	R: \$40 NR: \$50	<a href="#"><u>Sign-up</u></a>



# Adult Programs

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM MAY

**Ladies participating in the Scott Mann Golf Academy Clinic have had some great days on the course!**



**Team "I am Wes Mantooth" Won the Spring Monday League for Adult Basketball!**



**Unified Sports with Special Olympics Maine is off to a fun start! Unified Sports plays a variety of different sports that are inclusive for all, including floor hockey! Space is still available in this free program!**



# Tennis

## Adult Cardio Tennis

**Dates:** June 6- July 15

**Times:**

Saturdays, 8a-9am OR

Tuesdays, 5:30p-6:30p

**Location:** SPHS Tennis Courts

### Program Cost

Residents: \$65

Non-Residents: \$75

Drop-in: \$15

[Register](#)

## Tennis Skills & Drills

**Dates:** June 19-July17

**Times:** 6-7:30p

**Location:** SPHS Tennis Courts

### Program Cost

Residents: \$70

Non-Residents: \$80

Drop-in: \$20

[Register](#)

# Art

# Dance

## Watercolors

Watercolors Part 2

**Dates:** June 9- July 14 (no class 6/30)

**Times:** Fridays, 9-10a

**Location:** SPCC

### Program Cost

Residents: \$60

Non-Residents: \$70

[Register](#)

## Aerobic Dance

Evening Session

**Dates:** June 5-28 (no class 6/19)

**Times:** Mon & Wed,  
5:30p-6:30p

**Location:** SPCC Aerobic Room

### Program Cost

Residents: \$52.50

Non-Residents: \$62.50

[Register](#)

## Aerobic Dance

Morning Session

**Dates:** June 27-July 27 (no class 7/4)

**Times:** Tues & Thurs,  
6:45a-7:45a

**Location:** SPCC Aerobic Room

### Program Cost

Residents: \$67.50

Non-Residents: \$77.50

[Register](#)





# Adult Sport Leagues

## Adult Basketball League

### Monday League

**Dates:** June 5- August 14

**Times:** Games from 6p-9p

**Location:** SPCC

#### Program Cost

Residents: \$65

Non-Residents: \$75

[Register](#)

**Registration Deadline: 5/29**

## Adult Basketball League

### Thursday League

**Dates:** June 15- August 17

**Times:** Games from 6p-9p

**Location:** SPCC

#### Program Cost

Residents: \$65

Non-Residents: \$75

[Register](#)

**Registration Deadline: 6/8**

## Adult Softball League

### Tuesday League

**Dates:** June 27- September 11

(Please note these are new dates!)

**Times:** Games from 5:30p-8:30p

**Location:** Wainwright Fields

#### Team Cost

Residents: \$550

Non-Residents: \$560

#### Free Agent Cost

Residents: \$50

Non-Residents: \$60

[Register](#)

**Registration Deadline: 6/16**

## Adult Softball League

### Sunday League

**Dates:** August 27- October 29

**Times:** Games from 9a-12p

**Location:** Wainwright Fields

#### Team Cost

Residents: \$550

Non-Residents: \$560

#### Free Agent Cost

Residents: \$50

Non-Residents: \$60

[Register](#)

**Registration Deadline: 8/16**

# Senior Programs

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM MAY

Testing out  
jewelry  
equipment on  
the Chaya  
Studio Hidden  
Gems Tour.



Getting a tour  
of the Nation  
Weather  
Service  
Station in  
Gray, ME.



Celebrating  
the coronation  
of the King  
with a Cream  
Tea!





Sing-a-long Songs with Abby | March 2023

## Presentations

### Evergreen Credit Union Series

**Program Dates:** June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29  
**Times:** Thursday, 9:30-10:30a  
**Location:** SPCC Senior Drop-in Center

**Program Cost**  
FREE (must register)

[Register](#)

### Nature Themed Presentation Topic: Insects

**Program Date:** June 5  
**Times:** Monday, 10-11a  
**Location:** Meet at Hinckley Park

**Program Cost**  
FREE (must register)

[Register](#)

### Keep the Lights On Brain Health

**Program Dates:** June 2, 9, 16  
**Times:** Friday, 9-10a  
**Location:** SPCC Senior Drop-in Center

**Program Cost**  
Residents: \$24  
Non-Residents: \$34

[Register](#)

### Hobbs Funeral Home Workshops

**Program Date:** June 21  
**Times:** Wednesday, 9-10:30a  
**Location:** SPCC Senior Drop-in Center

**Program Cost**  
FREE (must register)

[Register](#)



Laughter Yoga | January 2023

## Fitness

### Vitality T'ai Chi

**Dates:** June 6 & 20

**Time:** Tuesday, 1-2pm

**Location:** SPCC Aerobic Room

**Program Cost:** \$5

[Register](#)

### Step Into Fitness

**Dates:** June 1, 8, 15, 22

**Times:** Thursday, 11:30-12:15pm

**Location:** SPCC Multi-purpose Room

**Program Cost**

Residents: \$20

Non-Residents: \$30

[Register](#)

### Chair Fitness

**Dates:** June 1, 8, 15, 22

**Time:** Thursdays, 12:30-1:15p

**Location:** SPCC Multi-purpose Room

**Program Cost**

Residents: \$20

Non-Residents: \$30

[Register](#)

### Laughter Yoga

**Dates:** June 30

**Times:** Friday, 12-1p

**Location:** SPCC Senior Drop-in Center

**Program Cost**

FREE (must register)

[Register](#)

## Trips

### Walk & Picnic at Gisland Farm

**Dates:** June 6

**Times:** Tuesday, Departs at 9:30am

**Location:** Meet at SPCC

**Program Cost**

\$5

[Register](#)



# Aquatics Programs

## Summer Lesson Registration

### Resident Registration:

Monday June 5 beginning at 7am

### Non-resident Registration:

Thursday June 8 beginning at 7am

## Pool Events

### Flick and Float

Come watch Finding Nemo in the pool!

**Date:** June 30

**Times:** Friday, 5-7:30pm

**Location:** SPCC Pool

### Program Cost

R: \$7 | NR \$12

[Register](#)

Willard Beach is equipped with two beach wheel chairs. Please contact Patrick McArdle to coordinate your next visit: [pmcardle@southportland.org](mailto:pmcardle@southportland.org)



# Municipal Golf Course

**The golf course is now open! For course updates, please follow South Portland Parks & Recreation on Facebook. We hope to see you on the course!**

### Tee Times:

7am-Sunset

Tee times can be made up to two days in advance by calling 775-0005. Tee times are scheduled in 15-minute intervals. Walk-ups are permitted and accommodated when possible.

[More Info](#)



# Conservation and Parks

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM MAY

Park Rangers attended Springfest to teach kids about the many things found in South Portland Parks.

They also attended the Farmer's Market with samples of knotweed-based treats, including a delicious strawberry knotweed pie!



Turtles galore! How many turtles have you spotted in Hinckley Pond this year?



Baby geese and ducks can be spotted in the parks. As cute as they are, please remember to give them space and please do not feed them.

## Programs

### Guided Story Walk for Families

**Date:** June 10

**Time:** 10am

**Location:** Hinckley Park

**Program Cost**  
Free

[More info](#)

### Junior Ranger

**Ages:** 5-12

**Date:** June 22

**Time:** 10a-12p

**Location:** Hinckley Park

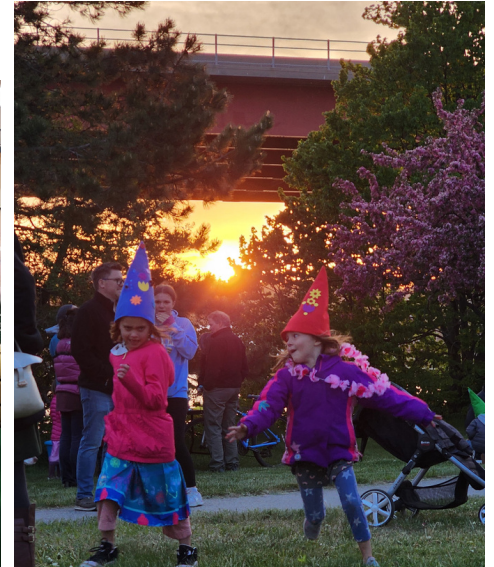
**Program Cost**  
Free, please register

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# Special Events

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM SPRINGFEST

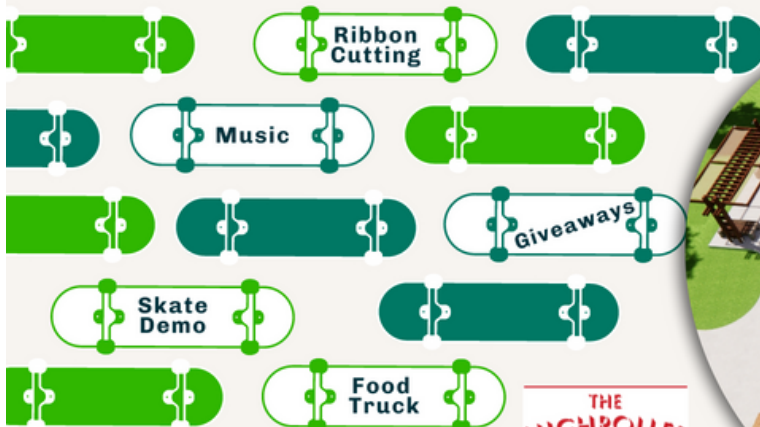


## South Portland Skatepark Grand Opening



**JUNE 21 | 4-6PM**  
ACROSS FROM THE SOUTH PORTLAND

Join us on national 'Go Skateboard Day' as we celebrate the grand opening of our completed skatepark!



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YOU ARE INVITED TO A  
**FREE PICNIC & CONCERT SERIES**  
IN SOUTH PORTLAND'S WEST END

**WHEN\*:**  
5:30pm Tuesday, June 13 | July 18 | August 1

**WHERE:**  
Redbank Community Center Outdoor Fields & Gazebo | 95 Macarthur Cir W.

**Free picnic dinner**  
**Yard games**  
**Music:**  
June 13: Flukes  
July 18: Ideal Maine Band  
August 1: Maine Marimba Ensemble

Bring a chair or blanket to sit  
\*no rain dates

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# MILL CREEK

# CONCERT SERIES

## 2023 SCHEDULE\*:

June 28- Downeast Brass  
July 12- Andi Fawcett  
July 19- Stone Broke Music  
July 26- Studio Two  
August 2- Country Roads

*Music starts at 6:30pm!*



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\*Schedule subject to change. In the event of poor weather, concerts will be canceled. Check our social media and website for updates:  
[www.sopoparksrec.com](http://www.sopoparksrec.com)





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FIREWORK VIEWS

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This month we're featuring:

## **Town & Country Federal Credit Union**



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In June, Town & Country is celebrating Home Ownership Month by offering **NO APPRAISAL FEES** on all mortgages – new or refi, home equity loans and home equity lines of credit to make living and staying in our community more affordable.

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