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## SOUTH PORTLAND

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### Earth Day Resource Fair

Moved indoors to the South Portland Community Center!

**View the Details** 



### **Springfest**

May 16: Redbank Community

Center

May 17: Mill Creek Park

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### **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.southportlandme.myrec.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

### **Teen Center**

#### Hours:

Monday-Friday 2:30pm-6:00pm

More Info

### Senior Drop-in Center

#### Hours:

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

**Event Calendar** 

### **Announcements**

### Closures

The SPCC Pool will be closed on the following days for lifeguard training:

May 26 (Memorial Day)

### Outdoor Pickleball Courts

The High School tennis courts have 2 lined pickleball courts on the very far court. We will be putting 2 pickleball nets out there by early May that will remain through the summer season for people to enjoy.

Please note that priority usage is for school sanctioned activities and City of South Portland Recreation programs. Public drop-in play is allowed if courts are available and is on a first come, first served basis.



## **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.

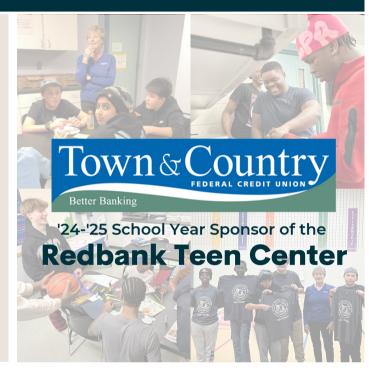
Open to any student Grades 6-12 that resides in South Portland

Days: Mon-Fri, 2:15-6:00p\*

**Location:** Redbank Community Center \*Schedule is subject to change at anytime

Program Cost

**More Info** 



# Middle School Rec Clubs

#### First Aid & CPR

Dates: May 14-15 Time: 3:05-4:35p Location: SPMS

**Program Cost** \$25

Register

### Rugby

Dates: May 1-22

Time:

Grades 7-8: 2:10-2:55p Grades 5-6: 3-3:45p **Location:** SPMS Multipurpose Room

**Program Cost** 

FREE

Register

### **Pickleball**

Dates: May 1-29

Times:

Grades 7-8: 2:10-2:55p Grades 5-6: 3-3:45p **Location:** SPMS Outdoor

Courts

**Program Cost** 

\$50



### **Rhythmic Gymnastics**

Dates: May 7-28

Times: Wednesdays, 4:00-5:15p

**Ages**: 4-8

Location: SPCC Multipurpose Room

**Program Cost** Residents: \$120

Non-Residents: \$130

Register



### Tennis is the Parks: Learn & Play

Grade 1-2: May 3-June 14 Time: Saturday, 8-9a

Grade 3-5: May 3-June 14 Time: Saturday, 9-10a Grade 6-8: May 3-31

Time: Saturday, 10-11:30a

Location: Small School Tennis Courts

Program Cost
Residents:\$80
Non-resident: \$90

Register



### Intro to Youth Rugby

Dates: March 6-27

Times: Tuesdays 4:30-5:30p

Grades: K-4

Location: Wainwright Fields

**Program Cost**Residents: \$25

Non-residents: \$35

Register



### Lax Magic

Dates: May 1-29

Times: Thursday, 5:30-6:30p

**Grades**: K-2

**Location:** Wainwright Fields

**Program Cost** 

Residents: \$50 Non-Residents: \$80



### POP! Preschool Open Play

Dates: Oct 1-May 27 Time: Tuesdays, 9a-11a

Ages: 5 and under accompanied by adult Location: Redbank Community Center

#### **Program Cost**

Residents: \$4 Non-Residents: \$5

### **Storytime**

Dates: Oct 1-May 27 Time: Tuesdays, 10:30a-

11a

Ages: All, under 12 accompanied by adult Location: Redbank Community Center

#### **Program Cost**

FREE

### **Tiny Tykes Soccer**

Dates: May 4-June 8

Time: Sundays,

10a-10:45a & 11a-1:45a

**Ages:** 2-5

**Location:** Redbank Community Center

### **Program Cost**

Residents: \$120

Non-Residents: \$130

Register



### Curry College Basketball Camp

**Dates:** July 21-25 **Times: M-F,** 9a-2:30p

Ages: 7-14

Location: SPCC Gym

#### **Program Cost**

Residents: \$299

Non-Residents: \$309

Register



### Scott Mann Golf Academy Junior Clinics

Dates: June 18-July 16

Times: Wednesdays, 9a-10:15a

Ag**es**: 6-13

**Location:** South Portland Municipal Golf

Course

### **Program Cost**

Residents: \$50

Non-Residents: \$80



Scholarships are available for all youth programs!

Visit <u>www.sopoparksrec.com</u> for eligibility requirements and an application form in English, Français, Português, or Español.

=Full Day, sessions go from morning to afternoon

=Half Day, sessions are over 2hrs either in the morning or afternoon =Partial Day, sessions are 1-2hrs

=Partial Day, sessions are 1-2hrs either in the morning or afternoon

### June Summer Camps

Camp	Age	Dates	Cost	Info
Lil' Red Riot Hoopers	Grade K-2	June 16-20 M, T, W, F (no program 6/19)	R: \$50 NR: \$60	Program Details
Young Chefs Challenge	Age 6-12	June 16-20 M, Tu, W, F (no program 6/19)	R:\$125 NR: \$135	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>
Nothing But Net Girls Basketball Camp	Grade 2-9	June 23-27 M-F	R: \$120 NR: \$130	Program Details
Steamworks for Kids Topics vary by session	Age 6-11	June 23-27 M-F AM & PM Sessions	R: \$195 NR: \$205 Cost is per session	Program Details
Track & Field Camp	Grade 2-9	Session 1: June 16- 19, 23-26 Session 2: June 30- Jul 3, 7-10 M-Th	R: \$75/session, \$120 for both NR: \$85/session, \$130 for both	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>
Princess & Pirates Dance Camp	Age 3-8	June 23-27 M-F	R:\$90 NR: \$100	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>

### **July Summer Camps**

Camp	Age	Days	Cost 1	Info
Steamworks for Kids Topics vary by session	Age 6-11	July 7-11 July 21-25 M-F AM & PM sessions	R: \$195 NR: \$205 Cost is per session	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>
Big Red Boys Basketball Camp	Grades 2- 9	July 7-11 M-F	R: \$150 NR: \$160	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>
Grand Slam Tennis Summer	Age 7-15	July 7-11 M-F	R: \$190 NR: \$200	Program Details
Junior Police Academy Camp (JPAC)	Grade 6-8	July 14-18 M-F	R: \$80 NR: \$90	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>
Roll Riot Soccer Camp	Age 6-14	July 14-17 M-Th	R: \$75 (resident only)	Program Details
Strong Girls United Camp	Grade K-4	July 14-16 M-W	R: \$90 NR: \$100	Program Details
Riot Pride Middle School Football Camp	Grade 5-8	July 21, 23, 28, 30 M & W	R: \$55 NR: \$65	Program Details
Riot Pride Flag Football	Grade K-4	July 22, 29 & Aug 5 Tuesdays	R: \$40 NR: \$50	Program Details
Mr. Reagan's Theater Camp	Age 7-11	July 28-Aug 1 M-F	R: \$225 NR: \$235	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>
Mad Science Topics vary by session	Grade K-6	Session 1: July 14-18 Session 2: July 28- Aug 1	R: \$415/session NR: \$425/session	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>

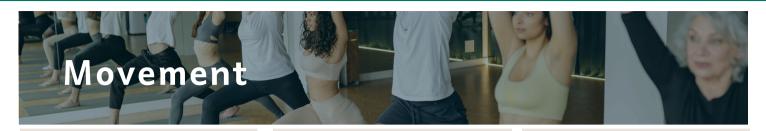
**Registration Now Open!** 

### August Summer Camps

Camp	Age	Days	Cost	Info
All Girls Sports Camp	Grade 2-8	Aug 11-15 M-F	R: \$90 NR: \$100	<u>Program</u> <u>Details</u>
Steamworks for Kids Topics vary by session	Age 6-11	Aug 4-8 M-F	R: \$195 NR: \$205 Cost is per session	Program Details
Challenger Sports: Creative Skills	Age 2-14	Aug 18-22	Varies by Session R: \$122-\$300 NR: \$132-\$310	Program Details
Challenger Sports: Foundational Skill	Age 2-14	Session 1: Aug 4- Aug8 Session 2: Aug 25- 29 M-F	Varies by Session R: \$122-\$300 NR: \$132-\$310	Program Details
Cross Country Running Camp	Grade 5-9	Session 1: Aug 11- 15 Session 2: Aug 18-22 M-F	R: \$50 NR: \$60	Program Details
Mad Science Topics vary by session	Grade K-6	Aug 11-15 M-F	R: \$415/session NR: \$425/session	Program Details
Mr. Regan's Eco-Adventure Camp	Age 8-11	Aug 4-8 M-F	R: \$375 NR: \$385	Program Details



## Adult Programs



### Beginner Line Dance

Date: May 7-June 25 Time: Wednesdays,

10:45-11:45a

Location: SPCC Multi-

purpose Room **Program Cost** Resident: \$32

Non-resident: \$42

Drop-in: \$5

Register

### Mindful Movement Yoga

Date: May 1- June 12

Time: Thursdays,

6:30-7:30p

Location: SPCC Multi-

purpose Room Program Cost

Resident: \$70

Non-resident: \$80

Drop-in: \$12

Register

### Intro to Bellydancing

Date: May 1- June 12

Time: Thursdays,

6:30-7:30p

Location: SPCC Aerobic

Room

**Program Cost** 

Residents:\$72 Non-resident: \$82

Drop-in: \$15

Register

### Pickleball

### Beginner Pickleball Lessons

**Date:** May 5-28

Time: Wednesdays,

5:30-6:30p Location: SPCC

### **Program Cost**

Residents: \$70 Non-resident: \$80

Register

### Improvers Pickleball Lessons

Date: May 7-28

Time: Wednesdays,

6:30-7:30p Location: SPCC

### **Program Cost**

Residents: \$70 Non-resident: \$80

Register

### Evening Pickleball Open Gym

Date: May 1-29 Time: Tuesdays,

6:30-8:30p

Location: Redbank Gym

### **Program Cost**

Residents:\$4 drop-in Non-resident: \$5 drop-in

**More Info** 



### Beginner Soft Pastels Animals

Dates: February 8- March 8
Time: Saturdays, 10:30a-12p
Location: SPCC Casco Bay Room

Program Cost
Residents: \$65
Non-Residents: \$75

Register



#### Scott Mann Golf Academy-Ladies Golf Clinics

Dates: May 7-28

Time: Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15p Location: SP Municipal Golf Course

Program Cost
Residents: \$130
Non-Residents: \$140

Register



### **Unified Sports**

**Date:** May 1-29 **Time:** 10a-12p

Location: Redbank Gym

**Program Cost** 

**FREE** 

**More Info** 



### Adult (18+) Evening Basketball Open Gym

Date: January 1- May 28

Time: Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00p

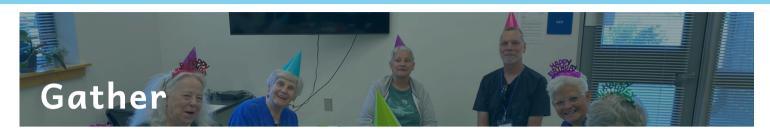
Location: Redbank Gym

**Program Cost** 

Residents: \$4 drop-in Non-resident: \$5 drop-in

**More Info** 

## Senior Programs



### **Monthly Birthdays**

Date: May 5
Times: 10-11a

Location: SPCC Senior

Drop-in Center

Program Cost FREE (please register)

Register

### Intro to Bio Field Tuning

Date & Times:

Thursday, May 8 from

3:00-4:00p

Tuesday, May 20 from

9:00-10:00a

**Location:** SPCC Casco Bay

Room

**Program Cost** 

FREE, registration required

<u>Register</u>

### Maine Health Access to Care-Medicare Savings Program Overview

Dates: May 7

Times: Wednesday, 10-11a

**Location:** SPCC Senior

Drop-in Center

### **Program Cost**

FREE, registration required

Register



#### Older American's Month Celebration

Date: May 15 Times: 10-2p

Location: SPCC Casco Bay Room

**Program Cost** 

\$15

Register



### Mr. Drew and His Animals Too!

Date: May 1

Times: Departs 8:30a

Location: Departs from SPCC Senior

Drop-in Center

**Program Cost** 

\$12

<u>Register</u>



### **ZUMBA- Exercise in Disguise**

#### **Tuesdays**

Dates: May 6, 13, 20 & 27

Times: 3:00-4:00pm

Location: SPCC Multi-purpose Room

#### **Program Cost**

Residents: \$36

Non-Residents: \$46

Drop-in: \$10

### **Fridays**

**Dates:** May 9, 16, 23 & 30 **Times:** 10:30-11:30pm

Location: SPCC Multi-purpose Room

Register

### Vitality T'ai Chi

Date: May 6 & 20 Time: Tuesdays, 1-2p Location: SPCC Aerobic

Room

### **Program Cost**

Residents:\$14 Non-resident: \$24

Drop-in: \$8

Register

### Laughter Yoga

Date: May 30

Time: Friday, 12-1p Location: SPCC Senior

Drop-in Center

### **Program Cost**

FREE (must register)

## **Aquatics Programs**

**Daily Fees:** 

Residents: Adults \$5 | Youth/Seniors \$4 Non-Residents: Adult \$6 | Youth/Seniors \$5

Frequent User Passes:

Residents: Adults \$70 | Youth/Seniors \$50 Non-Residents: Adult \$90 | Youth/Seniors \$70 View Pool Calendar (Apr 1-May 31)

## Summer Swim Lesson Registration Dates Residents: Monday, June 2

Non-Residents: Thursday, June 5

As Spring lessons come to a close this month, we are gearing up for summer programming. Our Summer Swim Lessons look different than the rest of the year. There are NO weekend offerings, just weekday mornings and evenings. Evening lessons will look the same on Tuesdays (younger kids) and Thursdays (older kids). For morning time, we will offer two different 4 week long sessions in which kids come to swim TWO times per week for a total of 8 lessons over those 4 weeks. We will have classes for all of our youth lessons for kids 1-14 yo. If you are available to join us for one or both sessions, we can assure that your child will progress this summer in swimming. Kids tend to really shine in this format of swimming more often over a shorter amount of time. We are excited to offer this style of lessons each summer.

### Golf Course

### The <u>South Portland</u> <u>Municipal Golf Course</u> is open for the season!

Call 775-0005 for tee times. Walk-ups welcome!

### Greens Fees (18 holes per day):

Monday-Friday: \$18

Saturday, Sunday & Holiday: \$20

#### **Play Passes:**

10 Play Pass: \$155 5 Play Pass: \$80

### **Conservation and Parks**









Lawns cover 40 million acres (2% of land) in the US. Areas with just grass provide no benefit to pollinators and fragment needed habitats.

#### What if I don't have flowers in my lawn?

Mix in species like dandelions, clover, and violets in with grass to help feed pollinators.

My grass will get too tall and my mower cant handle it!

Set mower height to 3-4 inches and mow every 2-3 weeks to increase flower blooms while keeping grass shorter.

#### What if I don't like the look of a tall lawn?

You can always split your lawn into portions, designating one area for pollinator plants and the rest for grass.

#### What will my neighbors think?

Let your neighbors know that there is a reason for the lawn looking a little wild and consider putting up a sign. Mow a small border along sidewalks and paths to keep it tidy.

For this month's challenge, test out a new slow-to-mow routine and observe how it goes.

Many low flowering plants will adapt to the routine by flowering lower to the ground. Keep the effort going until October to help your yard be an asset to soil, water, and pollinators!

### Learn

### **Junior Ranger**

**Date:** May 10 **Time:** 10a-12p **Ages:** 5-12

**Location:** Trout Brook Nature Preserve

**Program Cost:** FREE, please

register

Register

### **Hinckley Park Story Walk**

Date: May 19

Time: 10:30a-11:30a

**Ages: 2-10** 

Location: Hinckley Park

**Program Cost: FREE** 

Learn More

### **Special Events**









Celebrate our planet and find the resources you need to care for it throughout the year!

### Fair Highlights

- Connect with Eco-focused Community Groups with activities & demos for adults and kids
- Lamp & Sweater Repair Demos
- Bike Repair & Maintenance Demos
- Participate in the Community Clean-up
- · Learn about recreational opportunities
- Food trucks, Music & more!



April 26

10a-2p

Location
South Portland
Community
Center

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### **Special Events**



## SOUTH PORTLAND SPRINGFEST COMMUNITY CELEBRATION 2025

### FRIDAY, MAY 16 @ RED BANK COMMUNITY CENTER

SPRINGFEST KICKOFF WITH ACTIVITIES AND ICE CREAM FOR ALL, STARTING @ 5:30 PM

### SATURDAY MAY 17 @ MILL CREEK PARK

**8 AM: UNSTOPPABLE GNOME COMMUNITY ROAD RACE** 

11 AM TO 3 PM: SPRINGFEST CORNHOLE CHAMPIONSHIP • BANDS ON THE HOUR @ THE GNOMEZEBO STAGE • CHILDREN'S ENTREPRENEUR MARKETPLACE • HINCKLEY STREET FOOD TRUCK TAKEOVER • DEE DEE'S INCREDIBLE GNOME HAT DECORATION STATION COMMUNITY ART • KIDS ACTIVITIES!

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## Miracles in Motion: Join Us for a Fun-Filled Evening Supporting the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital!

Trademark Federal Credit Union is excited to announce the second annual Miracles in Motion event on **May 15th from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM** at our South Portland branch. This community fundraiser supports the **Barbara Bush Children's Hospital**, and we need your help to make it even bigger and better than last year!

#### Why Attend?

Last year, we raised **\$10,000 for BBCH**, and we're aiming for that same lofty goal this year and we know we can reach it with your support! Every dollar raised from raffle tickets and donations goes directly to supporting the children and families who depend on BBCH.

#### **Event Highlights:**

- **Live Music:** Enjoy the incredible Don Campbell Trio, kicking off the evening with a blend of original tunes and classic covers. Then get ready to dance the night away with After Dark Band featuring Andi Fawcett, bringing high-energy hits that will keep you on your feet!
- **Delicious Food:** Hungry? Vintage Dogs Food Truck will be on-site, serving tasty treats (cash/card accepted).
- Exciting Raffles: Don't miss your chance to win fantastic prizes all for a great cause!

This is a **free family-friendly event**, so bring your loved ones and make it a fun night out. Whether you're here for the music, the food, or the chance to win a raffle, you'll be supporting a truly worthwhile cause!

#### Why We Do This:

At Trademark FCU, we believe in doing **meaningful, purposeful work** that makes a difference. This event is just one of the ways we live out our mission of supporting our community. By coming together for *Miracles in Motion*, we help ensure that the children at Barbara Bush Children's Hospital continue to receive the care they need.

#### **Get Involved:**

Mark your calendars for **May 15th, 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM** at our South Portland branch! Your support makes all the difference, so don't miss out on this incredible evening. For more information or to make a donation, visit <u>Miracles in Motion - Trademark Federal Credit Union in Maine</u> and join the conversation on social media using **#MiraclesInMotion.** We can't wait to see you there!