

# 2015 SUMMER CAMPS

*Listed below are private camps that are held in the Community Center August 3-7 unless noted.*

## **BUILD IT ART CAMP**

August 3-7 from 9:30-12:00pm for children in grades K-3. This camp is all about building really cool stuff like large scale sculptures, amazing structures, imaginative creatures, games & more, using wood, paint, and glue. Fee: \$155.00.

## **CRAFTY KITCHEN CAMP**

Come cook and craft with us as we prepare tasty summertime treats and art projects with different seasonal/multicultural theme days! Campers will learn how to make recipes such as summer vegetable pizzas, home made lemonade and much more. August 3-7 from 1pm to 3:30pm Grades 2-6 Fee: \$135.00

## **TEEN COOKING CAMP**

Learn how to prepare various seasonal/multicultural recipes such as personal pizzas, s'mores bars, frozen treats and much more! 9am-11:30am, Grades 6-9. Fee: \$135.00

## **GOLF & TENNIS CAMP**

TGA-Premier Golf & Tennis is hosting this full day Camp at Westwood H.S. for children in grades K-8. Using unique/innovative techniques that are specifically designed to maximize the learning experience for today's youth, TGA coaches teach the games of golf and tennis in a fun, non-intimidating environment. Campers will have the option to stay for the full day and try their hand at both sports or just do a half day, one sport camp. Tennis will be held from 9am-12 noon and Golf will be held from 1-4pm. All skill levels are welcome. TGA provides all equipment. August 3-6 (Friday rain date) Fee: \$300.00 for both camps/ \$190 for single camp.

## **MULTI-SPORTS CAMP**

The U.S. Sports Institute's summer program is returning for its 10<sup>th</sup> year teaching and playing 15 sports in one week! Children ages 6 to 14, 9am -4pm; \$189 9am -12:30pm; \$159, 1-4pm, \$109 ages 3-5, 4:30-5:30pm, \$89 (all participants receive a t-shirt). Camp is held in Brookside Park. In case of rain, it will be held in the CC.

## **PERFORMING ARTS CAMP**

Campers will have a blast learning all the skills to make it to Broadway, voice, dance & acting. On the last day, parents will be treated to an Oscar rated performance! Grades 3-6: 9am-3pm; \$185

## **ROLLER COASTERS & AMUSEMENT PARK RIDE CAMP**

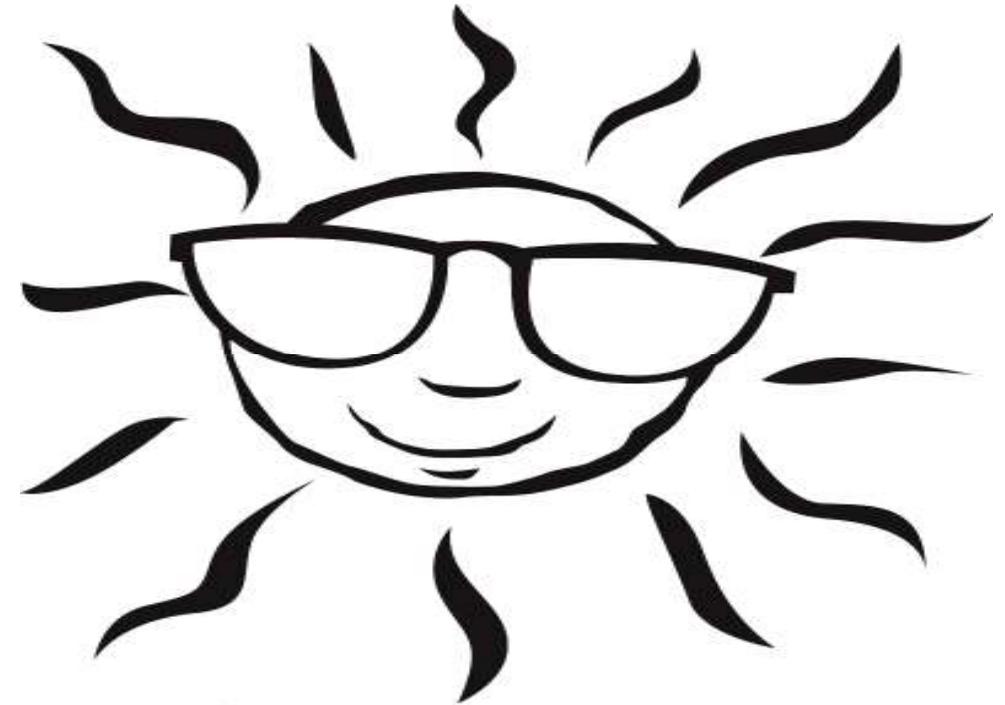
Team up with other classmates selecting the thrill ride of your choice & assemble an amazing construction. Teams will discuss, plan & form these sensational rides like real engineers. You can build your own take home mini-rider set. Fee: \$175 Ages 6-12, 9am-12noon.

## **CSI-CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION CAMP**

Learn all about forensics, searching for evidence & gathering clues. As young detectives in training you will learn about fingerprinting & bring home your own fingerprint classification sheet. Be amazed at how much science plays a part in solving crime. Fee: \$155.00 Ages 6-12, 1-4pm

# 2015

# Westwood Recreation



# Summer Playground

# PARENT HANDBOOK

June 22nd - July 31st

# SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

Monday, June 22nd - Friday, July 31st

The Summer Playground Program is available to all Westwood children who are 4 years old as of 10/1/2015 through 8th grade (as of 9/2015). Our objective is to provide quality care for your children as we offer them a variety of fun-filled activities, such as games, arts/crafts and special events throughout the 6 week program. The fee is \$250.00 for residents and \$350.00 for non-residents.

Registration begins on Monday May 4th for residents and May 11th for non-residents and ends on Friday, May 29th.

There will be a **\$25.00 late fee** for any registrations accepted after that date.

## STAFF

Supervisor of Playgrounds, John Orfini: This is John's 9th year as Supervisor and his 19th year on staff. He is an English Teacher/Media Specialist at Cresskill High School for the past 26 years. (201) 220-9252

Pre-School Director, Natalie Boes: This will be Natalie's 2nd year as Director. She is the Head Teacher at the Recreation Pre-School. (201) 220-9369

Berkeley K-3 Director, Kim Quill: This is Kim's 1st year as Director of this camp & 3rd year on staff. She has a BA degree from Rutgers University (201) 286-5655

Jake Voorhis Park Director, Cathy Sok: Cathy has held this position for the past 16 years. She had been a physical education teacher at Elizabeth High School for 6 years. (201) 220-6246

Brookside Park Director, Frank Zimmerman: This is Frank's 1st year as Director and 3rd year on staff. He is a full time Substitute Teacher in Park Ridge. (201) 419-2313

**Gary Buchheister, Recreation Director, [gbuchheister@westwoodnj.gov](mailto:gbuchheister@westwoodnj.gov)**  
**Margaret McDonough, Administrative Asst., [mmcdonough@westwoodnj.gov](mailto:mmcdonough@westwoodnj.gov)**  
Westwood Recreation - 201-664-7882

All of our counselors are either in the 11th or 12th grade or in college. They attend a mandatory counselor orientation and a First Aid training session. We also have volunteer CIT's (counselors in training) who are in 9th or 10th grade that assist our regular staff.



## COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING PROGRAM

The Summer Playground Program offers incoming 9th or 10th graders an opportunity to join our staff as CIT's. This volunteer position will allow students to gain hands on experience, while working alongside a paid counselor. They will learn how to supervise a group of children and plan activities for them throughout the summer. Please fill out an application form at the Recreation Dept. Please note that there are a limited number of positions available, and CIT's are not guaranteed employment in the Summer Program the following year.

## SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Veteran's Memorial Park - 8:00pm



Thursday, July 2nd - Soul Groove (R & B)

Thursday, July 9th - Real Diamond (Neil Diamond)

Thursday, July 16th - Danny V & the 52nd St Band (Billy Joel)

Thursday, July 23rd - Reminisce (Oldies)

Thursday, July 30th - Tramps Like Us (Bruce Springsteen)



Media Sponsor



## SUMMER MOVIES IN THE PARK

Veterans Memorial Park - 8:00pm



FREE  
POPCORN

August 6th - Frozen (2013) G

August 13th - Grease (1978) PG

August 20th - Paddington (2015) G

August 27th - Field of Dreams (1989) PG

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# 2015 BROOKSIDE /JAKE VOORHIS PARK CALENDAR



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JUNE 22 <b>1st Day Meet the Staff</b> 	JUNE 23 <b>CRAZY HAIR DAY</b> 	JUNE 24 <b>Begin Mural Project</b>	JUNE 25 <b>SWIM VENTURE Pascack Valley Swim Club</b>	JUNE 26  <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
JUNE 29 <b>LAND OF MAKE BELIEVE</b> 	JUNE 30 <b>TIE DYE DAY</b> Please bring a white T-shirt	JULY 1 <b>4TH OF JULY PROJECTS</b> 	2 <b>SWIM VENTURE</b> 	3 <b>CLOSED</b> 
6 <b>MONTVALE LANES</b> 	7 <b>DARLINGTON PARK</b> 	8 <b>TIE DYE DAY MAKE UP</b>	9 <b>SWIM VENTURE</b> 	10 <b>EVERYON'S BIRTHDAY</b> <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
13 <b>FRITZ DIETL</b> 	14 <b>LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER</b> 	15 <b>SPLASH PARTY 6-9PM</b> Pascack Valley Swim Club	16 <b>SWIM VENTURE</b> 	17  <b>SUMMER FOOD DRIVE</b> <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
20 <b>MONTVALE LANES</b> 	21  <b>SPLASHDOWN BEACH WATERPARK</b>	22 <b>Westwood FD WETDOWN</b> 	23 <b>SWIM VENTURE</b> 	24  <b>CAMP OLYMPICS</b> <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
27 <b>PASCACK THEATRE</b> 	28 <b>MOUNTAIN CREEK</b> 	29 <b>SCAVENGER HUNT</b> 	30 <b>SWIM VENTURE</b> 	31 <b>STAFF APPRECIATION DAY</b> 

## ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

### PRE-SCHOOL at Berkeley School

This program is available to children ages 4-5 (as of 10/1/15) at Berkeley School. The hours are 9:00am-12:30pm, Monday-Friday. Fee: \$250.00 per child

### BERKELEY K-3RD GRADE

Children entering grades Kindergarten - 3rd Grade (as of Sept, 2015) are welcome. The hours are 9:00am-3:00pm, Monday-Friday. Fee: \$250.00 per child

### JAKE VOORHIS PARK and BROOKSIDE PARK

Children entering grades 4-8 (as of Sept., 2015) are welcome to choose either location. The hours are 9:00am-3:00pm Fee: \$250.00 per child

## RAIN POLICY

The Pre-School and the Berkeley K-3 program will continue to stay open regardless if there is rain or not. Brookside and Jake Voorhis Parks have the following procedure: If there is a steady rainfall **before** 9:00am, the parks will be closed for that day. Your children may come to the Community Center (CC) and the day's program will be held indoors. Staff will supervise activities, sports, games, and arts and crafts. If rain begins to fall steadily **after** the parks open at 9:00am and prior to 11:00am, please arrange to pick up your child. The program will continue at the CC. If a steady rain persists after 11:00am, please arrange to pick up your child, as the parks will close and programs will be canceled for the day. If you are unsure, please contact your child's camp director or call the Recreation Department at 201-664-7882. \*\*\*In the event of extreme heat (95 degrees or higher), programs at Brookside and Voorhis Parks will be held in the Community Center.

## \*BEFORE CARE AND AFTER CARE PROGRAM\*

Supervised by staff, our summer Playground Program has a Before Care and After Care Program that will be held at Berkeley School for children in K-3rd grade and Brookside Park for children in grades 4-8. **Fees listed below are for the entire 6 weeks.** Before Care (7:30-9:00am daily) \$200 - After Care (3:00-5:30pm daily) \$300  
\*\*\*On bus trip days, before care will be held at community center.\*\*\*

We need a minimum of 10 children to register at each site.

There is a separate registration form that must be filled out.



# 2015 BERKELEY K-3 CALENDAR



## GENERAL POLICIES

Children must follow all rules and regulations as stated by the summer playground staff. These rules are established in order for our staff to provide your child with a safe, caring, and fun-filled environment. Please review the following list with your child, so that he/she fully understands the policies and procedures of our playground program.

- Please do NOT send your child before 9:00am unless they are enrolled in our Before Care Program. Also, please pick up your child no later than the stated dismissal time. **Failure to do so will result in a late fee of \$10.00 per day.**
- With parental/guardian authorization, children at either Brookside or Voorhis Park may leave the parks only for lunch or at the end of the day. All children must sign in and out. Notes can be sent when exceptions are necessary.
- It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify his/her child's counselor when taking your children from the park before their scheduled end time. Every child must be signed out. This confirms where your children are at all times.
- If anyone other than the parent or legal guardian is picking up a child, we require a written note authorizing who is allowed to pick up your child.
- Children will be grouped according to their grades and gender. Each group will be supervised by a specific staff counselor for the entire program. Children will be introduced to their counselor on the first day of the program, so it is advisable that the parent/guardian stay with his/her child to meet the counselor as well. Since there is a partnership between staff and family, please keep our staff informed of any special instructions concerning your children.
- All problems concerning your children should be brought to the attention of his/her counselor. If the parent/guardian is not satisfied with the results obtained through the counselor, then please address the site director.
- Children will be given two playground shirts at the time of registration. **They are to be worn everyday.** Children will not be permitted to stay without wearing them. This enables the staff to readily spot a playgrounder as it identifies and locates legitimate children in the program. Additional shirts can be purchased for \$7.00.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JUNE 22 <b>1st Day Meet the Staff</b> 	JUNE 23 <b>KICKOFF CHALLENGE</b>	JUNE 24 <b>CRAZY HAT DAY</b> 	JUNE 25 <b>DISNEY DAY</b> 	JUNE 26  <b>HAWAIIAN WATER SLIDE</b>  <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
JUNE 29 <b>BUBBLE DAY</b> 	JUNE 30 <b>Pirate or Princess</b>	JULY 1 <b>SPORTS CHALLENGE</b> 	2  <b>Wear Blue Shorts</b>  <b>Red/White/Blue Ices</b>	3 <b>CLOSED</b> 
6 <b>HAWAIIAN LUAU</b> 	7 <b>HALLOWEEN @ CAMP</b> 	8  <b>TV WEATHERMAN FOR THE DAY</b>	9 <b>FACE PAINTING DAY</b> 	10  <b>FIRE &amp; ICE SLIDE</b>  <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
13  <b>OCEAN CREATURES COME TO CAMP!</b>	14 <b>TIE DYE (K&amp;1)</b> <b>Please bring a white T-shirt</b>	15 <b>TIE DYE (2&amp;3)</b> <b>Please bring a white T-shirt</b>	16  <b>SIDEWALK CHALK ART</b>   <b>FOOD DRIVE</b>	17  <b>TROPICAL WATER SLIDE</b>  <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
20 <b>EVERYONE'S BIRTHDAY</b> 	21 <b>DJ DANCE PARTY</b> 	22  <b>WATERMELON EATING CONTEST</b>	23 <b>Westwood F.D. WET DOWN</b> 	24 <b>WIPEOUT Water Slide</b>   <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
27 <b>FUN DAY!</b> 	28 <b>TALENT SHOW</b> 	29 <b>SUMMER CARNIVAL</b> 	30  <b>BBQ @ BERKELEY</b> <b>Free Hot Dogs/Drinks</b>	31  <b>STAFF APPRECIATION DAY</b>  <b>Thanks</b>



# 2015 PRE-SCHOOL CALENDAR



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JUNE 22 <b>1st Day Meet the Staff</b> 	JUNE 23 <b>Terrific Tuesday Parachute</b>	JUNE 24 <b>CRAZY HAT DAY</b> 	JUNE 25 <b>DISNEY DAY</b> 	JUNE 26  <b>HAWAIIAN WATER SLIDE</b> <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
JUNE 29 <b>BUBBLE DAY</b> 	JUNE 30 <b>Pirate or Princess</b>	JULY 1 <b>STORY TIME</b> 	2 <b>Wear Blue Shorts</b> 	3 <b>CLOSED</b> 
6 <b>HAWAIIAN LUAU</b> 	7 <b>HALLOWEEN @ CAMP</b> 	8 <b>STORY TIME</b> 	9 <b>FACE PAINTING DAY</b> 	10  <b>FIRE &amp; ICE SLIDE</b> <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
13  <b>OCEAN CREATURES COME TO CAMP!</b>	14 <b>SIMON SAYS</b> 	15 <b>STORY TIME</b> 	16  <b>SIDEWALK CHALK ART</b>  <b>FOOD DRIVE</b>	17 <b>TROPICAL WATER SLIDE</b>  <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
20 <b>EVERYONE'S BIRTHDAY</b> 	21 <b>DJ DANCE PARTY</b> 	22 <b>STORY TIME</b> 	23 <b>BRING A FAVORITE STUFFED ANIMAL</b>	24 <b>WIPEOUT Water Slide</b>  <b>Free Ice Friday</b>
27 <b>BRING IN THE CLOWNS</b> 	28 <b>ENJOY THE BIG KIDS TALENTSHOW</b>	29 <b>SUMMER CARNIVAL</b> 	30  <b>BBQ @ BERKELEY</b> <b>Free Hot Dogs/Drinks</b>	31  <b>STAFF APPRECIATION DAY</b> 

- Under no circumstances will bullying, fighting, or the use of foul language be permitted. Any child exhibiting inappropriate behavior will be informed that his/her behavior is unacceptable and must cease immediately. Extreme, unacceptable behavior could result in the temporary removal of a child from program activities. Parents will be advised should such a decision be made by the site director. After parents have been informed of an issue; should there be any more behavioral problems, the child may be suspended for the duration of the season.
- Proper clothing must be worn at all times. Sneakers are the suggested footwear. Flip-flops are not advisable as the wearer may fall and get injured. Sunscreen should be applied to children prior to attending camp.
- Please do not have your children bring (to camp) any valuables, such as electronic devices, games or jewelry. We are not responsible for lost items.
- The water sprinklers are turned on during the day to cool off the children. Please be aware that their clothes will get wet.
- Children enrolled in the Pre-School Camp should bring a snack/drink daily. All other children may bring a bag lunch or they can be picked up at 12pm. An ice cream truck will visit Voorhis and Brookside Parks every afternoon with a variety of ice cream for only \$1.00. Berkeley School staff will sell ice cream.
- If your child has any allergies or any other medical/special condition, fill out a medical information form and return it to the Recreation Dept. prior to the start of camp. Please also contact us if your child needs any other accommodations.
- Pictures of the children will be taken for press releases. Please contact the Recreation Department if you do not want your child photographed.
- All questions, comments, or concerns about the program itself should be directed to the Supervisor of Playgrounds, John Orfini, at (201) 220-9252 or Gary Buchheister, Recreation Director, at (201) 664-7882.
- At the end of the season, you will be asked to complete a parent/guardian satisfaction survey. Please take a moment to answer the questions openly and honestly as our goal is to build upon and improve our existing program and your input is very crucial to us.

## **TRIP INFORMATION**

The Summer Playground Program offers trips for the children enrolled in the Voorhis/Brookside Park Programs. Registration for the trips will be held starting on May 4, 2015, at the Recreation Department on a first-come, first-serve basis. We will have a registration form for each child. It will be kept and used for the entire program which you may update at any time.

**On most bus trips, we only accept a maximum of 42 children who will be supervised by 8 staff members. Please register early!**

**Registration must be completed 2 business days prior to any trip!**

### **PAYMENTS**

Payment for trips must be paid at the Recreation Department only, in cash (exact change only) or by check made out to: "Borough of Westwood.". Refunds will only be issued if notice is given 24 hours in advance of the trip. If a trip is cancelled by the Recreation Dept., you will be given a full refund. All refunds will be processed at the end of the summer. If you have any questions, please contact the Recreation Department at 201-664-7882 or e-mail [recreation@westwoodnj.gov](mailto:recreation@westwoodnj.gov)

### **BUS RULES**

All bus trips depart from and return to the parking lot at the **COMMUNITY CENTER**. Buses cannot accommodate those arriving late as it will leave **promptly at the designated time.** Children **MUST** wear their Westwood Summer Playground T-shirt; no child will be permitted on the bus without it. In the event you do not wish to send your child on a trip, the playgrounds will remain open. Any child who misbehaves, or does not follow the rules and regulations of his/her counselor, will not be permitted to attend any future trips. Parents are not allowed to attend any trips with the camp.

### **WATER ACTIVITIES**

Children who do not know how to swim will not be permitted to sign up for any of the bus trips involving swimming. We abide by all of the rules and regulations of Westwood's Pascack Valley Swim Club, children will be tested for deep water swimming. Only those children who can swim the length of the pool may use the diving board. Contact the swim club directly at 201-664-1080 if you would like to join.

**PLEASE NOTE: CHILDREN SHOULD NOT BRING ANY VALUABLES ON TRIPS.**

## **2015 TRIP SCHEDULE (Brookside & Voorhis Park)**

**Thursday, June 25- SWIM VENTURE #1** to the Pascack Valley Swim Club. Transportation is not provided! Enter the Swim Club at 11am as a group. Wear swim suit, bring a towel and sun screen. The fee is \$7.00, plus \$1.25 for each slice of pizza. Refreshments are available at the snack stand. Pick up promptly at 3:00pm Swim Club members must register (no fee). Rain Date: Friday, June 26.

**Tuesday, June 29 - LAND OF MAKE BELIEVE** - Bus leaves at 9:00am and returns at 4:30pm. Cost of \$35.00 includes admission, pizza, lemonade and ice cream sandwich. Bathing suit, sun screen & towel are required. Great for children in grades 4-8. Concession stand and souvenir shop available.

**Thursday, July 2 - SWIM VENTURE # 2** NO RAIN DATE

**Monday, July 6 – MONTVALE LANES** Meet at 14 Grand Ave. at 12:45pm. Cost of \$6.00 includes 2 hrs of bowling & shoe rental. Bring a bag lunch or purchase food at the snack stand. Pick up at 3:00pm.

**Tuesday, July 7 - DARLINGTON PARK SWIM AREA, MAHWAH** - Bus leaves at 9:00am and returns at 3:00pm. Fee: \$15.00 includes admission & lunch. Bathing suit, sun screen & towel are required.

**Thursday, July 9 - SWIM VENTURE # 3** Rain Date: Friday, July 10.

**Monday, July 13- ICE SKATING@FRITZ DIETL** - Meet at 639 Broadway at 12:45pm. Cost of \$10.00 includes admission and skate rental. An Ice Capades performer and professional skating coach will assist the children. Pick up at 3:00pm. Wear pants, socks, sweatshirt, gloves.

**Tues. July 14- LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER** - Bus leaves at 9:00am and returns at 3:30pm. Cost of \$30.00 includes admission and IMAX movie. Bring a bag lunch or purchase food in the cafeteria (approx \$10 for a full lunch).

**Wednesday, July 15 - SPLASH PARTY** at the Swim Club (6-9pm)-Free- Separate registration

**Thurs, July 16 - SWIM VENTURE # 4** Rain Date: Friday, July 17.

**Monday, July 20 - MONTVALE LANES** Meet at 14 Grand Ave. at 12:45pm. Cost of \$6.00 includes 2 hrs of bowling & shoe rental. Bring a bag lunch or purchase food at the snack stand. Pick up at 3:00pm.

**Tuesday, July 21 - SPLASHDOWN BEACH WATER PARK, Fishkill, NY** - Bus leaves at 8:30am and returns at 4:00pm. Cost of \$45.00 includes admission & food voucher. Concession stand available Bathing suit, sun screen & towel are required. Great for children in grades 5-8. Visit [www.splashdownbeach](http://www.splashdownbeach) for more info.

**Thurs, July 23 - SWIM VENTURE #5** Rain Date: Friday, July 24.

**Monday, July 27 - MOVIE DAY at THE PASCACK THEATER** - We will meet in front of the theater at TBD to check in. Movie time is scheduled for TBD. The Movie will be an appropriate, current release. Admission with popcorn and small soda is \$5.00. Pick up time TBD

**Tuesday, July 28 - MOUNTAIN CREEK WATER PARK** - Bus leaves at 9:00am and returns at 5:00pm. Cost of \$50.00 includes –admission & lunch voucher. Concession stand available. Bathing suit, sun screen & towel are required. Recommended for children in grades 6-8.

**Thurs. July 30 - SWIM VENTURE # 6.** Rain date: Friday, July 31.