

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

For immediate release through December 17, 2016

Celebrate the holidays with Parks and Recreation

Join Missoula Parks and Recreation for these fun holiday events:

Santa's Calling • December 14

"Santa's Helpers" at Parks and Recreation will be calling children from 5-8pm on Wednesday, Dec. 14.

Download the registration form at missoulaparks.org and deliver to Currents by Monday, Dec. 12. Proceeds support youth recreation grants.

Parents Shopping Night at Currents • Saturday, Dec. 17

Parents, drop your kids (ages 7 and up) at Currents while you finish your holiday shopping. Kids will enjoy a surprise special event from 6 to 9pm! Tickets must be purchased in advance; \$3 per person includes swimming and the special event. For tickets and more information, stop by Currents or phone 721-PARK. **Children under 7 must be accompanied in the water by an adult.** Concessions will be available to enjoy. Learn more at missoulaparks.org.

School's Out Adventure Day Camps • Dec. 23-Jan. 2

Keep your child active and engaged over school breaks with our Adventure Day Camps at the Sports and Wellness Center at City Life, 1515 Fairview. If your child needs winter snow clothing, we can help outfit them for the day. Call 721-PARK to register. For ages 5-12, meets 8am to 5:30pm. Registration fee is \$42/day or \$35/day with CityCard resident discount and includes all field trips and equipment.

Currents Winter Break Aqua-Discovery Camp • Dec. 27 – 30

Spend winter break in a warm climate at Currents! For ages 7 and up. Camp includes instruction in snorkel and fin, water polo, basic lifeguard/CPR/first aid skills, and other fun aquatics activities. Youth should bring lunch for the first 3 days, and we'll celebrate on Friday with a pizza party. Camp fees include dry towels through the week, pizza lunch on Friday, and all activity and equipment fees. Ages 7+. Meets Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Dec. 27-30, from 8am to 5:30pm. The registration fee is \$30 or \$24 with CityCard resident discount.

Holiday Ice Skating Clinic • Dec. 27-29

Glide your way to active outdoor fun this winter! These three introductory lessons teach the basics of skating at Pineview Park. Bring your own skates. You can purchase affordable new & used skates at Hockey Wolf (formerly Maulers Hockey Central.) Class dependent upon weather/ice conditions – call Parks & Recreation weather line at 541-7200 for updates. Ages 4-10, meets 10am or 11am, registration fee is \$30, or \$24 with CityCard resident discount. Call 721-PARK or stop by Currents to register.

Celebrate First Night at Currents • December 31

Free swim at Currents Aquatic Center with a First Night button from 3 to 7pm. Celebrate 2017 with a wild ride on a waterslide! Try out the Kersplash climbing wall and warm up in the sparkling spa. Children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Christmas Ever Green • Dec. 26 - Jan. 15

Recycle your holiday tree and make a voluntary donation to plant new trees in Missoula. Drop sites: Playfair Park, McCormick Park, Fort Missoula South Av. lot. Recycle your holiday tree and make a voluntary donation to plant new trees in Missoula. Drop sites: Playfair, McCormick, Fort Missoula South Av. lot. No yard waste, garbage, tree stands or decorations please. Please do not drop trees after January 15. Call 721-PARK to make a donation to support the Urban Forestry Program, or mail donations to Parks and Recreation, 100 Hickory St., 59801.

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