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City of Las Vegas December 2009 Adaptive Recreation Activities

All activities are subject to change. List is not all-inclusive. For a complete list of activities, go online to www.lasvegasparksandrec.com for the Fall Leisure Guide. Most activities require advance registration. Centers will be closed Dec. 25. Veterans Memorial Leisure Services Center will be closed Dec. 19-Jan. 2.

Project D.I.R.T. (Developing Interests in Risk Taking) Valley of Fire Camping Trip (ages 18+)

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 5-6. Advance registration required.

Fee: \$60 per person, includes tents, food and transportation

Project D.I.R.T. provides people of all abilities the opportunity to explore new recreation and leisure possibilities through alternative recreation and outdoor/adventure experiences. Call 229-4796 for information and registration.

Annual Holiday Dance (ages 18+)

Saturday, Dec. 12, 7 to 10 p.m. Advance reservation required by Dec. 4.

Fee: \$20 per person

Lieburn Senior Center, 6230 Garwood Ave.

Kick off of the holiday season with a night of fun, music, dancing and food. Call 229-5177 for information and reservations.

Division III Wheelchair Basketball Tournament (ages 18+)

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 12-13; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday

Free for spectators.

Paul McDermott North Gymnasium, University of Nevada Las Vegas, 4505 S. Maryland Parkway
Cheer for the local team. Call 229-4796 for information.

Lorenzi Adaptive Recreation Center Fall Program (ages 7-21)

Monday through Friday, 1 to 6 p.m., through Dec. 18. Closed holidays.

Fee: \$27 (1-3 days); \$36 (4 days); \$45 (5 days)

Lorenzi Adaptive Recreation Center, 3339 W. Washington Ave., (702) 229-6358 or 229-4905.

Call for information regarding registration and daily programming.

Las Vegas Silver Bandits Wheelchair Basketball Team (ages 14-adult)

Tuesdays, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$30 per person for fall session

Fremont Middle School, 1100 E. St. Louis Ave., (702) 229-4903.

Sports wheelchair and proper attire required. Call Bob Murray at 229-4903 for information. This is a Paralympic Sports Club of Las Vegas activity.

New A.G.E. Program (age 22+)

An "after-work" recreation program for adults with developmental disabilities that offers varied activities and special events that promote individuality, self-esteem and independence. Call (702) 229-5177 for information.

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F.L.O.A.T. (ages 9 months-adult)

Forming Leisure Opportunities using Aquatic Techniques is an adaptive aquatics program for people with and without disabilities. One-on-one swimming lessons are held at city of Las Vegas pools for ages 3 to adult, priced at \$100 for six 30-minute lessons. Parent/child swim class for young children ages 9 months to 3 years, as well as group swim instruction and aquatic therapy also are available. Call for dates and times (702) 229-1710.

R.E.P. Recreation Enrichment Program (teens)

This structured leisure time skill-building program is designed to help teens with or without disabilities become more involved in social and community settings. Group activities include bowling parties, dinner and movie outings, trips to Adventuredome and volunteering in the community. Call (702) 229-6358 for information.

Heading On

Heading On is designed to provide individuals with a traumatic brain injury with leisure awareness, social interaction skills, leisure resources and leisure activity skills during and/or after clinical rehabilitation. Please call Cassie Jemison at (702) 229-6358 to be placed on the mailing list.

Leisure Connection (adults 22+ with developmental disabilities)

This social group for high-functioning adults with developmental disabilities provides recreational activities that promote socialization and independence in the community. Activities include bowling, movies, sports events, lunch/dinner outings and leisure education classes. Call (702) 229-5177 to be placed on the activity schedule mailing list.

Power Wheelchair Sports (ages 5-adult)

Power wheelchair users participate in a variety of sports and activities, including power soccer, power hockey, and bocce. No scooters permitted. Call Rebecca Allen at 229-1710 for information on fall session dates, times and locations.

SPARK (ages 3-8)

Social Play and Respite for Kids is a free Saturday morning program for children ages 3-8 with special needs. It provides a fun, exciting and safe environment where children may engage in social play with peers while participating in on-site recreational activities such as arts and crafts, games and outdoor play. Call Rebecca Allen at 229-1710 for fall session information.

Outreach

For information on the following adaptive recreation opportunities and programs, please call (702) 229-4900.

Disability Awareness/Sensitivity Training – for your organization.

Informational and Educational Presentations – for your organization or agency.

Lifetime Sports – Archery and disc golf lessons and Junior Olympic Development Program.

Adaptive Recreation Resources Consultation – If you are in need of adaptive recreation resources for your or a family member, please call to schedule an appointment.

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