

Dear Community,

On behalf of the Friday Enrichment program through the City of Salida Recreation Department, and on behalf of all of our wonderful providers, we would like to wish you the happiest of new years! Thank you for taking advantage of all of the programs we have to offer. We had a fun-filled fall and we are certainly looking forward to a very exciting winter and spring session of the Friday Enrichment Program.

We could do what we do without the help of our dedicated sponsor, High Country Bank. They are the reason that we are able to promote, offer scholarships, and grow, for the benefit of our children! Another major sponsor that we need to thank are our friends at Amicas Pizza and Moonlight Pizza and Brewpub. Again, we are indebted to them, for their willingness to always put community first! Thank you!

We enjoy promoting and offering Friday activities for your children, and are excited to tell you about this upcoming Winter/Spring 2017 semester's happenings! On the agenda for this season are the following Friday offerings:

City of Salida Recreation Department

CAMP Friday Program

Ages: 5 to 8 year old students

Dates: Winter: Every Friday starting January 13th, 2017 thru March 10th, 2017;

Spring: Every Friday starting April 7th, 2017 thru April 28th; See detailed calendar below.

Cost: \$5/student per session

Description: Exploration, Enrichment, and Empowerment for students. Salida Recreation is partnering with many great organizations to host CAMP Friday, a weekly program for kids ages 5-8 years old. Each week offers different activities that encourage scientific, natural, musical, artistic, and physical exploration. **Meeting Locations TBD.**

Fridays, 9:00am until 2:00pm.

Winter Semester 2017

January 13 - Articipate

January 20 - Articipate

January 27 - GARNA

February 3 - GARNA

February 10 - Guidestone

February 17 - Guidestone

February 24 - Maverick Potter

March 3 - Articipate

March 10 - Articipate

Spring Semester 2017

April 7 - GARNA

April 14 - Guidestone

April 21 - Maverick Potter

April 28 - Guidestone

***Joe Lobeck** will lead sessions of parkour, martial arts, circus theater and active play afternoons of Jan 13, 27, Feb 10, 24, March 10, April 7 and 14
Contact and Registration: Register at the Salida Hot Springs and Aquatic Center or by calling 719-539-6738. Pre-registration is REQUIRED and liability waivers must be completed. No drop-ins are accepted for CAMP Friday. All programs are \$5 per child. Morning snacks will be provided but each student needs to bring their own lunch, water, and outdoor clothing for outside play. CAMP Friday is a no peanut or nut ingredients environment. Please be respectful of other students' allergies and sensitivities. For more information, contact Lanette at 719-539-5703 or salida.recreation@cityofsalida.com or Shannon Daileader at 704-390-5020 or salidafridays@gmail.com.

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ROAD Trip to Jorgensen Ice Rink and Gunnison Community Center

Ages: 6 and up are welcome (students under 8 years old require an adult chaperone)

Date: Friday, March 17th; Bus leaves the Aquatic center at 8:30am and returns 5:30pm

Cost: \$25, which includes admission fees, skate rental, equipment use

Description: We will spend the morning at Jorgensen Ice Rink, break for lunch, and then head to the Gunnison Community Center to enjoy the climbing wall, pool with waterslides, tumbling room, and gymnasium. Volunteers are always welcome! Bring lunch, water, and all of your play gear.

Contact and Registration: Register at the Salida Hot Springs and Aquatic Center or by calling 719-539-6738. Pre-registration is encouraged as space is limited.

For more information, contact Lanette at 719-539-5703 or salida.recreation@cityofsalida.com.

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Jive and Dive

Ages: 5th-8th grade students

Dates: 7:00pm to 9:00pm on the following Fridays: January 13th, February 10th, March 3rd, April 14th, and May 19th

Cost: \$5/student

Description: The monthly middle-school only pool parties held at the Salida Hot Springs and Aquatic Center! Please arrange for prompt pick up at 9:00pm.

Contact and Registration: No pre-registration required. For more information, contact Lanette at 719-539-5703 or salida.recreation@cityofsalida.com.

Salida Circus and Salida Recreation

Tumbling and Aerial Acrobatic Classes

Ages: ages 4 and up, sessions grouped by age

Dates: Two 4-week sessions offered this winter:

1) Fridays from January 13th through February 3rd

2) Fridays from February 10th through March 3rd

Cost: See detailed descriptions below for class costs

Description: Salida Recreation has partnered with Salida Circus and Joe Loebeck this winter. All classes take place at East First Emporium, 148 E 1st Street

Beginning Parkour: 12:00pm - 1:00pm for ages 5 and over

Cost: \$50 per four week session

Class will focus on the process of maneuvering obstacles by jumping, climbing, running, and swinging to develop physical fitness and greater body awareness.

Intermediate Aerial Acrobatics: 1:00pm - 2:30pm for ages 8 and over

Cost: \$60 per four week session

Participants will work on silk swing, aerial fabric, static trapeze and lyra. Skills taught include traditional and Russian climb, foot locks, hip keys, single/double trapeze and double lyra. Experience preferred but beginners will be accepted with gymnastic background.

Beginning Tumbling and Acrobatics: 2:30pm - 3:30pm for ages 4 thru 7 years old

Cost: \$50 per four week session

Class will focus on stretching, proper warm up and cool down, tumbling and acrobatic skills, body balancing, beginning trapeze and silks for the youngest participants. All participants will have the opportunity to perform in the World Circus Day show in the Spring 2017.

Contact and Registration: Please register through the Salida Hot Springs and Aquatic Center by calling 719-539-5703 or by coming by in person. Students can be signed up for both sessions at once. There are scholarships available. For more information, contact Lanette at 719-539-5703 or salida.recreation@cityofsalida.com. To see the other amazing things Salida Circus has to offer, visit www.thesalidacircus.com.

Collegiate Peaks Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Stream Explorers

Ages: 5th to 8th grade students

Dates: Mid-April, 4 consecutive Fridays. Exact Dates TBD. Stay Tuned!

Cost: Free!

Description: Stream Explorers is a program run jointly by Collegiate Peaks chapter of Trout Unlimited and Greater Arkansas River Nature Association (GARNA). Inspiring the next generation to experience the natural world, the Stream Explorers program connects students to the river in our very own backyard. In past sessions, students have gone fishing with instructors, learned to tie their own flies and how to cast, performed aquatic behavior experiments, and discovered the secret lives of the creatures thriving in the Arkansas River Valley. For photos and more information on this program, please visit <http://www.collegiatepeakstu.org/stream-explorers>.

Contact and Registration: Tom Palka, tpalka@gmail.com (email preferred) or 719-539-6804.

Western Archery

Friday Open-Range and Lessons

Ages: elementary, middle and high school aged students, with parent supervision

Dates: 3rd Friday of every month from 10:30am until 12:00pm: January 20th, February 17th, March 17th, and April 21st

Cost: Free!

Description: Ready, Aim, Fire! Come out and learn to shoot. A FREE Friday activity offered by Western Archery for the winter/spring semester: an hour and a half of recreational shooting with equipment and instruction provided. All students must be accompanied by an adult.

Contact and Registration: The range is available on a drop-in basis and open for kids of all ages with adult supervision. For more information, call Brad at 1-800-525-1181 or drop by the range at 160 Pahlone Pkwy, Salida, CO 81201

Monarch Mountain

Monarch Ski Bus

Ages: All ages, but all riders under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Dates: Fridays and Saturdays only, starting December 16th through March 18th.

Cost: \$5 round trip per day. One ways are allowed if you check in before the bus leaves in the morning.

Description: When the snow starts to fly, load your gear on the Monarch Ski Bus and head up the mountain. It's the easiest and most reliable way to get to the slopes.

Bus leaves from the Salida Hot Springs and Aquatic Center at 9:00am sharp and returns to the Aquatic Center at 4:00pm. The bus leaves the mountain by 3:30pm.

NOTE: there is no supervision once bus riders are on the mountain. All children must be responsible for getting themselves to the bus by 3:30pm at the end of the day.

Contact and Registration: Parents must be certain that your children have a new 2017 waiver, signed by you or a legal guardian, before dropping your child off at the Aquatic Center for the bus. At least 5 people must be present for the bus to run. Scholarships are available. For more information, contact Lanette at 719-539-5703 or salida.recreation@cityofsalida.com.

Butterflies Program

Ages: 5 to 6 year old students.

Dates: 1:00pm - 3:30pm on the following Fridays: January 6th, January 13th, January 20th, January 27th, February 3rd, February 10th

Cost: \$350 includes 6 sessions for skiers or snowboarders, the group lessons, a season pass for the student, ½ day lift ticket for the accompanying adult for each day of the program.

Description: The Butterflies program is a multi-day youth program through Monarch Mountain designed for skiers and boarders ages 5 & 6 with an accompanying adult. An accompanying adult MUST attend and participate each day of the session. This program facilitates enjoyment of the mountain for both kids and adults together. The accompanying adult will ride the lift with their child, allowing the class to explore more of the mountain. In addition to focusing and developing the child's ski/snowboarding skills, the instructor will coach the accompanying adult in terrain selection, lift procedures, and successful facilitation of their child's skiing and riding experience.

Contact and Registration: Pre-registration is required. Parents can register by calling Monarch Mountain at 719-530-5196. Please visit

www.skimonarch.com/seasonal-programs for more information.

Big Mountain Program

Ages: 7 through 15 years old students.

Dates: 9:45am - 3:00pm on the following Fridays: January 6th, January 13th, January 20th, January 27th, February 3rd, February 10th, February 17th, February 24th

Cost: \$550 includes 8 sessions for skiers or snowboarders, the group lessons, a supervised lunch per session, and a season pass for participating students.

Description: The Big Mountain program is a multi-day youth program designed for competent youth skiers and snowboarders between the ages of 7 and 15 who are ready to sharpen their skills. Instructors will help students learn techniques across all types of topography, styles, and conditions, including racing, terrain park, moguls, and steeps. Students participate in the weekly Two Challenge Race Series as part of the Big Mountain experience. A supervised lunch is included.

Contact and Registration: Pre-registration is required. Parents can register by calling Monarch Mountain at 719-530-5196. Please visit

www.skimonarch.com/seasonal-programs for more information.

Absolute Bikes

Two Wheel Fridays

Ages: elementary and middle school aged students.

Dates: Spring dates are To Be Determined. Stay Tuned!

Cost: Spring program costs are TBD. Stay Tuned!

Description: Two Wheel Fridays is a program of Absolute Bikes Adventures that provides bicycling and mountain biking instruction in a safe, supportive atmosphere. Sessions will consist of a blend of biking skills, safety, fitness, and outdoor exploration. Depending on the age/ability of the student, additional topics may include road/traffic/trail etiquette, team work, bicycle maintenance, trail-side repairs, nutrition and hydration, first aid, trail stewardship, etc. Please note that the lowest acceptable skill level is that the child must be comfortable and safe riding his/her bike around town with an adult. This is not a program for children with training wheels. Students will be broken up into groups by skill level in accordance with coach/child ratios. Sessions meet behind Absolute Bikes and the riding locations will vary each week.

Contact and Registration: Space is limited so prompt registration is important. For more information and/or to be included on registration-related emails please contact Program

Director James Haarmeyer at james@absolutebikes.com, 719.539.9295, or stop by Absolute Bikes at 330 W. Sackett Avenue in Salida, open every day.

First session

Will only be 3-4th and 5-8th grades, *no 1st-2nd graders*.

Dates as follows:

- March 17 - first class
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- March 24 - second class
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- March 31 - *spring break, no class*
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- April 7 - third class
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- April 14 - fourth class
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- April 21 - *potential makeup day*

-3-4th grades from **10am to noon**

-5-8th grades from **1pm to 3:30pm**

Second session

Will be all three age groups like in the past.

Dates as follows:

- April 28 - first class
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- May 5 - second class
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- May 12 - third class
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- May 19 - fourth class
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- May 26 - *potential makeup day*

-3rd-4th from **9 to 11am**

-1st-2nd from **12 to 2pm**

-5th-8th from **2:30 to 5pm**

REGISTRATION INFO & DATES:

Kids can initially sign up for only one session, not both. However, if there are spots open after general registration has run for a week then I will open up those spots to kids who are already enrolled in the other session.

Cost for 1st-2nd grade and 3rd-4th grade classes is \$90.

Cost for 5th-8th grade classes is \$110.

-Early registration begins Wednesday February 22 by phone or in person at Absolute Bikes.

-- *This is only for kids who rode in the Fall 2016 session.*

-General registration will be *in-person only*, Wednesday March 1, at 6pm, at Absolute Bikes.

-- After March 1 any remaining spots can be filled in-person or by telephone.

Feel free to contact me with questions. And please pass this email along to anyone who may be interested. Thanks for your interest in AYC.

Salida Mountain Kids Childcare, LLC

Early Learning Center and Child Care

Ages: 2 and half to 8 year old students

Dates: Every Friday, 8:00am - 5:30pm (and every day of the week!)

Description: The Mountain Kids' Early Learning Center provides for all children's physical, emotional, and intellectual needs. Their philosophy focuses on experiential learning and play, combining opportunities to teach positive social skills, teamwork, respect, and responsibility. Salida Mountain Kids Childcare, LLC is a Colorado licensed childcare facility open Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 5:30pm with loving staff that is fully trained in early childhood development.

Contact and Registration: Pre-registration is required but on Fridays, a few drop in spaces are usually available. Parents can call 719-207-4792 or drop by the center at 230 E 1st Street Salida CO, 81201. Or, go online for more information at <http://www.mountainkidschildcare.com>.

Boys and Girls Club of Chaffee County

Day Programming at Boys and Girls Club

Ages: 6 to 18 year old students.

Dates: Every Friday, 8:30am - 5:30pm

Cost: \$10/Friday, with one time Annual Membership fee of \$50.

Description: An enriching day of programming at the Club allows for children to stay the full day or drop in for any of our specific programs or times that fit your family's schedule. Friday programs include, though are not limited to arts & crafts, circus for all, minecraft & tech time, fiber arts, dodgeball, floor hockey and many other fun gym games that get us all up and moving!

Contact and Registration: Stop by the Boys and Girls Club at 340 East 5th Street in Salida for a copy of the monthly schedule. The schedule is also available online at <http://www.bgcchaffee.org/Salida-Schedule>. 719-539-9500.