



Carroll County Department of Recreation & Parks

Recreation Council Newsletter

March 2026

The Central Carroll Recreation Council

The Central Carroll Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in Finksburg, Westminster and the surrounding areas. The Council Meets the second Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at Mechanicsville Elementary School. Please call 410-386-2103, email Steve Krouse at skrouse@carrollcountymd.gov or visit the website at <https://www.centralcarrollrecreation.org/>

Gamber Lacrosse is accepting registration for the upcoming season. You may reach out to Gamberlax@gmail.com for more information or follow the link from our website.

The Charles Carroll Recreation Council

The Charles Carroll Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in the Myers District and surrounding areas. The council meets the second Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Charles Carroll Community Center. Please call 410-386-2546, email Candy Sample at csample@carrollcountymd.gov or visit the website at <https://www.charlescarrollreccouncil.com/>

Girls Fastpitch Softball is accepting registration for Cyclones Spring 2026 season! 8U is \$85, and 10U/12U \$130. Practices begin mid-March at Cherrytown Park field, games are played in the Carroll County area. Our focus is teaching the girls to be “brilliant at the basics” in a fun, family-like environment. Follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/CharlesCarrollCyclones>
Contact Heather Roseman at coachheatherccrc@gmail.com
Register at <https://stonealley.com/Program/NewCharlesCarroll>

The Freedom Area Recreation Council

The Freedom Area Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in Freedom, Sykesville, Eldersburg and surrounding areas. The council meets the third Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at the South Carroll Senior and Community Center. Please call 410-386-2103, email Jamie Noel, jnoel@carrollcountymd.gov, or visit the website at <https://www.freedomarearec.org/>

Freedom Rec Softball, registration for Spring 2026 is open. Register at <https://freedomoptimistsoftball.sportngin.com/>
Free indoor hitting, catching and fielding Clinics in February and early March. Outdoor clinics in Mid-March.
Practices begin March 14th with games starting April 11th
Divisions:
Grade Pre-K (must be 5 by March 15th)
Grade 1, Grade 2-3, Grade 4-5, Grade 6-8, & High School
Questions email: fdosoftball.john@gmail.com and/or fdosoftball@gmail.com

Freedom Lacrosse, register your child TODAY for the 2026 Season.

Please note that we often talk about athletes by GRADE but all of our programs and leagues we participate in are grouped by BIRTH DATE! If your child is old for their grade and was born before September 1st, there is a chance they will not be aligned with other athletes in the same grade as them. Please contact us if this is your issue and we will work to resolve it.

Register at: [HTTPS://WWW.FREEDOMLACROSSE.ORG/](https://www.freedomlacrosse.org/) Questions: email, flp.patriots@gmail.com or check out our website at <https://www.freedomlacrosse.org/>

Eldersburg Arrows, registration for Spring 2026 at <https://freedomarearec.sportngin.com/>

Stepping Stars Dance - Recital Program - 2025/26, registration is still open.

CLASS LOCATION is at the South Carroll Senior and Community Center, 5928 Mineral Hill Road, Eldersburg, Md 21784

Classes start: Mon 9/15/25 Classes end: Thurs 6/11/26

Class Schedule

Monday

6:30 – 7:30: 3rd/4th Gr (Ballet, Tap, Jazz) - \$400.00

7:30 – 9:00: 6th-12th Gr (Ballet, Tap, Jazz) - \$425.00

Tuesday

6:30 – 7:30: 5yo/1st/2nd Gr (Ballet, Tap) - \$400.00

7:30 – 8:30: Adults (Light Ballet, Tap, Jazz) - \$400.00

Wednesday

6:30 -7:00: 2 years old (Pre-Ballet only – parent and me format) - \$355.00

7:00 – 9:00: Dance Company (Must be enrolled in Monday 7:30 class) - \$300.00

Thursday

6:30 – 7:30: 3 and 4 years old (Ballet and Tap) - \$400.00

7:30 – 8:30: 5th Grade (Ballet, Tap, Jazz) - \$400.00

Recital Info & Dates

Stage Reh: Mon 6/15/26 & Tues 6/16/26 Dress Reh: Fri 6/19/26

Recital: Sat 6/20/26 Register at: <https://freedomarearec.sportngin.com/>

Questions: Selena LaVeck - steppingstars@outlook.com

The North Carroll Recreation Council

The North Carroll Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in Hampstead, Manchester, and surrounding areas. The council meets the second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 p.m. at the North Carroll Senior and Community Center. Please call 410-386-2103, email Maria Artista, martista@carrollcountymd.gov, or visit the website at <https://www.freedomarearec.org/>

NCRC Striking Cobra Martial Arts meet at the North Carroll Senior and Community Center 2328 Hanover Pike, Hampstead, MD 21074.

Ages 7 years and up.

Classes run 6:30 - 7:30pm on Tuesday and Thursday.

First 2 classes always free!

Contact us Joe Heslen at jhesen@comcast.net for more information.

NCRC Volleyball Clinic, starting in April for 6 weeks. Ages 3rd – 8th grade.
Skills and drills, no games. Program will meet at the Coppermine Pantherplex, 6-7:30 p.m.
on Tuesdays. Signup at <https://stonealley.com/program/NorthCarroll/group/Volleyball>
Email Teri at tleatherwo@aol.com for mor information.

North Carroll Soccer Club Team Tryouts for 2026-2027 Club Year!

Registration **CURRENTLY OPEN** - Tryout schedules posted
at <https://northcarrollsoccerclub.com/register-tryouts/>
Club Soccer for Boys & Girls, 2011-2019 birth years (U16 through U8)

Must register to attend Club Team Tryout

Register at: <https://www.stonealley.com/program/NorthCarroll/group/TravelSoccer>
Info updated and available at <https://northcarrollsoccerclub.com/> or
Facebook/Instagram: <https://www.facebook.com/northcarrollSC/>
For additional information see the FAQ page <https://northcarrollsoccerclub.com/ncsc-faqs/> on our website. For questions email: NCSCTravelPrez@gmail.com

Hot Shots Fastpitch --2026 Spring/Summer season Registration closes soon.

Age Groups..6u/8u/10u/12u/14u
Register at <https://www.stonealley.com/program/NorthCarroll/group/HotShots>
Visit up at <https://www.ncrchotshots.org/>

NCRC Tennis 2026, registration OPENS MARCH 1st for ages 5 – 18. All practices will be
Mondays/Wednesdays/Saturdays at Manchester Valley High School
Register and more information at
<https://stonealley.com/program/NorthCarroll/group/Tennis>
For questions email: tcmeyer3@carrollk12.org

The West Carroll Recreation Council

The West Carroll Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in New Windsor, Union
Bridge, Taneytown, and surrounding areas. The council meets on the second Monday in January,
February, April, May, June, August, September and November at 7:00 p.m. at the New Windsor
Community Room. Please call 410-386-2103, email Penny Rockwood,
prockwood@carrollcountymd.gov, or visit the website at
<https://www.gowcrc.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1032868>

West Carroll Marauders Middle School and High School Tackle Rugby

Give rugby a try!! Looking to try something different this Spring? The West Carroll
Marauders offer tackle rugby programs for grades 5-12. Boys participate at the U13, U15
and U19 level while the girls have a High School and Middle School team. Practices run on
Tuesdays and Thursday evenings starting February 3rd. Matches will begin in March and
are played on weekends. No experience is needed, and the Marauders provide a fun,
inclusive environment to experience a new sport. To learn more and to register
visit <http://www.westcarrollrugby.com> or email admin@westcarrollrugby.com

The Westminster Area Recreation Council

The Westminster Area Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in Westminster and surrounding areas. Please call 410-386-2103, email Elaine Janoski, ejonoski@carrollcountymd.gov for meeting dates, or visit the website at <https://westminsterarearec.com/> for more information.

Westminster Girls Spring Basketball is about to begin. Deadline March 31, 2026. Register at <https://www3.stonealley.com/program/WestminsterArea/group/GirlsBasketball> to sign up. Find us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/westminstergirlsbasketball/> If any questions, please email Jerry Georgiana at jdgerog@carrollk12.org

The Winfield Recreation Council

The Winfield Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in Winfield and surrounding areas. The council meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday at the South Carroll High School. Please call 410-386-2103, email Natalie Janoski, njonoski@carrollcountymd.gov or visit the website at <https://wrcprograms.org/> for more informant.

The Woodbine Recreation Council

The Woodbine Recreation Council provides recreational opportunities in Woodbine, Mount Airy and surrounding areas. The council meets at 7:00 p.m. quarterly. Please call 410-386-2103, email Myiah Edwards at medwards@carrollcountymd.gov for meeting dates and locations. Visit the website at <https://woodbinerec.org/> or more informant.

Department Information email ccrec@carrollcountymd.gov for more information or visit our website at <https://www.carrollcountymd.gov/government/directory/recreation-parks/>

REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS! At <https://ccrec.recdesk.com/Community/Program>

- Piney Run Park Summer Camp registration is open
- Egg Drop at Westminster Veterans Park – April 2, 10:30-11 a.m.
- Westminster Community Pond Youth Fishing Rodeo – Sunday April 26, 2026
- Krimgold Park Youth Fishing Rodeo – Sunday May 17, 2026
- Car Fest at the Farm Museum - July 11, 2026
- KidzFest at the Farm Museum – August 15, 2026

ACTIVITIES AT THE CHARLES CARROLL COMMUNITY CENTER

- March 13, 2026 - Free Family Movie Night. Zootopia 2 at 7 PM (Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

- March 28, 2026 – Egg Hunt, Charles Carroll Park TBA
 - July 13-17, Summer Playzone Camp, 9am – 5 pm
 - August 10-14, Summer Playzone Camp, 9am – 5 pm
 - Birthday Party Rentals, Saturdays, 11 am-1 pm (must request 30 days in advance)
- **ART CONTEST: Win 2 Tickets to Hersheypark!**
Calling All Young Artists!
Nature-Inspired Drawing Contest
"Drawn to Nature"
 Let your creativity bloom!
 Show us how you see the beauty of the natural world — from forests and flowers to animals and oceans.

Drop Off Location:

Charles Carroll Community Center, 3719 Littlestown Pike, Westminster, 21158
 RMC 300 S. Center Street, Westminster, 21157

Who Can Enter: Elementary, Middle, High

Prize for Most Creative, Most Inspiring Nature Message!

Winner’s Art Work will be displayed on Carroll County Recreation and Parks Social Media Page’s, and receive 2 tickets to Hersheypark!

All submitted artwork will be displayed at Charles Carroll Community Center

How to Enter:

Create an original drawing inspired by nature

Use any medium (pencil, markers, colored pencils, etc.)

Include your name, grade, and title of your piece



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 410-386-2103

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The Americans with Disabilities Act applies to the Carroll County Government and its programs, services, activities, and facilities. Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or who has a complaint should contact The Department of Citizen Services, 410-386-3600 or 1-888-302-8978 or MD Relay 711/1-800-735-2258 or email ada@carrollcountymd.gov as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours before the scheduled event.