

# MCPR NEWSLETTER

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## Park Spotlight

### Limestone Greenway

In early 2019, Monroe County officially broke ground on the Limestone Greenway. The fully paved, wheelchair accessible greenway begins at Church Lane in Southern Monroe County and extends south for 1.7 miles. The trail will be paved and easily accessible from the City of Bloomington's Rail Trail. The Limestone Greenway is scheduled to open in November, 2019.

### Karst Farm Park Playscape Playground

The Karst Farm Park Playscape Playground closed for renovation in January, 2018. It was re-opened to the public in May, 2019. Facility improvements include interactive musical instruments, an enclosed slide, wheelchair accessible ramp, and approximately .25 acres of open green space behind the playground. The Karst Farm Park Splashpad was also resurfaced during the renovation period.

### New Website

MCPR launched a new website in January, 2019. The new website includes several new features including a user friendly interface, updated registration and checkout systems, online donation options, and many more. Visit [www.mcparksandrec.org](http://www.mcparksandrec.org) to check out the new site!

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## Day Trip Schedule

French Lick Casino  
Tuesday, May 14  
Trip Cost: \$25.00

Lake Monroe Boat Cruise  
Tuesday, June 4  
Trip Cost: \$35.00

French Lick Casino  
Tuesday, July 9  
Trip Cost: \$25.00

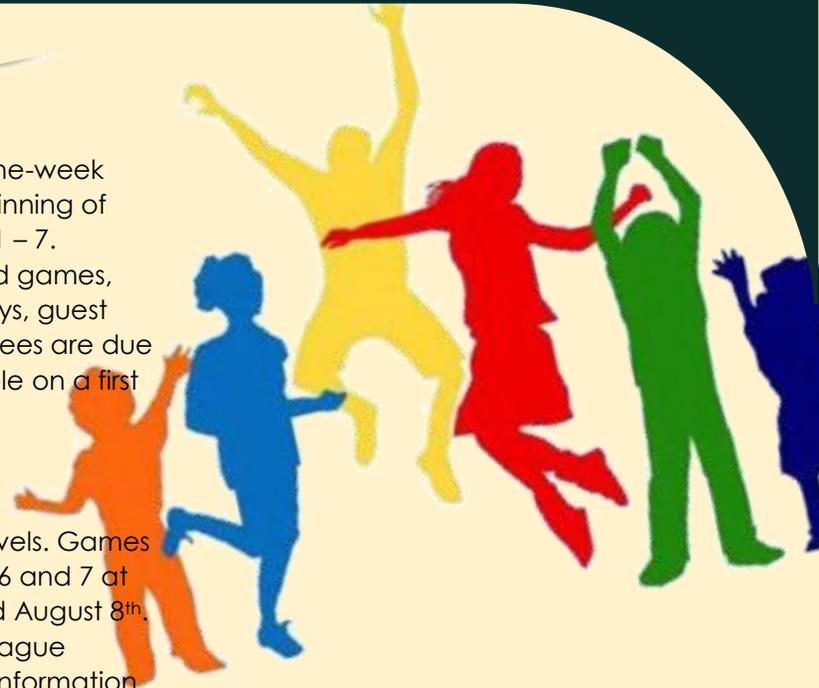
# Program Registration

## Karst Day Camp

Karst Day Camp registration is open! KDC encompasses 10 one-week summer camp sessions from the end of May through the beginning of August. Karst Day Camp is open to children entering grades 1 – 7. Campers get to experience an array of outdoor activities and games, nature education, field trips, arts and crafts, special event days, guest speakers and other traditional summer camp events. Camp fees are due before the start of each sessions. Online registration is available on a first come, first serve basis. Visit our website for more information.

## Adult Soccer League

Adult Soccer at Karst Farm Park is open to players of all skill levels. Games consist of 2 forty five minutes halves and are played on fields 6 and 7 at Karst Farm Park. The summer session will start June 6<sup>th</sup> and end August 8<sup>th</sup>. The registration deadline for MCPR's summer Adult Soccer League session is June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Visit our website or call our office for more information on registration.



## Upcoming Events

### Story-Walk Celebration; Flatwoods Park

May 18, 2pm – 3pm

Join us to celebrate our brand new Story Walk at Flatwoods Park, *Dino Duckling*. We'll meet in the large shelter house to share short funny stories and make a craft. Take your newly-made craft to use on the walk through a fun story.

### Flatwoods Picnic; Flatwoods Park

June 11, 5pm – 7pm

Follow the fun to the park for activities, games, food, prizes, and crafts provided by local organizations. Bring your own bicycle and helmet to try out our bike course, or visit the new Story Walk! Help stock local Pantry 279 by bringing non-perishable or toiletry items to donate.

### Bug Fest 2019; IU Hilltop Gardens

June 22, 10am – 3pm

Bug Fest is a celebration of insects and their relatives. Designed for children of all ages, from 1 to 101, the mission of Bug Fest is to educate the public about insect and spider biology. Guest lecturers will share their knowledge of dragonflies, butterflies, bees, and other topics, plus there will be information tables on a variety of subjects, including pollinators, garden insects, forest pests, public health, and live insect displays. Activities will include insect crafts, mealworm races, cricket spitting, insect games, storytelling, and more!

### Senior Day at the Fair; Monroe County Fairgrounds

July 2, 10am – 2pm

Senior Day at the Fair will be held at the Monroe County Fairgrounds Auditorium. There will be a style show, lunch, musical performance, bingo, prizes and more!

### Movie Night in the Park; Karst Farm Park

July 13, 8:15pm – 11pm

Join us for a free showing of "Home" on the big screen. Pre-movie activities and concessions will begin at 8:15 PM and the movie will start just before dusk. Bring your own blanket or lawn chairs! Parental guidance recommended.

## Did You Know?

The Monroe County Parks and Recreation Foundation, a 501 c(3) not-for-profit organization, exists to support park improvements, recreation programs/events, and youth scholarships. The MCPR Foundation accepts all forms of charitable gifts, including online donations. If you would like to know more about how you can make an impact in the Monroe County Community by enhancing recreational programs and services, contact us! [mcpr@co.monroe.in.us](mailto:mcpr@co.monroe.in.us)

## Karst Dog Park

Warm weather is here! What better way to enjoy the sunshine than at the park with your furry companions? Monroe County Parks and Recreation manages the only membership-based dog park in the area. Karst Dog Park amenities include:

- 1.5 acre large dog area
- .5 acre small dog area
- Free guest dog privileges (ask for details)
- Drinking water for people and dogs
- Walking trail
- Shade shelter
- Paw sprayer



## We want to hear from you!

Do you have ideas for our seasonal newsletter? Let us know! Contact us with suggestions: [mcpr@co.monroe.in.us](mailto:mcpr@co.monroe.in.us)

## Get involved

Monroe County Parks and Recreation will be starting two new volunteer programs: Adopt-a-Flowerbed and Adopt-a-Trail. Opportunities for these programs will be limited and will be available on a first come, first serve seasonal basis.

Do you have a group interested in volunteering within your community park system? To learn more about these volunteer programs and future opportunities, contact John Robertson at [jrobertson@co.monroe.in.us](mailto:jrobertson@co.monroe.in.us) for more information.



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