Guide to Leisure Services

Winter/Spring 2016

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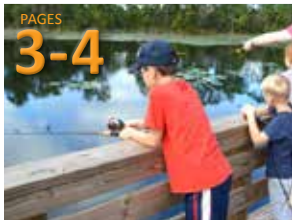

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OUR MISSION: *"Enriching lives through outstanding cultural, educational, environmental, and recreational experiences."*

This *Guide to Leisure Services* covers activities and programs from January through May 2016.

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SEMINOLE COUNTY
FLORIDA'S NATURAL CHOICE

LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Extension Services
407.665.5560

Greenways and Natural Lands
407.349.0959

Seminole County Public Library System

Central Branch Library:
407.665.1500

East Branch Library:
407.665.1560

North Branch Library:
407.665.1620

Northwest Branch Library:
407.665.1640

West Branch Library:
407.665.1670

Parks and Recreation
407.665.2180

RedBug: 407.665.2190

Sanlando: 407.665.2100

Softball Complex: 407.665.1990

Sylvan: 407.665.2180

Soldiers Creek: 407.665.2199

Visitors Center
407.665.2900

Visit us on the Web at:
www.seminolecountyfl.gov/leisure

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Events and Activities for All Ages

Seminole County Guided Hikes

Join Natural Lands staff and volunteers for guided morning and evening hikes on some of our most beautiful wilderness areas. Experience the trails and learn about the amazing animals and plants that live in the variety of habitats.

Guided Day Hikes

Date	Theme	Time	Location
March 19	Morning Trail Trek!	9 - 11 a.m.	Econ Wilderness Area
April 2	*Birds & Bagels	7 - 9 a.m.	Lake Harney Wilderness Area
April 23	*Swamp Walk	8 - 10 a.m.	Spring Hammock Preserve

*Birds & Bagel hike will end on our new observation tower where you will enjoy bagels, coffee and amazing views of the Lake Harney Floodplain.

*Swamp Walk will take you through thick, black mud to explore the beauty of the hydric hammock. Wear closed-toes shoes and long pants. Lots of fun for the entire family!

Guided Night Hikes

Date	Theme	Time	Location
May 7	Reptile Ramble	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Geneva Wilderness Area
May 21	Nocturnal Animals	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Lake Proctor Wilderness Area
June 4	Insects & Spiders	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Chuluota Wilderness Area
June 18	Frog Hop Hike	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Geneva Wilderness Area

Cost: $3 per person (limited to 25 participants per hike).

Pre-registration is required, space is limited. Children must be at least 7 years of age and accompanied by an adult. **You may register at any active park (Sylvan Lake Park, Red Bug Lake Park and Sanlando Park). Park Hours: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. Mon - Fri, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat - Sun.**

Seminole County Natural Lands and Central Florida CISMA 6th Annual Invasive Species Mega-Raid

Join us at multiple locations in Seminole County to help with the removal of this exotic species.

*Bring gloves, garden tools optional. Great event for all ages! families & organizations welcome! Have fun while helping the environment. Locations to be announced

Location: Call 407.349.0551 for information on locations and how to sign up.
Date/Time: January 23, 10 a.m. - Noon
Cost: Free

Spring Into Fear! Night Hike

Join us for a scary hike through the woods and end with an open house at the Nature center where you can hold a snake and even pet an alligator! (Due to those pesky mosquitoes that forced us to cancel the Fright Hike in the Fall, we are moving the Hike to March).

Location: Geneva Wilderness Area,
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva
Date/Time: March 12, 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Cost: $5 per person

Pre-registration is required. *Register at any active park:* Red Bug Lake, Park, Sylvan Lake Park & Sanlando Park. Park Hours: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. Monday - Friday. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday & Sunday

Nature Classes

Owl Class

Join a local biologist to find out Whoo is watching Whoo at night! Come learn about owls, the silent hunters of the night! Dissect your own owl pellet and go for a hike to listen for, and hopefully see, some of these amazing creatures! Open to ages 7 and up. **Children must be accompanied by an adult.**

Location: Ed Yarborough Nature Center
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva
Date/Time: Saturday, **March 5**, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Cost: $5 per person

Pre-registration is required. *Register at any active park:* Red Bug Lake, Park, Sylvan Lake Park & Sanlando Park. Park Hours: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. Monday - Friday. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday & Sunday

Eco Crafts for Kids

Join us for parent/child nature craft time! We will make a nature frame from items collected on our hike. Use it to frame your favorite photo! We will end with making an edible arthropod (bug). Using all kinds of fun candies, you will create your very own, one of a kind arthropod. **Class is limited to 20 participants so register NOW!**

Location: Geneva Wilderness Area at New Flatwoods Pavilion
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva
Date/Time: Saturday, **April 16**, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Cost: $5 per child, ages 5 to 7 years old

Pre-registration is required. *Register at any active park:* Red Bug Lake, Park, Sylvan Lake Park & Sanlando Park. Park Hours: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. Monday - Friday. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday & Sunday.

Events and Activities for All Ages continued

Nature Classes Continued:

Fishing Fun
Come join us for a morning of fishing! All children will receive a free fishing rod. **Limited to 15 children.** Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Location: Geneva Wilderness Area
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva

Date/Time: Saturday, **April 23**, 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Cost: $5 per child, ages 7 - 12

Pre-registration is required. *Register at any active park:* Red Bug Lake, Park, Sylvan Lake Park & Sanlando Park. Park Hours: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. Monday - Friday. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday & Sunday

Snakes of Florida
Join a local snake expert as he gives an introduction to, and dispels some of the myths about, these often misunderstood cold blooded residents! Open to ages 7 and up. ***Children must be accompanied by an adult*.**

Location: Ed Yarborough Nature Center
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva

Date/Time: Saturday, **May 14**, 9 a.m. - Noon

Cost: $5 per person

Pre-registration is required. *Register at any active park:* Red Bug Lake, Park, Sylvan Lake Park & Sanlando Park. Park Hours: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. Monday - Friday. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday & Sunday

Museum of Seminole County History

Seminole County Historical Society Quarterly Meeting
Speakers to be announced. Light refreshments served. Open to public; all are invited.

Location: 300 Bush Blvd. Sanford, 32773, 407.665.2489
Date: Tuesday, **January 26**, and Tuesday, **May 10**,
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Cost: Free

Kick-off Launch of Sanford Herald Digitization Project's Online Database
Come and see demonstrations of Sanford Herald digitized. Light refreshments served.

Location: Museum of Seminole County History
300 Bush Blvd. Sanford, 32773
Date: March 16, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Cost: Free

"Water" - Special Digital Exhibit in Partnership with the Florida Humanities Council
Discover the impact of one of Florida's greatest natural treasures-Its water! From Wekiva Springs to the St. Johns River, an historical and ecological look at a seemingly abundant resource under threat.

Location: Museum of Seminole County History
300 Bush Blvd. Sanford, 32773
Date: May 30 - Aug. 31, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Cost: Museum admission - $3 adult, $1 student plus tax

The Big Read at the Library (for all ages)

Join in the community-wide reading of *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston. January 2016 marks the 125th anniversary of the author's birth. Celebrate her life and legacy by participating in this Central Florida event, thanks to a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and the University of Central Florida. Attend library book discussion groups, gallery and online exhibitions, panel lectures, a history harvest, and more.

• Read and discuss *Their Eyes Were Watching God* at one of the seven librarian-led book groups. For Adults. For details, visit our Library Events Calendar at http://seminolelibrary.org Cost: Free

• Enjoy an after-school program featuring Zora Neale Hurston's collected folklore tales. Puppets, storytelling, crafts and fun will bring them to life. For school aged kids! For details, visit our Library Events Calendar or the KidsPage at http://seminolelibrary.org Cost: Free

• Learn about Zora's life and historical connection to Sanford in the program *The Life of Zora in Sanford*. Mrs. Francis Oliver of the Goldsboro Museum will present at the North Branch Library. For Adults. For details, visit our Library Events Calendar at http://seminolelibrary.org Cost: Free

For more information about all Central Florida scheduled events, visit The National Endowment for the Arts community events page.

Visit Your Local Library

Make the Library a regular stop. Find an up-to-date collection of items for users of all ages. Enjoy free access to millions of titles including, large print, audio, magazines, newspapers and online databases. See map on page 6 & 7 to locate a library close to you! Or visit our Virtual Library Branch at: http://seminolelibrary.org for downloading eBooks, audio books, videos or to research homework assignments.

This Spring at your library you can:

- Sharpen your card playing skills with Basic Bridge Instruction classes
- Cook up game-winning Super Bowl party recipes from our cookbooks
- Learn on lynda.com for free. Learn photography, 3D+Animation, or software like CSS or Bootstrap, and more
- Text or Live Chat your question with a reference librarian
- Bring your mobile device and use our free WI-FI
- Color your way to calmness in our adult Zen coloring time classes
- Use the library's mobile app, BookMyne, to renew or reserve books on your phone
- Listen to a bestseller on your spring break road trip
- Bring your kids to a "maker" program, like LEGOs or Ozobots
- Reserve meeting space for your HOA, writers' group or high school reunion planning committee

Youth Enrichment

Crafternoons (Teens)

Drop in to create and make. 4th Wednesdays at Northwest Branch Library (Lake Mary.) Call 407.665.1640 or visit
http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

DIY Family Arm Knitting (Tweens, Teens and Adults as a Family Program)

Learn how to arm knit a scarf or shawl. Bring yarn. For date(s) and details, call the West or Northwest Branch libraries, or visit
http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Family Movies (Kids & Families)

Enjoy viewing family-friendly films with your family and friends. Bring a blanket to sit on and snacks to munch! No Registration Required. Call your local library branch for dates & times or visit
http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Fondant Fun (Kids & Families)

Squish and squash, press and roll. Create beautiful fondant roses for Valentine's Day. Registration Required. Space is Limited. Call your local library branch for date & times or visit
http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Print It! (Tweens, ages 8 - 12)

Create original art prints by designing and carving your own lithographic plate. Registration Required. Call your library local branch for times or visit http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Spanish Immersion Storytime (Infant to 3 yrs)

Bring your baby or toddler for thirty minutes of stories, puppets, finger plays, song and active fun. All in Spanish! *Mama Gansa* at Lake Mary. *Viva Espanol* at Oviedo. No Registration Required. For details, call your local library branch or visit http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Special Story Times for Special Needs Kids

Bring your child to an open, accepting program designed to increase comfort level. Filled with music, puppets and stories, these story times alternate monthly between Oviedo and Casselberry. For dates and details, call the Central or East Branch Library or visit
http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

TLC-Teen Library Council (Ages 13+)

Join this leadership team and help give feedback on teen library programming, teen spaces, designing teen web pages, and more. Open to Seminole County teens, there are five groups. Each meets monthly. For dates & times, call or visit http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Teen Read 2016 - Contest

(Open to all Seminole County Middle & High School Students) Calling all creative middle and high school students (public or private schools!) Show off your artistic side. Shoot a video. Design a movie poster. Write an essay, poem or story. Base your work on reading & books. Entry submission deadline is by 8 p.m. **Monday, January 25, 2016**. Winning submissions will be showcased and cash prizes given at the 2016 Teen Read Fest Awards Ceremony on March 10th! Ask for guidelines at your local library or visit the Teen page
http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Story Time at the Library (Infant - 5 yrs)

Fun, interactive, and language-rich! Giggle and learn with puppets, finger plays, stories and singing. Learn how to make reading a family priority from birth. Our librarians deliver age-appropriate emergent literacy programs. For dates and time, call your local branch or visit
http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Chess Fun (All Ages)

Drop in and practice your chess moves. Sharpen strategy and decision-making skills. Have fun too! Call your local library branch for dates & times or visit http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Code It! (Tweens, ages 8 - 12)

Learn programming code with Ozobots robots. Registration Required. Call your local library branch for dates & times or visit http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Confetti Club (Ages 5 - 8)

Join the fun! Come to an after-school club designed just for school-age kids. Spend an hour enjoying games, wacky science experiments, stories, crafts, puppets and movies. Parents are welcome but not required! Call your library local branch for dates & times or visit
http://seminolelibrary.org

Spring Break Eco Adventure Camp!

Campers will have fun hiking, setting traps, fishing, handling the animals in the Nature Center, arts & crafts and many other fun activities! For more information call 407.349.0959

Location: Ed Yarborough Nature Center, Geneva
Date: March 21 - 25, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
(extend day available 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.)
Cost: $132/wk (extended day additional $15/wk) ages 7 - 12

Facility List & Map:

1 **Big Tree Park and Trailhead**
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. to dusk
761 General Hutchison Parkway, Longwood

2 **Black Bear Wilderness Area**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
5298 Michigan Avenue, Sanford

3 **Black Hammock Wilderness Area**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
3276 Howard Avenue, Geneva

4 **Black Hammock Trailhead**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
1571 E. State Road 434, Winter Springs

5 **Bookertown Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. to sunset
4640 Richard Allen Street, Sanford

6 **C. S. Lee Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 24 hours
4600 East State Road 46, Geneva

7 **Cameron Wight Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 24 hours
5502 Old Geneva Road, Sanford

8 **Chuluota Wilderness Area**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
3895 Curryville Road, Chuluota

9 **East Branch Library**
407.665.1560 • Open Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m.; Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday, Closed; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
310 Division Street, Oviedo, FL 32765

10 **Econ River Wilderness Area**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
3795 Old Lockwood Road, Oviedo

11 **Ed Yarborough Nature Center**
407.349.0959
3485 North County Road 426, Geneva
Open by appointment only

12 **Environmental Studies Center (Seminole County Public Schools Property)**
407.320.0467 • Open by appointment only
2985 Osprey Trail, Longwood

13 **Geneva Wilderness Area**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
3501 County Road 426, Geneva

14 **Greenwood Lakes Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
660 Greenway Blvd, Lake Mary

15 **Jones Trailhead**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours • North on Markham Woods at Long Pond Rd, Lk. Mary

16 **Jean Rhein Central Branch Library**
407.665.1500 • Open Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m.; Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday, Closed; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
215 N. Oxford Road, Casselberry

17 **Jamestown Park**
407.665.2180
Open 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
2135 South Street, Oviedo

18 **Kewannee Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. to sunset
1505 Kewannee Trail, Casselberry

19 **Lake Dot Park**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
100 Lake Dot Drive, Sanford

20 **Lake Harney Wilderness Area & St. Johns River Trailhead**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
East on Osceola Road to Osceola Fish Camp Road, near Lake Harney, Geneva

21 **Lake Jesup Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 24 hours
5951 South Sanford Avenue, Sanford

22 **Lake Jesup Wilderness Area**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
5951 South Sanford Avenue, Sanford

23 **Lake Mills Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. to sunset
1301 Tropical Avenue, Chuluota

24 **Lake Monroe Wayside Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 24 hours
4150 Northwest U. S. Hwy 17/92, Sanford

25 **Lake Proctor Wilderness Area**
407.349.0959 • Open daylight hours
920 State Road 46, Geneva

26 **Little Big Econ Canoe Launch**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
County Road 419 at Econlockhatchee River Bridge, Oviedo

27 **Markham Trailhead**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
8515 Longwood Markham Road, Sanford

28 **Midway Park**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
2045 Hurston Avenue, Sanford

29 **Moore Station Rd Fields**
407-6652180 • Open 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
2841 Cameron Avenue, Sanford

30 **Mullet Lake Park**
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. to sunset
2368 Mullet Lake Park Road, Geneva

31 **Museum of Seminole County History**
407.665.2489 • Open Tuesday to Friday, 1 - 5 p.m. & Saturday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
300 Bush Boulevard, Sanford

32 **North Branch Library**
407.665.1620 Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Closed Sunday
150 N. Palmetto Avenue, Sanford

33 **Northwest Branch Library**
407.665.1640 Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Closed Sunday
580 Greenway Blvd, Lake Mary

34 **Overlook Park**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
1998 Spring Avenue, Oviedo

35 **Red Bug Lake Park**
407.665.2190 • 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. M - F, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat & Sun
3600 Red Bug Lake Road, Casselberry

36 **Roseland Park**
407.665.2180
Open 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
1898 Roseberry Lane, Sanford

37 **San Sebastian Trailhead**
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
Corner of Central Boulevard & Montgomery Road, Altamonte Springs

38 **Sanlando Park and Trailhead**
407.665.2100 • 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. M-F, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat/Sun
401 W Highland St, Altamonte Springs

39 **Seminole County Extension Services & Teaching Gardens** 407.665.5551
Open M - F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
250 West County Home Road, Sanford

Learning teamwork with good friends at Spring Break Eco Camp

40 Seminole County Extension Teaching Gardens at Seminole County Student Museum 407.665.5551 • Open M - F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., 301 West 7th Street, Sanford

41 Seminole County Sports Complex
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. M - F, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat/Sun
3450 E. Lake Mary Blvd. Sanford

42 Seminole County Softball Complex & Seminole Wekiva Trail/Trailhead
407.665.1990 • Open 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. M - F, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat/Sun
2200 W North St, Altamonte Springs

43 Snow Hill Trailhead
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
East of Oviedo on County Road 419 at Snow Hill Road & Jacobs Trail, Chuluota

44 Soldier's Creek Park and Trailhead
407-665-2199 • 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. M - F, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat/Sun
2400 State Road 419, Longwood

45 Spring Hammock Preserve
407.349.0959 • Open 8 a.m. to sunset • State Road 419, Longwood

46 Sunland Park
407.665.2180
Open 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
180 Collins Drive, Sanford

47 Sylvan Lake Park & Sports Training Center
407.665.2180 • Open 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. M - F, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat/Sun
845 Lake Markham Road, Sanford

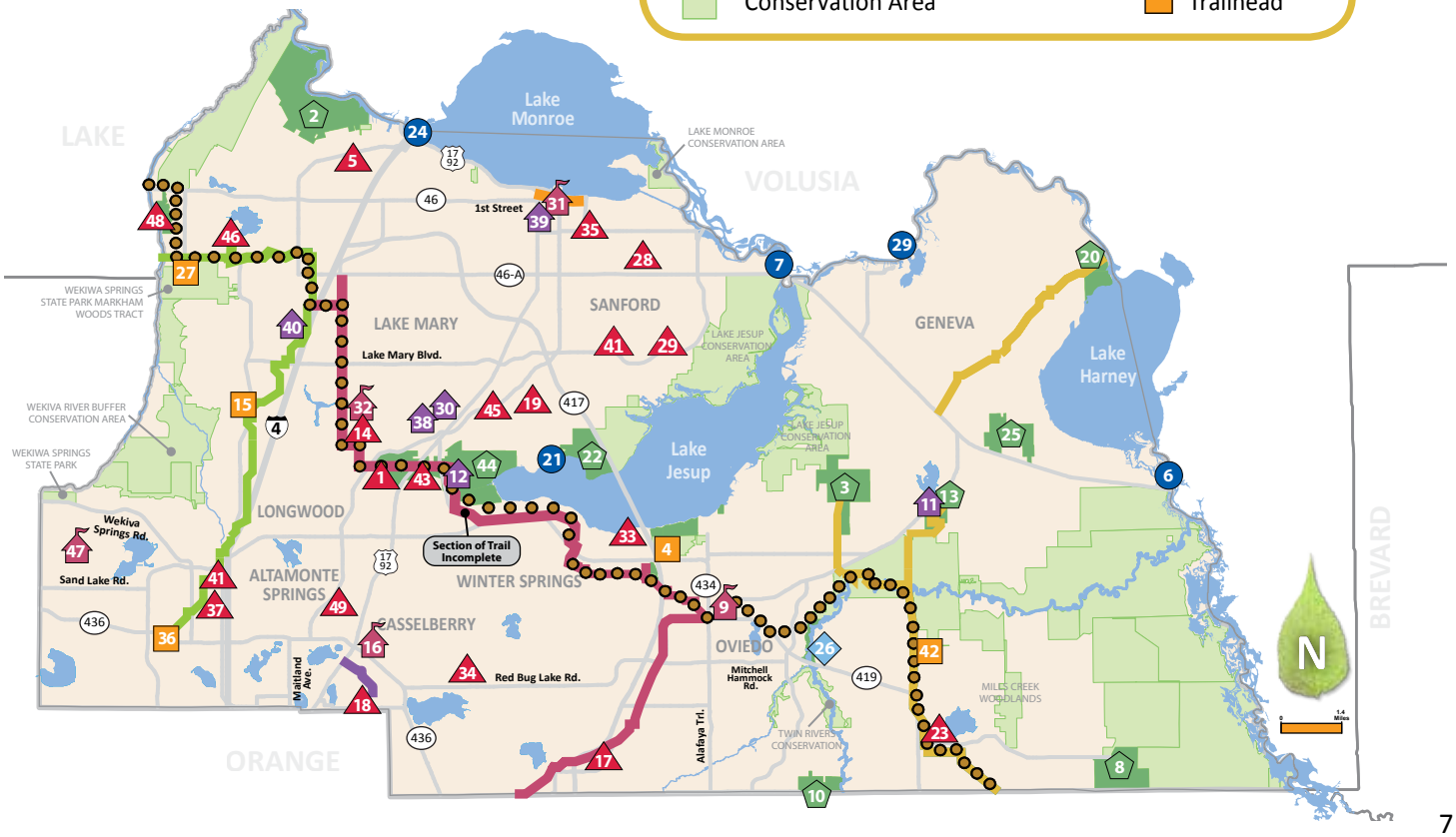
48 West Branch Library
407.665.1670 • Open Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; M - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday, Closed; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
245 N. Hunt Club Blvd, Longwood

49 Wilson's Landing Park
407.665.2180 • Open daylight hours
379 Malekean Trail, Sanford

50 Winwood Park
407.665.2180
Open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
931 Morse Street, Altamonte Springs

FACILITIES

- City of Sanford's RiverWalk
- Cross Seminole "Purple Heart" Trail
- Flagler Trail
- Florida National Scenic Trail
- Kewannee Trail
- Seminole Wekiva Trail
- Conservation Area
- Boat Ramp
- Canoe Launch
- Library
- Natural Area
- Park
- Specialty
- Trailhead



Adult Resources & Enrichment

Computer Classes

Drop in and bring your specific learning need for impromptu teaching. Or sign up for a class on how to Pinterest or FaceBook. Registration Required. Check our Library Events Calendar for dates & times, http://seminolelibrary.org **Cost:** Free

Crochet, Knit, Quilt?

Do you quilt, crochet, needlework, or knit? Drop in with your current project to these open groups. Come to a Crochet Club, Sit & Stitch, Yak 'N Yarn, or Wekiva Knitters meeting at your nearest library branch. Check our Library Events Calendar for dates & locations of various groups, http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

DIY Crafting (Upcycled Art)

Design something fab out of everyday household and recyclable items! Let your creativity shine at West Branch Library (Wekiva/ Longwood.) Check our Library Events Calendar for dates & times, http://seminolelibrary.org **Cost:** Free

ESOL (English Conversation) and ABE (Adult Basic Education)

Various weekly classes at the Central Branch Library in Casselberry and at the East Branch Library in Oviedo. Taught by Adult Literacy League certified tutors and trained ESOL educator. Open enrollment, no registration. For more information, call 407.422.1540 (Adult Literacy League). **Cost:** Free

Got Library Card?

Don't miss out on all that a library card can do for you! Check out books and magazines, do some DIY learning online with **lynda.com**, or download an eBook or eMagazine. Stream music or movies. All Seminole County residents are eligible for a free library card. For more information, ask at your local library or check http://seminolelibrary.org **Cost:** Free

Job Seekers

Build a Better You and Develop You Workshops provide you with a competitive advantage, as you search for your new career. Thanks to our partnerships with Goodwill Job Connections Centers and CareerSource, these are available at North Branch Library (Sanford) and Central Branch Library (Casselberry.) Check our Library Events Calendar for dates & locations, http://seminolelibrary.org **Cost:** Free

SNAP Assistance

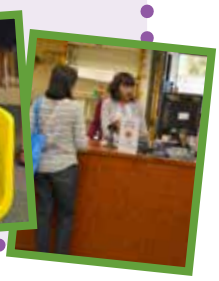
Get personalized help applying for food stamps. Wednesdays, 9 a. m. - Noon in Sanford. Stop in the library to make your appointment by 10 a.m. Offered in partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida.

Thinking of Starting a Small Business?

Join us for a FREE seminar geared to small business or home-based business owners. Find valuable information for a solid business startup. Spring seminars will be held in Casselberry, Longwood and Sanford. Check our Library Events Calendar http://seminolelibrary.org for dates & locations, and registration information.

TOP 10 REASONS WHY LIBRARIES ARE STILL IMPORTANT

1. **Not Everything is Available on the Internet**
2. **Digital Libraries are not the Internet**
3. **The Internet isn't Free**
4. **The Internet Compliments Libraries, but Doesn't Replace Them**
5. **School Libraries and Librarians Improve Student Test Scores**
6. **Libraries Aren't Just Books**
7. **Mobile Devices are not the End of Books or Libraries**
8. **Library Attendance isn't Falling It's Just More Virtual**
9. **Physical Libraries are Adapting to Cultural Change**
10. **Eliminating Libraries would Cut Short an Important Process of Cultural Evolution**



*Source: Ten Important Reasons for Libraries at: http://stephenslighthouse.com/2014/03/25/top-10-reasons-why-libraries-are-still-important/

Adult Resources & Enrichment

Limited Certification Pesticide Applicator CEUs/Licenses

This class is for Green Industry professionals looking to obtain, maintain or renew a pesticide applicator's license. 6 CEUs offered. Pre-registration required 2 days prior to class date. Register at: https://eventbrite.com/event/19600486583

Location: Seminole County Extension Auditorium, 250 W County Home Rd., Sanford
Date/Time: Friday, **January 15**, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Cost: Varies by licensure

6th Annual Seminole County Extension Gardening EXPO

Featuring hydroponic and organic gardening, children's activities, "how to clinics," vendors selling plants and gardening related products, "ask the Experts", food, entertainment and much more. Guest speakers include Tom McCubbin.

Location: Seminole County Extension Auditorium, 250 W County Home Rd., Sanford
Date/Time: Saturday, **March 5**, 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Cost:** Free

Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Program May 2016 - July 2016

All Florida-Friendly Landscaping classes require pre-registration, as class size is limited. Call 407.665.5575 for more details or email **FYN@seminolecountyfl.gov**. You can also schedule a program for your HOA or a group of 10 people or more.

Be a Weed Wacker

For those of you overrun with weeds in your yard, check out this two hour class to identify these invaders and your treatment options. Pre-registration required. Register at: https://eventbrite.com/event/19621841456

Location: Seminole County Extension Auditorium, 250 W County Home Rd., Sanford
Date/Time: Wednesday, **January 20**, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. **Cost:** Free

Landscaping for Shade

Where's all the sunshine? If it's not in your yard, this class will help you select and care for plants best-adapted for shady conditions. Pre-registration required. Register at: https://eventbrite.com/event/19621934735

Location: Seminole County Extension Auditorium, 250 W County Home Rd., Sanford
Date/Time: Wednesday, **February 10**, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. **Cost:** Free

Fertilize Appropriately

Are you feeding your plants a nutritious diet? Learn when and how much to fertilize your lawn and landscape in this hour class. Pre-registration required. Register at: https://eventbrite.com/event/19622063119

Location: Seminole County Extension Auditorium, 250 W County Home Rd., Sanford
Date/Time: Wednesday, **March 16**, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. **Cost:** Free

Soil pH Test

Bring in a soil sample from your yard (one cup full) to our office, anytime Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Take samples from 5 - 10 areas of the yard, mix them up and scoop one cup for your sample. A master gardener will let you know your results within a week. For details call 407.665.5550.
Cost of test: $2 per sample

Master Gardener Help Desk

A UF/IFAS trained Master Gardener Volunteer is on duty most weekdays from 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 to 4 p.m. to answer your questions and solve your gardening or landscape problems. You can call, email or come into our office and we will give you free one-on-one help and consultation. 407.665.5550, **mastergardener@seminolecountyfl.gov.**

Basic Bridge Instruction

Learn the basics of this popular card game. Registration is required for this eight-session class. Check our Library Events Calendar for dates & location, http://seminolelibrary.org **Cost:** Free

Book Clubs

Love to Read? Want to Talk About It? Join one of our seven monthly Library book clubs! Enjoy lively discussions & meet new people. Check our Library Events Calendar for dates & locations, http://seminolelibrary.org **Cost:** Free

Classic Movie Club

Enjoy old movies? Come enjoy a vintage film screening, followed by lively discussion. Call 407.665.1670 or visit the Library Events Calendar at http://seminolelibrary.org for film titles and dates.
Cost: Free

Color Me Calm for Grown-Ups Only!

Destress and enjoy the trendy new way to achieve Zen calmness, by coloring! Colored pencils and adult coloring sheets provided. Registration Required. Check our Library Events Calendar for dates & times, http://seminolelibrary.org
Cost: Free

Sports and Fitness

Youth Tennis - Junior Development Program

Series of group lessons where FUN is a priority as participants "play to learn", developing skills through a positive learning experience and with a sense of accomplishment. Certified professionals provide a great learning environment for the developmental learning stages. Players will focus on movement, balance, throwing and catching the ball, swing motions, making contact, grips and stroke development. As players continue to improve additional skill sets will focus on coordinating movement and balance, and hitting the ball with purpose and direction. Game concepts and scoring will be introduced. United States Tennis Association (USTA) 10 & Under QuickStart teaching methodology and concepts are used by trained QuickStart tennis professionals.

Age Groups: 3 & 4 year olds (36' court, foam balls, 19" & 21" rackets)
5 - 7 year olds (36' court, red compression ball, 21" & 23" rackets)
8 - 10 year olds (60' court, orange compression ball, 25" rackets)
11+ middle school and high school

Locations: Red Bug Lake, Sanlando Lake Parks and Sylvan (See contact numbers on page 2)

Cost: $54 (Saturday group lessons held one hr per week for 6 weeks)
$72 (weekday held one hour twice per week for 4 weeks)

Junior Training Program

Four exciting levels designed for the continued development of new junior team tennis and tournament players to the high school team and elite tournament players. The Seminole County training programs are USTA approved "Local Excellence Training Centers" and incorporate the concepts and methods used by the USTA for elite Junior Players. Emphasis is on the Four (4) "F's": Fundamentals, Footwork, Fitness, and Fun! The daily format combines instruction with practice and match play and includes structured drills and on court games to improve player skills, tactics, and techniques.

10's and 8's & under levels with age appropriate components. Participation is based on ability and experience- and subject to the tennis pro's approval.

Locations: Red Bug Lake, Sanlando, and Sylvan Lake Parks
Cost: $104 month (two hours, two times per week for 4 weeks)

Cardio Tennis

Whether you are already in shape or ready to get back into shape, Cardio Tennis is for you. This fun and exciting high energy workout combines tennis drills and cardio put to music.

Locations: Red Bug Lake and Sanlando
(See contact numbers on page 2)
Cost: $6 per class

Round Robin

Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles are offered for adults 18+ who enjoy competing in a fun, relaxed atmosphere. Social mixers and themed weeks. Social mixers and themed weeks. Join us in February for the "Valentine's Love Means Everything," March for "March Madness" and May for the "Run for the Roses"

Locations: Red Bug Lake Park, Sanlando Park and Sylvan Lake Park
Cost: $5 per evening session/$4 per morning session

Tennis for the "Health of It."

Tennis is the sport of a lifetime and you are never too old to start. It provides aerobic fitness by burning fat and improving your cardiovascular fitness and maintaining high levels of energy. It provides anaerobic fitness by offering short, intense bursts of activity followed by short periods of rest which helps muscles use oxygen efficiently. It strengthens bones of younger players and helps prevent osteoporosis in older ones. Certified professionals help make this program fun and provide a great learning environment for the early stages of competition.
fun and stay fit!

Levels:

Beginner: Grips, footwork, forehand and backhand groundstroke's, volleys and serve will be introduced.

Intermediate: Participants will focus on coordinating movement and balance, hitting the ball with purpose and direction, and improvement of their skill level through strengthening of the fundamentals learned in the beginner level.

Advanced: Emphasis will be on incorporating skills into playing situations. Top spin and slice will be introduced. Drills and playing situations to include ball movement and control of varying ball speeds with shot anticipation.

Strategy: Singles and Doubles. Improve your match results and competitive tennis experience. Doubles to include serve and volley, poaching, moving as a team, return strategy and different formations.

Learn the different styles of play and find out what type of game you want to perfect!

Locations: Red Bug Lake, Sanlando, Sylvan Lake, Greenwood Lakes Park
Cost: $72 for 8 weeks, one hour per week

Softball Leagues "Got Game?" Seminole County Softball Leagues Sizzle!

"Got Game?" - Seminole County Softball Leagues Sizzle! Seminole County offers the great game of softball for men, women, coed and seniors at various levels of play. Bring your own team or your glove and let us locate a team for you! There are three ten week league seasons: Winter, Spring, and Fall. Looking for a team? Contact your local park for the "pre-season draft."

Locations: Red Bug Lake Park and SC Softball Complex
Cost and Schedule:

Seminole County Softball Complex only
Winter 2016 League: $425 - Registration now open
League Play begins Monday, **January 4**
10 week season plus playoff (1 game per week)

Seminole County Softball Complex and Red Bug Lake Park
Spring 2016 League: $425 - Registration begins Feb. 1, 2016
League Play begins Monday **April 11**
10 week season plus playoff (1 game per week)

Facility Rentals

Court and Field Rentals

Athletic Fields: Located at Red Bug Lake Park, Sylvan Lake Park, Soldiers Creek, Seminole County Softball Complex, Seminole County Sports Complex and Moore Station Road.

Field Rental	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	$25 per hour + tax
Field Rental	5 p.m. - 10 p.m.	$35 per hour + tax

Basketball (located at Red Bug Lake and Sanlando Parks)

Court Fee $6 per hour per court + tax

Walk-on play is free of charge. Priority use is given to reserved users. Fees for basketball court usage are only charged for reservations made in advance. Fees are due in advance of rental.

Racquetball (located at Red Bug Lake, Sanlando, and Sylvan Lake Parks)

Court Fee	$6 per hour per court + tax
Balls	$3 per can + tax

Roller Hockey (located at Greenwood Lakes Park)

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	$16 per hour + tax
5 p.m. - 10 p.m.	$32 per hour + tax

Open-skate is free of charge. Priority use is given to reserved users. Fees for rink usage are charged for reservations made in advance. Fees are due at time of reservation. Reservations and payment can be made at Sylvan Lake Park.

Tennis

Court Fee (per hour per court + tax)

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	$4
5 p.m. - 10 p.m.	$6

Ball Machine Court
Locations: Sanlando, Red Bug & Sylvan
Cost: Sanlando & Red Bug: $11 per hour + tax, Sylvan: $5 per hour + court fee + tax.

Courts can be reserved in advance for Greenwood Lakes, Red Bug Lake, Sanlando, and Sylvan Lake Park locations. Court reservations for Greenwood Lakes Park must be made and paid for at Sylvan Lake Park.

Library Meeting Rooms

Need a place to give your sales team a pep talk? Own a home-based business and looking for a space to meet? Consider one of our Library Meeting Rooms for your next gathering. Locations: Casselberry, Oviedo, Lake Mary, Longwood and Sanford libraries. Fee: $16 - $32 per hour for For-Profit or FREE for Not-for-Profit organizations. For more information, call 407.665.1500 or visit http://seminolelibrary.org

Adopt-a-Park Program

The Adopt-a-Park Program facilitates the monitoring, clean up and enhancement of parks, natural lands, trails, and trailheads maintained by Seminole County. Interested in demonstrating community pride and making a positive statement for clean, attractive leisure areas? Call 407.665.2171 for details or visit: www.seminolecountyfl.gov/leisureservices/AdoptaParkProgram.aspx

Camping

Seminole County offers primitive camping at Lake Mills, Mullet Lake Park and the Geneva Wilderness area. Mullet Lake Park and Geneva Wilderness Area offer no vehicle access to the campsites (hike-in only). Lake Mills Park has vehicular access, one vehicle per site and campsites with overflow parking available. Individual sites are at Mullet Lake Park and Lake Mills Park. Group camping is available at the Geneva Wilderness Area, Mullet Lake Park and Lake Mills Park. Call 407.665.2180 for details.

Pavilion Rentals

Great venue for birthday parties, family reunions or corporate events. Pavilion reservations and payment must be made in advance. Priority use is given to reserved users. Pavilions are first come first served if reservations have not been confirmed. For details call 407.665.2180.

Locations:
Red Bug Lake Park, Sanlando Park, Sylvan Lake Park, Greenwood Lakes, Lake Mills & Wilson's Landing.

Cost:
Large Half Day.....$60 + tax
Full Day.....$100 + tax
Small half Day.....$40 + tax
Full Day.....$60 + tax

Ed Yarborough Nature Center Campus at the Geneva Wilderness Area

Looking for a unique place to hold a meeting, birthday party, event, program or retreat for groups up to 40? The Ed Yarborough Nature Center Campus at the Geneva Wilderness Area sits in the middle of 180 acres and is surrounded by Florida's natural beauty! This venue includes an air-conditioned building/nature center with a small kitchen, telephone, projector, screen, and restrooms, as well as, a 50 seat outdoor pavilion with restrooms, a fishing pier and nature trails. Cost: $32/hour + tax. For more information please call 407.349.0959. Nature based programs and activities can be provided for your event. Please call for details.

Meeting Rooms at the Park

Consider one of Seminole County's unique meeting rooms for your next organization, homeowners association, or community meeting. Call 407.665.2100 for details.

Location: Seminole County Softball Complex
Cost: Ranges from $16 to $32/hour + tax

Midway Community Center

Looking for a large meeting or gathering space for your next party? Check out Midway Community Center. Space can accommodate large groups. Sylvan Lake Park at 407.655.2180

Location: 2253 Jitway Avenue, Sanford

Cost: $50/day + tax

Nature Adventure Birthday Parties

Create a birthday party experience your child will never forget! A trained staff member will welcome your party guests, present an exciting program with live animals, and take the group for a hike on our 180 acre property. You will have time in the center for exploration and to enjoy your refreshments. Parties are held in the Ed Yarborough Nature Center in the Geneva Wilderness Area just minutes from Sanford, Lake Mary and Oviedo. Call 407.349.0959 for more information.

Leisure Services

Calendar Highlights

Code of Conduct

To ensure safety and a pleasant experience for all, please take care to abide by the established code of conduct posted at your location. If you witness activities that violate the code of conduct, please notify staff person on duty or contact our department administrative offices at 407.665.2001. Remember, for emergencies always call 911.

Video & Photo Policy

Occasionally, video and photos may be taken of participants in programs, classes or activities at our facilities. Please be aware that these photos may be used in future program promotional materials.

Connect with Leisure Services on the Internet

www.seminolecountyfl.gov/leisure

Check out the new Library Website, visit http://seminolelibrary.org

Visiting the area? Visit www.visitseminole.com

Seminole County
Florida's Natural Choice

Winter/Spring 2016

January

January 25 — Deadline for video, movie poster or written submissions to the Library's Teen Read Literary Contest. For details, visit the Teen page at http://seminolelibrary.org

January - February — Join the community & participate in The Big Read. Celebrate author Zora Neale Hurston and her Central Florida novel, *Their Eyes Were Watching God*. Programs and Events for the whole family.

March

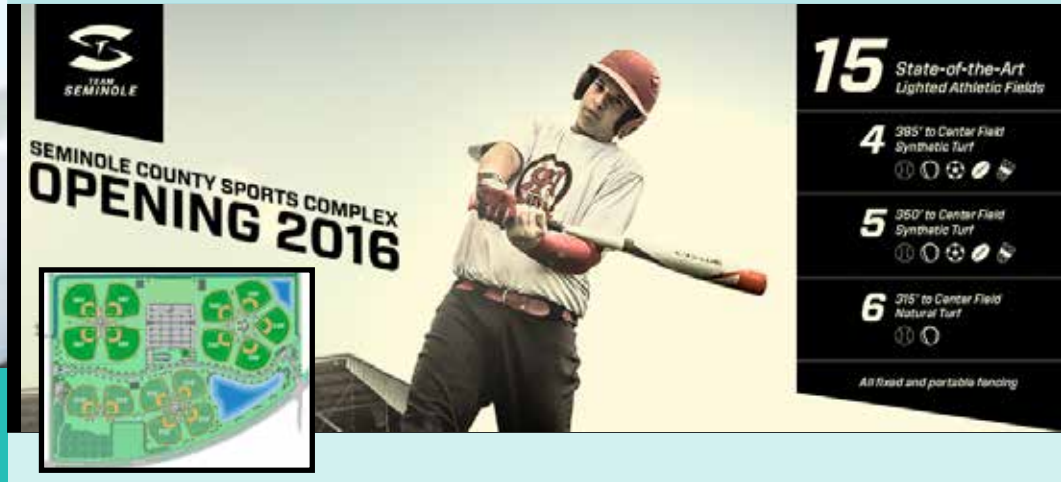
March 10 — Teen Read Fest Awards Night. County-wide celebration of the winners of the Library's 2016 Teen Read Literary Contest at the BCC Chambers, 7 p.m.

March 21 - 25 — Spring Break Eco Adventure Camp

April

April 10 - 16 — Celebrate National Library Week. Stop by your local branch or visit http://seminolelibrary.org. Share your story as to how *Libraries Transform*.

Coming Soon!



Opening in 2016, the new Seminole County Sports Complex will offer 102 acres of premier tournament-quality fields and facilities to elevate your entire sports event experience. Conveniently located just off I-4 near the Sanford Orlando International Airport, this state-of-the-art sports mecca will host events for baseball, softball, football, soccer and lacrosse athletes of all ages and skill levels.

Additional Complex Features:

- Large central pavilion for groups
- Playground
- Ample restrooms
- Walking paths
- Designated areas to accommodate food truck services
- Central picnic area
- Batting cages
- Bullpens adjacent to athletic field dugouts
- Ample warm-up / assembly areas for players and groups
- Spectator bleachers with shade cover at each field
- Three centrally located concession/hospitality buildings
- Administration building with park offices, meeting space and restrooms

WHERE CHAMPIONS MEET TO COMPETE