

Batavia High School Presents:



January 19-21 at 7:30

For tickets visit BataviaFineArtsCentre.org
or call the box office at 630-937-8930

Directed by Joshua Casburn

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HOOVER WOOD ELEMENTARY

1640 Wagner Rd., Batavia

5th Annual Children's Clothing & Toy RESALE

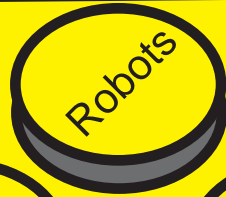
Feb. 17th, 2012 & Feb. 18, 2012

DONATE: No time to price & tag your items or just wanting to make a donation? Please bring any kid's clothing or toys to the Hoover Wood office or contact Jen Ross at danjenross@sbcglobal.net Donations accepted now until Feb 10, 2012.

SELL: Sellers will receive 60% profit from each item sold, with 40% going to the HWS-PTO. Registration is now open! Please register by going to www.myconsignmentmanager.com/hwspto. If you have any questions email hwsresale@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS: We always need volunteers! Sellers who volunteer at least 6 hours will receive 70% profit (10% more than the standard 60% seller profit). In addition to the actual sale dates, there are many opportunities to help in the weeks prior to the sale. Volunteers who work 3 or more hours will be eligible to shop at the pre-sale. Send and email to cignoffo@comcast.net if you would like to help out.

General questions: hwsresale@gmail.com or see website www.hwspto.org



Saturday
 Dec 17
 9am-4pm
 Rotolo Middle School
 1501 S. Raddant
 Batavia, IL

Lego Robotics

6th Annual

Batavia FLL Regional Competition

30 Teams from around the area competing
 for a chance to move on to the
 state finals in January

Free admission and a
 day of family fun

*Proudly hosted by
 Batavia Robotics*

www.bataviarobotics.com

***All of us at Batavia Robotics would like to wish you and your family
 a happy and safe holiday season, and a Happy New Year.***

Community Leadership Series Begins in January

Have you ever wished you knew more about Batavia and the organizations that make the community so successful?

Here is your chance!

Between January and May, the Chamber will present a series that will introduce you to the City of Batavia, School District, Park District, Kane County and Batavia Township. For only \$75 you can attend all 5 sessions. For single sessions it is only \$15 for Chamber members (\$20 for non-members).

Learn more about how the City has managed its finances during these difficult times. Learn more about what the police and fire departments do to protect the community beyond issuing tickets and extinguishing fires. Along the way, learn more about the School District, Park District, County and Township.

This is the perfect series for anyone in town who wishes to get more involved in the community.

You can register at the Chamber's website www.bataviachamber.org/programs.

January 19 - "City Services: Are you getting what you pay for?"

Hear representatives from the City of Batavia talk about their Mission & Vision. Learn the role of your elected officials, city departments and department heads. Hear about the budget, including sources and targets of funds.



February 16 - "Protecting Family & Home"

Discover how the police, fire and emergency services organizations strive to offer you support and safety.

March 15 - "Investing in Our Community and its Future"

Learn about the Batavia School District and Park District. What are their missions and visions...how do they budget and what are their sources and targets of funds.

April 19 - "No City is an Island: Local Governance Beyond Batavia"

Next up is Kane County and the Batavia Township. Discover their role in relation to the City. How are they organized, funded and what are their mission critical issues?

May 17 - "Innovation & Growth in Tough Times"

Finally, what is being done to support economic development. You will hear from a distinguished panel from the City, Chamber, MainStreet and the County. What is Economic Development? What are the major activities of each organization? How do they work together?

Come join your fellow Batavians to learn more about the great city you live and/or work in!!

REGISTER NOW FOR WINTER

ART CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS



Classes for all experience levels
for Adults, Teens, Children & Seniors

- Clay
- Drawing
- Jewelry
- Painting
- Welding/Sculpture
- Photography
- Parties
- Children's Classes
- Workshops

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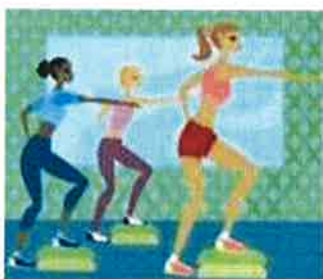




Inside the Parks

Your fun is our business

Save with Our New "Convenience Option" For Health & Fitness Classes



The Batavia Park District fitness program is now offering participants the convenience option to schedule and commit to their fitness routine for 2 sessions at a time.

How does it work? Select the classes below that you would like to participate in. When you

register for three or more classes, per session you will receive \$3 off each class you choose. Complete the fitness registration form complete with a debit or credit card (you can get this form from either office). Your card will be debited immediately for the winter session classes and again on Tuesday, March 27th for the spring session classes.

Changes of commitment for the spring session cannot be accepted nor refunds issued after Monday, March 26th, for the purpose of and fairness of ensuring class openings to outside participants based on registration numbers.



*Check out pages 34-36 in our Winter Brochure for our Health & Fitness classes.

Daddy/Daughter Date Night Ages 3 - 12



Valentine season is a great time to take your daughter, ages 3 - 12 years old, on a special date! Join us for entertainment, dessert, dancing, guessing games and photographs.

Price is per person.

Location: Rotolo Middle School at 1501 S. Raddant Rd.

Instructor: Gail Zwaska

CODE	DAYS	DATES	TIME	RES	BNR	NR
328200-1A	Su	2/12	6:00-8:00P	\$12	\$14	\$16

My First Digital Movie Ages 4 - 6

Even young children can make a movie with COMPUTER EXPLORERS! We'll learn how to use a digital camera to create our own masterpiece. We will do it all - from filming the movie and downloading it to a computer to storyboarding and adding special effects. We'll even learn about stop motion animation and make a short animated film as one of our projects! Watch out Hollywood - we are on our way! Each student will receive a copy of the class movies on a DVD.

Location: ESCC Studio 4 at 14 N. VanBuren St.

Instructor: Computer Explorer Staff

CODE	DAYS	DATES	TIME	RES	BNR	NR
310107-1A	Th	1/12-2/02	3:45-4:30P	\$57	\$66	\$74

Happy Holidays!



*Telephone registration is only accepted up until 5 business days to the start of a program or trip.

Registration/Contact Information

Phone: (630) 879-5235

Fax: (630) 879-9537

Website: www.bataviaparks.org

Locations:

- Civic Center: 327 W. Wilson St.
- Eastside Community Center: 14 N. Van Buren St.

Registration form located on page 3

We invite anyone with a special need to contact our staff upon registration so that a smooth inclusion may occur.



Inside the Parks

A Batavia Park District
School Newsletter
December

BTC 5th Grade Night

Attention 5th graders! The Batavia Teen Center is hosting a special night just for you. Come and enjoy games, sports, music, movies, dancing, food and more! This is a great opportunity to hang out with old friends and meet new kids from the other schools. Don't miss out on all the fun!



Friday, January 20th
6:30pm - 8:30pm
Eastside Community Center
Admission - \$5



Magic Class

Ages 5 - 12

Children are guaranteed to have a great time as they learn a collection of fascinating and mesmerizing tricks! Amaze family and friends with tricks that involve cards, ropes, coins, mind-reading and more. While the tricks may appear difficult, you'll discover that they are quick to learn and easy to perform. All materials are provided, and each child receives a magic kit to take home.

Children are grouped by age and always learn tricks that are age-appropriate. Additionally, you can sign up for this class again and again since brand new tricks are taught each session!

Location: ESCC Studio 4 at 14 N. VanBuren St.

Instructor: Gary Kantor

CODE	DAYS	DATES	TIME	RES	BNR	NR
220136-3A	Tu	12/20	6:45-7:40P	\$21	\$24	\$27

Basic Photography

Ages 16+



Learn what all those wheels and buttons do. These and many more questions will be answered. What is ISO and Noise? What are fast lenses? What is Depth of Field? What is selective focus? How do I stop Fast Action? When do I use a

tripod? After this class you will no longer fear taking your camera out of Automatic. These classes are for students who are new to photography. Note: Because every camera is different in its operations and controls, you must bring your camera manual to class.

Location: Jan Class - Geneva Community Center

Point & Shoot Cameras

CODE	DAYS	DATES	TIME	RES	BNR	NR
340106-1A	Sa	1/28	9:00a-12:00P	\$39	\$45	\$50

Multi Sports Camp

Grades 1 - 5

Participate in one, two or all three camps, 8:00-10:00am is Basketball, 10:00-Noon is soccer, lunch is Noon-12:45pm with Coach Nick. Bring your own lunch and then have fun at a multi-sport camp from 12:45-2:45pm. The cost is \$79 for one camp, \$89 for two camps and \$99 for all three.

Location: ESCC J. Murphy Gym at 14 N. VanBuren St.

Instructor: All Star Sports

CODE	DAYS	DATES	TIME
222310-1A	Tu,W,Th	12/27-12/29	8:00A-2:45P

Tot Beginner

Ages 3 - 5

Toys and games are used in the class to encourage the enjoyment of learning how to ice skate.

Class Will Not Meet On: 1/14/2012, 2/18/2012

Location: Fox Valley Ice Arena at 1996 S. Kirk Road

Instructor: Skate School Staff

CODE	DAYS	DATES	TIME	RES	BNR	NR
312502-1A	Tu	1/03-2/21	6:00-6:45P	\$154	\$177	\$200
312502-1B	Th	1/05-2/23	5:40-6:20P	\$154	\$177	\$200
312502-1C	Sa	1/07-2/25	9:20-10:11A	\$115	\$132	\$150
312502-1D	Sa	1/07-2/25	10:30-11:10A	\$115	\$132	\$150

Youth Beginner

Ages 6 +

This class is the basic entry level for learn to skate lessons.

Class Will Not Meet On: 1/14/2012, 2/18/2012

Location: Fox Valley Ice Arena at 1996 S. Kirk Road

Instructor: Skate School Staff

CODE	DAYS	DATES	TIME	RES	BNR	NR
322502-1A	Tu	1/03-2/21	6:00-6:45P	\$154	\$177	\$200
322502-1B	Th	1/05-2/23	5:40-6:20P	\$154	\$177	\$200
322502-1C	Sa	1/07-2/25	9:20-10:11A	\$115	\$132	\$150
322502-1D	Sa	1/07-2/25	10:30-11:10A	\$115	\$132	\$150

Peanut Butter Candy Bars

- 1 pouch (1 lb., 1.5 oz.) Betty Crocker peanut butter cookie mix
- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 tablespoon water
- 1 cup chocolate chips
- 1 egg
- 1 cup butterscotch chips
- 1-Heat 350F. Spray bottom of 13x9 pan with cooking spray
- 2-In large bowl, stir cookie mix, oil, water and egg until soft dough forms. Press into pan. Bake 15 to 18 minutes or until edges are light golden brown. Cool 10 minutes.
- 3-In small microwave bowl, microwave chocolate chips and butterscotch chips on High 1 to 1.5 minutes or until melted. Spread evenly over base. Refrigerate 30 minutes or until set.

Please remember to register early! Class status is determined one week before class starts.

Batavia Park District Registration Form

Primary Guardian Information I want to receive the Batavia Park District e-newsletter.

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____ **E-mail:** _____

Street Address: _____ **Subdivision:** _____ **City:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Home Phone #: () _____ **Work/Emergency Phone #:** () _____ **Pager/Cell #:** () _____

Check here if your address or phone number has changed.

Participant Information

First & Last Name	Sex	DOB	GR	Age	Program Code	Program Name	Day/Date/Time	Fee
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<input type="checkbox"/> Yes! I would like to make a donation to the program scholarship fund of the Batavia Parks Foundation.								\$3.00

Payment Information

Cash Check OR **Credit Card:** VISA Mastercard Discover

Amount Paid \$ _____ **Card Number:** _____ **Security Code:** _____ **Expiration Date:** _____

Please make checks payable to _____
Batavia Park District **Check #** _____

Card holder (print name): _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Persons with disabilities: The Park District makes reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities to participate. Please specify below any adaptive equipment, personnel or other accommodations you need to participate in a program for which you have registered. _____

Important Information

You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor child/ward are physically fit and/or skilled for the activities contemplated by this agreement. It is always advisable, especially if the participant is pregnant, disabled in any way or recently suffered an illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity.

Waiver and release of all claims and assumption of risk

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in the use of the above program you will be waiving and releasing all claims for injuries you or your minor child might sustain arising out of the activities of this program (including transportation services, when provided).

"As a participant in the program, I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury and I agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, including death, damages or loss which I or my minor child may sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with or associated with such program."

"I agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child may have as a result of participating in the program against the Park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees."

"I do hereby fully release and discharge the park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damages of loss which I or my minor child may have or which may accrue to me or my child on account of participation."

I have read and fully understand the above Program Details and Participation Agreement.

Signature of Participant (18 & up) or Primary Guardian

Date

Fax this form to: 630-879-9537 • See page 89 for other registration options.



The Batavia Park District has been conducting a community engagement campaign called “Designing Our Future Together”. We have hosted several community meetings to collect input from our residents in order to establish priorities for the development of a comprehensive strategic plan. We are now entering the survey phase of this effort. Please take a few minutes to complete this short survey. We will report all of our findings at the completion of the process. Please return this completed survey to the drop box located at the Park District Civic Center, 327 W. Wilson St., Eastside Community Center, 14 N. Van Buren St., or the Depot Museum, 155 Houston St., by December 31. The survey can also be completed online at www.bataviaparks.org. Thank you for your participation!

Currently the Batavia Park District has 45,700 square feet of indoor space of which 28,805 square feet is conducive for programming. The Park District partners with other park districts and private businesses through cooperative programming in order to compensate for the lack of indoor programming space.

1. Which of the following options is your preference concerning the Batavia Park District’s indoor programming space?

- (1) Improve existing
- (2) Expand existing
- (3) Build new
- (4) Improve existing and build new
- (5) No improvements

2. Should the Batavia Park District explore opportunities if and when additional facilities and indoor space become available?

Yes No

3. What types of indoor space and/or related programming, if any, would you like the Park District to consider in the next comprehensive strategic plan?

4. What types of improvements, if any, should the Batavia Park District consider with its current facilities and indoor space?

The Batavia Park District partners with many organizations and governmental entities within the Fox Valley area to assist with programming and shared facility space.

5. What potential partners do you think the Park District should explore?

- ___ (1) Health care providers
 - ___ (2) Educational institutions
 - ___ (3) Recreational service providers
 - ___ (4) Private recreational businesses
 - ___ (5) Other (please explain below)
-

The Batavia Park District offers nearly 1,200 programs and services to the community annually. An estimated 35,000 individuals participate in Park District special events and programming each year.

6. Has your household participated in any recreation programs or utilized any recreation facilities offered by the Batavia Park District?

- ___ (1) Yes [*Please answer Questions 7 and 8*]
- ___ (2) No [*Please skip to Question 9*]

7. From the following list, please check the THREE primary reasons why your household HAS PARTICIPATED in Batavia Park District recreation programs or activities.

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|--|--|
| ___ (1) Quality of instructors/coaches | ___ (5) Times the program is offered |
| ___ (2) Location of the program facility | ___ (6) Friends participate in the program |
| ___ (3) Quality of the program facility | ___ (7) Dates the program is offered |
| ___ (4) Fees charged for the class | ___ (8) Other: _____ |

8. How would you rate the overall quality of recreation programs or activities in which your household has participated?

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------|
| ___ (1) Excellent | ___ (3) Fair |
| ___ (2) Good | ___ (4) Poor |

9. From the following list, please check the THREE primary reasons why your household DOES NOT PARTICIPATE in Batavia Park District recreation programs or activities.

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|--|--|
| ___ (1) Lack of quality of instructors/coaches | ___ (5) Times of the program are inconvenient |
| ___ (2) Location of the program/facility is poor | ___ (6) Friends don't participate in the program |
| ___ (3) Lack of quality programs/facilities | ___ (7) Dates of programs are inconvenient |
| ___ (4) Fees charged for the class are too high | ___ (8) Program I'm interested in is not offered |

In recent years the Batavia Park District has attempted to expand upon nature programming with limited success. Through the community engagement meetings, it has been suggested the Park District revisit nature programming and work with or hire a naturalist to improve efforts in this area.

10. How likely are you or your family members to register for a nature program or event?

___ (1) Likely ___ (2) Somewhat likely ___ (3) No interest

11. What specific type(s) of environmental programs, if any, should the Park District explore with potential partners?

12. From the following list, please check ALL the ways that your household has learned about the Batavia Park District's programs and activities during the past 12 months.

___ (1) Park District Fun Guide (mailed directly to 13,000 Park District residents)

___ (2) From friends and neighbors

___ (3) Park District marquee sign

___ (4) Park District web site

___ (5) Conversations with Park District staff

___ (6) Fliers at Park District facilities

___ (7) School online backpack newsletter

___ (8) Email blasts sent by the Park District

___ (9) Newspaper articles/advertisements

___ (10) Facebook posts

___ (11) Neighbors of Batavia magazine (mailed to Batavia residents)

___ (12) Community signs temporarily placed for events/programs

___ (13) Other:

13. From the list in Question #12 above, please indicate which methods of communication you and members of your household most prefer. Using the numbers in Question #12 above, please write in the numbers below for your 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th choices, or circle 'NONE'.

1st: ___ 2nd: ___ 3rd: ___ 4th: ___ NONE

14. What specific improvements, if any, do you think the Park District should explore with communications in the future?

The Batavia Park District processes approximately 6500 registrations throughout the year. There are several methods from which people can choose to register for programs including online, phone, fax, postal mail and drop off. Park District residents are given discounted rates over non-residents.

15. Which form of registration, if any, do you prefer?

- (1) Online
- (2) Phone
- (3) Fax
- (4) Postal mail
- (5) Drop off
- (6) I do not register for Park District programs

16. The Park District’s web site is www.bataviaparks.org. What specific recommendations do you have, if any, that would improve your online registration experience or make you want to register online for events and programs?

17. What is the primary reason you visit the Batavia Park District web site?

- (1) Register for a program
- (2) Find a park or facility
- (3) Check out the events calendar
- (4) Learn about Park District
- (5) Other _____

18. Do you have any suggestions for improving the overall Park District web site?

19. What would bring you to visit the Park District web site more often?

20. Please rate your satisfaction on the following services offered at the two facilities on a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means “Very Satisfied” and 1 means “Very Dissatisfied”. Please circle your answers below.

Facility: Civic Center, 327 W. Wilson St

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
(A) Facility hours	5	4	3	2	1	0
(B) Friendliness of staff	5	4	3	2	1	0
(C) Knowledge of staff	5	4	3	2	1	0
(D) Facility cleanliness	5	4	3	2	1	0
(E) Ease of registration	5	4	3	2	1	0

Facility: Eastside Community Center, 14 N. Van Buren St.

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
(A) Facility hours	5	4	3	2	1	0
(B) Friendliness of staff	5	4	3	2	1	0
(C) Knowledge of staff	5	4	3	2	1	0
(D) Facility cleanliness	5	4	3	2	1	0
(E) Ease of registration	5	4	3	2	1	0

The Batavia Park District's tax rate is actually lower this year than it was in 1990. The Park District has implemented a Capital Development Program to develop new parks, renovate existing and replace playground equipment without raising the tax rate. Over the past 10 years, the Park District has planned for approximately \$1.5 million in capital improvements a year. As the parks, facilities and playground equipment age, the District will need to invest more funds into the Capital Development Program to maintain a quality level of service to the community.

21. Is the Park District satisfying your needs when it comes to parks, facilities and playground replacements?

____(1) Exceeds expectations ____ (2) Meets expectations ____ (3) Below expectations

22. What specific park or facility improvement projects, if any, do you think the Park District should consider when planning for the future?

23. Describe programs or services, if any, you would like to have the Park District offer that is not currently being offered due to space limitations?

The Batavia Park District owns, operates and maintains over 350 acres of open space. Every Park District resident lives within a reasonable walking distance to a park.

24. Which park is nearest to where you live? _____

25. How often do you use this particular park? ____ (1) Often ____ (2) Somewhat often ____ (3) Not at all

26. What new amenity, if any, would you like to see added into the park system?

27. How many years have you been a resident of the Batavia Park District?

- (1) 0-2 years
- (2) 3-5 years
- (3) 6-8 years
- (4) 9-11 years
- (5) 12-14 years
- (6) 15 + years

28. What is your gender?

- (1) Male
- (2) Female

29. What is your age?

- (1) 20-29
- (2) 30-39
- (3) 40-49
- (4) 50-59
- (5) 60+

Please share any additional comments that can assist the Batavia Park District in improving recreation facilities, programs, parks, trails, open space and services.

This concludes the survey.

Please complete this survey online at www.bataviaparks.org or return your completed survey to the drop box located at one of the following Park District facilities by December 31:

Civic Center
327 W. Wilson Street

Eastside Community Center
14 N. Van Buren Street

Depot Museum
155 Houston Street

Thank you for your time.