



Recreation Updates for the CWRPAB – September 2025

The County's **Independence Day Celebrations** once again took place at two locations, South Germantown Regional Park and Einstein High School. Thousands of attendees enjoyed fun, music, food and fireworks.



This summer, our **Senior Programs Team** ran **Senior Adventures Camps** at four locations. They also kicked off a partnership Program with the Department of Health and Human Services and their Mobile Health Unit with Dental Services and ADRU Social Workers providing routine medical checks, dental services, mental health and an onsite aging and disability resource unit social worker to support residents.



The Youth Development (YD) team served more than 2,700 youth this summer in camp and teen programming including through “Under the Lights,” a collaboration with Montgomery Parks to provide flag football programs at three locations. YD also partnered with the Housing Opportunities Commission to provide its Fun, Food and Fitness program after summer school in the Cider Mill neighborhood in Montgomery Village.



The **outdoor pools have closed for the season after another successful summer**, culminating in our annual Pooch Pool Party at the Upper County Outdoor Pool.



Our **Facilities and Programs team completed another summer of Summer Fun Center camps**, providing an affordable, all-day option in most of our recreation centers.

The **Countywide Programs (CWP) team concluded their summer serving 6,194 enrollments in a range of summer sports camps, including** Specialty Camps, Summer Sports Academy, Summer Outdoor Adventure, and the Therapeutic Recreation (TR) Summer Fun Zone. These offerings provided meaningful recreational opportunities that supported youth development, active lifestyles, and inclusion for participants of all abilities. Fall programs are now underway,

with youth sports offerings that include flag football, volleyball, 3v3 basketball, skateboarding, ultimate frisbee, lacrosse, and more.

Countywide Programs continues to expand Therapeutic Recreation opportunities for individuals with disabilities, offering 67 programs across all five areas of the county. These include ongoing classes, community events, break camps, and adaptive sports leagues that promote inclusion, skill-building, and social connection.

Key Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday, Sept. 10: Holiday Park Senior Center is hosting an Art Show to showcase the work of art clubs and classes held at the center. The event will take place from 1:00 – 7:00 pm.

Saturday, Sept. 20: Our Aquatics and Countywide Programs Teams will be co-hosting a **Therapeutic Recreation Swim Party** at Germantown Indoor Swim Center from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.

Club Friday program kicks off in late September and early October across seven recreation centers, including two new sites at Germantown and Praisner Recreation Centers. The Friday-evening program provides a safe and fun environment for students in grades 3-6 to hang out with friends and learn new skills.

Saturday, Sept. 20: The **33rd annual Burtonsville Day celebration** will take place from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. at Marilyn J. Praisner CRC.

Monday, Sept. 29: Save the date for **Youth Winter Basketball Registration**. Our popular youth league returns for grades K-12.

Saturday, Sept. 27: Feeling lucky? Gwendolyn Coffield CRC is hosting **Casino Royale**, an event for those 55+ from 12-3 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 3 and Thursday, Oct. 9: The **Soccer4Change Kickoff games for the fall season** will take place on Oct. 3 (high school) and Oct. 9 (middle school). At the October 9 event, Montgomery County Recreation will be teaming up with Rockville Recreation and Parks, Takoma Park Recreation, Gaithersburg Parks, Recreation, & Culture, and the Montgomery County Sports Advisory Committee to endorse [Aspen Institute's Project Play Children's Bill of Rights in Sports](#) highlighting that every child has a right to play sports and have an opportunity to develop as people through sports.

Fall events and festivals are coming, including events at Potomac CRC (Sat. Oct. 18, 1:00 – 3:00 pm) and North Potomac CRC (Sat. Oct. 4, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm).

For those who enjoy a good fright, Clara Barton NRC is hosting their annual **Haunted House** on Sunday, Oct. 26, from 4:00 – 6:00 pm, and Long Branch CRC is hosting a haunted house on Friday Oct. 31, from 7:30 - 9:30 pm.