



Piedmont Parks & Recreation News

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Congratulations, Piedmont!

Piedmont is First!

Piedmont has become the first community in Oklahoma to be designated by the National Wildlife Federation as a Community Wildlife Habitat.

With the lowest population density of any city in Oklahoma - just 83 people per square mile - residents already share a lot of open space with wildlife, so that made this a perfect project for our community.

Although this project was sponsored by Parks & Recreation, others were instrumental in helping Piedmont meet many of the certification requirements, including the Historical Society, Piedmont Library, Cub Scout Pack 374, Lois Dickerson, and over 100 people that certified their individual yards and businesses.

The Community Wildlife Habitat project doesn't end with certification, so those wanting to certify their own yard or business, or wanting more information about the project, can go to PiedmontParksAndRec.com/habitat.html for more information.

Get Wild About Piedmont!

Piedmont is Best!

NerdWallet.com recently recognized Piedmont as the best town in this state for young families.

The three things NerdWallet.com took into consideration when ranking Oklahoma towns were the schools' academic performance, median home values and monthly home costs, and median household income and income growth over the last decade.

This is how NerdWallet.com ranked the top 10 communities:

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| 1. Piedmont | 6. Jenks |
| 2. Blanchard | 7. Tecumseh |
| 3. Blackwell | 8. Yukon |
| 4. Elk City | 9. Collinsville |
| 5. Weatherford | 10. Edmond |

The NerdWallet.com website also has a database of over 10,000 unique college scholarships, over 35,000 coupons, information on how to save money when traveling, and more.

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Community Education Classes

When Parks & Recreation did a survey of the community, residents expressed an interest in attending a variety of adult education classes, including classes on cooking, self-defense, dance, crafts, photography, foreign language, exercise, gardening, computer skills, and health and fitness.

If you have knowledge to share on these or other topics, let us know by calling 202-3984.

COMMUNITY CLASSES SPONSORED BY PARKS & REC

Anti-Aging and Wellness Workshop

Mike Flenniken will be sharing tips on how to be younger, stronger, leaner, healthier and happier on Sunday, November 17, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm at city hall. The workshop is free. Mike can be reached at 613-9767.

Zumba

Krista Clonts teaches Zumba classes at city hall on Thursday nights from 7:30 to 8:30 pm. The cost is just \$3 and beginners are always welcome. For more information, call Krista at 650-0229.

Stampin' Up Card Class

Lisa Malone teaches a card-making class once or twice a month. The class will meet this month on the 15th from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. The cost varies by the project being taught. This month the cost is \$12. Participants are asked to bring their own double-sided tape, and to RSVP by calling Lisa at 535-8849.

Essential Oils

Although there are no classes in November, Janine Thompson often teaches classes about the many uses of essential oils. She can be reached at 397-9211.

13th Annual Community-wide Chili Cook-Off

November 20, 5:30 to 7:00 pm

Piedmont First United Methodist Church
2525 Piedmont Rd N

\$6 for adults to eat / \$3 for students

It's free to enter the competition
(but call the church at 373-2298
and let them know if you
plan to participate).



Community Thanksgiving Service

The Community Thanksgiving Service is a cooperative effort by the churches of Piedmont, and both the location and the responsibility for various parts of the service rotate each year.

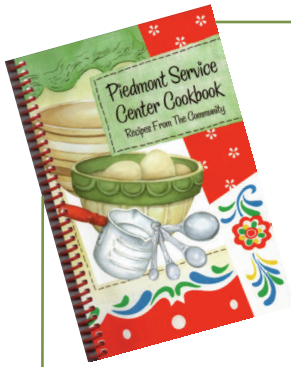
The service will be held on Sunday, November 24th at 6:30 pm at Piedmont Church of the Nazarene, 2011 Piedmont Rd N.

Finger foods will be served following the service.

Everyone in the community is invited to participate.

For more information, call 373-2308.





Piedmont Service Center Cookbook

\$10

Recipes in the cookbook were contributed by Service Center volunteers and members of the community.

Proceeds from the sale of the cookbooks will help the Service Center provide services for members of our community.

Cookbooks can be purchased during the Service Center's business hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

The Service Center can be reached at 373-4022.

100 Free Things To Do With Your Grandkids

The booklet called *100 Free Things To Do With Your Grandkids* can be downloaded from the internet for free at <http://assets.grandparents.com/static/Grandkids-Activity-Guide.pdf>

The booklet includes suggestions for games to play with kids like sardines, Rummy 500, Hot Lava, and croquet (from a homemade set), and activities such as taking an alphabet walk, or exploring the hidden secrets of a \$1 bill.

The booklet also tells how to make a shoebox dollhouse, paper snowflakes, a bowling alley using water bottles, a battery with a potato, a bird feeder, sock puppets, shadow puppets, colored clay, a terrarium, place mats from copies of family photos, and a vinegar volcano.



Family Bingo, Dinner & Auction

**Stone Ridge Elementary
Friday, November 1**

5:30 - 6:45 pm - dinner from Cane's Chicken
5:30 - 7:00 pm - silent auction bidding
6:15 - 7:30 pm - bingo and live auction

individual tickets include dinner & 1 bingo card - cost is \$7 through October 30; \$10 at the door
family tickets include 5 dinners & 5 bingo cards - cost is \$30 and each additional ticket is \$5; family tickets are only available through October 30 and will not be sold at the door

Call Stone Ridge Elementary at 373-4227 for more information.

Remember . . .



Time falls back on Sunday, November 3, at 2:00 a.m.

Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds.

~Theodore Roosevelt

November Community Calendar

Where friends meet!

- 1, 8, 15, 22** (10:00 am) - Mother Goose on the Loose for ages birth to 3 years, at the library, free, 373-9018
- 2** (9:00-11:00 am) - Piedmont Recycling at former co-op, 373-2905
- 2, 9, 16, 23, 30** (10:00-2:00 pm) - Historical Society Museum is open, free, 823-1345
- 2, 16** (10:00-3:00 pm) - Piedmont Area Rocketry Club meeting & launch (on 11/2), Turkey Shoot (on 11/16), for all ages, at Rt 66 Park at Lake Overholser, free, 593-9737
- 2** (5:00 pm, 4:00 pm books open) - Oklahoma Arabian Horse Club All Breed Open Horse Show at Round-Up Club Arena, entry fees \$5/class, \$10/championship, costume class, free to watch, 826-4987
- 5, 12, 19, 26** (10:00 am) - Preschool Story Time for ages 2-5, at the library, free, 373-9018
- 6** (10:00 am) - Preschool Music and Movement for ages 2-5, at the library, free, 373-9018
- 6, 13, 20** (noon) - Senior Adults lunch and fellowship at the Methodist church, \$3, for reservations call 373-2905
- 7, 14, 21** (10:30 am) - Tutu Cute! pre-ballet at the library for ages 2 and up, free, 373-9018
- 7** (noon) - Chamber of Commerce luncheon at civic center, Dan Mahoney will be speaking about the OKC Thunder, free, optional lunch \$8, 373-2234
- 7** (6:00-8:00 pm) - Family Game Night at the library for all ages, free, 373-9018
- 7, 14, 21** (7:30-8:30 pm) - Zumba class at city hall, beginners welcome, \$3, 650-0229
- 13, 20** (10:00-noon) - Library Quilters for anyone interested in quilting, at the library, free, 373-1662
- 14** (6:30 pm) - Evening Book Club for adults, book: *The Lifeboat* by Charlotte Rogan, free, 373-9018
- 15** (6:00-9:00 pm) - Stampin' Up card class at city hall, \$12, bring double-sided tape, RSVP 535-8849
- 17** (1:00-5:00 pm) - Anti-Aging & Wellness Workshop at city hall, learn how to be younger, stronger, leaner, healthier & happier, free, 613-9767
- 19** (noon) - Brown Bag Book Club book club for adults, book: *Tears of the Giraffe* by Alexander McCall Smith, free, 373-9018
- 20** (5:30-7:00 pm) - 13th Annual Community-wide Chili Cook-Off at Methodist church, \$6 adults / \$3 students, free to enter, 373-2298
- 24** (6:30 pm) - Community Thanksgiving Service at the Nazarene church, 373-2308

An expanded version of the calendar is online at PiedmontParksAndRec.com
A Piedmont map of community events is online at PiedmontParksAndRec.com/map.pdf