

EXPLORE



Event Details

Pelham Public Library
 Roberts Room A & B
 Saturday, February 11, 2023
 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Space is limited.
[Register here](#) to reserve
 your seat.

MOVEMENT ON THE MOVE

Pelham Public Library Offers Historical Program

During the summer of 1961, 436 black and white men, women, and youth came together from 35 states on an important mission. Traveling throughout the Deep South, these brave people risked their lives and freedom to end segregated public transportation. The Freedom Rides, as the campaign was called, was a crucial moment in the Civil Rights Movement's endeavor to bring an end to segregation through non-violent protest.

You have a chance to learn more about this pivotal moment in history as Pelham Public Library hosts "Putting the Movement on the Move: The 1961 Freedom Rides". This fascinating presentation will be led by Alexander Strickland of the Freedom Rides Museum in Montgomery, an official U.S. Civil Rights Trail destination. Participants are urged to make reservations for the free event, as seating is limited.

Senior Librarian Russ Mitchell said this program is part of the library's commitment to providing educational opportunities to our diverse community. "We acknowledge the importance of Black History Month to celebrate the contributions of African Americans to the United States through its history," said Mitchell. "Last fall, the library hosted a presentation on the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church, and that event led to several requests for more programming focusing on both Black History and the Civil Rights Movement." He went on to add the Freedom Rides presentation was chosen in hopes the Pelham community would take the opportunity to enrich their understanding of both the magnitude and the gravity of the part the Freedom Riders played in ending segregation.



New Exercise Equipment

The Pelham Recreation Center started the new year with some brand-new equipment for the fitness floor. "We hoped to get these pieces in by the new year, and we did. So far, they are a hit with our members," said Operations Supervisor Tabitha Dudley. The three pieces include a rower, an Ab Adductor, and preloaded barbells that range from 20 pounds up to 110 pounds.

"Members had been requesting the rower for some time, and we're happy to provide that piece of equipment now," said Dudley. Another member's request was the Ab Adductor. "This machine works your inner and outer thighs," she added.

The suggestion for the barbells came from Dudley because of a need she recognized. "For a while, the only barbell we had was a 55-pound Olympic barbell, which is used primarily for heavy squats, deadlifts, and chest presses. We didn't have anything for lighter exercises such as barbell curls and tricep extensions."

If you would like to explore various membership opportunities with the Pelham Rec Center, please visit the membership section of the [Pelham Parks and Recreation website](#), or call 205.620.6426.



**Winter/Spring 2023
Parks & Recreation Program Guide**
[Download your copy](#)

HAPPENING IN PELHAM



SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 4

3:00 PM

7th Annual Guinness Beer Chili Cook Off

The Beer Hog in Pelham will host this event to benefit [Wings of Hope Pediatric Foundation](#).

Tickets: \$5 | Kids 12 and under free
[E-mail for team registration](#).

THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 9

10:00 AM

Pelham Garden Club

This month's topic: basic landscaping skills for your yard, yard beds, gardens, and even pots. The meeting will be held at the Pelham Public Library.

Free
No registration required. Information: 205.620.6418

THURSDAYS IN FEBRUARY

6:30 PM

Beginner Winter Round Robin

Pelham Racquet Club offers these Thursday night beginner clinics. Play dates are 2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2.

\$30 per person. Call 205.621.3380 for information.

FRIDAY | FEBRUARY 10

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Valentine's Day Doubles Social

Wear red and join the fun at the Pelham Racquet Club. Sign up with a partner, or individually.

\$25 per person. Meal provided.
Call 205.621-3380 for information.

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 11

6:45 PM - 7:45 PM

Ultra Donut Dash 5K

Oak Mountain State Park. This unique race will have you eating a total of three donuts before finishing! The three-mile loop starts and finishes at the South Trailhead.

Complete details of the event can be found [here](#).

MONDAY | FEBRUARY 13

6:00 PM

Pelham Library Adult Craft Workshop

Make a beautiful bookmark using block printing techniques. The program is free, and all supplies are provided. Registration required.

Ages: 18+
[Register here](#). Space limited.

THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 16

10:00 AM

Understanding Medicare Seminar

Learn to navigate the often confusing process of Medicare. Pelham Public Library.

Free & open to the public.
[Register here](#) to reserve a seat, or call 205-620-6418.

THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 16

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Poetry Night Hosted by Poet Jamil

Poetry Night is a live show where audience members may perform their poetry. Pelham Public Library.

Free
[Registration](#) is encouraged but not required.

HAPPENING IN PELHAM



SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 18 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Great Backyard Bird Count

Meet with an Oak Mountain State Park Naturalist at the OMSP Interpretive Center and be part of the Great Backyard Bird Count 2023!

Free with paid park admission.
Learn more on the [OMSP website](#).

MONDAY | FEBRUARY 20 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM STEM Family Night: The Science of Sports

Learn the "Science of Sports" with the Science Lady from Dynamic Education Adventures. Light dinner and snacks will be provided. Pelham Public Library

Ages: 8 - 12 and their family members
[Registration required](#).

STORYTIME @ PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Preschool Storytime
Wednesdays | 9:15 AM & 10:30 AM

Join Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Ashley for stories, songs, and more. Craft and snacks included.
Ages: Birth to 5 years

PJ Storytime
Thursdays | 6:30 PM

Wear your favorite PJs as you join Ms. Ashley for fun and stories, along with a craft and a snack.
Ages: Birth to 3rd grade

TUESDAY | FEBRUARY 21 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Winter Adult League Kickoff Camp

Pelham Racquet Club offers this two-day camp Tuesday and Wednesday, February 21 and 22. Lunch is provided each day. Come join the fun!

\$75 per person
Visit the [Pelham Racquet Club website](#) to learn more.



February 2023 Home Games

Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena

Thursday, February 9, 7:00 pm
vs. Peoria Rivermen
College Student Discount Night + Unused Ticket Night

Saturday, February 11, 7:00 pm
vs. Vermilion County Bobcats
Nickelodeon Night Featuring Paw Patrol +
Weiner Dog Races

Monday, February 20 - 1:00 pm
vs. Pensacola Ice Flyers
Educator Appreciation Day + Battle of the PTOs

Friday, February 24- 7:00 pm
vs. Pensacola Ice Flyers
Church Night + Trading Cards Giveaway

Saturday, February 25- 7:00 pm
vs. Pensacola Ice Flyers
Hawaiian Shirt Night

Tickets at www.bullshockey.net