

EXPLORE



A Pelham Hometown Christmas

Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena

Schedule of Events:

2:30 p.m. - Sponsor Row opens; Free ice skating for children ages 10 & under.

5:00 p.m. - Christmas parade begins at Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena, proceeds down Highway 119 to State Park Rd and back to Amphitheater Rd.

6:30 p.m. - Tree lighting

7:00 p.m. - Santa, photos, holiday treats, free ice skating for all

PELHAM PARADE

Celebrate Christmas Around the World

The third annual Pelham Christmas parade is set to roll on Saturday, December 9th, with 60 festive floats. The parade is spearheaded by Pelham Strong, a non-profit organization that exists to bring unity and quality events to the city.

Pelham Police Officer Elizabeth Minter was selected as the parade's Grand Marshal. Minter, who was hit by an impaired driver on July 1st, has endured a long recovery. She recently took her first steps since the accident.

The parade theme is "Christmas Around the World." Parade organizer and City Council member Chad Leverett said floats will be decorated to depict places or cultures from around the globe.

In addition to the parade, the day will be filled with activities. "We have added free public ice skating for children ages ten and under from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sponsor row will open at 2:30 as well," said Leverett. The parade will begin at 5:00 p.m., followed by the tree lighting, additional free ice skating for all ages, pictures with Santa, and more. The city Christmas ornament will be available while supplies last, and there will be free cookies, cider, and hot chocolate. "We will have a face painter, a balloon twisting artist, and various costumed characters will make an appearance. We've purchased a large snow globe for photo ops," added Leverett.

"We hope people will take the time to enjoy themselves and soak up the holiday spirit. It's about feeling like a kid again and allowing your kids to have a great time," said Leverett.



Christmas Follies on Ice

It's "the most spectacular skating extravaganza, the likes of which Pelham has never seen!" This year's Christmas Follies on Ice promises to be a highlight of the holiday season, and Susie Gray, Director of Skating for the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena, couldn't be more excited.

"The Pelham Skate School and Aspire Academy put on our annual holiday ice show. It features skaters from the Pelham Skate School, the Birmingham Figure Skating Club, the UAB Figure Skating Club, Pelham Synchro, and Pelham Hockey. We have nearly 100 skaters ranging in age and skill level from our littlest Snowplow Sams to high-level elite competitors. These performers will amaze and delight you, to say the least. "

Gray said this year's show will feature a special guest, 4-time British Men's Champion [Graham Newberry](#).

The event will occur on Sunday, December 17, at 3:00 p.m. at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena. Tickets are on sale now to the general public and can be purchased at the Pelham Civic Complex box office or online via [Ticketmaster](#). General admission seats are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. There is an optional add-on for a public skate with the cast members immediately following the show for an additional \$5.

The Canopy Apartments and Wake Up in Birmingham are the show's sponsors. Please visit the [Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena website](#) for more information.

Photos from previous Holiday Ice Show performances courtesy of Seth James of [Seth James Photography](#).





A Great Gift Idea

Do you have a music lover on your holiday list? If so, consider giving tickets to one of four shows that have already been announced for the 2024 concert season at Oak Mountain Amphitheatre. While bookings are still ongoing, here is the schedule so far:

May 5 - Hozier - Unreal Unearth Tour 2024

May 15 - Staind - The Tailgate Tour with special guest Seether

July 26 - Hootie & the Blowfish - Summer Camp with Trucks Tour

August 14 - Creed - Summer of '99 Tour

For more information and tickets, please visit the [Oak Mountain Amphitheatre website](#).



Grinchmas at Ballantrae

He may be a mean one, but Mr. Grinch is coming to Pelham's Ballantrae Golf Club for a special "Grinchmas" pancake breakfast on Saturday, December 16. We're told he plans to bring his friend Cindy Lou Who as they play host to you and your family.

Ballantrae General Manager Hal Brown said "Grinchmas" was the brainchild of Event Manager Michelle Reis. Ballantrae has hosted several breakfast events recently, and they've all been a success. "We want to help grow our community and reach out to show that we offer not only golf but so much more. Our new event space will be available starting the spring of 2024, so we look forward to continuing to provide new and exciting things."

"Grinchmas" will be a fun Christmas event for the entire family. "Who doesn't love a pancake breakfast around the holidays," said Brown.

The cost for the pancake breakfast is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children aged five and under. Feel free to wear your pajamas for a cozy morning of Christmas cheer. Email [Michelle Reis](#) by December 14 to book your reservation, or call her at 205.620.4653 (option 3). Reservation times are 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

We feel pretty sure the Grinch's heart will grow at least three sizes after he experiences a big Pelham welcome!



Youth Sports Registration

Registration opens in early December for children who wish to play spring youth sports. Pelham Parks & Recreation will offer co-ed t-ball for four-year-olds, boys baseball for ages 5-12, girls softball for ages 5-12, and soccer for ages 5-11.

Soccer teams will be co-ed for boys and girls ages 4-7 (U6-U8). U9-U12 will be separated into boys and girls teams. All teams have the potential to be co-ed depending on registration numbers.

Early bird registration for t-ball, baseball, and softball is December 1 - January 8. Late registration is January 9 - 15, with a \$10 late fee. Early bird registration for soccer is from December 4 - January 15. Late registration is January 16-22, with a \$10 late fee. Register in person at the Pelham Rec Center, or online on the [Pelham Parks & Recreation website](#).



Library Charity Drive

The Pelham Public Library hopes to make Christmas “Merry and Bright” for people who might need some help this holiday season. This year marks the third for the Library’s holiday charity drive, and organizer Donna Robinson said the “Merry and Bright” theme was selected for a special reason. “We want everyone to experience joy and hope during this Christmas season. In one way or another, this time of year is hard on everyone. All families, whether they have financial means or not, are impacted. The needs of individuals may not be all financial but may include a combination of factors. To combat the hardships, the Library takes this opportunity to change the narrative and help others. It’s that simple: help others.”

Food, new toys, and clothing donations will be accepted through December 16th. Food and clothing items will go to OneThing Ministries®, in conjunction with Brewster Road Community Church, and the toys will be given to Vineyard Family Services for distribution.

HAPPENING IN PELHAM



SUNDAY | DECEMBER 3 & 10 5:00 P.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN LANES Learn to Bowl

Pelham Parks & Recreation's Learn to Bowl classes continue. Bowlers may register for all sessions or a single session. Beginners to advanced bowlers welcome.

Ages 8+. \$15 per person, per session.
Pre-registration is required. Email Charlie Sanders.

TUESDAY | DECEMBER 12 5:30 P.M. | PELHAM SENIOR CENTER Christmas Dinner & Dancing

Join us for an evening of dinner, dancing, and fellowship as we celebrate the Christmas season. Participants must have a ticket to attend.

Ages 55+ / \$10 per person
For more information, call 205.620.6064.

THURSDAY | DECEMBER 14 10:00 A.M. | PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY Pelham Garden Club Meeting

The Pelham Garden Club will host a Christmas celebration during the December meeting. The club is open to adults interested in all areas of gardening.

Free
Visit the [Pelham Public Library website](#) to learn more.

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 15 7:00 P.M. | PELHAM REC CENTER Youth Game Night

Kick off Christmas break with fun and friends. Join the staff at the Pelham Recreation Center for games, e-sports, and more. Pizza and snacks provided.

Ages 11-14 / \$5 per child
Learn more on the [Parks & Rec website](#).

SATURDAY | DECEMBER 16 10:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M., & 3:00 P.M. | LIBRARY Holly Jolly Laser Tag

Join us at the Pelham Public Library MakerSpace as Team Elf and Team Reindeer battle it out in an epic game of Christmas-themed laser tag!

Grades 6-12 / Free
Register at the [Pelham Public Library website](#).

TUESDAY | DECEMBER 19 10:00 A.M. | PELHAM REC CENTER Youth Christmas Camp

Do Santa's helpers need a little more time to get ready for the busy holiday season? Let the kids spend time at the Pelham Rec Center. Crafts, games, and more. Lunch provided.

Ages 7-12. \$15 per child.
Register here through December 17. Email Charlie Sanders.

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FRIDAY | DECEMBER 22 10:00 A.M. | PELHAM RACQUET CLUB Jingle Bell Doubles Social

Get out of the house and have some fun at PRC! Family doubles and regular doubles divisions. Sign up individually, or with a partner.

\$25 (meal included)
Call 205.621.3380 to sign up.

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 29 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. | PELHAM LIBRARY American Red Cross Blood Drive

Blood supplies usually run low during the holiday season. Roll up your sleeve and give the gift of life. The blood drive will be held in the Pelham Public Library, Roberts Room A & B.

Register on the [American Red Cross website](#).

MONDAY | JANUARY 1 5:15 A.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK First Day Hike: Sunrise at King's Chair

Be among the first to watch the sunrise on the first day of 2024. Meet at the North Trailhead at 5:15 a.m. Front gate entrance only.

Free with park admission.
Read more at the [Oak Mountain State Park website](#).



December Home Schedule

December 8	vs. Huntsville
December 15	vs. Fayetteville
December 21	vs. Quad City
December 29	vs. Pensacola

All games begin at 7:00 p.m.
For tickets and special promotions, please visit the [Bulls website](#).



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Meet Representatives from Birmingham Figure Skating Club | Pelham Skate School & Aspire Academy | Pelham Synchro | Pelham Hockey | UAB Figure Skating Club & More

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DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA TICKETMASTER OR AT THE PCCIA BOX OFFICE

PRESENTED BY

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Pelham Parks & Recreation

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