

The *Rec-Connection*

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“No one hates their own body, but lovingly cares for it, just as Christ cares for his. As we are his body.” Ephesians 5: 29 & 30

Church is One Thing...but Basketball, Now That's Easy.

We all have them, that friend who we have been meaning to invite to church but can never seem to find the right moment to bring up “religion.” We are all scared of what they might say or how they might react. So we don't say anything. We leave them alone and are content with our lives and never venture out of our comfort zones. Now this could easily become a story on how we as Christians should get out of our comfort zones and preach the Good News to all nations, starting with your friends and neighbors. But let's get real, do most of us do that? My wife often describes my personality as similar to “one of those scary people” in the mall who are hawking the latest trinket. Safe to say I am more outgoing than most and am comfortable striking up a conversation with a total stranger. That being said, I myself am often scared to discuss Christ with my friends, on account of what they might say. So no “comfort zone” story today! Instead, I offer you an alternative. “Let's go play basketball,” or “I'm going to a scrapbooking class, want to come?” is much easier than “Let me tell you about God.”

The CLC is an excellent opportunity for you to expand your own ministry. Yes, *your ministry*. Each of us as the Body of Christ is called into ministry. Not necessarily seminary and time in the pulpit, but actively furthering God's kingdom **where we are**, at work and in your neighborhood. Bring them to a CLC activity and show them that Christians can be fun and just maybe they will find something to finally fill that void in their heart. I've said it many times- the CLC is for fellowship among believers but also outreach to others. Use this building for yourselves, but I encourage you to use it in your ministry as well.

Chris Jones

Director of Recreational Ministries

Featured Programs

Men's Basketball

March 22 - May 10

Sign ups are going on now for the spring season of Men's basketball. There will be an orientation March 18th at 7:00pm in the CLC. We will play FULL COURT 5 vs. 5 with a maximum of 10 per team. Individual and team registrations will be accepted. No team entries will be accepted after March 18th. Fee is \$35 per person.

COED Volleyball

March 23 - May 11

Sign ups are going on now for the spring session of COED Volleyball. There will be an orientation March 18th at 7:30pm in the CLC. 6 people per team, with a minimum of 2 women on the court at all times. Max of 12 people per team. Individual and team registrations accepted, with no team registrations accepted after March 18th. Fee is \$35 per person. This season we will have professional referees and scorekeepers.

Boot Camp I & II

5:00am - 6:00am

Monday - Friday: March 8th - 12th or

Monday - Friday: March 15th - 19th

Are you tough enough? Do you want to be?

This is an intense workout aimed at kicking off a work out regimen or getting off your current plateau. If you're struggling to reach the next level, or want a crash course in fitness, then sign up today in the CLC.

Upcoming Events

Spring Fitness Classes Session II

The CLC is accepting registrations for the spring session of fitness classes. We will be offering the following classes:

Jazzercise

Cardio Kickboxing

Yoga

Pilates

Active Older Adults

Stop by today or check out the website for more information.

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