

| | JULY 1 | 2 HAMILTON | 3 Happy National | 4 | | | | |
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| | NATIONAL GINGERSNAP DAY NATIONAL FINANCIAL FREEDOM DAY | BUS TRIP | Fried Clam Day! | "There's nothing like a sunny day in July to remind you of how wonderful life can be!'" -Anonymous | | | | |
| 7 ENATIONAL DAY OF ROCK JULY 7 | 8 | 9 NATIONAL DIMPLES DAY JULY 09 | 10 AOA MEET & GREET | 11 BARN MURAL BUS TRIP "Hot July brings cooling showers, apricots and gilly flowers." -Sara Coleridge | | | | |
| 14 | 15 SOCIAL MEDIA GIVING DAVIS | 16 NATIONAL HOT DOG *DAY * | 17 | 18 "We hold our heads high, despite the price we have paid because freedom is priceless." -Leon Walesa | | | | |
| 21 2 | 22 National Hammock Day | 23 NATIONAL GORGEOUS GRANDMA DAY JULY 23 | 24 AOA MEET & GREET | 25 "July is a blind date with Summer." -Hal Borland | | | | |
| 29 | 30 A PRESIDENT, CHOCOLATE & WINE BUS TRIP | 31 (YMCA360) | STAY CONNECTED TO THE YMCA 365 DAYS A YEAR BY USING THE YMCA 360 APP | "I love how summer just wraps its arms around you like a warm blanket." -Ellie Elmore | | | | |
| "Keep your face to the sun and you will never see shadows." -Helen Keller | | | | | | | | |

'Summertime is always the best of what might be.' -Charles Bowden

AOA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

OUR MISSION IS TO PUT CHRISTAIN PRINCIPLES INTO PRACTICE THROUGH PROGRAMS THAT BUILD HEALTHY **SPIRIT, MIND & BODY FOR ALL.**

Active Older Adult Newsletter

SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS

PERSONAL **GROWTH**

- Start a gratitude journal. Count your blessings.
- Take an online course. From cooking to coding, the internet is your oyster.
- Set a goal to read a certain number of books.
- Learn a New Language: Use apps like Duolingo or Babbel
- Meditate Daily: Find your zen and improve your mental well-being.
- Start a Garden: Grow your own herbs, vegetables, or flowers and connect with nature.
- Attend a Workshop: Improve a skill or learn something new in a focused setting.
- Volunteer for a Cause: Give back and find a sense of purpose.
- Practice Yoga: Enhance your flexibility, strength, and peace of mind.
- Read Self-Help Books: Gain insights and tips on how to better yourself.

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- CHEAP **OR FREE**
- and enjoy the beauty of nature. Have a Picnic: Pack a lunch and
- head to your favorite park. Visit a Museum: Many museums
- offer free admission days. Attend a Free Concert: Check out local event listings for free music shows
- Go Stargazing: Find a dark spot, lay back, and marvel at the night sky.
- Take a Bike Ride: Explore your city or countryside on two wheels.
- Host a Potluck: Gather friends and share a meal where everyone contributes.
- Visit a Farmer's Market: Enjoy fresh, local produce and support small businesses.
- · Go to the Beach: Relax by the water and soak up the sun.
 - Take a walk and discover hidden gems in your city.





FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

French Creek Family YMCA

2010 Recreation Lane. Avon, OH 44011 (440) 934-9622 **Facility Hours:** Monday – Thursday: 5am to 10pm Friday: 5am-9pm Saturday: 7am to 6pm Sunday: 8am – 4pm

July 2025

· Go for a Hike: Explore local trails

Explore a New Neighborhood:

THURSDAY JULY 10TH & 24TH 10:30AM - 11:30AM **AOA Meet & Greet** Register at the front desk

ALL SUMMER OUTDOOR PICKLEBALL IS @ AVON HIGH SCHOOL

TUESDAYS 8AM/9AM/10AM Outdoor Beginner Pickleball Clinic July 8th - 29th **Cost: \$40 Members**

FRIDAYS @ 8AM

Outdoor Intermediate Pickleball Clinic July 8th - 29th Cost: \$45 Members

TUESDAYS @ 9:00AM

Outdoor Intermediate Plus Pickleball Clinic July 11th – August 1st Cost: \$45 Members

MONDAY OR WEDNESDAYS @ 9AM

Outdoor Social Pickleball League July 7th - 28th Cost: \$30

THURSDAYS @ 12:00PM Caps N' Laps - Lobby Beginners are Welcome!

WEDNESDAYS @ 10:00AM **Chess club - Lobby Beginners are Welcome!**



"Good friends are like stars. You don't always see them, but you know they're always there."

AOA SUGGESTED Classes

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| | MONDAYS | TUESDAYS | WEDNESDAYS | THURSDAYS | FRIDAYS | | | |
| (LAND) | 9:30-10:20pm | | 9:30-10:20 | 9:30-10:20am | 9:30-10:20am | | | |
| | SilverSneakers® | | Zumba Gold | Fitness After 50 | Nia® | | | |
| | Jan | | Moira | Jan | Kathy/Meridith | | | |
| | 10:30-11:20am | | 10:30-11:20am | 9:00-9:50am | 9:30-10:20am | | | |
| | Gentle Yoga (SMB) | | Gentle Yoga (SMB) | Rhytm Soul Line | Slow Flow (SMB) | | | |
| | Danielle | | Jan/Danielle | Dancing (TBD) | Danielle | | | |
| Ш | | | 10 20 11 20 | Christene | 10.20.11.20 | | | |
| H | | | 10:30-11:20am | 10:30-11:20am | 10:30-11:20pm | | | |
| EXERCISE | | | BOOM® Amanda | Yin Yoga (SMB) Rita | SilverSneakers® Jessica | | | |
| - II - | 11:30-12:20pm | 11:30-12:20pm | 10:30-11:20am | 10:30-11:50pm | 10:30-11:20am | | | |
| X | Senior Strength | Strength & Balance | AOA Gentle Flow | BOOM MOVER | Gentle Yoga (SMB) | | | |
| | Fitness | Phyllis | Ballet (Pool viewing) | Amanda | Danielle | | | |
| H | Amanda | 1 11 9 11 5 | Martha | Andrida | Dumene | | | |
| GROUP | | 12:30-12:55pm | 11:30-12:20pm | 11:30-12:20pm | 11:30-12:20pm | | | |
| N | | Chair Tap Dance | SilverSneakers® | Strength & Balance | Chair Yoga | | | |
| U | | Phyllis | Jessica | Amanda | Jessica | | | |
| - | 12:30-1:20pm | 1:00-1:50pm | 12:30-1:20pm | 1:00-1:50pm | 5:00-5:50pm | | | |
| | Chair Yoga | Arthritis | Chair Yoga | Arthritis | Rhythm Soul Line | | | |
| | Danielle | Stella | Danielle | Stella | Dancing (TBD) | | | |
| SES | | | | | Christene | | | |
| | MONDAYS | TUESDAYS | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAYS | FRIDAYS | | | |
| | 8:00-8:50am | | 8:00-8:50am | 8:30-9:30am | | | | |
| S | Aquacise RP | | Aquacise RP | Aqua Bootcamp CP | | | | |
| 4 | Gail | | Gail | Gail | | | | |
| CLA | 9:00-9:50am | 9:30-10:30am | 9:00-9:50am | 9:30-10:20am | 9:30-10:20am | | | |
| U | Aquacise RP | Aqua Zumba RP | Aquacise RP | Aqua Deep RP Jean | Zumba RP Martha | | | |
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| 4 | 11:00-11:50 | | 10:30-11:20 | 9:30-11:30am | 11:00-11:50am | | | |
| | Aqua Fit Shallow RP | | Aqua Fit Shallow RP | Silver Splash RP | Aqua FIT Shallow RP Nancy | | | |
| AQ | Nancy | | Jessica | AmyLynn 5:30-6:20pm | Nancy | | | |
| - | | | | Aqua Zumba RP | | | | |
| | | | | AmyLynn | | | | |
| | | 6:30-7:20pm | 7:00-7:50pm | 6:30-7:20pm | | | | |
| | | Aqua Zumba RP | Aqua HIIT RP | Aqua Fit RP | | | | |
| | | Amanda | Monica | AmyLynn | | | | |
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| | RP : Recreation F | | | | | | | |
| | MONDAYS | TUESDAYS | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAYS | FRIDAYS | | | |
| | 5am-9am | 5am-9am | 5am-9am | 5am-9am | 5am-9am | | | |
| GYM | Pickleball: 3 Courts | Pickleball: 3 Courts | Pickleball: 3 Courts | Pickleball: 3 Courts | Pickleball: 1 Courts | | | |
| 6 | | 6-9:45pm | | 6-9:45pm | | | | |
| | | Pickleball: 3 Courts | | Pickleball: 3 Courts | | | | |
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All members are invited and encouraged to participate in ALL YMCA land and water group exercise classes. The classes listed are suggested because they are considered AOA 'Friendly'. Great place to start!!

Information & Announcements **AOA DAY BUS TIPS: 2025**

All trips depart at the French Creek Family YMCA unless otherwise noted Wednesday July 2nd -Hamilton Cost: \$185 Departing at 10:45am (bus pick up at the West Shore Y) Friday July 11th –Barn Mural Tour & More Cost: \$139 Departing at 8:30am Wednesday July 30th–Presidential, Wine & Chocolate Cost: \$159 Departing at 7:45am Friday August 1st - Brigadoon Cost: \$155 Departing at 9:00am Wednesday August 6th – Columbus Cost: \$144 Departing at 8:00am (bus pick up at the West Shore Y) Wednesday August 13th–Best of Dover (Warther) Cost: \$149 Departing at 8:00am Thursday August 14th – Lady Caroline Cost: \$144 Departing at 8:00am (bus pick up at the West Shore Y) Thursday September 11th – Pittsburgh Cost: \$168 Departing at 7:45am (bus pick up at the West Shore Y) Thursday September 18th–Amish Steam & Carvings Cost: \$129 Departing at 8:00am Thursday September 25th–Barberton Mum Festival Cost: \$125 Departing at 8:00am Thursday October 23rd–Shawshank (Mansfield) Cost: \$119 Departing at 8:00am Thursday October 30th–Cuyahoga RR & Harville Cost: \$162 Departing at 8:30am *Flyers available in the lobby! Please register at the front desk or call Loni Beverly 803-318-4324.



IF NOT NOW.... WHEN?! AOA TRAVEL MULTI-DAY TRIPS

Greece: October 7th - 17th (Balcony Cabins available!) Noah (Sights & Sounds): November 4th-5th Nashville Christmas: December 1st-4th

2026 (MORE TRIPS COMING SOON!) Hawaiian Adventure: February 4th-15th

California Dreamin': May 9th - 17th Splendors of Ireland: June 6th – 16th Christmas Markets on the Rhine: December 7th-16th

Registration is NOW OPEN!! Brochures are available for each trip at the AOA Table in the French Creek YMCA lobby. If you would like additional information trip or to register, please contact Loni Beverly at 803-318-4324

FOURTH OF JULY JOKES

FUN JOKES FROM TWOKIDSANDACOUPON.COM

- True or False- The Declaration of Independence was written in Philadelphia? False- It was written in ink.
- Why did Paul Revere ride his horse from Boston to Lexington? Because the horse was too heavy to carry!
- What did one flag say to another flag? Nothing- he just waved!
- What did revolutionaries wear to the Boston Tea party? Tea Shirts.
- Did you hear the joke about the Liberty bell? It cracked me up!

- · What did the little firecracker say to the bigger firecracker? Hi, pop!
- Why did the duck say bang? Because he was a firequacker.
- What do firecrackers eat at the movies? Pop-corn!
- What did one little firework say to the other? My pop is bigger than your pop.
- How do pandas stay cool on the Fourth of July? Bear conditioning.
- What do dads like to eat on the 4th of July? Pop-sicles.
- What did Luke Skywalker say on Independence Day? May the 4th be with you!

