



# Winter Wonderland of Fun!



Albert Lea Parks & Recreation Department

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## Letters To Santa

*Open to all children*



Kids here's your chance to write Santa a letter and have him write you back! Make sure to tell him how good you've been and what you'd like to ask for Christmas. Parks & Recreation is going to be collecting all the letters and sending them on to Santa so he may reply to you as quick as he can.

Please drop off Santa mail at the City Arena in our special "**Santa Mail-Box**" (remember to include your return address) or send it to:

Santa Claus  
c/o Albert Lea Parks & Recreation  
221 E. Clark Street  
Albert Lea, MN 56007



*Letters will be accepted anytime from November 1-December 6th so Santa has a chance to reply to everyone!*

## Winter Warming Houses - open to everyone!

Looking for something to do during Winter Break? Look no further than your own neighborhood Warming House. Bring your skates and practice your triple toe loop or play hockey with your friends. Take a break inside the warming house where you can play ping pong, foosball or even box hockey! Stop by and get to know your Warming House Attendants.

### Winter Break Hours

Mon-Fri. 1:00-9:00 pm  
Sat. & Sun. 1:00-8:00 pm



### Regular Hours

Mon.-Fri. 4:00-9:00 pm  
Sat. & Sun. 1:00-8:00 pm

**Where:** Academy, Hawthorne, Hayek & Lakeview

**Fee:** FREE!!!

**\*Warming houses subject to close for inclement weather**

**\*\*Open winter break if weather permits**

## Disney on Ice: Treasure Trove

*Open to all families; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult*

Get tangled up with Rapunzel and Flynn, hang out with Tiana, Cinderella, Jasmine, Ariel, Sleeping Beauty, Belle, Mulan and Snow White. Set sail with Peter Pan, the always sassy Tinker Bell and the cantankerous Captain Hook & his pirate pals on an adventure beyond Neverland! Trek the wilds of Africa with Simba, Nala, Pumbaa and Timon and don't be late for a very important date with Alice & the Madhatter.

**Fee:** \$18 (Food items may be purchased at the concession stand so bring extra \$)

**When:** Sun. December 11th

**Time:** Bus leaves City Arena at 10:30 am and returns approx. 5:30 pm

**Where:** Xcel Energy Center-St. Paul, MN

**-Children must wear a \*Park & Rec trip shirt**

**Register by December 2nd -only 40 tickets available!**

## Candy Cane Hunt

*Open to all children*



Santa and his elves have hidden hundreds of candy canes! Come out and see how many you can find. They come in all shapes and sizes and if you find a special colored candy cane you get a prize! Stick around afterward for some yummy hot cocoa, special treats, games and a craft! Santa will also make a special appearance!

**Fee:** \$1 per child

**When:** Sun. December 18th

**Time:** 1:00 pm (hunt will start on time, make sure you arrive early)

**Where:** Fairlane Building-Freeborn County Fairgrounds

**Make sure your child dresses warm!**

*No Pre-Registration required.*



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## Get your Game On!

Grades K-5th



Come out to the Theater for some board game and active game fun, eat pizza and watch a mystery movie! There will be a variety of board games to play so you can challenge your friends. We will also take a tour of the theater and learn some of the history and secrets! Pizza and beverages will be provided.

**Fee:** \$10

**When:** Wed. December 28th (winter break-no school)

**Time:** 10:30 am-3:00 pm

**Where:** Marion Ross Performing Arts Center

*Register by December 23rd*

## Rochester House of Bounce Trip

Families welcome, children 6 & under need to be with an adult -parents not charged if not doing activities

You've never seen so many bouncies! Challenge your friends to Laser Tag as well as the Monkey Bounce. Please bring extra money for lunch and snacks and your socks! No outside food allowed.

**Fee:** \$25 (parents need to sign waiver)

**When:** Fri. January 20th (no school)

**Time:** Bus leaves City Arena at 10:30a.m. and returns approx. 4:30 p.m. (\*kids need to wear trip shirt)

**Where:** House of Bounce-Rochester, MN

[www.rochesterhouseofbounce.com](http://www.rochesterhouseofbounce.com)

*Register by January 13th*

## Arty Party

Bring your friends! We'll have everything but the kitchen sink out for you to experiment with. There will be different stations for drawing, painting, crafting, mess-making, you name it. Let your creative juices flow!

**Fee:** \$5

**When:** Fri. February 10th (no school K-5th)

**Time:** 9:00-11:00 am-K-2nd grade  
2:00-4:00 pm-3rd-5th grade

**Where:** City Arena

*Register by February 6th*



## Winter Carnival

In conjunction with "The Big Freeze" Come out to Edgewater Park for a fun filled afternoon of face painting, games, crafts, snow volleyball, ice cube races and so much more!!! For more information contact the Parks & Recreation office @ 377-4370.

**FREE** to participate

**When:** Sat., February 18th

**Time:** 1:00-4:00 pm

**Where:** Edgewater Bay Pavilion-Edgewater Park  
(location change)



## Snow Tubing at Mount Kato

Open to all families; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult. Riders must be 42".

Let's get ready to snow tube! Ride a moving sidewalk up a hill and then soar back down! After the action, warm your toes and grab some snacks at the lodge. We'll also have board games for some inside fun.

**Fee:** \$20 (bring \$ for concessions)

**When:** Mon. February 20th (no school)

**Time:** Bus leaves City Arena at 9:30 a.m. and returns approx. 3:30 p.m.

**Where:** Mount Kato-Mankato, MN

*Register by February 13th*

## Snow Masterpiece Contest

Celebrate the season by building a snowman, snow sculpture or snow fort! Please make sure to include the date and any details or information you would like us to know. Prizes will be awarded!

**Date:** From the first snowfall until Fri., February 24th

**E-Mail:** [jdavis@city.albertlea.org](mailto:jdavis@city.albertlea.org) or send to:

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**FREE!** City of Albert Lea residents only

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