

# VESTAL RECREATION

Winter/Spring 2026



516 Front St.  
Vestal, NY 13850  
607-754-3368

[vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)

## Connecting our Community: 2025 Stats

**118** Kids played in the VYBO League  
**120** Kids played in the T-Ball League  
**63** Players participated in the Challenger League  
**41** Girls Played in the Field Hockey League  
**155** Vendors participated at Vestal Festival  
**228** Picnics at Arnold Park  
**180** Kids learned to play Tennis  
**1096** Kids learned or perfected new skills at 24 different camps  
**607** Kids played for six weeks at four free supervised playground sites  
**754** Kids learned to swim  
**967** Attended the Easter Egg Hunt  
**1800** Attended the Summer Celebration  
**373** Attended the Splash Bash  
**700** Attended the Concert at the Gazebo  
**800** Attended the Vestal Community Band Concerts  
**200** Watched Toy Story  
**150** Watched Inside Out 2  
**176** Attended the Mother Son Sneaker Ball  
**273** Attended the Father Daughter Ball  
**200** Attended the Annual Tree Lighting  
**100** Santa Letters written as of 12/8/25  
**20,683** Came to the Vestal Memorial Pool  
**\$204,420.80** Revenue Collected as of 12/8/25

## **Family Swim At Vestal High School**

Winter blues have you missing the pool?  
Join us for Family Swim at the Vestal High School Pool,  
205 Woodlawn Drive.

Enter the High School through the front entrance,  
follow the discs to the pool. NO registration necessary.

**SATURDAYS: January 10 - March 28**

**Open Swim: Noon to 3:00 pm**

**Lap Swim: 3:00 to 4:15**



**CLOSED: 1/17 & 2/14**

**Cost is \$1 for kids and \$2 for adults**

This includes observers. Exact change is appreciated.  
You can pay staff/lifeguards. An adult must  
accompany children under the age of 10.



## **Recreational Planner:**

Patrick Harnan

## **Assistant Recreational Planners:**

Kelcy Wickman

Dulcie Malizia

## **Events Coordinator:**

Ashley Kupeic



## **Town Board:**

**Supervisor: Maria Sexton**

## **Council Members:**

Suzanne Messina

Glenn Miller

Robert Greene

Matthew Padbury

Rentals  
begin  
Jan 1st

To reserve a Pavilion go to:



[vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)

## **Town of Vestal Recreation LIFEGUARDING CLASS**

**COST  
\$200**

**Vestal High School  
Great Summer Job!!!**



**DATES AND TIMES:**  
(Must Attend All Class Sessions)

- Feb 27<sup>th</sup> 5pm to 9pm
- Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 8am to 5pm
- March 6<sup>th</sup> 5pm to 9pm
- March 7<sup>th</sup> 8am to 4pm

**Register now at: [vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)**

**\*\*Must be 15 years old when the test is given at the completion of the class.\*\***

Open Monday → Friday - 8:00am → 4:30pm  
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[vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)  
[vestalny.gov](http://vestalny.gov)

JOIN US FOR A FREE

# EASTER EGG HUNT

SPONSORED BY THE VESTAL ELKS

Enjoy our **FREE** Easter Egg hunt  
and be on the look out for the  
Easter Bunny!

**MARCH 28, 2026 | 11:00 AM**

Open to ages 1-10. Kids will be divided up by  
age. Bags will be available.



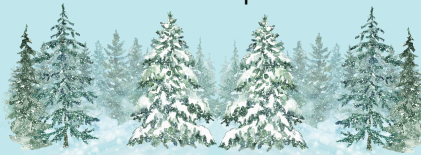
**ARNOLD PARK**

Andrews Rd. Vestal NY

[vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)

## Waterman Conservation Center: Day Camp

Hilton Rd. Apalachin



**Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> or  
Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

“Day Camp at the Waterman Conservation Center is an exciting adventure filled program, open when school is closed. A well-trained staff will lead children in a variety of outdoor nature activities. Open to kids in **grades 3 & 4**. The same program is offered both days.

### “Surviving the Winter Woods”

Could you survive a night in the winter woods? Learn how plants and animals stay alive through winter. The day will include crafts, lessons on the science of winter as well as winter survival skills, and an expedition through our frozen forest in search of winter's secrets! Win a prize for completing a winter adaption scavenger hunt!

Register online at [vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)





## Southern Tier Challenger League



Southern Tier Challenger League is a baseball program for children and adults who have physical, developmental, and intellectual disabilities within the Southern Tier of New York and Northern Tier of Pennsylvania. Open to players age 6 & up.

Teams are set up according to abilities, rather than age, and can range from 8-15 players, who can participate in one of three levels: Tee-Ball, Coach-Pitch or Player Pitch.

Each player gets a chance at bat. The side is retired when the offense has batted through the roster. No score is kept during games. The Challenger players wear uniforms and safety equipment as other players would. We encourage the use of "buddies" for the Challenger players. The buddies assist the Challenger players on the field but whenever possible, encourage the players to bat and make plays themselves. However, the buddy is always nearby to help when needed.

Season starts end of April-beginning of May and runs through June. For more information or to register, go to [vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com) or call 607-754-3368.



## T-Ball League



Ages: 4 & 5 years - girls and boys

This is a learning and recreational league. Participants will use T-stands to hit a soft rubber ball from. All games are weather dependent and will be cancelled due to rain or wet conditions with no makeups. There are no practices. If your child is 6 years or older they would play either in Little League or the Girls Softball League, see page #8.

Dates: **Thursdays, April 30 – June 11**

First week we will meet for pictures only.  
Last night there will be a pizza party.

Location: Arnold Park, Andrews Rd.

Time: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM all games

Cost: \$45.00 Residents - includes T-shirt  
\$55.00 Non-residents - includes T-shirt

Register at: [vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)

Login or create an account. Be sure to fill in T-shirt size. Participants will be placed on teams by the Recreation Department. Team rosters and schedules will be mailed out mid April.

Volunteer Coaches are needed to run this league.

Two or three coaches per team are preferred.

Coaches must be fun loving and have a sense of humor. There is one brief coaches meeting prior to the first week of the program. There are no practices. There is no cost to be a coach. Be sure to fill in a T-shirt size for the free coach's T-shirt. You must also pass a background check. To register as a coach, go to [vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com).





VESTAL RECREATION PRESENTS:

# Father Daughter Ball

**Saturday  
February 21, 2026**

**UNDER  
THE  
SEA**

**6:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

**Doors open at 5:00 PM for photos.**

**Register at:**

**[vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com)**

Fathers and Daughters, join us for an enchanting evening of dinner and dancing.

The buffet will include beef tips, breaded chicken fingers, gourmet macaroni and cheese, garlic mashed potatoes, glazed baby carrots, salad, cookies and brownies.

All seating is assigned and tables will hold a maximum of ten. We will do our best to honor seating requests. Complete tables of ten are guaranteed.

To register- create or log into your account at [vestalrecreation.com](http://vestalrecreation.com). List all the names of adults and children that you wish to be seated with/near on the request line. If you do not have a seating preference, leave it blank and we will seat you. ALL ages are welcome. Open to Town of Vestal and Apalachin Residents only.

**Final deadline to register is Friday, February 6th at 4:30 PM, unless the event fills earlier.**

**The Doubletree by Hilton  
225 Water Street  
Binghamton, NY**



**\$50 Adults  
\$40 Daughters  
Additional \$10 for  
Apalachin Residents**





# TAKE A HIKE THIS SPRING!



Our Hiking Club meets monthly to explore local parks and nature preserves as they come alive with new growth, wildlife, and color. Whether you're experienced or just starting, all are welcome. Participation is free—just bring your sense of adventure!  
**Pre-registration encouraged.**



## SPRING DATES

**APRIL 25**  
BU NATURE PRESERVE

**MAY 9**  
IBM GLEN

**JUNE 13**  
JONES PARK

Open to all ages.  
Kids under 13 must come with an adult.  
Please wear sturdy shoes for trail walking.

[Vestaltrecreation.com](http://Vestaltrecreation.com)

# Town of Vestal Recreation Department



**Summer:**  
Playground Program  
Instructors, Lifeguards,  
Swim Instructors and Sports  
Camp Coaches

Visit: [vestaltrecreation.com](http://vestaltrecreation.com)  
for an application. For more  
information, please call us at  
**607-754-3368**

**Applications are DUE  
by April 1, 2026**



**Make a difference  
while having fun!**



## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

**20  
26**

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Partner with the Vestal Recreation Dept. in 2026!  
Support local programs and events that bring  
together families, youth, and residents of all ages—  
while gaining valuable exposure for your business.  
Sponsorships are available for youth sports, the Vestal  
Festival, and other community events. Sponsors  
receive prominent recognition in program materials,  
banners, and online promotions.  
Join us in making a positive impact and creating  
memorable experiences for Vestal! Contact us to learn  
more about sponsorship opportunities.

# JIGSAW PUZZLE COMPETITION

**JANUARY 17TH  
10:30AM-12:00PM**



**MAY 16TH  
10:30AM-12:00PM**

📍 Vestal Public Library

**\$25 PER TEAM**  
(UP TO 4 ON A TEAM)

500 PIECE PUZZLES

SHOW OFF YOUR PUZZLING SKILLS!

REGISTER YOUR TEAM AT: [VESTALTRECREATION.COM](http://VESTALTRECREATION.COM)



# VESTAL Festival



**SATURDAY  
JUNE 6TH  
10AM-3PM**

## BRING FRIENDS & FAMILY

to the East End of Front Street Vestal for:

FOOD TRUCKS BOUNCY ARTS & DJ  
ICE CREAM CASTLES CRAFTS VENDORS

More information at: [vestaltrecreation.com](http://vestaltrecreation.com)







## Vestal Senior Center

Open Monday - Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
Old Vestal Central Jr. High School, Main St.  
Lunches served Monday - Friday at 11:30 AM



The Vestal Senior Citizens offer exciting events throughout the year along with hot nutritious lunches provided by the Broome County Office for Aging. Reservations for meals must be made one day in advance by 1:00 PM. Eat in or To-Go Meals. Cost for lunch is \$4.00 for 60 years and older and \$5.00 for those younger than 60. It is a great opportunity to get together with friends and participate in many fun-filled activities.



Activities include:

- Mah-Jong (Mon. at 12 PM)
- Hand & Foot card game (Mon. at 9am)
- Pinochle (Tues. at 9 AM)
- Bridge (Wed. at 12 PM)
- Bingo (Thurs. at 10 AM)
- Bunko (4<sup>th</sup> Fri. of the month, following lunch)
- Assorted card games daily
- Speakers on many interesting subjects
- Bake sales and theme parties
- There is also a loaning library

### Vestal Senior Club

The club meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 12:15 PM at the Senior Center. Annual dues are \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for newcomers. The club sponsors trips, dinners, and picnics.

The mission of the club is to foster education and fellowship, have fun, and make contributions to the community. If you are interested in the club, please attend a meeting.

### Oil Painting Classes

“Perfect” your skills in oil painting. Class meets every Wednesday from 1:00–3:00 PM, throughout the year at the Vestal Sr. Center. Please bring your own supplies. For further information call the Senior Center at 607-754-9596.

### Knitting and Crocheting Club

Wednesdays at 9:30 AM. Learn from others or teach someone something new.

### Chop and Chat

Every other Monday at 10 AM. Enjoy conversation as food is prepped and leave with a delicious recipe to cook at home. No cost but donations for the program are welcomed. Reservations are required as spots are limited. Don't miss out on this wonderful program.

Call the Vestal Senior Center for more details on all programs at 607-754-9596

## Vestal Community Band

The Vestal Community Band is a local concert band, formed over 30 years ago. The group consists of experienced players and is conducted by Gail Markstein. The Vestal Community Band rehearses and performs on Thursdays at 7pm. This band enjoys performing at community functions, schools, parks and long term care facilities. For membership information, or performance availability, please contact Gail Markstein at 607-644-8752.

# Vestal Community Sports Leagues

Below are a variety of youth leagues that are available in our community. These leagues are **NOT** sponsored by the Town of Vestal Recreation Department, but are run independently by citizens in the community. For more information on a community league, please reach out to the appropriate contact person or website listed below. Information is subject to change.

**Broome County American League Baseball** - Open to ages 16 → 19 years. Contact John Anderson at 607-727-7843 for any questions.

**Vestal Girls Softball League** - Open to girls ages 5→12 years. Registration begins in February. Spring League runs April → June. All-Star Season runs June → July. Contact Chris Downey at 607-759-4199 for any questions. Check out our Facebook page for up to date information.

**Vestal Little League** - Co-ed baseball league ages 5→12 years. The league runs April → June. Email [vestallittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:vestallittleleague@gmail.com) for any questions. Registration starts February 1st.  
**Website:** [vestallittleleague.com](http://vestallittleleague.com)

**Vestal Recreational Youth Soccer Association** - Recreational league open to boys and girls ages 4 → 16 years. Registration starts mid May. Season runs August → October. Contact James Tripp at [jimtripp99@gmail.com](mailto:jimtripp99@gmail.com) for any questions. **Website:** [vrysa.org](http://vrysa.org)

**Vestal Teener Baseball League** - Open to players ages 13 → 19 years. Contact Bob Anderson for any questions by email at [baga5254@gmail.com](mailto:baga5254@gmail.com) or [vestalteenerbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:vestalteenerbaseball@gmail.com).  
**Website:** [vestalteenerbaseball.com](http://vestalteenerbaseball.com)

**Vestal Youth Football League** - Flag Football for Pre-K → 2nd grade. Tackle Football for 3rd → 6th grades. Cheerleading available for grades 1st → 8th. Teams divided by grades. Player levels are determined by grade child is going into in September. Registration to be determined. Follow VYFL on Facebook for updates. Contact Eric Wiggins at 607-624-8676 or [wiggs1766@hotmail.com](mailto:wiggs1766@hotmail.com) for any questions. **Website:** [vestalyouthfootball.com](http://vestalyouthfootball.com)

**Vestal Youth Lacrosse** - Vestal boys and girls, Kindergarten → 6th grades. Contact Jenn Gates at [vestalyouthlacrosse@gmail.com](mailto:vestalyouthlacrosse@gmail.com) for any questions. Check out their Facebook page.  
**Website:** [tshq.bluesombrero.com/vestalyouthlax](http://tshq.bluesombrero.com/vestalyouthlax)

**VYSA - Travel (Vestal Youth Soccer Association)** - Soccer club is open to all boys and girls ages 4 → 19 years. This program runs all year with indoor soccer in the winter and outdoor in the spring. They have professional trainers, great coaches and most games are local. Signups are accepted throughout the year. Contact Amar Bhandari at [president@vestalsoccer.com](mailto:president@vestalsoccer.com) for any questions. **Website:** [vestalsoccer.com](http://vestalsoccer.com)

**Vestal Youth Wrestling** - Open to Vestal boys and girls in grades Kindergarten → 6th. Contact Aaron Kaminsky at [aakaminskal@gmail.com](mailto:aakaminskal@gmail.com). **Facebook:** [Vestal Wrestling](https://www.facebook.com/VestalWrestling)

**Binghamton Blizzard Girls Hockey** - This organization has been around for over 30 years providing girls in the greater Binghamton area the opportunity to play ice hockey on an all-girls team, ages 4 and up. If you know a player interested in joining, please reach out to their registrar at [bbgharegistrar@gmail.com](mailto:bbgharegistrar@gmail.com) for more information.  
**Website:** [blizzardreg.sportngin.com](http://blizzardreg.sportngin.com)