

MAYOR BOBBY SANCHEZ AND THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN PRESENT



RECREATION ROUND UP

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- STANLEY GOLF COURSE
- SENIOR CENTER
- FAIRVIEW CEMETERY
- PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
- VETERAN AFFAIRS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Persons with Disabilities - All Abilities Craft Night:

Thursday, March 12th
from 5:30PM-6:30PM at
Osgood Classrooms,
460 Osgood Ave.

Senior Center - TRIAD Grand Breakfast:

Sunday, March 15th from
8:00AM-11:00AM at the
New Britain Senior
Center, 55 Pearl St.

Persons with Disabilities - All Abilities Resource & Job Fair:

Friday, March 20th from
1:00PM-4:00PM at New
Britain Public Library,
20 High St.

Recreation - Basketball Championship:

Saturday, March 21st at
New Britain High School,
110 Mill St.

Recreation - Easter Egg Hunt:

Saturday, March 28th
from 11:00AM-1:00PM at
Osgood Park,
460 Osgood Ave.

Staff Spotlight

Wanda Cruz, a group leader, was promoted to a supervisor position with the after school program at Smalley Elementary School. She is patient, kind, and a natural leader. She has built positive relationships with youth in each program that she has worked both in after school and camp programs. She leads her team with enthusiasm.



A Note from Mayor Bobby Sanchez & the Mayor's Office

"As we welcome the month of March, we also welcome longer days, fresh energy, and new opportunities to come together as a community.

Recreation plays an essential role in the fabric of New Britain. Our parks, programs, and community events are more than activities—they are spaces where friendships are formed, families connect, and lifelong memories are made. This month brings exciting programming for residents of all ages.

As always, thank you to our dedicated Recreation staff, volunteers, coaches, and community partners who make these programs possible. Your commitment ensures that New Britain remains a vibrant, active, and welcoming place to live. I look forward to seeing you out in our parks and at our events this spring."

— **With gratitude, Mayor Bobby Sanchez**



Recreation**Basketball Champions to be Revealed in March**

The Basketball Championship game will take place on Saturday, March 21st at New Britain High School. 7-8 graders start playing at 10:00AM and 5-6 graders start at 12:00PM. The halftime show will be performed by New Britain Cheer program.

The Recreation Department's Easter Bunny Will Visit Osgood Park

The hunt for Easter Eggs will officially take place on Saturday, March 28, 2026, at Osgood Park beginning at 11:00AM (Rain Date is Sunday, March 29, 2026). This event is geared for children under 12 years of age. Kids will be split up into divisions based on their ages (3 & under, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12) when hunting for eggs. Other activities include amusements, inflatables, and selfies with the Easter Bunny! Pre-registration is required and costs \$5 per person. The deadline to register is Friday, March 27, 2026.

April Vacation Camp: Newly Renovated Swiss Chalet @ AW Stanley Park

Vacation Camp has a new home this year! Children in grades 1-5 are invited to join the 1-week program. The camp runs Monday, April 13-Friday, April 17, 8:00AM-4:00PM, children will have plenty of activities to keep them active and engaged. Snacks and a small breakfast will be provided every day, but all campers must bring their own lunch. Registration is required and has a fee of \$200 for both residents and non-residents. If parents want to enroll their children for After Care from 4:00-5:30PM throughout the week, there will be an additional fee of \$40. The deadline to register is Thursday, April 9, 2026.

Community Services**New Career Closet is Open**

Photo by Melody Rivera

Career Closet at the New Britain Public Library is open and will have business professional clothing available to help those who are looking for employment overcome financial barriers and to feel empowered every Friday from 12:00PM-4:00PM.

New Community Corner Program Has Made its Debut

The Community Corner is a monthly opportunity for residents to receive information, resources, and build connections with community service leaders! Every month, new representatives will be chosen to directly speak and support those who stop by the office (Room 301 on the 3rd floor in City Hall) with a particular need. Community Services is comprised of Disabilities, Housing, Local Prevention, Veterans, and the Youth Services Bureau (YSB).

"People are at their lowest when they come into our office. We have a legal and moral obligation to them and I want to make sure we're not doing the bare minimum" -Kelly Murphy, Community Services Program Manager

Stanley Golf Course

Frosty Challenge Driving Range Event to be Rescheduled

The Frosty Challenge event, which was originally going to take place on Saturday, February 7, 2026 from 11:00AM-2:00PM, had to be postponed due to heavy winds and extremely cold weather. The new date will be shared on Stanley Golf Course’s Facebook page.

“The Frosty Challenge brings the heat to the driving range with long drives, close shots, and prizes flying all day. Add coffee, cocoa, and good company, and you’ve got the perfect winter golf event.”

—Josh Salisbury, Assistant Golf Professional

Stanley Golf Course to Reopen in Spring

Stanley Golf Course and its Golf Shop is still closed for the Winter, but will reopen once there’s no more snow or ice affecting the area. The driving range is still available for golfers and is open daily from 9:00AM to 5:00PM.

Fairview Cemetery

Meet Your Fairview Cemetery Commission



The Commissioners for the Fairview Cemetery Commission 2026-2027 term are as follows: Nicole Bello-Sanchez, Sharon Baretta, Karalyn Carlson, Jennifer Johnson, and Daisy Rivera. The commission will meet quarterly throughout the year with the next meeting being scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 6:00PM in Room 305 on the third floor of City Hall.

New Britain Senior Center

Meet Your Commission on Aging

The Chairperson is Helen Cieslowski. The rest of the commissioners for the Fairview Cemetery Commission 2026-2027 term are as follows: Marianne Hebenstreit, Robert Swarr, Elizabeth Barden, Tony Barden, Nancy Durkin, Andrea June, Charlene Smith, and Justine Gamache. The commission will meet on the first Monday of every month with the next meeting being scheduled for Monday, April 6, 2026 at 1:00PM in the New Britain Senior Center.

Senior Center to Serve Grand Breakfast



The New Britain Senior Center will once again host the TRIAD Grand Breakfast on Sunday, March 15, 2026 from 8:00AM-11:00AM. The menu includes pancakes, eggs, bacon, hash browns, orange juice, and coffee. There will also be a raffle. Tickets cost \$8 prior to the breakfast, tickets will sell for \$9 at the door, and children under three are free. Tickets are available for purchase at the Senior Center.

“New Britain TRIAD is having a GRAND Breakfast at the New Britain Senior Center in efforts to raise money for the Senior Prom.”

—Rexford Cone, Senior Center Program Specialist

Persons with Disabilities

First Craft Night for "All Abilities" to be held in Osgood Classrooms

In celebration of National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, Community Services and the New Britain Public Library's Maker Space Team are collaborating for the All Abilities Craft Night, which will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2026 from 5:30PM-6:30PM. Pre-registration is required and seats are limited. Children under 18 must attend the event with an adult.

All Abilities Resource & Job Fair is Back for a Second Round

The All Abilities Resource & Job Fair, which was first held in October 2025, will return on Friday, March 20, 2026 from 1:00PM-4:00PM at the New Britain Public Library. This job fair is designed for individuals with disabilities to practice interview skills, search for work opportunities, meet and network local employers.

Contact Us!

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New Britain Senior Center: (860) 826-3553

Fairview Cemetery: (860) 826-3495

Disability Advocate: (860) 826-3368

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THANK YOU FOR READING!



Veterans Affairs

Meet Your Veterans Commission

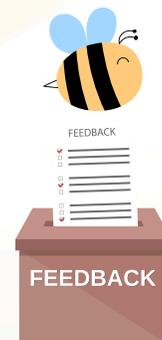
The Commissioners for the Veterans Commission are Manuel Reyes, John Buckley, Jacqueline Muhammad-Fonseca, Peter Scirpo, Terry Crescimanno, Shayla Reyes, and David Hernandez Jr. The commission meets biannually with the next meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 6:00PM in Room 305 on the third floor of City Hall.

Puerto Rican Veterans to be Honored in April



The National Borinqueneers Day Ceremony will be located at 65 Infantry Regiment Park, 246 Beaver St. and will start at 10:30AM on Monday, April 13, 2026.

Suggestion Box



Do you have any event or program ideas? Please reach out to us so we can see if we can make it happen! We're also very open to any feedback you have, whether it's about our newsletter or our department in general!

