

August 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Gate Closed! Staff Inservice	4 Welcome Back! USA 250 Celebration! Musical Dots Patriotic Wreath Book Club / Cards / Games	5 Welcome Back! USA 250 Celebration! Finish the Lyrics USA Relay Games Book Club / Cards / Games	6 Welcome Back! USA 250 Celebration! Fitness with Chip & Jean Pictionary Book Club / Cards / Games	7	8
9	10 Welcome Back! USA 250 Celebration! Summer Share Pictionary Granny Pants	11 Tuesday Talks/ Summer Share Name That Tune Book Club / Cards / Games	12 Chair Yoga Find Someone Who.... Book Club / Cards / Games	13 Fitness with Chip & Jean America Says Book Club / Cards / Games RSVP for Aktion Club	14	15
16	17 Name That Tune Musical Dots Exercise Uno	18 Cooking Club/Aktion Club meal Pool Noodle Volleyball Aktion Club	19 Wheel of Eggsercise Life Skills Book Club / Cards / Games	20 Fitness with Chip & Jean Planning Committee Book Club / Cards / Games	21	22
23	24 Bubbles/Sidewalk Chalk Pool Noodle Volleyball Fishing	25 Movie Day Book Club / Cards / Games	26 Music with Appalachian Anna Parachute Book Club / Cards / Games	27 Fitness with Chip & Jean Fishing Birthday Party (July/August)	28	29
30	31 Match Game Life Skills Chair Yoga					

Important Program Details for August 2026

Welcome Back to the Gate!!

We have missed you and we're excited to see everyone! We're celebrating America's 250th Birthday to welcome participants back to the Gate! We'll have USA themed games and a photo booth during our first week back!

Tuesday, August 18th is our monthly Aktion Club meeting. Aktion Club is held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month (No Aktion Club in December or March). The Gate's Cooking Club will help make the Aktion Club meals again this year. Our August meal will be pizza casserole, salad, dessert, tea, and lemonade. The cost for the meal is \$5 and the deadline to order an Aktion Club lunch is **Thursday, August 13th**. The deadline to pay for an Aktion Club lunch is **Tuesday, August 18th**. For our service project this month Aktion Club members voted to donate school supplies to Lanier Elementary School in Maryville. Collections will be collected at the Gate from August 4th-19th. Items on Lanier's wish list are colored pencils, markers, spiral notebooks, paper towels, sandwich/gallon size zip lock bags, dry erase markers, glue sticks, unscented hand sanitizer, water bottles, composition notebooks.

Thursday, August 27th is our monthly birthday party! We will be celebrating participants and staff with July and August birthdays. We will be serving pizza, salad, cake, and a drink. There is no cost for this meal. **Happy Birthday to: Robby, Jordan H., John, Shellie, Nate, Matthew, Collin, Carson L., Elizabeth, Trey, Emily K., Aryn, Josh, Leanna, Carson M., and Terry!** Thank you to Diana Pearl for sponsoring our birthday party this month!

Coke Machine Fundraiser:

Our Coke Machine will continue to be running this year. Participants, parents, staff, and visitors are welcome to purchase sodas throughout the day for \$1.00 each. Payment is placed in a box inside the coke machine's payment box and is based on an honor system. Each semester, the proceeds from this project go to support a local non-profit organization chosen by participants during one of our Aktion Club meetings. From August-December, all proceeds from the Coke Machine will go to the **Trinity Dental Clinic**. You can learn more at **TrinityDentalClinic.com**.

Donations of canned sodas to stock our Coke Machine throughout the year are welcomed and appreciated.

Amazon Wish List



Throughout the year we update an Amazon Wish List! There are consumable items like paint, craft materials, plates, napkins, and birthday crafts. This code will take you to the Amazon Wish List and once items are purchased, they are mailed to the Gate. Thank you so much for supporting our participants!