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**CITY ANNOUNCES NEW SKATING PROGRAMS
AT MEACHEM ICE RINK**

*Rink, Which Received Major Overhaul Last Year, Will Host Three New
Skating Programs for People of All Ages*

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – The City of Syracuse Department of Parks, Recreation, and Youth Programs announced today that three new skating programs will begin starting this week at the Meachem Ice Rink in the Valley neighborhood.

“Skating is a great way to enjoy some healthy recreation and we are pleased to have the opportunity to expand our offerings to the community,” said **Lazarus U. Sims**, Commissioner of Parks, Recreation, and Youth Programs. “I encourage our neighbors throughout the City of Syracuse to come enjoy the opportunities we have to offer.”

Skate-and-Shoot will be offered from 9 to 11:45 on Thursdays. Senior Skate will be offered from 9 to 11:45 a.m. on Fridays. Tots-on-Skates, for pre-school aged children and their parents or guardians, will run from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays, beginning on October 6. All children are required to wear helmets.

These programs are in addition to the open skate hours at the popular ice rink, with hours from 12 noon to 3:15 Tuesdays through Fridays.

Special prices for these new programs will also be in effect: Admission is \$4 for Skate-and-Shoot and includes admission and hot chocolate. Players need to bring their own equipment, including a helmet, gloves, stick and skates. Admission for Senior Skate is \$2, and includes admission, skate rental and hot chocolate. Admission to Tots-on-Skates is \$4 per person, and includes admission, helmet rental and hot chocolate. Due to a limited supply of small-sized skates, parents and/or guardians should be prepared to bring their child’s skates.

Meachem Ice Rink is located at 121 West Seneca Turnpike.

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