

# FIRETREE PLACE

FIRETREE PLACE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER: OCTOBER- DECEMBER 2021

## Get To Know Our Staff



Alec Eggerton—Recreation Director

Alec has been with Firetree Place since May of 2017. He graduated from Lock Haven University with a bachelors degree in Sports Administration. Prior to working at Firetree Place he worked for DeWald Chiropractic as their Public Relations Assistant as well as a Personal Trainer at the Fitness Factory. Alec has always had a heart for exercise and athletics and has enjoyed his time at Firetree Place helping the youth develop a love for those same areas. You can catch him running up and down the sideline during football season or at local gyms helping the youth develop into better athletes and young men and women.

**Youth Flag Football** — Firetree Place offers a Youth Flag Football program during the wintertime through a partnership with the Liberty Arena. The goal of the program is to equip the youth within the Williamsport community with the knowledge and skillsets necessary to become the best football athletes they can be. This is a 10-week program that serves youth in 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The teams participate in weekly practices at Firetree Place and the Liberty Arena and compete in games every Friday night at the Liberty Arena.

**Adult Flag Football** — Firetree Place also offers an Adult Flag Football program during the wintertime through a partnership with the Liberty Arena. This is a 10-week program that helps fill the void of adult recreation programs in the Williamsport area. Teams consist of 10 – 15 players and games are played every Sunday night at the Liberty Arena.

## Mission Statement

Firetree Place is a non-profit organization that engages the community through enrichment activities and provides resources that will strengthen the community as a whole. Firetree Place ensures the educational and personal enrichment of our area's youth, families, and seniors by providing comprehensive programs, camps, workshops and seminars.

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## Youth Football & Cheer

The Williamsport Youth Football and Cheer program served approximately 146 athletes ranging in age from 5 – 12 years old. They compete in the Heartland League, which hosts 21 local teams. The program is divided into 3 teams: flag football/cheer (K – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade), a tackle football/cheer (3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade), and B tackle football/cheer (5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade). The program consists of weekly practices and games. The football teams compete in many games throughout the season against local teams for a chance to compete in playoff games at the end of the season. The cheer teams cheer during the football games and participate in cheer competitions at the end of the season. Firetree Place hosts banquets for all three teams recognizing their hard work, dedication, and accomplishments throughout the season. In their 2<sup>nd</sup> year during the fall of 2021, the program has grown by approximately 40 athletes with intentions to continue on this upward trend. The Williamsport Youth Football and Cheer program teaches young boys and girls how to play their respective sport while also providing a safe environment for the youth to learn and grow as individuals. It is exciting to be a part of the growth of these young athletes and it's something we look forward to every season.



# ★ Football & Cheer ★

## Local Organizations & Businesses:

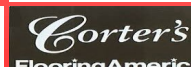
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## Individuals:

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