

CITY OF MARTINEZ

MEMO

Date: July 14, 2016

To: Parks, Recreation, Marina and Cultural Commission

From: Patty Lorick, Recreation Supervisor

Subject: June Staff Report

ADULT SPORTS

- Softball is being played three nights a week at Joe DiMaggio Softball Complex and one night a week at Tavan. Shell League will begin a six week season in mid-July.

AQUATICS

The pool is keeping the entire recreation staff busy and working hard.

- The pool opened to public for swimming the weekend of June 4. Birthday and private pool parties continue to grow in popularity.
- Swim Lessons began June 13. We offer group, private, semi-private, Parent/Tot classes referred to as Goldfish and Starfish Lessons. Group and Parent/Tot Classes are now being offered in one week sessions. Parents report they like the flexibility of picking the weeks they want for their children's swim lessons.
- Pool Staff participated in the following In-Service training this month – swim lessons emergency action plans, spinal injury management, professional CPR/AED review, back boarding, seizures, heat and sun safety, chemical safety and MSDS sheets.
- Pete DeQuincy, East Bay Regional Park District and nationally recognized aquatic trainer provided a three and half hour training for our aquatic staff Monday, June 13. He held over 90 drills in that time period. Staff loved the training and I got to watch their confidence and skills progress.
- June 13 & 14 the Aquatic Staff attended training in policy and procedures, mandated child abuse training, HazMat, swim lessons, emergency action plans, customer service and more.
- Martinez Community Swim Team began their regular practice season June 14. Little Otter's Swim Lessons began in June for the siblings of swim team members.
- The swim team has held five home meets in June. Five additional meets are scheduled for July.
- Six end of the school pool parties were held in June.
- Hot days have brought in record crowd. Some days we have had to limit entry by patrons due to the crowds.
- Nine Family Swim Nights were held in June.
- Pam Hall is a new water aerobics instructor. The participants really like her and have been filling her class on Thursday evening.
- Andrea LeGault, our main water aerobics instructor and her participants are working hard to advertise our program through social media, word of mouth and events.

- The Rankin Aquatic Center was one of 500 pools from twenty countries that became part of the World's Largest Swim Lesson. Twenty –seven people participated in the thirty minute class designed to remind people that swim lessons are important.

BALL FIELD ASSIGNMENTS

- Five adult soccer groups have called to rent space at Hidden lakes on the new turf field. They all want the same day of the week and time.

FACILITY RENTALS

- To date we have rented 327 picnic areas and rooms.

RANKIN PARK FIRE

- The fire started approximately 3:50 pm in the grass area above Tavan Field. The children from the summer playground program had gone home for the day and the pool was ending Rec Swim. Everyone left in the area was evacuated from the Park and the fire department, helicopters and spotter planes quickly took care of the fire. Damage was limited to the open space area of the park. The fire department stayed on scene for 24 hours to take care of any hot spots.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- The City worked with the pyrotechnician, police, public works and East Bay Regional Park District to coordinate efforts for a safe and sane 4th of July Fireworks Display. Fireworks were made possible by the generous donations of Shell Martinez Refinery and Republic Services.
- The Police Department's Bike to Bridge was held June 9.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM and CAMPS

- Summer Playground Staffs had a week of training in City of Martinez policies and procedures, first aids, CPR/AED, mandated child abuse reporting, program development, etc.
- Rankin Park is the site of the elementary school age playground program has seen an average of forty children per day. The first two weeks of camp there were over 100 different children attending the program.
- The Summer Playground program has enjoyed games, crafts, field trips, swimming, cook outs, movies, sports, air jumps and special guests. Thursdays, the Martinez Library opens for the Playground Program. The Librarian reads stories and provides themed activities.
- Playwell Lego Camps have had twenty-four children attend the camp.

TEENS

- Five counselors-in-training work with the playground to help provide activities and supervision. These teens are working hard and doing an amazing job.

TOURNAMENTS

- Joe DiMaggio Fields was very busy with tournaments in June. We hosted three boy's baseball tournaments and a girl's fast pitch softball tournament.