

CITY OF MARTINEZ

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Date: March 31, 2010
To: Karen Majors, Assistant City Manager
From: Patty Lorick, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: March Staff Report

ADULT SPORTS

- Friday Night Men's C/D League at Tavan Field began March 7. Six teams play in this seven-week league.
- Phone calls and e-mails were made to summer 2009 softball managers reminding them to register for summer 2010 softball.

AQUATICS

- A CPR for the Professional with AED Review class was held for three lifeguards, March 23.
- I have been working with Martinez Unified School District and our Risk Manager to complete the 2010 MCST Swim Team Agreement. The MCST Swim Team President signed the Pool Use Agreement.
- Our use of the Alhambra High School Pool was approved in February. MCST will be using the pool April 30 – June 10, Monday – Thursday, 5:30 -9:00p.m. and June 15 – August 13, 7:30 -11:00 a.m. Recreation will offer swim lessons, water aerobics, lap swimming and stroke and turn classes, June 15 – August 13, Tuesday – Friday, 4:30 – 9:00 p.m.
- I am working with pool staff to optimize the use of the Alhambra Pool. The Department has purchased two new tot docks to provide lessons. Tot docks raise the children a foot to two foot allowing lessons to be taught at 5 ft and 6 ft.
- The old pool was used by Lincoln Equipment for training.
- Staff continues to work with East Bay Regional Park District Aquatic Staff on the development of a low income swim lesson program. We are currently waiting for funding either through the Red Cross or the East Bay Foundation. We are committed to providing lessons for 30 low income children.

BROCHURE

- Staff is working on the Summer 2010 Activity Guide.

CEMETERY

- An evening cemetery tour was held March 30. Ten people attended the tour.

FEE CLASSES

- The following classes were held this month: ballet 2; belly dance 4; bowling 12; dance 2; elementary drawing 4; gymnastics 2; Lasting Impressions 20; clarinet, flute trump at Morello 10; Stranger Danger 5 and Tiny Tumblers 3.

LIBRARY EVENTS

- Library staff participated in Mini Motorland giving away books to participants. They used the time to encourage reading and to apply for a library card.
- Dr. Seuss Birthday was celebrated March 2 with 30 people getting Seussical!

PICNICS/BUILDING RENTALS

- Picnic reservations for Martinez non-residents and businesses were accepted beginning March 1.
- New this year, preseason picnic rentals. People anxious to hold a picnic March 13 – April 10 were given picnic permits for \$10. No park or public work services are provided and no refunds, just the permit. Twenty-seven preseason picnics were reserved.
- Total number of picnic sites/buildings reserved to date is ninety-three.
- Nancy Boyd is now being rented. People like the flexibility of using the picnic area and the building together.
- The Golden Hills building has become popular for children's birthday parties.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Recreation staff contacted Concord PD after reading an article in the Contra Costa Times about stolen plaques. Carol Alderdise, an East Bay Regional Park Ranger and I went to Concord to look at the plaques. The plaques recovered had been ground down to remove names. Both Carol and I determined pretty quickly that the found plaques did not come from Martinez based on the style, drill holes and quality of the plaques.
- AMR (American Medical Response) through Contra Costa County EMS will be donating two AED (automatic external defibrillators). One will be placed at City Hall and one will be located at the ballfields. In return, I will need to train key staff in Adult CPR and how to use the AED. Recreation is thrilled to have two additional lifesaving devices. One is currently housed at the Senior Center.
- Sports staff was trained in Adult CPR and First Aid.
- Fireworks have been contracted, permits have been submitted and bathrooms have been ordered. Fireworks will be held July 4 at Waterfront Park, 9:30 p.m. The City is looking for sponsors to help pay the cost of the show.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- John Swett Elementary Second Grade Field Trip – One hundred children, teachers, parents and younger siblings participated in a tour of City Hall. Recreation also included Arbor Day Activities the
- Baseball Parade - An estimated crowd of more than a twelve hundred coaches, managers and athletes walked from City Hall to Las Juntas Street to celebrate Opening Day for baseball and softball. Main Street was packed with the parents, grandparents and siblings of the athletes. Following the parade, Little League held a barbecue and picture day at the Waterfront.
- Irish Spring Fling- Thirty-five people celebrated this Irish event with stories, crafts and

treats.

- Mini Motorland was a huge success! One hundred and twenty preschoolers drove through our mini community on tiny electric motorized vehicles, bicycles, big wheels, scooters, bikes, trikes and a fire engine. The children enjoyed the imaginative police department, bank, nail shop, jewelry store, doctor's office, campground, parks department, art center, library, museum, café, flower stand and a full service vehicle repair shop. The results were sheer delight and controlled mayhem. A little over 500 people attended the event.

SPECIAL RECREATION

- Students from RES (Residential and Educational Services) participate in an art class held in their building every Tuesday afternoon.

YOUTH SPORTS

- After School Sports Soccer - Fifty students, up from last year, are playing soccer at five schools. Games are held at Golden Hills on Saturday.
- Registration for After School Kickball has begun.