

CITY OF MARTINEZ

MEMO

Date: June 9, 2010
To: Mitch Austin, Recreation Manager
From: Patty Lorick, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: May/June Staff Report

ADULT SPORTS

- Men's D, Coed and Church Leagues began May 1. Shell League begins June 17 with eight teams playing seven consecutive Thursdays. Martinez Youth Baseball and Softball and Martinez Baseball Club use the fields not assigned to softball or tournaments.
- Bay Area Sport Kite League will hold a kite contest at Waterfront Multi-Use Field June 19.

AED

- AMR Ambulance Services donated two AEDs or Automatic External Defibrillators to the City of Martinez through the Contra County Pre-Hospital Care Program. An AED is a life saving device that shocks the heart back into a normal rhythm. One AED will be mounted in the lobby of City Hall and the other will be mounted at the Joe DiMaggio Ball fields. In return for the donation, the City was asked to train key employees in CPR and how to use an AED. Recreation trained thirty-nine city hall and Marty O Concession Stand employees. The Police Department trained twenty-four officers. My goal is to continue to train staff in both CPR and AED.

AQUATICS

- The Martinez Community Swim Team began swim practice began May 3 at Alhambra Pool. Recreation provides the lifeguards.
- A Professional CPR Review classes were held for staff and swim team coaches and community members.
- Aquatic Staff training will be held June 14.
- Martinez Recreation received a \$750 grant through East Bay Regional Park District as part of a program known as 2010. Twenty bay area agencies are offering \$10 swim lessons to low income families. Our 2010 program will be held June 15 – 25, 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. We expect to have all 30 spaces taken.
- Lap swimming will open to extended hours and lanes. Lap swimmers will be able to swim from 5:30 -8:30 p.m. at the high school pool.

AMPHITHEATER

- May 17 & 18 the Willows presented “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown” four times over two days. Approximately 3,000 children, teachers and parents from local schools attended the play and loved the experience. Barbara Patchin was responsible for “the Great Cookie Caper,” having eight huge boxes of cookies baked by Safeway and ordering milk for every child. Golden Gate Petroleum donated the funds for the cookies and milk. Recreation staff and volunteers gave out cookies and milk to the children attending the performance. Marty Ochoa provided the cooler for keeping milk cold.
- June 6 – Martinez PD co-sponsored the Special Olympics Bike Ride around the bay and Bicycle Officer Competition at the Amphitheater.
- Vincente High School held their graduation ceremony, June 9 at the Amphitheater.

BROCHURE

- Staff has begun the process of creating the Fall 2010 Activity Guide. The Activity Guide will be posted around August 20.
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CEMETERY

- Barbara Patchin held a cemetery tour for forty third graders, teachers and parents June 2.
- The Cemetery Clean-up was held May 22.
- A Memorial Day Ceremony was held at cemetery flag pole by the Veteran’s Commission.

FEE CLASSES

The following classes were offered: Ballet 2; Elementary Drawing 4; Gymnastics 4; Lasting Impressions 22 for May and 17 for June; Stranger Danger 4;

MISCELLANEOUS

- Staff has begun working on the summer playground and camp programs. Sample Camp was held at Nancy Boyd Park May 8. The purpose was to provide the community with a one stop shop for all city camps and programs. New this summer is Get Up and Go Camp and has all the makings of a popular program.
- PlayWell’s Engineering and Pre-Engineering Camp seem to be a big hit. This is the third summer we have offered the camp that uses Lego’s to teaching engineering, building and design.
- Summer staff training will be held June 14.
- Office staff has been busy with swimming, camp, program and class registrations, as well as picnic rentals.
- It’s restocking time for Recreation. Before summer begins, staff cleans-up and cleans out equipment. We also use this time to purchase replacement equipment and order supplies for camps and programs.

PICNIC & FACILITY RENTALS

- To date, Recreation has reserved 211 picnic areas and facilities. Nancy Boyd and Golden Hills Rec Rooms seem to be increasing in popularity with parents hold birthday parties for youngsters.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Oohs, Ahs and Giggles, children's performing art series, hosted the Puppet Company, May 5, eighty people attended. May 12 Zappo the Magician was the performer and delighted eighty-five people. May 19, ninety people were amazed by the roping skills of Cowgirl Karen
- Balloon Animal Class at Nancy Boyd – six people attended.
- The City has been working with the pyrotechnic an, police, public works and East Bay Regional Park District coordinating efforts for a safe and sane 4th of July Fireworks Display.
- The Martinez Chamber King of the County Barbecue will be June 19 & 20.

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

- Recreation provides art activities to RES (Residential and Educational Services) every Tuesday. Between six and fourteen students participate.

TOURNAMENTS

- May 15-16, Boys Baseball, all four fields at Waterfront and Tavan. Over a thousand people played, coached or watched games.
- June 12 -13 Girls Fast pitch, all four fields both days. We expect another large crowd day.

YOUTH SPORTS

- After School Kickball began the week of May 4 and ends May 30. Thirty-one youngsters participated in the program.
- Preschool soccer had twenty-five young athletes participating and Preschool T-Ball had twenty-five.