

CITY OF MARTINEZ

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Date: March 10, 2011
To: Mitch Austin, Recreation Manager
From: Patty Lorick, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: February Staff Report

Amphitheater

- Barbara Patchin, the John Muir Amphitheater Coordinator has booked Mini Motorland for March. Staff expects about 150 preschoolers on battery operated toy cars, trikes and bikes to visit the interactive riding track. Numerous businesses have asked to participate including California AAA, Les Schwab, Marty O's Catering and Concessions, and ChildTime.

Aquatics

- Staff has been conducting a fee survey with adjacent cities.
- Many tours of the new facility have been given to suppliers, staff and etc.

Adult Sports

- A registration for Spring League at Tavan was held February 25. Five teams will participating in the seven week season at Tavan beginning March 11..
- New ball field maintenance equipment was ordered for the upcoming season.

Brochure

- Staff is currently working on the summer recreation program and activity guide. The guide is scheduled to printed and downloaded to the internet April 22.

Classes

- The following classes were held this month: Beginning guitar 2, Tiny Tumblers 2, gymnastics 2

CPR/AED/First Aid Training

- Dave Lusty was trained in First Aid.
- Staff worked with the Police Department to receive a grant of six AED for the Police Department and provide training to the officers on the new equipment.

Field Permits

- Permits for field use were issued to Diablo Coed Soccer.

Memorial Program

- A tree for Sylva Dajani was planted at Waterfront Park.

Mini Camps

- Space Camp was held February 17 & 18 at Nancy Boyd Park. Barbara and her staff kept twenty-three children busy with space activities. The children made rockets out of small bottles filled with water and alka-seltzer tablets, shooting them 5-6 feet into the air. .

Picnic Rentals

- Martinez residents were able to reserve picnic areas beginning February 15. Nonresident may reserve a picnic area beginning March 1. April 17 - October 10 are subject to normal rental fees. Preseason and post-season, March 1 – April 17 and October 11-31, the fee is \$10 just for the reservation permit. Parks employees do not provide cleaning and monitoring services during our pre and post season rentals.

Special Events

- Valentine's Day at the Library – Twenty-five children and parents participated in a two hour celebration of the Valentine's Day with crafts, stories, and activities. The most popular activity for the little ones was blowing bubbles onto a giant heart.
- Guest Speaker for Women's Fellowship at the Congregational Church. Staff made up special "HEART" Bingo cards and brought candy hearts to mark the cards. Fun prizes were awarded to the winner. Twenty ladies had a great time playing the game and asked us to return with Bingo for Easter.
- Fireworks have been ordered for Fourth of July. A contract will be signed with PyroSpectaculars before the end of March. A special event application for East Bay Regional Parks was completed. Porta potties have been ordered.
- Staff is working with Public Works, Martinez Police and Martinez Little League to put on the annual Baseball Parade, Saturday, March 13. Harriett Burt will be announcing.

Teens

- Babysitter's Workshop was held February 17. Eight teenagers were certified as babysitter's through the Red Cross.

Youth Sports

- Field permits for Heritage Soccer and Diablo Coed Soccer were completed.
- After School Basketball season ended February 13 with a tournament with a single elimination tournament at the Boys and Girls Club. Seventy children participated in the program this year. John Muir Timberwolves took the title in the final game of the season.
- Martinez Pony League and Martinez Youth Baseball and Softball Association began practices on City fields this month.