

CITY OF MARTINEZ

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Date: March 12, 2012

To: Parks, Recreation, Marina and Cultural Commission

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 Les Schwab, Marty O's Catering and Concessions, and ChildTime.

Aquatics

- Staff met with a group calling themselves "The Mermaids" about opening in May. We were able to accommodate their request for three days a week of Water Aerobics and three days a week of lap swimming. Staff is working on fees.
- The facility was toured by a local pool operator and representative from Vacaville Park and Recreation.
- Stairs and a storage area in the mezzanine were completed.
- All the equipment stored in the Admin building was moved to the new storage area in the mezzanine.
- Storage shelving was strapped to the walls for earthquake safety.
- MCST Agreement was completed and approved.
- The Fire Suppression system was certified.
- Continue to work with Reeve-Knight Construction to complete the punch list items.
- Recruited lifeguards for this summer. Interviews will be held early March.
- Began working on the Aquatic Section of the Summer 2012 Activity Guide.
- I am reviewed the materials for the new Red Cross Lifeguard Training Program that was released February 1. I'm now certified to teach the new program.
- The Pool Manager and I began working on summer pool programs and fees for birthday parties and private pool rentals.
- The metal workers completed and installed the new metal railing in the pump room.
- The Pool Manager is working on the updating the Lifeguard/Swim Aide Volunteer Program. She is looking at incentives and training to obtain and retain young teens.

Adult Sports

- The 2012 Summer/Fall Softball Packet was completed and sent out.
- 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 be printed and downloaded to the internet April 20.

Field Permits

- Permits for field use were issued to Diablo Coed Soccer and Walnut Creek Christian Academy for their school games.

Library

- **Tween Duct Tape Wallet.** Four attended the program.
- **Tween Beading.** Five attended.
- Jessica is working on advertising the tween program to the Junior High Schools. Her afternoon classes are being announced in the morning bulletin. She hopes this will bring an increase in participants.
- **Valentine's Day Program** – Six attended
- Since the downstairs is quiet. Parents and adults are bringing students downstairs to tutor students after school.

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 April 11 – April 20 and October 15-31, 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.
- Fireworks have been ordered for Fourth of July. 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.
- Staff is working with the Alhambra High School to hold the Annual Brickyard Run in April 15.

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 10 with a tournament with a single elimination tournament at the Boys and Girls Club. Fifty 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.