

CITY OF MARTINEZ

MEMO

Date: August 9, 2012
To: PRMCC
From: Patty Lorick, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: July Staff Report

ADULT SPORTS

- Coed Recreational Softball League ended their 12-week season with double elimination tournament. Coed-Just For Fun has no play-off schedule and ended their league July 19.
- Men's D and C Leagues ended July 13. The Men's D play-off tournament was held Saturday, July 23 and Men's C was held two consecutive Wednesdays.
- Church League is playing at Waterfront and Tavan Monday evenings through August.
- Shell League plays Thursday nights at Waterfront. Eight teams participated in this Industrial Coed League.

AQUATICS

- Pool Staff trained the week of July 18-22, preparing for the opening of the new aquatic center.
- Staff along with Karen Bell Patten gave out information on the new pool to the folks in the Farmer's Market. Karen sold tickets benefiting the scholarship program.
- The Aquatic Center Open House was a great event, staff estimates about 500 people walked through the facility, July 21.
- The pool opened July 23 with a rough start. Multiple plumbing and water chemistry issues forced us to open late...thirty minutes for the lap pool and forty-five for the play pool. Swimmers were understanding, but excited to be the first to enter the pool. Everyone loves the Aquatic Center calling it "prettier than anything you will find in Tahoe." "The City got it right!" "We're so proud of OUR new pool." "Martinez is so lucky!"
- Recreation received \$602.25 from Rankin Aquatic Center Swim Lesson Scholarship Committee – Thank you very much Commissioner Karen Bell-Patten and friends! The money is currently being used to help parents pay for swim lessons. Eight students have taken advantage of the program to date.
- The number of water aerobics participants have doubled and on warm days tripled their 2009 attendance.
- People stopped to look at the new aquatic center from 7 a.m. – 9:15 p.m. every single day. The response has been overwhelming since the pools were filled with water.
- Lap swim hours and days were greatly expanded from 2009. Lap swimmers can be

found swimming from 7:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Tuesday – Friday, 4:05 – 8:30 p.m.
Monday – Friday and Saturday and Sunday, 9:30 -11:30 a.m.

- Due to the late start, swim lessons have small classes. Our first session ended last Thursday and Friday to rave reviews from the parents.
- Staff has slowly been moving equipment and supplies back into the pool. Setting up the admin and lesson rooms has taken a back seat to patron safety and control.
- Lockers are expected to arrive August 18 adding a new level of service to swimmers.
- I spent a lot of time with contractors tweaking chemical feed systems, filters, surge pits, heaters and more. The first two weeks were extremely stressful and as we tried to find the right set point for the equipment and operate the facility at the same time. Both pools were closed temporarily throughout the week while we fixed hiccups or the contractor installed equipment.
- Measure H pass program has been successful. Robin made 23 adult; 19 senior and 12 youth passes with the new Picture ID machine

BROCHURE

- Staff has begun compiling the fall 2011 Activity Guide. The guide will be online approximately August 20 and will cover the month September 1 – December 31.

CEMETERY

- Recreation receives on average one to two requests for information on deceased relatives buried at the Alhambra Cemetery.

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PERMITS

- I am working on AYSO Field Permits for Hidden Lakes, Hidden Valley, Morello Park, Mountain View, Nancy Boyd, Golden Hills, Holiday Highlands and Waterfront Park fall 2010 soccer season. Their season begins August 1 and runs till the third week of November.
- A permit was issued to College Park for their large cross country meet, September 12.

PICNICS

- Picnic rental information and reservations make-up the bulk of the calls coming into the office each day.
- Two hundred and twenty-eight picnic areas or city park facilities have been rented to date.

PLAYGROUND AND CAMP PROGRAMS

- The Nancy Boyd Program averages about thirty children per day. The playground program has enjoyed games, crafts, field trips, swimming, sports, hiking and local walking field trips.
- Get Up & Go Camp is popular thanks to the hard work of Walter Welch and Katie Samuelson. Thirty children have attended this traveling camp.
- Pre-Engineering and Engineering Camps, a Lego program, have been popular with young

boys. Twenty-eight youngsters had a ball creating and building robots and cars.

- Eurosoccer Camp has been at Nancy Boyd with their Soccer Skills and Goals Camp. They are also running a Mini Kickers Camp for preschoolers one day a week.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- The Marina Pier was the site of the Kid's Fishing Derby, July 10. Sixty people (children, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles) participated in the two-hour event. Sadly, not a single fish was caught.
- Fourth of July, PyroSpectaculars by Souza put on a thirty-minute fireworks show.

TEEN PROGRAMS

- Program Volunteers – One junior high youngster is volunteering as program aide at the Summer Playground and Nature Camp. His help this summer has been invaluable!

TOURNAMENTS

- Three tournaments were held in July, two girl's fast pitch and the City Men's E slow pitch.

YOUTH SPORTS

- Mini Kickers Soccer is a preschool soccer program coached by professional soccer players and teachers from Scotland. Seventeen children and their parents are having the time of their lives learning the game of soccer.
- Tennis - The Tennis Academy had 8 youngsters taking lessons from Alhambra High School coach Cathy Zamolo.
- After School Sports has registered with the NFL as a provider of the Punt, Pass and Kick Program this fall.