

**CITY OF MARTINEZ**

**MEMO**

Date: April 9, 2013  
To: Alan Shear, Assistant City Manager  
From: Patty Lorick, Recreation Supervisor  
Subject: March Staff Report

**ADULT SPORTS**

- Softball packets for summer leagues for Waterfront Park were completed and sent out to managers. Flyers were completed and distributed by the field supervisor around town.
- Spring Men's League continues through April 26 at Tavan. Six teams are currently playing Friday nights.

**AQUATICS**

- A sixteen page aquatics brochure was completed. The brochure is designed to be sent out in entirety or by the program, i.e. lap swimming, water aerobics, swim lessons, pool parties, etc.
- The Pool Manager and I interviewed thirty two potential lifeguards for the summer. We have added sixteen new guards for the summer.
- Met with the Director and his assistant from Ambrose Recreation. They came to tour the new pool and talk about the funding/Measure H to construction process. Ambrose is considering building a new pool
- Preparation began for teaching four session of the new lifeguard class. Thirteen students have registered for the April 1-4 class and six for the April 19 - 28 weekend class. Current staff will have their lifeguard/CPR/AED certifications renewed in May.
- Ordering supplies and t-shirts for the upcoming season.
- MCST held a registration day for the 2013 season at the pool Saturday, March 16.
- The Outstanding Volunteer Award for the Rankin Aquatic Center Partners and the Outstanding Aquatic Facility Award for the Rankin Aquatic Center were presented to the Council at the March 20 meeting.
- The Rankin Aquatic Partners were contacted about the possibility of volunteers from that group acting as our Water Safety Mermaids in April and May.

**BROCHURE**

- Staff is working on the Summer 2013 Activity Guide. The guide will be released April 19.

**FEE CLASSES**

- The following classes were held in March. Six Martinez students joined the following classes: Combo Dance, Combo Dance for 3-4 yr olds, Fantastic Fives at Encore Gymnastics and Popping and Locking Dance Class.

**LIBRARY EVENTS**

- March 9 Three people casually studying
- March 12 Lego Story time – 3 people  
Adult Book Club – 4 people
- March 16 St. Patrick’s Day Craft Drop-in – 19 people
- March 18 Knit Club 6 people
- March 19 Friends of the Library – 12 people
- March 20 Two people studying for 2hrs
- March 25 Pajama story time – 11 people
- March 26 Knitting group 7 adults 4 kids
- March 27 Tutoring 2adults
- March 30 Casual use by seven people

### **PICNICS/BUILDING RENTALS**

- Picnic reservations for Martinez non-residents and businesses were accepted beginning March 1.
- Total number of picnic sites/buildings reserved to date is fifty-six.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 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.
- I have been working with a variety of sports and specialty camp companies interested in providing summer camp programs.
- I attended the California Park and Recreation Society Conference, sitting in on a number of sessions including, “Operation Swim, Social Media Tool Box, Hardwiring Employees through Training, Private/Public Partners, and Hot Topics in Aquatics.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

- Arbor Day Celebration, March 13. An estimated 160 preschoolers, parents and teachers participated in the tree and earth celebration. Children made crafts, planted seeds, created a tree and visited “tree education stations” throughout the park. Everyone enjoyed themselves and loved the chance to leave the classroom.
- Baseball Parade - An estimated crowd of more than fifteen 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.
- The Annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Lion’s Club was held Saturday, March 30 at Waterfront Park. Martinez PD started the hunt at 10 a.m. and by 10:02 every egg in the park had been picked up. Before and after the hunt, Recreation staff painted the faces of children like bunnies. A set of paper ears were fitted to the child’s head to complete the bunny look. One of the lifeguards dressed as the Easter Bunny and posed with families for pictures. Roughly 800 people participated in the event.

### **YOUTH SPORTS**

- After School Sports Soccer thirty –eight children are playing soccer at four schools. Games are held at Golden Hills on Saturdays.