

## **Recreation Director's Monthly Report / March & April**

### **Recreation Department Programming**

Registration for spring soccer is currently open and has already seen a strong number of participants registering. Staff will continue promoting the program as registration remains open.

During the Recreation Committee meeting held on Monday the 9th, a plan was developed for the department's summer camp program. Amy Jo will move forward with opening seasonal staff positions for the program and will be meeting with kCarina next week to coordinate next steps and begin preparations for the upcoming summer season.

### **Community Center Programming**

The MYREC workstation is now fully set up and operational. All Community Center members have been trained on how to check in for each program they participate in, helping to create a more consistent and efficient process. Membership cards have also been ordered, which will allow for quick and easy scanning at check-in. This system will significantly improve the department's ability to track attendance and better evaluate program participation at the Community Center.

In addition, Amy Jo is coordinating with the Department of Public Works (DPW) to have the voting booth cupboards removed. Planning is also underway to repaint the interior of the Community Center in May, following the completion of April rentals. This project will provide a refreshed and updated look to the facility.

### **Aquatics Programming**

March marked the Early Bird promotional period for aquatic memberships, with strong participation from residents preparing for the summer season. Interest in aquatics continues to trend positively, setting the stage for a successful summer.

### **Community Engagement & Events**

The Recreation department continued to support community engagement through a range of programs and initiatives, helping foster connections among residents and maintain a strong sense of community involvement heading into the spring season.

Wellness Recreation expanded its adult enrichment offerings, including a line dancing program at the Pavilion that was very well received, along with additional adult craft programs. Looking ahead, staff are preparing for upcoming events such as Arbor Day and the ever-popular Plant Bingo, both of which are expected to draw strong community participation.

### **Facilities & Operations Update**

The Pavilion staircase project has been completed and is a significant improvement to the facility. The final result enhances both safety and overall appearance, and feedback has been very positive.

Staff are currently awaiting additional information regarding the next phase of the Pavilion HVAC system project. In addition, the department is anticipating receipt of a donation from Drexel to support materials related to the staircase project.

### **Staffing & Administration**

Staff evaluations on the recreation side are complete.

Seasonal recruitment efforts are underway for both recreation programming and aquatics positions as staff prepare for the upcoming summer season.

### **Financial Snapshot**

Fundraising and community support remain important priorities. Work continues on fundraising, which helps support recreation programming and community events throughout the year.

### **Looking Ahead / Upcoming Initiatives**

In the coming months, staff will continue preparing for upcoming seasonal programming and events, including summer recreation programming, aquatics operations, and community enrichment opportunities at the Community Center.

### **Closing Statement**

The Recreation Department remains dedicated to growing program offerings, enhancing community connections, and gearing up for a successful summer season. Our team is committed to providing affordable, high-quality recreational opportunities that help make the coming months enjoyable and engaging for residents of all ages.