Director of Recreation Report June 2013

<u>West End Beach</u> — West End Beach opened on Friday, June 21st. The beach will be open daily from 11am-7pm. Beach will close on Sunday, August 18th. The beach opening was delayed 7 days due to high river conditions. The beach also closed June 28- July 1st, again, due to high river conditions. The new beach attendant position has worked out great for us. We have had no parking issues and the beach has not been overcrowded.

<u>Playgrounds</u> — The playgrounds are scheduled to open on Monday, July 1st. This summer we are operating three parks. These supervised parks are Church Street, Riverside Park, and Farnum Park. Please note that Farnum Park is operating again since 2008. Parks were opened a week after school finished in order to extend the program longer into the month of August. Parks are open from 9:00am-4:00pm. Lunch is offered daily at each site. The summer playground program will finish Friday, August 9th. Special events at the playgrounds include — 1. Street Hockey at Church St. 2. Cooking at Farnum 3. Basketball Camp at Church Street 4. Softball at Riverside.

<u>Skateboard Park</u> – The Rotary Skateboard Park is now open Monday through Friday 12pm-4pm and Saturday and Sunday12am-6pm. The skateboard park will only be open when Recreation Supervisors are on duty. All participants must wear safety gear; follow all park rules, and the supervisors' instructions. Skateboard park schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions.

<u>Summer Lunch</u> – The summer lunch program will begin on Monday, July 8th and end on Friday, August 9th . Lunches will be served at the Youth Center, Riverside Park, Church Street Park, Farnum Park. Lunches will be prepared by the Port Jervis School District. This is the 18th summer we are participating in this program. Over the past seventeen years we have served close to 17,000 lunches. Lunches are free of charge and for all children 18 years and younger.

<u>Special Events</u> – The Recreation Department will be sponsoring three field trips this summer. The first trip will be to see the New York Mets take on the Atlanta Braves at Citi Field on Wednesday, July 24th. Our second trip will be to Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom on Friday, August 2nd. The

third trip is to see the New York Yankees vs. the LA Angels at Yankee Stadium on Wednesday, August 14th.

<u>Youth Center -</u> The Youth Center is operating under its summer schedule. The Youth Center will be open Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm July 1st through August 9th . Special Events at the Youth Center this summer are as follows: Monday-Arts and Crafts Day, Wednesday – Bowling Day, and Fridays – Movie Day.

<u>Teen Night</u> – The Teen Night Program has finished for the school year and will start again in the fall. The total attendance since January 1st is 983 and the unduplicated attendance is 225.

<u>Summer Concert Series</u> – 3rd Annual Summer Concert Series at Riverside Park. Concerts are free of charge. Concert schedule is as follows: July 11th –Side FX, July 18th – Mike Pacer, July 25th – CBX, August 1st – Will Hoppey, August 8th – Carl Richards Band, August 15th – Alissa Startup, August 22nd – Larry and some old hippie. Concerts will be held Thursday evenings this summer.

<u>Evening Programs</u> – Youth Track will be held every Tuesday and Thursday at Port Jervis High School track from 6pm-8pm. Track starts July 16th and will end on August 15th. This program is free of charge and open to boys and girls ages 5 and up.

FYI

- 1. Once again, Taylor Hartey is running Youth Soccer Camp at the High School. "Soccer Star Camp" is being held, June 25-June 29 and July 9- July 13. More than 30 kids have registered already!
- 2. Free outdoor movie nights are being held again this summer at Riverside Park. First Assembly of God Church is co-sponsoring. Movies will start at dusk and will be held on Wednesday, July 10th, Wednesday, July 31st, and Wednesday, August 7th.
- 3. The Broome Street Wind Ensemble Band will be performing 3 free concerts at Farnum Park on Monday, July 1st, 15th, and 29th. Concert time is 7:30-8:30pm

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, August 21, 2013 7:00pm