Director of Recreation Report June 2016

<u>West End Beach</u> Due to the fact that we couldn't find enough certified lifeguards we were unable to open West End Beach on the initial opening day of June 20. We are aggressively looking for certified lifeguards and we will open the beach ASAP. We may have to modify the beach schedule-depending on staffing. We will keep you posted.

<u>Playgrounds</u> – The playgrounds are scheduled to open on Tuesday, July 5th. This summer we are opening three supervised playgrounds. These playgrounds are Church Street, Riverside Park, and Farnum Park. Playgrounds are open from 9:00am-3:00pm. Lunch is offered daily at each site. The summer playground program will finish Friday, August 19th. Special events at the playgrounds include – 1. Street Hockey at Church Street 2. Cooking at Farnum Park 3. Basketball Camp at Church Street 4. Softball at Riverside 5. Tennis at Church Street Park on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

<u>Skateboard Park</u> – The Rotary Skateboard Park is daily. This park is no longer supervised. Participants skate at their own risk. They must follow rules of park that are posted.

<u>Summer Lunch</u> – The summer lunch program will begin on Tuesday, July 5th and end on Friday, August 12th . Lunches will be served at the Youth Center, Riverside Park, Church Street Park and Farnum Park. Lunches will be prepared by the Port Jervis School District. This is the 21st summer we are participating in this program. Over the past twenty years we have served close to 20,000 lunches. Lunches are free of charge and for all children 18 years and younger.

<u>Field Trips</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 St. Louis Cardinals at Citi Field on Wednesday, July 27th. Our second trip will be to Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom on Friday, August 5th. The third trip is on Thursday, August 18th to see the Scranton Rail Riders take on the Pawtucket Red Sox at the PNC Field in Scranton, PA.

<u>Youth Center -</u> The Youth Center is operating under its summer schedule. The Youth Center will be open Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:00pm July 5th through August 19th- same as our playgrounds. Special Events at the Youth Center this summer are as follows: Monday-Creative Day, Wednesday – Athletic Day, and Fridays – Activity Day.

<u>Teen Night</u> – The Teen Night Program has finished for the school year and will start again in the fall.

<u>Summer Concert Series</u> – The 3rd Annual Summer Concert Series at Riverside Park starts on Thursday July 14. Concerts are free of charge. Concert schedule is as follows: July 14- Mike Pacer, July 28 Rich Wilson and August 11- The Carl Richards Band. Concerts will be held Thursday evenings this summer at 7 pm.

<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 7th and will end on August 4th. This program is free of charge and open to boys and girls ages 5 and up.

<u>Dinner along the Delaware and Fireworks Show</u>- Our 3rd Annual event is scheduled for Friday July 1, 2016. Dinner will be from 6 pm- 8:30 pm and fireworks at approximately 9:30 pm. Fireworks will be from Point Peter Park!! Dinner will be held at Riverside Park. Tickets for the Dinner are \$15 adult and \$8 children. Tickets are selling fast and we are selling only 500. This is sure to be a great night in Port Jervis. Proceeds go to Port Jervis Tourism.

FYI

- Once again, Taylor Hartey is running Youth Soccer Camp at the High School. "Soccer Star Camp" is being held, June 27th – July 1st and July 11th-July 15th. More than 60 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 8 pm and will be held on Wednesday, July 13th, and Wednesday, August 17th. July 13 movie is Zootopia.
- 3. The Broome Street Wind Ensemble Band will be performing 3 free concerts at Farnum Park on Monday, June 27th, July 11th and July 25^{th.} Concert time is 7:00pm
- 4. The 3rd Annual 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament will be held on Saturday July 30, 2016 at Church Street Park.
- 5. The 2nd Annual Tri-State Triathlon is scheduled for Sunday august 7, 2016 at West End Beach. We will need as many volunteers as possible to help with this great event.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, August 17, 2016 **6:00pm**

**Please note the time change for this meeting