

Director of Recreation Report April 2018

25th Annual Delaware River Run- 25 Years Running

This year's race is scheduled for Sunday, May 6, 2018. Registration is scheduled to begin at 7:15am with the race to start at 9am. Close to 200 participants have already registered and it's our hope that we will have close to 400 participants on race day. See everyone on the 6th.

Park Maintenance

Our 2018 seasonal staff will start working in mid-May. We will have 3 new employees this summer. Joe Dicarlo, Mackenzie Decker and Matt Somarelli will not be returning this year. We wish them all luck in the future. We have a lot of work ahead of us this summer and I feel we have a great new staff. Please keep me informed if you see that work needs to be done at any of the parks.

Summer Program 2018

This summer we are opening 3 playgrounds again and the Youth Center. Park and Youth Center hours this summer, will be 9:00 am- 3:30 pm. Each location will have two supervisors and a variety programs will be offered. We will also serve lunch at each location at 12:00pm. The seven-week summer program will start Monday June 25th and end Friday, August 10th. Summer Flyers are finished and will be distributed in the elementary schools in May. I attached the flyer for you as well.

West End Beach

We plan to open West End Beach for the season on Friday June 15. The beach will be open for 9 weeks and close on Sunday August 19. The schedule this season will be the same as it was in 2016 with one slight adjustment. We will open the beach at 11 am on weekends. . The beach will be open Monday, Thursday and Friday 12 pm-6 pm, Saturday and Sunday 11 am-6 pm and closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

Port Pride Day- Spring

This year's Port Pride Day was held on Saturday, April 14th at Farnum Park and Orange Square. Volunteers collected more than 50 bags of leaves and collected garbage to help beautify our parks and help out our maintenance staff. Thank you to all the High School Honor Society students, Middle school students and all the adult volunteers for helping us out!

"Egg" cellent Races – Due to Easter being early this year and the brutal winter we had we decided to try something different in lieu of the traditional Easter Candy Dash. This year we hosted the first "Egg"cellent Races on Sunday, April 8th. More than 30 children braved the cold and windy day to participate in three different events for a chance to win a prizes. The participants split into three different age groups (0-3, 4-6, 7-9) The events were the Egg Relays, Bunny Hop Race (potato sack), and Egg Rolls/ Hot Easter Egg (hot potato). Winners were awarded a gift certificate for a free ice cream. Thank you to Ben's

Fresh and Riverside Creamery for their generous donation of gift certificates for our many winners. All of the participants left with a goody bag.

Youth Center

Recreation Room – Total since January 1st is 1,407. The unduplicated total is 106.

Teen Night – Total since January 1st is 240. The unduplicated total is 74.

Important Dates to remember...

1. 25th Annual Delaware River Run – Sunday, May 6th – 9am
2. West End Beach opens Friday June 15- weeks long
3. Summer Program begins Monday, June 25th - 7 weeks long
4. Dinner Along The Delaware and Fireworks Monday, July 3rd - 6 pm

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, May 17, 2017

7:00pm