

Director of Recreation Report June 2018

West End Beach- With the help of maintenance staff and Tim Simmons from the Port Jervis Fire Department we were able to prepare the beach for opening day on Monday, June 18th. The beach is open Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays 12noon-6pm and weekends 11am-6pm. The beach is closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays except for July 4th. We have 6 life guards working throughout the summer.

Playgrounds – The playgrounds are scheduled to open on Monday June 25th. This summer we are operating three parks. These supervised parks are Church Street, Riverside Park, and Farnum Park. Parks are open from 9:00am-3:30pm Monday-Friday. Lunch is offered daily at each site beginning July 9. The summer playground program will finish Friday, August 10th. Special events at the playgrounds include – Street Hockey, Rugby, Basketball Camp, Softball, Little Chefs of PJ REC, Arts and Crafts, Treasure Hunt Walks, Nutrition Thursdays with Shoprite and Beach Fridays at West End Beach. Participants are encouraged to speak to Playground Supervisors or Youth Center Staff for more details.

Summer Lunch Program – The summer lunch program will begin on Monday, July 9th and end on Friday, August 10th. 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 23rd summer we are participating in this program. Over the past twenty-two years we have served close to 22,000 lunches. Lunches are free of charge and for all children 18 years and younger. This program is funded by the New York State Education Department.

Special Events – The Recreation Department will be sponsoring two field trips this summer. The first trip on July 18th will be to the Bronx Zoo. We can take up to 55 people on this trip. The coach bus will leave PORT at 7:30 am. Cost is only \$30 per person. The 2nd trip will be to Yankee Stadium to see the New York Yankees take on the Baltimore Orioles on Wednesday, August 1st. We can take up to 35 people on this trip. Cost is only \$50 per person. The coach bus will leave PORT at 9:30 am. Game time is 1:05 pm. Tickets are still available for both trips.

Youth Center - The Youth Center is operating under its summer schedule (same hours as the playgrounds). The Youth Center will be open Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:30pm June 25th through August 10th. Special Events at the Youth Center this summer are as follows: Monday- Little Chefs of PJ Rec, Tuesday – Treasure Hunt Walks, Wednesday – Make It and Take It Arts and Crafts, and Thursday – Fun with Food by ShopRite.

Concerts in the Park Series – The 5th Annual Concerts in the Park Series at Riverside Park starts on July 12th. Concerts are free of charge. Concert schedule is as follows: July 12th- Rich Wilson, July 18th – Mike Pacer An Orchestra of One (Rain date July 19th) , July 25th - The Parting Glass- Irish Folk Trio (Rain date July 27th), August 1st – The

Carl Richards Band (Rain date August 2nd) and August 8th - DJ G "80's Night in the Park" (Rain date August 9th). These events all start at 7pm.

Outdoor Movie Nights @ Riverside Park

Presented by: **First Assembly of God Church and PJ REC**

Wednesday - July 11- Ferdinand

Friday July 27- The Star (Christmas in July)

Friday August 10- Cars 3

Wednesday August 22- Peter Rabbit

Arrive by 7:30 pm. Bring blankets and chairs. Movie starts at sunset. **FREE HOT DOGS AND POPCORN!!**

Farnum Park Concerts

Broome Street Wind Ensemble Band will perform 3 FREE concerts at Farnum Park Mondays June 25, July 9 and July 23. Concerts will be held 7:00 pm. In case of inclement weather concert will be held at Drew United Methodist Church.

Evening Programs –Co-Ed Youth Track will be held every Tuesday and Thursday at the Port Jervis High School track from 6pm-8pm. Track starts June 26th and will end on August 9th. This program is free of charge and open to boys and girls ages 5 and up. Girl's basketball Camp will be held at Church St. Park every Monday evening from 5 pm- 6:30 pm. This program is for girls entering grades 7-12.

Dinner along the Delaware and Fireworks Show- Our 5th Annual event is scheduled for Tuesday, July 3, 2018. Dinner will be from 6 pm- 8:30 pm and fireworks at approximately 9:15 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.

FYI

1. Once again, Taylor Hartey is running Youth Soccer Camp at the High School. "Soccer Star Camp" is being held, June 25th-June 29th. The 2nd week of camp will be July 9th- July 13th. More than 50 kids have registered already!
2. Volleyball Camp will be offered June 25-29 at the High School Gym. Varsity Volleyball Coach Kasey Stankunas will be the instructor.

NEXT MEETING:
Wednesday, August 15, 2018
****7:00pm****