

Director of Recreation Report March 2019

Spring Port Pride Day

This year's Spring clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, April 6, 2019. The Recreation Department is partnering with Operation PJ Pride to make this a successful event. We are meeting at Farnum Park at 10:00 am. Volunteers are still needed. Please contact the Recreation office if interested.

Easter Egg Races

The 2nd annual Easter Egg Races will be held Saturday, April 20th at 11:00am at Church Street Park. Youth ages 9 and younger can compete in different Easter related events. This event replaces the Easter Candy Dash. Winners will bring home prizes. Each participant will leave with an Easter goody bag. There will be a special appearance by the Easter Bunny.

Parks and Playgrounds

The Recreation Maintenance Staff is working hard to prepare the parks and playgrounds for the spring and summer months. Please if you see anything in the parks that needs immediate attention contact the Recreation office. Thank you.

Swings are up, tennis nets at Church Street are up, and picnic tables and garbage cans are out as well. Church Street Park and Point Peter will be open late March or early April. Point Peter trails are still open to hikers and bikers- just no vehicles are permitted past the main gate.

Youth Community Center

Attendance since January 1, 2019 is as follows:

Recreation Room – 1,203 total attendance (98 unduplicated)

Teen Night – 314 total attendance (100 unduplicated)

Annual Tom Chuckran Cops and Kids Basketball game

On Saturday, March 2, 2019 we held our annual basketball game between the 6th grade boys and girls from our winter basketball program and Police from Port Jervis, Deerpark and Eastern Pike County Police Departments. The game also served as a fundraiser for the Port Jervis/Deerpark Humane Society. This year's game was a classic with the kids winning once again. The kids, volunteer coaches and Police men and women all did a great job. Photos can be found on our Facebook page- Port Jervis Recreation

Mohegan Sun Casino Trip

On Saturday March 9, 2019 more than 50 adults attended our trip to the Wilkes-Barre PA casino. Everyone had a great time and some even came home ahead! We are looking into a summer casino/beach trip to Atlantic City. Stay tuned.

FYI

1. The 26th Annual Delaware River Run will be held on Sunday, May 5, 2019. Race time is 9am. Before you celebrate Cinco de Mayo come help us out or run our 5K! We need volunteers on this day so please leave your calendar open. Remember you can register online at www.delawariver5krun.com.
2. Summer Recreation Program for 2019 is being worked on. I hope to complete the program booklet by end of April and distributed to the schools in May. Field trips this summer include a NY Met game on July 25 (tickets are selling fast already) and the 911 Memorial and Museum on August 13.
3. Remember to visit our Facebook Page for all of your Recreation news. Search "Port Jervis Recreation" and like us. We are also on Instagram and can be found at- pjrecreation.

Next Recreation Commission Meeting:

**Wednesday, April 24, 2019
7:00 pm
2nd floor of the Youth Center**