

Director of Recreation Report
February 2021

Youth/Community Center

Rec Room

Youth Center staff completed our “makeover” of the Rec. Room this month and it couldn’t have come out any better! All the floors were stripped and waxed and Jill painted a life size chess/checker board on the floor along with some new fresh stripes. The room looks very “kid friendly” and we are looking forward to more and more kids using the room this year.

The PJFD Special Operations team donated a 55’ flat screen TV to us and we purchased one as well to replace 2 old and broken TVs that the kids were using. The TVs are being used for our game systems and the kids are enjoying them! These new TVs really finish up our Rec. Room.

Attendance continues to be low as we continue to have restrictions on indoor gatherings and as the school district continues with their hybrid schedule. Promising news from the school- by end of March they will eliminate the cohort schedule and kids will return to school 4 days a week (schools will continue to remain closed on Wednesdays). We will continue to follow the school schedule Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday from 3 pm-6pm. I feel very confident that our attendance will start to increase as the school district begins to accept more students!

We have scheduled a Free Family Movie Night at the Youth Center for Friday March 12, 2021. Event will take place at 6:30 pm. This event will be capped at 20 people. Families can sign up by emailing the Recreation office or calling us. Free popcorn and drinks will be served. If we have no signups by Thursday, March 11 we will do a movie afternoon party with the kids.

Winter Recreation Programs

Due to the COVID pandemic and restrictions we were under we did not hold any Winter Recreation programs this season. We are looking forward to bringing them back next winter season.

Special Events (Field Trips)

Also due to the COVID pandemic we did not hold any field trips this winter season. I am hoping to have a late Spring field trip to Mohegan Sun Casino this year followed by a couple of summer trips! Stay tuned.

Parks

Church St. Park and Pt. Peter Park are still closed for the season. We will look to open these parks as the weather turns nicer. People are still able to hike or bike in Pt. Peter- only the road is closed to vehicular traffic.

Important Dates to Remember!

- Easter Candy Dash- April 3, 2021, 11 am and 12 pm at Church St. Park- we are holding the same event at 2 separate times to lessen the crowd levels- all kids

- MUST register for this event and for which time slot they would like to participate in
- Spring Port Pride Day (clean up) – Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 10am-12pm at city playgrounds and parks. Volunteers meet Church St. Park.
 - 27th Annual Delaware River Run – Sunday, May 2, 2021 at 9am. On-Line registration ONLY this year. Race participants limited to 150- you can register to run or walk at www.delawareriver5krun.com

All Recreation programs and events follow COVID rules and regulations. Mask are required by all participants, staff and volunteers. Social distancing is maintained whenever possible. Hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes are available as well.

NEXT MEETING:
Wednesday, March 24, 2021
6:00pm