

## **CAP Director's Report 2.19.14**

### **Aquatics**

Elementary school students now have the option of using the pool on late start Wednesdays; this is for grades 3-5 and runs for 6-8 weeks.

The Blue Fins swim team has a new swim coach. Carolyn Eschmeyer, a blue fins parents will be coaching the remainder of this season which ends on March 13. We will be in search of a new coach for the fall 2014 season. A Masters Swim coach has also been hired; Jessica Laws will be instructing the program.

At the request of the district, Lesli put together a 10 year maintenance plan which includes any foreseeable projects in the pool area. Some of these projects include: replacing the drain covers to stay in compliance with VGB, new pool covers, lockers and restroom partitions, and equipment upgrades in the chemical room.

### **CAP CARE**

Jody, Amanda, and Lesli are working together on a plan to help transition children and families from CAP CARE to the Youth Center. This is to help parents feel more comfortable transitioning kids from CAP CARE to the Youth Center. We are working with the school to open this up to all 4<sup>th</sup> grade families' not just CAP CARE families.

CAP CARE will be participating in the 4k child development days on Tuesday, February 18. We will have a table set up to answer any questions and hopefully sign up children for next fall.

### **Food Pantry**

We opened the Food Pantry on Wednesday, January 29 for clients to shop since Food Pantry was closed due to extreme cold weather on Monday, January 27. Nancy called clients who hadn't been in for 2 or 3 weeks, and 27 households came to shop. Weekly numbers are down a bit right now, possibly due to the cold weather. The 20 we had 26 clients shop and on February 4 we had 28 households shop. The end of year thank you letters have been sent to donors over \$250, along with a Food Pantry ReCAP of 2013.

Nancy has been working on putting together Easter ham baskets for families. Local churches are assisting Nancy with the items included in the baskets. Baskets will be available for pickup on Wednesday, April 16.

The February Community Café was hosted by the Dip for Dozer organization. They had a great turnout, with 212 people being served.

### **Youth Center**

The Youth Center averaged 38 kids per day in January! We also served a total of 126 youth in the month of January; this is about 30 kids over the normal amount we serve per month. We have hired a UWW student for the YC Aide position and she will start on Feb. 24.

### **Seniors**

The January luncheon had 26 seniors in attendance with entertainment from the Sassy Steppers, sponsored by the Our House Senior Living Center. We have 25 registered for the luncheon this week.

### **Park**

Meetings are being held with the Foundation board for the bathhouse project. The Foundation is leaning towards a full replacement of the building, to also include a concession stand with it. The project will take place in 2015, but no major decisions have been approved yet.

### **Youth Athletics**

Lil Jays Regular Season Completed as of 2/8. Six teams comprised of boys and girls teams will continue participating in tournaments until April. 127 total participants played CAP traveling basketball (grades 4-8).

Railyard Equipment provided by Fort Healthcare has been active for the past 2 Sundays at Cambridge Elementary School. Average participation has been between 20 and 25 kids. The equipment will be available in Cambridge on 2/16 and 2/23 before moving on to the next host community.

CES Spirit Clinic is set to begin the week of 2/17 with the group performance on 2/20. Right now 34 girls have registered. The clinic is a fundraiser for the CHS Spirit Squad.

### **Other Items**

- 72 Participants of the Slimdown Challenge weighed in through the CAP main office. The 12 week weight loss competition run by Fort Healthcare has 1,718 players overall competing.
- Sponsorship packets have been sent out for the 2014 triathlon and ride. Planning is underway for both events as well.
- We are working on some marketing and positive PR videos; held a good brainstorming meeting and will be putting together a marketing plan to roll out the videos.
- The concussion law has changed and we are now only required to collect forms one time per year. This will make record keeping much more efficient.
- The Daddy Daughter Dance is Saturday, February 15. Response has been great!
- Summer brochure planning is underway and will be in design by March 1.
- Lesli & Bridgette continue to meet with the district physical education team to work on the weight room project.
- Recruitment is underway for a summer recreation intern.
- Bridgette and Jody have attended two meetings regarding a signature event in Cambridge, in which we may collaborate and possibly coordinate some programming in conjunction with such event.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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