

## **CAP Directors Report 11/18/2015**

### **Youth Center**

The Youth Center averaged 28 students daily in October and served a total of 89 students. We have had 189 different students attend the Youth Center in 2015.

The spaghetti Dinner is Thursday, November 12 from 4-7pm. Please consider coming to support the Youth Center.

### **Seniors**

Luncheons:

October 22 – Bingo was provided by At Home Again and 14 seniors were in attendance. The November 12 luncheon will be sponsored by the Cambridge Library and will include entertainment from an actress who will be playing Laura Ingalls Wilder.

### **Park**

The bathhouse construction project is gearing up; a builder has been hired and we anticipate seeing the tear down of the existing bathhouse happen yet this fall. Bridgette and Jody met with the engineer to give input on finishes and fixtures for the building.

Most of the Holiday Lights have been installed and we are scheduled turn them on for the season on November 28.

### **Preschool Programs**

We have hired Rose Morrall as an Aide for the First Friends program due to the popularity of the program. We are now able to take up to 15 kids for this program which should alleviate the current wait list.

Music Moves Me Session 2 has 7 kids participating, and Tot Time Open Gym has begun.

### **Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry averaged 31 household/families in October. Nancy continues to be busy and anticipates seeing more traffic in the upcoming months with the holidays. Nancy went to a TEFAP training meeting held by Community Action Collation in October, and also to the Jefferson County Coalition meeting. Additionally, Nancy is working with CART and school to collect and sort clothing that will be given out with Thanksgiving Baskets on Nov. 18.

### **Community Café**

Grace Lutheran Church sponsored the November 5 meal and served 293 community members! The next café is sponsored by the Cambridge School District on December 3.

### **Aquatics**

Weekly Usage Report

- 10/9 – 10/15 = 259
- 10/16 – 10/22 = 294

- 10/23 – 10/29 = 304
- 10/30 – 11/5 = 342

The second session of swim lessons began the week of 11/2. There are 114 kids enrolled. The Spooktacular Swim party was a hit with roughly 60 kids in attendance. Lesli recently taught a lifeguard certification course and certified 7 lifeguards. She is hoping to have at least four of them apply for lifeguard positions.

The pool is still actively seeking a swim coach for the winter/spring Blue Fins season.

### **CAP CARE**

Cap Care is currently full (53 kids) and has a waiting list of 3 participants. We also have one Co-Teacher position open.

YoungStar came to rate us on November 9. The overall the rating process went very well and we should have the results in the next 10-15 days. Lesli, Amanda, and all the staff put in a great deal of work to get ready for the rating.

### **Youth Athletics**

The girl's Lil Jays Youth Basketball recently completed the third week of their six week regular season schedule. We will host 6<sup>th</sup> grade on 11/14, and will host again on 11/21 at both the Middle School and the High School Gyms.

Congratulations to Coach Johan Kaashagen and the Lil Jays Running Club for completing in the Madison College 5k Turkey Trot on November 1. It was a fantastic fall season and we look forward to having everyone back in the spring.



### **Adult Athletics**

The fitness center has accumulated 4 new members (2 renewals, 1 annual member, and 1 punch pass) this month. In addition the fitness center has also hired two new attendants that will be starting shortly. A handout is being compiled that will be used when meeting with employers in the area to discuss work place health/wellness and how the fitness center would be an asset to an employer's benefit package.

Adult fitness classes are ongoing, and both Body FIT and Super Saturdays are full again for the second session.

### **Other Items**

We are currently working on the winter/spring brochure; last time we will mail the brochure. It is scheduled to arrive to mailboxes by second week of December.

On October 22, Bridgette and Mary attended the annual JFF banquet in Madison where Nancy was recognized for all of her



efforts in the community. It was a great night to recognize Nancy in front of her family and fellow CART Board members.

CAP offered our first Babysitting Safety course in several years. Amanda Hollis became certified to teach the course over the summer and was very excited to teach. We had 12 children take the course that are now certified babysitters! We will continue to offer the course in the future.



On Sunday, October 25 we held the annual volunteer banquet. The banquet was held at the Elementary School, with free open swim following. We had just fewer than 100 in attendance. The food was catered by Captains and all seemed to enjoy it. Many families took advantage of the free open swim!

We have interviewed a spring intern from UW-Whitewater. She is majoring in Health, Human Performance and Recreation and will begin a 20 hour/week internship with us in January.

Lesli, Jody, Chad, and Bridgette attended the Wisconsin Park and Recreation Conference the first week of November. Bridgette and Chad presented on the topic of youth sports. Bridgette was awarded the WPRA Recreation Professional of the Year Award at the annual banquet.



Staff is busy gearing up for Breakfast with Santa and the Whoville event.

### **New Hires**

Grace Mauser – Lifeguard

Rose Morall – Youth Enrichment Program Aide

Respectfully Submitted,  
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