



RECREATION DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT MARCH 2012

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ATHLETICS

Ben Hull

Co-Ed Volleyball

Eight (8) teams participated in the Co-Ed Volleyball League. Games were played on Tuesday nights and Sunday afternoons. Regular season games began on Sunday, January 8th and concluded on Tuesday, March 13th with a double-elimination, postseason tournament that followed. Reds Icehouse, captained by Corin Elg, finished the regular season in first place. King Street Grill Black, captained by Bob Otts, finished in second place. The regular season champions received champion t-shirts. The double-elimination tournament began on March 18th and concluded on March 27th. Reds Icehouse beat Banana Cabana to take the post-season crown. Games are officiated by Margo Shisler and Lowcountry Officials. Staff is on-site to keep score.

Adult Spring Softball

Registration for Spring Softball was held January 30th - February 24th. Five (5) teams registered to play in the league this season; the registration fee was \$425 per team. The captain's meeting was held on Wednesday, March 7th at 5:30 p.m. Games began on Monday, March 26 and are played on Monday and Wednesday evenings. The regular season will be followed by a double-elimination, post-season tournament. Regular season champions will receive a trophy and t-shirts; regular season runners-up will receive a trophy; and the tournament champions and runners-up will receive a plaque. Lowcountry Officials will umpire games with a Recreation staff member on-site to keep score.

Adult 3-on-3 Basketball

Registration for the 3-on-3 Basketball league was held January 30th – February 24th. Six (6) teams registered to play in the league this season; the registration fee was \$60 per team. The captain's meeting was held on Wednesday, March 7th at 5:00 p.m. Games are played on Tuesday evenings and are scheduled to begin on Tuesday, April 3rd. Regular season and post-season champions will receive t-shirts. Games are officiated by the players with a Recreation staff member on-site to keep score.

Adult Table Tennis

Registration for the Table Tennis league was held January 30th – February 24th. Sixteen (16) players registered to play in the league this season; the registration fee was \$5 per player. The captain's meeting was held on Tuesday, February 28th at 10:00 a.m. Games began on Tuesday, March 6 and are scheduled for Tuesdays beginning at 10:00 a.m. A single or double-elimination tournament will follow the regular season. Regular season and post-season champions will receive t-shirts; regular and post-season runners-up will receive trophies. Games and score are kept and recorded by the players.

First Pitch Half Rubber Tournament

Twelve (12) teams, traveling from Georgia, North Carolina and the Charleston area, participated in the First Pitch Half Rubber Tournament at the Isle of Palms Recreation Department. The double-elimination tournament began at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 24th. Due to the weather, the tournament concluded on Sunday, March 25th at 1:30 p.m. Eight (8) fields were set up in an attempt to finish the tournament on Saturday. *Habersham's Bojangle*, a team from Charleston, finished in 2nd place wrapping up \$500 in gift certificates to local businesses and restaurants. *Team Two*, a

Savannah team, was the tournament champion and received \$750 in gift certificates to local businesses and restaurants. Pictures from the tournament can be found on www.iop.net. Sponsors include www.halfrubber.com, *Banana Cabana*, *East Cooper Sporting Goods*, *My Favorite Things*, *Wild Dunes Resort*, *Qdoba*, *Coconut Joes*, *ACME Cantina*, *Bottles*, *Barrier Island Eco Tours*, *IOP Marina*, *Jack's Cosmic Dogs*, *Hucks*, *Iacafano's*, *Bambu*, *Atlanta Bread Company* and *Windjammer*. *Qdoba* was on-site proving a hot bar for the participants.

14th Annual Half Rubber Tournament

The 14th Annual Half Rubber Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, August 18th and Sunday, August 19th if needed. The captain's meeting/check-in will begin at 7:30 a.m., and games will begin at 8:00 a.m. The registration fee is \$20 per person; teams may consist of 3 or 4 players. Sponsors for the tournament are being solicited for 1st and 2nd place winners. Information concerning the tournament can be found on the City's website.

Youth Sports

Baseball

Registration for baseball was held January 24th – February 24th for Isle of Palms residents. Open registration began Monday, January 31st and ended February 24th, and mandatory player/parent meetings were held Tuesday, March 6th. The Fast Start meeting began at 5:15 p.m.; T-Ball, machine pitch and youth baseball meetings began at 6:00 p.m. Every team leader and coach received a packet containing ways to create skill drills that can be used to make practice a fun, learning experience. Coaches and players received their team assignments, player information, league rules and league schedule.

Fast Start Baseball (3 & 4 year olds)

A parent from each team has been appointed the team leader; team leaders are responsible for planning the activities. Activities are scheduled for Saturdays and consist of fundamental learning drills. Activity days are held on Saturday mornings on the soccer field and began on Saturday, March 10th. All participants will receive a medal.

T-Ball (5 & 6 year olds)

A coach's meeting was held on Wednesday, February 29th at 5:00 p.m. Games are played on Saturday mornings on the baseball field. Practices are held through March, and games are set to kick off Saturday, March 31st. Coaches umpire the games; no scores or league standings will be kept. All participants will receive a trophy.

Machine Pitch (7 & 8 year olds)

A coach's meeting was held on Wednesday, February 29th at 5:15 p.m. Games are played on Saturday mornings on the softball field. Practices are held through March, and games are set to kick off Saturday, March 31st. Coaches umpire the games; no scores or league standings will be kept. All participants will receive a trophy.

Youth Baseball (9 – 12 years old)

The skill evaluation/coaches meeting was held on Wednesday, February 29th at 6:00 p.m. Practices are held through March, and games are set to kick off Tuesday, April 3rd. Regular season runners-up and champions will receive trophies. Post-season runners-up and champions will receive plaques. Lowcountry Officials umpire the games with Recreation staff on-site to keep score.

Girls Softball (9–11 year olds)

Eleven (11) Isle of Palms and Sullivan's Island girls, ages 9 – 11, signed up to form one (1) girls' softball team. The team is sponsored by the Windjammer, and Denny Fike is coaching the team.

Practices are held at the Isle of Palms Recreation Department. Mount Pleasant Recreation Department agreed to let this team participate in their league; games are played in Mount Pleasant facilities. All participants will receive participation trophies at the end of the season.

Youth Baseball Participation

Fast Start Baseball	Total: 45	Isle of Palms: 16	Non-Residents: 29
5/6 T-Ball	Total: 50	Isle of Palms: 29	Non-Residents: 26
7/8 Machine Pitch	Total: 43	Isle of Palms: 22	Non-Residents: 21
9/12 Youth Baseball	Total: 50	Isle of Palms: 32	Non-Residents: 18
9/11 ASA Girls Softball	Total: 12	Isle of Palms: 9	Sullivan's Island: 3

Baseball Pitching Clinic

A baseball pitching clinic was offered to the 9/12yr old baseball league. This clinic was held on Monday, March 12th from 5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.; eleven (11) children participated in this clinic instructed by Coach Phil Charles. Participation was free.

Baseball Hitting Clinic

A baseball hitting clinic was offered to the 9/12yr old baseball league. This clinic was held on Tuesday, March 13th from 5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m., and seventeen (17) children participated in this clinic instructed by Coach Randy Sheets. Participation was free.

Baseball Homerun Derby

A baseball Homerun Derby was offered to the 9/12yr old baseball league. The Derby was held on Monday, March 19th at 5:00 p.m.; seven (7) children participated. Two (2) homerun lines were set up in the outfield to make it possible for each age group to hit homeruns; the overall champion was Derek Sireci who received a prize bag with gift certificates. Recreation staff and coaches helped keep track of homeruns and supervise the children.

Friday Night Hoops

Friday Night Hoops is an opportunity for youth ages 7–12 years to participate in a basketball clinic where Joey Frazier and Recreation staff supervise, instruct and play from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Joey Frazier took over Friday Night Hoops beginning in January. The next Friday Night Hoops will be offered on April 13th. There is a \$10 registration fee per athlete, and all participants receive a shirt, towel, magnet or duffle bag during each session.

Friday Night Hoops Participation:

October 7 th	Session Total: 13	Isle of Palms: 9	Non-Residents: 4
November 18 th	Session Total: 9	Isle of Palms: 6	Non-Residents: 3
December 9 th	Session Total: 5	Isle of Palms: 5	Non-Residents: 0
January 6 th	Session Total: 15	Isle of Palms: 10	Non-Residents: 5
February 3 rd	Session Total: 7	Isle of Palms: 5	Non-Residents: 2
March 2 nd	Session Total: 9	Isle of Palms: 7	Non-Residents: 2

Friday Night Spikes

Friday Night Spikes is an opportunity for youth ages 5–16 years to participate in a volleyball clinic where Laura Togami and Recreation staff supervise, instruct and play from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Teens will learn and improve the fundamentals of volleyball through drills and instruction aimed at developing the whole player. The next session of Friday Night Spikes will be held Friday, April 27th.

Friday Night Spikes:

October 14 th	Session Total: 5	Isle of Palms: 2	Non-Residents: 3
October 28 th	Session Total: 7	Isle of Palms: 6	Non-Residents: 1
November 11 th	Session Total: 10	Isle of Palms: 7	Non-Residents: 3
January 20 th	Session Total: 4	Isle of Palms: 3	Non-Residents: 1
February 17 th	Session Total: 4	Isle of Palms: 3	Non-Residents: 1
March 16 th	Session Total: 7	Isle of Palms: 7	
March 30 th	Session Cancelled		

Youth Dodgeball Pick-Up Games

Pick-up games are scheduled for April 25th; the games will run from 4:00- 5:00 p.m. This is geared for children 7-12 years old, and participation is free. Children can sign up in advance or just show up to play. Games will be in the gymnasium, and a Recreation staff member will be on-site to supervise.

Isle of Palms Beach Run

The Isle of Palms Beach Run is scheduled for Saturday, July 28th. The Beach Run consists of a 5K/10K Run beginning at 8:00 a.m., and Youth Fun Runs begin at 9:30 a.m. The registration fee is \$25 for the 10K Run, \$20 for the 5K Run/Walk and \$5 for the Youth Fun Runs. Packet pickup will be held on Friday, July 27th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Windjammer. The 10K and 5K Run/Walk winners will receive medals. The Youth Fun Run participants will receive participation ribbons and Carvel Ice Cream coupons. Sponsors are being finalized.

PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

Karrie Ferrell

Babysitting Course

The next babysitting class is scheduled for Saturday, May 12th. Three (3) people are registered for the class; participants will learn first aid, nutrition and baby care. The course will be instructed by the American Red Cross.

Ballet

Nine (9) ballerinas are enrolled in the current ballet session. Classes are held on Mondays at 12:30 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Rooms. The next session of ballet will start Monday, April 2nd, and seven (7) children are pre-registered for class. Kim Chesley-Breland, Instructor.

Boater Education

The next Boater Education class is scheduled for April 14th, 2012. Participants need to register through SCDNR. Instructed by Department of Natural Resources

Dog Obedience

Kinderpuppy: March 12th

Six (6) people are enrolled in Kinderpuppy. Classes are held Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the gymnasium. The next session of Kinderpuppy is scheduled for Monday, May 7th, 2012.

Canine Good Citizenship: March 12th

Eleven (11) people are enrolled in Canine Good Citizenship. The class is for dogs that have completed Kinderpuppy and/or Just the Basics; dogs work towards Canine Good Citizenship certification as they learn to sit and stay with distractions, calmly meet people and other dogs. Canine Good Citizenship test will be given the last day of class. Classes are held in the gymnasium on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. Susan Marett, Instructor.

Gather Knit & Stitch

March: Eleven (11) women have been attending the Gather Knit & Stitch program. Gather Knit and Stitch is held on Mondays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Lobby.

Guitar Lessons

March: Two (2) people participated in guitar. The next session is scheduled for April 3rd – April 24th at 4:15 p.m. in the Tadpole Room. Currently no one is pre-registered for the April session. Lee Archer, Instructor.

Gymnastics/Tumbling

February 21st – March 27th: Thirteen (13) people participated in gymnastics.

April 3rd – May 15th: Four (4) people are pre-registered for class. Gymnastics is held on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. in the Palmetto Room; this is the last session of gymnastics until the fall. Tricha Tapio, Instructor.

Jump Start

Registration for the 2012 – 2013 school-year was held in January, and the program has limited space available for the fall. Children must be 4 years old by September 1, 2012. The Jump Start program follows the City of Isle of Palms holiday calendar and the Charleston County School District calendar. 2012-2013 Monday/Wednesday/Friday classes are full with ten (10) people enrolled, and one (1), on the waiting list. The Tuesday/Thursday classes have seven (7) enrolled. Registration will continue until class is full with ten (10) students. Robin Lee, Instructor.

Keenagers

Forty-nine (49) Keenagers were in attendance at the meeting on March 7th. The meeting was a pot-luck lunch provided by members and the Recreation Department. Boo Sheppard, local actress and humorist, entertained with "Mrs. Magnolia," a southern tribute to beauty queens. Lunch Bunch was held at the Windjammer on Wednesday, March 14, and twenty-two (22) members attended. The March trip was cancelled due to low participation by Keenager members; the trip planned was to the Columbia Museum of Art. The next Keenager meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 4th at noon.

Little Dragons Karate

Little Dragons is a karate class for children ages 3–5 years old. Participants are learning martial arts and life lessons through teamwork, good manners and self-discipline. Seven (7) children are enrolled in the class, and classes are held on Fridays in the High Tide/Low Tide Room at 12:00 p.m. The next session is scheduled for Friday, April 20th. One (1) person is pre-registered. Debbie Garelli, Instructor

Middle School Dance

March 9th: Two hundred thirty (230) 6th, 7th and 8th graders attended the Middle School Dance. The next dance is scheduled for Friday, May 11th from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; admission is \$5. Other Brother Entertainment will provide a DJ, and Charleston Jump Castles will provide jump castles for the event. The May dance will be the last dance for the school year. Dances will resume in the fall.

Mah Jongg

Ten (10) people played Mah Jongg in March. Mah Jongg is scheduled on Mondays from 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., and participants supply materials for this activity.

Mommy & Me/ Daddy & Me

March: Six (6) people participated in the Mommy & Me/Daddy & Me program. The activity gives parents and toddlers a chance to play and socialize and is scheduled for the 2nd Wednesday of the month September – May from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Palmetto Room.

School's Out Activities/Spring Break

Egg-Cellent Craft – Thirty (30) children participated in this school's out craft. Children and parents dyed and decorated eggs for Easter; each participant received six (6) eggs to decorate. The activity was free and all materials were provided. Supervision provided by Recreation staff.

Semi-Personal Training

March: Due to the popularity of the class an additional 9:30 a.m. class will start March 1st. The 9:30 a.m. class has four (4) people enrolled; the 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. classes both have seven (7) people enrolled. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Geri D'Italia, Instructor.

Senior Aerobics

March: Twenty-five (25) seniors attended aerobics; nine (9) seniors paid for the month, and all others paid by the class. Classes are open to all levels of exercise and are offered at the nominal fee of \$5 per class, or \$30 for the month. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Judy Fischer, Instructor.

Senior Exercise

Fifty (57) seniors are participating in the Senior Exercise Class. The class continues to have a waiting list. Classes are held on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 3:00 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Judy Fischer, Instructor.

Tae Kwon Do

Youth Participation: March: Fifteen (15) participants have signed up for the classes that are held on Saturdays in the gym at 9:00 a.m. New participants can join the youth class in January, June and September.

Adult Participation: March: Thirty-four (34) adults are participating in the classes that are offered Saturdays in the gym from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Wednesdays in the gym from 7:00 p.m. to 9:45 p.m., and Mondays in the Magnolia Room from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30pm. Adults can join class anytime.

Tae Kwon Do Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, April 21st at 10:00 a.m. The annual event includes eliminations and finals in forms and sparring for all groups along with demonstrations and board breaking, followed by black belt testing. Dr. Jack Emmel, Instructor.

Tiny Tots

Registration for the 2012 – 2013 school-year was held in January. The program is full, and a waiting list has been formed for those who were not able to get into the fall class. Children must be 3 years old by September 1, 2012 and potty-trained. Tiny Tots follows the City of Isle of Palms holiday calendar and the Charleston County School District calendar. Cathy Adams, Instructor.

Total Body Challenge (TBC)

March: Twenty-four (24) people participated in morning aerobics; nineteen (19) paid for the month, and all others paid by the class. Classes are held Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Rooms. Pat Boyd and Angela Reinhardt, Instructors.

Yoga - Afternoon

March: Twelve (12) people participated in the classes during March; three (3) participants that paid for the session and the remaining nine (9) participants paid by the class. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the High Tide/Low Tide rooms from 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Pat Boyd, Instructor.

Yoga - Evening

March: Nineteen (19) people participated in yoga. Four (4) people paid for the session; all others paid by the class. Four (4) City employees have been participating in the class as a part of the City Wellness program. Classes are held on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Jen Schoolfield, Instructor.

Yoga – Morning

March: Eleven (11) people participated in the month of March; three (3) paid for the session, and all others paid by the class. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Pat Boyd, Instructor.

Yoga - Saturday

March: Sixteen (16) people participated; five (5) paid for the session, and all others are paying by the class. Two (2) City employees have been participating as a part of the City Wellness program. Classes are held on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Rooms. Jen Schoolfield, Instructor.

Zumba

March: Fifty-nine (59) people participated; sixteen (16) paid for the month, and all others paid by the class. Participants can buy four (4) classes for \$25 or eight (8) classes for \$50; participants also have the option of paying \$8 per class. Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Dale Ellison, Instructor.

Writing from Memory

Nine (9) people are participated in the Writing from Memory class. Participants took part in a public reading on Friday, March 30th where family and friends were invited to attend. Classes are held on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Room. Judith Lunsford, Instructor

New Classes for January April 2012

Holiday Happenings

The activity is for preschool aged children 3-5 years old. Holiday Happenings will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the Minnow Room. Mrs. Cathy Adams will be providing supervision and activities will include holiday crafts. Activity Dates: February 8th and 9th Valentine's Day, March 14th and 15th St. Patrick's Day, April 4th and 5th Easter.

February Session: Twelve (12) children participated in the Wednesday, February 8th class. No one participated in the Thursday, February 9th class. **March Session:** Nine (9) children participated in Wednesday, March 14th class. No one participated on Thursday, March 15th. **April:** Three (3) are pre-registered for the Wednesday, April 4th session. No one has signed up for Thursday, April 5th class. Cathy Adams, Instructor

Photography Contest

Winning photos will be used on the front cover of the Activity Guide and on the Website. This contest is for Isle of Palms residents. Three (3) entries can be submitted in the following categories; Lifestyle IOP (cityscape, people, activities), Natural IOP (landscapes, plants) and/or Wild IOP (animals, pets) all photos will become property of the City. Entry form and Model Release forms can be found on www.iop.net; pictures had to be emailed to Karrie Ferrell before Friday, March 30th. Five (5) people have submitted photos for the contest.

Youth Yoga Camp

A youth yoga camp will be held August 6th – August 10th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Camp is for children ages 5 – 10 years old. Campers will be guided on a developmentally, age-appropriate journey through yoga. Each day will begin with a different yoga adventure theme, followed by related art projects, creative writing experiences and healthy nutritious snacks. Parents/guardians will be invited to the last class for a demonstration. Registration for camp will begin March 26th for Isle of Palms residents and April 9th for non-residents. Instructors provided by Yoga Mama Studio.

BOSU Training

BOSU Training is a new exercise class that will start in April. BOSU Training reshapes the body and improves balance and core stability. The class will be held on Wednesday and Fridays at 10:30 a.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Classes will require a minimum of 4 and maximum of 6 participants. Class is \$64 for the month. One (1) person is registered for the April session. Jeromy Miller, Instructor

Personal Training

One-on-one or small group training will be added to the list of exercise programs. This program will give residents a chance to work one-on-one with a certified trainer to set goals and work on realistic lifestyle changes. All fitness level welcome, this program will be formatted to each individual. Jeromy Miller, Instructor

Miscellaneous Work:

- Created employee schedules.
- Instructor payroll and volleyball referee payroll.
- Met with staff and part-time employees.
- Interviewed new instructors.
- Interviewed new part-time employee, Rachael Marckel.
- Conducted daily employee shift change meetings.
- Made weekly deposits for Recreation Department.
- Sent *The Island Eye News* Recreation pictures and information, when requested.
- Updated website.
- Assisted with front desk duties and class check-ins.
- Rec Trac system upgrades, maintenance work and updated information.
- Assisted summer camp registration.
- Assisted with Half Rubber Tournament.

- Assisted with Employee Wellness Training, Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.
- Assisted with St. Patty's Pot of Gold Hunt.
- Set-up class rooms for programs and special events.
- Met with student volunteers for school service hours.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Will McElheny

St. Patty's Craft

St. Patty's Craft was held on Thursday, March 15 at 4:00 p.m. Children decorated a St. Patty's bag with paint, stickers, markers, color pencils and then went outside to play and hunt for golden coins. There were fifteen (15) participants for this craft.

Egg-cellent Craft

Egg-cellent Craft was held on Friday, March 23rd at 1:00 p.m. Thirty-six (36) children dyed and decorated Easter eggs. All materials were provided and all eggs were boiled; the event was free to participants.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Children will have the opportunity to play on inflatable games from Charleston Jump Castle, ride on ponies from Lowcountry Animals, have their faces painted, receive a balloon from the balloon artist and get a free ice cream from Carvel Ice Cream. Children will have an opportunity to have their pictures taken with the Easter Bunny. The Easter Egg Hunt is designed for children 12 years and under. The hunt areas will be divided into four (4) different age divisions; 3&under, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. The Beta Club from Wando High has volunteered to hide Easter eggs and distribute candy. Members from the Keenager's group stuffed Easter bags with candy at their March meeting. Approximately eight hundred (800) children participated in 2011, and the number will probably exceed that this year.

Yard Sale

The Annual Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 21st, 2011. Fifty (50) spaces are available and will be set up from 27th to 29th Avenues along Hartnett Boulevard. Registration began on February 1st. Advertising will include the *Post and Courier*, the City's information boards and the City's E-newsletter. Goodwill Industries will be at this year's yard sale collecting unsold and unwanted items.

Piccolo Spoleto Sand Sculpting Contest

The annual Sand Sculpting Contest will be held on Saturday, June 2nd, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. The Sand Sculpting t-shirt has been designed for the contest, and the first 200 people that register will be guaranteed a t-shirt. Sponsorships are being secured from local businesses including *Windjammer*, *Sea Biscuit*, *Barrier Island ECO Tour*, *Carvel*, *Charleston Battery* and *Coconut Joe's*. Participants will compete in seven (7) categories this year - Children, Young Adult, Family, Adult, Most Creative, Best Architectural and Best in Show.

Camp Summershine

Registration began on Monday, March 26th at 7:00 a.m. for Isle of Palms residents and will begin on Monday, April 9th at 7:00 a.m. for non-residents. Several weeks of Camp Summershine are full, and a waiting list has been started. All eight (8) weeks of Wee Camp is already full. At registration, parents received a Camp Survival Guide that explains the guidelines for the camp and the items

campers need to bring each day throughout the summer. On the first day of camp, the campers will receive their camp T-shirt. Each week has a theme, and the activities for the week will be focused on that theme. Some of the themes for the 2012 summer camp are *Sweet Treat Week*, *Wet and Wild*, *Dodge this*, *Island Idol* and much more. During those weeks, the campers will have the opportunity to go on field trips to Splash Zone, Carolina Ice Palace, and Charleston Jump Castles will come to the camp.

COMMUNITY SPECIALIST

By Christina Willson

Daily Responsibilities

- Completed opening procedures and reported damages to supervisor.
- Readied classrooms for next program when supervisors unavailable.
- Updated Department's media center as needed.
- Registered class participants, answered phones and welcomed visitors.
- Updated daily front desk information folders.
- Monitored security cameras.
- Managed the sign-in sheets for gymnasium and Cardio Room.
- Answered questions regarding current and upcoming programs/events.
- Assisted the Director and other staff members on a regular basis.
- Prepared purchase orders for staff.
- Participated in daily/weekly staff meetings.
- Continued to post and update events and activities onto community calendars and media outlets event sites/contacts.
- Completed monthly room calendars for wall displays.
- Showed first time visitors around Recreation Center and answered questions concerning accommodations and programs that are available.
- Assisted with updating and maintaining recreation portion of city website.

Other Duties

- Matched invoices & purchase orders and then filed.
- Called Keenagers/Seniors to remind them of the March meetings and activities/trips.
- Located and entered special events/newspaper articles into binder.
- Maintained lost-and-found folder and bins.
- Completed and sent out weekly PSA's.
- Provided Resort Quest/Wild Dunes/Dunes Properties with upcoming months activities and programs for distribution to their clients/renters.
- Contacted vending machine operators to report problems or refill request when needed.
- Organized eggs for Easter Egg Hunt.
- Checked in participants of School's Out Activities.
- Completed housekeeping duties when supervisor was unavailable.
- Participated in Employee Wellness program.
- Updated Gym/Cardio Room Bulletin Boards.
- Helped with Summer Camp registration-residents.
- Helped to organize t-shirts for Half Rubber Tournament.
- Created banner advertising Easter Egg Hunt.

- Provided discoversouthcarolina.com contact Chaunte McClure, with Easter Egg Hunt information for publication on their website

Most Frequently Asked Questions

“When are non-residents able to register for your Summer Camps?”

“Is there a fee to use this facility?”

“Do you have a weight room?”

Most Frequent Unsolicited Comments

“We cannot wait for your Easter Egg Hunt”

“This is a beautiful building”

“My kids love your summer camp program”

Front Desk Summary: Monday – Friday

Cardio Room Usage:	372	
Open Gym Participants	150 Residents	127 Non-residents
Phone Calls:	406	
Walk-Ins:	670	

PARKS & FACILITIES

Shelia Redmon

Housekeeping

- Performed routine housekeeping duties.
- Completed monthly safety inspections.
- Cleaned and serviced maintenance equipment.
- Replaced and refilled air fresheners and other sanitary devices.
- Sanitized ice machines.
- Supervised monthly inside pest control service.

Facility Preparations

- Assisted with the set-up of gymnasium and classrooms for daily scheduled programs, athletics, activities, meetings and special events.

Interior Maintenance

- Serviced and cleaned Cardio Room equipment.
- Unclogged toilets and drains as needed.
- Replaced light bulbs and ballasts as needed.
- Tightened and adjusted restroom hardware nuts and bolts.
- Flushed out floor drain lines throughout expansion.
- Replaced broken mini-blind in High Tide Room.
- Contacted Precor equipment technician to evaluate trouble with the cardio machines.

Exterior Maintenance

- Inspected playground equipment.
- Removed trash and debris from around the building.
- Began outside seasonal washing schedule of exterior building and rocking chairs.

Miscellaneous

- Attended staff meetings.
- Placed phone calls to and met with supply sales representatives.
- Ordered and received housekeeping supplies.
- Updated the maintenance records.
- Supervised annual fire suppression system inspection
- Supervised Berkeley Heating and Air during the HVAC systems bi-annual preventive maintenance.
- Reset all HVAC thermostats and clocks for Daylight Savings Time.
- Researched daily rental prices for walk behind floor scrubber.

PARKS & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Nick Bako

Recreation Building and Activities

- Completed monthly reports.
- Assisted with monthly functions, Keenagers , Half rubber, Middle School Dance, etc.
- Cleaned trash receptacle at entrance to building.
- Replaced mini-blinds in the Hi Tide/Low Tide Room.
- Touched-up lobby with paint as needed in spots removed after using tape.
- Filled areas in the gym with spackle where damaged .
- Reset drain unit to sink in the gym men's room.

Recreation Grounds

- Applied selective herbicide for clover, broadleaf and dollar weed throughout complex as needed.
- Filled holes adjacent to picnic shelter where termite infested tree was removed.
- Trimmed around monument and P.A.R.D. signs.
- Cleaned overhead light lenses at the picnic shelter .
- Turned on valves to all fountains and water supplies as needed for season.
- Lined weekly for fast start and home run derby.
- Applied fire-ant killer spray on multi-field and soccer field for upcoming events.
- Applied weed killer at Dog Park and all walkways.
- Filled and graded ditch area where AT&T had completed some work.
- Repaired light lens at the picnic shelter.
- Replaced Frisbee Golf flags throughout the course.
- Edge all beds around building in preparation for mulch for the upcoming season.

Playground

- Applied weed killer to play area and also applied herbicide for dollar weed.

- Hammered spikes back into ground for the border of play area.
- Leveled playground mulch at various locations within site.
- Cleaned equipment as needed.

Basketball and Tennis Courts

- Applied weed killer around courts as needed.
- Cleaned courts daily.
- Applied fire ant killer as needed.
- Installed new net at the basketball court.
- Re-tied windscreen at the tennis courts.
- Replaced tennis net strapping and clasp.

Baseball (Scalise) Field

- Prepared dugouts for upcoming season.
- Applied weed killer to areas in dugout.
- Installed temp fence for the baseball season.
- Filled areas as needed in the outfield with topsoil after the Half Rubber Tournament.
- Applied insect killer for aphids in shrubs behind home plate.
- Removed and reinstalled temp fence for the Half Rubber Tournament.

Softball (Clarkin) Field

- Repainted table and bench for scorekeepers.
- Applied weed killer in dugout.
- Removed old wind screening and installed new.
- Replaced bulbs in scoreboard as needed.

Soccer Field

- Fertilized field with 5-0-20 with weed control.
- Repaired holes and seeded after the Half Rubber Tournament.

Bark Park

- Filled large holes as needed on a regular basis.
- Filled Scooper boxes as needed.

Multi-purpose Field

- Picked up debris and maintained as needed.
- Filled holes as needed after Half Rubber Tournament.
- Sprayed for fire ants for upcoming events.

Equipment

- Installed new hardware on portable stages.
- Washed all vehicles.
- Maintained all equipment on a regular basis.

Other

- Lined Palm Blvd. from 21st to 41st for parking.

OTHER PROJECTS AND OPERATIONS

Employee Wellness

The "Biggest Loser" contest continues to be successful with seventeen (17) employees participating. Employees may weigh in weekly or the first week in the month and last week in the month. The employee that loses the largest percentage of weight for the month is the **Biggest Loser** for the month. The participants were also reminded of the free fitness classes available at the Recreation Department for employees and the upcoming Wellness Fair on Thursday, September 13th where the winner will be announced. The employee with the largest percentage of weight loss by Thursday, September 6th will be the "**Biggest Loser**" for the year and will received great prizes. Holly Hubbard, a part-time employee for the Recreation Department, was the Biggest Loser for the month of March. Holly lost 3.7% of her body weight; Laura McLellan from City Hall was second and Matt Maloney from the Police Department came in third.

The new exercise check-in sheet that is located in each Department is working well with the Departments, and a large number of employees exercise twenty minutes or more a day. There are three (3) wellness tiers; tier one is for exercising ten - fourteen (10-14) days, tier two is when you have fifteen – nineteen (15-19) days checked, tier three is when you have twenty or more (20+) checks for the month.

The Winners for March were: Tier One - Tracey Marks, Tier Two – Robert Russell and Tier three - Jane Stewart

The Recreation staff has scheduled Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. for employees to join someone from the Recreation staff for a 20 – 30 minute exercise class. The 1st & 3rd Wednesdays will be held at the Recreation center, and 2nd and 4th Wednesdays will be held at the Public Safety Building fitness room. Several employees have been participating.

School's Out Activities:

Friday, March 23, 2012 An Egg-Cellent Craft 30 Children Participated
Using the performance measurement tools, this activity achieved level 3 participation.

OVERTIME:

March 2012 4.50 hrs Supervising and conducting Parent/Player Baseball meeting, Middle School Dance, Baseball Pitching Clinic, Baseball Hitting Clinic, St. Patty Pot of Gold Hunt and First Pitch Half Rubber Tournament

Recreation Building was open 364.5 hours in the month of March.

Information Boards

	# Times boards were changes	Amount of time
January	7	6 hours 40 minutes
February	6	5 hours
March	9	8 hours 20 minutes