



RECREATION DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT FEBRUARY 2013

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ATHLETICS

Ben Hull

Co-Ed Volleyball

Eight (8) teams are participating in the Co-Ed Volleyball League. Games are being played on Tuesday nights and Sunday afternoons and began on Tuesday, January 8th. Currently, Reds is in first place with a 10-0 record. The regular season will conclude on Tuesday, March 12th with a double elimination, postseason tournament to follow. The regular season champions will receive t-shirts. Games are officiated by Erin Scott and Rachel Spitulski. Staff is on-site to keep score.

Adult Softball

Registration for Spring Softball was held January 28th - February 22nd. The registration fee is \$425 per team, and the league is limited to twelve (12) teams. The captains' meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5th at 5:30 p.m. Games are tentatively scheduled to begin on Wednesday, March 20th and will be played on Wednesday evenings. The regular season will be followed by a single 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, while a Recreation staff member is on-site to keep score.

Adult 3-on-3 Basketball

Registration for the 3-on-3 Basketball League was held January 28th - February 22nd. The registration fee is \$60 per team, and the league is limited to twelve (12) teams. The captains' meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5th at 5:00 p.m. Currently, eleven (11) teams have signed up for this league. Games will be played on Tuesday evenings, beginning on Tuesday, April 2nd. Regular season and post-season champions will receive t-shirts. Games will be officiated by the players, while a Recreation staff member is on-site to keep score.

Adult 6-vs-6 Men's Soccer

Registration for the 6-vs-6 Men's Soccer League was held January 28th - February 22nd. The registration fee is \$250 per team, and the league is limited to twelve (12) teams. The captains' meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5th at 6:00 p.m. Currently, eight (8) teams have signed up for this league. Games will be played on Tuesday evenings and are scheduled to begin on Tuesday, March 19th. Regular season and post-season champions will receive t-shirts. Games will be officiated by Joey Gorman, while a Recreation Staff member is on-site to keep books.

Adult 6-vs-6 Co-Ed Soccer

Registration for the 6-vs-6 Co-Ed Soccer League was held January 28th - February 22nd. The registration fee is \$250 per team, and the league is limited to twelve (12) teams. This is a new league that is being offered, and there was not a whole lot of interest even though there were several calls asking about the league. There was not enough interest to begin this league but it will be offered again in the near future.

Adult Table Tennis Single League

Registration for the Singles Table Tennis League was held January 28th - February 22nd. Games are scheduled for Tuesdays from 10:20 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. beginning March 12th. A captains' meeting will be held on March 5th at 10:00 a.m. Table One is set up for league matches, and Table Two is set up for anyone wanting to get a league pickup game and warm-ups. The regular season champion and tournament champion will receive a shirt. A double elimination

tournament will take place following the regular season. Games and scores are kept and recorded by the players and Recreation staff.

First Pitch Half Rubber Tournament

The First Pitch IOP Half Rubber Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd and Sunday, March 24th, if needed. Lights will be turned off at 10:00 p.m. sharp on Saturday. The Captains' Meeting/Check-in will begin at 7:30 a.m., and games will begin at 8:00 a.m. The registration fee is \$25 per person; teams may consist of 3 or 4 players. Sponsors for the tournament are being finalized for the 1st and 2nd place winners; event shirts are being proofed and information concerning the tournament can be found on the City's website.

15th Annual Half Rubber Tournament

The 15th Annual Half Rubber Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, August 17th and Sunday, August 18th if needed. The captains' 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

5/6 Basketball

Four (4) teams, with a total of twenty nine (29) players, participated in the season that began on Monday, January 7th. The final game of the season was held on Monday, February 18th. Games were officiated by the coaches, and no scores or league standings were kept. A Recreation staff member was on-site to supervise league games and practices. All participants received t-shirts and trophies for their participation.

7/8 Basketball

Six (6) teams, with a total of forty eight (48) players, participated in this league that began on Wednesday, January 9th. The final game of the season was held on Wednesday, February 13th. Games were officiated by Lowcountry Officials; score was kept, but league standings were not. A Recreation staff member was on-site to supervise league games and practices. All participants received t-shirts and trophies for their participation.

9/10 Basketball

The 9/10 year-old basketball season began on Thursday, January 10th, and four (4) teams participated – with a total of thirty five (35) players. The season ended on Thursday, February 7th with a single elimination tournament that followed. Beachside Vacations, coached by Beau Hollingsworth, won the regular season, and The Bucks, coached by John Beall, finished in 2nd place. Regular season and post-season runner-ups and champions received trophies; Lowcountry Officials provided referees for the games while Recreation staff was on-site to keep score. An all-star team was formed to play in the district tournament; the game is scheduled for Friday, March 1st at 7:15pm at the Northwoods Gym.

11/14 Basketball

Four (4) teams, with a total of thirty six (36) players, participated in this league that began on Thursday, January 10th. The final game of the regular season was played on Thursday, February 7th with a single elimination tournament that followed. Windjammer, coached by Dave Bailey,

finished as the regular season champions; Prospec Electronics, coached by Phil Charles, finished in 2nd place. Regular season and post-season runners-up and champions received trophies. Lowcountry Officials provided referees for the games while Recreation staff was on-site to keep score. An all-star team was formed to play in the district tournament; the game is scheduled for Friday, March 1st at 7:30 p.m. at Stall High School.

Basketball Registration:

5/6 Yth Basketball Total:	29	Isle of Palms:	13	SI:	8	Non-Residents:	8
7/8 Yth Basketball Total:	48	Isle of Palms:	32	SI:	9	Non-Residents:	7
9/10 Yth Basketball Total:	35	Isle of Palms:	25	SI:	6	Non-Residents:	4
11/14 Yth Basketball Total:	36	Isle of Palms:	25	SI:	7	Non-Residents:	4

Baseball

Registration for baseball was held January 28th – February 22nd for Isle of Palms residents; open registration began on Monday, February 4th and ended February 22nd. Mandatory player/parent meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, March 6th. The Fast Start meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m.; T-Ball, Machine Pitch and Youth Baseball meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. Every team leader and coach will receive a packet that contains ways to create skill drills that can be used to make practice a fun learning experience. Coaches and players will receive their team assignments, player information, league rules and league schedule.

Fast Start Baseball (3 & 4 year olds)

A parent from each team will be appointed the team leader. Team leaders are responsible for planning the activities, which are scheduled for Saturdays and will consist of learning the fundamentals of drills. Activity days will be held on Saturday mornings on the soccer field and will begin on Saturday, March 9th. Sponsors are final, and team leaders will be finalized after the parent meeting. All participants will receive a medal.

T-Ball (5 & 6 year olds)

A coaches' meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 4th at 5:00 p.m. Games will be played on Saturday mornings on the baseball field. Practices will be held through March with games set to kick off Saturday, April 13th. Sponsors and coaches are finalized. 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 coaches' meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 4th at 5:15 p.m. Games will be played on Saturday mornings on the softball field. Practices will be held through March, and games are set to kick off Saturday, April 13th. Sponsors and coaches are being finalized. Coaches will umpire the games; no scores or league standings will be kept, and all participants will receive a trophy.

Youth Baseball (9 – 12 years old)

The skill evaluation/coaches' meeting will be held on Monday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m. Practices will be held through March, and games will kick off Tuesday, April 9th. Sponsors and coaches are being finalized. Regular season runners-up and champions will receive trophies; post-season runners-up and champions will receive plaques. Lowcountry Officials will umpire the games while Recreation staff is on-site to keep score.

Youth Baseball Participation (as of February 27, 2013)

Fast Start Baseball	Total: 60
5/6 T-Ball	Total: 60
7/8 Machine Pitch	Total: 42
9/12 Youth Baseball	Total: 33
9/11 ASA Girls Softball	Total: 1

The numbers for participation in the 9/12 age group are down from previous years; many parents have indicated their children are playing Lacrosse and participating in the track program through the Mount Pleasant Recreation Department.

Girls Softball

With little interest in girls' softball, there were not enough participants to form a team for this season.

Child I.D. Program

New York Life has agreed to come to the baseball parent/player meeting to create an I.D. card for each child. The I.D.s will include fingerprints, the child's photo, contact information and any other information needed by the police in case of an emergency. Children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. New York Life has guaranteed that all data is automatically erased upon printing, and the only information they will retain is a parent's or guardian's contact information - only if permission has been granted for an agent to contact them.

Baseball Home Run Derby

A Baseball Homerun Derby is offered to the 9/12yr old baseball league. The Derby will be held on Monday, March 18th at 5:00 p.m. Two (2) homerun lines will be set up in the outfield to make homerun boundaries for the children. The overall champion will receive a prize bag. Recreation staff and coaches will assist in tracking homeruns and in supervising the children.

Tots Lacrosse

Tots Lacrosse is designed to teach children, ages 3-5 years old, and parents the mechanics associated with lacrosse. Cradling, passing, catching, shooting and scooping ground balls will be taught. One parent from each family must attend each session to learn along with their child, and children need to bring a lacrosse stick and goggles. Sessions are held twice a month from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.; the next sessions will be held March 2nd and March 16th. The cost is \$25 for IOP residents and \$30 for non-residents for both days. One day a month is \$15 for IOP residents and \$20 for non-residents. Eleven (11) children participated in the February session of Tots Lacrosse.

January 12 th and January 26 th	Session total: 3	Isle of Palms: 2	Non-residents: 1
February 9 th and February 23 rd	Session total: 11	Isle of Palms: 6	Non-residents: 5

Spike Nights

Spike Nights are an opportunity for youth, ages 5–16 years, to participate in a volleyball clinic. On Thursday nights, Laura Togami will instruct and play from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Registrants sign up for 4 sessions at a time, and the fee is \$40 for residents and \$45 for non-residents. The next sessions will be held March 7th – March 28th.

Youth Dodgeball Pick-Up Games

Games are scheduled once a month on a Wednesdays from 4:00- 5:00 p.m. This is geared for children 7-12 years old and is free to participate. Children can sign up in advance or just show up to play. Games take place in the gymnasium. The next session will be held on Wednesday, March 13th. Recreation staff members are on-site to supervise these games.

Isle of Palms Beach Run

The Isle of Palms Beach Run is scheduled for Saturday, June 29th. The Beach Run consists of 5K/10K runs beginning at 8:00 a.m., and Youth Fun Runs beginning 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 pick-up will be held on Friday, June 28th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at The Windjammer. The 10K and 5K Run/Walk winners will receive medals. All Youth Fun Run participants will receive participation ribbons and Carvel Ice Cream coupons. Currently, sponsors are being secured, applications are being printed and t-shirts are being proofed.

PROGRAMS AND CLASSES

Karrie Ferrell

Babysitting Course

Ten (10) people enrolled and participated in the babysitting course on Saturday, February 16th. The next class is scheduled for Saturday, May 11th; classes are for youth ages 11 -14 year olds that are interested in learning first aid, nutrition and baby care. The class is instructed by the American Red Cross.

Ballet

Four (4) preschool age children are participating in the Ballet Class. Ballet is held on Mondays at 12:30 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Kim Chesley-Breland, Instructor.

Boater Education

The next class is scheduled Friday, March 29th from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The class is instructed by Department of Natural Resources

BOSU Training

February Session: Wednesday/Friday 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Nine (9) people have been participating, and four (4) paid for the session, while all others are paying by the class.

Monday/Wednesday: 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Cancelled due to a lack of participation.

Monday/Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Fourteen (14) people have been participating; two (2) paid for the session, and all others are paying by the class.

Saturdays: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Eleven (11) people have been participating in the classes, which are \$64 for Isle of Palms residents and \$69 non-residents, or there is a \$10 walk-in fee. Isle of Palms' employees can take the class for free as a part of the Employee Wellness Program. Jeromy Miller, Instructor.

Coffee Corner

Participants taking part in Coffee Corner are Gather and Knit, Mah Jongg, Tiny Tots, Jump Start and Senior Exercise participants.

Dog Obedience

Kinderpuppy: January 7th

Twelve (12) people are participating in the current session of Kinderpuppy. The next session is scheduled for Monday, March 11th at 6:30 p.m.; currently six (6) people are registered for class.

Just the Basics: January 7th

Eleven (11) people are participating in the current session of Just the Basics. The next session is scheduled for Monday, March 11th at 7:30 p.m.; currently four (4) people are registered for the class. Susan Marett, Instructor.

Gather Knit & Stitch

February: Seven (7) women have been attending the Gather Knit & Stitch program that is held on Mondays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Lobby.

Guitar Lessons

February: No one participated in the month of February. The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, March 5th at 4:15 p.m. Lee Archer, Instructor.

Gymnastics/Tumbling

Sixteen (16) people are participating in the current session of gymnastics. The session started Tuesday, February 19th. Due to the large enrollment in this class, the older participants stay after the younger group has left to get more advanced instruction. Tricha Tapio, Instructor.

Holiday Happenings

A holiday activity for preschool aged children is scheduled from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Children need to bring lunch to the activity where they will play games and make crafts based on the upcoming holiday. Six (6) participants enrolled in the Holiday Happenings class held February 13th; children painted valentines for parents and family members. Cathy Adams, Instructor.

Hunter Education

Class was cancelled due to lack of participation. The Hunter Education class scheduled for Friday, April 5th has been cancelled because the instructor will be participating in a national conference in Texas. Future classes will be scheduled and advertised in the Activity Guide as well as the City's website. Classes are instructed by Department of Natural Resources.

Jump Start

Eight (8) preschoolers are enrolled on Monday/Wednesday/ Friday, and five (5) are enrolled on Tuesday/Thursday. Enrollment remains open for the Tuesday/Thursday session of Jump Start. 2013 -2014 Jump Start registration is open for Isle of Palms residents and non-residents; participants are registering for the four year old preschool program that will begin in August 2013. Currently four (4) people are registered for Tuesday/Thursday classes, and seven (7) people are registered for Monday/Wednesday/Friday classes. Registration will remain open until class is full with ten (10) participants. Robin Lee, Instructor.

Keenagers

Fifty-six (56) Keenagers attended the February meeting held on Wednesday, February 6th. The Joyful Noise Quartet performed at the luncheon. Fifteen (15) people signed up for Lunch Bunch at Zeus on February 13th; due to low trip attendance, the group decided to hold a special BINGO Activity on February 20th, and seventeen (17) people attended. *Bricco Bracco* and *ACME* gift certificates were given to BINGO winners. The next Keenager meeting is scheduled for March 6th at noon, and Lunch Bunch will be held at *Bricco Bracco* on Wednesday, March 13th. March trip/activity is yet to be determined.

Kid's Night Out

Twenty-four (24) youth, ages 5-12 years old, participated in the Kid's Night Out Activity. Participants watched a movie, ate pizza and played games in the gym. The activity was held on Friday, February 8th from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. The next activity is scheduled for Friday, April 26th. Activities are supervised by Recreation Staff.

Little Dragons Karate

No one attended the classes scheduled for February. The next class is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6th at noon. Debbie Garelli, Instructor.

Line Dancing

Line Dancing is held on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. Classes are held in the Magnolia/Palmetto Rooms at 10:00 a.m. Participants come and dance as a social group teaching one another new line dances. Nine (9) people have participated in the self-led social activity.

Middle School Dance

The next Middle School Dance is scheduled for Friday, March 15th from 7:00 p.m. - 9:30p.m. The dance will have a jump castle and DJ at the event, and concessions will be sold. Middle School Dances are supervised by Recreation Staff, and the Isle of Palms Police Department assists with traffic and crowd control. The dance is \$5 at the door.

Mah Jongg

Six (6) people participated in Mah Jongg during the month of February. The activity is held on Mondays at noon in the Magnolia Room.

Mommy & Me/ Daddy & Me

February: Thirty-nine (39) parents and children participated in Mommy & Me/Daddy & Me. The activity is held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Palmetto Room.

Personal Training

One-on-one or small group training is available. Participants need to call the Recreation Department to set up an appointment with the instructor. Three (3) people are currently participating in personal training. Jeromy Miller, Instructor.

Photography Contest

The next photography contest will be held in the spring/summer; details will be advertised in the Summer Activity Guide.

Pilates

Six (6) people participated in the new exercise class. Five (5) people paid for the session, and one paid by the class. The next session is scheduled to start Monday, March 4th. The class is \$32 for the month and \$10 to drop-in. Drop-ins need to call at least 24 hours before class to reserve space. Pilates is free to Isle of Palms' employees as a part of the Employee Wellness Program. Allie Shuttleworth, Instructor.

School's Out Activities/Spring Break

Twenty (20) children participated in the Relays & Tag activity on Monday, February 18th. The next activity will be held the week of spring break April 1st – April 5th. These free activities are held from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. and are supervised by Recreations staff.

Semi-Personal Training

February: All sessions of Semi-Personal Training are full with six (6) participants. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. and are held in the Cardio Room and High Tide/Low Tide Rooms. Geri D'Italia, Instructor.

Senior Aerobics – Over 50 Fitness

February: Sixteen (16) seniors attended aerobics; eight (8) participants paid for the session, and all other participants 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 (50) seniors are participating in the Senior Exercise Class. This activity continues to have a waiting list; classes are free and funded through a grant given to Charleston County. Classes are held on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 3:00 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Rooms. Judy Fischer, Instructor.

Senior Wellness Workshops

Fourteen (14) people participated in the Balance and Memory workshop on Thursday, February 14th at 2:00 p.m. The upcoming workshop topic is an Exercise Ball Workshop scheduled for Thursday, March 14th at 2:00 p.m.; participants need to preregister for activity. Judy Fischer, Instructor.

Tae Kwon Do

Youth Participation: February: Seven (7) participants have signed up for 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: February: Thirty (30) 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 7:30 p.m. Adults can join classes anytime.

Tennis

Tiny Tennis: January: Seven (7) participants are playing in the tiny tennis class. Tiny Tennis is for children 3 – 5 years old. A low compression ball, smaller net and court are used to teach the fundamentals of tennis. The March session of tennis will be cancelled due to instructor's prenatal care.

Youth Tennis: January: Eleven (11) participants are playing in the youth tennis class. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.; the March session of tennis will be cancelled due to instructor's prenatal care.

Adult Tennis: January: Six (6) people are participating in the adult tennis program. Classes meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Corinne Enright, Instructor.

Tai Chi/Qigong

Five (5) people have been participating in the Tai Chi class held on Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Palmetto Room. The class has a \$10 walk-in fee. Connie Cossetti, Instructor.

Tiny Tots

Currently, seven (7) participants are enrolled in the 2012 Monday/Wednesday/Friday classes, and seven (7) are enrolled in the Tuesday/Thursday classes.

Registration for the 2013-2014 Tiny Tots is closed, and names have been placed on a waiting list. Nine (9) children are registered for the Monday – Friday classes. Interested parents are encouraged to get their names on the waiting list; the waiting list is free of charge, and names on the list will be notified when there is an opening in the program. Cathy Adams, Instructor

Total Body Challenge (TBC)

February: Eighteen (18) people participated in morning aerobics; classes are held Monday – Friday at 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the High Tide/ Low Tide Rooms. Pat Boyd and Angela Reinhardt, Instructors

Yoga - Afternoon

February: Seven (7) people participated in the class. All participants are paying 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

February: Fourteen (14) people participated in the evening yoga classes. One (1) person paid by the session; all others are paying by the class. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Jen Schoolfield, Instructor.

Yoga – Morning

February: Eight (8) people participated, and all participants are paying 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

February: Fourteen (14) people participated in the class held on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. in the Palmetto Room. Jen Schoolfield, Instructor.

Zumba

February: Forty-six (46) people participated; fourteen (14) paid for the month, and all others paid by the class. Participants can attend 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

Ten (10) people are currently enrolled in the Writing from Memory. Classes are held on Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Participants will discuss and create works both as a group and individually. All works will be shared in an open minded environment. A public reading will be held for family and friends of the class at the end of the session. Sara Thomason, Instructor.

Miscellaneous Work:

- Created employee schedules.
- Processed time cards for employees and instructors
- Met with staff and part-time employees.
- Conducted daily employee shift change meetings.
- Made weekly deposits for Recreation Department.
- Sent *The Island Eye News* Recreation pictures and information, when requested.
- Assisted with front desk duties and class check-ins.
- Set up classrooms for programs and special events.
- Trained part-time staff with evening desk duties.
- Assisted with bulletin boards and Information Center.
- Revised room schedules and calendars to accommodate classes.
- Updated Recreation portion of website.
- Assisted with Cupid's Card Shoppe on Thursday, February 7th.
- Attended Recreation Committee meeting on Wednesday, February 11th.
- Attended Ways and Means Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 19th.
- Attended Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 19th.
- Attended Department Head Meeting on Thursday, February 21st.
- General Fund Operating Budget review with City Administrator and City Treasurer on Friday, February 22nd.
- Assisted with Doggie Day at the Rec on Saturday, February 23rd.
- Attended Program Summit in Columbia February 27th – March 1st.
- Attended All Start Basketball Game (13-14 year old League) Friday, March 1st at Bees Ferry Landing Gymnasium, City of Charleston.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Will McElheny

Cupid's Card Shop

Cupid's Card Shop was held on February 7th at 4:00 p.m. with fourteen (14) children participating. The children were given materials that included ribbon, glitter, stickers, markers, colored pencils and plenty of candy to eat while they decorated Valentine cards for their mothers and daddies; some made cards for their friends. Everyone had a good time at this free event.

Doggie Day at the Rec

Doggie Day at the Rec was held Saturday, February 25th. Despite its being a rainy day, Dr. Jose Biascoechea administered one hundred and thirty-one (131) rabies vaccinations, and the Isle of Palms Animal Control officer sold Isle of Palms Dog Tags from 9:00 a.m. until the event was over. Doggie competitions began at 10:00 a.m., and eighty (80) dogs participated in the categories listed below.

- CUTEST PUPPY ~ 1 year and under Aaron Sireci - Ali
- MOST ATTRACTIVE ~ 1 year and over Charlotte Brunner - Bailey
- BEST RESCUE ~ Female Shelly Booher - Clover
- BEST RESCUE ~ Male Katie Nutley - Cisco
- MYSTERY MUTT ~ Small Breeds Tim Pierce - Ollie
- MYSTERY MUTT ~ Large Breeds Sarah Hartnett – Chaco
- MOST EAR`RESISTIBLE EARS Dinah Heinrich - Sparky
- BEST SMILE James Hunsucker - Sinba
- BEST EYES Jessica Ferrd - Sookie
- MOST UNUSUAL BREED Miguel
- BEST DRESSED Carol Varadi - Lucy
- MOST CREATIVE NAME Robert Bilanclone - Franco

The winner in each of these categories competed in the Best in Show contest at the end of the individual competitions.

The following canine rescues and organizations participated in the event:

<i>Camp Bow Wow</i>	<i>Tide Water Vet</i>	<i>Island Vet Care</i>
<i>Low Country Lab Rescue</i>	<i>Charleston Animal Society</i>	<i>In the Dog House</i>
<i>Puppy Crack</i>	<i>Purely Positive Training</i>	<i>Outback Mobile Grooming</i>
<i>Charleston Photo Booth</i>	<i>Star Therapy</i>	<i>Shih Tzus</i>
<i>Pet Helpers</i>		

St. Patty's Craft

St. Patty's Craft will be held on Thursday, March 14th at 4:00 p.m. and is offered for children ages 5 – 14 years. Participants will have a chance to decorate a St. Patty's bag and go on a hunt for gold coins. This is the second year for this event.

Egg-cellent Craft

Egg-cellent Craft will be held on Friday, March 29th beginning at 1:00 p.m. The children will dye and decorate Easter Eggs. All materials will be provided, and this event is free to the public. This activity is geared for children 14 years and younger.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 30th beginning at 10:00 a.m. Inflatables will be available from Charleston Jump Castle; pony rides will be available from Lowcountry Animals; and a face painter, balloon artist, photo booth and Carvel Ice Cream will be free for all the children participating. The Easter Bunny will be available all day for photo opportunities. The grounds will be marked off for four (4) age divisions: 3 & under, 4-6 years, 7-9 years and 10-12 years. The Beta Club from Wando High School has volunteered to hide Easter eggs and pass out candy, and members of the Keenagers group will stuff Easter Candy Bags at their March meeting. Approximately eight hundred (800) children participated in 2012.

Yard Sale

The Annual Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th beginning at 8:00 a.m. Fifty (50) spaces will be available and set up from 27th to 29th Avenues along Hartnett Boulevard.

Registration began January 1st. Advertising for this event will be included in *The Post and Courier* two (2) weeks prior to the event, the city information boards and the City's E-newsletter. Goodwill will be available to collect any unwanted items.

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 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, lubricated and cleaned Cardio Room equipment.
- Unclogged toilets and drains as needed.
- Touched up paint in kitchen, maintenance office and storage closets.
- Contacted Charleston Fitness Equipment regarding treadmill repairs.
- Flushed all floor drains and cleared debris from water supply lines.
- Contacted and met with the Muhler Company regarding replacement of a cracked window in the Palmetto Room.
- Removed blackout curtains in the Magnolia/Palmetto Rooms.
- Supervised annual back-flow valve testing.
- Repaired and replaced floor fans in the exercise rooms.
- Cleaned HVAC intake vent grills and rest room exhaust fans.
- Cleaned and reorganized kitchen storage.
- Machine scrubbed expansion hall.
- Supervised machine scrubbing of gym floor.

Exterior Maintenance

- Inspected playground equipment and removed graffiti.
- Removed trash and debris from around the building.

Miscellaneous

- Attended staff meetings.
- Placed phone calls to and met with supply sales representatives.
- Ordered and received maintenance supplies.
- Updated the maintenance records.

- Contacted and met with ceiling fan sales representatives and installers regarding replacement cost for expansion porch fans.

PARKS & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Nick Bako

Recreation Building and Activities

- Cleaned out gutters and checked downspouts.
- Dried the tennis court for scheduled activities.
- Completed monthly reports.
- Attended meetings.
- Replaced rope for the flagpole to accommodate both flags.
- Lubed adjuster rails for portable basketball goals in gym.
- Assisted in monthly set up for Keenager meetings, Doggie Day and other events, as needed.
- Cleaned trash receptacle toppers at entrance to building.
- Repaired ceiling tiles in the gym.
- Replaced bulbs in the lobby.
- Cleaned gym floors with floor scrubber.

Recreation Grounds

- Replaced old well pump house.
- Installed ¾ inch coupling for the water supply to the water fountain at the baseball field.
- Replaced handicapped parking signs.
- Filled areas at tennis court, multi-field and softball field with sand and topsoil as needed.
- Cleared ditch on 29th Avenue from Bark Park towards Waterway and also towards Hartnett for better drainage.
- Graded area and relieved water around the picnic shelter and playground areas due high volume of rainfall.
- Applied fire-ant killer spray on multi-field and soccer field.
- Assembled new picnic tables and installed near playground area.

Playground

- Applied weed killer to play area.
- Leveled mulch in playground.
- Hammered spikes back into ground for the border of play area.

Basketball and Tennis Courts

- Cleaned courts daily.
- Replaced tennis court receptacle and tray.
- Installed new nets at the basketball court and re-wire-tied nets as needed.
- Re-wire-tied windscreen at the tennis court several times.
- Painted shuffle board lines on the basketball courts.

Baseball (Scalise) Field

- Applied weed killer to areas in dugout.
- Removed and stored baseball registration signage.
- Painted tables and benches for scorekeeper.

Softball (Clarkin) Field

- Repainted table and bench for scorekeeper.
- Applied weed killer in dugouts.

Soccer Field

- Fertilized field with 17-0-7 with weed control.
- Applied 0-0-7 with dimension pre-emergent fertilizer.

Bark Park

- Installed sponge like material at drain to keep out sand.
- Rented 2 inch pump to pump out water which had reached above 6 inches in the park.
- Filled large hole at rear gate of park and reset gate.

Multi-purpose Field

- Picked up debris and maintained as needed.
- Filled holes in field, as needed.

Equipment

- Replaced tines for the groomer.
- Cleaned truck, golf cart, and groomer.
- Sharpened blades to the Z-Master mower.
- Repaired and serviced small mower.
- Changed oil in the Z-Master mower.
- Took Explorer to have brakes repaired.
- Washed F150 pick-up truck.

COMMUNITY SPECIALIST

By Holly Norton

Daily Responsibilities

- Completed evening procedures and reported damages to supervisor.
- Set up 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
- Worked in Microsoft Publisher to complete following months main and room calendars that display daily programs and activities being held
- Showed first time visitors around Recreation Center and introduced them to all of our accommodations and programs that are available.
- Completed housekeeping duties when supervisor was unavailable

Other Duties

- Matched invoices to purchase orders and then filed.
- Called Keenagers/Seniors to remind them of the February meetings and activities/trips.
- Help with PowerPoint slideshow for Keenagers.
- Located and entered special events/newspaper articles into binder.
- Maintained lost-and-found folder and bins.
- Completed and sent out weekly PSA's.
- Contacted vending machine operators to report problems or refill request when needed.
- Contacted all media contacts to promote Doggie Day Event.
- Helped to clean out and organize Lost & Found.
- Checked in participants of School's Out Activities.
- Created banner advertising Doggie Day to be hung in Rec lobby.
- Created flyer to be distributed to Tiny Tots/Jump Start participants promoting new classes and events.
- Assisted with youth baseball registration.
- Assisted with Tiny Tots/Jump Start registration for residents.
- Assisted with Doggie Day registration.

Most Frequently Asked Questions

"Do you have spring Soccer?"

"What are the gym hours?"

"Does it cost anything to participate in the Doggie Day at the Rec. Dog Show?"

"When is registration for Baseball?"

Most Frequent Unsolicited Comments

"You have a beautiful Facility"

"I thought this building was a school!"

"We are so excited for Doggie Day!"

"The employees here are very helpful and friendly"

Front Desk Summary: February for Monday – Friday

Cardio Room Usage: 332

Open Gym Participants: 129 Residents
97 Non-Residents

Front Desk:

Phone Calls: 482

Walk-Ins: 622

OPERATIONS

Overtime:

February

7.75 hours of overtime

Youth basketball, adult volleyball, Kids Night Out, Cupid's Card Shoppe, Youth Basketball Tournaments and Doggie Day at the Rec.

Building was available in February for 308 hours

Schools Out Activities:

Monday, February 18th

Relays & Tag

Twenty (20) children participated

Information Boards:

	# Times Boards were changed	Amount of Time
September	10 Times	9.75 hours
October	8 Times	7.50 hours
November	7 Times	8.00 hours
December	5 Times	3.75 hours
January	6 Times	5.50 hours
February	7 Times	6.50 hours