



# PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MONTHLY UPDATE REPORT OCTOBER 2021



# HAPPY WORK ANNIVERSARY

#### 2021 Years of Service Awards

30 Years

John Ross VRC

20 Years

Pat Kingery VRC

15 Years

Doug Lowe P&R Garage - Custodian

Cailee Allen VRC

John Burkhardt Golf Operations

10 Years

Shelia Jackson VRC
Cathy Hackett VRC
Alex Brundrett VRC
Cristen Allen VRC

5 Years

P&R Garage - Office Asst Micki Weber Ted Lewis Golf Maintenance Denny Hoskins **Golf Operations Golf Operations** Russ Muntz **Golf Operations** Jeri Pace **Golf Operations** Richard Garver Kaylee Cornelison Golf Operations Rachael McCray **Golf Operations** Thomas Melat **Golf Operations** Marvin Weikert **Golf Operations** 

Natalie Blackwell VRC Lacey Hedges VRC Ryan Greene VRC Karen Pedtke VRC



Counting the 2021 Part-Time Service Award Winners, a total of 204 Employees have been recognized in the Parks & Recreation Department:

5 Years - 138 Employees

10 Years - 31 Employees

15 Years - 20 Employees

20 Years - 9 Employees

25 Years - 3 Employees

30 Years - 2 Employees

55 Years - 1 Employee

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#### **Advisory Board Members**

- Tara Landis, Chairperson
- Lydia Baker, Vice Chairperson
- Rick Scherer, Secretary
- Lenny Maenza
- Larry Taylor
- Rodney Washburn
- Corey Follick, City Council Representative
- Bob Costello (Emeritus Status)



# **PARKS**

- Routine inspections of all fire extinguishers, kitchen hoods, and hazmat building fire suppression systems were completed.
- Light bulbs and ballasts were replaced as needed at various locations.
- The Justice Center roof leak issues were addressed. Roof scans and core samples also occurred as part of the process in moving forward with the flat roof replacement plans.
- The frog slide pad was replaced at the Recreation Center pool.
- A failed chlorine feed line was repaired at the Recreation Center pool. Staff looked at the system, and involved the Fire Department to approve and make a much-improved installation of the replacement feed line. A great example of our Staff taking initiative, and resulting in a positive outcome.

# TREE CITY USA

- The five fall Commemorative Tree orders were confirmed.
- Landscape maintenance and mowing continued.
- Landscape plans for the two newest medians are with the Contractor. Installation will proceed once the median and asphalt work are complete.
- Plans are being completed for landscape improvements at the Municipal Building.

# **RECREATION**



#### Fall Festival

The Fall Festival held on Saturday, October 9, at the Art Park was a huge success with over 800 people attending! Plans for future Fall Festivals at the Art Park are already underway. Congratulations to Aaron Messenger and the Art Committee for all the work they did to pull-off such a wonderful, free event for our Community.

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#### Other Successfully Run Programs

- Halloween Boo Bash
- Kids Night Out
- Kids Mental Health Awareness Seminar -Thank you to Premier Health for providing this Program!

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Halloween Game Night at the VRC on Monday, October 25, from 5:00 PM 6:15 PM.
- Halloween Hangout at the Baseball Concession Stand on Thursday,
   October 28, from 5:00 PM 7:00 PM. There will be music, food,
   decorations, and at least 16 Businesses/Groups handing out candy.

#### Little Free Library

We received \$1,000 from the Dayton Metro Libraries (DML) to assist with the Free Little Library initiative. DML wrote and received grant funding from The Vandalia-Butler Foundation. Including the \$1,000 from Vandalia-Butler Optimist Club, we have received a total of \$2,000 to pay for all costs associated with the project. This multi-organizational partnership promises to intertwine healthy visits to our Parks, with great literacy material to take. We will continue to keep you updated as this project unfolds.



#### Revenue - Resident / Non-Resident Comparison - 2019 / 2021

#### 2019

#### VRC Memberships Jul-Sep 2019

\$58,432.66 Resident \$48,125.65 Non-Res \$16,186.98 Insurance Based Membership

#### Daily Admissions VRC July-Sep 2019

\$5,963.00 Resident \$19,955.00 Non-Res

#### Birthday Parties 2019 July-Sep 2019

\$1,080.00 Resident \$10,078.00 Non-Res

#### Youth Baseball/Softball 2019

\$18,680.00 Resident \$12,179.00 Non-Res

#### Youth Soccer 2019

\$17,780.00 Resident \$9,300.00 Non-Res

#### Senior Center Memberships 2019

July 315 Resident 126 \*Butler Township 297 Non-Res

#### CampREC 2019

\$25,177.00 Resident \$59,145.00 Non-Res

#### 2021

#### VRC Memberships Jul-Sep 2021

\$49,537.07 Resident \$43,521.04 Non-Res \$13,213.85 Insurance Based Membership

#### Daily Admissions VRC July- Sep 2021

\$6,028.00 Resident \$26,322.00 Non-Res

#### Birthday Parties July-Sep 2021

\$770.00 Resident \$9.365.00 Non-res

#### Youth Baseball/Softball 2021

\$13,785.00 Resident \$13,872.00 Non-Res

#### Youth Soccer 2021

\$11,860 Resident \$9,030 Non-Res

#### **Senior Center Memberships 2021**

July 228 Resident 65 \*Butler Township 242 Non-Res

#### CampREC 2021

\$32,021.00 Resident \$37,767.00 Non-Res

# **ATHLETICS**



Micki Marlow, Concession Manager, recently announced her retirement after 23 years on payroll with our Department, and 15 years as a volunteer on our baseball commission. Many thanks to Micki for her contributions to our athletic programs over the years! Her experience and high energy approach will be sorely missed. Plans to recognize Micki are underway.



Water to the Sports Complex restrooms will be shut off on Monday, November 1. Therefore, Friday, October 29 will be the last day we host Adult Softball games.



Reservations have been made for October 31 and November 7 to use Butler's Memorial Stadium for the Flag Football Superbowl games.

#### Youth Soccer

- Passers and Mighty Mites leagues are complete.
- Wings and Strikers leagues are finishing up within the next week with their area tournaments. Vandalia teams that finish 1st or 2nd in the area tournament will have the opportunity to play at the State Tournament in Cincinnati in November.



- We are hosting the Strikers tournament. The last games are scheduled for Sunday, October 24.



We currently have 90 kids registered for Youth Basketball. Coaches are beginning to be contacted and we hope to have teams practicing by the end of November.

# **RECREATION CENTER**



A couple more weeks remain for the Fall Membership Special. During the special, when a 2022 Annual Membership is purchased, patrons will receive the remainder of 2021 at no cost. We will make a push via social media and an email blast this week. Our annual 19% off special will begin November 6.

# Premier Health

We are currently negotiating a Gymnasium Sponsorship Agreement extension with Premier Health. Our relationship has been mutually beneficial.

#### September Senior Incentive Winners - \$25 Kroger Gift Card

Linda Sheline - 20 Jerome Pleiman - 13 Jerry Anglemyer - 18 Dianne Alexander - 10

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#### November Group Fitness Class Spotlight

The November free classes will be Saturday morning classes:

- Cardio Physique at 7:00 AM
- B-Step at 8:00 AM

#### Unlimited Group Fitness

We currently have 18 Unlimited Group Fitness passes sold. Of those, Melissa Weng participated in the most classes in the month of September, with 19 classes. Way to go Melissa!

#### Maintain Campaign

Our annual holiday Maintain Campaign will begin in November for the 2021 Holiday season!

# **SENIOR CENTER**



Toni is diligently working with Sinclair's Lifelong Learning Department to determine if and when they will once again offer classes off-campus. At this point, we are unsure when classes will resume.

#### Visit Update

Visits to the Senior Center continue to increase since the Covid shutdown. During the past 10-day period, we have averaged 62 Member visits per day.



The November Newsletter has been posted online: https://vandaliaohio.org/341/Senior-Center

# **CASSEL HILLS POOL**



An Agreement has been reached with SwimSafe to manage our aquatics division for 2022. The updated Agreement will include new, detailed performance expectations.

# **Next Meeting and Discussion Topics**

The next in-person meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at 6:30 PM at the Vandalia Senior Center.

If you have any discussion topics for the November 17 meeting, please let Steve know!

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