



## **York Township Recreation Board**

### **Meeting Agenda**

**April 3, 2008**

**York Township Administration Building**

**7:00 p.m.**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Review of Minutes and Budget Reports
  - A. March Minutes
  - B. March Budget Report
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Presentations
  - A. Stump Park/Markey Park Update—Andy Mears, JMT
  - B. York Township Baseball Team's Request
- V. Staff Report
  - A. Programs
  - B. Park Repairs/Projects
  - C. Environmental Advisory Council
- V. Old Business
  - A. Fitz Park Playground
  - B. Bocce Court Renovation
  - C. Trolley Line Update
- VI. New Business
  - A. Summer Playground Program Site at Dallastown Community Park
  - B. Discussion of Open Recreation Board Seats
- VII. Other
- VIII. Adjournment—9:30 p.m. (if not earlier)

# MARCH 2008 YORK TOWNSHIP RECREATION REPORT

## Submitted by Debra Hatley, Director

### Administrative Items

- Staff attended CPR/AED training during March.
- Director and Program Director attended Pennsylvania Recreation and Parks Society Conference on March 9-12. Department received an Excellence in Programming Award.
- Director met with representatives from Dallastown Borough regarding joint programming on March 25.
- Department held appreciation luncheon for 2007 Partners in Parks on March 27.
- Director met with JMT representative regarding Stump Park and Markey Park updates on March 31.
- Director met with EAC representatives to discuss the Greenway Ordinance and the Critical Environmental Areas Ordinance on March 31.
- Parks Foreman attended a Field Manager's seminar in Lancaster.

### Programs

- **YOUTH EGG HUNT** - This event truly starts the Spring season! On Saturday, March 22 there were over 300 children ages 10 and under scrambling to collect eggs filled with candy and prizes. This event could not be a success without the volunteers who give their time. This year the York Township Lion's Club and teens from the Dallastown Middle School's National Junior Honor Society made the event a success. The York Newspaper was there to publicize the event and the event made the front page of the Local section in the Sunday paper.
- **SENIOR EGG HUNT** - On Monday, March 24, the department held an egg hunt for the Seniors of the community. This event was held at Country Meadow's facility last year and attended by most of their clients. This year the department decided to hold it the York Township Park Building in York Township Park. Information about the event was sent to the media as well as contacting several Adult Community Facilities. The Haven at Springwood and Senior Commons were expected to bring forty seniors to this event, but since it was a cool day, The Haven at Springwood did not attend. There were thirteen seniors who enjoyed music from Mick Cochran while making an Easter basket. Once the baskets were complete five volunteers from Dallastown Middle School's National Junior Honor Society assisted the seniors on an egg hunt. There were thirteen prizes of which five were donated from Giant Food, Hallmark Cardtique and Brown's Orchard.
- **TEEN EGG HUNT** - Another exciting and successful event the department organized was the Teen Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m. There were 100 tickets sold for this event and children ages 11 – 18 years old were thrilled to search for prize eggs redeemable for various prizes ranging from an iPod, gift certificates and movie passes. In addition to hunting for prized eggs, the participants enjoyed pizza and refreshments before the hunt.
- **GIRL'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE** – Registration is finally closed and this year's girl's softball program consists of 120 participants. There are 8 teams consisting of (3) 10U teams, (2) 12U, (1) 14U Minor, (1) 14U Major and (1) 16U team. All the teams are full and very anxious to get out on the fields for practice.
- **SOFTBALL PITCHING CLINIC** – This year the department is offering a softball pitching clinic at Dallastown Elementary School for the girl's softball program. The clinic is held every Saturday, March 29–April 28 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. for beginners and 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. for intermediate and advanced players. There are six participants in the beginner class and seven in the intermediate and advance class.
- **WATER BABIES** – Session 2 ends April 12 and there are enough participants registered for another session. Even though this class is helping children acclimate to water and a pool environment, it is also allowing the parents to enjoy a half hour of exercising in the water.
- **SHUFFLEBOARD** – There are seven people playing shuffleboard in the lower level training room of the Municipal Building and they have learned skill and strategy and had a bit of luck in this game. Those participating are now looking forward to participating in the York County Senior Shuffleboard Games in June.
- **FITNESS CLASSES**- Classes are still in session and the Senior Strides participants begin a new session April 2.
- **AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS**- On Monday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 12, there were twenty-two participants learning about the specific needs of older drivers, such as age-related physical changes and declining perceptual skills.
- **SENIOR WRITING CLASS**- Session 1 ended March 4 and Session 2 began March 27. There are

seven people registered for Session 2 who are returning from Session 1.

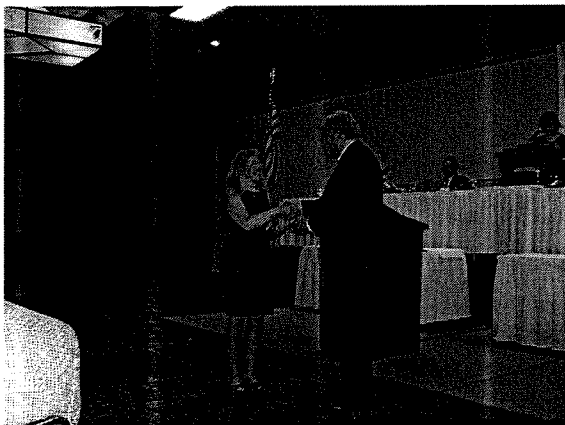
- **ART WORKSHOP** – On Monday, March 24, the department held an Art Workshop in the lower level training room of the Municipal Building. There were 18 children from 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades working with instructors from YorkArts during this workshop. The children created two projects—one inspired from the artist Henri Matisse and the second was a Dot Monster.
- **BACKYARDIGANS** - Every Thursday from 10:30 a.m. -11:15 a.m., five children ages 3-4 years old enjoy pretending with their favorite character from the Backyardigans. The children enjoy reading about the adventures the Backyardigans take and then pretend to take their own adventure. Afterwards, the children make a craft pertaining to their adventure.

### Rentals

- York Township Park Building—21 rental dates; 42 program dates
- Heritage Hills Park Pavilion—1

### Park Repairs/Projects—done by Public Works

- Miscellaneous Park Building/field maintenance/tree trimming/walking path repair and maintenance
- York Township Park:
  - Overseed playing fields
  - Apply Diamond-Tex to Ballfields 1,2,3
  - Reinforce and install batting cage at McWilliams Field
  - Begin bocce court renovation
  - Place soccer goals on fields
  - Repair water line leak
  - Aerate and fertilize playing fields
  - Install silt fence at new shed area
  - Remove trees and limbs from wind storm
- Snyder Park:
  - Replace team benches at ballfield
  - Install bleachers at ballfield
  - Remove old hedge at parking area
- Heritage Hills Park:
  - Install new park sign
- Fitz Park:
  - Remove old playground equipment
- New Equipment:
  - Ordered a new John Deere tractor for maintenance



Monica Newcomb receiving award at recent PRPS conference.



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