

LINCOLNWOOD PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 7:00 pm
Village Hall-Council Chambers

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes of January 7, 2014 meeting minutes
- III. Audience Participation/Letters from the Public
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Approval of the No Smoking Ordinance prohibiting smoking in Parks and Bikeways (Ordinance to be handed out at the meeting)
 - b. Illinois Park and Recreation Conference Recap
- V. New Business
 - a. Request from Special Education Foundation of School District 219 to hold an event at the Community Center (Ordinance to be handed out at the meeting)
 - b. Presentation of Draft Budget Summary and Capital Improvement Plan
- VI. Director's Report
- VII. Recreation Staff Reports
- VIII. Audience Participation
- IX. Adjournment

Posted: February 10, 2012



Lincolnwood Park and Recreation Board Meeting

Lincolnwood Village Hall – Council Chambers

January 14, 2014

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT AT MEETING

Park Board Members: Demerise Gratch, Sarah Hardin, Gail Ito, Art Lovering, Laura Tomacic

Parks and Recreation Department Staff: Jan Hincapie, Katie Gamroth, Mike Azzaretto

Village Board Liaison: Trustee Craig Klatzko

Audience: Barbara Faermark

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion, Lovering/Ito to approve the meeting minutes of the October 8, 2013 meeting. 5-0, motion passed.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/LETTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. Request to hold Lincolnwood Fest, 2014

Faermark-It was a great year last year, I am very proud to say this was the first year ever when we did not receive a single resident complaint and there was not a single incident.

Gratch-Thought it was a great year

Hincapie-The Friends of the Community Center puts on this event each year and the net funds of the event go to improving the Community Center, we have now expanded to the parks and scholarship funds as well.

Faermark-We have a very good working relationship with the Parks and Village Hall staff and have had great support to run this event.

Ito-What is the budget and how is the money being spent?

Hincapie-This year the money is going the Community Center to repair the roof at the Community Center. The Friends will be giving \$20,000 to the repair of the roof.

Faermark-The report that was given was a preliminary report, we have a few more follow up funds coming in.

Hincapie-When Jim Gamble stepped down about 5 years ago the Friends of the Community Center gave \$68,000 for the renovation of the Community Center. This included the kitchen renovations and audio system. We are looking to possibly partner with the Friends for the renovation of Proesel Park, they have very much held up their side of the process.

Bass- Was the equipment last summer new amusement equipment?

Faermark-No, this has been the 5th year we have used Windy City.

Bass- I thought it was very age appropriate

Faermark-We have separated the youth rides out, this made the layout much more organized.

Hincapie- We have also expanded all the way to Morse, which has allowed more space which makes the breakdown of spaces more effective.

On motion, Hardin/Tomacic recommended approval to allow alcohol in the park, bingo, carnival games and to hold the 2014 Lincolnwood Fest July 24 -26. 5-0 motion passed

B. Discussion regarding the 2013 Turkey Trot

Hincapie-This was our biggest Turkey Trot ever and we are looking for feedback. It was a freezing cold day, we had patio heaters out at the water stops as well as salt to stop the water from freezing on the ground. This year site was reconfigured in a square format. The new set up allowed a more centralized location with four fire pits for runners to warm up at.

Ito-Were there people who did not come because of the weather?

Hincapie- Yes, many. It was nice to have the Niles West Cheerleaders and Football team out to really make this feel like a community event.

Gratch- The main complaint I heard was that the children's extra-large shirt was not the same as the adult extra-small.

Lovering- I recall there being talk about changing the course.

Hincapie- Yes, there has been talk about coming off of Lincoln. Unfortunately we are surrounded by IDOT roads, we will be taking a look at the route this spring.

Ito- If you change it you are going to have the same problem elsewhere, just a new set of complainers.

Lovering- Lincoln might be the best option because you are only closing half of the street.

Hincapie- We have to go through our CARA re-certification this year, which is why this is a great year to look at changing the route.

C. Report on Department Staffing

Hincapie- You were told in the last meeting that Jan Wu was going to be staying on board with the group through Turkey Trot, that unfortunately did not work out and Jan's last day in the office was October 30th. Andy Thurman had his last day on January 3rd and you can find him as Superintendent of Recreation at the Geneseo Park District. Katie Gamroth has now been promoted to Superintendent of Recreation filling Jan Wu's old position and we finished up with interviews today for the Superintendent of Parks and Facilities. We are hoping to have a set start date shortly for that position, possibly in mid-February. We are also in the process of filling the Community Center Program Supervisor position and will be doing second round interviews on Friday.

Bass- Do we have any update on the development of bike trails?

Hincapie- We have received permission to negotiate and move forward with the Union Pacific project. We are also moving along with the overpass project. We are looking to have two new bike paths this year and the overpass next year.

D. Presentation of 2013 Camp Report

Gamroth- Presented overview of 2013 camp season.

Lovering- Can we send out a note to the Camp 74 parents letting them know that we have listened and are bringing the camp back to Proesel Park?

Gamroth- Yes we are planning on sending an email blast to all participants highlighting the new changes for 2014.

Hincapie- We can also look at past surveys and grab emails from the responses.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion regarding smoking in the parks

Azzaretto- Presented overview of smoking in parks presentation.

Lovering- Right now we allow smoking in our parks?

Bass- Would this include e-smoking?

Tomacic- You are allowed to smoke e-cigarettes in restaurants.

Bass- If you smoke e-cigarettes would people be inhaling second hand smoke from those?

Klatzko- Can Park Patrol give citations?

Hincapie- Yes and program supervisors of the programs in the park can also help to monitor.

Tomacic- How would this effect Lincolnwood Fest?

Hincapie- That would be included, unless the board allowed smoking during this time.

Lovering- We might want to take a look at the verbiage on tobacco use, what about chewing? Is that included? That doesn't present the same second hand smoke issue.

Gratch- Maybe use smoking?

Hardin- In the list of places that it has been banned is there any feedback saying that smoking has slowed in the parks due to the ordinance?

Lovering- It is more of an awareness issue, one the rule followers know they will stop.

Ito- Smoking is a problematic behavior everywhere, this is a great idea.

Gratch- It will be harder to enforce specific areas, questions will arise where does the playground end?

Ito- You are still going to see cigarette butts around, I like the whole tobacco use. If we are promoting a healthy lifestyle then tobacco falls in that.

Hardin- Chewing tobacco doesn't have a secondary effect.

Bass- What about other items that are harmful and being smoked these days?

Hincapie- We will do some more research on our end and come back to you with more information.

Lovering- Would we be able to enforce this by the start of this season?

Hincapie- Yes if we go to the board in March, we should be able to.

Lovering- I don't want people to feel like we are forcing them to live a healthy life, it is their choice.

However if your choice affects others around you then it should be considered. How would we go about enforcing if someone has a big cigar, are other able to inform Park Patrol and have them step in?

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS - None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

As noted in report.

STAFF REPORTS

A. SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION – KATIE GAMROTH

As noted in report

B. YOUTH PROGRAMS COORDINATOR – MIKE AZZARETTO

Updated youth program registration numbers:

Zumba Kids and Video Game Animation is cancelled due to low enrollment

ADJOURNMENT

On motion, Ito/Hardin to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

Park Board Minutes prepared by: Katie Gamroth, Superintendent of Recreation

Park and Recreation Board President:

Signature

Date

Request For Board Action

REFERRED TO BOARD: February 18, 2014

AGENDA ITEM NO:

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Approval of a Recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Board to Adopt an Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking in the Parks and Bikeways Modifying Section 6-3-9 of the Village Code

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

Smoking in public places has become a growing concern in the field of parks and recreation. The concern is rooted in the studies that show the health dangers of secondhand smoke and the negative impact of tobacco litter. Many parks and recreation agencies across Illinois and the nation have banned smoking in the parks, bikeways and public places. Others have made it a point to strongly discourage it.

Some of the reasons that smoking has been either banned or discouraged in public places include:

1. Cigarettes are the most littered item in the United States and the world.
2. They are very slow to decompose, therefore having an impact on the earth for an extended period of time.
3. Cigarettes are a fire hazard
4. They can increase maintenance costs.
5. Children and wildlife can mistake cigarettes for food.

The Smoke-free Illinois Act (SFIA) was effective in 2008. All indoor public places, including workplaces, are required to be smoke free. No smoking signs must be posted at the entrances to the building and ashtrays must be removed from outside the door and placed 15 feet from doorways, windows and vents.

REALTY Illinois conducted a survey of Lake County residents to assess their attitude toward tobacco products. Over 1700 surveys were collected from Lake County residents and visitors. Of the people surveyed 84.9% thought that litter from tobacco products was a problem in Lake County Parks including parks, playgrounds and outdoor sports fields and 68.5% have been bothered by tobacco smoke at parks, playground and outdoor sports fields.

Staff gathering information from a variety of sources and found 40 communities that have smoking regulations, ranging from a ban of all tobacco materials in all areas to banning products at events, leagues and picnics where there are large groups of people.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

1. Proposed Ordinance
2. Unapproved Minutes of the February 11, 2014 Parks and Recreation Board meeting

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move to approve an Ordinance, modifying Section 6-3-9 of the Village Code, prohibiting smoking in parks and bikeways

Request For Board Action

REFERRED TO BOARD: February 18, 2014

AGENDA ITEM NO:

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Consideration of a Recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Board to Adopt an Ordinance Waiving the Enforcement of Section 10-2-36 of the Village Code Prohibiting the Sale of Alcohol at the Community Center on April 5, 2014 for the SEED Foundation Trivia Night Fundraiser

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

The SEED Foundation is a not-for-profit foundation created in 2013, which partners with Niles township District for Special Education (NTDSE), parents and the community to provide resources to support and promote educational services and program for students at the Julia Molloy Education Center and within satellite sites. The SEED Foundation aims to facilitate partnerships within the community to promote awareness and understanding of people with disabilities while fostering inclusive opportunities for our students with disabilities.

The SEED Foundation has rented the Lincolnwood Community Center on Saturday, April 5, 2014 for an adult-only Trivia Night, their first fundraiser. The event will take place from 6:00-10:00 pm. Tickets will be sold for \$20 per person. They plan to have drawings for donated prizes and a trivia contest. They would also like to sell beer and wine, which is prohibited by the Village Code in section 10-2-36.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

1. Proposed Ordinance
2. Letter from the SEED Foundatoni
3. Unapproved Minutes of the February 11, 2014 Parks and Recreation Board meeting

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move to approve an Ordinance waiving the enforcement of Section 10-2-36 of the Village Code, allowing the sale of beer and wine at the Community Center on April 5, 2014 for the SEED Foundation Trivia Night.

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| Village of Lincolnwood | | | | | | |
| Parks & Recreation Department | | | | | | |
| FY Budget April 30, 2015 | | | | | | |
| Activities | | | | | | |
| | | 2012/2013 | 2012/2013 | 2013/2014 | 2013/2014 | 2014/2015 |
| | | Budget | Actual | Budget | Projected | Budget |
| General P&R Administration | | | | | | |
| Dept 501- Non-Program Revenue | | 16,300 | 37,967 | 46,200 | 43,891 | 26,500 |
| Dept 430- Park Maintenance | | (719,617) | (743,788) | (733,002) | (717,814) | (686,584) |
| Dept 500- Administration | | (393,984) | (403,668) | (403,726) | (376,795) | (412,221) |
| Dept 508- Park Patrol | | (61,986) | (58,908) | (57,682) | (61,114) | (62,251) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | (1,159,287) | (1,168,397) | (1,148,210) | (1,111,832) | (1,134,556) |
| Dept 502- Youth/Tot Programs | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 35,600 | 30,645 | 22,000 | 25,000 | 30,000 |
| Expense | | (26,227) | (14,354) | (16,423) | (15,323) | (14,773) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 9,373 | 16,291 | 5,577 | 9,677 | 15,227 |
| Dept 503- Adult/Fitness | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 30,700 | 36,889 | 34,600 | 35,500 | 44,000 |
| Expense | | (20,509) | (29,618) | (23,799) | (22,099) | (23,799) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 10,191 | 7,271 | 10,801 | 13,401 | 20,201 |
| Dept 504- Special Events | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 7,600 | 8,894 | 10,500 | 10,000 | 20,000 |
| Expense | | (29,988) | (29,929) | (37,088) | (34,763) | (42,288) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | (22,388) | (21,035) | (26,588) | (24,763) | (22,288) |
| Dept 505- Athletic Programs | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 5,700 | 3,123 | 3,200 | 3,500 | 3,750 |
| Expense | | (8,366) | (2,269) | (3,866) | (3,153) | (5,866) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | (2,666) | 854 | (666) | 347 | (2,116) |
| Dept 506- Birthday Parties | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 500 | | 2,880 | | 3,500 |
| Expense | | (385) | (38) | (1,340) | (1,524) | (1,657) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 115 | (38) | 1,540 | (1,524) | 1,843 |
| P&R continued - page 2 | | | | | | |
| Dept 507- Outdoor Recreation | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | | | 2,700 | 1000 | 2,500 |
| Expense | | | | (1,383) | (818) | (1,968) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | | | 1,317 | 182 | 532 |
| Dept 509- Turkey Trot | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 64,500 | 55,268 | 61,000 | 73,259 | 60,600 |
| Expense | | (54,670) | (50,423) | (50,744) | (47,424) | (50,236) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 9,830 | 4,845 | 10,256 | 25,835 | 10,364 |

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| Dept 520- Club Kid Program | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 46,000 | 59,931 | 55,000 | 60,550 | 57,500 | |
| Expense | | (27,180) | (33,616) | (40,508) | (38,280) | (42,155) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 18,820 | 26,315 | 14,492 | 22,270 | 15,345 | |
| Dept 530- Day Camp Program | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 316,305 | 363,201 | 366,450 | 367,921 | 379,500 | |
| Expense | | (302,023) | (289,866) | (311,586) | (298,368) | (317,483) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 14,282 | 73,335 | 54,864 | 69,553 | 62,017 | |
| Dept 540- Softball Program | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 16,800 | 15,043 | 15,600 | 9,785 | 10,000 | |
| Expense | | (7,550) | (6,518) | (6,500) | (5,943) | (6,500) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 9,250 | 8,525 | 9,100 | 3,842 | 3,500 | |
| Dept 550- Tennis Program | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 26,000 | 27,957 | 23,200 | 7,030 | 12,800 | |
| Expense | | (20,800) | (14,940) | (16,240) | (6,500) | (6,500) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 5,200 | 13,017 | 6,960 | 530 | 6,300 | |
| Dept 560- Pool Program | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 554,148 | 580,931 | 587,335 | 552,825 | 567,812 | |
| Expense | | (439,208) | (451,069) | (466,927) | (404,992) | (463,190) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 114,940 | 129,862 | 120,408 | 147,833 | 104,622 | |
| P&R continued - 3 | | | | | | | |
| Dept 561- Swim Lessons | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 40,500 | 43,838 | 44,000 | 48,818 | 49,500 | |
| Expense | | (16,397) | (16,896) | (19,290) | (22,470) | (23,630) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 24,103 | 26,942 | 24,710 | 26,348 | 25,870 | |
| Dept 562- Swim Team | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 32,500 | 33,133 | 32,200 | 47,030 | 42,600 | |
| Expense | | (24,335) | (22,152) | (23,360) | (17,297) | (20,531) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 8,165 | 10,981 | 8,840 | 29,733 | 22,069 | |
| Dept 563- Concessions | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 85,000 | 88,140 | 81,460 | 76,785 | 80,975 | |
| Expense | | (55,446) | (68,933) | (70,094) | (62,865) | (66,445) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 29,554 | 19,207 | 11,366 | 13,920 | 14,530 | |
| Dept 570- Seniors Program | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 21,850 | 35,334 | 31,600 | 37,451 | 36,150 | |
| Expense | | (29,153) | (29,504) | (29,592) | (32,475) | (31,092) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | (7,303) | 5,830 | 2,008 | 4,976 | 5,058 | |

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| Dept 571- Community Center | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | 31,500 | 52,279 | 38,500 | 36,500 | 44,000 | |
| Expense | | (21,646) | (22,842) | (41,813) | (41,586) | (25,265) | (\$20,000 in roof repairs, donated by Friends of the Community Center) |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | 9,854 | 29,437 | (3,313) | (5,086) | 18,735 | |
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| Dept 580 - Special Recreation | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | | | | | | |
| Expense | | (128,000) | (125,212) | (128,000) | (130,000) | (132,000) | |
| Net Income/(Expense) | | (128,000) | (125,212) | (128,000) | (130,000) | (132,000) | |
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| Total Revenue | | 1,331,503 | 1,472,573 | 1,458,425 | 1,436,845 | 1,471,687 | |
| Total Expenditures | | (2,387,470) | (2,414,543) | (2,482,963) | (2,341,603) | (2,436,434) | |
| Net Income/Expenditures | | (1,055,967) | (941,970) | (1,024,538) | (904,758) | (964,747) | |
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| Net (loss) before capital expenses | | (1,055,967) | (941,970) | (1,024,538) | (904,758) | (964,747) | |

Village of Lincolnwood
 CIP - Capital Improvement Project - Department Summary
 For The Periods as Shown

Department Parks & Recreation

| <u>Project</u> | <u>2014-2015</u> | <u>2015-2016</u> | <u>2016-2017</u> | <u>2017-2018</u> | <u>2018-2019</u> |
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| ComEd Bike Path Development | | | | | |
| Bike Path/Overpass Design and Construct. | 300,000 | 110,000 | 157,000 | 157,000 | 0 |
| IDOT pays for project and bills Village 20% | 0 | 88,000 | 628,000 | 628,000 | 0 |
| Union Pacific Land Acquisition Grant Funding | | | | | |
| Union Pacific Bike Path Development | 300,000 | | | | |
| IDOT pays for project and bills Village 20% | 80,000 | | | | |
| Community Center | | | | | |
| Possible Acquisition/Renovation | 0 | 0 | 2,700,000 | 2,700,000 | 0 |
| Possible Grant Funding - 50% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,700,000 | 0 |
| Playground Replacement Program | | | | | |
| Park Renovation/Playground Replacement | 100,000 | 120,000 | 100,000 | 120,000 | 120,000 |
| Possible "Friends" Contribution - 50% | 0 | 0 | 100,000 | 0 | 0 |
| | (O'Brien) | (Proesel) | (Flowers) | (GG Rowell) | |
| Centennial Park (Formerly Channel Runne) | | | | | |
| Project Phase III (Shelter w/ restrooms, lookout over channel, nature path) | | | 400,000 | | |
| Possible Grant Funding - 50% | | | (200,000) | | |
| Proesel Park Aquatic Center Renovations | | | | | |
| | - | 110,000 | 35,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Possible Grant Funding - 50% | - | - | - | - | - |
| Totals | 780,000 | 428,000 | 3,920,000 | 6,555,000 | 370,000 |

Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

February, 2014

Jan Hincapie, Director of Parks and Recreation

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Illinois Park and Recreation Conference

All Recreation program staff attended the Illinois Parks and Recreation Conference. As usual, it was a great opportunity to network with fellow professional and board members. Thank you to the board members that attended the conference and the lunch when we received the Illinois Distinguished Agency Accreditation plaque. It is proudly hanging outside the door of our department. I was also honored to have been sworn in as Chairman of the Board for the Illinois Park and Recreation Association. It is going to be an amazing year.

I spoke at three sessions and attended many meetings. I thoroughly enjoy this conference and look forward to it each year. We will have a discussion at the meeting about the staff and board's experience at this event.

Full-time positions filled!

I am so pleased to announce that our department has individuals hired for all the full-time positions. We have hired Chris Stachewicz of University of Illinois Chicago. Chris has an extensive background in aquatics, so he will be able to hit the ground running when he starts on Monday, February 10. You will meet him at the Tuesday meeting. In addition to the pool Chris will serve as the department liaison to Public Works, he will oversee all the parks, Park Patrol, softball and will supervise office operations, including our front office gem, Chris Quill.

Melissa Rimzdius is coming to us from the Park District of Oak Park. She will start on Tuesday, February 25 as Community Center Program Supervisor. She will oversee the Community Center and its programming, Memorial Day, Camp and a variety of other programs and special events. Melissa is overflowing with energy. We look forward to Chris and Melissa joining our staff team.

Bike Paths

We are in the final stages of negotiation for the ComEd lease. We hope to have it ready to present to the Village board for signature authorization within two months. The bidding date for the project will be in the June/July timeframe.

We are in the negotiation phase for the purchase of the Union Pacific railway. The construction project will be bid out in August. Both projects should take less than three months to complete.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

- February 7 – Daddy Daughter Dance at Monastero’s
- February 13 – IPRA Board Meeting in Chicago Metro Region
- February 18 – Village Board Meeting
- February 20 – Budget Workshop with the Village Board
- February 25 – Melissa Rimzdius starts with Village
- March 4 – Village Board Meeting
- March 6/7 – IPRA Board Meeting in Southern Region
- March 11 – Park Board Meeting
- March 13 – Present IPRA Strategic Plan in Decatur
- March 18 – Village Board Meeting
- March 21 – Jan leaves for vacation, returns April 7

Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation

Superintendent of Recreation Report

Katie Smith Gamroth

February 2014

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Social Media

I am learning more and more every day about our social media sites! While at conference, I was able to attend a number of marketing and media seminars and learn about new ways to communicate with our current participants, as well as attracting new ones. While Facebook still has the highest number of users, Instagram and Google + are growing quickly among the younger generation. We are researching the possibility of starting a presence for these media outlets in the upcoming months.

Community Center

The Community Center continues to be a popular venue for family parties with four rentals booked in February. The Lincolnwood Chamber will also be hosting a breakfast on Friday February 28 and the Lincolnwood Social Club will be hosting the Valentine's Day Party on February 14. We have seen a slight decrease in the number of rentals from 2013 (six) and attribute that to the very cold weather and snowy conditions.

Social Club

Due to the cold temperatures and snow, we had to cancel many of the late January and early February Social Club programs for the safety of our members. We do have plenty more exciting activities coming up in February:

- Valentine's Day Party
- Chinese Golden Dragon
- City Style Lunch Bunch at the Gage

We have also completed and mailed out the March/April Social Club newsletter and hope that with the warmer spring weather we will draw larger crowds for the upcoming events.

Brochures

The Summer Camp brochure should be hitting Lincolnwood mailboxes in by early next week. Summer Camp was originally scheduled to start on June 9, however District 219 (many of our camp counselors) will now be in session until June 10. We were able to adjust the fees and start date to June 11th in the brochure. We have our fingers crossed that more snow days will not be necessary.

The Summer brochure is in the early stages of updating and we plan to have the final copy out in mid-March. This process has been a bit delayed this year due staff vacancies, as well as the challenges with the new District 219 school schedule.

Summer Concert Series

I am pleased to announce the 2014 Summer Concert Series line-up!

| June | July | August |
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| <p data-bbox="207 340 565 436">12– Wind Gypsies Chicago’s #1 Rock and Tribute Trio</p> <p data-bbox="220 466 552 562">19- Out of Control Today’s Hits and Yesterdays Favorites</p> <p data-bbox="220 592 552 688">26– Saturday June Band Electric Mix of 60’s and 70’s Through Today!</p> | <p data-bbox="636 340 987 436">10-Skip Towne Productions Good Time Rockin’ Blues You Can’t Refuse</p> <p data-bbox="630 466 993 583">17– Swing Express The Best in Pop, Jazz, Motown and More!</p> <p data-bbox="662 613 961 676">31– The Paul Avers Band Today’s Country</p> | <p data-bbox="1091 340 1377 403">7– AcRock A Capella Rock and Roll</p> <p data-bbox="1107 432 1360 495">14– Felix and Fingers Dueling Pianos</p> |

Along with the wonderful musical entertainment, FREE family activities start before the music each week for all to enjoy. We are currently working toward securing sponsorship for the concert series and will then move forward booking the family entertainment.

Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation

Youth Programs Coordinator

Mike Azzaretto

February 2014

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Daddy Daughter Dance

The Daddy Daughter Dance registration is down from last year's 83 couples totaling 171 people to 30 couples for a total of 65 people. Staff have been researching possible reasons for the decline in the attendance and have come up with the following:

- Niles West Variety show on the same night
- Snow and cold temperatures
- Opening ceremony of the Olympics
- Time to find a new venue to spice up the event

In recent years a craft has been added to the event so the girls would have a keepsake to remind them of the evening. This year girls will have the opportunity to decorate a bookmark that will hold the photos that come out of the photo booth. Adhesive gems and rhinestones will be used to decorate the bookmarks to cut down on potential messes.

Summer Camp Field Trips

I got a head start on booking summer camp field trips, and the bookings are almost complete. The children will be enjoying some of their favorites from last year in addition to many new and exciting field trips for 2014. Some of the new field trips include:

- Chicago White Sox Tour
- Soldier Field Tour
- Dupage County Hounds minor league baseball game
- Hershey Chocolate
- Sky Deck at Willis Tower
- Adler Planetarium
- Little Red Riding Hood at Metropolis Theatre

To kick off the summer camp season, Eureka Discoveries will be coming on Friday, June 13 for two shows. The younger camps; Prairie Dogs, Little Lincolns and Camp Potawatomie will learn about bubbles and how to form bubbles with your body. Rutledge Rockets, Adventure Camp and Camp 74 will participate in "The Big Chill" where they will teach campers about liquid nitrogen.

Youth Programs

The winter youth programs are in full swing, with spring programs starting to gain more interest. We are expecting another great turnout for the programs and I'm confident the Computer Explorers class will run this spring. The following is a chart of the enrollment (*as of February 6, 2014*).

| <u>Program</u> | <u>Session 1 Enrollment</u> | <u>Session 2 Enrollment</u> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Zumba Kids | 1 (cancelled) | 1 |
| Basketball at Rutledge | 12 (full) | 8 |
| Computer Explorers | 2 (cancelled) | 4 |
| Little Hawks Floor Hockey | 10 (full) | 2 |
| Amazing Art with Sunshine Crafts | 12 | 2 |
| Little Pint Soccer | 6 | Not offered |
| Sportsmania | 12 (full) | Not offered |
| Soc-Key | Not offered | 7 |
| Lil Cubbies | Not offered | 4 |
| Basketball at Todd Hall | 12 (full) | 12 (full) |

Summer program offerings will include; archery class, an outdoor Little Hawks Floor Hockey class and Karate in the Park.