

## **Loudon Recreation Meeting Minutes for March 25, 2008**

**In attendance: Amanda Masse, Alicia Grimaldi, Jennifer Pfeifer, Christine Campbell.**

**Reviewed Winter Carnival success. An amazing day was had by all, approximately 200 attendees. Many thanks to all our community volunteers whom we could not have done this without their support!**

**Food and drink, we broke even. Next year, it was suggested we do without soda and have cocoa, cookies, hot dogs and chips. The recreation department discussed writing a letter to selectman to have a petty cash fund where we can take out money prior to event and submit receipts after, so members do not have to front the cash and be reimbursed later. Alicia will write the letter.**

**Other ideas for next years event included adding activities such as snow shoe relay, race or softball game. Check on ice skate rentals.**

**It would be nice to have ice skates available to the public. It was discussed to have a community collection for skates as well as other sporting equipment, such as golf clubs, tennis racquets, baseball gloves, etc. Pittsfield does a community exchange, which Christine Campbell will get more details on.**

**The Aerobics class is going well though each class has about 5 committed attendees. We do not feel that we have enough participants at this time to cover costs of the program, so we will continue through April and revisit a later date if interest peeks.**

**Christine Campbell will look into starting a walking group starting the month of May.**

**Jeff Hardy, Body Works to provide programming 1x a week for beginner youth karate at the Loudon Elementary School Gymnasium. The classes will be held on Tuesday for ages 5-7 from 5:15 – 6:00pm and on Thursday for ages 7-10 from 5:15 – 6pm. This would be a 6 week program. We are going to hold another session and see if this group holds the same interest. The first session was full for both classes. We will check to see if the LES gymnasium will be available for this program through the summer. Jen Pfeiffer will take on registrations for this program in May.**

**Amanda Masse will set up another Safe On My Own class through the American Red Cross. She will check with LES re. space and set a date and time. This program will be for ages 8-11.**

**Alicia Grimaldi has emailed Janice Morin at the Loudon Police Department regarding funding necessary for Bicycle Safety week along with a request for a date and number of volunteers needed. It was suggested to do Ident-a-Kids ID cards along with this event. Alicia will check with Janice and Christine Campbell will contact Ident-Kid for more info.**

**Alicia Grimaldi will contact Karen Geneveve re. Swim Instruction for this Summer. Classes will run 7/14-25<sup>th</sup> and 8/4-15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Alicia Grimaldi is in contact with Loudon Country Club to begin planning for Spring Golf. Last year we began May 22<sup>nd</sup>. She will check to see when they want to begin this year.**

**Alicia Grimaldi to contact David Mathes re. tennis programs for children and adults this summer.**

**Christine Campbell will research bus programs through NH State Parks for summer programming.**

**We discussed having arts and crafts offered throughout the summer. Would day or night be preferred? Christine will come up with some ideas for this and we will discuss at our next meeting.**

**Laurie Jaquith would like to coordinate a jump rope group this Summer in July. The program she would like to offer is called "Jump2bfit." It was suggested the group meet twice a week for the month, meeting 8 times in all and if there is enough interest to meet in August as well. It was also suggested the fee for the program would be \$10. This would cover the cost of the jump robe as well as any music, ribbons, water bottle (Loudon Jumps) or give away at the end. It would also be great if the group could perform for Loudon at the recreation field at the end.**

**We discussed summer programming for Community Summer Fun Nights. We would like to have Wild Life Encounters and Mr Phil again. Christine will check with Mike Livernois, the band director at Merrimack Valley to see if we could have their jazz band , barber shop quartet, and the many talented performers come out to play. Jen Pfeiffer will inquire to the possibilities of a local Concord band. Community summer fun nights will be on Wed evenings from 7-8pm. Dates include July 9<sup>th</sup>, 16, 23 30, August 6, 13, 20. Amanda Masse will check with the Concord Monitor on their summer insert, the Community Summer Fun Guide that lists the local summer events to include Loudon.**

**Christine Campbell talked about Olympic Games throughout the summer. This is a great idea, but we will need to come up with volunteers to assist.**

**Amanda Masse will look at our budget as we organize and plan for upcoming events.**

**Our next meeting will be held on April 16th at 6:30pm at the Maxfield Public Library.**

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