

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Residents,

In these difficult economic times, I wanted to make sure our citizens know that they do not have to pay a fee to enjoy many of the services provided by your Parks and Recreation Department.

Our open space parks can be enjoyed anytime at no charge. In addition, tennis courts, basketball courts and the playgrounds in all neighborhood and community parks can be used without a reservation at anytime. Other facilities can be accessed when not reserved by recognized users or private citizens.

Our Recreation Division offers a variety of special events throughout the year that do not cost anything to participate in. Minsky Gym offers the Great Kids program daily after school at no charge and our golf course has offered several junior clinics and rules seminars open to the public.

The new Civic Center will be starting the new After 5 Live on the second Friday of the month beginning January 9 and the afternoon concert series, Bach's Lunch, starts in January on the 16th. In addition, we have the Waggin Tales reading program for children and our art gallery is open for free admission.

Many of the benefits of your Parks and Recreation Department are yours; all you need to do is participate. We hope you find something of interest to you and your family in this issue of the Leisure Time.

Yours in Parks and Recreation,

Chuck Proulx, Parks and Recreation Director
Certified Park and Recreation Professional

SPECIAL EVENTS

Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Join us as we celebrate one of history's greatest leaders by participating in some wholesome foods, kid's activities and a parent/child basketball tournament. Bring your lawn chairs and spend the day relaxing and listening to DJ Art while the kids go in the bounce houses and play games. Food will be available for sale.

Location: Whispering Pines Park

| DAY | DATES | TIME |
|-----|--------|----------------|
| M | Jan 19 | 12:30-4:30p.m. |

Bonfire and Hayride

(All Ages)

Bring your partner and all the little buckaroos too and come on down to the best darn country and western event in town. No need to get gussied-up for this good Ol' fashioned hoe-down. There will be live music, live animals, pony rides and hayrides for everybody! The \$1.00 fee will allow everyone to participate in every activity as many times as they wish. Food will be offered for sale. For more information, call 878-2277.

Location: Mets Stadium- Parking Lot

| DAY | DATES | TIMES |
|-----|-------|---------------|
| Sa | Feb 7 | 4:00-8:00p.m. |

Daddy/Daughter Valentine Dance

(Ages 3-11)

Dads do not miss out on an opportunity to take your special girl/girls out for a special evening. Entertainment, dancing, goodie bags, a memorable photo and a raffle for a limo ride, dinner, and a corsage (for four families). Pre-registration is required by February 2nd to be included in raffle, or by February 6th just for the event.

Location: ABCD at PSL Community Center

Instructor Staff: Joseph Taylor 344-4276

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | FEE |
|----------|------|--------|---------------|---------|
| 117301-A | F | Feb 13 | 7:30-9:30p.m. | \$11.50 |

Sweetheart Ball

(Ages 15+)

Join us for the 1st Annual Sweetheart Ball at the Civic Center! Special recreation participants, family and friends are invited to spend an enchanted evening of friendship and fun in celebration of Valentine's Day! The evening will include music, dancing, munchies, a keepsake picture and long-lasting memories! Register today—space is limited! Registration deadline: Friday, February 6. Please call Erin Murphy, Recreation Leader, at (772) 807-4469 for more information.

Location: Civic Center / Multi-purpose Room

| DAY | DATE | TIME | FEE |
|-----|------|------------|---------------|
| Th | 2/12 | 6:00-8:30P | \$7.00/person |

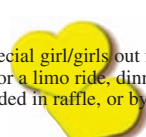
St. Patrick's Day Festival

(Ages All)

The Friendly Sons & Daughters of Ireland invite you to join them in a salute to St. Patrick and Irish Culture from 11-8pm! Come and hear the Band Lahinch Mob and singer Noel Kingston share their Irish tunes. Free Admission. The St. Patrick's Parade opens the festivities at 11am, and marches right into, where the Festival begins at Noon. Traditional Irish cuisine, green beer, and other culinary delights will be accompanied by Irish dancing displays, ye old Arts & Crafts and fun for the whole family. For more information, call 878-2277.

Location: PSL Civic Center- Village Square

| DAY | DATES | TIMES |
|-----|----------|--------------------|
| Sa | March 14 | 11:00a.m.-8:00p.m. |



Arts and All That Jazz

(Ages All)

The St. Lucie Professional Arts League will celebrate its 7th Annual Art & All that Jazz Festival, Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4. Come join the fun at the new Civic Center where nationally known Jazz artists will set the mood, and local Artists & Crafters will provide the ambiance. Judges will give awards to the best artists, as food, fun and friends gather to enjoy a day. Free admission!

For more information, call 878-2277

Location: PSL Civic Center-Village Square

| DAY | DATES | TIMES |
|-----|---------|--------------------|
| F | April 3 | 5:00-9:00P |
| Sa | April 4 | 11:00a.m.-6:00p.m. |



Easter Breakfast

(Ages 2 - 6)

Kids will have a blast creating their own Easter picture frame, dying eggs and enjoying a continental breakfast. Expect a visit from the guy with the fury little tail. An adult must accompany child. Food is only for the child. For planning purposes, register early for this popular event! Please pre-register by April 3, 2009. Call Joe Taylor at 344-4276 for more information.

Location: ABCD At PSL Community Center

Instructor: Staff – Joseph Taylor 344-4276

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | DROP-IN |
|----------|------|---------|----------------|---------|
| 111302-A | F | April 9 | 9:30-11:00a.m. | |

Spring Eggstravaganza

(Ages 10 and under)

Hey Kids, Hop on down to Whispering Pines Park for the annual Spring Eggstravaganza! More than 10,000 eggs for kids to scoop up! There will also be live entertainment, food, crafts, inflatables, pictures with the Easter Bunny and more. Egg Hunt will start promptly at 10:30 a.m. and will be held on the ball fields. Activities begin at 9 a.m. For more information please call 878-2277.

Location: Whispering Pines Park

| DAY | DATES | TIME |
|-----|----------|---------------|
| Sa | April 11 | 9:00a.m.-Noon |



Mother/Son Hawaiian Luau

This is the perfect opportunity for mothers and sons to spend an evening full of fun while creating memories that will last a lifetime! Step into our Hawaiian backdrop as this night of magic will include colorful surprises, upbeat music, a limbo contest, a snapshot to capture the mood and much more! Register today—space is limited! Registration deadline: Friday, May 1. Please call Erin Murphy, Recreation Leader, at (772) 807-4469 for more information on this magical night!

Location: Civic Center / Outdoor Patio

| DAY | DATE | TIME | FEE |
|-----|------|---------------|--|
| Sa | 5/9 | 6:30—8:30p.m. | \$15.00/couple, \$5 per additional son |

Port St Lucie Green Market at City Center



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! Support local farmers every Tuesday at this event full of tradition, locally grown fruits, vegetables, farm favorites and a good feeling that you are helping preserve farmlands for our future. Did you know that eating locally-grown food is nothing new? Just a hundred years ago, more than 95% of Americans lived on farms. City dwellers ate food brought by horse and cart from nearby farms. By purchasing at the Green Market, our local farmers stay in business and bring fresh food straight to us! Join us as we promote regional agriculture and ensure a continuing supply of fresh, local produce for Floridians. Takes place rain or shine every Tuesday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. until May 19!

Location: Civic Center / Village Square

Contact: TA Wyner, (772) 465-5658

You've survived the week, now it's time to sit back, relax and enjoy this FREE monthly concert series while satisfying your senses: touch, taste, sight, sound and smell! Music, food and so much more is combined in this night of fun. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening that will leave you feeling refreshed and rejuvenated...just in time to start your weekend!

Location: Civic Center / Village Square

Contact: Josie Calle, (772) 807-4492

| DAYS | DATES | TIME |
|------|-------|--------------|
| F | 2/13 | 5:30 – 8:30p |
| F | 3/13 | 5:30 – 8:30p |
| F | 4/10 | 5:30 – 8:30p |
| F | 5/8 | 5:30 – 8:30p |



Bach's Lunch



Classical Music 🎵 Lobby Terrace 🎵 Noon to 1 p.m. 🎵 Bag Lunch

How would you like a jazz combo with folk fries and some pop? If your ears are hungry for some good music, stop by our lunchtime concert series. Is your mouth watering too? Bag your own lunch or buy it from our on-site café. At this FREE monthly concert series, you can treat your senses to a musical meal that will satisfy your hunger for rhythm and harmony.

Location: Civic Center / Terrace Lobby

Contact: Josie Calle, (772) 807-4492

| DAYS | DATES | TIME |
|------|-------|------------|
| F | 1/16 | Noon-1:00P |
| F | 2/20 | Noon-1:00P |
| F | 3/20 | Noon-1:00P |
| F | 4/17 | Noon-1:00P |
| F | 5/15 | Noon-1:00P |

Community Garage Sale

Find a bargain or for \$6.40 per parking space be a vendor and unload all of your unwanted treasures. So go ahead and clean out your garages. Garage sale is held the 3rd Saturday of each month. To reserve your space to be a vendor, please call Demetris Collins @ 344-4300.

Location: Minsky Gymnasium – Parking Lot

Instructor: Demetris Collins

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | FEE |
|----------|------|-------|--------------|--------|
| 126703-A | SA | 2/21 | 8:00A-12:00P | \$6.40 |
| 126703-B | SA | 3/21 | 8:00A-12:00P | \$6.40 |
| 126703-C | SA | 4/18 | 8:00A-12:00P | \$6.40 |
| 126703-D | SA | 5/16 | 8:00A-12:00P | \$6.40 |



Future Events

Dates and Times are tentative and subject to change!

Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday, May 25, 2009

Freedomfest

Saturday, July 4, 2009

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Pee Wee Soccer

(Ages 3 – 5)

This program is designed to develop soccer skills. In addition to developing these skills, participants will receive plenty of exercise and have the opportunity to meet new friends. Parents may be asked to participate in the skills to give your child more repetitions. We will have 2-five minute snack breaks. Parents please provide a drink and a snack for your child. For more information on this program, please call the Minsky Gym at 344-4142.

Location: Whispering Pines Park

Instructor: Ron Basile

| CODE | DAYS | FEES | TIME | FEE |
|-----------|------|-----------|-------------|---------|
| 141601-D | F | 1/23-2/13 | 9:30-10:30A | \$28.35 |
| 141601-DD | F | 2/27-3/20 | 9:30-10:30A | \$28.35 |
| 141601-E | F | 4/24-5/15 | 9:30-10:30A | \$28.35 |

Pee Wee Dunkers

(Ages 3-5)

This will be a FUN 4-week program where children can develop hand eye coordination and movement while learning new skills: running, shooting, dribbling, passing, etc. Parents might be asked to participate in these skills to give your child more repetitions. Participants will also learn about what it means to share and what good sportsmanship is. For more information, please call the Minsky Gym at 344-4142.

Location: Minsky Gymnasium

Instructor: Ron Basile

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | FEE |
|----------|------|-----------|-------------|---------|
| 121601-A | M | 2/2-3/2 | 9:30-10:30A | \$28.35 |
| 121601-B | M | 3/9-4/6 | 9:30-10:30A | \$28.35 |
| 121601-C | M | 4/20-5/11 | 9:30-10:30A | \$28.35 |

T-Ball Instruction

(Ages 3-5)

This program will provide exercise and conditioning with an opportunity for your child to learn the skills of hitting, throwing, running and fielding, as well as assist them in hand and eye coordination under the direction of Coach Dave Hentz. For more information, please call Dave Hentz at 201-4602.

Location: Whispering Pines Park – Baseball Fields

Instructor: David Hentz

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | FEE |
|----------|------|-----------|---------------|---------|
| 242502-H | Tu | 2/3-2/24 | 10:00A-12:00P | \$28.35 |
| 242502-I | Tu | 3/10-3/31 | 10:00A-12:00P | \$28.35 |
| 242502-J | Tu | 4/14-5/5 | 10:00A-12:00P | \$28.35 |



Tuesdays Toddler Time

(5yrs and younger)

This program is for Parents with children 5 years and younger. Your children can come to the gym under the supervision of the parent (no instructor). Your children will learn social skills, meet new friends, participate in various motor movements, acquire healthy habits, listen to music, and just have fun. The gym will provide the equipment that will assure your child to have a good time. For more information call 344-4142.

Location: Minsky Gym

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | FEE |
|----------|------|---------|--------------|--------|
| 121203-A | Tu | 1/6-6/9 | 10:00-11:00A | \$1.00 |

Wild Wacky Wednesday

(Ages 2 – 5)

This is a great program that will allow your child to explore, build self esteem, develop social skills and burn lots of energy. Children will play, exercise, do an obstacle course and have snack time. Parent participation is greatly encouraged. For more information, please call Demetris Collins at 344-4300.

Location: Minsky Gymnasium

Instructor: Demetris Collins

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | FEE |
|----------|------|----------|--------------|--------|
| 121202-F | W | 1/7-3/25 | 10:30-11:30A | \$1.95 |
| 121202-G | W | 4/1-6/3 | 10:30-11:30A | \$1.95 |

Parent/Tot Time

(Ages 2-5)

This program is designed for parent/child interaction. It's a chance for parents to meet other parents with toddlers and have fun. We will have sing-a-longs, structured games, crafts, and snack time. Parent participation is greatly encouraged. For additional information, please call Demetris Collins at 344-4300.

Location: Minsky Gymnasium

Instructor: Demetris Collins

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | FEE |
|----------|------|----------|---------------|--------|
| 121201-F | Tu | 1/8-3/26 | 10:30A-12:00P | \$1.95 |
| 121201-G | Th | 4/2-6/4 | 10:30A-12:00P | \$1.95 |



Tuesday Kinder Programs

Kindertots

(Ages 2)

Develops gross motor skills, movement, creativity, physical development, and body awareness. There will be a \$20 registration fee paid to the instructor on the first day of the class. There is also a late fee of \$20 to be paid on the 15th of each month. Siblings discount

Location: Multi-purpose at PSL Community Center

Instructor: Mona Bates (772) 878-4041 kinderdancekids@comcast.net

| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | MONTHLY |
|-----------|------|----------|------------|---------|
| 111109-02 | Tu | 2/3-2/24 | 9:00-9:30A | \$38.60 |
| 111109-03 | Tu | 3/3-3/31 | 9:00-9:30A | \$38.60 |
| 111109-04 | Tu | 4/7-4/28 | 9:00-9:30A | \$38.60 |
| 111109-05 | Tu | 5/5-5/26 | 9:00-9:30A | \$38.60 |



Kinderdance 1

(Ages 3-5)

Basics of ballet, tap, acrobatics, and creative movement blended with educational concepts. There will be a \$20 registration fee paid to the instructor on the first day of the class. There is also a late fee of \$20 to be paid on the 15th of each month. Siblings discount.

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| CODE | DAYS | DATES | TIME | MONTHLY |
|-----------|------|----------|-------------|---------|
| 111106-02 | Tu | 2/3-2/24 | 9:30-10:30A | \$47.80 |
| 111106-03 | Tu | 3/3-3/31 | 9:30-10:30A | \$47.80 |
| 111106-04 | Tu | 4/7-4/28 | 9:30-10:30A | \$47.80 |
| 111106-05 | Tu | 5/5-5/26 | 9:30-10:30A | \$47.80 |

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| CODE | DAYS | DATE | TIME | MONTHLY |
|-----------|------|----------|--------------|---------|
| 111107-02 | Tu | 2/3-2/24 | 10:30-11:30A | \$47.80 |
| 111107-03 | Tu | 3/3-3/31 | 10:30-11:30A | \$47.80 |
| 111107-04 | Tu | 4/7-4/28 | 10:30-11:30A | \$47.80 |
| 111107-05 | Tu | 5/5-5/26 | 10:30-11:30A | \$47.80 |



Thursday Kinder Programs

Kindertots

(Ages 2)

Develops gross motor skills, movement, creativity, physical development, and body awareness. There will be a \$20 registration fee paid to the instructor on the first day of the class. There is also a late fee of \$20 to be paid on the 15th of each month. Siblings discount.

Location: Multi-purpose at PSL Community Center

Instructor: Mona Bates (772) 878-4041 kinderdancekids@comcast.net