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**TORRANCE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA
MAY 12, 2021
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M. VIA TELECONFERENCE OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Commission members Candioly, Love, Mataallii, Montoya, Muhammed, Reilly, Chair Feliz

2. FLAG SALUTE: Commissioner Candioly

3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Bl. and on the City's Website on Thursday, May 6, 2021 /s/ Rebecca Poirier

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Limited to a 30 minute period)

This portion of the meeting is reserved for public comment on items on the agenda or on topics of interest to the general public. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, Commissioners cannot act on items raised during public comment but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item to staff. Speakers under this Public Comment period will have no longer than 3 minutes per speaker. Please do not use Bluetooth or speaker devices, mute the volume on your television or other electronic devices and speak clearly. Your phone call to the Commission meeting will be recorded as part of the meeting. By staying on the line and making public comment during the meeting, you are agreeing to have your phone call recorded.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed by a Commissioner from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

6A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: APRIL 14, 2021

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7A. Community Services Director – Status of Programming and Projects.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file updates on the status of programming and projects in the City of Torrance:

- Pandemic reconstitution and reopening
- Status of 555 Maple Ave Lease Agreement
- July 4th special event
- Recommendations for July meeting, converting the Parks and Recreation Annual Awards Dinner to a service day in the parks

7B. Community Services Director – Review Department Monthly Reports

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that the Parks and Recreation Commission review the Department Monthly Reports for:

- Administrative Services
- Park Services
- Recreation Services

8. COMMISSION ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

9. ADJOURNMENT

9A. Adjournment of the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting to WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. In compliance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, which suspended portions of the Brown Act, Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20 (Stay At Home Order issued March 19, 2020), and the County of Los Angeles Public Health Officer's Reopening Safer at Work and in the Community for Control of COVID-19 Blueprint for a Safer Economy – Orange Tier Risk Reduction Measures (issued April 29, 2021), members of the Parks and Recreation Commission and staff will participate in this meeting via teleconference or other electronic means. Members of the public are encouraged to watch the meeting via ZOOM at: <https://zoom.us>.

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TORRANCE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance Parks and Recreation Commission convened via teleconference or other electronic means at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14, 2021.

ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE

Present: Commissioners Candioly, Love, Mataallii, Montoya, Muhammed, Reilly, and Chairperson Feliz.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Community Services Director La Rock, Park Services Manager Drake, and Acting Recreation Services Manager McClelland.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Chairperson Feliz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

MOTION: Commissioner Candioly moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda. Commissioner Mataallii seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS – None.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MARCH 10, 2021

Commissioner Reilly noted a correction in item 9A of the March 10, 2021 meeting minutes as follows: "MOTION: Commissioner Reilly moved for the Parks and Recreation Commission to accept and file the Non-Profit Social Services Agencies 2020 Financial Reports."

MOTION: Commissioner Reilly moved to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of March 10, 2021 as amended. Commissioner Candioly seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

6B. RECOMMENDATION OF THE GRANTS COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR THAT THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION:

Review the Financial Narrative Reports from the 2020 Non-Profit Social Service Agency Grant Recipients; and

Forward a recommendation to the City Council to accept and file the reports.

Commissioner Reilly offered corrections on pages 7, 8, and 13 of the Non-Profit Social Service Agency Financial Report – 2020 in Attachment A.

MOTION: Commissioner Candioly moved to accept the 2020 Non-Profit Social Service Agency Financial Reports as corrected and to forward them to City Council to accept and file. Commissioner Reilly seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7A. Community Services Director – Status of Programming and Projects

- Pandemic reconstitution and reopening
Community Services Director La Rock provided an update on reactivation of in-person programming, services, and facilities since the City transitioned into the orange tier. He stated staff is lobbying for guidance on senior programming and senior facility activation. He highlighted the reopening of Torrance Library on April 19 at 50% capacity, expanding swimming opportunities at the Plunge, and resuming programming at the Attic.
- Proposition 68 park project
Staff resubmitted a grant application to renovate Torrance Park and expect to hear results in June.
- WBMWD station at Lago Seco Park
City Council approved the West Basin Municipal Water District pumping station and construction is expected to begin early spring 2022.
- Fruit trees installation at Lago Seco Park
Planting completed.
- R/C track at El Nido Park
Radio Control track is undergoing plan check review with the City.

Community Services Director La Rock announced the resignation of Program Coordinator Cassidy Cooper.

7B. Community Services Director – Review Department Monthly Reports

- Administrative Services
Community Services Director La Rock presented the Administrative Services Division Report – March 2021 included in agenda packets.
- Park Services
Park Services Manager Drake presented the Park Services Monthly Report for March 2021 included in the material of record and answered questions raised by Commissioners.
- Recreation Services
Acting Recreation Services Manager McClelland presented highlights from the attached Recreation Services Monthly Report for March 2021.

Community Services Director La Rock recommended the Commission receive and file updates on the status of programming and projects in the City and the Department Monthly Reports.

MOTION: Commissioner Montoya moved to accept the updates on the status of programming and projects in the City and the Department Monthly Reports. Commissioner Candioly seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** – None.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: At 7:56 p.m., Commissioner Mataallii moved to adjourn the meeting to May 12, 2021. Commissioner Candioly seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected approval.

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Subject to Approval

FOR COMMISSION MEETING
May 12, 2021

TO: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

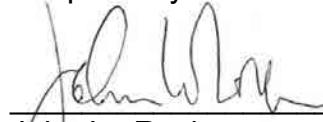
FROM: JOHN LA ROCK, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: STATUS OF PROGRAMMING AND PROJECTS

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file updates on the status of programming and projects in the City of Torrance:

1. Pandemic reconstitution and reopening
2. Status of 555 Maple Ave Lease Agreement
3. July 4th special event
4. Recommendations for July meeting, converting the Parks and Recreation Annual Awards Dinner to a service day in the parks

Respectfully submitted,



John La Rock
Community Services Director

TO: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
FROM: JOHN LA ROCK, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION REPORT – APRIL 2021

FACILITY BOOKING – Aleksandra Rosell, Acting Program Coordinator

During the month of April staff did not issue any short or long-term permits for fields. Due to COVID-19 there were no picnic reservations or park buildings rented.

Facilities Revenue Report

Revenue	April	2021 YTD
Attic	-	-
Facility Reservations	-	-
Field Lights/Support	5,196.50	20,129.50
Field Prep	152.50	2,366.50
Filming Permits	-	1,000.00
Hockey Rink	2,550.00	6,975.00
Picnic Reservations	-	-
Pool Rental	11,115.00	59,777.00
Special Events	-	-
Sports Center	-	-
Torrance Art Museum	-	-
Toyota Sports Complex	2,640.00	97,105.00
Weddings	-	-
Monthly Total	\$21,654.00	\$187,353.00

PARK RANGER PROGRAM – Vic Arevalo, Program Coordinator

April was yet another active month for Park Ranger as permitting of additional fields has begun. Ranger assistance requested by Recreation and Cultural Services who have launched classes and leagues at Wilson and McMaster Parks. Additionally, we have educated members of the public about freedom of speech demonstrations routinely taking place during Farmers' Market.

I would like to extend thanks to the Rangers who are still active on the schedule as well as those who have moved on to new posts. Ranger Jack Canady has become the first member of the unit to accept a Federal Wildlife Park Ranger position on the east coast. We wish him the best of luck. Former Ranger Samuel Choi has become the first member of the unit to be hired by Torrance Police Department as an Officer Trainee. Ranger Choi worked with

the unit from 2017 to 2019 before accepting an appointment to the Orange County Sheriffs' Academy. We have no doubt that Officer Trainee Choi will be an excellent addition to the force. We received approval to open recruitment to fill vacancies in preparation of the busy summer season.

Parks

Statistics were kept of common incidents that Rangers observed during the month of April.

- High number of transient contacts made at Columbia, Victor, Walteria, and Wilson Parks. Outreach request submitted to the Los Angeles Homeless Outreach Portal for subjects.
- Continue to have challenges getting compliance from tennis instructors city-wide occupying park tennis courts conducting private instruction.
- Resonate Church holding services at Wilson Park on Sunday including amplified sound. Torrance Police Department has been contacted by the public complaining about noise violations as well as Facility Booking.
- Dogs off leash has become a more contentious topic as neighbors of El Retiro Park have requested additional patrols of the park, which often has high numbers of dogs off leash.

	April	YTD
Alcohol Violations	10	25
Amplified Sound	2	9
Bouncer Violations	0	0
Citizen Assist	20	28
Defiant/Disruptive Subjects	0	12
Dogs Off Leash Violations	19	136
Fire Call-Outs	0	2
Graffiti Hotline	10	53
Hazard Report/Removal	11	32
Maintenance/Park Call-Outs	0	2
Marijuana/Smoking/Vaping	15	31
Miscellaneous	10	10
Missing Subjects	0	0
Park Damage	3	22
Parking Violations	4	11
Permit Issues	250	661
Police Call-Outs	0	3
Ranger Call-Outs	11	20
Skating/Biking Violations	5	28
Suspicious Subjects	0	4
Transient Contacts	30	84
Transient Welfare Checks	11	23
Trespassing on Closed Fields	0	22
Unpermitted Food/Street Vendor Contacts	1	9
COVID SPECIFIC CONTACT SECTION		
Enforcing Park Amenity Closures	0	33
Protests	4	4
Social Distancing Advises	15	95
Subjects Violating LA County Health Order	0	1334

COYOTE MANAGEMENT – Peggy Orenstein, Staff Assistant

Statistics below are for the month of April.

SUMMARY STATISTICS

Type of Encounter	April 2021		April 2020	
	Number (#) of Reported Encounters	Percent Breakdown	Number (#) of Reported Encounters	Percent Breakdown
Sighting Reported by Public (S)	33	94%	29	88%
Dog Attack (DA)	0	0%	1	3%
Cat Attack (CA)	0	0%	0	0%
Dog Attack Resulting in Fatality (DF)	0	0%	2	6%
Cat Attack Resulting in Fatality (CF)	1	3%	1	3%
Animal Fatality of Unknown Origins	1	3%	0	0
Total Incidents	35	100%	33	100%

COYOTE STATISTICS

	Reported Data April 2021	Reported Data April 2020
Not trapped/Euthanized	0	0
Total	0	0

REPORTING STATISTICS

Reporting Channel	Number (#)
Animal Control & Dispatch (Spillman Police Software)	3
Hotline (24-Hour Coyote Hotline)	12
MyTorrance App	0
Web (Online Web Submission)	20
Other, E-mail	0
Total	35

REGISTRATION – Debbie Parr, Program Coordinator

Registration processed a total of 2,996 enrollments with a net revenue of \$14,843.34 during the month of April 2021. The breakdown is as follows:

April 2021

	Resident Enrollments	Non-Resident Enrollments	Total Enrollments	Net Revenue
Staff Enrollments	136	287	423	\$ 3,230.60
Internet	679	1,890	2,569	9,644.74
Totals	815	2,177	2,992	\$ 12,875.34

Adult Leagues April 2021

	Resident Enrollments	Non-Resident Enrollments	Total Enrollments	Net Revenue
Basketball	0	0	0	\$ 0
Hockey	0	0	0	0
Softball	0	4	4	1,968.00
Totals	0	4	4	\$ 1,968.00

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – Shawn Plunkett, Program Supervisor

During the month of April, the Home Improvement Program completed projects at 10 households, with ongoing projects at 9 additional households.

	April	YTD
Carpentry	8	27
Electrical	6	22
Miscellaneous	2	12
Paint	0	0
Plumbing	7	23
COVID-19	0	0
Total number of services provided	23	84

Respectfully submitted,



John La Rock
Community Services Director

TO: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
FROM: TRACY DRAKE, PARK SERVICES MANAGER
SUBJECT: PARK SERVICES DIVISION REPORT – APRIL 2021

PARKS / FACILITIES

The Projects Crew:

- At Wilson Park fountain next to the splash pad, decorative stones were installed.
- Staff assisted Public Works with fence removal at Del Amo Blvd. and Wayne Ave by request from residents
- Tons of debris (seven loads) was removed at the Live Steamers compound at Wilson Park as preparation to open the facility and offer train rides again.
- A new dedication bench was installed At El Retiro Park. A bench dedication plaque and concrete pad were also installed.
- The tennis court fence at El Retiro Park was repaired.
- The broken anchor bolts to the picnic tables at Descanso Park were repaired.
- The bridge safety rail was repaired Delthorne Park.
- Broken concrete pads near the east end picnic area at Wilson Park were removed.
- Reinstalled with rims at all basketball courts

The Civic Center Crew:

- A storage shed was assembled and stocked with maintenance tools. This area was created for the for the volunteers who work in the rose garden and the in the Veterans Memorial.

The Mowing Crew:

- Continues to work on an approximate 9-day schedule – keeping up with the maintenance of grass areas as needed.

The Landscape Team:

- Planted several more habitat friendly plants in front of the City Yard
- Cleared out the remainder of Discovery Park as part of a total rehab there.
- Continued to weed and trim trees at McMaster, Wilson, Victor and Columbia Park
- Continued to maintain the City Yard Native Plant Nursery.
- Assisted with the maintenance of a large Elm tree at Victor lost a significant sized limb that required immediate attention and clean up to eliminate hazards.
- The highlight of the month was the planting of a Cork Oak at El Prado Park in celebration of Earth Day 2021.

Irrigation Team:

- Resumed maintaining and preparing the splash pad for its reopening.
- Continued to monitor, adjust, and make repairs to our complex park irrigation system.
- Addressed multiple mainline breaks at Columbia, Pueblo and Guenser Park.
- Assisted with the maintenance of an irrigation controller at Columbia. This issue was resolved after several days of trouble shooting which will result in a much greener park.
- Continued to install the correct irrigation at Discovery Park ahead of the installation of plants to give them the best chance at survival.
- Repaired irrigation breaks at both Lago Seco and Columbia gardens

Sea Aire Golf Course:

- Continued maintenance of the golf course and park.
- Trimmed several trees on the course.
- Made several irrigation repairs.
- Continued the customary duties such as mowing, raking sand traps, changing holes and performing pest control duties.

Ball Diamond maintenance:

Continued the task of maintaining twelve softball fields and bleachers. This work there includes, but is not limited to, weeding the infield, filling in low spots, repairing/adjusting irrigation, blowing off leaves, locating base pegs and watering and dragging the fields. Due partially to increased park use, homelessness issues, and vandalism, accomplishing specific landscape maintenance tasks are becoming increasingly difficult resulting in tasks taking more time to complete.

Turf Management:

- Continued to add soil and seed to low spots created by increased use.
- Adjusted irrigation as needed for the warmer weather

Pest Control:

- Continued weed abatement throughout the parks
- Reduced the gopher population at Miramar, Los Arboles, and Delthorne Parks
- Monitored and started to control the ground squirrel populations at Wilson and Torrance Parks. This is the first year Ground squirrels were noted at Torrance Park.

Maintenance Crews:

- Performed general maintenance of all restrooms, trash cans and debris pick-up in all parks
- Tilled sand in playgrounds
- Pressure washed the picnic areas in nearly all the parks
- Added mulch to the hillside at Los Conchas to keep the weed down.
- Continued with debris pick-up at Los Arboles
- Removed extra trash cans from various parks
- Changed the mowing regimen from motorized to hand mowing at the Horseshoe Pits at Wilson so the lines installed by the users remain neater

- Maintained the playgrounds – adjusting the level of sand under high use areas such as the exit areas of slides and swings.
- Added mulch to the west side of Wilson Parks to keep weeds down.
- Replaced the tennis nets at Paradise, Sur La Brea and Hickory parks.
- Assessed drinking fountain at Entradero Picnic area for repair – it will be repaired in May
- Assisted with the installation of the basketball rims
- Assisted with the maintenance of the 242nd street triangle

MADRONA MARSH PRESERVE AND NATURE CENTER

- Implemented Marsh Ambassador Program. Back-fill for Park Ambassador Program terminated in early April.
 - Goal is to provide monitoring coverage at the entrance to the Preserve.
 - Volunteers are covering about 60% of our Preserve open times.
 - Continuing to reach out to find additional volunteers.
- Began process of recruiting volunteers to staff the Nature Center's reception desk and monitor visitors.
 - Have been recruiting with City's volunteer coordinator along with the Friends of the Madrona Marsh and social media.
 - Initial days to open are Friday and Saturday, our two busiest days.
 - Goal is to find coverage to assist operating reception area, COVID monitoring, answering phones, providing information to visitors.
 - Response has been limited. Pandemic may be impacting volunteerism
- Increasing number of local scout troops are seeking to use Marsh for projects.
 - Staff working to develop list of projects to implement with Scouts once operations return to normal.
- Water quality
 - Water in wetlands diminishing rapidly, anticipate water will be gone by mid-June or earlier depending on weather.
 - Phosphate, Nitrogen remain in normal range.
 - DO highest in sump and at SW corner bridge. Good overall as micro-invertebrates are increasing in numbers and diversity.
 - The habitat water supply is shrinking fast, but is healthy.
- Staff working hard to combat troublesome Chrysanthemums.
 - They are persistent and can take over large areas.
 - Success with mowing and weeding over past three years is apparent in treated areas. About 75% less three years ago.
 - Sump has most significant amount.
 - This is where volunteers make a difference, weeding out plants

- Precipitation: season-to-date (STD)
 - Only .02 inches of rain during April, one of the driest on record.
 - Rainfall last season during April measured 2.37 inches.
 - STD rainfall: 5.06 inches.
 - STD this time last year: 13.48 inches.
- Storm water: April.
 - Not enough runoff to impact wetlands.
 - Extremely dry season.
 - The north wetland never ponded this season
- April visitation
 - We no longer have full coverage at Preserve entrance so hard counts are affected.
 - 1,227 on Preserve (hard count); 3,000 (estimated count)
 - 39 families for virtual Friday Fun for kids.
 - 320 visitors picnicking at Nature Center parking lot mini-park.
 - Key message from visitors: “it’s drying up, can you add water”?
- Staff collected Southern Tarplant seeds from the Torrance Transit Park site.
 - CA Fish & Game “Threatened” species and “Endangered” by the CA Native Plant Society.
 - Seeds for use in future restoration activities.
 - Seeds important to maintain gene pool diversity of rare species.
- Continuing repair on perimeter fence.
 - Fix rusting sections, repair breaks, replace unrepairable sections.
 - Have replaced 5 panels thru April.
- Pelican Products planning commercial filming May 14th.
 - Performed review of planned activities with Pelican lead.
 - Ensured filming will not cause adverse impacts to preserve or affect safety of visitors.
- On the Preserve: the lack of water has had a very significant impact on breeding land and water birds. This has been the driest year of the past twenty.
 - All four geese nests were predated resulting in no breeding of geese. This is the first year that there is no breeding of geese since 2013.
 - All four nests of killdeer were predated on resulting in no killdeer breeding. This is the first year no killdeer have bred on the Preserve since 2014
 - There have been 8 families of ducks born on the Preserve so far this breeding season.65 ducklings hatched. 59 have perished due to predation, to date, 6 remain.
 - One coot family hatched on April 30, to date, at five days old, three are alive

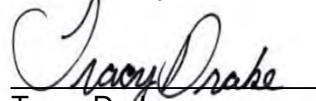
- While there are several mother ducks on nest now, the water will be gone by May 30 so, it is likely any will survive
- Hummingbirds continue to breed on the Preserve. In April at least four families successfully fledged
- Goldfinches, House Finches, House Sparrows, Common Yellowthroats, Yellow Warblers, California Towhees, Ravens and Doves are currently on nest.
- Species diversity of birds is within expected normal range for a drought year, numbers of individual is down.
- Unknown still is if frogs and insects will be successful in breeding this year.

CONCUR:



John La Rock
Community Services Director

Respectfully Submitted,



Tracy Drake
Park Services Manager

TO: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

FROM: GARRETT CRAIG, ACTING RECREATION SERVICES MANAGER

SUBJECT: RECREATION SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT FOR APRIL 2021

The following is information regarding Recreation Division programs and facilities for April 2021:

Aquatics:

- The Plunge modified the lap swim registration process by moving online reservations from Sign Up Genius to online thru the City of Torrance Registration Office.
- Lap swim continues to be in high demand. As a result, the Plunge has opened up to two people per lane, well within the LA County Department of Public Health guidelines. Additionally, weekly lap swim reservations limits were removed. Subsequently, this month, lap swim accounted for 2,891 pool visits an increase of 59% over last month.
- Pool rentals have also opened up, increasing the number of users per lane to four. As a result, Swim Torrance accounted for 2,103 pool visits, an increase of 71% over the previous month. Los Angeles Peninsula Swimmers (LAPS), accounted for 507 pool visits an increase of 59%.

Early Childhood Education (ECE):

- The spring Early Childhood Education session is full at 12 with a waitlist.
- The participants have been working on their alphabet, cutting skills, writing their names, and continuing to learn the alphabet in sign language.
- They are currently working on various mother's day crafts to give their moms. They are making handprint cards with their pictures on them, and they are making beautiful vases filled with paper flowers that they have made.
- In addition, children are spending time outside the classroom on the playground equipment at Greenwood Park.

Youth Basketball:

- Youth Basketball kicked off with a Spring Clinic on Saturday April 24th. This clinic is taking place at Wilson Park every Saturday for the next 8 weeks with 318 participants.
- Participants in grades K-3 are participating inside the Roller rink where 3 courts have been created to accommodate 36 players in each grade.
- On the three outdoor courts at Wilson, groups are scheduled starting at 9:00am thru 3:30pm. Grades 4 -8 are scheduled in groups of 12 with a total of 36 players per grade. Participants are enjoying a variety of basketball skill development drills, basic training and scrimmage games while observing COVID – 19 protocols

Youth Cheerleading:

- The 2021 Spring Cheer clinic started on Saturday April 10 outside at Wilson Park.
- This Clinic is taking place at the Hockey Rink. The 28 participants are excited to learn new cheers and routines during the 8-week clinic.

ADULT SPORTS / SEA-AIRE GOLF COURSE / PARK AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Garrett Craig, Senior Recreation Supervisor;

Adult Sports:

- The Adult Slow-Pitch Softball Program returned to play on April 11, 2021. With registration limited to ensure COVID protocols are followed. 78 teams return to play this Spring.
- Adult Roller Hockey, *Stick-Time Program*, which allows participants an hour of rink time to build up conditioning and sharpen skills, was routinely busy with 36 rentals in April.
- Staff are working on preparation for the return of the Adult Basketball Program in the summer.

Sea-Aire Golf Course:

- Total golf rounds played at *Sea-Aire* golf course during April were 3,100, which was a new April record.
- April saw the return of the Thursday mornings Women's golf club and the Friday mornings Senior's golf club.
- The *Sea-Aire* parking lot lights were improved with an upgrade in April.
- Golf patrons like the new flagsticks and new flags that replaced the old ones on the greens.
- Preparations are underway for the return of the annual Memorial Day junior golf tournament.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB / PARK DROP-IN / DAY CAMPS / ADAPTIVE PROGRAMS / SPECIAL EVENTS

– Suzie Wand, Senior Recreation Supervisor; Allison Saufua, Recreation Supervisor; Charlene Walker, Program Coordinator

Before/After School Club Program:

- The *Before/After School Club* continues at Greenwood Park for blended learning students at Fern Elementary.
- There are currently six enrolled in the *Before School Club* and seven enrolled in the *After School Club*; a maximum of 14 can be accommodated in each.
- The program consists of indoor and outdoor games and activities and homework time, following proper COVID-19 health and safety protocols.

Camp Torrance:

- Two full cohorts of 14 participants each enjoyed a week of indoor and outdoor games and activities at Greenwood Park during TUSD's Spring Break.
- Tye dye was the hit of the week! Campers transformed white t-shirts and socks into colorful creations!
- Preparations for this summer's *Camp Torrance* program are well underway.

Adaptive Recreation:

- Virtual programming continues to be offered via Zoom for *PALS (People Actively Learning and Sharing)* members. An average of 15 - 20 members attend each activity.
- Recreational activities for the month included: Show and Share, Bingo, and "Catching Up with the Coaches", which provided an opportunity for participants to visit with their Special Olympics and Adaptive Sports coaches that they have not seen in so long!

- A number of exercise classes continued to be offered throughout the month to help members stay in shape while at home.

TEENS/CO-REC / YOUTH COUNCIL / SENIOR CITIZENS / COMMISSION ON AGING

VIRTUAL RECREATION – Deborah Reed, Senior Recreation Supervisor; Veronica Minter, Recreation Supervisor; Michelle Pinedo, Recreation Supervisor

THE ATTIC Teen Center:

ATTIC staff created virtual content for posting, hosted virtual events, as well as hosted members in person.

- Staff wrote, filmed, edited, and posted social media videos, as well as various promotional content for The ATTIC's social media pages. These videos include a series "ATTIC News Network" which featured City of Torrance events, programs for teens, local businesses, interactive segments, and update on The ATTIC.
- The Zoom Lunch Room program met twice a week every Monday and Thursday 11:55am-12:40pm on with an average of eight (8) participants attending each meeting. Students had time to share about their lives and play games together online.
- The Mindfulness Monday program met on Mondays and moved to Wednesdays as Wellness Wednesday 3:00pm-3:30pm via Zoom with an average of one (1) participant. Staff led various mental health focused exercises, which included journaling, letter writing, and mental health worksheets.
- The ATTIC launched the ATTIC Cohorts program on April 20, which ran two days a week with an average of eight (8) participants a day. Members were able to participate in socially distanced recreation through various activities and games.
- Staff continued to make wellness calls to participating members.

ATTIC Advisory Committee:

- On Monday, April 5, 2021 THE ATTIC Advisory Committee held their monthly meeting, at 6:00pm via Zoom. There were 13 committee members present. Agenda items included sharing themes for PSA videos, and finalizing the Mental Health Month calendar.

S.P.I.N. (Serving People in Need): (Not currently meeting)

Co-Rec (Co-Recreation):

The Monday Boredom Busters virtual program included four challenges and two DIY projects:

- Peep Face
- Candy Guessing Game
- Chocolate Egg Race
- Noodling Around
- Stacked Book Décor (DIY Video)
- Stress Balls (DIY Video)

Virtual Recreation:

- Torrance virtual recreation and social media continues through the pandemic, encourage our residents to participate through the Virtual Recreation pages on our website and social media, with Instagram and Facebook.
- Social Media provided the following activities this month:

- A two-week search for Bob and Bonnie Bunny encouraged residents to take selfies with our new bunny friends in our local parks.
 - A Photo Challenge inviting residents to participate in capturing Torrance Sunset.
 - Earth Day Projects.
 - Wednesdays feature home workouts or wellness post that encouraged residents to get outside and enjoy nature.
 - A Photo Challenge encouraging residents to celebrate National Kids and Pets Day.
- The social media sites continues to allow us to keep residents informed of programs, activity status and new or updated policies related to COVID-19. Pictures from PALS virtual sign workshop, a HIP renovation, TYC's meeting and Spring Camp were highlighted this month on the recreation social media. We were able to answer questions and concern with policies, procedures and programs that were accessed safely from their homes.

Youth Council (TYC):

- The Youth Council held a Mental Health webinar on Wednesday, April 21 at 6pm. Youth motivational Mental Health speaker Jeff Yalden spoke to a group of 38 Torrance area high school students on how to deal with their mental health. Giving suggestion on how to help reach out to friends, and that is okay to ask for help, and how to take care of yourself.
- The Beat the Odds selection committee is reviewing applications. the committee consist of one member from the Library Commission, Commission on Aging and the Parks and Recreation Commission as well as three Youth Council members.
- The Senior Committee has started to submit videos for the seniors. A series of short clips to be posted on the senior website and YouTube.
- TYC applications will be going out this month; for next year's Council, there are eight graduating seniors.

RECREATION DIVISION VOLUNTEER INFORMATION FOR FEBRUARY:

LOCATION/PROGRAM	NUMBER of VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEER HOURS
Adaptive Sports		
Bartlett Senior Center		
Early Childhood		
Focal Point	1	28
AARP Tax Aide		
S.P.I.N.		
Torrance Travelers		
Youth Sports		
TOTAL:		

Commission on Aging (COA):

- The Commission approved seven senior to receive their Older American Award via Zoom at an upcoming City Council meeting.
- L.A. County will resume, via Zoom, their 56 Annual Older Americans Recognition Event, on Thursday, May 27, 2021. For the past 55 years, the President, the Governor, and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors have designated the month of May as Older Americans Recognition Month.

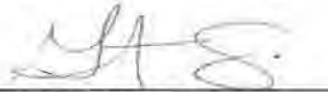
Focal Point on Aging: (The Focal Point office remains closed)

Focal Point volunteer Kara has been monitoring the phones from home and handled 28 calls for information on behalf of Focal Point in April. She also reach out to make Birthday calls to those seniors celebrating April birthdays.

Senior Citizens Programs (Bartlett Center)

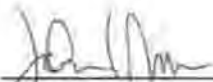
- The Senior Programs staff answered calls via the Senior Hotline that runs Monday-Friday 9AM-4PM
- On Monday April 19 senior staff assisted at the second dose vaccine clinic held at the Ken Miller Recreation Center for seniors.
- ZOOM Bingo, *Conversations Worth Having*, and *Zoom Jeopardy* continue with ongoing success.
- Online Senior Bridge Club started on Tuesday, April 20th and will run every Tuesday with games starting at 10:00AM.
- The Tillim Senior Center, Walteria Park Senior program, and Friday Recreation Seniors program remain closed due to COVID-19.
- The AARP Tax-Aide program is operating on a virtual basis. Clients need to call for an appointment and information as to the steps they need to take to get their taxes done. AARP Tax- Aide will be assisting through the Tax Extension on May 17th.

Respectfully Submitted,



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