

wherever possible. This includes many of the custodial supplies. The new benches in the locker rooms are made of “green” material.

Regarding capital improvements, all of the flooring at the Beede Center was replaced this fall. The lobby areas received new carpets and the floors in the fitness centers were replaced with a more durable rubber floor product. The tiling for the entire pool deck area was replaced and all caulking on the on the deck was upgraded. The lighting at the Center was upgraded to more energy efficient fixtures and was placed on a photovoltaic system that maximizes use of natural lighting.

Recreation Department Activities

The Recreation Department provides programs for a wide range of ages from toddlers to adult. Major programs include school-age childcare, Carousel PreSchool, a variety of summer camps and clinics as well as youth basketball and skiing.

The Department produces community special events such as the Shamrock Ball/Parent Daughter Dance in March along with the Minuteman Classic Road Race on July 4th, the 6th grade Halloween Dance in October and the Concord Open Golf tournament in August. All of these activities are designed to support the summer camp scholarship fund.

In 2010, the Recreation Department provided over \$100,000 in school year and summer program scholarships to Concord families.

Capital Improvements

The premier 60’ diamond constructed at the Ripley site is substantially complete. Construction of the project was paid for by Friends of Concord Carlisle Youth Sports. Plans call for the facility opening in spring 2011.

Friends and Partners

The Recreation Commission expresses its sincere appreciation to the Lamont Family for their continued support of the Concord Open Golf Tournament. This year’s event raised over \$13,000.

The Commission would also like to thank the following for their financial support: Concord/Carlisle Community Chest, the Silent Fund, The Concord Lion’s Club and those residents who choose to remain anonymous, whose donations make a substantial difference in the

quality of life for many of the children in Concord.

Maureen Taggart Award

The 2010 award recipient was Kathleen Orlando. This award honors young adults who have given exemplary service to their community. The recipient receives a monetary award as well as designating a charity to receive a monetary contribution. Kathleen selected the Pediatric Unit of Emerson Hospital as her charity.



Summer Camp Field Day

PICNIC IN THE PARK

JULY 4TH 2010

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The annual Picnic-in-the-Park was well attended in 2010. Entertainment was provided by the Molly’s Misfits Band, Southern Rail, magician Jeb Brack and the finale by the Concord Band. However the Re-Max balloon was unable to fly, because of strong winds.



The ballroom twister created lots of fanciful shapes at Concord's annual Picnic in the Park.

Peter Flynn, Mick Hone and Marc Reardon from the Concord Public Works provided valuable assistance for the setup. Assistance was also provided by the Concord Recreation Department, the Concord Light Department for the power, the Concord Fire Department for standby safety services and their Fire House and the Concord Police Department for security services, the radar baseball toss and K-9 demonstration. Rebecca Purcell, Aileen Kussin and Melissa Saalfield organized the Field Games and Fritz Kussin was the Master of Ceremonies.

The following volunteers provided assistance in running the event: Tina Brown, Fay Erhard, Amy Jolly, Beth Knauss and Jenna Wong, Michael Murphy, Judy Perkins, Tim and Nina Rose, Regina Ryder, Marty and Ernie Stern, Abby Rainis, Chris Ronaldo, Cheryl Shea, Max Trocher-Cheyne, Hayle Wesolowski and Marion and Kyle Woodson.

The following sponsored the entertainment: Cambridge Trust Company, the Middlesex Savings Bank, Gloria and Chuck Clough and Elmer and Rebecca Purcell.

We again had a fund-raising raffle with 20 wonderful prizes provided by local merchants. The following businesses also provided in-kind support: the Concord Bookshop, the Concord Funeral Home, Crosby's Marketplace, Emerson Umbrella for the Arts, RE/MAX Walden Country and Rocky's Ace Hardware.

In general, contributions were greatly diminished this year. The bulk of the financial contributions came from the many private "Picnic Backers". These contributions went to supporting the event and funding the entertainment. After all expenses had been paid, a donation was made to the Concord Recreation Department Summer Scholarship Fund.

