

residents and to contribute to the economic vitality of our communities.”

Information about applying for grants was publicized in the *Concord Journal* and *Boston Globe Northwest*; guidelines and applications were distributed at the Town House and both branches of the Concord Free Public Library and schools/PTGs were notified about the application process. The application deadline for 2010 was October 15. Meetings were held on September 14, October 19, October 26 and November 23, 2010.

Information packets/grant applications were reviewed for funding at the October 19th and 26th meetings and with final decisions made at the November 23rd meeting, which included consideration of reimbursements from fiscal years 2008-2009 and 2009-2010. The 2010 and 2011 grant applications were considered according to MCC and CCC guidelines, which were discussed and voted on.

CONCORD CULTURAL COUNCIL GRANTS 2010-2011	
Concord Carlisle TV	\$400
<i>Oral History Project</i>	
Summer Stages Dance Festival	\$300
Acton Community Chorus	\$175
Concord Carlisle High School	\$350
<i>Modern/Contemporary Dance Workshops</i>	
Concord Art Association	\$400
<i>Concord Carlisle High School Art Show</i>	
Wild Apples, Inc.	\$200
<i>“Spring Issue 2011”</i>	
Willard School	\$450
<i>Made in the Shade Jazz</i>	
Drinking Gourd Project	\$400
<i>African American History Celebration</i>	
Alcott Elementary School	\$400
<i>Tanglewood Marionettes</i>	
Council on Aging	\$200
<i>Vincent, A Portrait by the Postman Roulin</i>	
Friends of the Performing Arts	\$250
<i>Victorian Messiah Sing</i>	
Robert Creeley Foundation, Inc.	\$150
<i>11<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Award</i>	
PASS Grant	\$195
<i>Working in the Line-Lowell Mills</i>	
Concord Carlisle Adult Ed	\$300
<i>Program Assistance</i>	
TOTAL	\$ 4,170

Council members were assigned as liaisons for each grant recipient.

Individuals and organizations may apply to the CCC for funding for programs, projects and presentations in music, dance, visual arts, poetry, literature, drama,

the humanities and scientific interpretation for all age groups. Preference is given to applicants who live or work in Concord or who offer programs, projects or presentations that specifically benefit the Concord community.

## RECREATION COMMISSION

John Inman, Chair  
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### *Beede Swim & Fitness Center*

The Center opened in April 2006 and operates as an Enterprise Fund, meaning it does not receive tax-funding and relies solely on membership and program fees to achieve the status of self-support. The Center is open 100 hours per week, 50 weeks per year and is staffed with approximately 60 full and part time employees. The Center is fully handicapped accessible.

Membership is comprised of approximately 3,000 Concord residents and 1,090 users from surrounding communities. There are 1,800 memberships supporting approximately 4,000 total members.

Since its opening, the Beede Center has operated “in the black” each year. For the fiscal year 2010, operating revenues were \$2,530,000 and operating expenses \$2,278,000 resulting in operating income of \$224,000. The current economic recession which is entering its third year has impacted the Beede Center as there has been a slight decline in total memberships from 2009.

The Center provides programming for all ages: from infant swim lessons to adult water fitness; diving and use of the warm water therapy pool. The Department’s youth swim team – The Concord Otters is managed by the aquatics staff. The Beede Center hosts the Concord Carlisle High School swim and dive team for both practices and meets.

The fitness center offers both cardio and strength equipment with a highly skilled certified fitness staff who also offer personal training. Members receive a 40 % discount on swim and fitness classes and early registration privileges.

In 2010, the Beede Center committed to going green

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**

Frank Okurowski Co-Chair  
Michael Rudd Co-Chair  
Sandy Folk Treasurer  
Ann Lang Secretary  
Robert Abraham  
Karen Ahearn  
Isabel Bailey  
Carol Harney  
Dot Higgins  
Marion Pohl  
Lois Rudd  
Joan Wesolowski.

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.