



RECREATION DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2012

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ATHLETICS

Ben Hull

Adult Fall 3-on-3 Basketball

Registration for the 3-on-3 Basketball league was held July 30th – August 24th. Games are played on Tuesday evenings. Ten (10) teams are participating this fall season; the season started Tuesday, September 18th. The final regular season game is scheduled for November 13th. A single elimination tournament will be held following the regular season. The regular season and tournament champions will receive champion shirts. Teams call their own fouls. Score and time is kept by Recreation staff.

Adult Fall 6 vs 6 Soccer

Registration for the 6 vs. 6 Soccer league was held July 30th – August 24th. Games are played on Tuesday evenings; five (5) teams signed up to participate this fall season. The season started Tuesday, September 18th, and the final regular season game is scheduled for November 20th. A single elimination tournament will follow the regular season. Regular season and tournament champions will receive t-shirts. Games are officiated by Joey Gorman or Jay Frye, while a Recreation staff member is on-site to record the outcome of the match.

Adult Fall Table Tennis League

Registration for the Singles Table Tennis League was held July 30th – August 24th. Games are played on Tuesdays from 10:20 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Ten (10) participants have signed up to play in the league. The season started on Tuesday, September 18th, and the final regular season game is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13th. Table One is set up for league matches; Table Two is set up for anyone wanting to get a league pickup game. The regular season champion and tournament champion will receive a shirt. A double elimination tournament will take place following the regular season. Games and scores are kept and recorded by the players and Recreation staff.

14th Annual Half Rubber Tournament

Thirteen (13) teams traveling from Georgia, North Carolina and the Charleston area participated in the 14th Annual Half Rubber Tournament at the Isle of Palms Recreation Department. The double elimination tournament began at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 28th and ended at 7:00 p.m. Seven (7) fields were set up in an attempt to finish the tournament all on Saturday. *Habershams Bojangle*, a team from Charleston finished in 2nd place. The team received \$600 in gift certificates to local businesses and restaurants. *Turtle Express*, a Savannah team, fought hard to become the new tournament champions; *Turtle Express* received \$750 in gift certificates to local businesses and restaurants. Pictures from the tournament can be found on www.iop.net; pictures were also emailed to all participating teams. Sponsors included www.halfrubber.com, Banana Cabana, East Cooper Sporting Goods, My Favorite Things, IOP Marina, ACME Cantina, Charleston Limo, Hucks, Iacafano's, Atlanta Bread Company, Coconut Joes, Q'doba, Jack's Cosmic Dogs, Barrier Island Eco Tours, Bottles and Cinnebarre.

Youth Sports

Fast Start Soccer

Registration was held July 30th – August 24th. The program consists of eight (8) teams with a total of seventy-one (71) players, twenty-eight (28) Isle of Palms residents and forty-three (43) non-residents. The Parent/Player Meeting was held Thursday, August 30th at 5:15 p.m.; parents received player packets, met team members and their Team Leader. The first activity day was held on Saturday, September 8th. Pictures are scheduled for Tuesday, October 2nd. The last activity day is scheduled for Saturday, October 13th. Participants will receive medals at the end of the season.

5/6 yrs old Soccer

Registration was held July 30th – August 24th. The 5/6 year old age group consists of four (4) teams with a total of forty-four (44) participants, twenty-five (25) Isle of Palms residents and nineteen (19) non-residents. The coach's meeting was held on Tuesday, August 28th at 6:30 p.m.; the Parent/Player Meeting was held Thursday, August 30th at 6:00 p.m. Participants met their team members and coaches. Parents received a season information packet. The teams practiced through the month of September and games began Monday, September 24th. Youth Picture day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2nd. Games are played on Monday evenings and will conclude on Monday, October 29th. Recreation staff is on-site to supervise practices and games. All participants receive a trophy for their participation.

7/8 yrs old Soccer

Registration was held July 30th – August 24th. The 7/8 year old age group consists of four (4) teams with a total of forty-four (44) participants, thirty-one (31) Isle of Palms residents and thirteen (13) non-residents. The coach's meeting was held on Tuesday, August 28th at 6:45 p.m.; the Parent/Player Meeting was held Thursday, August 30th at 6:00 p.m. Participants met their team members and coaches, and parents received a season information packet. The teams practiced through the month of September, and games began Wednesday, September 26th. Youth Picture day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2nd. Games are played on Wednesday evenings and will conclude on Wednesday, November 7th. Recreation staff is on-site to supervise practices and games. All participants receive a trophy for their participation.

9-12 yrs old Soccer

Registration was held July 30th – August 24th. The 9/12 year old age group consists of four (4) teams with a total of sixty (60) participants, thirty-five (35) Isle of Palms residents and twenty-five (25) non-residents. The skill evaluation/coach's meeting was held on Monday, August 27th at 5:00 p.m.; coaches evaluated the players and then drafted teams. The Parent/Player Meeting was held Thursday, August 30th at 6:00 p.m. Participants met their team members and coaches; parents received a season information packet. The 9-12 year olds practiced during September and games began on Monday, September 24th. There will be a single elimination tournament following the regular season. Youth Picture day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2nd. Joey Gorman and Jay Frye referee soccer games; staff is on-site to fill out score sheets and supervise games. The regular season and tournament champions/runners-up will receive trophies.

Soccer Registration

Fast Start 3/4yr Soccer	Total: 71	Isle of Palms: 28	Non-Residents: 43
5/6yr Micro Soccer	Total: 44	Isle of Palms: 25	Non-Residents: 19
7/8yr Micro Soccer	Total: 44	Isle of Palms: 31	Non-Residents: 13
9/12yr Youth Soccer	Total: 60	Isle of Palms: 35	Non-Residents: 25

Soccer Goalkeeper Clinic

The Soccer Goalkeeper Clinic was held on Monday, September 17th from 5:00-5:30 p.m. This clinic was geared for participants in the 9/12yr old age group and was \$5 to join. Will McElheny and Ben Hull, Recreation Supervisors, took part in teaching and drilling the participants with fundamental goalkeeping training. Two (2) participants took part in this clinic. Both participants received an ACME Cantina gift certificate.

Soccer Penalty Kick Shootout

The Soccer Penalty Shootout was held on Monday, September 17th at 5:45 p.m. This clinic was geared for participants in the 7/12yr old age group and was free of charge. Three (3) players participated in the 7/8yr old age group and seven (7) players participated in the 9/12yr old age group. All participants received a Jack's Cosmic Dogs coupon.

Challenger Soccer Player Clinic

The Challenger Soccer Clinic was held on Saturday, September 22nd from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and proved to be a big success. The clinic was for any participant signed up in the IOP Youth Soccer League. A Challenger Soccer instructor was on-site to give instruction and direction to the players, parents and coaches. Twenty six (26) registered soccer participants took advantage of this free clinic.

Youth Basketball League

The Isle of Palms Youth Basketball league is for participant's aged 5-14 years. Registration will be held October 15th- November 9th. The registration fee is \$30 for residents and \$35 for non-residents. The 9-12 year old age group will have a skill evaluation on Tuesday, November 13th. The coach's meetings will be held on Wednesday, November 14th, and the mandatory parent/player meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 27th at 5:00 p.m. Practices will be held in December, and games will begin in January. Solicitations are going out for coaches and sponsors.

Spike Nights

Spike Nights is an opportunity for youth ages 5-16 years to participate in a volleyball clinic. On Thursday nights, Laura Togami will instruct and play from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Registrants sign up for 4 sessions, at a time. The fee is \$40 for IOP residents and \$45 for non-residents. The next session will be held October 4th - October 25th.

Spike Nights Participants:

August 9 th - August 30 th	5pm Session Total: 1	Isle of Palms: 0	Non Residents: 1
August 9 th - August 30 th	6pm Session Total: 9	Isle of Palms: 3	Non Residents: 6
September 6 th - Sept 27 th	5pm Session Total: 2	Isle of Palms: 0	Non Residents: 2
September 6 th - Sept 27 th	6pm Session Total: 6	Isle of Palms: 1	Non Residents: 5

Youth Dodgeball Pick-Up Games

Games are scheduled once a month on Wednesdays from 4:00- 5:00 p.m. This is geared for children 7-12 years old and is free to participate. Children can sign up in advance or just show up to play. Games take place in the IOP gymnasium. The most recent pick-up games were held September 19th with fifteen (15) children participating. The next session will be held on October 17th. Two (2) Recreation staff members are on-site to supervise these games.

Dodgeball Pick Up Games Participation:

June 13 th	Session Total: 12
July 11 th	Session Total: 10
August 8 th	Session Total: 18
September 19 th	Session Total: 15

Wellness Wacky Golf

City Wellness Wacky Golf games have been scheduled for Monday, October 1st at 4:00 p.m. This is for City employees and is free of charge. Nine (9) holes will be played at the Wild Dunes Links Golf Course. Teams of four (4) players will be formed, and no golf experience is required. A pizza party will follow golf on the back deck of the Links Clubhouse.

Athletic Camps

Suarez Soccer Camp (5-13 year olds)

The Isle of Palms Soccer Camp was instructed by Suarez Soccer School. The registration fee was \$125 for residents and \$130 for non-residents. The camp was held July 30th – August 3rd. Thirteen (13) children participated in the full-day of camp, and nineteen (19) participated in half-day. Campers received a camp t-shirt.

Get Your Spike On (10-16 year olds)

The Get Your Spike On Camp was instructed by Laura Togami. The clinic was held August 6th – August 9th. The registration fee was \$75 and was geared for children ages 10-16 years old. Eighteen (18) children participated in this camp. Campers received a camp t-shirt.

Miscellaneous Work Completed/Classes Attended

August 2 nd	Participated in Employee Wellness Cornhole Games
August 10 th	Supervised Kids Night Out
August 21 st	Fact and Fee Day at SIES, promoting upcoming Recreation activities
September 9 th – 11 th	Attended SCRPA Conference in Greenville, SC
September 13 th	Assisted with the IOP Community Wellness Fair

PROGRAMS AND CLASSES

Karrie Ferrell

Babysitting Course

Twelve (12) future babysitters participated in the babysitting class scheduled on Saturday, September 15th. Instructed by the American Red Cross

Ballet

Three (3) people are participating in the current session of Ballet. Classes started Monday, September 10th and are held on Mondays from 12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Kim Chesley-Breland, Instructor.

Boater Education

Ten (10) people registered through SCDNR for the Boater Education class that was held on Saturday, September 15th. Class was offered to City of Isle of Palms' employees. No employees attended the class. Instructed by Department of Natural Resources

Coffee Corner

Participants taking part in Coffee Corner are Gather and Knit, Mah Jongg, Tiny Tots and Jump Start parents and participants of the senior exercise class.

Dog Obedience

Kinderpuppy: September 10th

Twelve (12) people are participating in the current session of Kinderpuppy. The next session is scheduled for Monday, October 29th. Currently one (1) person is signed up for the October session.

Just the Basics: September 10th

Eight (8) people are participating in the current session of Just the Basics. Classes are held on Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

Intro to Nosework: October 29th

Three (3) people are registered for the upcoming session of the Nosework class. Classes are scheduled to start Monday, October 29th at 7:30 p.m. Susan Marett, Instructor

Gather Knit & Stitch

August: Eleven (11) and September: Eight (8) women have been attending the Gather Knit & Stitch program. The program is held on Mondays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Lobby.

Guitar Lessons

August and September: No one has participated in the guitar sessions. The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2nd at 4:15 p.m. Lee Archer, Instructor.

Gymnastics/Tumbling

Six (6) people have been participating in the Gymnastics program. The session started Tuesday, September 4th. The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16th at 3:30 p.m. in the Palmetto Room. Tricha Tapio, Instructor.

Hunter Education

The next class is scheduled for Friday, October 26th. Participants must register through SCDNR. Instructed by Department of Natural Resources

Jump Start

Open House was held on Tuesday, August 21st at 9:00 a.m. Parents and children met the teachers and class participants. The first day of class was held on Wednesday, August 22nd.

Eight (8) preschoolers are enrolled on Monday/Wednesday/ Friday, and five (5) are enrolled on Tuesday/Thursday. Enrollment remains open for the Tuesday/Thursday session of Jump Start. Robin Lee, Instructor.

Keenagers

Keenager committee members met on Wednesday, August 22nd at 2:00 p.m. to discuss upcoming programs and monthly activities. The first meeting was held on Wednesday, September 5th with approximately sixty (60) members were in attendance. The lunch was catered by the Piggly Wiggly and the Recreation Department and the program was Bingo. The October meeting has a Halloween theme, and members are encouraged to dress up; a storyteller will be in attendance to entertain.

Kid's Night Out

Nineteen (19) children participated in the Kid's Night Out activity scheduled on Friday, August 10th. Children watched a movie, played games and were given pizza and Kool Aid for dinner. The next activity is scheduled for Friday, October 12th from 6:00pm – 9:00pm. Five (5) people are currently registered. The activity is supervised by Recreation staff.

Little Dragons Karate

No one participated in the September session of Little Dragons. Three (3) people are signed up for the next session of Little Dragons that is scheduled to begin October 17th at 12:30pm. This is a karate class for children ages 3-5 years old, where participants will learn martial art skills, team work and good manners. Debbie Garelli, Instructor.

Middle School Dance

The Middle School Dance was held Friday, September 28th from 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Three hundred and twenty (320) young people attended. The dance had a beach party theme, and luau props were handed out at the door to the first 100 participants. The DJ was provided by Other Brother Entertainment; Jump Castles were provided by Charleston Jump Castles and concessions were sold for a dollar. The next dance is scheduled on Friday, November 9th.

Mah Jongg

Six (6) people played Mah Jongg in August and September. Mah Jongg is scheduled on Mondays from 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Participants supply materials for this activity.

Mexican Train

No one participated in August or September. Mexican Trains is a strategic game of dominoes. Activity is open to everyone and meets on the second Friday of the month.

Mommy & Me/ Daddy & Me

Thirteen (13) parents and children participated in Mommy & Me/Daddy & Me. The activity is held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

School's Out Activities/Spring Break

Activities are scheduled on teacher work days and school holidays. Activities are scheduled from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Dates and activities include:

Friday, October 26 th	Pumpkin Painting and Wiffleball/Kickball
Monday, November 19 th	Basketball & Relays

Tuesday, November 20 th	Dodgeball
Friday, December 21 st	Dodgeball/Snowball Fight
Thursday, December 27 th	Basketball
Friday, December 28 th	Relays & Tag

Semi-Personal Training

August and September: Four (4) people are participating in the 9:30 a.m. session of Personal Training. Both the 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. classes have six (6) people enrolled; classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Geri D'Italia, Instructor.

Senior Aerobics

August and September: Nineteen (19) seniors attended aerobics; three (3) seniors paid for the month, and all others paid by the class. Classes are open to all levels of exercise and are offered at the nominal fee of \$5 per class, or \$30 for the month. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Judy Fischer, Instructor.

Senior Exercise

Fifty (50) seniors are participating in the Senior Exercise Class. Classes continues to have a waiting list. Classes are held on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 3:00 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Rooms. Judy Fischer, Instructor.

Tae Kwon Do

Youth Participation: August and September: Eight (8) participants have signed up for classes that are held on Saturdays in the gym at 9:00 a.m.; new participants can join the youth class in January, June and September.

Adult Participation: August: Twenty-six (26) and September: Twenty-one (21) adults are participating in the classes that are offered Saturdays in the gym from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Wednesdays in the gym from 7:00 p.m. to 9:45 p.m., and Mondays in the Magnolia Room from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30pm. Adults can join classes anytime.

Tennis

September Tiny Tennis: Six (6) participants are playing in the Tiny Tennis Class that is for children 3 – 5 years old. A low compression ball and smaller net and court are used to teach the fundamentals of tennis. The next session of Tiny Tennis starts Monday, October 1st. Currently, nine (9) people are enrolled in the class. Due to the overwhelming response to this program, the class will be split into two (2) groups.

September Youth Tennis: Eleven (11) youth are participating in the Youth Tennis session. Five (5) participants are in the beginner level, and six (6) participants are in the intermediate level class. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. The next session is scheduled to start Monday, October 1st.

September Adult Tennis: Seven (7) people are participating in the adult tennis program. Classes meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. The next session of tennis is scheduled for October 2nd. Corinne Enright, Instructor.

Tiny Tots

Open House was held on Tuesday, August 21st at 9:00 a.m.; parents and children met teachers and class participants. The first day of class was Wednesday, August 22nd. Six (6) participants are enrolled in the Monday/Wednesday/Friday class, and six (6) are enrolled in the Tuesday/Thursday class. Cathy Adams, Instructor.

Total Body Challenge (TBC)

August: twenty-nine (29) and September: twenty-six (26) people participated in morning aerobics; classes are held Monday – Friday at 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the High Tide/ Low Tide Rooms. Pat Boyd and Angela Reinhardt, Instructors.

Yoga - Afternoon

August and September: Five (5) people participated in the classes that are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the High Tide/Low Tide Rooms from 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Pat Boyd, Instructor.

Yoga -Evening

September: Nine (9) people have participated in the evening yoga class. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Mary Moore and Jen Schoolfield, Instructors.

Yoga – Morning

August: Fifteen (15) and September: Seventeen (17) people participated. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Pat Boyd, Instructor.

Yoga – Saturday

August: Eighteen (18) and September: Thirteen (13) people participated in the class which is held on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Rooms. Jen Schoolfield, Instructor.

Zumba

August: Sixty-three (63) people participated; fifteen (15) paid for the month, and all others paid by the class.

September: Forty (40) people participated; nine (9) paid for the month, and all others paid by the class. Participants can attend four (4) classes for \$25 or eight (8) classes for \$50; participants also have the option of paying \$8 per class. Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. in the High Tide/Low Tide Room. Dale Ellison, Instructor.

Writing from Memory

Seven (7) people are participating in the Writing from Memory Class which began Tuesday, September 18th at 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. The class will hold in a public reading at the end of the session to share class works. Sara Thomason, Instructor.

Holiday Happenings

Holiday Happenings is for children ages 3 – 5 years old. Children will bring a lunch and enjoy holiday-themed projects. Activity is held on Wednesdays from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Dates include:

October 24th
December 12th

Halloween
Christmas.

November 14th

Thanksgiving

The activity fee is \$20 residents/ \$25 non-residents; participants must pre-register. Cathy Adams, Instructor.

Photography Contest

Winning photos will be used in the Activity Guide and on the City website. This contest is for Isle of Palms residents. Four (4) entries can be submitted in the following categories: IOP Lifestyle (cityscape, people, activities), IOP Natural (landscapes, plants), IOP Wild (animals, pets) and IOP Rec (grounds, sports, activities and events); all photos will become property of the City. One (1) person has submitted photos. Entry forms and Model Release forms can be found on www.iop.net, and pictures need to be emailed to Karrie Ferrell before Friday, November 9th.

Youth Yoga Camp

Six (6) children participated in the Youth Yoga Camp that was held August 6th – August 10th. On the last day of camp, participants performed yoga to songs for parents and guardians.

BOSU Training

Wednesday/Friday 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., August: Nine (9) and September: Eight (8) people participated in the morning classes. All participants are paying by the class.

Monday/Wednesday 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., August: Seven (7) and September: Ten (10) people participated. All participants paid by the class.

Tuesday/Thursday 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m., September: Four (4) people participated. One participant paid for the session, and all others paid by the class.

Saturdays 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., September: No one has participated in the Saturday class. Class is \$64 for Isle of Palms residents and \$69 non-residents, or there is a \$10 walk-in fee. Isle of Palms employees can take the class for free as a part of the Employee Wellness Program. Jeromy Miller, Instructor.

Personal Training

One on one or small group training is available. Participants need to call the Recreation Department to set up an appointment with the instructor. Three (3) people are currently participating in personal training. Jeromy Miller, Instructor.

New Classes for Fall

Engineers in Training

Learn how machines make work easier, working with levers, pulleys, motors and gears. Children will have building challenges experimenting with motorized Legos while learning science, technology, engineering and math. Classes are for children ages 5 -8 years old and are held on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. in the Magnolia Room.

Three (3) participated in the September session of Engineers In Training. The next session is scheduled to start Tuesday, October 2nd at 4:30 pm. Currently, no one has registered for the class. Instructors provided by Brick by Brick.

Little Builders

Lego building for children ages 3 – 5 years old. Classes will explore animals and transportation, space and inventions through story time, songs and games. Children will then bring characters to life by building a Lego model. No one participated in the September session. The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2nd at 12:30 p.m. Currently two (2) people are registered for the October session. Instructors provided by Brick by Brick.

IOP TV Production Crew

Due to the small number registrants for this class and an unexpected illness, the class has been cancelled.

Kid's Yoga

Children are guided on an age-appropriate yoga journey. This curriculum-based program will use games and yoga poses to help nourish a happy mind. Class is for children ages 5-10 years old and began Wednesday, September 5th at 3:30 p.m. in the Palmetto Room. Three (3) people participated in the Kid's Yoga class for September. The next session of Kid's Yoga is scheduled for Wednesday, October 3rd; no one is currently registered for the upcoming session. Mary Moore, Instructor.

Story Time Yoga

Parents and children enjoy story time while moving through yoga poses based on the theme of the book. Parents bring a yoga mat. Classes are held once a month starting in September. Two (2) people participated in the September 18th session of Story Time Yoga. The next class is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16th; currently no one has registered. Mary Moore, Instructor.

Tai Chi/Qigong

Tai Chi was added to the list of program classes in September. Tai Chi is an ancient form of meditative, low impact activity originating from China; Tai Chi has mental, emotional and physical benefits to its practice. The activity helps reduce hypertension, stress, anxiety and depression; physical benefits include flexibility, joint health, lower body strength and balance. Class is held on Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Magnolia/Palmetto Room. Class is \$10 per person. Class started Tuesday, September 18th. Three (3) people have been participating since that time. Instructor Connie Cossetti.

Tween/ Teen Yoga

A great foundation for building a healthy fit lifestyle, this class will help build strength and flexibility promote self-confidence and awareness. No one participated in the Teen session of Yoga for September. The next session is scheduled for Wednesday, October 3rd at 4:45 p.m. Currently, two (2) people are registered for class.

Paws & Pose Doga

Yoga for you and your dog - classes will begin with a 15minute warm-up walk followed by 35-40 minutes of doga. All fitness levels welcome; limit one (1) dog per person. Bring a mat and water for your dog. Classes are scheduled for the first Thursday of the month, and dates include: September 6th, October 4th, November 1st and December 6th, and will be held from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Classes will meet in the Magnolia Room. No one participated in the September session of Paws & Pose Yoga Class. The next session is scheduled for Thursday, October 4th. Shannon Goertzen, Instructor.

Matter of Balance

Concerned about falling? Don't let that worry keep you down; feel stronger and improve your balance with this award winning program. Three (3) people are registered for the Matter of Balance class. Class will be held on Fridays starting October 12th from 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the High Tide/ Low Tide Room. Instructor provided by Lowcountry Senior Center.

Miscellaneous Work:

- Created employee schedules.
- Processed time cards for employees and instructors.
- Met with staff and part-time employees.
- Conducted daily employee shift change meetings.
- Made weekly deposits for Recreation Department.
- Sent *The Island Eye News* Recreation pictures and information, when requested.
- Assisted with front desk duties and class check-ins.
- Performed Rec Trac system upgrades, maintenance work and updated information.
- Set up classrooms for programs and special events.
- Training of part-time staff with evening desk duties.
- Assisted with bulletin boards and Information Center.
- Hired and met with instructors for future classes and opportunities.
- Attended SCRPA Conference.
- Assisted with the Community Wellness Fair.
- Revised room schedules and calendars to accommodate classes.
- Prepared for SCMIT Training on Thursday, October 4th.
- Prepared and contacted instructors for upcoming event dates, Halloween on October 31st and presidential elections on November 6th.

Special Events Will McElheny

Community Wellness Fair

The annual Isle of Palms Community Wellness Fair was held on Thursday, September 13th from 7:00am – 11:00am. The City of Isle of Palms partnered with East Cooper Medical Center to provide services to the community and the employees for the City of Isle of Palms. “*Doctors Care*” recorded blood pressures along with providing flu shots to the city employees and walk-ins. Dr. Germain and her staff provided opportunities for skin screenings and the Recreation Department provided entertainment throughout the day along with competitions and doors prizes that were donated by local businesses and health specialist in the area. Some of the vendors that helped to make the Wellness Fair successful included: *Imagine PT, Beach House Spa, The Foot Store, New Primal, Try-Sports, Health Source, Max Muscle, Charleston Neck and Back, Physicians Plan, Vision Center at Seaside Farms* and many more. There were thirty-six (36) Isle of Palms City employees and over two hundred (200) people that attended this year's Wellness Fair

Ghostly Tide Tales

This year the Isle of Palms Rec Department will bring back the “Ghostly Tide Tales” on Friday, October 19th from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Participants will meet at the Recreation Center then walk over to the beach. The 28th Avenue beach access path will be lit with tiki torches and fire barrels will be located on the beach to provide warmth. Eric Lavender will be our quest story teller. This event is not theatrical and is not designed to scare children or adults. Stories told are child friendly. Hot chocolate will be served.

Halloween Carnival

The Annual Halloween Carnival is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31st from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The 2012 Halloween Carnival will provide entertainment that includes jump castles, a face painter, balloon artists, temporary tattoo booth and a haunted room. Costume contests begin at 5:30pm. All participants in the costume contest receive a prize and the top three (3) winners in each category will receive an additional prize. The age groups for the costume contest are: 1 year and under, 2-3 years, 4-5 years, 6-7 years, 8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11-12 years and 13 years and older. The Isle of Palms Exchange Club will sell concessions during the Halloween Carnival. The Isle of Palms Rec Department anticipates over eight hundred children (800) will attend the carnival; the event is free.

Upcoming Events

Holiday Craft Workshop

Thursday, November 15th beginning at 4:00 p.m., children ages fifteen (15) and under are invited to decorate holiday ornaments; all materials will be provided. Participants must pre-register by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 9th. The event fee is \$5 for residents and non-residents.

Letters to Santa

Santa Claus was so excited with the number of letters he received from the Isle of Palms last year that he agreed to allow his mailbox to be placed in the lobby again this year. Children are encouraged to write a letter to Santa and place it in the North Pole Mailbox which will be in the lobby of the Isle of Palms Rec Department. Once Santa has received all the letters, he promises to answer each one before Christmas.

Tree Lighting and Street Festival

The Tree Lighting and Street Festival will be held on Saturday, December 8th, 2012 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. This year the event will be an afternoon festival on Ocean Boulevard where island restaurants and businesses will have the opportunity to display and sale their products and serve menu items. The festival will also include a face painter and carnival rides, including a ferris wheel, climbing wall and big slide for children and adults. Santa Claus will make an appearance and be available throughout the afternoon and evening for all the boys and girls. The official lighting of palm trees and the Christmas tree will be on or around 6:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided throughout the day by *Moultrie Middle School Choir, Sol Driven Train, Fowlers Mustache, Scotty Frier Band, Jef Wilson and others.*

Santa's Cookie Workshop

The Cookie workshop will be held on Wednesday, December 14 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Magnolia and Palmetto rooms. Over one hundred (100) children are expected to register for this event; each child will get five (5) cookies to decorate with unlimited decorating supplies of icing, chocolate and candy.

COMMUNITY SPECIALIST

By Christina Willson

Daily Responsibilities

- Completed opening procedures and reported damages to supervisor.
- Set-up classrooms for programs when supervisors unavailable.
- Updated Department's media center as needed.
- Registered class participants, answered phones and welcomed visitors.
- Updated daily front desk information folders.
- Monitored security cameras.
- Managed the sign-in sheets for gymnasium and Cardio Room.
- Answered questions regarding current and upcoming programs/events.
- Assisted the Director and other staff members on a regular basis.
- Prepared purchase orders for staff.
- Participated in daily/weekly staff meetings.
- Continued to post and update events and activities onto community calendars and media outlets event sites/contacts.
- Worked in Microsoft Publisher to complete following months main and room calendars that display daily programs and activities.
- Showed first time visitors around Recreation Center and introduced them to the opportunities and programs that are available.
- Assisted with updating and maintaining the Recreation portion of the City website.
- Monitored coffee station for refills and clean up as needed.

Other Duties

- Matched invoices & purchase orders and then filed.
- Located and entered special events/newspaper articles into binder.
- Maintained lost-and-found folder and bins.
- Completed and sent out weekly PSA's.
- Provided Resort Quest/Wild Dunes/Dunes Properties with upcoming monthly activities and programs for distribution to their clients/renters.
- Contacted vending machine operators to report problems or refill request.
- Completed housekeeping duties when specialist was unavailable.
- Participated in Employee Wellness activities.
- Contacted class participants to let them know about changes in class schedules.
- Updated Gymnasium/Cardio Room Bulletin Boards with upcoming classes/event flyers.
- Advertised upcoming events on various event websites at no cost to city.
- Assisted with the preparation and set-up for the Community Wellness Fair.

- Created blue banner for Jump Start program, Wellness Fair, Biggest Loser Winner and Ghostly Tide Tales.
- Located vendors and gathered quotes as requested by Director.

Most Frequently Asked Questions

- “What programs do you offer for toddlers?”
- “Do you have a weight room?”
- “How much does it cost to join the Rec Center?”
- “Is this building brand new?”
- “When do you have Open Gym?”

Most Frequent Unsolicited Comments

- “This is a beautiful place!”
- “That new elliptical in the cardio room is awesome”
- “Those new lights y’all put up are great!”
- “It always smells so clean in here”
- “I always thought this building was a school”

Front Desk Summary: Monday – Friday

Cardio Room Usage:

August	402
September	334

Open Gym Participants:

August:	469	Residents	152	Non-Residents	317
September	356	Residents	174	Non-Residents	182

Phone Calls:

August	379
September	354

Walk-Ins:

August	491
September	526

PARKS & FACILITIES

Shelia Redmon

Housekeeping

- Performed routine housekeeping duties.
- Completed monthly safety inspections.
- Cleaned and serviced maintenance equipment.
- Replaced and refilled air fresheners and other sanitary devices.
- Sanitized ice machines.
- Supervised monthly inside pest control service.

Facility Preparations

- Assisted with the set-up of gymnasium and classrooms for daily scheduled programs, athletics, activities, meetings and special events.

Interior Maintenance

- Cleaned and serviced Cardio Room equipment.
- Unclogged toilets and flushed drains as needed.
- Replaced light bulbs and ballast as needed.
- Machine scrubbed and polished gym floor.
- Reset float switch in drain pan in High Tide HVAC.
- Supervised Berkeley Heating & Air during bi-annual preventive maintenance of all HVAC units.
- Contacted Berkeley Heating & Air concerning repair service needed for the Gym units #L1 & #L2.
- Annual detailed cleanup after summer camps ended.
- Repaired gym/restroom EXIT sign.
- Repaired a desk, door and table in office area.

Exterior Maintenance

- Inspected playground equipment.
- Removed trash and debris from around the building.
- Performed outside seasonal washing of exterior building and rocking chairs.

Miscellaneous

- Attended staff meetings.
- Placed phone calls to and met with supply sales representatives.
- Ordered and received maintenance supplies.
- Updated maintenance records.
- Annual building Fire and Safety inspection.
- Supervised delivery and installation of new Cardio Room equipment.
- Supervised Liberty Fire Inc. during bi-annual hood inspection and the service to reverse the direction of two (2) wet system sprinkler heads located in the housekeeping closet and the electrical room.
- Attended and assisted with the IOP Wellness Fair.

PARKS & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Nick Bako

Recreation Building and Activities

- Installed new U.S. flag.
- Painted two (2) pieces of strength equipment in the Wellness room.
- Installed new bulbs in the upstairs storage area.
- Cleaned graffiti and gum from the picnic shelter.
- Lined Palm Boulevard on Thursdays for ten (10) weeks.
- Mowed and trimmed Palm Blvd. land side from 21st to 41st.
- Updated equipment and tools inventory list.
- Trimmed and cleaned Front Beach walkway area.
- Completed monthly inspection reports.
- Cleaned trash receptacle toppers at entrance to building.
- Helped with activities and events such as Keenager meetings, Wellness Fair and classes.

Recreation Grounds

- Trimmed oak trees at Harnett Boulevard by the basketball courts.
- Cleaned concrete walkways at entrance to complex.
- Trimmed oaks at the softball field as needed.
- Trimmed palms in front of main building, sides of building and entrance to complex.
- Trimmed bushes at all sides of building and playground.
- Replaced one G.F.I. outlet and secured three (3) other G.F.I. on 28th Avenue.
- Mulched area outside of shed.
- Installed new pole and flag for Frisbee Golf # 12.
- Weeded and applied herbicide to all beds around the main building.
- Helped set up and breakdown for Half-Rubber event.
- Sprayed for fire-ants several times on the multi-purpose and soccer fields, and picnic shelter.
- Installed a 4"x4"x20" post to accommodate water supply to spigot at tennis courts.
- Made repairs to temporary fence posts for soccer games.
- Re-secured electrical outlet to post on the soccer field.

Playground

- Reset border spikes as needed.
- Raked and leveled playground mulch as needed.
- Sprayed for fire-ants in playground area.
- Trimmed tree branches surrounding playground area.
- Applied weed killer to play area and at exterior of same.

Basketball and Tennis Courts

- Applied weed killer to courts as needed.
- Sanded and painted pedestal style water fountain at entrance to courts.
- Kept courts clean as needed daily.
- Trimmed shrubs outside fenced area.

- Filled in holes where old electrical wiring was removed.
- Adjusted and secured tennis netting to proper height.

Baseball (Scalise) Field

- Applied weed killer to areas in dugout.
- Added 24 tons of baseball mix clay to field and dispersed onto field.

Softball (Clarkin) Field

- Realigned gate at the softball field by cul de sac.
- Leveled ground behind backstop and bleacher area for good transition and for ease of mowing.
- Applied weed killer in dugout.
- Wire tied windscreen to backstop.
- Added 24 tons of baseball clay and dispersed onto field.

Soccer Field

- Replaced several bulbs in the scoreboard.
- Set up field for soccer events.
- Filled areas in field as needed to make level.
- Relined soccer fields for Fast Start and other scheduled games.
- Fertilized field with 25-0-10 pre-emergent for August and 21-0-0 for September.

Bark Park

- Mulched entrance to Doggie Park.
- Repaired lid to doggie scooper box.
- Pumped out Doggie Park to relieve heightened water levels from consecutive rain storms.
- Filled holes as needed.

Multi-purpose Field

- Picked up debris and maintained as needed.
- Filled areas in field to make level.
- Set up for soccer practice and playing.

Equipment

- Replaced old trimmer head on weed-eater.
- Washed all vehicles.
- Replaced edger blade.
- Changed oil in groomer and Z-master mower.
- Built two (2) Frisbee Golf poles.
- Adjusted groomer door and hinge.
- Painted score keepers' benches and tables.

Operations

School's Out Activities: There were no School's Out Activities in August and September.

Youth Dodgeball Pick-Up Games

Games are scheduled once a month on Wednesdays from 4:00- 5:00 p.m. This is geared for children 7-12 years old and is free to participate. Children can sign up in advance or just show up to play. Games take place in the Recreation Center Gymnasium. Two (2) Recreation staff members are onsite to games.

Dodgeball Pick Up Games Participation:

April 25 th	Session Total: 15
May 16 th	Session Total: 20
June 13 th	Session Total: 12
July 11 th	Session Total: 17
August 8 th	Session Total: 18
September 19 th	Session Total: 15

OVERTIME:

August

3.25 Hours

Soccer and Yoga Camps, Kid's Night Out, Half Rubber Tournament, Soccer parent/player meetings and players draft.

Recreation Building was open 358 hours the month of August.

September

10.25 Hours

New programs and classes, Wellness Fair, SC State Recreation Conference in Greenville, Goal Keeper's clinic and Penalty Kick Shoot-out.

Recreation Building was open 329 hours the month of September.