

## **Recreation Facilities and programming:**

### **Parks**

#### **Veterans:**

- Extended summer hours started on Friday June 14<sup>th</sup>
- The Octopods Swim Team here at Vet's has 100 children signed up.
- We have been hosting AAPS at the pool for their end of the school year field trips.
- We have programming for 28 different group swim lessons, nearly everyone of the lessons is full.
- The AAUW used book collection and sorting has begun in the rink and will run through the end of July

#### **Buhr:**

- Extended summer hours started on June 14
- The Octopods swim team season has officially started on June 17 with 185 total swimmers on the team
  - For the first time a evening option for swim team has been offered and reached filled up in less than an hour
- Swim lessons began on June 16
  - For the first time- Buhr is offering swim lesson on Sundays
- Ann Arbor Roller Derby will have their first game on June 22 in the rink
- A new youth hockey team will be utilizing the ice rink in the summer for roller hockey

#### **Fuller:**

- Camp kicked off on June 17 with 91 campers!
- In the first 10 days of private lessons, we will have given over 200 lessons.

#### **Liveries:**

- Both Argo and Gallup liveries are open seven days a week and are in full swing for the summer.
- In addition to our normal rentals, we are running river programming such as:
  - Recreational Kayak Instruction classes
  - Kayaking for Seniors
  - Stand-up paddle boarding instruction
  - River Kid- a class for toddlers with there guardian
- Mid June the River camps will begin at Both locations.

#### **GIVE/AAP:**

- River and pond trips for volunteer litter pickup began for the season June 6 and are full through September with 29 events planned and confirmed
- Love a Park Days are scheduled through August
- We are once again participating in the AADL Summer games with codes on park websites and at our office

#### **Golf:**

##### Huron Hills:

- Ann Arbor STEAM 8<sup>th</sup> grade PE visited on May 20<sup>th</sup>. A beginner golf instruction field trip.

- Boy's JV SEC conference championship was hosted by HHGC on May 23. Over 100 high school golfers participated in the event.



- Adult beginner instruction continues, with session 4 beginning the week of June 10. Registration has been at capacity throughout the adult instruction season.
- Junior golf camps begin June 17. 190+ juniors are registered for our camp sessions.

#### Leslie Park:

- Leslie Park hosted the Michigan Top50 Junior Golf Tour earlier this month. We had 58 of the state's best junior golfers competing here on a Saturday afternoon. These kids ranged in age from 8 to 17 years old.
- Leagues have started at Leslie Park and are at near capacity. We have more than 20 leagues golfing this year. These leagues are comprised of more than 400 golfers from local business, groups and organizations that play a weekly round with us from May to August each year.

#### Farmers Market:

- Prescription for Health and Senior Project Fresh/Market Fresh food assistance programs began for the season on June 1
- Blue Sky Jazz performed at the Saturday Market on June 1 & June 8
- The Emerson Robotics Program provided demonstrations of their robots at market on June 8
- Eleva Potter (NAP) conducted our June Wednesday Market Cooking Demo on June 12, focused on invasive foraged edibles Garlic Mustard and Dame's Rocket. She purchased additional ingredients from market vendors and Sparrow Market and everyone loved the samples.
- North Ingalls Band performed at Saturday Market on June 15.
- The Community Keys Program came to a close on June 19, after a successful 6-week run of set concerts during market days as well as members of the public showcasing their talents at will. This was a successful partnership with The Ann Arbor Summer Festival.
- Fork in Nigeria Food Truck joins Wednesday market for a Juneteenth Pop-Up on June 19.
- Mobile Food vendors Pilar's Tamales, Popo's Real Chinese Food, Tacos El Mariachi Loco, Vegano Italiano, and Wanderbowls have joined Saturday and Wednesday Markets in June.
- Wednesday Market has had 8 Community Groups table in June: NAP, OSI, ZeroWaste.Org, VegMichigan, Growing Hope, Feonix Mobility, Samaritas, and Justice InDeed
- WIC Project Fresh changed to WIC Produce Connections and the Market's role in facilitating the program has been drastically reduced. Now, that food assistance program is managed directly

by our vendors instead of managed by the market. Sadly, there are far less vendors participating than in the past as a result of the program changes. WIC Produce Connections began June 1.

- Overall, we have been very busy already this season since many crops are 2-3 weeks ahead of schedule due to the warm weather. This means more vendors and more customers attending market earlier in the season than usual. We have had mostly full Saturday Markets since May.

### Senior Center:

The Ann Arbor Senior Center is very grateful and is having a lot of fun with Eleva Potter (NAP) leading our park walks each week. Eleva's last walk with us for the spring is June 21st, where we'll be going on a special trip to Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Eleva wrapped up the "Art and Science of Invasive Species" workshop series by having members create an earth loom outside of the Senior Center (photo below). We are hosting a new Craft Planting Workshop at the end of the month that members are excited about. We also have several new workshops, topics include: Understanding Dementia and Alzheimer's; Demystifying What Hospice Means and Learn How It Can Help; What to Expect When You Have Care Needs: Tech - Learn How Fraudsters Operate and Make Billions. Don't forget to sign up for our June 14th blood drive with Versiti from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., sign up [here!](#)



### NAP:

- NAP staff are hosting monthly Forest Fridays and Nature Craft Wednesdays throughout the summer for K-5 students. There are also monthly nature walks in the summer with the AADL.
- NAP hosted our annual workday with 354 students and teachers from Community High School. They worked at 7 different natural areas and pulled a total of 2 tons of spring invasives.

### Greenbelt:

- The Greenbelt completed its buy-protect-sell project! Both parcels of the Nollar Rd farm have been sold. <https://www.a2gov.org/news/pages/article.aspx?i=1063>
- The City was awarded \$840,350 in USDA-NRCS ACEP-ALE grants, to which staff applied in November, to fund 49% of the value of 3 conservation easements.