



PETERS TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION



2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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From the Director

2024 has been a year of growth in the Parks and Recreation Department. Not only are our facilities being upgraded and expanded throughout the park system, our staff has done a great job of expanding program and event opportunities to our residents of all ages. As the director I feel that our residents do not have to leave the township to look for an activity or event throughout the year. We have a talented staff that works effortlessly to provide these activities/events. Increase in participation numbers throughout the year at the Tennis Center, Community Recreation Center, and Parks and Recreation Programming shows the hard work of staff.

We are approaching a time where you will see many changes throughout our park system. A lot of planning behind the scenes has taken place for the following parks projects: Rolling Hills Aquatic Center Phase 1—Splash Pad design, Peterswood Park Ballfields 1 and 2 design, and Rolling Hills Phase 2 design. Construction has started on the Peterswood Ballfields 1 and 2 project with a projected opening in early spring 2025 and the Rolling Hills Aquatic Center Phase 1 - Splash Pad with a projected opening of early summer 2025.

It is an exciting time to be a part of the growth and development of Parks and Recreation in Peters Township! Our staff is always looking for new ideas to keep Peters Township moving forward with top of the line programs and facilities in the region.

David Brooks
Parks & Recreation Director

Mission Statement

The Parks and Recreation Department exists to provide meaningful recreation and leisure opportunities through program offerings and the provision of parks, special use areas and facilities. The Parks and Recreation Department wishes to create a positive relationship between staff, volunteers and the public through mutual respect and consideration.

Parks & Recreation Full-Time Staff

David Brooks—Director

I began in September 2023 as the Director and I am excited for the future of the Parks and Recreation department. I am looking forward to the development of Rolling Hills Park and the upgrades taking place at Peterswood Park. My goal as the director is to provide exciting recreational activities and safe parks to the residents of Peters Township. Previously, I worked for Washington County, Maryland Parks and Recreation for the past 22 years. I am originally from Pittsburgh and glad to be back home!



Lisa Morris—Assistant Director

I began working in the Peters Township Parks and Recreation Department as a Recreation Supervisor in April of 2015. In 2023, I moved into the position of Assistant Director. I have experienced and learned so much in my 17 years of working in the field of Parks and Recreation, and look forward to providing many more recreational experiences to our residents. I feel grateful to work for a township and a community who values and supports the services we provide.



Becky Goodwin-Sopko—Recreation Secretary

In 2006 I was hired as the Recreation Secretary for the Peters Township Parks and Recreation Department. Now 18 years later I have watched the Department grow and thrive. Still after all these years I see my position as the first person that the public encounters and I strive to make that a positive experience even if the answer is no. This is all possible with the tools that I have to work with, given to us from our Township and our Parks and Recreation Director. In my role as secretary I have a close working relationship with all the instructors that offer programs at the Recreation Center. Still my favorite part of my job is “The Witch of the Woods” at our annual Haunted Trail. I look forward in continuing the job of Secretary and being in the supporting role department and its continued growth.



Kristen Martin—Recreation Supervisor

I have been a part of the Recreation Staff since June of 2021 as a Recreation Supervisor. I have grown to love the tight-knit community that Peters Township and the Recreation Community Center has. I love meeting new people and everyone that I have come to know here so far has been nothing but kind. My real passion is planning and organizing events that bring people together in a fun and leisurely way. I love watching people have fun! I hope to continue to grow in this position and offer more for our residents for the years to come.



Maura George—Recreation Supervisor

I joined the Peters Township Parks and Recreation team in May 2024 and am thrilled to be part of such a dynamic and welcoming community. My journey in the hospitality industry began at 15, and over the years, I've gained invaluable experience. Most of my career has been dedicated to the aquatics field, where I managed swim lesson and lifeguard programs and oversaw large aquatic facilities. Transitioning to Parks and Recreation has been an exciting and rewarding experience, and connecting with the residents of Peters Township has quickly become my favorite part of the role. I'm eager to contribute to the growth of our department and to help bring even more outstanding programs and opportunities to our community.



Patty Bahr— Recreation Attendant

I started working at the Peters Township Recreation Center as the Full Time Recreation Attendant in September 2021, leaving behind the stressful life of the health care industry after 27 years. I was hired to work the front desk; meeting and greeting each and every person that enters the facility, helping people to enroll as a member, register for classes, answering township questions, renting out the facility or shelter within the Parks. I work with a great team of people, both full time staff and part time. Born and raised in Peters Township, and now working for the Township; I love that I get to meet and interact with so many interesting people every day, and especially love helping the senior citizens of the township. I can actually say “I love my job”. I look forward to being a part of a growing department within the township.



Mike Schuster—Tennis Center Manager

I started working as the Racquet Sports Manager in February 2022. Our tennis facility has a ton of potential, and I am excited about the variety of opportunities to grow and improve the Peters Township Tennis Center. I especially enjoy leading the Junior Development Program, where kids can start playing tennis and progress from beginner all the way to varsity high school level. The front desk staff here does a great job, and we added several new instructors and programs in 2024. Looking forward to 2025!



Ian Sopko—Tennis Center Attendant

I've been working as the Tennis Center's full-time attendant since August of 2021. I'm responsible for maintaining the day to day administrative tasks to maintain all the records, as well as maintaining the court conditions and general maintenance of the grounds. Since I've been here, I have had the pleasure of meeting new people on a daily basis and assist them in answering their questions. I look forward to continuing to help provide an exceptional experience for all those who visit our Tennis Center and helping to grow the use of the facility.



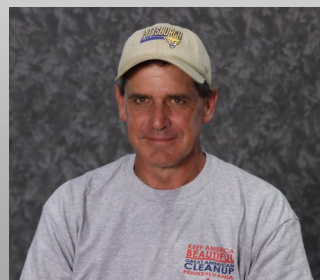
Patty Cavolo—Front Desk Attendant

I have recently started working here in January of 2023 as a desk attendant. In my short time here, I have learned so much about how the parks department runs, and the different programs that are offered. In my position, I encounter new people in our community, and learn how much they enjoy the park facilities. I love how excited both adults and children are for the various classes and activities that we have available. I look forward to learning more about the Peters Township Parks Department, and watching it grow in the future.



Jay Mizia—Parks Maintenance Supervisor Public Works Department

My name is John Mizia Jr. People call me Jay. I began working for Peters Township on April 23, 1996 as a laborer. I eventually achieved the position of light equipment operator and spent fifteen plus years between the two positions. On February 21, 2011 I was offered the position of Park Maintenance Supervisor which I was happy to accept. I have enjoyed my twenty plus years working for Peters Township. The opportunity to work outdoors is something that I have always enjoyed and the diverse types of jobs I encounter keep my job interesting. I look forward to continuing to improve and maintain the exceptional park system within the township.



Peters Township Parks

Peterswood Park



Peterswood Park (133 acres)

- Outdoor Amphitheater
- 5 Ball Fields
- 4 Multi-Use Fields
- 1 Synthetic Turf Field
- 3 Playgrounds
- 4 Restroom Buildings
- 3 Concession Stands

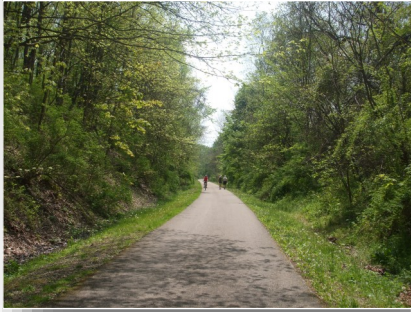
Tennis Center



Tennis Center

- 4 Har Tru Clay Indoor Courts
- 5 Deco Outdoor Courts

Arrowhead Trail



Arrowhead Trail

- 3.5 miles paved surface trail
- Runs from Route 19 to Brush Run Rd

Elm Grove Park



Elm Grove Park (14 acres)

- 1 Ball Field
- 1 Multi-Use Field
- 1 Playground

Peters Lake Park



Peters Lake Park (189 acres)

- Natural Walking Trail
- Fishing Pier/Kayak Launch

Rees Park



Rees Park (15 acres)

- 1 Ball Field
- 1 Multi-Use Field

Venetia Park



Venetia Park (7 acres)

- 4 Ball Fields
- 1 Restroom Building

Rolling Hills (90 acres)

- 3 Shelters
- 1 Playground
- Great Lawn Area

Rolling Hills Park

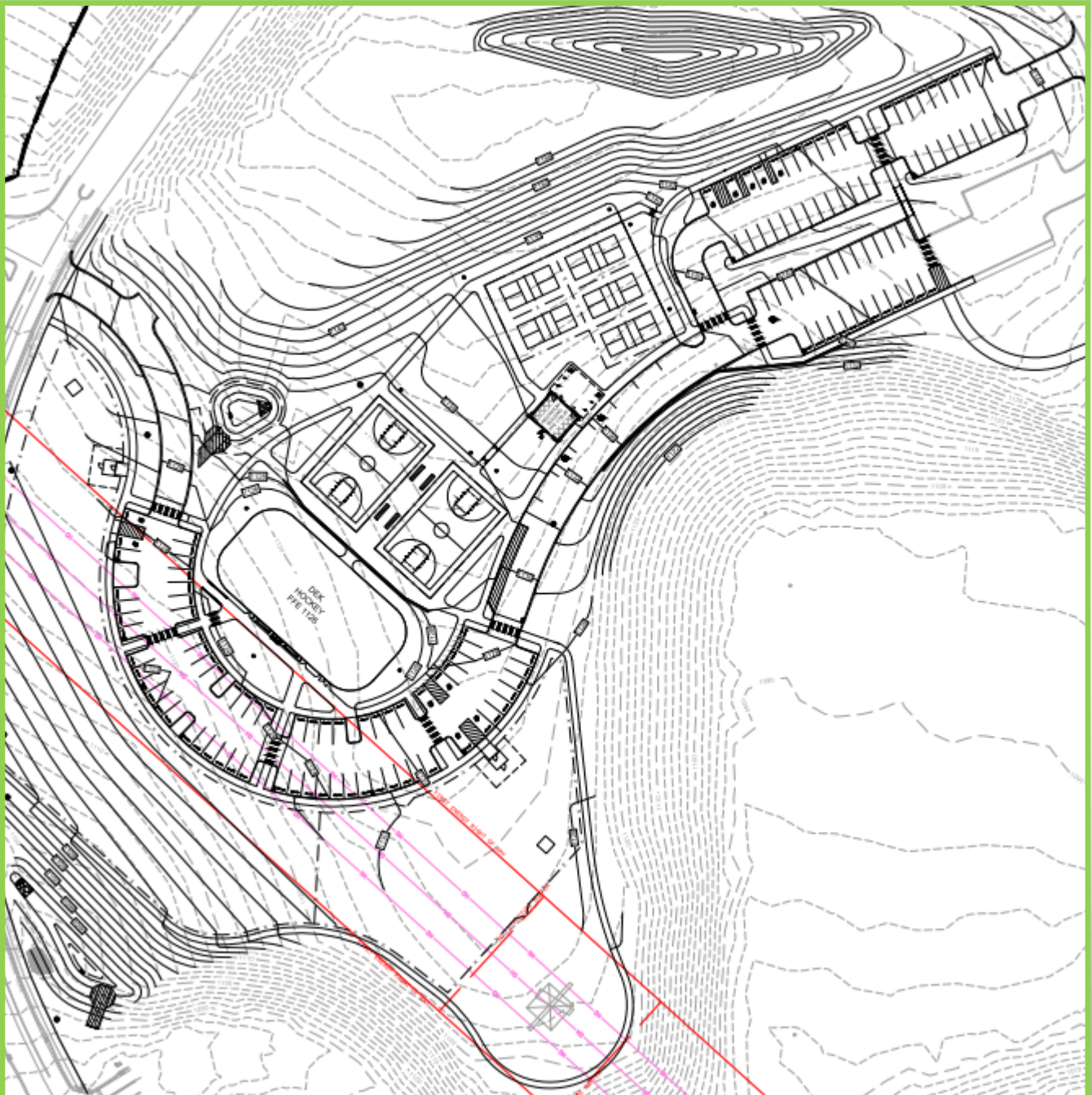


Old Trail Park

Old Trail (7 acres neighborhood park)

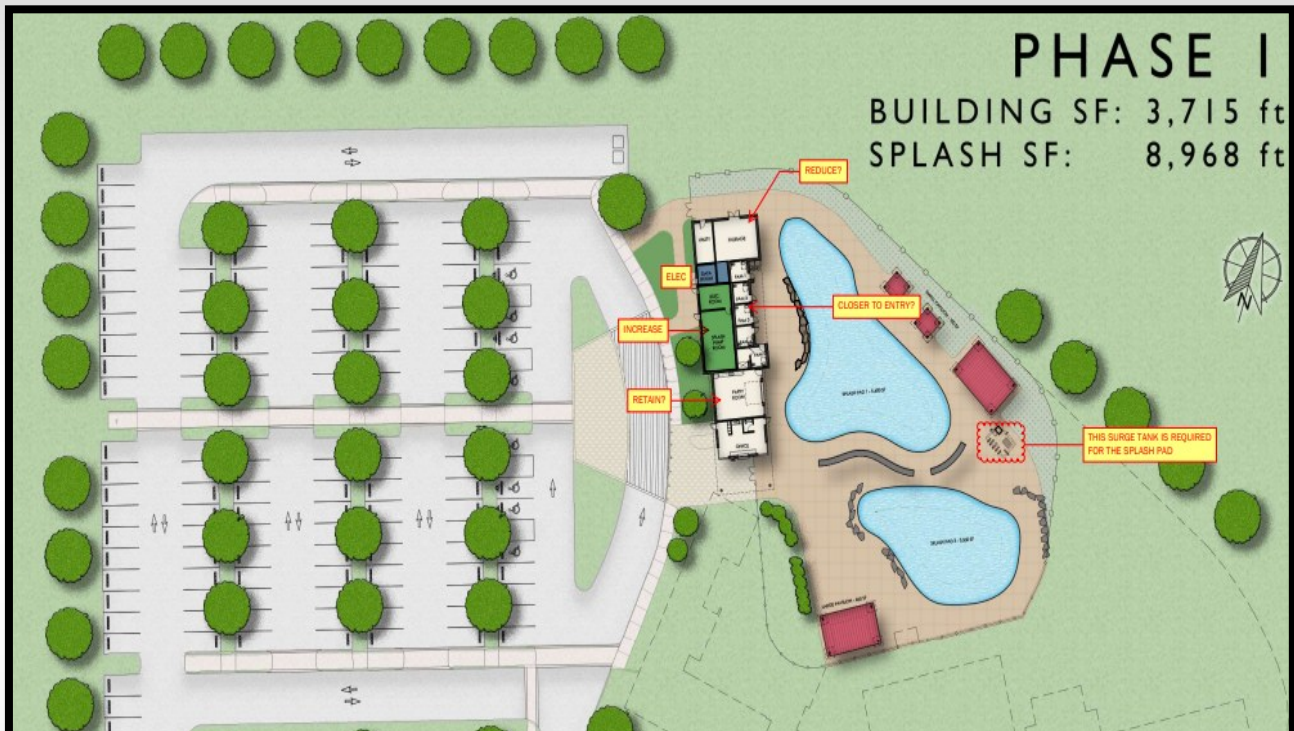
Rolling Hills Park Development

Design and layout of Rolling Hills Phase 2 is taking place. Phase 2 will consist of lighted basketball courts, lighted pickleball courts, a lighted dek hockey rink, restroom facilities, a dog park and large parking areas.



Rolling Hills Aquatic Center Phase 1 Splash Pad

We are excited that construction has started on the the Rolling Hills Splash Pad Area, which will be an 8,968 square foot fenced in area with two splash pads that will provide a separate space for younger toddlers to play for a safer and more enjoyable experience. This area will have a large shelter area, shade structures and a support building with restrooms and a party room. Maximum capacity for the wet areas will be 250. We are looking forward to an early summer 2025 opening!



Peterswood Park Improvements

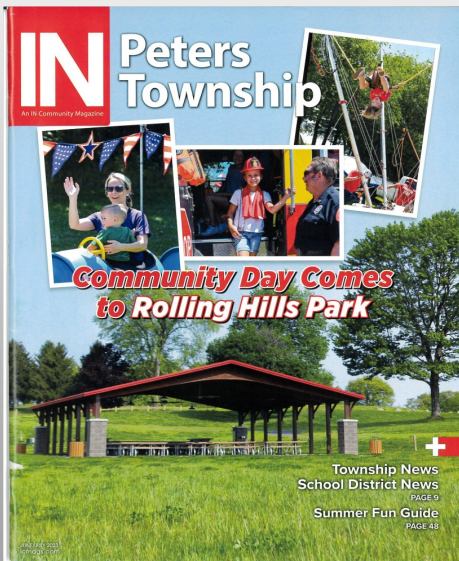
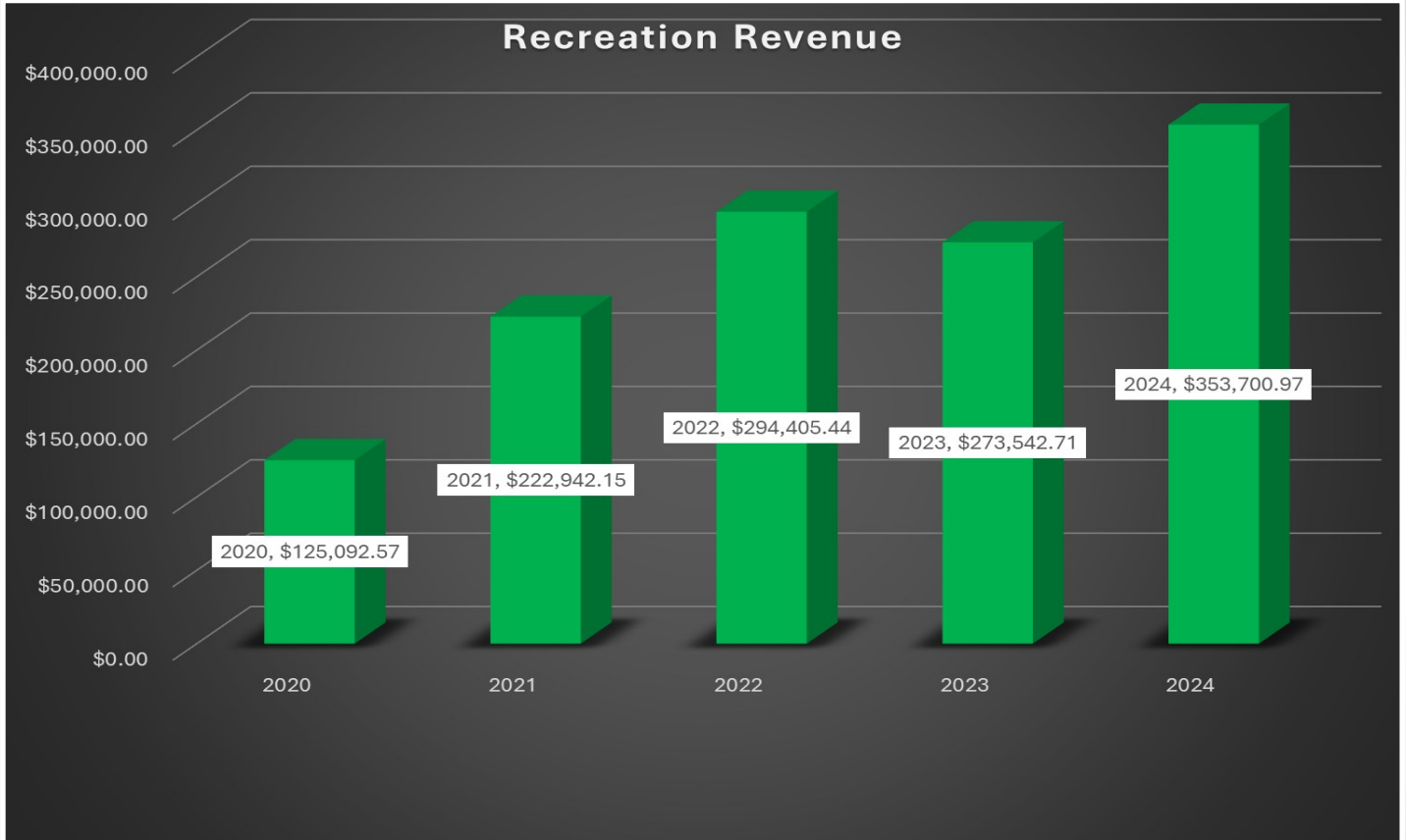
Baseball Fields 1 & 2

In the fall of 2022, we received notice that we were awarded a matching grant of \$650,000 for improvements to Fields 1 and 2 in Peterswood Park. An additional \$500,000 grant that was received in the fall of 2024 will allow us to move forward with a synthetic turf infield on Field 1. This project will replace the dugouts, backstops, press box buildings and lighting fixtures on both fields. A synthetic turf infield will be installed on both fields. Drainage issues will be addressed during this project as well. This project is under construction with Field 2 being finished in January of 2025 and Field 1 being complete early spring of 2025.



Administration

2024 was a year of growth in the Parks and Recreation Department. We were fully staffed and able to offer more programming. It is great to see the increase in participation numbers throughout all of our programs and events. We base our success on the number of participants that attend our activities throughout the year. This year numbers have surpassed the previous years. Revenue exceeded projections and has been the highest in the last 5 years. Staff has done a great job of growing these numbers through a period. A big part of the success came from advertising through IN Peters Township Magazine, email blasts throughout the school district, banners on the Arrowhead Trail Bridge and social media posts on Facebook and Instagram. These are great avenues to advertise at a very low cost.



Instagram

Programming

2024 was filled with many fun and exciting one day programs for all ages at the Recreation Center and throughout the parks in the township. We continued to run our successful programs and add new programs based on the needs of all individuals ranging from craft, fitness, volunteer groups and educational programs.



Pre-school programs in 2024 continued to fill up program after program. We added a new Tiny Tot Gym Time program late in 2024 that had a sky rocketing 38 participants the second time offering it! We plan to continue this throughout 2025 to offer kids five and under a time to play, socialize and burn off energy! Our Youth and Tween programs are filled with crafts, gym time and fun educational sessions that continued to grow in 2024. Getting teens in 2024 was a continued struggle from 2023. We have the best luck with teens who volunteer before our programs/events to help with prep! As for our adult age one day program, we got the largest numbers in our Ladies Nights and our Commit to Fit competition. In 2024 we continued with our house decorating contest for Halloween and Holiday Lights. We were so impressed with all the work, time and dedication our residents put in decorating their homes. This was a great community event that got everyone involved and we hope to continue and grow it in future years. Our senior lunches were filled with educational, inspiring, and entertaining speakers that everyone loved. We offered more scrabble game play, DIY Time, and iPhone 101 sessions for our seniors and hope to continue and add more in 2025. Our Food Truck Fridays continued in the summer months at Peterswood Park. We would like to see this program grow more so we are moving the food trucks to the Municipal Complex in 2025. Lastly, in 2024 we hosted many family game nights from Minute to Win it, Family Feud and to a new one called how well do you know your family. We love having these game nights and seeing families come together for some competitive fun!



Thousands gathered at Rolling Hills Park to experience the Sun, Moon and Earth all line up! We teamed up with the Library who handed out glasses and information on the Solar Eclipse. The Parks and Recreation staff had a table with crafts and space theme slap bracelet giveaways. The great lawn was filled with people playing can jam, corn hole, slam ball, and other yard games. We were so ecstatic with the attendance of this event it brought so many people to Rolling Hills Park and brought everyone together as a community!

EVENTS

PRINCESS BALL

We started 2024 with one of our favorite events, Princess Ball! This year we wanted to accommodate more fathers and daughters so we extended the event to both gyms and had the largest crowd ever with 286 participants. The recreation center was transformed into a pink and purple wonderland fit for royalty. Girls and their dads (grandfathers, uncles, etc.) enjoyed an evening with professional photos, dinner catered by Pasta Too, dancing/DJ and cake from Bethel Bakery. We hope to expand and make this event even better in 2025!



BUNNY HOP & EGG SCRAMBLE

Hopping into Easter we hosted our annual Bunny Hop at the Recreation Center. We had 120 children come out to visit with the Easter Bunny, play Easter games, win prizes, and get creative with our Easter crafts. We ended the day with our Egg Scramble at Grasshopper field with over 175 kids divided into different age ranges. We plan to move this event over to Rolling Hills Great Lawn in 2025 and have kids all hunt for eggs at the same time but divide the lawn into different age groups!



COMMUNITY DAY

Our biggest Community Day was held this year! We had 207 vendors scattered throughout Rolling Hills Park. It was a day filled with live entertainment from our One-Man Band, a DJ getting the kids dancing, an Acoustic band by our new Beer Garden, and much more! We had many kids' activities ranging from face painting, kids rides, balloon art, bounce houses and strolling entertainers. We hope to continue to make this event grow and make a few adjustments to make the event even more successful for years to come!

TOUCH-A-TRUCK & FISHING DERBY

Our summer brought great weather for our Touch a Truck and Fishing Derby events! In July we hosted our Touch a Truck in Peterswood Park. We had a great turn out and had a lot of different trucks, equipment, and even a helicopter visit! In August, we hosted our Fishing Derby at Peters Lake Park with 75 kids signed up and eager to catch some fish. One child caught a total of 18 fish! With the help of the McMurray Rotary the event was a big success with every child winning a door prize to take home!



FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

It was our second year hosting our Food Truck Festival Event. We had eight food trucks lined up around the great lawn. The food trucks menus ranged from Bbq, pizza, Mediterranean, Hibachi, Gyros, Coffee, and Ice Cream. The great lawn area itself was filled with yard games for kids and their families to enjoy along with a bounce house and face painter that had lines all day long. Most food trucks had lines throughout the day filled with hungry customers excited to try a bite. Giant Oaks was set up in Shelter A for those over the age of 21 to enjoy a drink. The event was very well attended and was a fun event to have at Rolling Hills Park.

HAUNTED TRAIL & TRUNK OR TREAT

The Fall brought some of our busiest events; Haunted Trail and Trunk or Treat! For Haunted Trail we sold a total of 2,545 tickets, one of our biggest years, yet! We had 10 scenes scattered through Peterswood Park all 80's horror themed! This was such a fun theme that our volunteers went wild with! Later in October we hosted our second Trunk or Treat event at Rolling Hills Park. We extended the 1 hour event in 2023 to 2 hours to accommodate more children and it was a success! We had 479 children registered and 48 businesses handing out treats!



SUPERHERO NIGHT & HOLIDAY KICKOFF

Our winter months brought Superhero Night and our Holiday Kickoff which are both held at the Community Recreation Center. In November, superheroes of all kinds came to participate in a fun evening of saving the world. We had an obstacle course, face painting and games with our real life superheroes; the Peters Township Police and Fire Department. Our Annual Holiday Kickoff took place in December with the help from volunteers, Police, Fire, and the Library the event was a jolly time with St. Nick himself talking to each good boy and girl as they told him what they wanted for Christmas!

SUMMER DAY CAMP

School's out, but the fun is just beginning at Summer Day Camp! Designed for children ages 4 to 11, this six-week adventure promises excitement, creativity, and plenty of outdoor play. Our enthusiastic Camp Counselors bring weekly themes to life with engaging games, crafts, and activities that kids love. Our favorite themes this year included Under the Sea, Make a Mess, Party in the USA and Olympics. Each day offers something new, all while enjoying the beautiful outdoor spaces at Peterswood Park, Elm Grove Park, or Peters Lake.



BUS TRIPS



Bus Trips are such a fun part of the Parks and Recreation Department. We went on 4 trips this year traveling to different towns, cities and states to see something new or that we haven't seen in a while! Our Bus Trips are such a fun way to meet new friends in the area. We started our year off by visiting The Mountain Playhouse in Johnston and the beautiful Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens in Akron, Ohio. We ended the year by visiting Geauga County's Amish country and going downtown to the Phipps Conservatory and the National Aviary. We love offering these fun day trips to our residents and those in surrounding areas.

DONATIONS & SPONSORSHIPS

A lot of our events and programs here at Peters Township would not be possible without the sponsors and donors in our community and surrounding areas. We are truly lucky to have such generous businesses and organizations to help fund our events in such a way. Our Concert Series Sponsors help us afford great bands and musicians to play each Wednesday in the summer months. Our donors for special events help out however they can from monetary gifts, prizes, food, drinks, certificates and more! Any donation/sponsorship, big or small goes a long way to help better our program/event.

SPECIAL THANKS TO...



MCMURRAY ROTARY CLUB

PITTSBURGH ZOO AND AQUARIUM
 PA FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION
 PITTSBURGH CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
 CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER
 WETPETS LLC
 ESCAPE ROOM SOUTH
 SUN CHEVROLET
 DUCK DONUTS
 RITA'S ITALIAN ICE
 FIRED UP POTTERY STUDIO
 MEGAN CHICONE-STATE FARM
 WASHINGTON WILD THINGS
 MILLER'S ACE HARDWARE
 LITTLE GYM OF PGH - SOUTH HILLS



**...FOR THEIR DONATIONS TO
 THE PETERS TOWNSHIP
 2024 ANNUAL FISHING DERBY**

AMPHITHEATER EVENTS

CONCERTS

Despite the unpredictable weather we had in 2024, we enjoyed all of our summer concert series! Bon Journey, The Low Kings, Walk of Shame and Jump “Americas Van Halen Experience were some of our more popular concerts enjoyed by many this summer. We take pride in the large crowds we bring in each Wednesday night and look forward to hosting bands for years to come!



FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS

At Friday Night Flicks, we aim to entertain all age groups with a diverse lineup of movies that bring the community together. Whether you're a child, teen, adult, or senior, there's something for everyone to enjoy at Peterswood Park on Friday nights! Our family-friendly films are especially popular, creating a lively atmosphere with families sharing popcorn, kids playing in the grass, and the joy of community connection. Last year, we took the fun to the next level by handing out glow sticks and hosting a pre-movie dance party, which was a big hit with the kids. In 2025, we're excited to make our movie nights even more memorable by turning them into full-fledged events that everyone will love!

FAMILY EVENTS

We love offering fun, interactive shows for kids and their families. This year our family events brought in large crowds, and we hope to continue that in the future. All three shows had children entertained and laughing in their seats. One of our most attended shows was O'Ryan "the O'Mazing" kids show.



We received \$14,650 in Amphitheater Event sponsorships in 2024!

Instructor-Based Programming



With the help of our third-party instructors and companies, our department is able to provide a vast amount class opportunities to our community. These programs reach beyond what we are able to provide as a staff and greatly support our efforts to provide quality recreational activities in our community.

Instructor-based classes in 2024 included activities such as:

- Dance
- Sport Skills
- Karate
- Science
- Cooking
- Jui-Jitsu
- Volleyball
- Chess
- Cardio & Strength Training
- Pickleball Open Play & Skills
- Yoga
- Kickboxing
- Zumba
- Arts & Crafts
- Card Club
- SilverSneakers
- Day Camps
- Adult Kickball League

As a staff we are always looking for new ideas to help grow our instructor and program offerings. Some instructors approach us with a class they wish to offer, while some instructors are recruited by the Parks and Recreation Staff. Instructors provide appropriate credentials, sign a contract, and complete a W-9. These instructors are not included in the township payroll; they are paid a percentage of the participation fees brought in by their class.

Our department strives to provide a wide range of quality programming to our residents and to continue to grow these opportunities by watching recreational trends, adding new instructors, and diversifying our program offerings.

Instructor Spotlight: Ann Bondi



Ann Bondi has been an instructor with us for many years and currently teaches Morning Mash-Up and Butz and Gutz, both adult fitness classes. Morning Mash-Up features Tabata, Boot Camp Stations, and HIIT Cardio/Strength Drills. Butz and Guts is an intense workout for your abdomen, hips and glutes. Through the years, Ann has established a dedicated following of participants. Like Ann, many of our instructors have been working with us for quite a long time!

2024 INSTRUCTORS



PROGRAM	INSTRUCTOR
Adult Kickball League	Jamie Vavala
Adult Volleyball	No Instructor
Blueberry's Kitchen	Nicole Sutanto
Card Group	Janet Vidina
Cardio Kickboxing/Mommy & Me	Stephanie Leichty
Chess/Creative Writing	Jack Ohlinger
Crafting with Cricut	Allison Viron
Dance Explorations	Janet Hays & Co.
Dance It Out	Ashley Wilson
Floral Design Workshops	Patty O'Rose Designs
Fun 4 All	Brian Bourdon
Insanity/P90X	Ann Bondi
JumpBunch Sports	Danielle Rayman
JumpStart Sports	Tyal Prince
Karate	C.S.Kim Karate
Kids Yoga	Anita Dextradeur
Mad Science	William Cody
Medical-Based Programs Youth	Little Medical School
Nature Explorers	Janet Bucey
Pickleball Instruction	Michael Lechmanik
SilverSneakers	Elizabeth King
SilverSneakers	Suzie Bode
Theater Classes	Lorra Brannen
Total Body Sculpting	Jennifer Alexander
Yoga	Susan Volkar
Yoga Outdoors	Caroline Knight
Yoga Beginners/Intermediate	Terry Gustas
Yoga Mixed Level	Gayle Zacharia
Youth Exercise	Amazing Athletes
Youth Hip Hop Dance	Bam Choreography
Youth Volleyball	Erin Graybill
Zumba	Debbie Colditz
Zumba Gold	Gail Witenske

Volunteers

From Special Events, Senior Series, Tween Nights, Parents Night Out and everything in between, we couldn't do without our volunteers! We have established a fantastic group of volunteers that we rely on to help make our events and program successful. Our annual Fishing Derby is a very hands on event that requires measuring the fish in a timely manner. The McMurray Rotary brings a large group to help out and does a fantastic job. Our Princess Ball is a large event that requires lots of help with set-up, check-in, food runners and so much more, that we need lots of helping hands. Our volunteers allow us to increase the number of participants, provide more activities at our programs and offer more opportunities for our residents.

	# of Volunteers	# of Hours
Princess Ball	6	24
Tween & Teen Glow Egg Hunts	3	9
Bunny Hop	8	24
Egg Scramble	5	5
Superhero Night	10	24
Community Day	12	102
Touch - a - Truck	24	48
Day Camp	5	375
Fishing Derby	12	48
Senior Luncheons	7	7
Teen Volunteer & Social	2	14
Parking Lot Bingo	25	40
Haunted Trail	80	935
Trunk - or - Treat	145	493
Holiday Kickoff	9	22.5
Tween Night/Parents Night out	9	21
Totals:	362	2,191.5



Community Recreation Center



The Community Recreation Center offers a variety of amenities including two full-size basketball courts, a 10th of a mile track located on the second floor, fitness room, an indoor and outdoor accessible concession stand, conference room, classroom, and multipurpose room with a small kitchen. Also located at the Community Recreation Center are offices for most of the Parks and Recreation Staff.

In 2024, we estimate the total number of people utilizing the building through rentals to be 45,303, compared to 32,040 people in 2023. Renters included the Peters Township School District, Peters Township Sports Associations, In-house Programming, and the general public. These rentals included the use of the gym, multipurpose room, classroom, fitness room, and conference room. The Community Recreation Center accommodated a variety of activities including birthday parties, basketball games, seasonal events, and various meetings throughout the year.

Let's Party!

The Peters Township Community Recreation Center is the perfect rental space for almost any gathering, including birthday parties, baby showers, meetings, practices and more! Rented spaces include the multipurpose room, classroom, gymnasiums, fitness room, and conference room.

Birthday Party Packages are a popular choice and offer room and gymnasium use with pizza. Our staff orders the pizza in advance and Mm Mm Pizza provides the delivery. Party packages provide our residents an affordable, fun option for their birthday party celebrations with the ability to bring in whatever food, beverages and entertainment they choose.

Birthday PARTY PACKAGE
AT THE PETERS TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER

2 HOURS IN PARTY ROOM
1.5 HOURS OF GYM TIME
GYM TIME IS WITHIN THE 2 HOUR TIME SLOT

2 XL PIZZAS (1 CHEESE, 1 ONE-TOPPING)
ADDITIONAL PIZZAS \$18 EACH, INCLUDING TIP

CLASSROOM: \$180 RESIDENT
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM: \$210 RESIDENT

SECURITY DEPOSIT (CHECK ONLY): \$150 CLASSROOM / \$175 MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

PLEASE CALL 724-942-5000 FOR AVAILABILITY OR STOP BY THE PETERS TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER TO RESERVE YOUR PARTY.
700 MEREDITH DRIVE, VENETIA, PA 15367



CRC Membership Charts

2024

Memberships	Online	Offline	Total	In Town Families	Out of Town Families	Total Families
Community Recreation Center Annual Family Membership	2,644	2,984	5,628	1,285	9	1,294
Community Recreation Center	61	105	166	151	11	162
Community Recreation Center	137	424	561	370	20	390
TOTALS	2,842	3,513	6,355	1,786	40	1,826

2023

Memberships	Online	Offline	Total	In Town Families	Out of Town Families	Total Families
Community Recreation Center Annual Family Membership	2,164	2,746	4,910	1,125	2	1,127
Community Recreation Center	54	118	172	157	10	167
Community Recreation Center	110	403	513	343	15	358
TOTALS	2,328	3,267	5,595	1,606	27	1,633

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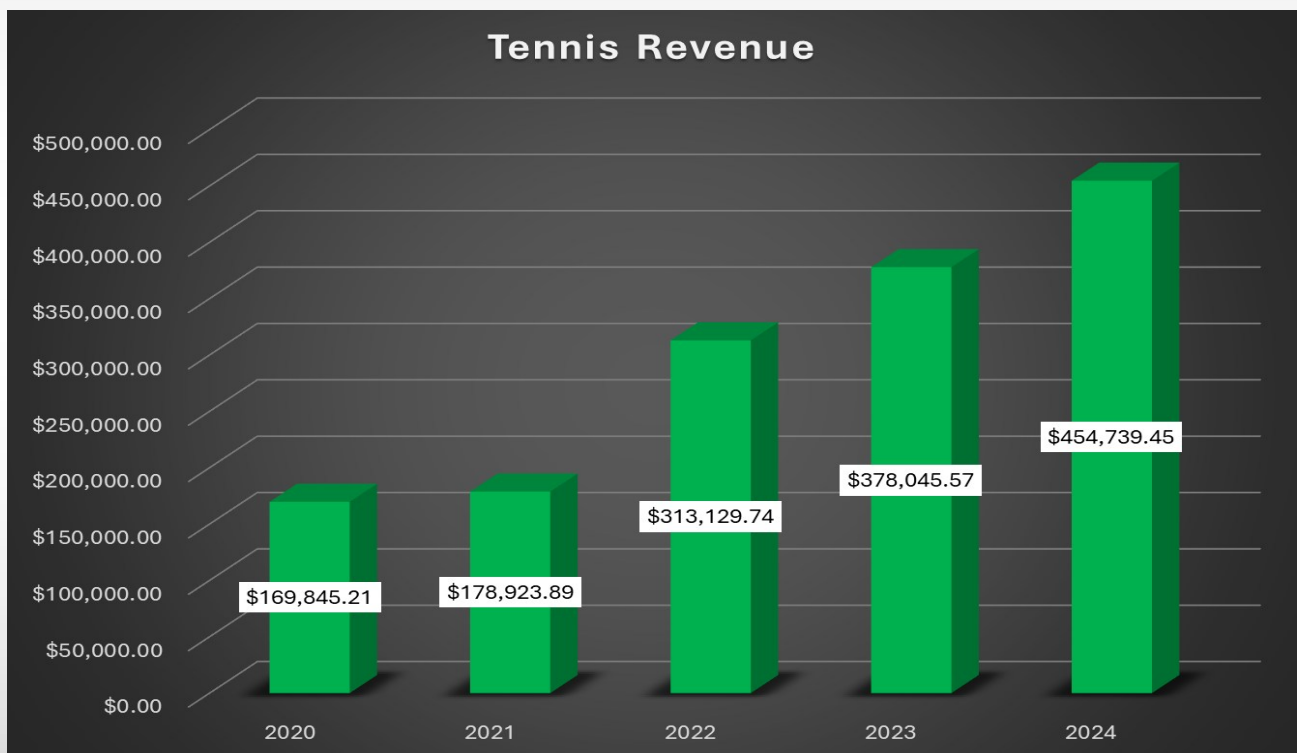
Memberships	Online	Offline	Total	In Town Families	Out of Town Families	Total Families
Community Recreation Center Annual Family Membership	1,867	2,853	4,720	1,091	4	1,095
Community Recreation Center	45	142	187	167	12	179
Community Recreation Center	63	421	484	329	15	344
TOTALS	1,975	3,416	5,391	1,560	31	1,591

Tennis Center

In 2024, overall usage numbers and revenue for the Tennis Center increased. Two more instructors were hired this year, helping to significantly expand our Junior Development Program. Several new programs were offered including Cardio Tennis, and a new Senior League, as well as more weekend classes. Online court reservations continue to grow, especially increased pickleball play during the outdoor season. Tennis and Pickleball Fun Day was a big success, and we will be expanding the event next year as we continue to look for new ways to attract players to our Tennis Center.

Our largest improvement to the facility this year was resurfacing our five Hard Courts back to brand new condition in June 2024. Low spots were filled, cracks were patched, and the court surface was re-sealed and re-painted. The difference in the courts after the resurfacing was amazing. Our players are thrilled to play on the new hard courts. The clay courts also received annual maintenance in May 2024, allowing us to offer some of the best clay court playing conditions in the area. Additional electrical repairs were made to the tennis bubble, as well as improvements to the tennis center building, making for a more professional presentation when patrons enter.

The hard work of our staff, both full-time and part-time, is truly making a huge difference. We are excited to continue growing in 2025!

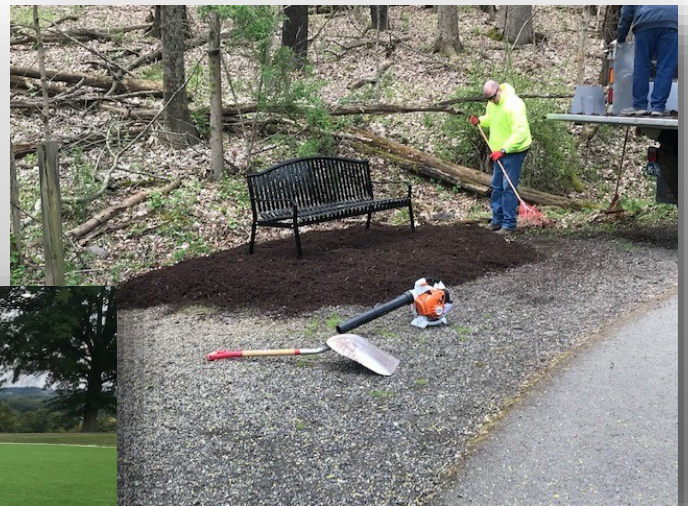


Parks Maintenance

At the beginning of 2024, the crew dealt with a snow removal event where they maintained regular snow routes as well as cleared parking lots, sidewalks, the Arrowhead Trail and its access points. During the winter months the parks crew works on equipment to prepare for the park open season, hazardous tree removal and Community Recreation Center repairs.

As we moved through winter into spring, March saw the opening of seasonal restrooms and water fountains, application of fresh mulch at our landscape islands and bench sites, beginning of athletic field maintenance, and installation of amenities such as picnic tables, trash cans, benches and guardrails. Monthly playground inspections and the subsequent repairs also began this month and would continue through November. Mowing at all park facilities began in early April as well as spring landscaping at all facilities. With sports seasons beginning and shelter rentals, the weekend custodial rotation to serve pavilions, restrooms and fields began at this time. The maintenance staff cleans and stocks all restroom facilities daily and empties trash a minimum of 4 times a week throughout the summer. As we moved into the summer, staff helped with the tennis bubble take down and began to assist with the summer concert series, food trucks and the Friday night movies that would run throughout the summer.

The fall season consisted of athletic field maintenance, leaf clean up, tennis bubble set up, construction and set up of the Haunted Trail and began to prepare for winter with the closing of seasonal restrooms and holiday display set up. Our parks are well maintained throughout the year by a talented parks maintenance and public works staff that has the capability to do many projects in house that save dollars by not having to put certain projects out to bid.



Parks & Recreation Board

The Peters Township Parks and Recreation Board is an advisory board created to advise and provide recommendations to Peters Township Council, in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Director, on policies and practices, promote recreation and park services, participate in initiation, review and recommending development and monitors the compliance from the sports associations. Three of the seven board members are recommended by Peters Township School Board. The intent of this method was to have involvement and input by individuals associated with the school because we work so closely with them by sharing fields, facilities and of common participants. We thank our board members for volunteering their time and effort to help make our department successful.

The Parks and Recreation Board spends a significant amount of time reviewing the documentation from our 10 youth sports associations and dealing with issues as they arise. As stated in their by-laws, they feel strongly that the purpose of its recreational sports programs is to encourage and develop in children a love for sports in a safe and positive environment, while teaching skill development, teamwork and sportsmanship. Our board works together with the sports association to make sure they are following the Youth Exemplifying Sportsmanship (Y.E.S.) initiatives and recognizing the PT Stars that exemplify these initiatives throughout their associations.

Board Members



From Left to Right

William Kinavey
Ed Rafferty (Vice Chair)
Martin Cumba
Jeff Crummie (Chair)
Sam Perlmutter
K.D. Meucci
Brian Geyer

Sports Associations

There are 10 youth sports associations that the Parks and Recreation Department works directly with. Each of those sports associations has its own board and by-laws by which they are governed. These associations are required to provide the Parks and Recreation Department documentation and follow our policies in order to utilize our fields and facilities as well as the School Districts.



Each year the Parks and Recreation Director hosts a Sports Alliance meeting. We ask that each association President, Vice President and Documentation Coordinator attend the meeting or send other Board members in their place if they are unable to attend. These meetings provide an opportunity to discuss our policies and procedures and the documentation requirements to make sure we are all on the same page. It also offers networking between associations and the opportunity to share ideas as well as things that have worked or even not worked for them. This is a great time for the associations to voice concerns through an open dialog with the Parks and Recreation Staff. Our goal as the Parks and Recreation Department is to support all of our associations to help them grow and be successful.



Peters Township Sports Associations

Youth Baseball

Youth Softball

Swimming Club

Youth Basketball

Youth Girls Lacrosse

Youth Boys Lacrosse

Junior Football

Youth Cheer

Youth Soccer

Youth Wrestling

Participation Comparison Chart

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
EXERCISE					
Belly/Cardio Dancing	119	103	75	65	42
Body Sculpt	114	73	63	60	71
Cardio (multiple classes)	64	57	39	40	42
Interval Training	0	0	0	18	23
Kick Boxing /Cardio Kick	10	0	0	0	0
Kickball League	31	0	0	0	0
Pickleball	188	130	94	19	51
Pilates (4)	0	0	6	0	0
Silver Sneakers	504	696	540	448	206
Super Sculpt/Insanity	0	0	0	0	27
Volleyball	134	135	128	98	44
Yoga (multiple classes)	343	291	295	211	210
Zumba	363	362	334	305	209
Exercise Totals	1,870	1,847	1,574	1,264	925
FIFTY-FIVE +					
Fall Festival / Flu Shots	12	23	32	23	13
In House Programming	116	159	127	0	0
Back to Basic	66	71	49	26	39
Zumba Gold	40	46	50	33	34
Luncheons	465	444	395	336	291
Senior Series	0	63	75	135	30
Trips	160	112	121	30	0
Fifty-Five Totals	859	918	849	583	407
HOLIDAY EVENTS					
Egg Hunt/Bunny Hop	436	367	297	151	0
Celebrate the Lake	0	23	30	10	0
Haunted Trail	2,545	2,634	2,441	1754	0
Halloween Decorating Contest	51	0	0	0	0
Princess Ball	286	221	132	71	173
Holiday Lights Driving Tour	42	0	0	0	0
Tree Lighting/Holiday Kickoff	500	500	400	200	500
Holiday Events Totals	3,860	3,745	3,300	2,186	673

INSTRUCTIONAL - YOUTH					
Baking/Cooking	8	3	3	5	42
In-House Program	201	421	398	190	0
Choi Kwang Do /Karate	85	77	77	72	31
Dance Hip Hop	107	85	68	38	0
Fun Fitness & Sport	44	7	18	10	0
Chess	56	18	0	0	0
Science Programs	11	34	9	46	0
Speed Conditioning	9	13	43	0	0
Youth Volleyball	193	223	138	163	175
Instructional Totals	714	881	276	257	248
INSTRUCTIONAL - FAMILY					
In-House Program	75	109	49	22	0
Instructional Totals	714	109	49	22	0
INSTRUCTIONAL - ADULT					
Adult Crafts / Decorating	14	25	85	10	26
Dog Obedience	0	0	0	0	15
Plant Based	0	0	0	0	4
In House Program	83	153	65	21	0
Health and Nutrition	4	6	10	0	0
Instructional Totals	101	184	160	31	45
PRE-SCHOOL / Infant					
Choi Kwang Do / Karate	84	98	60	46	33
Fun with Dance/Ballet	31	31	8	0	0
In-House programs	269	252	210	188	219
Kids Yoga	5	15	12	12	0
Motorskills Development	22	12	72	0	0
Pre-School Play/Open Gym	79	0	0	0	0
Pre-School Sports	87	0	54	43	0
Pre-School Science/Nature	4	0	20	0	21
Pre-School Totals	581	408	436	289	273
SPECIAL EVENTS					
Antique Appraisal	0	0	0	0	26
Community Day	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0
Amphitheater Events	3,830	6,170	4,165	6333	2790
Fishing Derby	80	82	80	54	42
Super Hero Night	81	107	92	0	0
Movie Night	495	655	850	492	360
Touch a Truck	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0
Trick or Treat Trail/Trunk or Treat	494	230	246	300	300
Special Events Totals	9,480	11,744	9,933	7,179	3,518

SUMMER CAMPS					
Lil Medical Camp	0	13	43	12	0
Cooking Camp	11	8	0	0	0
Day Camp	84	87	77	78	21
Fun Fitness Camp	26	0	19	43	0
Playground Pals	75	77	68	35	24
Science Camp	48	32	20	19	9
Sports Camp	54	0	0	58	24
Misc Camps (Jewelry,Art)	0	18	0	0	0
Chess Camp	33	8	0	0	0
Theater Camp	5	19	12	21	15
Summer Camp Totals	336	262	239	266	93
TEENS					
Teen / Tween programs	144	210	101	41	55
Teen Totals	144	210	101	573	55
TENNIS					
Memberships	0	0	0	104	0
Adult Clinics	1,071	994	541	0	439
Junior Development Clinics	7,125	5,410	2,850	0	0
Lessons	2,914	2,588	1,270	0	0
Match Play	153	128	163	0	0
League	166	0	0	0	0
Court Time	8,498	8,750	4,114	0	0
Tournaments	191	177	97	0	0
Tennis Totals	20,118	18,047	9,035	0	439
COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER					
Drop-In	14,673	11,589	25,229	18,028	17,049
Track	15,305	12,948	13,105	11,106	8,608
Rentals	45,303	32,040	24,565	18,593	17,605
CRC Totals	75,281	56,577	62,899	47,727	43,262

