

Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Thursday, April 25 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Mayfield Village Civic Center

RECAP

Attending: Pat Andrzejczyk, Patti Fioritto, Terrie Haycox, Derek McDowell, Council President Steve Schutt, Pattie Simcic, Meg Stifler, Kate Sullivan, Samantha Clark-Cartwright, Shane McAviney and Danielle Echt.

Introduction: Kate welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. The committee members did not have anything to discuss from the March 14 Meeting Recap Notes.

Easter Event Recap

- The committee members agreed that it went well. The Recreation Department prefers to hold events like this outside but with the cooler temperatures the decision was made on Friday to move it inside. The entertainers would have cancelled if it went ahead outside at The Grove area. Families complimented the event and there was only one negative comment about being indoor.
- Instead of having one timeslot for a magic show the magician put on a continuous show. There were always families gathered in the theater to watch
- The balloon artist and face painters were new this year due to increased pricing from previous vendors and also wanting to try new entertainers. Both the balloon creations and face paintings were well received and everyone seemed to enjoy the new designs offered.
- The caricature artist did have a slow moving line; this is not unusual due to difficulty of drawing faster.
- The volunteers from the Interact Club were helpful and stayed the entire time. The committee members and department appreciated their help.
- This year's event was after Easter due to the Leprechaun Trail/Party, Mayfield's Spring Break and the hope for better weather later in the month. Easter 2025 falls later so the event should be scheduled before Easter.

Spring/Summer Special Events

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast-Civic Center, Sun., May 12, 8:00 A-12:00 P

- A volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around.
- The event will run the same as last year with Pizzazz cooking/providing the food.
- Walk-ins will be more expensive than pre-registration; the prices are listed in the brochure.

Memorial Day Celebration-Whitehaven, Sun., May 26, 1:00-2:00 P

- Mary Singer continues to coordinate and the Recreation Department supports as needed.
- Volunteers can help place flags on Saturday, May 25 at 9:30 a.m. Meet at the Veteran Memorial at Whitehaven and Mary will give them flags and further instruction/where to go.
- George Williams will be the emcee. All are invited to attend.

Cruise Night, Sat., June 8, 4:00-9:00 P

- A volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around.
- Shirts should be arriving in the office soon. All volunteers will receive a t-shirt and can pick up early to wear as promotion. The shirts are from a new vendor who gave Mayfield Village a great price so we could get more shirts to sell. They should still be the same great quality. There will also be an online store if we run out and a QR Code will then be available.

International Day of Yoga, Fri., June 21, 6:00-7:00 P

- Sandeep coordinates this event and it runs smoothly every year

Independence Day Celebration-Parkview Pool/Grove, Sat., June 29, 11:30 A-10:00 P

- Everything is ready to go; similar event/activities like previous years.
- Not a lot of marketing going into it with the hope of keeping the crowd size down.

Mayfield Village Celebration-Parkview Pool/Grove, Sat., August 10, 11:30 A-9:30 P

- Volunteers will be needed to help grill and pass out food supplies around the lunch hour at Parkview Pool. A sign-up sheet will be circulated after Cruise Night.

Mayfield Memorial Scholarship in Honor of Debbie Hudacko

- Kate, Terrie and Sandeep conducted interviews Mayfield High School on April 4. They interviewed all five candidates that applied. All five were awarded scholarships.
- Shane was able to increase the total amount to distribute by \$1,000.00 this year so that all of the winners were able to receive a decent amount of money to go towards their college expenses. This was able to be done because of the donations collected at The Grove last summer. \$5,000 was collected last year.
- Shane reminded the committee to look at the individuals who may not be the top students because often the top of the applicants has received scholarship money already.

Open Discussion

- The Leprechaun Trail was successful again and the event grew from last year. There were a lot more families this year and even some Senior Adults that participated. Approximately 100-130 people attended the Leprechaun Party. Next year the trail will be programmed for two different versions/clues so there are easier riddles for youth and then more difficult riddles for the older kids/adults.
- Pool registration is going well; swim lessons have already brought in an extra \$2,000-\$3,000 compared to last year. Wildcat Sport and Fitness started offering lessons again so that is also a good feeder into community lessons.
- Mayfield Village also has a good amount of lifeguards and only lost one to a surrounding community this season.
- The Grove
 - There will be an online store for The Grove merchandise so that will help generate more money for the scholarship fund . A QR Code can be provided at events. It was suggested to provide a shirt with concert dates/bands on the back as well as one without that detail.
 - Announcements can be repeated at intermission.
 - It was suggested to try a cashless system; Shane said he will discuss after the new Finance Director comes on board.
 - Shane said that 80% of the collected donations will go to the scholarship recipients each year. He also reminded the committee that members that the goal was to at least break even with what is collected and what is given out, and that students receiving the award(s) should receive a substantial amount of money to help offset their college costs. There should be a discussion prior to interviews in the future so that the committee members know how much they can give out each year to the deserving students.

Next Meeting: August/September, TBD