

Lincoln – Woodstock Recreation Department's 2007 Annual Report

The Lincoln – Woodstock Recreation Department would like to thank everyone that volunteered their time during 2007.

This year's projects for the Recreation Department included:

- The completion of the community ball field. The Lincoln Public Works crew, Jim Welch and Sabourn Electric, installed the scoreboard that was donated by Polimeno Realty. The bases were laid out and installed by Andre Desjardins.
- Phase II of renovations and expansion were completed to the Father Roger Bilodeau Community Building. This included a new parking area, a new entrance and walkways, a new heating system, a new hot water heater, and the final needed classroom addition. The project was partially funded from a USDA rural facilities grant, a donation of labor and equipment from Elliott Custom Homes, LLC, a donation of services to engineer the parking area from Chris Mulleavey of Hoyle Tanner Associates, a donation of labor to design the new entrance walkway and ramp from Sabourn Surveying, a donation of labor to paint the exterior of the building by Kevin O'Brien, as well as work performed by the Lincoln Public Works Department and Lefebvre Construction.
- New lights on new pole on main slope at the Kanc Ski Area (*David Dovholuk, Tom Dovholuk, NME & Sons (Jeff and Nancy Ingalls), Conn Brothers Construction, NH Electric Coop, and Harrington Electric*).
- Hosted Cal Ripken State 12 year old baseball tournament for a week in July (*Andre, Faith, Will & Joe Desjardins; Meagan Shamberger; Aimee Polimeno, Nate King, Shannon O'Connor; Hilary Lamontagne; White Mountain League; Lin-Wood School, Joe Bossie; David Beaudin; and Aaron Loukes*).
- Shannon O'Connor donated her time and skills to offer a gymnastics program for K-5th graders this fall! Thanks also to

Alexandria Long and Chelsea Carter for helping with this.

- In 2007 we divided the summer camp into a "Kanc Kamp" for ages 5-9, and an "Adventure Camp" for ages 10-14. Thanks to Teneil Rineer and her staff, and Kat Murphy and her staff for taking on his positive change.
- In 2007 we partnered with ADAPT to provide an "Outing club" for middle schoolers, two days a week.
- The Afterschool Program at the Community Center received a grant from PlusTimeNH for the purchase of a new Dance Dance Revolution game system, pedometers, rollerblades, and life jackets. They also donated 4 computer systems for this program!

Thank you all for your efforts to increase the safety and quality of these areas!

In addition to these projects, this year the Recreation Department also offered 32 programs and 12 events for all ages of the Lincoln – Woodstock Community. This includes senior citizen trips to Pickety Place Gardens in Mason; Cabot Cheese Tour, Montpelier, VT; Cold Hollow Cider Mill, Waterbury Center, VT; The Fryeburg Fair, and Christmas Shopping in Salem. This also includes the Adult ski night program that has grown in popularity each year, and is run by Jack Bartlett and David Dovholuk. We have so many volunteers that coach, run programs, chaperone, transport kids to games, donate prizes for events, and donate facilities for programs. Thank you all for your continued support in making these programs and events so beneficial for this community.

In 2007 we had 5420 skiers at the Kanc ski area, 124 Kanc Camp participants, 77 Adventure Camp participants; 59 Basketball players, 116 baseball, softball, farm league and t-ball players, 81 soccer players, 26 who took swimming lessons each session, 34 golf lesson students, 14 Afterschool participants, 28 Outing Club participants, 14 dance program participants, 24 gymnastics participants, and 13 Karate participants. The usage breakdown was 3352 participants from Lincoln (or 53%) and

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2508 participants from Woodstock (or 41%), and
392 from out of town (or 6%).

As we begin 2008 I hope that more people
will take the opportunity to enjoy these programs
and events, and the great area that we live in. I
hope that you can find the time to recreate either by
yourself or with your loved ones. If you would like
to see something offered, or if you are thinking
about volunteering, contact me today and we will
find something for you to get involved in!

Respectfully Submitted,

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