
WESTFORD RECREATION

The Westford Recreation Department is now in its 11th year. Many new offerings have been added over the years, but its mission remains the same – to provide recreational, educational, athletic, cultural, and entertainment activities to all Westford residents and neighbors. We depend on community support, participation, and volunteers to keep our programs affordable and successful. Our programs are offered primarily at the Westford School, with occasional programs at the Red Brick Meeting House.

The Westford Recreation Department provides athletic programs for children in kindergarten through grade 6. We desire these children to learn teamwork, sportsmanship, integrity, respect, and commitment. These traits will allow them to succeed in life as well as in sports. Having fun together with these sports can create a lifetime enjoyment for their future. There have been many challenges as a result of decreasing numbers at our school, but we have been working to come up with a solution that allows the school program and the recreation department programs to not only succeed, but to thrive.

Our 2007 offerings included: K-4 T-ball, K-6 summer soccer, family lacrosse nights, open gym in the summer & fall for basketball, K-6 fall soccer, K-6 basketball, K-6 lacrosse, 1-6 Nordic Ski and Outdoor Club, Yoga, adult volleyball, Young Rembrandts Art program, Hunter Safety Course, Partner massage, Summer 'All Sports Camp', and free skating at the town common ice rink. We also co-sponsor fundraising benefits for the Red Brick Meeting House, such as the Concerts on the Common, and our annual Broomball Tournament (where most of the proceeds are donated to restoring the Brick Meeting House).

We have some new programs to start in 2008, such as Belly dancing/Pilates, and Future Einsteins - computer classes for kids of any age. We are also hoping to include the Westford Recreation Department on the Town web site for on-line information and registration. If you have a skill or interest you would like to share with the community in the coming year, let me know!! We are always looking for new ideas on what the town would like to see offered.

Thank you to those who give of their time volunteering in one of our programs, and we encourage others to join in!! Thanks also to those who made donations over the year – these donations and the program fees allow us to purchase equipment, and uniforms when needed. In this time when I am settling in as Recreation Coordinator, after the position was unfilled for a while, I am thankful for your patience as I learn the job. A special thanks to Tony Kitsos for his time as coordinator, and his help in answering all my questions about the coordinator role.

The Westford Recreation Department offers programs all year. Schedules are available in the Town newsletter. Registration forms can be found in the newsletter or at the Town Office. We meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the common area at the Westford School. We encourage you to call one of us if you would like to attend one of our meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Brown, Coordinator (872-8333)

Committee Members (one seat open):

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WESTFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Year Ending June 30, 2007

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| CASH ON HAND - July 1, 2006 | | \$ 2,186.36 |
| RECEIPTS | | |
| Registrations | \$13,119.11 | |
| Lacross helmet fund raiser | 1,354.00 | |
| Food concessions | 453.79 | |
| Donations | <u>440.00</u> | |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | | 15,366.90 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | | |
| Payroll | 3,995.96 | |
| Programs | 3,230.07 | |
| Equipment | 2,163.87 | |
| Uniforms | 1,028.70 | |
| Toilet rentals | 633.53 | |
| Ice rink | 594.00 | |
| Donations /Brick Meeting House | 550.00 | |
| Lacrosse dues | 510.00 | |
| Concerts | 375.00 | |
| Official's stipends | 230.00 | |
| Employment ads | 216.00 | |
| Workmen's Comp. insurance | 199.71 | |
| Miscellaneous | <u>17.99</u> | |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS | | <u>(13,744.83)</u> |
| TOTAL | | <u>\$ 3,808.43</u> |
| CASH ON HAND - June 30, 2007 | | <u>\$ 3,808.43</u> |