

**RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
PROGRAM INFORMATION  
APRIL 2016**

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

Submitted by David Karlson, Asst. Recreation Director



On Saturday March 12, our **Community Gardeners** had the chance to come the La Vista Library to meet with three Master Gardeners to pick up gardening tips and have their gardening questions answered by the experts.

**Preschool Playtime** met ten times in March. We had 237 preschoolers and 190 adults attend these sessions, which was an average of 24 preschoolers and 19 adults.

**Preschool Story Time and Sing-a-long** met the first Thursday in March and had 35 kids and 30

**Preschool Play Time Craft Day** had 20 preschoolers and 15 parents create fun spring time clouds that we displayed by the front desk for the month of March.

**Discover Play Home School Class** enjoyed an afternoon of Scooter Board races and games. The class had 18 participants.



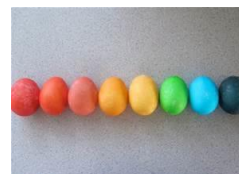
Our **Discover Home School Science Class** focused on “Bugs” this month. The Nebraska Natural Resource District sent a “Bug Expert” to help us teach 43 kids about the importance bugs play in our lives. Our expert brought a variety of bugs to see and hold, including Giant Hissing Coach roaches, several types of spiders and caterpillars.

Our **Tween Adventure Series** hosted its 2<sup>nd</sup> adventure on Wednesday March 16th. This month’s adventure was titled “American Ninja Warriors Obstacle Course Challenge”. We had 42 participants between the ages of 9-12.



The La Vista Library and Recreation Department teamed up for a **Preschool St. Patrick’s Day Party** at the Library, with 43 preschoolers and 25 adults attending.

Our **Preschool Easter Egg Dying Craft Day** had 38 preschoolers and 24 adults.



## **YOUTH AND ADULT SPORTS**

**Submitted by Ryan South, Program Coordinator**

### **Current Programs**

**Adult Softball** began their season on April 10<sup>th</sup>. We have over 50 teams playing in our Spring/Summer league.

**La Vista 4/5 Youth Soccer Academy** will have their first session on April 14<sup>th</sup>. We have over 65 kids participating in the academy this spring. They will play on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

**La Vista 6/7 Youth Soccer League** will have their first session on April 14<sup>th</sup>. We have over 50 kids participating in the league this spring. They will play on Tuesdays with the academy and play league games on Saturdays.

**3-Year-Old Soccer Clinic** had their first session on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and will conclude their season on Saturday, April 30.

**Spring Flag Football League** will start games on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Games will be held on Saturdays at the Sports Complex. We have 75 kids and 7 teams participating in the Spring season which is an increase of 10 kids and one team from the previous year!

**Youth Baseball** for ages 7 – 12 started practicing on April 4<sup>th</sup>. They will start league games on April 30<sup>th</sup>. This year, we have over 95 kids and 7 teams participating – three 8U, two 10U, and two 12U teams. This is an increase of 15 kids and one team from the previous year!

**Youth Softball** for ages 7-18 will play in the Rainbow Softball League again this season. This season we have two 8U, one 10U, one 12U, and one 18U team with over 65 kids playing in the league. This is an increase of 15 kids and one team from the previous year! Teams will begin practicing on April 11<sup>th</sup> and will start league games on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth Coed T-Ball** registration is currently open with a deadline of May 14<sup>th</sup>. This will once again be an in-house league for boys and girls ages 5 & 6. They will begin practicing in late May and start games in June.

## **LA VISTA SENIOR CENTER**

**Submitted by Rich Carstensen, Program Coordinator**

Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, we have 25 seniors coming to the Mayor's Spring Fling Pot Luck in which the Mayor will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs! On this day, we also have Leah Hoins, Director of the La Vista Community Foundation coming in to speak with the seniors about what the Foundation does for our community. After Leah, John Worsham from Merry Makers perform.



Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> We will discuss our plans for the senior's garden plot at the Community Gardens. Their garden plot is at Camezind Park.

Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> The seniors will be going to Stella's Café for lunch.

Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> Volunteers Assisting Seniors (VAS) will be here to answer questions and register seniors for Homestead Exemptions from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> Brenda Chappell will speak on behalf of the hearing impaired. She will also tell seniors how they can get phones and other devices to help with their hearing difficulties.

Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> the seniors will be going to the movie of their choice.

Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> Volunteers Assisting Seniors (VAS) will have a second presentation on the Homestead Act, and will assist seniors in registering.

Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> Terri Quick, La Vista City Council (Ward 2) is joining the seniors to make Kentucky Derby hats.



Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> Joyce Torchia from Merry Makers will perform for the senior center.

### **LA VISTA FALLS GOLF COURSE**

**Submitted by Denny Dinan, Golf Course Services Manager**

Golf Rounds March 2016	= 770 (- 447 rounds from March 2015)
FootGolf Rounds March 2016	= 14 (+ 14 rounds from March 2015)
Total Rounds March 2016	= 784 (- 433 rounds from March 2015)

Golf Rounds Fiscal year 15/16 thru March	= 3,112 (-455 golf rounds from Fiscal 14/15)
FootGolf Rounds Fiscal year 15/16 thru Mar	= 118 (+118 FootGolf rounds from Fiscal 14/15)
Total Rounds Fiscal year 15/16 thru March	= 3,230 (-337 total rounds from Fiscal 14/15)

It was a pretty typical March, as temperatures varied from 30 degrees to 79 degrees. We had several days where frost, flurries and rain kept the golfers away. The main reason for low rounds was due to the extreme windy conditions. On 19 of the 31 days in March the wind was not favorable for golfing.

In March, we ran a Golf Daily Deal special (2 rounds for the price of 1) in the Omaha World Herald and sold 135 coupons. We will also be running a FootGolf Daily Deal special in April.

2016 golf leagues include:

Monday PM Dinan Mixed = 20 golfers  
Tuesday AM Sr. Ladies = 24  
Tuesday PM Omaha Sports Club = 16  
Tuesday PM LV Men's = 24  
Wednesday PM Sr. Ladies = 8  
Wednesday PM LV Ladies = 20

Wednesday PM Ladies (new) (every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed) = 20  
Thursday AM Shriners = 12  
Thursday PM Dinan Men's = 12  
Thursday PM Wonder Women's = 12  
Thursday PM St Gerald Ladies = 8  
Thursday AM Joe Johnson Sr. Men's = 28