

**RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
PROGRAM INFORMATION  
SEPTEMBER 2015**

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Submitted by David Karlson, Asst. Recreation Director**

**National Night Out**

The Police, Fire, Public Works and Recreation Departments teamed up to host La Vista's National Night Out celebration! This year's event included a free picnic, a free concert from the band "Moonlight", a large variety of lawn games, a chance to explore police cars, fire trucks and public works equipment and vehicles.

On Wednesday August 12<sup>th</sup> the La Vista Library and Recreation Departments teamed up to host an **Amazing Lego Day!** Several dozen kids ages 5-10 joined us in making some free style Lego creations, making eatable Legos and watching the *Lego* movie.



Grease Band

Our largest crowd to date joined us to close out the season for our **Summer Outdoor Concert and Movie**. It was a beautiful summer night to enjoy the "Grease Band" and the movie "*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*".

Our **Discover Home School Series** held its first open house on Thursday August 20<sup>th</sup>. The open house was a huge success with over 40 parents and 60 children attending. Another benefit of its popularity is we've doubled the number of participants registering for the classes and will now run back to back classes to accommodate so many kids. Our fall classes will start on Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup> with "Discover Play" followed by "Discover Art" on September 24<sup>th</sup> and "Discover Fall" on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

**YOUTH AND ADULT SPORTS**

**Submitted by Ryan South, Program Coordinator**

**Current Programs**

**Flag Football** for grades K-6<sup>th</sup> is in week 5 of an 8 week season. The season will run through October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**3 Year Old Soccer Clinic** will hold their first session on September 12<sup>th</sup> and their season will run until October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**4/5 Soccer Academy** held their first training session on September 8<sup>th</sup>. We have a total of 54 kids this fall. Their season will end on October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**6/7 Soccer League** held their first training session on September 8<sup>th</sup> and will have their first games on

September 12<sup>th</sup>. We have a total of 35 kids this fall. Their season will also end on October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Fall Adult Softball** is in week 3 of a 7 week season. The first games were held on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. We have over 40 teams participating this fall and are looking forward to another great season.

**Tackle Football** for ages 8-14 began on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Teams played their first games on August 30<sup>th</sup>. Each team will play 6 games throughout the regular season with a 2 game playoff at the end of the season.

**Tackle Football Cheerleading** cheered at the first La Vista Knights Football game on September 30<sup>th</sup>. They will continue to cheer at the games throughout the season.

**Youth Volleyball** for boys and girls grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> registration ended on September 5<sup>th</sup>. We are currently forming teams. We will tentatively start practice the week of September 21<sup>st</sup> with games starting in October.

**Women's Fall Volleyball** registration is still underway. Registration will close on September 12<sup>th</sup> or until leagues are full. Their regular season games will tentatively begin on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

## LA VISTA SENIOR CENTER

Submitted by Rich Carstensen, Program Coordinator

Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> our group from the La Vista Senior Center went to the Nebraska State Fair in Grand Island and enjoyed a warm but fun day



at the fair. We toured the fair and saw everything from marching bands, entertainers, an agricultural expo and some fantastic food. In the afternoon, Toni Orlando performed with his talented band and put on quite a show. We headed back after his show enjoying a roadside picnic and made it back to the center safely.



Tony Orlando

Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> our group went to the La Vista Library to see the Remembering Our Fallen Exhibition. The exhibition was very well done and was very moving. All the seniors thought that it was nice the La Vista Library was able to get the exhibition and that it was an honor for the local fallen soldiers along with the surrounding community.

Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> in honor of Patriot Day, we will have a Picnic at Central Park with Mayor Doug Kindig cooking for us. To start things off at 10 a.m., Tim Javorsky will entertain us with his saxophone. At 11:30 a.m., we will enjoy a picnic lunch and then play Bingo for some prizes. At this time, over 40 seniors are signed up to come and enjoy the day. The Mayor's picnic is always popular!

Monday, September 14 Michael Lions from Merry Makers will perform for the seniors in celebration of Grandparents Day.



Michael Lyons

Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> we will take our monthly trip to the movies. Normally we have 10-14 seniors that go to the movies.

Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> the Methodist Nursing Students will come to the La Vista Senior Center to perform blood pressure tests, and then pick a topic to present to the seniors on Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. This is a continual cooperative program that we have with the Methodist Nursing Students throughout the year.

Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> we will be entertained by the Jr's Band. The Jr's Band has performed for us multiple times and we have always enjoyed their show. One of the members is a resident of La Vista and lives at Harrison Heights.



Sherman Wiehe

In October, we will be taking our annual trip to Nebraska City for apples and other goodies. We also are planning a trip to go see quilts. We will be doing a cooperative program with the Papillion Senior Center and will join them for a Humorist Session. Also in October, we will have a Merry Makers Performance from Sherman Wiehe.



Jr's Band

Other activities will also be planned.

## LA VISTA FALLS GOLF COURSE

Submitted by Denny Dinan, Golf Course Services Manager

Golf Rounds August 2015	= 2,688 (- 297 rounds from August 2014)
FootGolf Rounds August, 2015	= 423
Total Rounds August, 2015	=3,111 (+126 rounds from August 2014)
Golf Rounds fiscal year 14/15 thru August	= 15,238 (+24 golf rounds from fiscal year 13/14)
FootGolf Rounds fiscal year 14/15 thru Aug 13/14)	= 1,354 (+1,354 FootGolf rounds from fiscal year 13/14)
Total Rounds fiscal year 14/15thru July	= 16,592 (+ 1378 total rounds from fiscal year 13/14)

We had rain on 8 days in August with several of those days bringing very heavy rains and leaving conditions very wet for Golf and FootGolf.

In August 2015, we averaged 35 FootGolf rounds on the 12 days it was available to be played. In August 2014, we averaged 18 Golf rounds during those same days and times we offered Golf.

During the months of August we had FootGolf outings with, 2 Bellevue Soccer Club teams (35), 2 Elite Academy soccer teams (39), Omaha FC (24), Papio Soccer Club (16) and Bakers Pharmacy Dept (13). The outing we had scheduled with the Midland University Girls soccer team (35) was rained out.

Council member Jim Fredericks approached me about scheduling a FootGolf fund raiser for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Jim and I met with 2 members of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Philanthropy and have set a date of Sept 26. Goal is to get 200 members to play FootGolf.

I also met with James Bilodeau who is the GM of the Omaha Pioneers Soccer Association, which is putting together men's and women's amateur soccer teams with the intent to develop these players to get to the next level. Their goal is to field an adult amateur men's and women's team to compete for the USASA Amateur Championships in June/July 2016. A FootGolf fund raiser would help raise funds for their organization as well as sending teams to this championship.

Shoreline golf course in Carter Lake, IA is the most recent course in the area to offer FootGolf, in addition to us, Warren Swigert and Papio Greens.

### 2015 Golf Leagues include:

Monday Mixed League: Dinan/Knowlton	= 16 Golfers
Tuesday AM ladies: MOQ Seniors	= 40 "
Tuesday Omaha Sports Club	= 16 "
Tuesday PM La Vista Men	= 28 "

Wednesday PM Senior Ladies	= 8 "
Wednesday PM La Vista Women	= 31 "
Thursday AM Shriners	= 8"
Thursday PM Men: Dinan/Knowlton	= 12
Thursday PM Wonder Women	= 16
Thursday PM St Gerald Women	= 10
Friday AM Men's Joe Johnson	= 28
 <b>Outings/Events:</b>	
April 25: Poop Deck Golf Outing	= 24 Golfers = Rained Out
May 17: High School Graduation Party	= Club House 4 hour Rental
May 22: Salute to Summer fireworks	
May 23: Salute to Summer "GlowBall"	
<b>May 24: Omaha FC; FootGolf Outing</b>	= 31 Golfers
May 31: Czech Club Golf Outing	= <b>20 FootGolfers (cancelled)</b>
<b>May 31: Ralston Soccer FootGolf</b>	= 14 Golfers
June 7: Darby's golf outing	= <b>24 Golfers</b>
<b>June 7: Bell FootGolf Party</b>	= 24 Golfers
<b>June 7: EGA FootGolf Outing</b>	= 7 FootGolfers
<b>June 8: ProxIbid FootGolf Outing:</b>	= 21 FootGolfers
<b>June 10: Lewis Central FootGolf:</b>	= 28 FootGolfers
June 13: First Baptist Church	= 28 FootGolfers
<b>June 24: Kiewit Corp</b>	= 14 Golfers played 18 holes
<b>June 24: OTC</b>	= 8 FootGolfers
<b>June 28: Council Bluffs Football Club</b>	= 10 FootGolfers
<b>June 28: Scott FootGolf Outing</b>	= 8 FootGolfers
<b>July 4: Parks Golf outing:</b>	= 22 FootGolfer
<b>July 11: Andy's Bar</b>	= 21 Golfers
<b>July 18: Waldo's Pub</b>	= 40 Golfers
<b>July 19: Bellevue Soccer</b>	= 35 Golfers played 18 holes (70 rounds)
<b>July 20: Preston FootGolf</b>	= 10 FootGolfers
<b>July 22: La Vista Leadership</b>	= 10 FootGolfers
<b>July 25: Donna K Golf Outing</b>	= 25 FootGolfers
<b>July 26: Aaron FootGolf Outing</b>	= 12 Golfers
<b>Aug 1: Kurt Neujahr Outing</b>	= 9 FootGolfers
<b>Aug 2: Bellevue Soccer Club</b>	= 24 Golfers
<b>Aug 8: Lisa Koenig Outing</b>	= 16 FootGolfers
<b>Aug 9: Elite Academy</b>	= 24 Golfers
Bellevue Soccer	= 18 FootGolfers
Elite Academy	= 17 FootGolfers
<b>Aug 16: Bakers Pharmacy Dept.</b>	= 21 FootGolfers
<b>Aug 17: Midland University Girls</b>	= 13 FootGolfers
<b>Aug 30: Omaha FC</b>	= 35 FootGolfers (Rained out)
<b>Papio Soccer Club</b>	= 24 FootGolfers
<b>Sep 5: Barb Miller Outing</b>	= 16 FootGolfers
<b>Sep 6: Warren Family Outing</b>	= 28 Golfers
<b>Sep 12: 4 R's Outing</b>	= 27 Golfers
<b>Sep 13: Gretna Girls Soccer:</b>	= 60 Golfers
<b>Sep 20: Omaha Steaks</b>	= 15 FootGolfers
<b>Sep 25: Club House Rental</b>	= 20 Golfers
<b>Sep 27: Big Brothers/ Big Sisters</b>	= 4 hrs (retirement party)
<b>Oct 4: Czech Group</b>	= 200 FootGolfers
<b>Oct 11: Omaha Pioneers</b>	= 20 Golfers
<b>Oct 17: Club House Rental</b>	= 50 FootGolfers
	= 4 hours ( Birthday Party)