

## July 2016 - Recreation Programs Report

### Walkup Aquatic Center

- **Senior Lifeguard Dacotah Hofer presented Swimming Safety at this year's Safety Town Program.** Dacotah taught the children about safe behavior in, on and around the water. One way to help reduce drowning incidents among children ages 5 through 12 is to teach water safety education. His presentation was designed to give children an awareness of being safe around the water. Below are some simple sayings:
  - Swim as a Pair Near a Lifeguard's Chair
  - Be Cool, Follow the Rules
  - Look Before You Leap
  - Think So You Don't Sink
  - Reach or Throw, Don't Go
  - Don't Just Pack It, Wear Your Jacket
  - Know About Boating Before You Go Floating

All over the world, infants and toddlers (0-5 years old) drown more frequently than people at any other age. In this age group drowning is the leading cause of death, followed by accidents in and around the home and road traffic accidents. With adequate supervision around the water, you can prevent a tragedy before it happens.

- **Triathlon approaching soon – July 30.** The Aquatic Center will be closed all day for the event. Splash and Dash dates remaining at the Aquatic Center July 6 and 20. Or be sure to get your swim in throughout the week.



### Community Collaborations

- **Science Fest:** Is right around the corner and staff is assisting Science Fest event coordinators with program at Ashley Pond, Entrance Park, and Bathtub Row Brewing (BRB). Staff has attended meetings to assist with logistics including event set-up, parking and road closures, park conditions, and outdoor movie events at Ashley Pond and (BRB).



- **Granite Mountain Filming:** Parks and Recreation Staff have been working with the Granite Mountain Film crew and Kelly Stewart to assist with filming in County parks. The GMF crew had the road closed to Camp May from June 20<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, yet in the midst of filming, a weekend wedding had been scheduled and everyone worked closely with the family to ensure parking and facilities were accessible. PROS Staff are coordinating with Environmental Services to coordinate film equipment staging in the parking lot of the White Rock transfer station for the month of August.

## Community Collaborations (continued)

- **4<sup>th</sup> of July Planning:** PROS Division staff have been meeting with the Kiwanis, LAPD, LAFD, Roads and Streets, and Atomic City Transit to coordinate the 2016 Kiwanis 4<sup>th</sup> of July event at Overlook Park. A few changes for 2016 include additional field lighting for after the event provided by Roads and Streets, spray painted emergency pathways on Spiro Field for quicker emergency access, and possibly one additional bus stop/pick-up in White Rock.
- **Model T's:** The Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque hosted the Model T Ford Club of American's "Land of Enchantment Tour" from June 26 – July 1 which brought approximately 90 Model T's to Los Alamos County on June 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>. Downtown Los Alamos was filled with all colors and sizes of Tin Lizzies and their drivers as our participants visited Bandelier National Monument and spent an afternoon visiting Main Street Los Alamos on June 27<sup>th</sup>. On June 28<sup>th</sup> the Model T "Convoy" took State Road 501 "Jemez Mountain Trail National Scenic Byway" from White Rock up and through the Jemez back to Albuquerque. Many Divisions in the County worked together to ensure this tour group had a thoroughly enjoyable visit in our community and to our various attractions.

-----Original Message-----

From: Richard Dunn [mailto:skipdunn@comcast.net]

Sent: Wednesday, July 06, 2016 11:45 AM

To: Marquez, Dianne <dianne.marquez@lacnm.us>

Subject: Thank you

Hi Dianne,

I just want to say a big THANK YOU for all your background work for last Wednesday's National Tour of the Model T Ford Club of America.

Everyone — the Tin Lizzie organizers, Bandelier National Monument, Los Alamos Police, County Parks & Recreation, Laboratory Security, Smith's (catering), the 87 Model Ts and 230 participants, and even the many citizens who turned out to see the cars — said it was well run, and people had a great time.

I personally felt greatly reassured that you "had my back" for this event.

Thanks so much, Skip



Model T Cars in Justice Center Parking Lot



Overview of 4<sup>th</sup> July at Overlook Park



## Recreation

- **Queen’s Court:** The Queens Court Princess Shelby Michel and Sweetheart Janey Michel have represented Los Alamos County at the Rodeo De Santa Fe and the Rio Arriba County Rodeo. The Court will be heading down to Socorro in the next couple of weeks as they receive invites from other rodeos around New Mexico to represent Los Alamos County and promote our community and the 2016 Fair and Rodeo.
- **Movies in The Park (MIP):** Neither rain, nor wind, nor...wait a minute, maybe wind. Staff and over 150 movie goers braved a little drizzle to finish watching “Hotel Transylvania II” at Urban Park on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, yet Mother Nature had other plans for June 8<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> as “HOME” was cancelled – twice. Join us at Ashley Pond on July 6<sup>th</sup> for “Minions,” and on July 13<sup>th</sup> kick off Science Fest with “Get Smart. Come to Rover Park on July 20<sup>th</sup> for “The Good Dinosaur.”
- **It’s Time to Get MUDDY!:** The annual High Mountain Mudfest Coed Mud Volleyball Tournament scheduled to start at 8:30 AM on July 9<sup>th</sup> at the North Mesa Mud pits and is limited to 12 teams in a double elimination tournament. Parks staff cleans and repairs the courts every year for this event and LAFD provides the water and first aid support.
- **Horse Show:** The Los Alamos County Horse Show will be held at Brewer Arena on July 16<sup>th</sup>. The Horse Show has eight classes with four age groups for each class. This event is for all riders of all ages to showcase their horse and equestrian talents. Both English and Western styles will be judged and prizes include lead ropes, buckles and ribbons.
- **Safety Town:** It was a great two weeks of presentations from LAPD, LAFD, ACT, Los Alamos Medical Center, the Los Alamos School busses, and Los Alamos Public Schools. This year saw an increase of 40 participants in 2015 to 52 participants in 2016. Once again the children learned about bike safety, fire safety, riding the school bus and public transportation, animal and wilderness safety, water safety, and much more.
- **Los Alamos Triathlons:** New for 2016 – the LA Triathlons are all one day – July 30<sup>th</sup>. The 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual LA Tri (ages 15 to 70+), the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Jr Tri (ages 10 – 15), and the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids Tri (ages 3 – 10). Also new for 2016, the LA Tri and Jr Tri are both USA Triathlon sanctioned. Register now before the price increases!
- **Vendors for the Summer Concerts:** Vendors are happy for a smooth start to the concert and vending season and the number who have registered for the entire concert series has doubled from 2015 with a total of 17 weekly vendors. Six other vendors have signed up for different dates throughout the summer.



Shelby & Janey Mitchell



Movie in the Park



Mud Volleyball



Safety Town



LA TRIS

## Ice Rink

- **M'Atom Bombs vs The Juggernaughties:** Los Alamos's local Derby Dames fought valiantly against the Duke City's local derby team yet were defeated. On Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at the Ice Rink. Over 225 attendees watched a hard-fought derby match that ended with the Duke City roller derby team rolling on with the win. Dave's Dogs set-up a food stand to provide nourishment and refreshments for the attendees.
- **New Ice Rink Lift Station:** Brad Parker Construction completed the new single-pump lift station at the Ice Rink which replaced the old holding tank. The project got started in early May and the last tie-in was completed at the end of June. A little repaving of the current parking lot needs to be completed and that will be finished in mid-July.



June 19<sup>th</sup> Derby Bout, LAC Ice Rink, Photos Courtesy of Scott Engeman



New Lift Station

July 2016

The ACI Tournament, Atomic City Invitational Tournament, returned after a 6 year absence. This tournament was held over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend and had just at 100 participants. There were several social events in conjunction with the golf and it was a successful event with all looking forward to it again next year. The Men's ACI Champion was Eric Trujillo. The Women's was Chante Fiorna.



There were 3 tournaments that were Charity driven, Knights of Columbus, Big Brothers Big Sisters and Los Alamos Chamber of Commerce; all were well attended and have committed to returning next year.

The City Championship was also played in July with Ted Ball winning the Men's Championship with a score of 146 Gross, 2 over Par. Kay Linda Crawford won the Women's Championship with a wonderful score of 138 Gross, 6 UNDER Par!



We are preparing the West side of the patio on the restaurant to double the concrete PAD. This is so that a 20' x 40' Tent can be used to increase the seating capacity to allow larger groups, such as weddings, to be held in the restaurant area.



We are working on a Monthly Spreadsheet to be able to track both Revenue and Expenses, (Payroll & Other), on a Monthly basis so that we are aware of where we are at against the Budget at all times; with forecasts against the Budget. There really have been no accurately Monthly records kept in the past, which with a Year's past experience, a more accurate Budget can be prepared and presented annually.

We finished with 3,039 rounds compared to 3,143 in 2015. The extreme heat during the month of July was a factor in less people playing during the month.