



Monthly Department Report – February 2019

FY19 Numbers at a Glance

Comparisons for time period of 7/1/18 – 3/13/19/19 vs. 7/1/17 –3/13/18:

Total Registrations:	1468	1105
Total First Time Registrations:	593	498
Activities Running:	153	135
Total # of Transactions:	1347	1286

Monthly Numbers Report Summary from 1/01/19 to 1/31/19

Number of Accounts Created Res/NonRes	48	17
Number of Members Created Res/NonRes	122	25
Number of Registrations Res/NonRes	219	29
Total Income	\$6146.50	
Number of Activities Run	8	
Number of Reservations	3	

Monthly Numbers Report Summary from 1/01/18 to 1/31/18

Number of Accounts Created Res/NonRes	62	16
Number of Members Created Res/NonRes	155	27
Number of Registrations Res/NonRes	146	27
Total Income	\$4277.80	
Number of Activities Run	8	
Number of Reservations	11	

Program Updates

➤ Senior Trips/ Programs:

Lunch and Learn at Pineland Farms - We partnered with Gray and New Gloucester Parks & Recreation Departments for this outing that included lunch along with a presentation on the "History of Pineland Farms."

Senior Socials - Twice a month we will turn the Town Hall Gym into a Senior Center. Play card games, such as bridge or cribbage, or board games like Scrabble or Pictionary, recreational Bingo, and more - or just come for the Social time. Offered in place of senior outings which have often been canceled during the winter months due to the weather.

Senior Shopping – Takes place on Thursday mornings; currently have 15 people registered to participate, which will require an adjustment in the schedule and routes for any weeks that all 15 people choose to attend, as that exceeds the number of seats on the bus

➤ Youth Programs:

Lego Brick by Brick - Thursday afternoons at Windham Primary School; 14 Students in grades K-3 are meeting on Thursdays in the Windham Primary School Music Room for a short educational lesson, followed by a step-by-step build of the day related to the theme: **Lego Woodland Creatures!**

February Vacation Program – 23 children in grades K-5 participated in an outing held at Lowell Preserve for sliding and snow shoeing

Pre-school Programs: Kiddie Gym takes place on Tuesday and Thursday mornings throughout winter months – currently have 47 preschoolers registered for either the season pass or as drop-ins

➤ Adult Programs:

The Winter Spring Session of the Men's League is currently running with 10 teams, which is the maximum number we can accommodate with current gym availability; Adult Pickleball has 18 participants with either the Winter Season pass or as drop-ins; Open Gym Basketball takes place at Primary School on Tuesday and Thursday nights with 7 participants currently participating in the Winter/Spring Session; Open Gym Basketball and Volleyball programs held on Sundays at Windham High School Gym – currently has 58 participating in Basketball and 41 participating in Volleyball with either the Season Pass or as drop-ins

➤ Family Programs:

S'Mores and Skate Nights – We planned for two of our annual old-fashioned skating parties - Friday night gatherings on Chaffin Pond at Lippman Park with a campfire for warming, s'mores ingredients, lights, and music – had approximately 60 participants at our second one on 2/1 – even though the temperatures were quite cold.

2019 Winter Photo Contest - Have you captured that special moment with your child enjoying our Maine winters, snapped a photo of your pet frolicking in the snow, or found that perfect photo opp to capture the beauty of winter? **Categories: Family - Nature - Pets - Youth Photographer (under 18)- All entries must be received by Friday, March 1st**

Family Sledding Party – We hosted a Family Sledding Party at Lowell Preserve on 2/13 and had approximately 25 people join us for sledding, hot cocoa and refreshments

Father Daughter Dance – We held our 12th annual Father Daughter Dance at the Middle School on 2/8, and had a record number of participants, with 188 daughters in attendance; Had volunteer support from SJC students

Special Events Update

MPWP&R Snow Shoe Challenge – Partnered with Le Club Montegnard (snow shoe club) to offer a 5K and sprinting event at Lowell Preserve; scheduled for Saturday, February 9; postponed due to poor conditions until 3/2; Lions Club has volunteered to assist with this event

Summerfest: The Summerfest Committee resumed monthly meetings in January to prepare for the 2019 event, with the theme “We’re a Little Bit Rock ‘n Roll”.

Facility Updates

- Community Park – Plans to put project out to bid by early March
- Dundee Park – Season passes on sale for 2019 season
- Lippman Park and Manchester Ice Rinks – Ice Skating Rinks at both facilities are regularly maintained and have been suitable for skating since mid-December; Trails are groomed for snow shoeing or cross country skiing
- Lowell Preserve – Trails are being groomed for snow shoeing or cross country skiing; hill is groomed for sliding

Staffing Levels

- Year-Round Staff – 3 Full-time, 1 Part-time, 5 Per Diem – Van Driver/Programmer/Gym Supervisor
Park/Trail Maintenance Staff – 1 Full-time
- Began advertising for all seasonal positions – Day Camp, Dundee Park, Track, Seasonal Park Laborer and Park Ranger

Organization/Town Meetings

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: The committee continues to seek ways to enhance our department offerings and increase recreational resources. Major goals continue to be

development of Community Park, and advancement of the pre-development phase of the Community Center.

Community Center Ad Hoc Committee:

Toured South Portland Community Center in February; 3rd Public Forum scheduled for Monday, March 25th

Be the Influence:

Working in partnership with BTI to offer Early Release Day Programs for Middle School youth

Monthly department staff meetings

Future Event Dates

- MWP&R Snow Shoe Challenge – Lowell Preserve, Saturday, March 2nd
- Mother Son Night Out – Friday, March 8
- Trip to Boston Flower Show for Seniors – Thursday, March 14th
- Summer Day Camp Registration opens – Monday, March 25th
- Bid Deadline for Community Park – Thursday, March 28th