

Rec Center Report, December 6, 2011

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Facility Update:

The Rec Center is absolutely packed many afternoons. On Mondays we have 10 activities going, starting with a Women's Fitness group at 6:00 am, ending with Swim Team getting out of the pool at 7:30 pm. Both the elementary school and high school are using the pool for PE this month. High school athletes (from the ski, basketball and wrestling teams) have been using the fitness room regularly after school. The TAP program brings 25-30 kids down to swim on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Sea Scout troop, which started with 5 teens a year ago, is up to 13 this fall. They use the lounge every Monday and are learning to scuba dive in the pool.

The pool lift is installed and working. It does not require assistance for the user to operate, and word is slowly spreading about its availability. The next major project is to install vapor barrier on the interior wall of the pool area. We are soliciting proposals, and need to start installation soon as there is currently no vapor barrier on the north gable end. We recently discovered that the hot tub was leaking significantly, and are in the process of trying to figure out where the leak is.

The Swimmin' Women are leading the charge in fundraising to fund a saline chlorination system for the pool. They had great fun creating a calendar featuring themselves in 'modestly provocative' poses and are selling them for \$20. Their goal is to raise \$7000 toward the saline pool. I have researched this technology extensively and feel that while it is not perfect or without risk, it is the right direction to move in. I have found a WI contractor who installs ChlorKing – the same brand that is being used on our hot tub now. Concerns about additional corrosion due to elevated salinity of the water can be eliminated by a sacrificial anode, an inexpensive and common item when dealing with salt water. I expect we will be able to move on this by late winter. Note that by WI law, we would keep our existing calcium hypochlorite feeder in place as a functioning backup.

Programs update: The following were offered in November:

Aqua Fit	Mah Jong
Northern Lights physical therapy sessions	Birthday Parties
SilverSneakers	Women's Fitness Training
Martial Arts	Little Kickers
Bayfield School PE and special class swims	Get Fit Fast Boot Camp
Bayfield School TAP program	Youth Swim Team
Indoor Cycling	Sea Scouts
Walleyball	Lego Club

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

TOTAL 638 people who were members on November 30, 2011 278 member units

FACILITY USE **November 2011** Total number of visitors 2619

Seniors 587, Adults 1138, Children 894

Programs 557