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From the Editor...

WOW! This past month has flown by. The H.T.P.D. has been very busy filling our calendar pages up with events and programs. To mention just a few, we will be starting up a Thursday afternoon "Study Buddy" program, the Wolf Scouts & Brownie troop will be making the Park District their new meeting site and next month a senior citizen support group will be using our facilities as well.

I would like take a moment to thank all the volunteers who have helped in so many ways. Without them we would not have our doors open as much as we do nor would we have the "Never Grow Old" room or any of the other rooms that are still under construction. The Volunteers of the H.T.P.D. are what keepings the wheels moving.

I would also like to especially thank the volunteers from the United Methodist and United Presbyterian Churches for their help in cleaning the cafeteria. Another thank you to the United Methodist Church for the use of their tables and chairs.

The Park District is working on a "Points Program" for the volunteers. Points will be accumulated for hours of volunteer service and can be used for purchasing logo shirts, activity fees, or rental fees.

Jeanne Ohms, Editor

RIVER RIDGE YOUTH SOCCER PROGRAM (RRYSP).

The Hanover Park District is now sponsoring the RRYSP soccer program held here in Hanover during the months of May and June. Game nights are every Wednesday (rain dates on Thurs. if weather permits). The RRYSP is open to all River Ridge kids age 4 (by July 1st) thru 8th graders. Registration is \$12 per child. Forms can be picked up in the school offices or at the Hanover Park District and can be returned to the same place or by mailing them to RRYSP, PO Box 502, Hanover, IL. Registration is open thru May 1st, however, the sooner you sign up, the better! The \$12 fee will cover the cost of your tye-dye team shirt and you will also receive a trophy at the last game. The Park District will have indoor restrooms for use this year!! There will also be concessions as in the past! Games start at 5 pm and run thru 8:30 pm, with a new game starting every 1/2 hour. As soon as the teams are selected, this information will be posted in an upcoming issue. For more details you can contact Wanda Honerbaum at 591-3486 or .

Thank You...

- To Mary Schmidt for the memorial gift in memory of Donald, which will be used to purchase kids equipment.
- To Bill & Vera Eadie for their generous gift.

What's been going on at the Park District?



“RAINY DAYS & SUN DAYS” — The toddlers room has made a wish list for our volunteers of things that they need. If you have items you are not using, please give them.
WISH LIST: Play dishes & food • Baby toys • Wooden puzzles • Dolls • Kids scissors • Cardboard books • Farm playset • Washable markers • Child’s chair or Bean bag chair.

“NEVER GROW OLD” — The senior citizen room now has a microwave, coffeepot, television and pool table. We are still hoping the coffee group that used to meet at the Hanover Cafe would like to make this their home...



FITNESS CENTER — The Fitness room will be expanding to the second floor and located in the old study hall room. This room will include a Universal gym and be the main component for the Fitness Key-Club. The District will still have a low-impact fitness room on the main floor for people unable to use the stairs.



A FITNESS KEY-CLUB will also be started March 1st. The Key-Club will be a paid membership to use the Park District’s Fitness equipment 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Members must be 21 years or older and the District encourages members to use the buddy system; no children will be allowed in the Key Club. The cost for membership will be \$25 per month for District residents, \$30 per month for non-residents. If dues are paid for in advance you can save \$50. Call or stop in the Park District for more details or to sign up.

Hanover Township Park District Commissioners

We want your suggestions and comments. Feel free to call any one of us with your ideas. We want to make the Park District the best that we can.

Darold Kennedy,
 President 591-2263

Kristy Wolter,
 Vice President 591-2804

James Healy,
 Secretary/Treas. .. 591-3662

Jeanne Ohms,
 Activities 591-2177

Kevin Sevey, Fundraising

There has also been **TWO ROOMS SET ASIDE TO RENT FOR PARTIES**. The cost of rental is \$25 per day for District residents and \$30 for non-residents. We would like a minimum of two weeks advance notice if you would like to rent a room.

Progress Report . . .

- We are happy to report that there were 29 teenagers at the February 7th dance.
- The Park District has averaged 70 people here a day during the of January. Lets see if we can increase that number next month.
- Over 40 Saver’s Cards have been sold. The District has had positive feedback from the community on this project. If you do not have a card, stop in today and get one, they are only \$10 and entitle the cardholder to several money-saving offers for Big Rays, Happy Joes, Manny’s Pizza and The Gender Cut.

Mark your Calendars for these Upcoming Events!

The District has many activities planned in the next month. Starting with this issue of the Grapevine, there will be a full page calendar you can hang up at home. Keep watching the sign out in front of the building for new postings.

The Park District would like to announce their own

"Calendar Girl"

Call Judy Healy at 591-3662 to schedule an activity or to rent a room for your next party or function.

FEB. 29 — G.E.A.R. baseball sign-up from 1–4pm. See or call Mr. Dittmar for more details.

FEB. 26 — NATIONAL LAND INSTITUTE MEETING

MARCH 2 — SENIOR SUPPORT GROUP. 5–7 pm
Topic: Grandparents raising Grandchildren.

MARCH 4, 11, 18 & 25 — STUDY BUDDYS. 3:45– 5:30 pm.

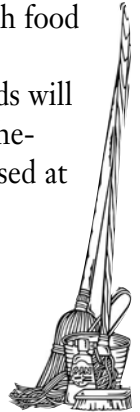


Martha Purchis and Kai Slade have volunteered to be study buddies. They will be at the Park District starting March 4th and meeting every Thursday through the school year. This group is for students wanting help with homework assignments, quizzing for an upcoming test, etc. can come during this time. If students have a better time to meet please contact Kai or Martha at the school.

MARCH 6 — IRISH FESTIVAL. 6pm. This family function is sponsored by The Artful Lodger as part of their concert series. There will be Irish Ceili Music & Family Dance with Irish food for available to purchase. The band is "Barra" with Ann Wiberg, Caller. Cost is \$7 per person. Ticket sale proceeds will benefit the Park District. Check out their website: www.the-artful-lodger.com for more details. Tickets can be purchased at the park District, Union bank and The Artful Lodger.

MARCH 13 — SPRING CLEANING DAY. 8am–Noon.

The District is asking for volunteers to come in and thoroughly clean the entire Park District Building. A free chili lunch will be provided for all cleaners. The Park District will be closed for this event.



MARCH 14 — FUN NIGHT SUPPER 4:30 pm–6pm.



& FUNDRAISER. 6pm. The night begins with a BBQ & potato chip supper for \$4 (proceeds to go toward 2 local teens' missionary trip to Panama. Then we have scheduled 2 games between the River Ridge teachers and the varsity basketball teams. Ladies will start the evening at 6pm. Which teams will be establishing bragging right for the year? In between the games will be a G.E.A.R. (Greater Elizabeth Arts & Recreation) game. Cost of the event is \$3 for adults & \$1 for students. A concession stand will be available.

MARCH 20 — CABIN FEVER DAY. Set-up begins at 7am (Participants can also set-up early on Friday from Noon – 9 pm).

We are having all-day music, a silent auction (8 am – 3:30 pm), indoor community-wide yard sales (8 am – 4 pm), a food



concession stand, Cinderella's closet (8 am – 4 pm), chili cook-off (cooking starts at 7am, judging will begin at 3pm) and a dance for the entire family starting at 7pm. Entry forms are in this newsletter and posters will soon be going up on this event.



Volunteer your Talents



The Park District would like to get several ideas put into effect, but we need your help. We need volunteers to organize, lead and/or teach the following:

- **ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE** — The Park District has all the equipment and enough interest from the community to start an adult volleyball league. We have a volunteer ready to get this up and running: signing up teams, making a schedule, planning the tournaments. Keep watching for more details.



- **DANCE CLASSES**—It has been suggested that dance classes would be a good offering for the young people in the District. Anyone interested in volunteering to teach a class and make some money, please call Judy Healy.



- **CINDERELLA'S CLOSET**—We still need a volunteer to organize, set-up and run Cinderella's Closet the day of the indoor garage sales.

- **JANITORS**— The District needs more volunteers to help clean the building on a regular basis. It only takes an hour to do daily cleaning and maybe a few hours on the weekends to do a more thorough cleaning. Volunteers will now be able to earn points that they can spend on District T-shirts, activity or rental fees for a room.



- **WEEKEND CLASSES**—Anyone wanting to teach a class and make some money please call Judy Healy to set up times. At this time there is no fee for teaching a class at the Park District. we would like to see a class taught every weekend. We have had success with the last 2 classes: Crafts for kids and candy molding. Feel free to call Kristy Wolter or Jeanne Ohms to talk about their experiences.

- **AEROBICS CLASSES** — We would like to expand on the fitness rooms to include an aerobics class. Anyone interested in volunteering to teach a class and make some money, please call Judy Healy.



COMING SOON . . .

An official logo for the H.T.P.D. is in the making and will soon be available on T-shirts to purchase. Volunteers will be able to earn points to purchase these shirts, those not volunteering will have to pay for their shirts. If enough interest is shown, this logo could be available on hats, jackets, or coffee mugs in the future. Support the Park District and order your shirt today. Keep a look out in the newsletter and on the sign out front for when these will be ready.



NEW! Park District email:
parkdistrict@hanover-il.com

Cabin Fever Day – Cinderella's Closet

Detach this form and clip it to your formal wear when you bring it into the Park District. Gowns and other formal wear can be brought to the District Building starting on March 10th.



Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Description: _____

Size: _____ Asking Price: _____



Cabin Fever Day – Indoor Yard Sales

Detach this form, fill it out and mail or drop it off at the District Office with your payment if you are interested in participating in the Indoor Yard Sales. Deadline for obtaining a booth is March 15th. Make checks payable to: Hanover Township Park District, P. O. Box 86, Hanover, Illinois.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please reserve for me:

- Number of booths at \$ ___ a booth
- Number of tables at \$ ___ a table



Booth size is 8'x10' and are available for \$5 a booth for Park District residents; \$6 for non-residents. **Tables** can be reserved for \$2 a table for residents and \$3 for non-residents. Non-profit Organizations can reserve a booth and table for free. Party planners or Product Demonstrators can rent booth for \$8 for residents, \$12 for non-residents and tables for \$3 for residents and \$4 non-residents.



Cabin Fever Day – Chili Cook-Off

Detach this form, fill it out and mail or drop it off at the District office with your payment if you are interested in participating in the Chili Cook-Off. Deadline for entry is March 10th. Make checks payable to: Hanover Township Park District, P. O. Box 86, Hanover, Illinois.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

T-shirt size will be an XL (one size fits all).

Entry Fee is \$15.

Please enter me for:

- Chili Cook-Off Booth Decoration Contest



Official Rules: are located at the Park District Office, you can pick them up when you drop off your entry form. If you are mailing your entry in, the Park District will mail a copy of the official rules to you. All paid contestants will receive a T-shirt when they arrive. Your entry fee allows you to enter both contests.

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Admission: \$1 donation

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Community-Wide Indoor
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