

**City of Painesville**  
**Department of Recreation and Public Lands**  
**Monthly Report – January 2011**

Recreation:

Program Preparation -- for future programs and events including: Easter Egg Hunt, Earth Day, Bike Lake County Day, Summer Camp, and Painesville Garden Club.

Grants: Received ODNR Hooked on Fishing Grant (\$500.00)

Applied for ODNR Nature Works Grants for Park Improvements

Coordinated Programming:

PBA: 2011

The season tipped off on January 8th at Heritage Middle School. I've attended games and meetings in an effort to help PBA enforce the rules of the schools. I would like to see the league as a whole (coaches & board members) all work to be consistent in enforcing the rules. I've met with Elm Street to discuss some minor problems that the board needs to address with the coaches about being on time and having kids supervised at all times.

TEEN GAME DAY: Jan 24

Painesville Recreation and the Morley Library teen department joined to offer programming for teens that had the day off of school. Parents were impressed that we had something for their kids to do when school was not in session. Our day consisted of classic board gaming and also we had a Dance Dance Revolution game set up on the big screen. We had Jenga, Uno, & checkers tournament in which we gave away small prizes. We had seven teens that stayed the entire length of the program.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER MAKEOVERS: Jan 29

The Teen Dept. also worked with us on this program. Krista Z. emailed me that the program went very well. Ms. Mack did a great job. 14 total attended. She noted a few did see it in the Painesville program guide. Ms. Mack is willing to repeat the program at some point. I did not attend the program because we wanted it to be a day for ladies.

GEOCACHING:

I met with former Morley Librarian, Sarah Payne, she explained to me what geocaching was. It's like a scavenger hunt in which you are trying to find a small boxed item using directions from your GPS system. The latitude and longitude are provided and entered into a GPS. The boxed item does not contain any beacon signal, which I learned. I have directions and know the locations of three items that Sarah has hid. This lends itself to maybe having a free introductory course on geocaching to expand this to a wider audience.

WALKING PROGRAM:

In the winter months, we have been getting between 30-40 walkers a day. There is an increase in new walkers this year. Many of the people who have been in the program for years are promoting the program to family and friends. The Crummy's have even taken flyers about the program to their doctor's office to promote walking with us.

URBAN BALLROOM DANCING:

We get from 6 to 12 people on a regular basis at Morse Ave. for this dance class. I've gotten good feedback from the dancers that they are having fun and learning. At some point, Fred the instructor, would like to host a small dance on a Friday or Saturday for the students to try their dance moves in a party setting to see how they do.

7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WINTER CARNIVAL AND CHILI COOK-OFF:

Based on the number of chilies entered and the amount of voting tickets purchased, it's safe to say that this was our best effort yet. We had 14 paid chili entrants (@\$10 each= \$140), and 1 comp (Don from Chili's

Fire Pit for donating a prize basket, and distributing flyers at his store). We brought in about \$360 from voting tickets and about \$30 from the Ice Carving Raffle. We also had about \$25 in our donation can. United Way was there selling Super Raffle Tickets, and sold about \$150 worth of tickets. Girl Scout Troop 1941 was there conducting a bake sale, and they reported doing "Very Well". All of those facts indicate that A- People have money to spend and B- they don't have a problem spending it at our events. Something we should take into consideration for next year's event as well as our other events this year.

Some suggestions/feedback I got from participants

1. Get judges to do a "Judges Choice", while still doing "People's Choice" winners as well. We could get celebrity judges, and even Don from Chili's Fire Pit who has judged other competitions and said he'd help out.
2. Stop selling voting tickets once the first person runs out of chili, otherwise they could be at a disadvantage since future voters would never even get to taste theirs. Another valid point, though I'm not sure that was an issue this year (it has happened in the past though).

Revenue generating ideas that I got from people at the event

1. 50/50 raffle.
2. Sell tickets for the Prize basket instead of giving it away as a prize.
3. Get bigger prizes (\$100 gift certificate from Giant Eagle??) to help get more entrants. I understand it's a bit expensive to cook as much chili as we are asking them to cook, so helping offset the costs with a prize could help.
4. Sell our own water/pop.
5. Vendors- This event is growing and has become pretty solid. Both the United Way and the Girl Scouts did fairly well, I think we can have vendors come in and be successful.
6. Consider eliminating the "Celebrity" Category. I sent out over 65 invites to all of our local/county (and even state) dignitaries and elected officials and didn't get one response. The trophies for this category cost about \$25

The Winter Carnival program is laid out pretty well and has a good format/flow to it. The biggest problem we seem to be facing, and we face it every year it seems, is weather. Most children came unprepared to be outside. with no gloves or hats so they could not last long outside. Two items that will be considered for next year are really push in advertising to dress appropriately and supply loaner gloves. We had about 3 dozen or so people participate in the outdoor activities, and with weather in the single digits, that's actually pretty good.

At next year's event. We'd like to see at least 20 entries, and bring in between \$750-\$1000 in voting tickets, vendor revenue, raffle, and concession sales.

#### Parks:

- assisted with takedown of City Hall Christmas tree
- completed takedown of Christmas displays
- completed Christmas display repairs and inventory
- continued with Diamond # 2 dugout installations (benches)
- leaf removal at Riverside Cemetery

#### Routine operations:

- snow and ice removal including side walk City wide
- trash/litter removal
- building and equipment repairs

#### Cemeteries:

continued with cleanup project at Riverside Cemetery (brush & leaves)

- assisted with Christmas display takedown and repairs
- started new road installation at staging area

**Routine operations:**

- 13 burials
- lot research
- headstone authorizations
- trash/litter
- snow/ice removal including side walk City wide
- building and equipment repairs

**Building Maintenance:**

**Routine operations:**

- snow and ice removal City Hall complex
- trash/litter removal
- building and equipment repairs

**Training:**

- Ken Hulett and Ryan Teidmen attended Ohio Power Show (reviewing new equipment and tools)
- Staff meeting to discuss ways in which we can optimize our purchases and spending
- Safety Meeting – part 2 of PPE and understanding/dealing with hypothermia

**City of Painesville, Cemetery Division**  
**Monthly Receipts, Refunds, Reimbursements & Burials**

Month of January 2011

<u>CEMETERIES FUND</u>	<u>2010</u>			
	<u>This Month</u>	<u>This YTD</u>	<u>Last YTD</u>	<u>END OF YEAR</u>
Interments	\$ 5,275.00	\$ 5,275.00	\$ 3,450.00	\$ 70,150.00
Lot Sales	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 38,185.00
Recording Fees	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 320.00	\$ 3,240.00
Foundation Charges	\$ 608.00	\$ 608.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 24,321.70
Lot Care Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00
Misc. Charges	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 670.00
Columbarium Niche:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,567.50	\$ 6,935.00
Columbarium inscription:	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 402.00	\$ 2,781.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,348.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,348.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,214.50</b>	<b>\$ 146,832.70</b>

**TRUST FUNDS**

Evergreen Regular Endowment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,240.00
Evergreen Flower Endowment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Evergreen-Non-Resident	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Columbarium Res. Endowment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 82.50	\$ 215.00
Columbarium Non-Res. End.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Riverside Regular Endowment	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 7,980.00
Riverside Flower Endowment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Non-Resident Endowment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 720.00	\$ 2,235.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 360.00</b>	<b>\$ 360.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,042.50</b>	<b>\$ 13,820.00</b>

**REFUND & REIMBURSEMENTS**

**GENERAL FUND-Columbarium Niches Insc.**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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**TRUST FUNDS**

(901) Evergreen Res. End.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
(903) Non-Resident	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -
(902) Riverside Res. End.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 480.00
(903) Non-Resident	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 105.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 585.00</b>
(901) Evergreen Decoration End.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
(902) Riverside Decoration End.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

**INTERMENTS**

**Weekday**

Full	7	7	12	112
Cremation	1	1	1	67
Infant	0	0		2

**Saturday**

Full	3	3	4	21
Cremation	1	1		12
Infant				1
INDIGENT	1	1		-1

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>214</b>
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