



Monthly Director's Report, September 2016

Past Events

We just finished up the **Clare Summer Concert Series**. The concerts had been running since the first part of June and our last concert was held on August 18 2016. Attendance throughout the series was pretty steady with a lot of dedicated community members, the attendance ranged anywhere from 100-330+ people every Thursday. The series consisted of bands from previous years, along with the addition of a few new bands into our lineup, as well as the Summer Fun Addition with kid's games and crafts were held during our June and July shows. This year's season was filled with a continuous mix of music such as jazz, variety, country and rock. There was a lot of positive feedback and suggestions from the concert attendees.

Soccer Registration ended on August 1, 2016, but we still have some late registrants signing up that missed the deadline. During August the soccer referees were hired and the coach clinic was held. Many coaches started practice immediately following the coach meeting and our first games for the pK/K-6th graders started on (Saturday) September 10, 2016. The 7th/8th grade soccer players utilize the space at the Brookwood soccer fields for their games on Sunday afternoons. Player jerseys came in right before the start of the first games and the players jerseys were packaged up with their raffle tickets and distributed by team coaches.

Current Events

Senior Cards and Coffee is still being held on the main level of the Pere Marquette District Library from 10-12 p.m.

Current Projects

Raffle tickets have been distributed for the **Fall Soccer Raffle**. The tickets were bundles in 30 tickets per pack. The players, who sell all of their thirty assigned tickets, will be entered into a drawing for various prizes that were donated by local businesses.

There is a **soccer equipment swap** for parents of our soccer players. There was a donation that was available at Clare City Hall and at the soccer fields. It has been very successful with a lot of people utilizing it for needed equipment and/or getting rid of old equipment.

Current works in progress are: The **Spook-Tacular, Pumpkin Run, and Mommy and Me Tea Party** (collaborative project with the PMDL).

Recreation Complex

Since the Operator's Union stopped work at the beginning of August, GFA and the City of Clare has been working together to get a plan for the remaining work that needs to be completed. The back line of the property had not been cleared prior to the Operator's coming in and it was discovered that the line would need to be cleared out before we can move further with the seeding. There is a timeline that we are trying to have the work completed in.

GFA and Clare Parks and Recreation are working to insure that the seeding is able to be completed before winter, so the fields have a proper amount of time to germinate.