

Recreation Board Meeting:

- The Recreation Board met on Wed., March 5th
- The board received the director's report.
- The next board meeting is scheduled for Wed., April 2nd at City Hall.

Jeffrey Woods Festival - Update:

- The Annual Jeffrey Woods Festival was held on Sat., March 1st at Jeffrey Park.
- For the first time, the event included Earth/Arbor Day themed activities including nature walks, tree climbing with Russell Tree Experts, FSWD Soil Simulator, and more.
- We had a beautiful day for the event, which included 38 wood choppers, the production of 155 bottles of Kelveden Maple Syrup and a wonderful turnout of families participating in the many activities that the event had to offer.
- Special thank you to our sponsors:
 - Bexley Community Foundation
 - Yard Barbers
 - Russell Tree Experts
 - Lowes
 - Johnson's Real Ice Cream
- Thank you to amazing volunteers from Scout Troop 166.

**Hiring Party - Update:**

- Our annual Hiring Party for employment with the Bexley Recreation and Parks Department was held on Sat. Feb. 22nd at the Senior Center.
- We had roughly 50 young people interested in employment opportunities attend the event.
- The event included games, prizes, food, and an opportunity for prospective employees to talk with staff about job opportunities at Bexley Rec.
- Following the event, we received 24 applications for summer employment.
- Currently, hiring efforts for the summer are going well. We are still in early stages, but we feel good about our ability to meet staffing needs for this summer.

**AED Program:**

- Our first community AED (pilot) went in at Cassady and Main by the Library.
- We have used that as a test run of the 4 season housing for the AED unit and feel good about it.
- We are moving forward with ordering 5 more units to be placed in the following:
 - Commonwealth Park
 - Jeffrey Park
 - Schneider Park
 - Main and Parkview
 - Kindness Park by the Drexel Theater

Upcoming Events:

- Egg Dash – Sat., April 19th @ 12 noon