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Camden County PSA
Executive Director's Report
Monthly Board Meeting
April 21, 2022

The following is a summary of the activity occurring at the PSA:

Parks

Howard Peeples Park

- Playground slides repaired
- Pickleball courts have been repaired

Harriett's Bluff Park

- Finished painting Pavilion
- Screens and door installed this week

Cornelia Jackson

- Citizens still love what we did on the remodeling of the Park



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St Marys Recreational Park

- Field 1 fencing has been installed
- Field 2 fencing has been ordered and will be installed when it arrives
- Dirt still being moved onto field three

Lions Park

- Scoreboard replaced on field 3

Phase II

- Lights repaired on field 4

Miscellaneous

- Opening day of Baseball/Softball season was April 9th lots of excited parents and kids
- NAACP held a Martin Luther King Jr. Community Day event at the Rec Center also on April 9th
- Darryl Johnson of the Carolina Panthers hosted a football camp at the Chris Gilman Stadium on April 16th with over 100 kids in the camp
- Assisted in the food giveaway at the Civic Park on April 5th. We will be hosting some food give away at the Rec Center during the summer months
- We will be having a Fun Run at Howard Peeples Park on April 30th through the Disc Golf course
- 4/9 Easter Egg Hunt at Chris Gilman Stadium was a big hit for member and non-member families. We had approx. 300 children ages 4-10 registered with payment and 50-60 children



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- under 3 years of age at no charge. We hide 7750 eggs stuffed with goodies, 11 golden egg winners (small prizes) 1 Grand prize golden egg winner (Easter basket filled with candy/bunny)
- 4/30 preparing for Woodbine Crawfish Festival Parade—hi-lighting the Senior Center, swim, gymnastics, cheer, admin, parks, and special programs. Working to complete a float with Crawfish on it. At the parade we will hand out PSA paper fans, free one day passes to Rec Center along with candy
 - **In the process of confirming Summer Camp Activities, fields trips, and on site-activities.
 - **In the process of Christmas In July Arts and Crafts Event scheduled for July 9th inviting local crafters, food trucks, etc.
 - We have 35 new memberships as of 4/20/2022

Special Programs/Events

Special Steps:

- Autism Acceptance 5k was a success. We raised over \$3000 for the nonprofit Special Steps program. We had 139 people register and 18 local business sponsors. Planning to make this an annual event.
- Special Steps Market - Many of the Steppers are creative and talented making art, jewelry, and other handcrafted items, so we held a market to showcase their talents at Howard Peebles Park. We would like to do these seasonally.
- Planted flowers under the PSA sign in front of the building. Make sure to take a look.
- Coast Guard brought a boat to the PSA last week for the Special Steppers to tour and learn.
- The sheriff's office did fingerprints and made ID cards for the Steppers.
- We will have a chef come in next week to do a cooking class.
- A local venue has offered their property in May for a Special Steps prom.



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- We have added monthly "outings" which will be an event outside of the PSA once a month to do new activities and learn new skills. We went to Unleashed, OPS, and this month is at the Crooked River Wildlife Exhibit.
- We have added monthly "recharge" meetings. These are for the caregivers to meet once a month to socialize or attend workshops. This month we have a lawyer coming to give a workshop on special needs trusts and guardianship.
- Sign up for our Special Steps monthly newsletter at our website: linktr.ee/special_steps

New Programs:

- Ballroom dancing - We started a 12-week (three 4-week sessions) ballroom dancing course on Feb. 14, and it has been very successful. We have exceeded our expectations and maintained 20 participants throughout the three sessions. We will end with a celebratory ball on May 7th. Participants have requested to do another course in the Fall, so that is set to start in August ending in October with a masquerade. This is showing potential to and already has brought in revenue.

Group Fitness Events:

- March events:
 - Ride & Shine Spin Challenge - 10 participants which were maxed capacity
 - Zen Out Saturday - Tai chi and yoga Saturday class
- April events:
 - Splash Into Spring Luau – Saturday, April 23, 6-9 pm. Aqua aerobics and Zumba. We are trying to bring some excitement back to the pool by having a luau with Hawaiian snacks and aqua fitness classes.
 - Burpee Challenge - Many members have joined our burpee challenge of doing 2,250 burpees (75/day) in the month of April. They are asking what the challenge for May will be. We will do a water drinking challenge in May. This is helping members stay engaged with the PSA daily.



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Aquatics

- March 18-20 Georgia State Divisional Championships
- March 23 Attended GRPA meeting in Liberty County
- April 2 Hosted first Georgia Open Water State Championships - Saint Marys River
- Coach Eife selected to Zones coaching staff
- May 13-15 Open water Regional Championships
- May 21 Brunswick Summer Kickoff meet

Gymnastics

- In Lawrenceville, our Level 6 had USA Gymnastics (USAG) state meet on March 26-27, and levels 7 & 8 went on April 2-3.
- Alivia Palmer in level 8 earned the title of uneven bars state champion.
- Gymnastics Home Meet Fundraiser was held on April 9th to help pay coach's fees for state meets.
- Our Xcel Levels will go to AAU State Meet on April 30 - May 1st.
- Rec gymnastics program will have a showcase on May 7th.

[Elite Cheer]

- Our South Georgia Elite Cheer changed its name to Camden Elite Cheer.
- On April 10th, our team Queens (age group 5-7 years old) with Coach Kylee Seymour took 2nd place at NCA (National Cheerleaders Association) Championship in Daytona, FL.



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- And team Prodigy (ages 6-8) with Coach Mikaylah Dagle went to the Southeast Regional Summit in Myrtle Beach, SC on April 9-10t. Finished as a finalist top 10 in the Southeast Region.
- We will have the final competition of the season in Savannah on April 23rd and 24th.
- Elite Cheer will have a showcase on May 14th at the rec center's gymnasium.

Athletics

- On April 16th we had our GRPA District 2 Class B/C Track Championships which was held here at CPSA Track. We had 10 counties being represented during this district meet. There were over 2000 people at this meet. Revenue from this meet was over \$8500, which will help defray costs for the team uniforms and accommodations at the state level. We had 54 out of our 76 athletes that participated make it to the state track meet. The GRPA State Track meet will be held in Jefferson, Ga on May 6-7, 2022.
- Our spring sports season has kicked off, we are having games on just about every night of the week except Wednesday and Sundays. So if you are looking for something to do one night, check out one of the games.
- Volleyball registration is now open and we are looking for coaches.
- Adult Softball registration is open. With Men, Women, and Co-ed teams

Senior Center

- April 14th we hosted an Easter Egg hunt and luncheon
- April 19th Annual Auction in the dining room 10:00



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- April 20th & 27th Bingo in the dining room (every Wednesday @10:00)
- April 26th Birthday celebrations being hosted by GHC Hospice & Friends 10:00
- April 28th Nutrition/Health Education 9:45
- April 29th Outing to Brunswick 9:30-1:30
- April 30th Crawfish Festival Woodbine 9:00
- Daily exercise at 9:30 followed by a scheduled activity.
- Gardening daily at 10:00 on the patio.
- Monthly calendar of events is posted on Facebook. Transportation and hot lunch provided daily at no cost

RSM

- Finished full cut with Camden County Roads
- Mowed St Marys Airport
- Mowed St Marys and Kings Bay roads
- Spaying weed killer
- Dug and moved almost 400 Dump Truckloads of dirt at the Rec Park in St Marys to fill in Ball Fields that were below grade. Saved the PSA about \$50,400 on dirt to bring new Ball Fields to grade.

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