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Spring - Summer Information Brochure Out Tomorrow

Be sure to check the *Daily Times* newspaper tomorrow morning to get your copy of the new Parks & Rec Spring-Summer Program brochure. Everything you want and need to know about the spring and summer classes, events, camps, pools, and sports is in the tabloid brochure and at www.parksrec.com. There are lots of fun activities for people of all ages. Thanks to the *Daily Times* and the advertisers for their continued support of Parks and Rec.

Don't Miss Parks & Rec Soccer Discount Day at Dick's

This Saturday, February 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. is Parks & Rec Day at the Dick's Sporting Goods Store in Alcoa. Come by the Parks & Rec display during these hours and get a **15% discount on all your soccer-related purchases**. Thanks to Dick's for their continued support of Parks & Recreation and the soccer program. Don't miss your chance for big savings!



Important Program Reminders

Soccer registration for ages 4-16 remains open until March 1. Any remaining spaces filled after this date will incur a \$5 increase in the fee.

Adult Softball registration opens March 4 for men's and women's leagues. The fee is \$450. per team plus \$3.50 per player.

Dog Obedience Courses, "Good Dog Basic Manners" & "Puppy Paws Smart Behavior" still have space available for evening classes beginning February 26. The fee is \$82. for nine classes.

Youth Pottery Classes, "Kids In Clay", \$65., for ages 5-10 and "Introduction To Throwing", \$75., for ages 10 & older still have space available for classes beginning March 4 & 5. Materials are included. Go to www.parksrec.com for complete information.

Swimming Pool Party Rental Reservations Open March 1

During the regular swimming pool opening season, both Springbrook and John Sevier Pools are available for private party rentals in the evenings. We will begin taking reservations for these on Friday, March 1. For complete information and to reserve your date, call 983-9244. Due to high demand, dates fill quickly. For rates information you can also go to the Aquatics page at www.parksrec.com. Friday, May 17 is the scheduled opening day.

A poster for a 'Benefit Pancake Breakfast'. The text reads: 'ENJOY A GREAT MEAL, HELP PROVIDE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR SPECIAL-NEEDS CHILDREN'. Below this is the title 'Benefit Pancake Breakfast' in a large, stylized font. The date and time are 'March 2, 2013 8-10 a.m.' and the location is 'Aubrey's Restaurant Maryville'. A suggested donation of '\$10' is listed. There is a small red triangle graphic that says 'Chow down to music provided by PISTOL CREEK CATCH OF THE DAY!'. At the bottom, there is a logo for 'LeadershipBlount' and a small image of a maple syrup bottle. A small text box at the bottom left explains that proceeds will go toward the purchase of two molded swing seats and one swing platform with a frame that will accommodate wheelchairs. It also mentions that this equipment will enable special-needs children to enjoy the playgrounds at Everett and Sandy Springs parks, and that providing the swings is a Legacy Project for Leadership Blount's Class of 2013.

Area 15 Special Olympics News

Congratulations to Area 15 Special Olympics adult independent athlete, Robby Ellis, for bringing home the Bronze Medal for Speed Skating at the Tennessee Special Olympics Winter Games held last month at Ober Gatlinburg.

The East Tennessee Regional Basketball Tournament was held February 25 at Maryville College. Nine teams from Blount, Loudon, Knox and Roane Counties competed. A big "Thank You" goes to Maryville College for providing the facilities and volunteer staff and officials for this fun event. Congratulations to Area 15's Blount Blazers men's team who won all three of their games in the tournament.

The Tennessee State Basketball Competition will be held March 16-17 at Lipscomb University in Nashville. We wish the best of luck to the Blount Blazers who will be representing Area 15 at these state games.



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Parks & Rec Is Seeking New Lifeguards

Each summer Parks & Rec hires 50 - 65 lifeguards to work at the two local pools. Information on how to become a lifeguard will be posted by February 26 on our web site and Facebook page.