



DATE: April 9, 2014

AGENDA ITEM # 5

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Beverly Tucker, Recreation Director
SUBJECT: Monthly Staff Update

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive report

Annual Commission Training

The Annual Commission and Committee Training will be **Tuesday, April 29th** from 6:00 – 8:00 pm in the Community Meeting Chambers at City Hall. This training is mandatory for all those appointed by the Los Altos City Council. The Chambers will be open starting at 5:30 pm for socializing in advance of the training. The first half of the meeting is an opportunity for each Commission to share its work plan with all the other Commissions. (FYI: This meeting does not satisfy the Ethics Training requirement.)

Annual Volunteer Reception

The Annual Volunteer Appreciation Reception is **Wednesday, April 9th at 5:30 pm** in the Los Altos Youth Center (LAYC). All Commissioners are encouraged to attend! Light refreshments will be served.

Community Center Master Plan Update

The four Commissions (PARC, Senior, Youth & Public Art) that comprised the first Community Center Master Plan Focus Group meeting created mission statements and core service statements specific to each Commission. These statements were presented verbatim to the participants at the first community workshop on April 1, 2014 as part of the orientation for the workshop activities. The next step for these four Commissions is to meet as a group to combine and refine their specific statements into one uniform mission for the entire project. This meeting will be the evening of **May 8, 2014** at the Los Altos Youth Center. The start time will be determined later this month.

Annual Egg Hunt & Egg Launch

Don't forget! Reminder from last month's staff update: This year's annual Egg Hunt for children aged walking to 10 years old is **Saturday, April 19, 2014** on the Hillview Soccer Field, near the Bus Barn Theatre. Activities begin at 9:30 am and the hunt starts at 10:00 pm sharp! In addition to the actual egg hunt, there will be arts & crafts, visits and photos with "Fun E. Bunny", a children's concert with the fabulous Okin Bloodworth and a storytelling at the main library directly afterward. The entire event is free and no registration is required. This is a very popular event that attracts over 1,000 people each year.

For children and teens who've aged out of the Egg Hunt, the Egg Launch will be held at 10:45 am on the Hillview Soccer Field, on the Hillview Avenue side. This event is also free but does require advance registration with the Recreation Department. Students are encouraged to construct creative cases that enable an egg to survive being launched into the air. The eggs are supplied by the Recreation Department and the ingenuity is supplied by the students.