

TO: Gahanna City Council

Thomas R. Kneeland, Mayor

FROM: Jeff Barr, Director, Department of Parks & Recreation

DATE: May 18, 2017

RE: Parks & Recreation - Report to Council for Monday, May 22, 2017

ACTION ITEMS:

None

COUNCIL UPDATES

Aquatic memberships sold as of May 8, 2017 - 609

Summer Camp update

- 1,876 Camper weeks sold
- Hannah Park location
 - o 98% full
 - Only 1 week has availability
 - o 10 weeks on waitlists, the highest week has 27 campers on the waitlist
- Friendship Park location
 - o Only 4 weeks have availability
 - o 6 weeks on waitlists
- Nature Bugs
 - Back to Tuesday-Thursday program length, caused increase enrollment from 2016
 - 3 weeks on waitlists

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Story Trail Opening

May 26, 2017 at 6:30pm

Friendship Park, 150 Oklahoma Ave, Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Gahanna Parks & Recreation has collaborated with the Columbus Metropolitan Library, and Gahanna School students to present the Gahanna Story Trail. Join us as we kick-off a brand new story. The new Story Trail provides an engaging opportunity for visitors to learn the value of being good stewards of our environment as they walk and read the story. The Story Trail is

also part of the Gahanna Library's Summer Reading Program encourages families to engage in the outdoors through reading.

Creekside Live presented by Lew Griffin Insurance

The Creekside Live is a summer concert series with live entertainment headlined by popular bands from the Midwest. Bring your friends and coworkers to enjoy Creekside along with a variety entertainment, food and beverage sales that are oriented for active adults in the Central Ohio area on select Friday's during the summer. Event is supported by the Gahanna Parks & Recreation Foundation along with other local organizations, sponsorships are available, contact zac.guthrie@gahanna.gov for more information.

2nd & 4th Friday's, June- August, 6-10pm Creekside Park, 117 Mill Street

June 9 – McGuffey Lane (Country Rock) w/ Lee Gantt duo

June 23 – The Reaganomics (80's Dance) w/ JJ Snare

July 14 - Pop Gun (Classic Rock Tribute) w/ TBD

July 28 – The Ark Band (Bob Marley Tribute) w/ Andy Shaw Band (Reggae Rock)

August 11 – Velvet Shake (Party Rock) w/ The Goldsberrys (Jamgrass)

August 25 – Soul Kitch'n (Soul & Funk) w/ Will Freed (Blues)

Music in the Park

Gahanna's beloved live music tradition is back at Friendship Park thanks to Make Gahanna Yours and other community volunteers. Bring your blanket and picnic basket, sit back, watch the kids enjoy the park and listen to music at beautiful Friendship Park.

Thursday's: June 1, 15, 29; July 6, 20; August 3, 17 from 6:30-8pm

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Bands to be announced

Paddle Boat info

May 5-28; Fri 5-8p; Sat 11am-8pm; Sunday 12:-4:30pm

May 29 - Aug20; Mon - Wed 4-8pm; Thur & Fri 12-8pm; Sat 11a-8pm; Sun 12p-4:30p

Aug 21-Sept 24; Sat 11am-3:30pm; Sun 12p-4:30p

*Schedule is weather dependent. Hours may vary for special events, holidays and/or other conditions