

Community Services

FY 23 First Quarter Reports

Library/Community Services

Visitation at the library was steady this quarter. I worked on all 3 of the reports to the Board of Library Commissioners. Our Summer reading incentive was well-attended, in addition to 3 'Wonderful Wednesday' programs that were facilitated by a volunteer. I attended 3 workshops including 'bystander intervention and conflict de-escalation in the workplace'. I worked on performance reviews for library and Senior Center staff. The Farmers' Market continued this quarter, concluding in mid-September. I participated in interviews for: Director of Veterans' Services, Soccer Coordinator, Basketball Coordinator and Senior Center van driver

Senior Services

In addition to the regular weekly program offerings, the Center held 2 summer BBQs with guest grill-masters, a grand-parents day celebration, a virtual tour of Italy, an estate planning program, Christmas in July, a comedy show, a 'music of the Beatles' program and a trip to Salisbury Beach. A cooling center was set up during 2 separate heat waves this quarter. A social work intern from MWCC began volunteering. A vaccine clinic was well-attended. The first of the 12 monthly meals funded with ARPA money served over 60 individuals. A 'volunteer of the month' initiative began this quarter and will continue as we recognize the many volunteers who are critical to the Center. Plans began for a Candidates forum hosted by the town to be held at the Center. The Citizen of the Year award was formally presented to Gail Noel, who was honored for her many years of dedication as President of the Friends of the Templeton Elders and as our Shine volunteer.

Transportation: 307 rides provided

Social Service Interactions: 277

Attendance: 1380

Volunteer Hours: 459.5

Recreation

The Recreation Commission from July 11th through Aug 11th Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for five weeks held the Rec Learn to Swim program at the Templeton Fish and Game Club. Swim Instructor Director Hunter Marion and fellow

Instructor Brianne Nunez did a great job with their volunteer staff Teaching 64 students to swim and water safety for the Town. On August 3 we celebrated "National play outside day" with games, a dunk tank and showed the Movie "Dolittle" in Gilman-Waite Park. On September 10 the Rec Fall Soccer league began for ages 3.5 years to 14. We had to say goodbye to Coordinator Susie Greene, who got married & moved away. We welcome our New Soccer Coordinator Kayla Nolette. With her staff of referees and volunteer coaches, currently working hard to bring soccer to the 182 players resistance and non-resistance at Gilman-Waite on Saturday mornings. We teamed up in September with the Templeton Lions club, with Movie in the park. Lion Mike Dickson volunteered to set up & play the film "Hocus Pocus" for the event. We Gave away free popcorn, and glow sticks to the public. It was a lot of fun. We had a great turn out to see the movie. Jessica, Derek, Hunter and Candace work alongside community volunteers at the Concession stand at Gilman-Waite selling hot dogs, nachos, candy and more throughout the movie nights and soccer season. Currently the commission is wrapping up soccer and working hard to improve on its programs, on how we do our bookkeeping of data & inventory of equipment.

TCTV

New Channel 8 Calendar

Cable Channel 8's Calendar has been revamped by Hannah in her new position

It's the best we have had it, in my opinion, and we've had some pretty good Calendars over the years. We used to run more than 80 slides in numerous slide shows.

Maintaining a solid Calendar and someone checking in with other departments and organizations agencies is immensely important to encouraging communications throughout our community. It helps us collect and distribute information.

The Channel 8 Calendar is very informative to watch for a few minutes, and often some cool music we have recorded over the years plays in the background.

I recommend people make use of this resource for Templeton and our area.

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Montachusett.TV

The Montachusett.TV regional website is off to a solid start. We are getting good feedback, and we're still really learning how to drive it. We have been working through a lot of content decisions on how to present what and when. Tabitha has also started outreach, which, like in Hannah's job, is very important, and she is manning the Montachusett.TV Facebook page.

We are coordinating between TCTV and Montachusett.TV Facebook pages as well to make efficient and proper use of these resources.

The website needs marketing, and eventually should have a full-time editor with a helper like Tabitha.

The aim is to move Montachusett.TV into a non-profit Digital Lab, in partnership with Wachusett Business Incubator and other entities.

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TCTV Productions FY23 Q1

19 meetings recorded/live streamed

Farmers' Market Moments

Collector Time (from Cabin Fever)

Go Fly a Kite Festival

Appleseed Festival

Citizen of the Year

Sept. 11 Commemoration

Veteran Services -

Our new Director of Veterans Services began working at the very end of this quarter. His first report will be for FY 23 Q2.

Cultural Council

Nothing reported