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Greetings from the All-America City of Lewiston:

Each month, this report from the City Administrator's office provides a brief summary and update of major activities, events, projects, and programs that impact the community of Lewiston. Feel free to send your comments and suggestions.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

Lewiston Youth Advisory Council (LYAC) hosts “Recycling Rulz!” awareness event in Kennedy Park on May 16th.

LYAC members in brightly colored recycling shirts facilitated a recycling “Show & Tell.” Children who answered recycling questions correctly received their own shirts. LYAC members also played various games with attending children to include a Recycling Relay. Some children also signed a poster-size pledge sheet committing to tell their families about recycling. Both children and adults were given Lewiston’s zero-sort recycling materials, and the event ended with a R-E-C-Y-C-L-E cheer! *Recycling Rulz!* Shirts were funded by a previous donation to LYAC by the Lewiston Firefighters Association.



Bus to the Beach



The Mall Shuttle bus will now be able to take you to the Auburn Municipal beach this summer!!!!

The bus route for the beach is as follows:

College Street and **Auburn Malls** buses both will leave Wal-Mart at their respective scheduled time and start on the Mall Shuttle run. When the bus leaves Big Lots (Auburn Plaza), it will continue North on Center Street to the Auburn Municipal Beach.

Departing the Auburn Municipal Beach, the bus will return via Turner Street.

Mall Shuttle departs Wal-Mart at the following times:

MONDAY – FRIDAY TIMES			SATURDAY – EVERY RUN		
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	9:30 AM	10:00 AM	10:30 AM
10:30 AM	Noon		11:30 AM	Noon	12:30 PM
12:30 PM	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	2:30 PM
4:00 PM	4:30 PM		3:30 PM	4:00 PM	



The bus will pick up and drop off at the beach approximately quarter past (:15) and quarter to (:45) the hour.

The Mall Shuttle will continue to serve Central Maine Community College as scheduled or upon request on beach runs.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Council Adopts City Operating Budget

On May 1st, the City Council adopted the FY13 operating budget. As approved, the City's property tax rate remains unchanged and the full range of municipal services will continue at current levels. Most homeowners will see a slight reduction in taxes due to a small increase in the homestead exemption from \$8,500 to \$8,800. Water and sewer rates will also remain unchanged. Stormwater fees will increase by \$6 per year for the average homeowner.



Bonds Approved for Capital Plan

The Council also approved issuing \$8,000,000 in bonds for city and utility capital projects. This includes funding for street reconstruction and overlay, building improvements at the Armory, Library, Police Department, and City Hall, continuing our demolition efforts to eliminate blighted structures, and continuing our combined sewer overflow program designed to separate our storm and sewer systems to address water quality concerns. In addition, the Council approved \$5.5 million for expanding McMahon elementary school and \$9,165,000 for renovation and expansion of the Lewiston Middle School. The Middle School project will go before the voters on July 10th.

Speed Table on College Street

The City Council held a workshop to discuss the future of a speed table located on College Street near the former Pettingill School. Speed tables are designed to slow traffic by constructing a raised platform in the street. This installation was initially approved when Pettingill School was in operation. Over the years since the School closed, numerous individuals have contacted the Council either asking that it be removed or that it be retained. At a workshop, the Council heard from a number of individuals, both for and against retaining it. After considerable discussion, the Council decided to remove the speed table and to attempt to address resident concerns over speed by adjusting the street painting on College to narrow the travel way and by add horizontal striping on approaches to intersections. In addition, the Police Department was asked to increase enforcement in the area.

Riverfront Island Master Plan



The final Riverfront Island Master Plan was presented at a joint meeting of the City Council and the Planning Board. The Plan was well received and the discussion centered on the initial steps needed to begin implementing the plan. These include: continuing to work with the developers of a proposed hotel on Lincoln Street; moving forward with efforts to acquire ownership of the canal system; improvements to Simard-Payne Memorial Park including a potential extension of the park to Lincoln Street via a strip of vacant property adjacent to the Depot; and streetscape and canal bank improvements along Oxford. The Planning Board and the Council

will consider formally adopting the plan in June.

DEPUTY CITY ADMINISTRATOR / HR DIRECTOR

Shared Services Model for Safety & HR



The City of Lewiston and Lewiston Public Schools were recently lauded by the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) Maine State Council. The Council is an affiliate of SHRM, an association comprised of 260,000 human resources professionals worldwide.

The Lewiston City Council and the Lewiston School Committee were recognized for embracing a “Shared Services Model for the Safety & Human Resources Department.” The two entities, represented by Human Resources Director Jackie Little, SPHR, received the **Human Resources Best Practice Award**. The award is given to an employer or human resources department that has created a “best practice” in the recruitment, development, or retention of Maine’s best asset and resource, its people.

Little notes, *“This is not just a municipal award. We were selected from all industries, businesses, and hospitals because this is an out-of-the-box idea, really different, and yet is a model that could be replicated in other municipalities and businesses.”* Little also praised the leadership of both City Administrators and School Superintendent Bill Webster.

The new collaborative is a strategic alignment between two business entities with all city/school HR personnel under one roof at the Lewiston Dingley Building, 36 Oak Street. Its goal is to provide enhanced service to employees and taxpayers via a team of cross-trained human resources professionals. There is also the benefit of an experienced Safety Manager assisting both schools and the city.

The SHRM Maine State Council is led by volunteer board members and is responsible for many human resources initiatives, including Best Places to Work in Maine. Nominations for the Best Practice Award were received by a Maine State Council subcommittee, and the Lewiston collaborative was the stand-out.

(Pictured above, front: Assistant School Superintendent Tom Jarvis, School Receptionist Kathaleen Bourgault, HR Assistant Irene Dostie, HR Director Jackie Little, HR Secretary Joanna Beller, and Lewiston City Administrator Edward A. Barrett; back row: School Administrative Assistant Linda McLaughlin, Deputy City Administrator Phil Nadeau, and School Superintendent Bill Webster.)

ASSESSING

May activity in the Assessing Department was centered on canvassing building permits, tabulating personal property returns, and completing BETE applications for eligible business taxpayers.

Final 2012 property transfers have been entered onto the Computer Mass Appraisal System to reflect ownership status as of April 1st. Any real estate sold after April 1st will result in tax bills being sent in care of the new owner to reflect the ownership status of properties as of April 1, 2012, Maine's real estate and personal property taxing date.

Individual exemptions for Veteran's and their widows, as well as blind and homestead exemptions are being finalized. We have noted a large increase in Veteran exemption applications from Vietnam Veterans who are turning 62, the age of eligibility for the Exemption. The eligibility requirements for the Vietnam era are the same as for other groups of Veterans except the Veteran must have served 180 days of active duty. The application for exemption is due by April 1st in the year the exemption is first requested. The Assessing Department anticipates the exemption will be granted to approximately 1,000 eligible Veterans who served during a federally recognized war period.

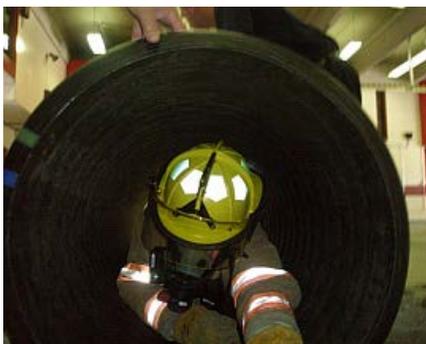
FIRE

Lewiston Fire Department Hires Three New Firefighters



Deputy City Clerk Kelly Mercier swears in newly hired firefighters *(left to right)*:

- Pvt. Jon Demers
- Pvt. Ryan Coleman
- Pvt. Nicholas Blais



Long before new hires get behind the wheel of a fire truck, they must endure many hours of training in order to prepare themselves for their new career as a firefighter. With the latest hiring, the department

developed a training program using experienced LFD firefighters as training instructors. Utilizing the numerous certified instructors within the department along with experienced veterans, training has proven to be extremely successful and beneficial to the department as a whole. (Pictured above are the new hires training in Fire Safety & Rescue.)

(Pictured to the right)

New hire firefighters standing on top of the Chalet Motel on Lisbon Street after practicing proper ventilation techniques.



LIBRARY

Downtown Education Collaborative

One community partnership that has greatly benefitted the City, the public library, and the entire community is the Library's membership in the Downtown Education Collaborative (DEC). Two of DEC's many projects take place in the Library's Computer Lab: the **Academic Success Homework Help Lab** and the **Digital Divide Lab**.



Academic Success is open on school days (Monday thru Thursday) from 3:30 to 5:30 pm. Over the course of the last school year, 230 middle and high school students participated in the lab getting homework help from a variety of tutors: students from Bates College, Central Maine Community College, and USM's Lewiston Auburn College along with community volunteers. During the month of May, the homework help lab had a total of 494 student visits, averaging 33 per day. The prime beneficiaries of this service are

students from the refugee community whose parents often lack the background in English needed to assist their children with homework assignments. This program is run by an AmeriCorps/VISTA volunteer working for the Harward Center at Bates College and is funded by a grant from the United Way.

The Digital Divide Lab is open to any community member who would like to learn more about computers and the internet or who lacks computer access at home and needs to get online. This program is made possible thanks to the generosity of another DEC partner: Kaplan University. Kaplan work-study students (paid by the University) serve as the lab monitors, teaching users computer skills and assisting with their online needs. This lab program also averages over 400 users per month. These programs would not be possible without the support provided by DEC Director Sherry Russell and all of the DEC partner-members.



Friends of LPL Complete Another Successful Year

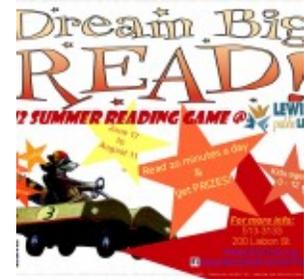
The Friends of LPL is a separate, non-profit organization that works alongside the City and the Library Board to support the programs and resources at the Library. During their 2011-12 Fiscal

Year (the Friends year ends on May 31) they expended \$14,812 to assist the Library in its efforts in serving the community. That included \$9,862 for book purchases and program support for children, teens, and adults. The Friends are currently looking for new members and membership is open to any individual who wishes to assist the Library.

Summer Reading Game

LPL has **Summer Reading Games** that are now open for sign-up in both the Children's and the Teen Departments. Studies have shown the children who read over the summer retain their skills leading to a higher rate of success in the following school year.

Kids participating in the games set their own reading goals (minimum of two hours weekly for children and three hours weekly for teens) and then keep a reading log which can be brought into the Library weekly to win prizes. Details are available on the Library's web page or at the Children's Desk (513-3133) or Adult Services/Teen Desk (513-3135). See the LPL webpage for details.



Art Walk Lewiston Auburn



For the second consecutive year the Lewiston Public Library is participating in Art Walk Lewiston Auburn. This popular event takes place on the last Friday evening of each month, May through September. The first floor of the Library is transformed into a temporary art gallery, and LPL plays host to a variety of artists on those evenings. More than 400 viewers came through the "Library Gallery" on the first 2012 Walk on May 25!

Marsden Hartley Cultural Center Programs in May

During the May 25 Art Walk, the Library partnered with LA Arts to present some performance art in Callahan Hall featuring Poet/Dancer/Playwright Rivera Sun Cook presenting "Freedom Stories." Other Library programs in May included hosting a community Food Action Charette on May 3rd conducted by Good Food for Lewiston/Auburn, a program of St. Mary's Nutrition Center of Maine; LPL also co-hosted the annual Family Literacy Night with Androscoggin Head Start on the evening of May 9th; on May 15th the Library partnered with LA Arts to present three Maine poets reading from their works; on Saturday afternoon, May 19th we joined forces with the Maine Folque Coop to hold a family barn dance with master Canadian musician Benoit Bourque and his son; and on May 22 LPL held its final Great Falls Forum lunch program of the season which featured NYC Music and Art Producer Beth Morrison.

Coming in June

Upcoming programs for June include two major events. At 3:30 p.m. on Friday, June 22nd Mayor Robert Macdonald will be welcoming the community to the annual **World Refugee Celebration** in the Library's Callahan Hall. And an all-day event on Wednesday, June 27th will see LPL partnering with Lewiston's Lyceum Gallery to host **TEDxDirigo with a live streaming of TED Global 2012 from Edinborough, Scotland**. This TEDxDirigo day will end with an audition segment open to innovative thinkers who would like to present at the statewide TEDx conference later this year. See the LPL webpage for details.



PLANNING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT

Riverfront Master Plan

On May 29th the City Council and Planning Board conducted a joint workshop to review the proposed Riverfront Master Plan as their first step toward the adoption of this exciting planning effort. Background - In the spring of 2011, a team of consultants from Goody Clancy were chosen through an RFP process to develop a riverfront master plan. Between September 2011 and April 2012, members of the Lewiston-Auburn community participated in creating a vision and plan for continued revitalization of the Riverfront Island area. Several hundred Lewiston and Auburn residents contributed to shaping this plan. The plan was completed and presented to the City this month.



Planning Board



On May 14th, the Board granted approval to TFH Architects on behalf of Veterans, Inc. to convert the existing St. Josephs School located at 393 Main Street into 11 residential dwelling units for veterans. These dwelling units will provide transitional housing for men in a safe, drug and alcohol free facility. The goal of this housing and

related support services is to give veterans a stable base from which to find or hold a job, continue their physical or mental recovery and, ultimately, return to independent living.

The Board also granted approval on May 14th to Summit GeoEngineering Services, Inc. on behalf of White Rock Distilleries to construct parking for tractor trailers at 33 Saratoga Street. The site has been designed to accommodate 17 parking spaces. The proposed improvements will help alleviate existing congestion on the White Rock properties and along Saratoga Street where trucks often park.



Board of Appeals

The Board granted approval to Ronald L. Bissonette, Esq. on behalf of CEI Housing to divide the property located at 271 Park Street to create two lots. The new lot line runs through the middle of the historic two-family dwelling and the division allows each unit to be sold on individual lots.

Permit Activity May 2012

- 66 building permits with a dollar value of \$5,197,635 (one permit was issued for a new single family home)
- 11 plumbing permits
- 45 electrical permits

Note: the largest permit for May 2012 was for J & S Oil currently under construction at 1103 Lisbon Street with a reported value of \$3,836,000

Permit Activity May 2011

- 57 building permits were issued with a dollar value of \$1,357,898 (three permits were issued for new single family homes)
- 14 plumbing permits
- 35 electrical permits

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Stats

In the month of May, the Lewiston Police Department responded to 3,397 Calls for Service. The agency initiated 513 vehicle stops resulting in 151 citations and 237 written warnings with the remaining stops resulting in verbal warnings. There were 193 arrests of adults and 21 juvenile arrests as well as 96 criminal summonses issued. There were 14 arrests on narcotics violations and 6 arrests for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. The parking enforcement and patrol divisions issued 765 parking tickets in the month of May.

May	2012
Calls For Service	3,397
Vehicle Stops	513
Citations	151
Written Warnings	237
Verbal Warnings	125
Adult Arrests	193
Juvenile Arrests	21
Criminal Summonses	96
Narcotics Arrests	14
OUI Arrests	6
Parking Tickets	765

New Officer



Please join us in welcoming our newest officer. Officer Michael Maillet graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and has started his field training assigned to the Night Watch.

Department News

- Several department members have attended and been involved in several Special Olympics activities.
- Officer's Maillet and Levesque participated in the local "Art Walk" held on lower Lisbon Street.
- Sergeant Bradeen attended the Lewiston Housing Authority's Youth Enrichment Program, 21st Annual Festival of Arts.
- On May 19th, several department members took part in placing flags on the graves of veterans at local cemeteries.
- Corporal Tom Murphy took part in a meeting at Oak Park and continues to work with the Attorney General on welfare fraud.
- Sergeant Ullrich has been working with Professional Vehicle Corporation on the installation of police equipment into the two new Dodge Charger cruisers. These vehicles will be added to the fleet in early June.

Memorials

- Several members of the department's Honor Guard participated in the police memorial service at Simard-Payne Memorial Park. They were joined by many uniformed officers and family members of slain officers.
- Additionally, Sergeant Ullrich and Officer Johnson attended the police memorial service held in Augusta.



Training

- Officer J. Johnson taught pre-service officers defensive tactics training at MCJA.
- Sergeant Bradeen and Detective Stone instructed "Police Power, Authority and Discretion" at MCJA to a class of newly-hired Juvenile Community Correction Officers.
- Detective Murphy attended annual Polygraph training.
- The Lewiston Police Department participated in the annual firearms qualification held at City of Lewiston Quarry.

In Our Schools

- Assisted by various department members, D.A.R.E. Officer LaCombe presented diplomas to D.A.R.E. graduates at McMahon and Montello schools. He and School Resource Officer Jacques also chaperoned Martel School's sixth-grade D.A.R.E. graduates at the Rollerdrome for their graduation celebration.
- School Resource Officer (SRO) Landry attended Lewiston High School's Law Enforcement Program graduation in the evening during off-duty hours.
- Sergeant Bradeen, SRO Jacques, and D.A.R.E. Officer LaCombe chaperoned sixth-grade D.A.R.E. student essay winners at an evening Sea Dogs baseball game while off duty.
- Detective Stone spoke to a fourth-grade class at McMahon Elementary School about his job, what a police officer uses for tools, and safety in the community as part of the class's program on persons that serve the community and their functions.
- Officer J. Johnson helped organize and assisted with a Boy Scout trip to Battleship Cove.
- Officers Rousseau and Johnson conducted a personal safety class for teens enrolled in the Volunteers of America Transitional Living Program.
- Detective Brochu participated in Law Enforcement Career Day at Kaplan University, Portland campus.

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Community Resource Team

- During the month of May, the Community Resource Team participated in numerous community events including bi-weekly coffee meetings with the residents of Blake Street Towers, River Valley community group, and the Elder Abuse Task Force group.
- The Community Resource Team hosted officials from the Department of Homeland Security to provide them with insight into the Lewiston Police Departments community policing program and its success.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

National Public Works Week Celebrated

On May 18th, the Department participated in the celebration of National Public Works Week with more than 150 adults and children visiting the static displays of equipment and information at the Auburn Mall. The kids loved crawling on and around the large pieces of equipment, and the adults learned a lot about all the various services the Public Works Departments in the area perform. Displays included:

- Street light with buttons to push
- Robotic camera demo
- Chipper demo
- Hydrant display and ring toss
- Display table – chainsaws, power pruners, climbing gear, etc.
- Tree seedling giveaways and flower display table
- Welding demo
- Single stream recycling info table
- Rapid Response Trailer display
- Excavator display
- PPE safety items display table
- Plastic hard hat giveaways, prizes for the kids



PW crews from Lewiston, Auburn, Sabattus, and Lisbon participated with Deputy Director Megan Bates leading the charge and organizing the entire event. Well done to Megan!

Here is a quick summary for other work done in May:

Street/Road & Sidewalk Improvement Projects

- Work on Lincoln Street (Gully Brook to South Avenue) and two (2) sections of Cotton Road continued during May with final paving expected in late June or early July;
- We have more than 20 lane miles of paving planned for this summer including City-sponsored projects and projects funded by MaineDOT. We identified the MaineDOT projects last month.
- **A list of the City overlay and rehab projects is on the next page**



MAINE DOT
Maine Department of Transportation

Street	From	To
Scribner Boulevard	Lisbon Street	Pleasant Street
Hillmount Street	Valley Street	Treemount Street
Valley Street	Pleasant Street	Ashmount Street
Charles Street	Farwell Street	East Avenue
River Road	#604 River Road	Sewer Pump Station
Walker Street	Pettingill Street	Brooks Avenue
Brooks Avenue	Walker Street	Main Street
Nichols Street	Campus Avenue	Vale Street
Kavanaugh Street	Russell Street	Fairlawn Street
Shirley Street	Russell Street	Fairlawn Street
Olive Street	Lisbon Street	End
Grove Street	Sabattus Street	Pond Road
Old Green Road	Sabattus Street	North Temple
Pinewoods Road	Vista Bella Drive	T/L
Cotton Road	Ferry Road	#35
Cotton Road	Salmon Brook	Commons Drive

Crews took advantage of the good weather to get a jump start on the following workload:

- Storm drain catch-basin repairs were completed at three locations and we installed 180 feet of 8" underdrain to stabilize a portion of Fortin Way;
- Sidewalk and street sweeping were completed for the entire City early as a result of the March 12th start. Maintenance sweeping will continue into the fall as needed;
- General patching at numerous locations with the hotbox out 19 days of the month;
- Big push to address tree removal/pruning and preparing flower beds all over the City;
- Traffic pavement painting for stop bars and crosswalks near schools continued and the first round of line painting was completed by our contractor;
- Paving prep and storm utility CBs and manholes were raised for College Street, Ash Street and Cotton Road;
- Gravel road grading for Cotton Road and Chadbourne Road along with ditching and shoulder work along a part of Central Avenue was completed;
- Numerous street signs and traffic signs were replaced;
- The parks and open space crews were busy preparing playing fields, cemeteries and parks for the spring activities and summer use;

Water, Sewer, and Stormwater

- Work on Phase 2 of the Joint (Lewiston & Auburn Water District) UV Facility at Lake Auburn is nearly complete. A ribbon cutting is being planned for early fall;
- Work on the Joint Chloramine Facility near the Central Maine Community College in Auburn is expected to be complete soon, and a follow-on contract is designed and ready to be issued to relocate Lewiston's chloramine injection point from Main St to this new facility;
- Work continued on the next phase of Jepson Brook (St. Laurent & Sons) and the Oak Street sewer/stormwater separation (Gendron & Gendron). While significant, the impact on Sabattus Street traffic flow seems to be manageable;
- The Water & Sewer crew spent two weeks addressing a major sewer back-up at Bates Mill near Fishbones. Our Vactor and Ted Berry's Vactor combined to removed 50 tons of silt from 750 feet 18x30 sewer main;

Other work performed included:

- Crews repaired two water main breaks (one was a 24-inch main off Main Street near the upper canal and another an 18 inch in Sabattus Street) and two service leaks;
- Responded to 32 E-GOV'S (customer concerns) and 265 dig safe requests;
- Raised 23 manholes on Ash Street in preparation for paving;
- Installed 900 feet of 8" water main on Montello Street between Stanley Street & Highland Avenue;
- Installed 1,600 feet of temporary water line in support of the Oak Street CSO project;
- Began installing temporary water line on Lafayette Street in support of the water main replacement project;
- On-going water gate maintenance cleaning and operating;
- On-going sandblasting and painting of hydrants;
- On-going maintenance and lawn mowing of pump stations, lift stations, and reservoirs;
- On-going water meter reading, meter repairs and change outs.

Solid Waste

- The 2011 Annual Operations Report was submitted to Maine DEP. Noteworthy items include –
 - a. Conversion to Single Stream Recycling
 - b. Cleaning / Flushing & Inspection of the Leachate Collection System
- The 2011 Annual Environmental (Groundwater) Monitoring Report was submitted in to Maine DEP. Noteworthy items include some monitoring parameters have trended upwards since 2009 in some of the monitoring wells which are down gradient of the secure landfill. These

upward trends are likely the result of construction activities & installation of the liner system in Phase III of the secure landfill. We are waiting for comments from DEP.

- Single Stream Recycling continues to provide benefits to Lewiston residents –
 - a. For the past 5 months, Lewiston's residential recycling rate is **38.7% better** than a similar period last year.
 - b. Over the past 5 months, the quantity of recyclable material shipped from the Lewiston Solid Waste Facility has **increased by 21.4%**, as compared to a similar period last year.
 - c. YTD, Lewiston has received more than **\$36,420 from the sale of single stream recyclable material**.
 - d. Over the past 5 months, **Lewiston has shipped 3% less material to MMWAC** for disposal as compared to a similar period last year.



Other Information

- The Public Buildings Division continues work at the Armory preparing for the relocation of the Seniors Program from the MPC. The Highway Department began preparation of the parking area along Central Ave side of the Armory. A contract was signed for the installation of the elevator.
- We received approval to proceed with the work to renovate the General Assistance Offices in City Hall and are working with the design firm to complete the design and begin construction.

RECREATION

Flagpole and Bench at the Armory

The Lewiston Elks Lodge #37 completed a grant application to secure funding for the purpose of installing a flag pole and bench at the City of Lewiston Memorial Armory. Other donations will be sought from local businesses and sponsors to help pay for the relocation of the flag pole from the roof of the Armory to ground level in front of the Armory.



Lewiston Senior Citizen Program (LSC)

The LSC's new interior office area is almost done: the restrooms and kitchen areas complete, the carpet is down, walls are painted, and the office area should be complete by early June. Construction of the parking area in front of the Armory started in early May with a possible completion date of June 30th. The staff continues to move department and LSC supplies, materials, and equipment from the Multi-Purpose Center to the Armory.

Programs

The eight-week **Lacrosse program** registered 130 boys and girls from grades 3-8 with a significant increase within the girls program this season. The boys numbers were reduced due to the transfer of 7/8 grades boys program to the Lewiston Middle School.



The **Kiddiesticks Lacrosse program** was off to a great start with 34 participants, ages 4-7. This program teaches youth the basic fundamentals of the sport and prepares them for the next level.



The **Track Fundamentals program** registered 41 participants. This group met at the track two days per week for six weeks. Children were divided into smaller groups by age, and all had an opportunity to try out the various events associated with the sport.

Hiring for Summer Programs

We have begun hiring one of our largest group of college and high school students to work in all of the summer programs which include: Camp Smiles, Youth and Adult Tennis, Track & Field, the Aquatics program at Kennedy Pool, Gymnastics, Co-ed Basketball, and Girls Basketball.

Community Soccer Program

Several meetings were held to discuss the upcoming Community Soccer Program. The program is a collaboration between the Recreation Department, Community Resource Team, Somali-Bantu Youth Association, and Lewiston Housing Authority-Hillview Summer Soccer Program. Practices and games will be scheduled at Drouin Field, Sunnyside Park, and Simard-Payne Memorial Park. The program will kick off on June 16th at Drouin Field with team assignments and round robin games. Several team members from the soccer team, the Lewiston Stars, have agreed to coach the teams. We are anticipating scheduling five teams of 15 youth with two practices a week and a minimum of one game per week. Games will be scheduled with the Hillview teams as well as the L/A Islamic teams, the Maine Atlantic Stars. The youth participating are boys and girls ages 10-14. We anticipate the program will operate every eight weeks through the summer/fall, Monday through Friday. Drouin, when available, will be scheduled 4-6 PM with games on Saturdays.



Summer Lacrosse Camp

The Department is teaming up with Mainiax Lacrosse in an effort to offer two new lacrosse camps for boys and girls in grades 3-8. The summer camp will take place in August on the Lewiston Athletic Park (LAP). The participants will practice the fundamentals of the game in a full contact as well as non-contact setting. There will be basic, advanced, individual, and team skills with the last thirty minutes of each day featuring game play.

Events at the Multi-Purpose Center

Co-ed Volleyball Playoffs

Just Us

L/A Veterans

Lewiston Senior Citizens Fundraiser “Just Us Concert”

ACA, American Legion Post 22, L/A Forestry Board, FAWV, Marine Corps. Local Democrat Party,
Voting on the School Budget

Events at the Armory

Gymnastics twice per week

LEAP Program Monday – Friday

March of Dimes

LSC Board Meeting

Events in the Parks

Kennedy Park – National Day of Prayer

Kennedy Park and Veterans Park – Memorial Day Parade

Athletic Events Scheduled

L.R.D. Men’s Slo-Pitch Softball Tournament

L.R.D. Lacrosse games and practices

L.R.D. Track and Field

L.R.D. Co-ed One Pitch Tournament

L.R.D. Softball games and practices – Monday - Friday

Holy Family Church – event at Holy Family Field

John Murphy Homes softball practices

Elliott Avenue and South Lewiston Little League practices

Lewiston High School and Middle School spring sports

Maine Principal Association Singles Tennis