

Conewago Township Parks and Recreation Advisory Board 2007 Annual Report

During the second year of the Conewago Township Park and Recreation Advisory Board, we have built upon the accomplishments of our first year and have expanded our efforts of creating new park and recreation facilities in the township and programs for our citizens.

We began the year with an open house for community members that served as a forum for them to share their input of what they would like to see created and improved in the township. We received many great suggestions that will be of use to help better plan the activities offered and facilities built.

During the past year we offered a bus trip to New York City in conjunction with West Hanover Township. Unfortunately we did not have any residents participate in this event. We believe that this was due in fact to the limited amount of advertising and publicity of the trip.

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board has been awarded a \$5000 DCED grant for the second year in a row. The funds from these grants will be used for the much needed improvements to the grounds of the baseball field at Danny Fisher Memorial Field. We are working towards a summer 2008 ground breaking.

Unfortunately during the past year we had a member resign from the Park and Recreation Advisory Board. By filling the resignation and appointing a member to the vacant position, we have had two new members join our board this year. They are Jane Janeczek and Dan Tredinnick. Their spirit and enthusiasm have completed our group and we are happy to have them aboard. Dan replaced the position held by Stephanie Ebersole and Jane filled the empty position that has been open since the board was established.

After the success of our first newsletter, published last year by the Park and Recreation Advisory Board, the township has moved to continue the newsletter for 2008. New for this year, the newsletter's responsibilities have been handed over to the township manager, Norm Miller.

The ultimate goal of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board is to acquire land and create our own township park. As stated last year, this is a lengthy process and we continue to work toward this goal. We have renewed hope with recent developments at meetings held with the land owners adjacent to the township building and hope to begin the process of acquiring the land and apply for the land acquisition grant in 2008.

As Chairman of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board I would like to thank the board members for the time they put in and their commitment to our goals.

Sincerely,

Jason Parmer
Chairman, Conewago Township Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

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