City of Spokane Park Board
Recreation Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 2, 2017, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sinto Senior Center
1124 West Sinto Avenue, Spokane, Washington
Jennifer Papich – Recreation Director

Committee Members:
X Lodato, Sally – Chair pro tem
X McGregor, Ted
AE Sumner, Nick

Parks Staff:
Papich, Jennifer
Dickson, Fianna
Griffith, Ryan
Niemeier, Scott

Guest(s):
Law, Elizabeth

SUMMARY

- Beth Law presented a slideshow reflecting Sinto Senior Center activities, staff statistics, grant-funded improvement projects and more, in addition to expressing appreciation for support the Center receives from Parks and Recreation.
- Scott Niemeier's slideshow featured history, renovations, activities, and future plans for the Corbin Art Center. The Center is historically registered and is one of the few venues in our area that offers such extensive art activities as is provided there.
- Jennifer Papich and Ryan Griffith provided the Recreation Report that consisted of past and upcoming programs offered by Therapeutic Recreation and Athletics. In addition, participation in the Mt. Spokane Ski Swap and the Fall Leaf Festival at Finch Arboretum helps to create community enthusiasm for winter activities.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair pro tem, Sally Lodato. Introductions were made.

Action Items:

None

Discussion Items:

1. Sinto Senior Center Presentation

   Beth presented slides reflecting staff, funding sources, programs and projects for the Sinto Senior Center. Although not large in size, it is the oldest senior center in Spokane, established in May 1958. Staffing consists of four, but the 15-member Board of Managers is very active in the Center. Recreation yields the highest income from the Center's activities, and fundraising, revenue from meals prepared by a volunteer cook in the Café', and much appreciated assistance from Parks and Recreation provides the financial support that enables them to offer these community services. Grant funding was acquired to construct the new combined bus barn and storage unit, but monies necessary for upgrades will be provided by the Center. Another grant application has been submitted for improvements to their ballroom where many activities take place.

2. Corbin Art Center Presentation

   Scott's slideshow of the Corbin Art Center contained its history, renovations, numerous art activities, partnerships, and future goals. Built by Daniel C. Corbin, the Center was originally operated by Washington State University as the Spokane Art Center until 1963, and was renamed Corbin Art Center in 1970. It was refurbished in 1994 and 2007, in order to keep it historically registered, with efforts to retain as many original features as possible. Popularity of the Center stems mostly from the Art Parties offered that have taken place there for many generations. Facility rentals are also offered for various activities such as baby showers, fundraisers, and business retreats. Future plans for the Center include offering more Act 2 programs through Spokane Community College extended learning and reaching out to home school cooperatives for field trips.

Standing Report Items:

1. Recreation Report

   Jennifer handed out the recreation report and Ryan reviewed upcoming Therapeutic Recreation events; Holiday Light Cruise and ice skating at Eagles Ice Arena. He also featured the Athletics Fall Brawl Tournament that was rescheduled because of inclement weather. In addition, Recreation has been meeting with local ski shops and other community members to put together a plan for winter trail grooming. Jennifer informed the group that partnership with the libraries has recently been established in connection with the upcoming Activity Guide.

Meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is December 7, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. at the **West Central Community Center**, 1603 North Belt Street.

Sinto Senior Activity Center

Celebrating Almost 60 years!

- 1 full time director
- 1 part time office manager
- 1 part time custodian
- 1 very part time bookkeeper

15 member Board of Managers

How we keep the doors open

* City contract provides $77,000
* Thank you!
* That's about 1/3 of what we need to operate

* Sinto's Top Three Income Sources:

Recreation $31K

(tours, clubs, games, classes)

Fundraising $24K

(raffles, events, auction, garage sale)

Café Income $11K

(meals, event catering)

Other sources:

Room rental, advertising, health and wellness, donations, memberships

Things we do:

- Weekly schedule of games
- 3 or 4 lunches per week in our cafe
- Monthly special events
- Foot care, chair massage
- Act 2 classes
- Therapeutic Recreation Services
- Square dance, hula, and clogging
- Room rentals
- Trips and tours

New bus garage and storage room!

$99,999 in grant money to build 30x50 pole barn on the lot we own plus our own fundraising efforts of around $14,000 to finish the interior and upgrade electrical.

Next project: Ballroom renovation

We have another round of grant funding to finish the garage exterior and remodel the ballroom to make it more rentable for events: new stage, new sound system , new lighting…

CORBIN ART CENTER

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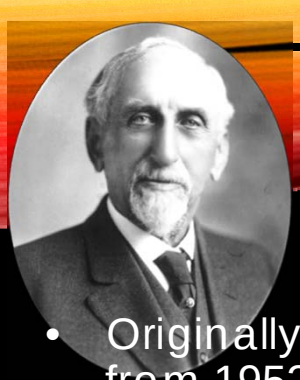

CORBIN ART CENTER HISTORY

- Originally operated by Washington State University as the Spokane Art Center from 1952 until 1963. In 1963 until 1970 the center was named Corbin House Arts & Crafts Center.
- 1970 was renamed Corbin Art Center. A variety of high quality art programs has been offered for over at the facility for 65 years.
- Art Center is located in the historic 1898 D.C. Corbin House located in the Marycliff-Cliff Park Historic District, an area rich in early-Spokane history and architecture. The house cost $17,000 to build The Spokane Park Board purchased the house and the area grounds in 1945 to construct Pioneer Park.
- The House was designed by D.C. Corbin's son-in-law Kirtland Cutter and was placed on the Spokane Register of Historic places 1997 and the Washington Heritage Register and National Register of Historic places in 2004

CORBIN ART CENTER

D.C. Corbin House

House was re-furbished in 1994, 2007

- Doors & Hardwood Floors re-finished
- Woodwork, 2nd floor exterior balcony
- Electrical wiring and lighting, exterior masonry
- Painting and restoring exterior and wrap around veranda
- Original Wallpaper/Tile preserved

CORBIN ART CENTER

Classes and Events

Pre-school Workshops/Classes	Youth Workshops	No-School Camps
Drawing Classes for Youth/Adults	Photography Classes	Creative Writing
Landscape/Yard Art	Home Design	Culinary Classes
Crafts, Pottery	Primary School Events	Fundraising/MTHG

Language/Conversational Speaking – Spanish, Russian, Chinese

Painting Classes & Workshops – Oil, Acrylics, Watercolor, Mixed Media, Art Journaling

Fiber Arts Classes & Workshops – Crochet, Embroidery, Needle Felting, Knitting, Sewing

CORBIN ART CENTER

Corbin Art Parties

2 hour parties with your choice of themes

Scavenger Hunts (Indoor & Outdoor option)

$129 for up to 10 children **$135** in 2018

# of Parties to date in 2017 **35**

CORBIN ART CENTER

Summer Art Camps

3-5 yr. olds & 6- 11 yr. olds

Camps Offered: **47**

Fine Art & Curriculum Themes

2017 Total # of Campers: **879**

CORBIN ART CENTER

Rentals

- Retirement Parties
- Baby Showers
- Rehearsal Dinners
- Birthdays
- Bridal Showers
- Memorials
- Retreats
- Seminars
- Weddings
- Fundraisers

CORBIN ART CENTER

Partnerships & Collaborations

Community Colleges of Spokane

Spokane Public Library

Cataldo Catholic School

Spokane Public Schools
excellence for everyone

Supporting Spokane's Arts & Crafts Garden
Friends of the Moore-Turner Heritage Gardens

Urban Art Co-op

Spokane County Library District

Next Generation Zone

MONARCH Arts

Mead School District

Washington Trust Bank
Member FDIC

Gifted with Faith
Growing in Knowledge
All Saints Catholic School

CORBIN ART CENTER

End of the Year Revenues

2014

$106,803

2015

$127,444

2016

$138,672

2017

$145,400

as of 10/30/17

What's Next?

- New Rental Brochure
- Marketing Push to attract Business Retreats
- Reach out to Home School Co-ops - Field Trips
- More Act 2 Programs thru SCC Extended Learning
- 60% Perm-Part-Time Staff – Funded
- AccuCut Die-Cut System – Designated Room
- Veranda Engineering Study

CORBIN ART CENTER

November 2017 Recreation Committee Report

TRS:

- Recruiting Volunteers and Students for skiing and snowboarding.
- Holiday Light Cruise already has 28 registered.
- Ice Skating at Eagles Ice Arena is underway and going well.

Athletics:

- Fall Brawl Tournament, was rescheduled due to inclement weather, some out of town. teams were not able to return the following weekend, so numbers will be lower than usual.
- Fall Soccer and Flag Football programs are coming to an end.

Outdoor:

- Outdoor & TRS had booths at both the Mt. Spokane Ski Swap & The all Leaf Festival getting the community excited for winter.
- Meeting with ski shops, the county and community members to create an operation plan for winter trail grooming
- Halloween Ghost Tours, walks and party trolley tours in Oct. were very well received.