

Evans Park Monthly Report May 2023

Community Center Rentals & Town Events:

5/9 – Contractors for a Cause meeting
5/12 – Gardeners by the Sea meeting
5/16 – IRHS Young Business Professionals banquet
5/18 – Delaware Deaf Seniors meeting
5/20 – Baby shower Balasus

May Town Events Summary:

5/19 – First concert in the park of the season! Lower Case Blues played to a crowd of approximately 500-600 people! The Millville 84 Fire Police coordinated the parking. Food trucks on site were The Street Kitchen, Luv Thai and Rita's Ice Cream. The next concert is Wed June 21st with Over Time Band from 6PM – 8PM. A fourth food option will be added for the next two concerts; Carl's Hots & Sandwiches and Doric Lodge will set up a drink station for water & sodas.

Networking Opportunities:

5/30 Parks & Rec Administrator attended Bethany-Fenwick Chamber Business Networking event at the Freeman Stage.

Website Progress:

We are reviewing final documents to be uploaded and have a projected launch for the new site in mid-June.

Grant Opportunities:

A pre-application for the ORPT grant has been submitted to the Delaware State Parks. We should get a response sometime in June. Once the pre-application is approved the complete application will be submitted by September 2023. The grant gets awarded in the first quarter of 2024.

Other Park Improvements:

A local high school student is crafting a "Tiny Library" to be placed in the playground area. Children will be able to take a book or leave one for others. It should be completed sometime in June.

Upcoming Events Scheduled at Evans Park

JUNE 21st FREE CONCERT IN THE PARK 6PM-8PM

“OVER TIME BAND” Food trucks on site / bring your lawn chair

JUNE 29th BLOOD DRIVE – American Red Cross 2PM – 7PM

Inside Millville Community Center.

JULY 19th FREE CONCERT IN THE PARK 6PM-8PM

“ON THE EDGE” Food available / bring your lawn chair

SEPT 16th HEROES / FIRST RESPONDERS DAY (rain date 9/17 Time TBD)

FIRE / POLICE / MILITARY / Equipment, Displays and Demonstrations

SEPT 30th OKTOBERFEST (rain date 10/1)

BEER TASTINGS / FOOD / MUSIC (tickets needed for beer tasting only)

OCTOBER 14TH BLUE AND GOLD STAR MEMORIAL DEDICATION 10am – 3pm

The Gardeners by the Sea will be holding the Memorial Service

OCTOBER 28th TRAIL OF TREATS 3PM-5PM

TRICK OR TREAT ON THE TRAIL / KIDS GAMES & PRIZES (rain date 10/29)

DEC 2nd YULETIDE & TREE LIGHTING (rain date 12/3)

ARTISAN CRAFTS 10AM-2PM / KIDS GAMES / SANTA 3PM-6PM

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Kain-Bolen

Parks & Recreation Administrator