



October Monthly Report

Administrative:

- Dominic Cornett has been selected to present two education sessions and emcee the Awards banquet at the 2023 Indiana Parks and Recreation Association Conference in Ft. Wayne November 13th -16th.
- Big 4 Trail passed final inspection with DNR, eligible to receive over 1 million back in reimbursement.
- The team is working with the HMMPL to create a story walk along the Big 4 Trail.
- LWCF Grant- The Parks Dept. has been selected for State recommendation and has started the federal review and approval process.
- Whitestown Parks Department will appear on Fox59's Indy Now program promoting Merry on Main event on Thursday Dec 7th. Appearing will be the Grinch, Reindeer, Market vendor items, and the Whitestown Parks team.

Events:

*Trick or Treat Trail: **Recap***

- Attendance- 2000-2500.
- 2 food vendors for Halloween: Stuffed Burgers and 1920 Vault.
- 18 sponsors attended and handed out candy.
- Themed areas throughout the woods, smores station, and a bonfire.

Winter Programming: Beginning November 13th, 2024 -End of March 2024.

- Pickle Ball: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9am-12pm.
- Volleyball: Fridays from 12pm-4pm and Saturdays- from 11am-2pm.
- Aerobics: \$3 Drop-In Fee.
 - Senior Sweat Mondays from 1pm-1:45pm
 - Yoga Wednesdays from 2pm-2:45pm.

Merry on Main: December 9th, 2023, from 11am-3pm at Main Street Park.

- 13 Market Vendors confirmed to date. Still accepting applications.
- Secured 8 Sponsors to date.
- Performances by the Snow Sisters and Bach to Rock.
- Special appearances from The Grinch and live reindeer will be onsite.

Get Mooned in Boone: Solar Jam 2024. April 8th, 2024, 1:30pm-4:30pm at Main Street Park.

- Concert during the Eclipse: The Vinyl Escape Band
- Food vendors. TBD
- Booth sponsors: TBD

3rd Annual 5k Battle of the Badges: April 20th, 2024

- New Race Route- will utilize Legacy Core.
- More details to come.

Viking Fest 2024- April 26th- 28th.

- 15 approved Artisan vendors.
- 4 entertainment groups confirmed.
- 8 food vendors and 1 alcohol/Mead vendor.

Maintenance/ Facilities:

- Added topsoil around sign at gateway park to cover exposed footers.
- Cleaned up Anson woods area to prepare for Halloween event.
- Replaced zip line seat/rope at Gateway, due to frayed rope.
- Cut out and mulched around sign at Anson Acres on north side of property.
- Placed recycled material benches along new portions of the Big 4 trail.
- The red metal barn was removed from Giles property by Indianapolis Demolition Company.
- Setup and tear down of Halloween event.
- Winterized water fountains at all parks.
- Bush hogged the new Parks property behind Lions Park.
- Trimmed milkweed and cleaned up pollinator gardens at Moontown lot.