



# City of Concord

## Weekly City Manager Newsletter

### WINTER CARNIVAL A SUCCESS

Last Saturday, the Recreation Department and The Friends of White Park held its annual Winter Carnival at White Park. This year's attendance was the highest in recent memory. A special thank you goes out to all the volunteers who made this year's event possible, including children from the Walker and Kimball Schools; Ward 4 City Councilor Amanda Grady, who awarded the ribbons to the participants of the skating races; and the Grounds Division of the General Services Department who provided superior ice conditions and a great bonfire.



*City Councilor Amanda Grady w/skate race participants*

### GET YOUR RED SOX TICKETS!

On Wednesday, February 3rd, at 9:00 AM, Red Sox tickets for the April 25th game vs. the Baltimore Orioles and the September 5th game vs. the Chicago White Sox will go on sale at the Recreation Office. There will be NO on-line registration for these tickets. The cost per ticket is \$65 for Concord/Penacook residents and \$80 for non-residents and includes school bus transportation to and from the game.

There is a limit of six (6) tickets per customer and tickets sell out quickly. Visit [www.concordnh.gov/recreation](http://www.concordnh.gov/recreation) for game times and details on the bus departure.



### ATHLETIC DIRECTORS MEETING

This week, City staff from the Recreation Department and the Grounds Division of the General Services Department held their annual meeting with the athletic directors of Concord, Merrimack Valley and Bishop Brady High Schools. The meeting focused on the schools' spring sports schedules and coordinated use of the City parks and ball fields. The Recreation Department will hold additional meetings in late February and early March with the youth and adult leagues who use City park facilities in the spring and summer.

January 29, 2010



### **CONCORD AREA TRANSIT OPEN HOUSE**

As part of a transit service study sponsored by Concord Area Transit (CAT), Concord 20/20 and the City's Public Transportation Committee, CAT is looking at ways it can improve its services.

CAT will hold an open house to provide the public with information about potential service changes and to receive input from the public. The Open House will take place on **Tuesday, February 2nd, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM**, at the Concord Public Library Auditorium. The public may drop in at any time.

For more information, or for those who cannot attend the meeting but would like to read about the service options and offer comments, please visit [www.cnhrpc.org](http://www.cnhrpc.org).



### **RECREATION BRINGS BACK 50/50 BALL TOSS GAME**

The Recreation Department will be bringing back the half-time, 50/50 ball toss fundraising game this weekend. Look for the ball toss game tonight at Broken Ground School, during both the boys and girls 5th-6th grade basketball games. For \$2.00, participants can select a ball labeled with their favorite number, then, at half-time, they toss the ball at a target located at center court. The person whose ball lands on the target, without rolling off, wins half of the money collected. The other half of the money goes into the Recreation Department's Scholarship Fund. This fund is dedicated to ensuring that children of Concord/Penacook families suffering financial hardships have the opportunity to attend programs and camps that would have been beyond their means. In Fiscal Year 2009, the Recreation Department awarded over \$20,000 in scholarships to resident families for participation in Department programs.



### **EBSCO MOBILE**

The Concord Public Library provides access through its web page to Ebscohost's thousands of magazine, journal and newspaper articles. Mobile phone users can now access this same database by pointing their device to <http://m.ebscohost.com/> and providing their library card number. Whether you are a student looking to optimize your research time while waiting for an appointment or want to look up product reviews while shopping, Ebsco Mobile is ready-at-hand.



### **FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES**

During the week of January 17th, Fire Prevention staff installed one child's car seat, performed five plan reviews, performed 14 field inspections and completed eight fire protection consults.