

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR & EDUCATION DEPARTMENT - 10/10/2023

FROM THE DIRECTOR

COMMUNITY PARK TOUR:

A special thank you to Meadowbrook Park staff Troy Breidenbach and Jarron Reesman who provided a tour of Meadowbrook in September.

ODNR ARCHERY GRANT:

We received over \$8,000 from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Wildlife to purchase archery equipment and supplies for future archery programming in the parks.

NATURE EDUCATION CENTER:

Major Contributor in September:

White Family Charitable Fund Of the Tiffin Community Foundation \$50,000

During the most recent grant funding cycle, the White Family Charitable Fund awarded \$50,000 to the Nature Education Center project. Thank you for your generous grant!

Contributions will continue to be accepted into next year as ground breaking will be in the spring of 2024. There is still time, plan now for end of year gifts for this project.

All donations are tax-deductible and make great lasting gifts for loved ones to be recognized on the donor wall.

Donors giving \$250 or more will be recognized on the donor appreciation wall inside the Nature Education Center — the larger the donation, the greater the recognition for your thoughtful contribution that will benefit the community for many generations to come.

If individuals and businesses do not receive a letter in the mail, or prefer to pay by credit card, there is a donation button on the Park homepage. Invoicing is also available by contacting the Park Office.

See who has contributed so far - the current list of donors is also available to view online.

FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC PROGRAMS, PARTICIPATION, & PARTNERSHIP SUMMARY

Out & About Preschool

The Out & About Preschool fall classes have been in session for about a month now with around students in the morning group and students in the afternoon group.

Special Request Outreach Programs & Events

In addition to the regularly scheduled Park programs, listed below are other agencies who received programming opportunities from the Seneca Parks the past months:

August:

Camps—Adult Nature Camp

Tiffin Developmental Mini Camp (3 days)

CHEEF Homeschoolers (1)

ECI (1)

Fostoria Farmer's Market (1)

Fostoria YMCA (1)

Sasquatch Returns

SCPD Photos at TSPL

Tiffin Developmental Center (2)

Wesley Center—Fostoria (1)

September:

Attica Community Garden Club (1)

CHEEF Homeschoolers (1)

ECI (1)

Fostoria City Preschools (4)

Fostoria YMCA (1)

GLCAP—Fostoria (2)

GLCAP-Tiffin (1)

Heritage Festival School Days

Lyme Village School Days

Sasquatch Returns

Seneca Co Homeschoolers (1)

SCPD Photos at TSPL

Tiffin Developmental Center—(1)

Wesley Center—Fostoria (1)

GENERAL PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS:

	August (2022)	Total
Programs	30 (38)	288 (267)
Participants	437 (498)	5284 (3809)

	Sept. (2022)	Total
Programs	40 (44)	328 (311)
Participants	1353 (793)	6637 (4602)