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Recreation Programming Report – April 2019 Submitted by: Melissa Bernhard

Red Cross Lessons – Red Cross swim lesson winter/spring session one concluded on Monday, April 15. Thirty-nine students participated, down four from last year. Another session will be offered on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings, May 13 – 23. A second infant/toddler session will be held on Tuesday evenings at the AmericInn from April 16 – May 7.

Middle School Swim Lessons – Through a grant provided by HCI, students enrolled in the Middle School Youth Center are able to attend swim lessons for free! Participants work through Red Cross curriculum over five class periods. Roughly five – seven youth center students participate, as well as a few middle school students from the public registration side.

Indoor Flag Football – This program is for grades K – 5 and is held on Saturday mornings at the Northfield Middle School. The program started on April 6 and will run for four weeks. Due to the great interest last year, additional sessions were added. Seventy-Eight are currently registered, nearing almost half of the participants in our popular outdoor program in the fall! Coaches from St. Olaf College and Northfield High School are assisting with the program.

Horseback Riding – Horseback Riding held at Winterhaven Stables began on Wednesday, April 17. Classes run every Wednesday through May 22.

Martial Arts – Tae Kwon Do & Gumdo began their final spring session on Tuesday, April 23. Classes run on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for six weeks.

Olympic Weightlifting – This program for youth entering grade 7 – college, will continue through June 7 at the high school.

Soccer – The Community Services soccer program kicks off at Greenvale Park Elementary on Monday, April 22. Class runs after school from 3:30 – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday. Two more programs will be offered this spring at Sibley and Bridgewater.

BASS Fishing – An informational meeting for those interested in joining the Bass Fishing Club will be held on Monday, April 22nd from 7 – 8 pm in the high school auditorium. Those enrolling will participate in practice outings and have opportunity to register and participate in tournaments. The program is being led by the Cannon River Sportsmen's Club.

Adult Softball League – The Adult Softball League will begin May 6 & 7 (weather pending). Games are played at Babcock and Sechler Parks. Women play on Monday evenings. Men play on Tuesday evenings. There are currently seven women's teams, and nine men's teams. Games will continue into the middle to late part of August.

Healthy Kids Day – Community Services will be present at the YMCA's Healthy Kids Day event on Saturday April 27, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm at Bridgewater Elementary. This event welcomes over 1,000 participants, mostly families with preschool and elementary children. A number of vendors and organizations are present with information booths and interactive activities.

Summer – Friday April 12 - Brochures were mailed to families of the Northfield School District and summer registration opened! The Community Services summer recreation intern (MarkKatherine Deschamp) has been hired and will begin working mid-May. Summer recreation staff have been hired and will have a staff training on Wednesday, May 29th.