Reports:

- **Zumba:** Our last class had about 13 dancers in attendance. Brooke is considering teaching again this fall and next year as well! We will be in talks of that in the near future.
- **Hiawatha Little Mustangs Basketball Camp:** This offensive improvement camp is designed for boys and girls entering grades K-5th who want to gain some serious offensive skills in basketball! Mount Mercy's outstanding staff of coaches, current and former players will take you through the Mustang Offensive Improvement series. This sequence of drills has helped make the Mustangs one of the top offensive programs in the country. Specific attention will be given to shooting, ballhandling, footwork, passing, cutting, screening and offensive rebounding. Campers will also get to test these new skills in full- and half-court games and individual contests. Wednesday and Thursday May, 10th and 11th at Hiawatha Elementary School 6:00pm-8:00pm $30/child
- **Soccer:** Start Smart Soccer prepares players for organized soccer in a fun, non-competitive environment. Teaches a variety of soccer skills: dribbling, kicking, passing, tapping, throw line and agility. They will also learn teamwork and sportsmanship offering a lot of fun for players as well as parents. Sessions will consist of practices and scrimmages. 62 participants have signed up thus far. Registration closes May 12th.
- **Candlelight Yoga:** April Candlelight Yoga had three in attendance. Kayla is going to offer two for one yoga in September and then regular priced classes in October, November and December.
- **Live Healthy Iowa 5K:** Over 260 registrants signed up to run the Live Healthy Iowa 5k on April 8th. KHAK's Brain & Courtlin started the race at 8am and runners were greeted by Charlie Kohawk from Coe College as they reached the halfway mark. At the finish line volunteers gave the participants their finishing medals followed by water compliments of Awaken Family Chiropractic. They also had the opportunity to fill their bellies with bananas donated by Hy-Vee and Chewy Bars from PepsiCo. Around 9am the children's 1K started behind a balloon archway made by Hi-Crew Kiwanis. Parents and fans cheered as the children ran through the finish line and obtained their finishing medals. At the completion of the races, Chuck Long, CEO of Iowa Sports Foundation and Iowa Hawkeye Legend, handed out awards to the top runners of each division. Overall, it was a great day to celebrate the completion of the Live Healthy Iowa Ten Week Challenge in Hiawatha. Thank you to all who made this year's race a success including those mentioned above as well as AirFX, Hiawatha/Cedar Rapids Amateur Radio group and Jeff Mullen Timing Services.
- **Chase Norton Memorial:** Hiawatha Open - Chase Norton Memorial Disc Golf Tournament took place on Sunday, April 9th at Fay Clark Park. Over 90 registered, the weather was beautiful and a good time was had by all! Congratulations to the leaders of each division including Dylan Newkirk, Jason Rimrodt, Dacodah Fossel, Becca Sobolik, Quentin Dixon and Jesse Buchanan!
- **Hiawatha Easter Egg Hunt:** Hiawatha's 12th Annual Easter Egg Hunt took place on April 15th in Guthridge Park. Hundreds of children lined the park to wait for the sirens to signal the start of

the hunt. Once signaled, eggs vanished within seconds! After the hunt children waited in line to meet and take pictures with the Hiawatha Easter Bunny. This free event was all thanks to Roasters Coffee House. "Your fresh connection to the World of Coffee"

- **Hiawatha Farmers Market:** The Farmers Market is underway! Unfortunately, we had bad weather for the first week with wind and rain but that didn't keep people away! We had a total of 13 vendors show, which was helpful with showing vendors how set up and making sure everyone was in good spirits. We hope the changes this year will be successful and bring in more revenue for our vendors.
- **Adult Volleyball:** This league is not for the faint of heart! Starting Wednesday, May 3rd through June 28th at 6:15 or 7:15pm adults will kick up some sand in Guthridge Park and ace, kill and dig some balls. Scott Bell is helping run this league this year.
- **Live Healthy Iowa Kids Track Meet: NEW!** Due to low numbers in registrations we have cancelled the Marion/Hiawatha Track Meet on May 13th and have collaborated with Cedar Rapids Parks and Recreation for their event on May 20th. All that were signed up will be able to participant at the Coe Track for Cedar Rapids Event. Hiawatha, Marion and Cedar Rapids will put on the event to make it a bigger and more successful Track Meet for all the kids.
- **Memorial Day Weekend Kickoff:** Kids and parents are invited to the bike rodeo from 4:30 to 6pm Friday, May 26th at Guthridge Park 7th Ave parking lot. Bike safety information, interactive lessons and information on hand signals will be taught by members of the Hiawatha Police Departments. Free helmets will be available to the first 50 kids who need them. After the rodeo, stick around for the bike parade around the park! Following the parade, Copperhead Creek will perform our first Concert in the Park from 6-9pm! Come enjoy the summer kickoff! Helmets Donated by the Iowa Association for Justice.
- **Hiawatha Adventure Camp:** We have found transportation! The Cedar Rapids School District will allow us to use them one more year. We have also talked to Horizons and they are willing to help out if anything changes. We have a full staff, with two returning counselors, along with both sessions completely full. A waiting list have been put together. We are very excited for this summer's camp and to have our numbers back up!
- **Fun Fest 2017:** We have some new activities coming your way during Fun Fest 2017! Did I mention FREE! We will have a Trackless Train, National Guard Rock Wall and Euro Bungee Trampoline for the whole family to enjoy! Don't miss out, Fun Fest 2017, August 25-26th!
- **Pinterest Party Cork n Craft:** Here's a great idea for a girls night in... Cork and Craft Pinterest party! It's a fun way to get friends together to eat, gab, and craft. Who doesn't love Pinterest? And who doesn't pin crafts they'll probably never make? Well, here's a way to fix that! Design three canvas pieces using geometric designs! Fee: $30.00
- **Tennis:** Hiawatha is offering tennis lessons through the Westfield Tennis Club. Classes will be held at the tennis courts located in Guthridge Park. Please register at Hiawatha City Hall. Only rain dates will be made up. Payments will be for the entire session, not pro-rated for missed classes. Minimum class size will be 2 with a maximum of 6 students. If there are fewer than 2 students registered, the class will be cancelled.

Volleyball: Youth - Looking to learn the fundamentals of volleyball? Getting ready for middle school?Not sure if you will like the sport or not? Come learn on Thursdays at Guthridge Park's sand volleyball courts! Thursday evenings 5:30PM to 6:15PM, June 8th through June 29th Minimum of 6 participants. June 8th through June 29th $15.00

Adult - Come and join our ADVANCED Volleyball League for adults on Wednesday nights at Guthridge Park. Sign up on your own or with a friend and be ready to play hard! This is a great opportunity for advanced players to play in the sand. This league will be a nine week session in mad hatter format. Teams will play at 6:15pm or 7:15pm. The overall record will decide the winner. Leagues play rain or shine! $10 per season

Parks:

- All parks are open for the season!
- Splash Pads will be turned on Memorial Day Weekend (Weather Dependent)
- Hiawatha Kids League has postponed the solar panel due to further research. We will bring it back to the park board once they are completely ready and follow City guidelines.
- We have two Eagle Scouts interested in projects this year. One will be helping with a retaining wall on the back side of the Guthridge Park trail and the other will be landscaping around the benches at Clark Park to give them a face lift. These two projects will be completed May 6th and May 13th.
- We have some great groups of people helping with our flower beds this year. We can thank them enough for helping take care of our parks and continuing to make them look nice.
- Kelly will be meeting with HKL for their annual Concession stand audit by Linn County Public Health on May 10th.

Next Month:

- Equipment renewal for one of our Scag Mowers and the Batwing.
- Tobacco Free Parks
- Hiawatha Kids League Solar Panel (still working out the details)