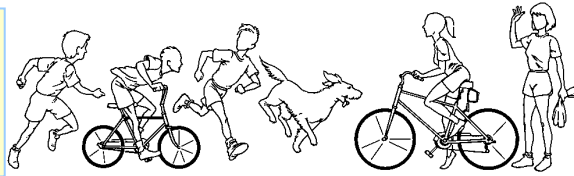


Marinette/Oconto Community Wellness Partnership



Community Wellness Partnership Meeting

January 28th, 2008

Marinette County HHS Building

Present:

Nancy Crevier – Marinette County UW-Extension

Sarah Ferdon – Marinette County UW-Extension

Hope Kersten – Oconto County WIC

Mary Mursau – Marinette County Public Health

John Pinkart – Oconto County UW-Extension

Kay Rich – Marinette UW-Extension

Jenni Scheue – M/M YMCA

Sherry Stender – Marinette County WIC

Wendy Stuart – Marinette County Public Health

Updates

Downtown Trick or Treat

- The event is held annually in downtown Marinette. Kids trick or treat at each participating business.
- There are safety concerns due to all of the kids crossing busy streets in costumes as well as the large amounts of candy that are being collected.
- CWP is looking for a list of alternatives that could be given in place of candy that are either healthier or aren't food.
- One idea is to write a letter of concern to the city or to sponsors of the event expressing concerns or alternate ideas.

Activity Guide Evaluation

- Both WIC offices are distributing evaluations to WIC participants who received the guides. The evaluations are almost complete.
- The guides were also distributed to community members in Oconto who completed Walk to Win.

Miscellaneous

- Kay attended a meeting about the impacts of the bypass on the city of Peshtigo. They are looking at ways to promote the trails and other nature-related activities, such as cross-country skiing and the boat launches, to help draw people to Peshtigo.
- The YMCA did not receive the Achieve grant.
- The YMCA has started a program called "Y Fit Kids" to help get kids active. It is for kids in kindergarten through middle school.
- The program is run through the DAR Boys & Girls Club. Participants do not have to be "Y" members but they do have to have a DAR membership. A DAR membership is only \$10 per year and they do have scholarships.

- It is a 12 week program. There is an evaluation before and after completing the program. The group meets twice per week. Kids can join the program at any time.
- Each session they have a different health and fitness concept.
- On April 17th, Marinette UWEX will be sponsoring a satellite training from Iowa State University. It will focus on nutrition education and its role in changing behavior and in public policy.
- Marinette has signed up to be site. It will be held from 9:15am-3:30pm and CEU's will be available.

Child Care Provider Trainings March 3rd Marinette

- CWP initially did childcare provider trainings in March of 2005.
- Community Childcare Connections (CCC) is a resource and referral service for daycares based out of Green Bay. They service both Marinette and Oconto counties.
- Nancy was asked by CCC to conduct a training for the Marinette county providers.
- The training will be held March 3rd from 6:30 to 8:30 in the Marinette County board room.
- Participants can register for the training through CCC.

Future Meetings:

Next Community Wellness Partnership Meeting: **Monday, February 25th**
12:00pm-1:00pm
Room 2119
Oconto County Courthouse
501 Park Avenue
Oconto
** Bring your own lunch

Please continue to invite other members of the community who are interested in this topic to attend our meetings!