

Fall Festival Thank You's

On behalf of Friends of Plaistow Recreation, I would like to take this time to thank everyone who came out to help at the Fall Festival and make it the success it was. The weather was incredible which helped to bring out a great number of people to enjoy the day. Due to the positive attitude surrounding the event, Friends is already talking about next year. And we are very pleased that the first year of the event went so wonderfully!

Friends would like to specifically recognize and thank:

- First Baptist Church youth group for volunteering their time as community service;
- Westville/Grand Rental for donating discounted bounceys and music;
- Larry's Clam Bar for donating ice;
- Skip Sumner (Nissen) for donating the rolls;
- Domino's for donating discounted pizza;
- Rachel Barrett for volunteering and doing extraordinary face painting;
- Granite State Gambling, Inc. for their donation of funds;
- Plaistow Police Association for donating wooden airplanes and funds toward the event;
- Lorraine DeSalvo of Sign Designs; and,
- Pete's Sewer for donating discounted port-a-pottys.

On another note, Friends was informed several days before the event that there was a wedding on the green scheduled for the same day. We would like to thank the coordinator of the wedding for working with us to ensure that both events went smoothly. And, we extend our best wishes to the new bride and groom.

Also, special thanks to the Town of Plaistow Health Officer, Dennise Horrocks, and Recreation Director, Carli Malette, for helping to answer our questions in preparation of the event.

The food that was collected was donated to the Plaistow Community Food Pantry at Holy Angels and the left-over food from the event was donated to the Emmaus House. Both organizations were thrilled to receive the donations. Again, thank you to all who brought something to support both of these causes.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of the members of Friends of Plaistow Recreation for being so committed to our organization and the community. You are an awesome group to work with and that quality extends beyond each of you to your families as well. To see the spouses and parents show up and roll-up their sleeves to get involved and lend a hand is great. But, the best part is seeing the children of the Friends members (the ones that sacrifice a good meal or being tucked in so we can attend meetings; the ones that get dragged to Wal-Mart six times within thirty-six hours; the ones that have to

wait while we send “just one more e-mail”) come to these events with smiles on their faces and ask, “what can I do to help?” Thanks kids. You have helped us more than you will ever know!

I apologize if I have failed to specifically recognize one person or organization. Friends could not have pulled this off without a community. So for that, thank you to all!

Now that this event has passed, dust off your dancing shoes and let’s get planning for the Second Annual “Spring Ball” Dance scheduled for March 27th, 2010!!! Hope to see you there.

With great appreciation,
Kristin Lewis Savage, President
Friends of Plaistow Recreation