

## RECREATION COMMISSION

This past year has been exciting and eventful for the Recreation Commission. The Commission is very excited about the new swings at Stow Community Park playground that were installed this year and they have been a wonderful addition to the children and parents of the Town. One of our biggest accomplishments in 2012 was the rehab of the beach and volleyball court located at Pine Bluff Recreational Area. The volleyball court was well-used in 2012 and we hope to promote further use moving forward in the future. Town-wide brochures are distributed throughout the year, highlighting the many new programs that have been established as well as the existing programs. The sixth-annual Stow Gobbler road race was once again a huge success with over 900 participants walking or running the race on Thanksgiving Day. Many thanks to the Piccioli, Hangen, and Honig families, volunteers, and sponsors for making this race such a success.

I would like to acknowledge the financial support we have received from, SMS Youth Hockey, the Alice Eaton Fund, and Warm Hearts of Stow. Your support has allowed us to give out over 30 scholarships to children of Stow in 2012, as well as help maintain the ice rink at Stow Community Park.

The Recreation Commission is dedicated to providing town-wide recreational programming for all ages. During the past year the Recreation Commission has outlined its short- and long-term goals and the steps needed to achieve success. The Commission is excited about the possibilities that can be accomplished in the years ahead to make recreation in Stow an important ingredient towards maintaining and improving the quality of life for all Town residents. The Commission would like to encourage others within the community to participate, either as a member or an associate member or to assist in the development and implementation of programs. Also, please feel free to bring any issues or ideas to the Commission. The Recreation Commission always welcomes your input. Thanks to all the workers and volunteers who helped with the programs throughout this last year as well as in the past years.

Respectfully submitted,

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## SPRINGFEST ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

There was no Springfest in 2012, but a Children's Festival was held at the Stow Community Park. It was organized by Rachel Belanger and Karen Kelleher.