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Subject: Community Center Newsworthy

- **Community Center Events**

Maple Grove Fire Relief Association – Annual Awards Dinner on February 26, 2022

MGCC welcomed back the Maple Grove Fire Relief Association in hosting its annual Awards Dinner, in partnership with the City of Maple Grove Fire Department. 130 firefighters and guests enjoyed the Banquet Room facilities, awards program, and catering. Firefighters were awarded based on their years of service to the City.

Maple Grove Lions Club – 4th Annual Beer & Wine Tasting on March 4, 2022

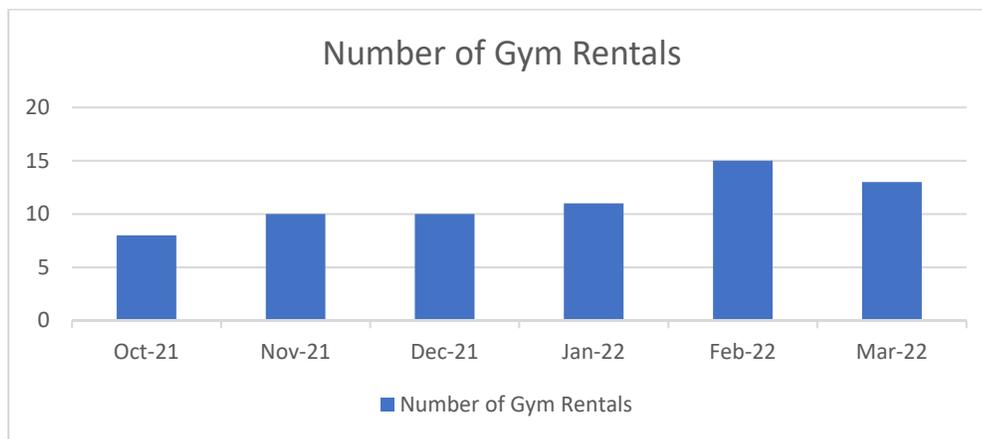
The MG Lions Club enjoyed another successful Beer & Wine tasting event in the Banquet Room and Senior Center facilities. The event sold out at 250 pre-purchased online tickets and showcased over 21 food & beverage vendors. Vendors included local Maple Grove businesses including The Lookout, Max's on Main, Wahlburgers, and Omni Brewing.

Carousel Craft Shows – Spring Craft & Gift Show on March 5, 2022

Another well-attended event this month was the Spring Craft & Gift show hosted by Carousel Craft Shows, historically hosted on the first Saturday in March in the Banquet Room and Lobby. 60 Vendors were present with an estimated attendance over 300.

- **Private Gym Rentals**

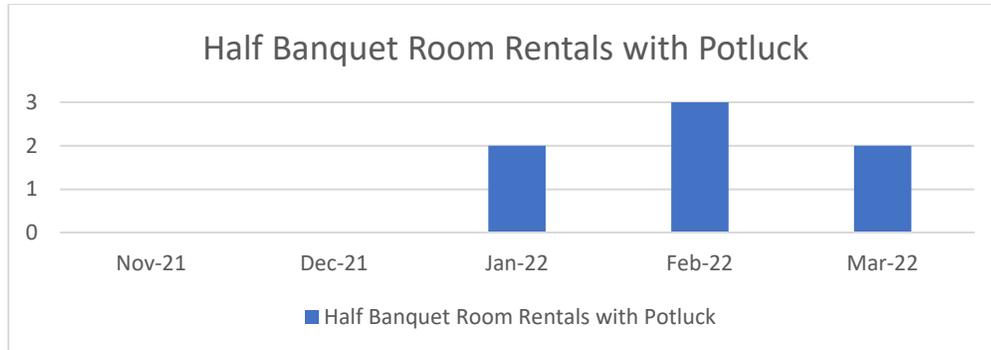
MGCC Gym schedule was changed on January 19 to include new offerings like Friday Family open gym time and Volleyball once per week. The shifting of open gym times and Members-Only gym times also resulted in more available time frames to be rented by private users or organizations. Increased from ~4 available hours per week, MGCC is now offering 20.25 hours of private rental gym hours to the public. Over the last 8 weeks, we have seen an increase in private gym rental inquiries and bookings.



*Mar-22 values indicated as of March 7, 2022

- **Half Banquet Room Rentals**

In reference to Community Center Catering Policy Amendment (Old Business, Item D) approved by the Board on November 18, 2021, MGCC allows Half Banquet Room reservations qualified as potluck events if attendees are equal to or less than 80 people and booked no further than 30 days in advance. Since this policy change, we have seen increased Half Banquet Room rentals for private events, as captured room rental revenue and greater service to the public. These events have primarily been birthday parties and baby/bridal showers on the weekend that would not have otherwise been accommodated in a meeting room when the Senior Center was not available. Staff have not seen issues in regards to cleaning and equipment/facility usage for these 80-person potluck events. Damage deposits are being collected as normal (\$400 full or Half Banquet Room).



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- **Projects in the Community Center**

Each winter, the Community Center is fortunate to have the assistance of two parkkeepers who provide support to the Community Center. This winter's priority projects included:

- Ceiling tile, and light bulb replacement in the Community Center.
- Wall repair and painting of the meeting rooms and common areas in the Community Center.

Community Center staff have also run into a few mechanical issues this past month. A service call was made to Daikin Applied to repair a faulty gas pressure regulator on the air exchange unit for the pool in February. Staff also ordered a replacement motor for a circulation pump for one of the boilers in the Community Center.

- **Ice Arena Highlights**

Five local youth teams will be competing in state hockey tournament this weekend.

After a 2-year hiatus due to COVID the Learn to Skate will be hosting a skate show mid-April.