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**PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT PREMIERS NEW PROGRAM
CATALOG – THE “ACTIVITY GUIDE”**

(Upper Arlington, Ohio) – As spring starts to become ever more real in our minds, with happy thoughts of warmer weather activities, the Parks & Recreation Department is readying to launch a new program catalog. The Spring/Summer edition of the *Activity Guide* combines three catalogs into one convenient source for the department's many camps, programs, classes, special events and outdoor activities slated for all ages over the course of the fair weather months.

When I got a sneak peak of this new guide, I was impressed to learn just how much our Parks & Recreation Department offers to the community – totaling more than 300 programs and classes for the season. We knew the department was good at what it does, but it took bringing everything together under one identifying catalog to truly showcase what an exceptional team of programmers and event planners we have.

This does of course mean a switch in approach that we want all our Parks & Recreation customers to learn about ahead of time, so that they know what to look for instead of our old print materials. As a heads up, the *Activity Guide* replaces the following catalogs:

- *Get Rec Get Set Go!* – featuring annual summer camps and programs offered by the Recreation Division, as well as details of the outdoor pool season and swim classes, and the Northam Park Tennis Courts;
- *LifeLong Learning & Leisure* – Central Ohio's premier program for adults, offering fun and educational classes in the arts, computers, home and garden, health and fitness, and more;
- *Center Stage* – filled with social activities, health and wellness programs, special events and more for older adults, as provided through our Senior Center Division.

The *Activity Guide* will be distributed to all UA homes via the *Upper Arlington News* on Wednesday, March 31. It will also be mailed a little earlier in the month to existing customers of all programming areas.

The move to a combined catalog also complements how the department has reorganized and simplified your access to information on the City's new website, at www.uaoh.net. I encourage you to be on the look out for this new Planning for everyone in your family will now be easier than ever, and we hope you enjoy our new catalog.

Fishinger Road Public Open House Reminder

5:30-7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 11

A reminder that you are invited to the Fishinger Road Improvement Project Public Open House, at the Northwest Christian Church, 1340 Fishinger Road. With significant underground and surface infrastructure work pending for the section of Fishinger Road between Five Points and Kenny Road, several possible road improvement options are under considerations for enhancing the safety, access and aesthetics of this area. Visit www.uaoh.net for additional details, or call the Engineering Division at 583-5360.

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