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Moore Park

The Park and its patrons are eagerly awaiting the arrival of spring, however long it takes to get here. Planning is taking place for the (hopefully) inevitable event and for the activities that are enjoyed by young and old alike.

Skateboard Park

Discussions with the donors volunteering to have additional equipment installed in the park are continuing. They have received additional funds and are actively working to have some ramps available for installation next year.

Summer Recreation & Ski Program

The ski programs, one for the younger kids in Manchester and the Pats Peak program for the older kids, have started up and are fully functional and working well. Both programs will feature bus transportation paid out of our operating budget, reimbursed by the participants. Administration for the programs is working smoothly, with plans underway for fundraising events and program sponsors. I’m continuing to work with the public and providers to implement summer recreation program suggestions for the 2011 season.

Pond Park Winter Ice Skating Program

The Candia Community Women’s Club is soliciting help to make the ice on the pond usable for ice skating this winter, with special events scheduled and activity taking place on the ice. It’s a pleasure to finally see kids making use of the ice. Clearing the snow off the pond and flooding the surface of the pond with a thin layer of water overnight, on a regular basis, would make a fantastic winter sports area for the town. It doesn’t appear that the CVFD will be able to get involved in the project, so alternatives are being investigated.