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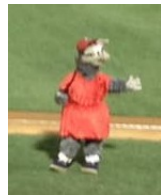
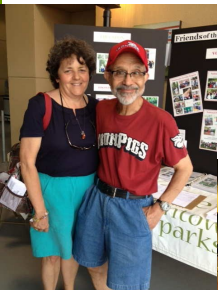
Our thanks to the **Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs** for providing **Friends of the Allentown Parks** a number of great opportunities during June and July.

Member/Volunteer Appreciation event—Friends volunteers and members were treated to an Iron Pigs game in June as a result of a generous donation by **LSI Corporation** under the auspices of the Iron Pigs **Swing for Swine** program. Everyone had a great time and were treated to two games that evening. LV Iron Pigs vs. Charlotte Knights (triple A/Chicago White Sox). 1st game went to the Iron Pigs; 2nd game won by the Knights.



Community Spotlight—A new program established by **Sacred Heart Hospital** provided Friends the opportunity to showcase our organization, promote our programs and highlight our myriad of volunteer opportunities. 1st game—LV

Iron Pigs over Pawtucket Red Sox (triple A/Boston Red Sox); 2nd game won by Buffalo Bisons (triple A/Toronto Blue Jays).



Allentown 4th of July Pet Parade

Replete with hula (grass) skirts, colorful American patriotic leis and hat, even

dressed as the Declaration of Independence, all participants received an "A" for creativity. Allentown's first patriotic pet parade found handlers and dogs strutting their stuff down Linden St. in front of the J. Birney Crum stadium.



Gift certificates donated by **Chaar Pet Supply** were awarded for Best Pet and Pal Combo (the hula skirt trio), Best Costume (Boston Tea Party/Declaration of Independence); and Most Patriotic (red/white & blue).



Our thanks to the participants, Allentown Special Projects Manager Tara Craig as well as the gracious volunteers who

assisted with the event and Chaar Pet Supply for the donation of prizes and more.

Photos courtesy of Shane Burns-Wensel.

Donor Recognition

We sincerely thank a **local nursery** for their generous donation of over 1,000 flowers presented to **Friends** to help beautify Allentown. Flowers were utilized to enhance the 4th of July festival, beautify the flowerbeds in the area of 6th & Chew Streets with the remainder earmarked for playgrounds and Allentown Summer Playground activities.

Before you pack up the car with bicycles, picnic baskets, the dog and the family...

Know Before You Go...

7/19—7/21 @ Cedar Beach—Sportsfest (9:00 a.m. until evening)

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Baby Bird Rescued

Employees of the Allentown Dept. of Parks and Recreation rescued a baby bird which had fallen from its nest located outside the building entrance. The bird is in the care of wildlife rescue authorities.

