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## Special Needs programs to resume this fall

Fort Myers, FL, Aug. 28, 2015 – Two Lee County Parks & Recreation programs are slated to begin this fall at the Karl J. Drews House, 8220 Sanibel Blvd., Fort Myers. All ages and abilities within the Special Needs population are welcome.

The Acting for Life program taught by Shawn Holiday will instruct participants ages 22 and up on the basics of live theater. Diction, poise, teamwork, communication, creativity, problem solving, personal expression and responsibility are some of the skills emphasized in the program. Students will participate in activities such as improvisation, stage craft, audition, puppets, moon walking and juggling. Class will culminate in a short performance for family and friends. No acting experience is needed. Registration is \$50 for nine weeks and classes are from 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning Sept. 2.

The Therapeutic Art program instructed by Callie's Buds LLC is all about trying new things. Participants will make art projects of all colors, shapes and sizes in this dynamic class. Students will be introduced to different art material each week while incorporating fun and educational themes. Registration is \$40 for five weeks and classes are held on Tuesdays beginning Sept.1. The Mommy and Me class for ages 3 to 5 meets from 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., the Youth class for ages 6 to 21 meets from 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. and the Adult class for ages 22 and up meet from 1 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.

For registration and more information call 239-267-2181 or visit www.leeparks.org.

The Karl J. Drews Center is home to the Special Needs Department of Lee County Parks and Recreation. Programs are designed to give participants with special needs an opportunity to get involved in a selection of recreational, leisure, sports and social activities.