

Bryant Parks and Recreation
Director's Report
July 2024

The following actions took place during the month of June:

- Started Summer Swim Lessons with the Bryant Youth Association. This year we have 290 children with the following percent being considered “Water Competent” from the first week to the end of June:
 - 1st Graders: 2% to 16%
 - 2nd Graders: 35% to 45%
 - 3rd Graders: 50% to 63%
 - 4th Graders: 45% to 66%
 - 5th Graders: 84% to 86%
- Started Junior Lifeguarding skills with thirteen 5th Graders from BYA Summer Program.
- 230 Participants enrolled in Group or Private Swim Lessons in June.
- Began work on upgrading A/V capabilities in the Center upstairs meeting rooms.
- Mills Park Storywalk was completed and, in partnership with Saline County Library, the first book was installed. Books will be changed out approximately every 6 weeks.
- Central Arkansas Mens Baseball League began its season on Bishop “B” Complex fields on Monday nights.
- USA Softball hosted their 12U All-American Tryouts at Bishop Park.
- Central Arkansas Soccer began their Summer 3v3 season along with skills and drills camps at Midland Park.
- Salt County Lacrosse held youth lacrosse camps at Alcoa 40 Park.
- Began work on the large common area at Alcoa 40 Park in coordination with Salt County Lacrosse for the future site of youth lacrosse fields.
- New Benches added to Dog Park at Alcoa 40 Park.
- Bishop Park hosted the following large events:
 - **June 1st** - Woofstock Festival by Leadership Saline. The festival raised over \$20,000 for the Saline County Humane Society and also saw a dozen animals adopted on site and administered 71 microchips free of charge.

- **June 1-2** - Nick Smith Sr. Exposure Basketball Tournament with 2,200 visitors coming from Arkansas and Texas.
- **June 7-9** - 2D Sports State Baseball Tournament with 5,000 visitors coming from Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Louisiana, Missouri and Georgia.
- **June 8** - USA State Softball Tournament with 1,000 visitors coming from Arkansas, Texas and Tennessee.
- **June 8** - Saline County Barracudas Swim Meet.
- **June 15-16** - P2A Baseball Tournament with 1,200 visitors from Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Tennessee.
- **June 15-16** - USA State Softball Tournament with 3,200 visitors from Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Missouri.
- **June 22** - Hoop Play Basketball Tournament.
- **June 22-23** - USSSA Baseball Tournament.
- **June 29** - Slammin Hoops Basketball Tournament with 1,600 visitors from Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida, Kansas, Texas and North Carolina.
- **June 29** - FASA Softball Tournament with 2,400 visitors from Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Florida, California and Missouri.
- **July 29** - Barracudas Swim Meet with 500 visitors from Arkansas and Tennessee.