

Bryant Parks and Recreation
Director's Report
October 2024

The following took place during the month of September:

- We currently have 1381 active members participating in our Silver Sneakers, Silver & Fit and ReNew Active programs. These are programs provided to senior citizens through their insurance provider at no cost to the individual. Not only do these programs generate revenue for the Department, paid for by insurance companies, but it also encourages our senior members to stay active and have social interaction.
- Adult Basketball league is underway. We have 14 teams participating.
- Volleyball registration has closed. We have conducted the player draft and teams have started practicing. We have 72 participants this year, a 14% increase from last year.
- Adult pickleball registration has closed. We have 56 participants for our inaugural season.
- Disc Golf glow league registration is currently open.
- Youth Basketball registration is currently open.
- The BASS Swim Team started their 2024-2025 season.
- Mills Park Pool closed for the season on Labor Day. For the season (Memorial Day - Labor Day) we had 8200 visits from 4500 unique visitors to Mills Park Pool. Although the majority of our visits are local, we did have visitors from Louisiana, California, Missouri, Georgia, Maine, Texas, Michigan, Florida and Ohio.
- Made necessary repairs to the heater on the PoolPak to prepare it for operation through this winter.
- Installed a new VFD on the lap pool motor.
- Replaced the impeller and shaft seal on the therapy pool pump.
- Installed crosswalk signs and painted crosswalks throughout Bishop Park.
- Installed an elevated water spigot and hose for elderly friendly raised beds in the community garden.
- Covered all holes from vacated automatic toilet flushers in Bishop Park baseball and softball restrooms.
- Assisted in setting up for the Bryant Parkway Opening Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting.
- Life Champs Youth Flag Football league began at Bishop Park. They have 172 participants, up 14% from last year's league (previously operated by Bryant Youth Association).
- Bryant Softball Association Middle School and Fall league began at Bishop Park.

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- Bryant Athletic Association Tackle Football league started practices at Bishop Park.

The following sporting events were held at Bishop Park:

- Softball Complex hosted a USA Softball tournament on September 7th. We had 2500 visitors from Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma
- Baseball Complex hosted a 2D Sports Baseball tournament on September 22. We had 2600 visitors from Arkansas, California and Texas.
- Baseball Complex hosted a 2D Sports Baseball tournament on September 28. We had 1600 visitors from Arkansas, Texas and Missouri.
- Softball Complex hosted a FASA Softball tournament on September 28. We had 1600 visitors from Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri.