

STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 12, 2022

TO: Ty Lasher, City Manager & Bel Aire Governing Body

FROM: Brian Hayes, Recreation Director

RE: November Activities

Recreation

- Pickleball participation was down a bit with 232 compared to 267 participants last month.
- Taekwondo participation was down slightly with 15 students compared to 19 in October.
- 14 youngsters participated in Tippi Toes Dance compared to the same last month.
- Lil Dribblerz (*PK-K instructional basketball*) was held on Tuesday & Thursday evenings in November. 28 youngsters worked on passing, dribbling and shooting as well as playing some fun basketball related games.
- Exercise classes were steady with 22 participants compared to the same in October.
- November daily use was slightly up with 480 compared to 427 last month.
- 3 revised proposals for updated Rec and Park master plans were received. Things being discussed are ADA access at the Rec Center, renovation/relocation/repurpose of the Bel Aire Park tennis court to the Rec Complex and/or Central Park and pool/splashpad conversion.
- Entry and 9 tee box signs were installed at the Alley Park Disc Golf course by public works and Rec staff.
- Upcoming Rec programs include Youth Basketball, Holiday Crafts & Schools Out Camp.

Seniors

- 541 seniors participated in bridge, line dance, exercise, Tai Chi, sewing, walking, book club, educational, and special activities compared to 611 last month.
- November highlights included Medicare counseling, several craft events, and a trip to a local fossil collection.
- Upcoming Senior activities include final Medicare counseling & enrollment, Holiday Dinner, a Country Christmas trip to Fulton Valley Farms, several more craft events, as well as the many ongoing programs, presentations, mailings and virtual activities.

Holiday Celebration

- This year's Holiday Celebration was held on December 3rd. Hundreds came out to visit with Santa, decorate cookies, and enjoy some treats & the light show. Thanks to the Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club and all the sponsors for making this year's event a success. Earlier in the day several families also stopped by the Rec Center for the holiday Hoops Free Throw Contest. Holiday Hams were awarded to the winning families.

