

STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 3, 2025

TO: Ted Henry, City Manager
Bel Aire Governing Body

FROM: Brian Hayes, Recreation Director

RE: October & November Activities

Recreation.

- 215 volleyball, soccer & flag football participants completed another successful fall sports season.
- 20 preschool & kindergarten kids participated in Little Dribblers. This instructional basketball program met on weeknights in November.
- Taekwondo class participation was steady with 15 students.
- Exercise classes continue to be steady with 20 participants.
- November drop-in gym use was 465 compared to 480 in October
- This year's Fall Festival offered a variety of activities for attendees of all ages. Highlights included a car show, vendor fair, music, native dance demo, food, children's activities, and fall-themed contests. The car show again featured a wide variety of vehicles and the vendor fair showcased those who provides interesting goods and services to the community. The event attracted an estimated 2,500 attendees.
- The sand volleyball court and refurbished walking trail were completed in time for the Fall Festival. Grass was seeded around the volleyball area with some success but will need more attention in the spring.
- The new Rec playground equipment has been ordered and is scheduled to be delivered in early 2026. The existing playground structures have been posted for sale and have received a couple of inquiries.
- Upcoming programs include Youth Basketball Leagues, Christmas in Bel Aire, and School's Out Camp.

Seniors

- 651 seniors signed in for cards, line & folk dance, book club, exercise, sewing, walking, educational, & special activities compared to 761 in October.
- Some programs offered included Medicare Counseling, holiday craft activities, Singo Bingo, and a Medication Management presentation. In all there were 15 ongoing programs, 9 special activities, and 10 educational sessions.
- Upcoming Senior activities include final Medicare counseling, holiday dinner & activities, several presentations, as well as the many ongoing baseline programs, games, crafts, and communications.

Swimming Pool

- The replacement pool safety cover has been installed.
- The new filter has been ordered and will be installed before the 2026 season.

