

## STAFF REPORT

DATE: August 12, 2024  
TO: Ted Henry, City Manager & Bel Aire Governing Body  
FROM: Brian Hayes, Recreation Director  
RE: July Activities

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### Recreation

- Besides t-ball/baseball/softball being completed, Dance and Happy Feet Soccer also finished their summer sessions.
- Summer Day Camp continued at the licensed capacity in July. Camp runs through early August. The local Kansas Department of Health & Environment licensing contractor surveyed our program in July. Our perfect record was again upheld with no violations and the state childcare license was renewed for another year.
- Challenger Soccer Camp was back this summer with 16 participants.
- Pickleball participation was steady with 331 compared to 307 last month.
- June Taekwondo participation was low with 11 compared to 21 in June which historically is typical for summer.
- Exercise classes were steady with 25 participants.
- Drop-in use was steady with 540 sign-ins compared to 512 in June.
- Some of the winter-killed Bermudagrass continued to fill in and portions of the worse areas were successfully overseeded with ryegrass. It is unlikely the new grass will survive due to the recent water conservation efforts. Staff still hopes to be able to offer outdoor fall sports but risks being altered or cancelled if field conditions become unsafe.
- Upcoming Rec programs include, Outdoor Soccer, Flag Football, Volleyball, and the Bel Aire Ball.

### Seniors

- 843 seniors signed in for cards, line & folk dance, book club, exercise, sewing, walking, educational, & special activities compared to 784 in June.
- July programs included a planning committee meeting, several games, and arts/craft activities. In all there were 12 ongoing activities, 5 special activities and 4 educational sessions offered.
- Two grants valued at \$4000 has provided the Senior Department with upgrades to AV equipment, and furnishings.
- Upcoming Senior activities include a Free Health Screening, an outing, Jam Session, Trivia, as well as the many ongoing baseline programs, games, crafts, presentations, and communications.

### Swimming Pool

- 78 boys & girls participated in the last 2 sessions of swimming lessons and 30 participated in fun & games at this years Family Night on July 27.
- Many positive comments on the new plaster surface continued to be voiced.

- The pool closes August 5<sup>th</sup> with the annual Hot Dawgs Pool Party.
- An plumbing leak was discovered late in the month. A leak detection company is scheduled to help find the leak after the pool closes for the season.

