City of Bel Aire, Kansas

STAFF REPORT

DATE: January 25, 2023

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

FROM: Brian Hayes, Recreation Director

RE: December Activities

Recreation

- 97 participants began youth basketball practices compared to 104 last year. Games run thru late Feb.

- 15 kids attended the first ever School's Out Camp over the holiday break.

- Pickleball participation was steady with 236 compared to 232 participants last month.

- Taekwondo participation was steady with 16 students compared to 15 in November.

- 14 youngsters participated in Tippi Toes Dance compared to the same last month.

- Exercise classes were steady with 20 participants compared to 22 in November.

- November daily use was down with 409 compared to 480 last month.

- Park & Rec Master planning will begin next month with a site visit from Landworks Studio.

- Rec staff applied for a Phillips 66 Community Investment Grant for additional Alley Park improvements.

- Upcoming Rec programs include Youth Basketball, Indoor Soccer, & WHJBSL.

Seniors

- 512 seniors participated in bridge, line dance, exercise, Tai Chi, sewing, walking, book club, educational, and special activities compared to 541 last month.

- November highlights included Medicare counseling, several craft events, Annual Holiday Dinner, and an outing to Fulton Farms in Butler County.

- Upcoming Senior activities include several more craft events, Tai Chi, 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 annual Holiday Hoops Free Throw Contest. Holiday Hams were awarded to the winning families.

2022 Attachments

- *Recreation/Pool Participation & Revenue*
- *Community Events Summary*
- *Senior Participation*