

STAFF REPORT

DATE: August 12, 2025

TO: Ted Henry, City Manager & Bel Aire Governing Body

FROM: Brian Hayes, Recreation Director

RE: July Activities

Recreation.

- WHJBSL baseball & softball completed its season on July 11th. Bel Aire had 112 players on 9 teams.
- Summer Day Camp continued at capacity and will run through August.
- Taekwondo class participation was steady with 15 compared to 14 in June.
- Exercise classes continue to be steady with 20 participants.
- 20 Soccer Stars (*formerly Happy Feet*) continued meeting once a week.
- The summer session of Tumbling continues with 10 participants.
- July drop-in gym use was steady with 540 compared to 557 in June.
- The winterkilled areas of the Soccer Field were reseeded and is finally starting to show improvement. Due to the late start and multiple rainouts of the newly seeded areas, soccer like last year, will be moved to an alternate field. The new soccer field grass is still establishing, and don't want to compromise it. Winterkilled areas of the baseball & softball fields will be addressed beginning this fall into next year.
- Upcoming Programs include tumbling & dance, outdoor soccer, flag football, & volleyball.

Seniors

- 949 seniors signed in for cards, pickleball, line & folk dance, book club, exercise, sewing, walking, educational, & special activities compared to 1067 in June.
- Some programs included Enhance Fitness, a museum outing, Singo, planning committee, and a mental health presentation. In all there were 16 ongoing programs, 3 special activities, and 6 educational sessions offered.
- Upcoming Senior activities include a new Fit Foundations class, several outings & presentations, as well as the many ongoing baseline programs, games, crafts, and communications.

Swimming Pool

- Like June, July pool participation was hampered by rain and storms. There were 2166 swimmers compared to 2090 last month with additional 10 memberships purchased. Swimming lessons were up with 82 compared to 56 in June. 14 rentals were held compared to 10 last month.
- The pool will close for the season on August 10th then the Hot Dawgs Pool party is scheduled on the 11th.
- Staff is obtaining quotes to relace the pool filter yet this year. Additionally, we were advised that our 20-year-old pool cover is no longer safe so staff is getting quotes for its replacement.