# Parks and Recreation Department

# **October 2023 Report**

## **Recreation Programs offered during October**

Intro to Online Genealogy Family Hayride at Bunker Park Stable - Fall Fest Event Fall Family Fest The Marvelous Wonderettes - Sidekick Theater Mature Drivers - 8 Hour - Oct 17 & 25 - In person MEA OUTINGS & EVENTS (Ages 6-12) Packing and staging and marketing-oh my! Grandparent & Me "Hey Boo" RevSports Basketball - Fall Session (Ages 3-9) Osceola Scenic Fall Train and Pizza Packing and staging and marketing-oh my! Pickleball for Teens Clinic (Ages 10-16)

Google Sheets for Awesome Beginners Thinking about Buying a Home? Youth Basketball Clinic (Grades K-3) Red Cross Babysitters Class (Ages 11-17) Dino Day! (Ages 3-6) Yoga - October Session Scams and Frauds Book Club Zumba - October Session Thinking about Buying a Home? QC Dance 6-week classes (Ages 0-11) Taylors Falls Boat Cruise Save Money with Extreme Couponing! Walking Challenge

Serving 367 participants including 44 children for MEA break activities, 50 for Osceola Scenic train ride and 96 for Family Fall Fest.

Special thank you to the volunteers for Family Fall Fest including Park & Recreation Commissioners Barb Harlan, Erik Olsen, Mark Hoard and Barb Yawn, City Council Members Lisa Dircks and Ken Wendling. Other volunteers included Steve Birmingham, Junior Leaders: Nevaeh, Tristina, and Savannah, Tracy, NFL Flag Football leaders, and Hy-Vee staff. Special thank you to Public Works staff for helping to set up and take down equipment.

#### **Parks**

- Rental Reservations Form for rentals located at https://slprec.org/parksrec/page/facility-use-permit-application
- Able Park Activities Building was rented out 5 separate days. Programs were held in the building on 3 separate days.
- Terrace Park field was rented 6 times.
- New digger installed at Lakeside Lions Park

- Mason sand added to Lakeside Lions Volleyball courts
- New memorial bench installed at Triangle Memorial Park
- Anoka County HRA awarded the City of Spring Lake Park with \$123,200 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for new playground equipment at Able Park.

#### Tower Days - 2024

- If interested in joining the committee please contact the Recreation Office.
- 2024 Kick off meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 28, 6:30pm

## **Parks & Recreation Commission**

- The Commissioners volunteered at Fall Family Fest on Saturday, October 28
- The Commission will next meet on December 5th at 6:30pm at City Hall.

#### **Department Activity**

- Recreation Winter Catalog for January May programs is being prepped and added to recreation registration software program
- Program Coordinator Wesley Goldberg met with cities of New Brighton, Fridley, and Mounds View on the coordination of winter activities.
- Program Coordinator Anne Scanlon coordinated with Mounds View the Walking Challenge wrap up celebration at Able Park Activities Building.
- Director Okey attended the following meetings and events during the month:
  - City Council session
  - Fall Family Fest Day
  - Park and Recreation Commission Meeting
  - Department Head Meeting
  - Playground Rep at Terrace Park

- Pre-trip meeting for extended tour participants
- Adaptive Program Meeting
  - City Hall Interior Finishes
    Meeting

## **Upcoming Activities**

Kidcreate Studio Adult Pickleball Ladder Leagues - Winter (Ages 18+) I'm Dreaming of a Looney Christmas Cookies and Treats Red Cross Babysitters Class (Ages 11-17) Grandparent & Me "Gingerbread Fun" Bentleyville Holiday Lights North Metro Bean Bag Toss League - Winter Season (Ages 18+) Betty Crocker at The History Theater Yoga - December Session Honky Tonk Holiday Show WINTER BREAK OUTINGS (Ages 6-12)