

Parks and Recreation Department

May 2025 Report

Parks

- Terrace Park – Is open and been used on a regular basis
- Parks are looking good, and ready for summer. Parks and Rec have been planting flowers in the sign beds.
- On-Going: Adopt-a-Flower Garden Program – each year residents may volunteer to maintain a flower garden in one of the parks. If interested please fill out form: <https://slprec.org/parksrec/webform/adopt-flower-garden-interest-form>
- On-Going: Adopt-a-Drain Program -residents may adopt a storm drain in their neighborhood to help keep our waterways clean. Register at: <https://adopt-a-drain.org/>

Department Activity

- Clare has been taking the Day Trips on a regular basis and is currently planning for the rest of this year and into 2026
- Summer Playground Program: Our morning free program has returned to drop in. The program was drop in prior to Covid, and we feel this is a great community opportunity. Our afternoon Panther program session I is full and our session II has 9 open spots. Wednesday Outing are filling up with Bunker Beach and Sky Zone being the current most popular options.
- Softball started in May, we have seen an increase in youth participation. This make for a much better program. We have a total of 192 players.
- North Metro Leagues continue to be popular: Sand Volley Ball has 35 teams (up 3 from 2024)
- Adult Softball has 13 teams (up 1 from 2024)
- Pickleball is always popular and fills up right away.
- We have added a morning yoga class – this time fits well for the retirees' and others
- Our 55+ Driver Education completed it's first class back at City Hall, both instructor and participants really like the larger TV and sound. June 26 class has 32 registered

- Senior Safety Fair with Blaine and Mounds View was well attended and participants enjoyed the changes to vendor show and more hands-on activities.
- We had all hands-on deck for our City Hall Open House – Mara put together an amazing video show.
- Director Scanlon attended the following meetings and events during March:
 - Park and Recreation Commission monthly meeting
 - Tower Days Planning Meeting
 - Department Head Meeting
 - Senior Safety Fair Committee
 - Construction Meetings
 - City Council Session
 - Anoka County Adaptive Programming Committee
 - AMC Spring Grant Cohort Webinar
 - Weekly Park and Rec Staff Mtg
 - Terrace Park Revitalizations Mtgs
 - SLP Community Education Advisory Council

Upcoming Activities

- Summer Programs
 - June - August
 - Extended Trip
 - Lake Michigan June 18 -24
 - Music in the Park
 - June 25 North Suburban Concert Band
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