

Parks and Recreation Department

October 2024 Report

Recreation Programs offered during the month

- Spark School of Music: Intro to Music (Ages 6-13)
 - Spark School of Music: Rock Band Class (Ages 12-17)
 - Art Classes: Mandala Rock Painting
 - Spark School of Music: Rock Band Class (Ages 6-12)
 - Kidlets (Ages 2-3)
 - Mommy & Me (Ages 0-2 w/ parent/adult)
 - QC Dance - Weekly Classes
 - Kidance - (Ages 4-5)
 - FREE Class - Medicare 101
 - Dancing Kids (Ages 6-8)
 - Dancing Tweens (Ages 9-11)
 - Zumba - Session I (Ages 18+)
 - Book Club
 - VIRTUAL - How to use Venmo Safely
 - Yoga - October Session (Ages 18+)
 - Art Classes: Day Painting - Fall Leaves
 - Jeff Sandino Cooking Class - Asian Favorites
 - RevSports Basketball - Fall Session I (Ages 3-9)
 - RevSports Basketball - PreStars (Ages 3-5)
 - RevSports Basketball - KinderStars (Ages 4-6)
 - RevSports Basketball - MightyStars (Ages 6-9)
 - DAY TRIP: Osceola Fall Train
 - Art Classes: Paint with Me - "Spooky Friends"
 - Art Classes: Mixed Media Wood pumpkins, glass and resin
 - Virtual Cooking Class: Soups for Fall and Winter
 - Getting Started with Libby: October
 - Adult Pickleball Ladder Leagues - Fall (Ages 18+)
 - Pickleball Ladder League - Ages 20-40
 - Virtual Cooking Class: Churros & Handmade Corn Tortilla Taco
 - Dungeons & Dragons: Miniature Monster Painting (Ages 10+)
 - Pickleball Ladder League - All Ages
 - MEA BREAK - Twin Cities Harvest Festival & Maze (Ages 6-12)
 - North Metro Bean Bag Toss League - Fall Season (Ages 18+)
 - VIRTUAL: How to Start a Business
 - VIRTUAL: Virtual Assistance
 - MEA BREAK - Zero Gravity & Pumpkin Carving (Ages 6-12)
 - Pickleball Live Play Coaching (Ages 18+)
 - Virtual Cooking Class: Mediterranean Chicken Gyro Meal
 - VIRTUAL - Level Up Your Genealogy
 - DAY TRIP: Over the River & Through the Woods
 - Virtual Cooking Class: Family Fright Night - Ghoulish Fun!
 - QC Dance - One Day Dance Camp Offerings
 - Trick or Treat Dance Party (Ages 3-6)
 - Family Fall Fest
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- Family Hayride at Bunker Park Stable - Fall Fest Event
 - Mature Drivers - 4 Hour - Oct 30 - In person
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Total of 421 registered participants

Fall Fest: thank you to Commissioners Erik Olsen & Ryan McLaughlin, Council Members Lisa Dircks & Ken Wendling and the Recreation Staff for attending and running activities for 95 families.

Parks

- Rental Reservations Form for rentals now available online: <https://slprec.org/parksrec/page/facility-use-permit-application>.
- Able Park Activities Building rented out had 7 reservations.
- Able Park Activities Building - carpet cleaned on Oct 22.
- Outside water turned off during October. Lakeside Beach House, Community Gardens and water fountain at Able Park.
- Special Thank you to Sandy Tykeson for volunteering her time to tend to the flower gardens at Able Park
- Community gardens are cleaned out by the end of October.
- Terrace Park Playground – equipment was removed by Public Works and ground prep completed. Began pouring border November 8
- Spring Lake aeration notice will go in the December Life newspaper

Tower Days -

- 2025 Planning Meeting will meet again on November 26, 6:30pm Able Park Building
- The Band *Good for Gary* has been booked for Saturday evening and *Free & Easy* for Sunday evening
- Forms updated on website. Getting inquiries from sponsors.

Parks & Recreation Commission

- The Commission next meeting will be in December due to Election Night in November.
- Commission discussed during October meeting Fall Fest and who could volunteer.
- Commissioners volunteered at Fall Fest held on Saturday, October 26th.

Department Activity

- Staff are busy with day to day operations, program planning, program registrations, facility reservations, room set ups and attending programs.
- Staff are finalizing winter catalog that will be mailed to citizens in December.
- Anne Scanlon attended SLP Community Education Advisory Council meeting
- Wesley Goldberg attended an Advisory Mtg for Spring Lake Park Pathways Programs at the High School
- Director Okey attended the following meetings and events during the month:
 - City Council
 - Anoka County Adaptive Program Meeting
 - Construction meetings on City Hall
 - Staff meetings
 - Department Head Meeting

Upcoming Park and Recreation Activities

[Art Classes: Day Painting - Candle Glow](#)

[Art Classes: Mixed Media Glass tree with lights](#)

[Art Classes: Mixed Media Tomato Cage Gnome or Sant](#)

[DAY TRIP: 1940's Holiday Radio Show](#)

[DAY TRIP: Bells Will Be Ringin' Sidekick Theatre](#)

[DAY TRIP: White Christmas - Chanhassen Dinner Theatre](#)

[Dungeons & Dragons: Tabletop Gaming \(Ages 10+\)](#)

[Jeff Sandino Cooking Class - Tantalizing Thai Cuisine](#)

[Make and Take: Cookies & Treats](#)

[VIRTUAL - How to Use Uber](#)

[VIRTUAL - Level Up Your Genealogy 2: Boot Camp](#)

[VIRTUAL -Genealogy Methods: Research Skills via Case Studies](#)

[Yoga - December Session \(Ages 18+\)](#)