

# Parks and Recreation Department

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## July 2022 Report

### Recreation Programs

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- Recreational activities which were held in July included: Adult Yoga, Sand Volleyball League, Pickleball Ladder League, youth soccer, adult and youth softball, Esports, dance, Card Club, Playground programs and field trips.
- Youth Field trips included ArtStart, Wet & Wild, Como Zoo, and Bunker Beach
- Youth softball tournament was conducted the weekend of July 29-30, 2022
- T ball program finished the week of July 27, 2022
- Day Trip to Lake Minnetonka with 33 participants
- Summer Dine & Dance Music performances included Miss Myra & The Moonshiners and Ali & Joe
- Staff developed programs and created the fall catalog. Catalog will be mailed to resident's middle of August
- Staff honored long time volunteer softball coach Jim Miller on July 19 at his final game for his 33-year commitment to our youth.
- Staff continue to take daily registrations for all programs:
  - Adult and Youth Enrichment and Sports
  - Adult day trips
  - Extended Tours St Croix River Valley Overnight October 21- 22, and Kansas City -November 30-December 5 Tours
  - Registration now open for Iceland – November 2023. Travel Show will be Monday, September 12 at 10:00am, City Hall

### Parks

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- Terrace Shelter construction was delayed until the end of the month because pieces were missing from the shipment.
- Adopt-A-Flower Program volunteers may register to tend the flowers in the parks. Thank you to all the volunteers. The parks are looking great.
- Adopt-A-Storm Drain Program – new this year, residents may register to adopt a storm drain through a national program.
- Staff is working on final cost estimates of remodeling the Able Park Building and will bring it to Council by the end of June.

- Park staff continue to maintain softball fields for youth and adult softball. Along with rake the sand volleyball courts for league play.
- Staff met with Wendell Architects on developing final drawings for Able Park Activity Building.

## Tower Days

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The Tower Days Committee wishes to again thank our numerous volunteers and sponsors as this event is funded through donations.

The Committee will begin planning for the 2023 events in November of 2022. If interested in joining the committee please contact the Recreation Office at 763-792-7201

- Tower Days 2023 will be held June 8-11.

## Department Activity

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- Director Okey attended the following meetings during the month:
  - City Council session in July
  - Conducted interviews for open Recreation position
  - Attended Conocer Los Parques (Meet the Parks) Event Meeting on July 12 – staff will be attending this event which will be held August 28 in Fridley
  - Wendell Architect meeting on July 21
  - Day trip on July 27 for senior citizens
- Staff continued to monitor safety recommendations from MDH and CDC.

## Upcoming Programs

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- Youth Field Trips
- Yoga Classes
- Youth Basketball and soccer
- Adult Enrichment classes including mature drivers' course in August
- Day trips to Mystery Trip, Minneapolis Queen Luncheon