

Parks and Recreation Department

July 2024 Report

Recreation Programs offered during the month

- Adult Softball Tournament held on July 19 and 20. 10 teams
 - Youth Softball Tournament held on July 25, 26, 27. 12 Teams.
 - Playground Program
 - Youth Field Trips on Wednesdays
 - Canoe Trip Up the Mississippi
 - DAY TRIP: Mystery Tour
 - DAY TRIP: Taylors Falls Boat Cruise
 - Dungeons & Dragons: Tabletop Gaming (Ages 10+)
 - Evening / Family Outing: Henderson Classic Car Roll In
 - Free Class: Packing, Staging and Marketing, oh my!
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 - Pickleball Drills & Precision Clinic (Ages 18+)
 - Pickleball Live Play Coaching (Ages 18+)
 - RevSports Soccer - Summer Session III (Ages 3-9)
 - RevSports Tennis - Summer Session III (Ages 3-9)
 - Spark School of Music: Intro to Music (Ages 6-13)
 - Spark School of Music: Rock Band (Ages 12-17)
 - Spark School of Music: Rock Band (Ages 6-12)
 - Yoga - July Session (Ages 18+)
 - Zumba - Session III (Ages 18+)
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Park

- Rental Reservations Form for rentals located at <https://slprec.org/parksrec/page/facility-use-permit-application>
 - Rentals slow down during July however still renting on softball fields to private groups and youth athletic associations.
- Music in the Park: July 10 (Stir Krazy) and July 24 (Half Dead Roses). Good attendance and good weather.
- Able Park Playground had several missing pieces to be installed. Update: playground opened August 5th

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- Terrace Park courts – securing estimates on repairing cracks or rebuilding
- EMCC service day July 27th. Special thanks to ECC and also to Public Works for purchasing the paint supplies for them to paint the Lakeside Lions Gazebo

Tower Days -

- 2025 Planning Meeting will be August 20 at 6:30pm at Able Park Activities Building

Parks & Recreation Commission

- The Commission next meeting will be in September, Commission voted to not meet on July 4 and August 1 (Nite to Unite) but reserves the right to meet if needed.

Department Activity

- Staff are finalizing programs for the Fall Catalog. Catalog should be in residents mail boxes by August 19.
- Staff spent three (3) full days in on line training with the department's new facility reservation module. Staff will be putting finishing touches on the software before going live in September.
- Director Okey attended the following meetings and events during the month:
 - City Council session
 - Department Head meeting
 - Construction meetings on City Hall
 - 2025 Budget Meetings and Prep
 - Playground bid opening on July 25
 - Facilities training July 19, 22, 26
 - Two music in the park events
 - Adult Softball Tournament
 - Youth Softball Tournament
 - Coordinated service projects for ECC

Upcoming Park and Recreation Activities

- Classes by Life Legacies: Words That Last - Free
- Dungeons & Dragons: Miniature Monster Painting (Ages 10+)
- Evening / Family Outing: Twin Cities River Rats
- Free Class: Packing, Staging and Marketing, oh my!
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- Intro to Pickleball Clinic (Ages 18+)

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- Introduction to Kayaking
- Mature Drivers - 4 Hour -
- Music Together - Fall Session (Ages 0-5)
- North Metro Volleyball League - Fall Season (Ages 18+)
- Social Simple-Virtual - Social Media Content w/out Panicking
- Yoga - September Session (Ages 18+)