

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 28, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Paul Davis, Parks and Recreation Director

Through: George Garrett, City Manager

Subject: Parks and Recreation Monthly Report

APRIL 2024

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT

PROGRAMS

- The Gardens at Community Park – Open House and Plant Giveaway with Alex Gross is every Wednesday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
- Pickleball is still popular at Community Park. We have many vacationers asking about pickleball. We set up a storage bin with portable nets, balls, and paddles that can be accessed throughout the day and evening hours. Visitors can contact the park office for more information.
- The bocce ball group has stopped for the season. A lot of their participants went back up north.
- MYC youth baseball league continues their league play Monday through Thursday starting at 5:30 p.m.
- Art in the Park Series with Sam Blyer is scheduled for the month of April. The session will be on Tuesday evenings starting at 5:00 p.m. at the Community Park. Anyone interested in participating can contact the park office for more information.
- Our adult volleyball and adult basketball open gym with Dre Garvey has started up again at Marathon Middle High School. Adult basketball is on Tuesday nights starting at 7:00 p.m. and adult volleyball is every Thursday night starting at 7:00 p.m.
- Middle school volleyball with Genesis Villatoro and Jen Ward will be starting this month at Community Park. The volleyball sessions will be every Wednesday afternoon from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Fitness with Sam Blyer will start this month at the Community Park fitness court. Sessions will be every Thursday evening from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

EVENTS

- Parks and Rec Easter Egg Hunt was held at Community Park Tuesday, March 26th. We had many participants. We had over 3000 eggs.
- Parks and Rec will be hosting our first annual Sunday Funday Park Party at the Community Park, Sunday, April 7th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There will be food, games, and music by the Buckeyes Invade Marathon bands.
- Leadership Monroe County (LMC) will be hosting their annual Leadership Grad Community Festival at the Community Park. The event is scheduled from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. There will be food vendors, games, bounce houses, and music by some of the finest musicians in Monroe County.

BEACHES

Sombrero Beach

- We continue to sanitize and restock the toilet paper and paper towels in the restrooms in the mornings, afternoons, and evening hours.
- Parks and Rec staff are at the beach Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to greet visitors, answer questions, and monitor the beach area.

Coco Plum Beach

- All is well at Coco Plum Beach

PARKS

Jesse Hobbs

- All is well at Jesse Hobbs Park

Community Park

- Had a couple major leaks at the front of the park near the fitness court and on the south baseball field near the 3rd baseline. Parks and Rec staff along with the assistance of Utilities staff was able to fix both leaks in a timely manner (see attached pics).
- Installed new water fountains near the park office and near the concession stand bathrooms (see attached pics).

Ocean front / Events Field

- All is well at Oceanfront Park

Rotary Park / Dog Park

- Replaced old water fountain at Rotary Park.

COMMUNITY PARK LEAK NEAR FITNESS COURT



COMMUNITY PARK LEAK SOUTH BASEBALL FIELD



WATER FOUNTAIN INSTALLATION (Community Park, Rotary, Sombrero Beach)

