Ivins City Parks and Recreation
Staff Report October 3, 2024
Report Dates: August 2 – September 24

General Update

To me, "community" means connection, shared purpose, and belonging. It's about creating spaces where neighbors come together to support one another. I believe that fostering strong relationships within our city is essential, and events like Heritage Days remind us of the power in unity. My goal is to continue creating opportunities that strengthen these bonds, ensuring everyone feels valued and included.

Recreation

Upcoming Activities:

- **Ivins City Halloween Bash**
  Friday, October 25, 6:00 PM at Ivins City Heritage Park
  Join us for a Spooktacular evening filled with Halloween-themed activities for the whole family. Enjoy free pizza and popcorn, pumpkin painting, and more!
- **Bingo in the Park**
  Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting Tuesday, October 22

Ongoing Activities:

- **Flag Football (Ages 6 to 12)**
  - 175 Players
  - 80 Games
  - 20 Teams (with 20 Volunteer Coaches)
  - 3 Flag Football Fields at UNITY Park
- **Volleyball (3rd – 8th Grade Coed)**
  - 91 Players
  - 36 Games
  - 12 Teams (with 12 Volunteer Coaches)
  - 2 Volleyball Courts at Lava Ridge School
- **Golf School**
  Registration available at golfinstituteofamerica.com

Previous Activities:

- **Heritage Days 2024**
  Held on Friday, September 6, and Saturday, September 7, at Ivins City Heritage Park, this year's Heritage Days was a great success with the theme, "Ignite Your Community Spirit!"
  Families enjoyed a variety of free activities, including an Art Exhibit, Pie Baking Contest, Parade, Pony Rides, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Old Fashioned Games, Family Games, Bounce Houses, Live Entertainment, Fire House Tours, and a Public Safety Open House, CERT information, and more...
  A new highlight this year was a spectacular Drone Show, along with free ice cream sponsored by Black Desert Resort.
  A big thank you goes out to all the volunteers who helped make this event a success!
- **Movies in the Park**
  Held on Friday nights in August from August 2 to August 23 at the Ivins City Heritage Park Ball Field. The following movies were shown free of charge:
  - August 2 – *Monsters, Inc.*
  - August 9 – *The Secret Life of Pets*
  - August 16 – *Frozen II*
  - August 23 – *Elemental* (TDS sponsored games before the movie)

Parks

- 5 Parks employees passed their Traffic Control certification.
- Performed 7 burials and marked 5 burial plots for monument placement.
- Cleaned, prepared, and followed up on 75+ pavilion, field, and building reservations.
- Addressed multiple citizen concerns including weed removal, water leaks, sightline issues, cemetery inquiries, trail clearance, malfunctioning equipment, and reservation requests.
- Installed landscaping adjacent to the Chancel Cliffs development on Center Street and are preparing for the landscaping installation at the Highway 91 and 600 West roundabout.
- Continued preliminary design work for the Cemetery Section 6 expansion.
- Completed the sod removal project at UNITY Park and plan to start a new one soon.
- Addressed a vandalism incident at UNITY Park's skatepark. The area was cleaned and the skatepark was closed for 48 hours.
- Poured a new concrete pad at Megan Fitness Park to install a Bike Fix-It Station, granted by AARP and SUBA.

Respectfully submitted,
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