

**Bryant Parks and Recreation  
Director's Report  
March 2026**

***Programming & Events***

- Youth Basketball ended on March 14th. 682 boys and girls participating from Kindergarten through sixth grade all played tournament games the final week of the season, 69 games from Monday to Saturday.
- Youth Volleyball Lessons are running in March, April and May. We currently have 25 girls signed up.
- Adult Pickleball had 2 leagues starting in March. Both an Indoor and Outdoor League. We have 18 teams in the Indoor League and 24 teams in the Outdoor League.
- The Center at Bishop Park hosted the annual First Electric Cooperative stakeholders luncheon and meeting on March 5.
- The Center at Bishop Park hosted the Saline County Sheriff's Debate on March 10.
- The Center Gymnasium at Bishop Park hosted a LifeLine Screening for Stroke Prevention on March 11.
- The Center at Bishop Park hosted a Bryant Leap Forward Town Hall on March 19.
- The Center at Bishop Park also hosted 26 paid events for the month of March.
- The Bishop Park baseball complex hosted a 2D baseball tournament on February 28 - March 1.
- The Bishop Park baseball complex hosted a 2D baseball tournament on March 14 and 15.
- The Bishop Park softball complex hosted the BSA Preseason tournament on March 14.
- Youth Baseball and Softball League seasons started up at Bishop Park.
- Youth Soccer League season started up at Midland Park.
- The following spring programs are now open for registration:
  - Youth Volleyball Lessons
  - Youth Archery-*begins May 12th*
  - Youth Kickball-*begins April 20th*
  - Youth Pickleball Lessons
  - Adult Co-Ed Volleyball-*begins June 2nd*
  - Adult Men's Basketball-*begins April 9th*
  - Adult Women's Basketball-*begins June 4th*

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***Aquatics***

- Opened the pre-season sale of Mills Pool Summer passes.
- The BASS Swim Meet scheduled for March 7th, was cancelled due to forms in the area. It has been rescheduled for May 2nd.
- Held an AFO class on March 11th with 5 participants from Bryant, Clarksville and Russellville.
- Held a lifeguarding certification class during Spring Break week 5 participants.
- Began taking registrations for the Bryant Barracudas Swim Team.
- Required in-service hours included swimming laps and reviewing the first 3 chapters of the lifeguarding manual on being a professional lifeguard as well as scanning and rotations.

***Parks Maintenance***

- Added two new lights on the playground at Mills Park.
- Opened older restrooms at Mills Park, between the large Pavilion and the Swimming Pool.
- Turned water back on to Mills Pool from winterizing during colder months.
- Removed the old pool table for the Bryant Youth Association so that it could be replaced with a new pool table that was donated.
- Prepped garden beds for the Bryant Youth Association in the Community Garden after removing the beds behind the BYA.
- The mowing season began in all parks and the ditch area next to Best Value Inn.
- Made repairs to Storywalk at Mills Park including replacing plexiglass covers on five of the story pedestals.
- Install of Bishop Park parking and sidewalk lights began at the Softball Complex.

***Parks Administration***

- Parks Director Keith Cox attended the Massachusetts Recreation and Parks Association Annual Conference and Tradeshow March 23-26. Keith was invited as a featured speaker and presented two sessions on parks resource development and the impact that smaller parks agencies can make on their communities. He had the opportunity to make valuable connections with professionals in another region of the country and be exposed to new ideas and creative problem-solving approaches. All expenses were covered by MRPA and completely free to the City of Bryant.