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The following took place during the month of October:

- Adult Pickleball league is underway at the Center. We have 27 teams participating over two divisions in our inaugural season.
- Adult Basketball league completed its regular season.
- Youth Volleyball league is in full swing with 8 teams participating.
- Disc Golf glow league is underway with 33 players participating.
- Youth Basketball registration is now closed. Team drafts will be in November.
- Bryant High School Swim and Dive team started practicing at Bishop Aquatic Center
- BASS Swim Team took 2nd place at Lonoke Sharks Sprints Meet.
- Closed and winterized the Splash Pad for the offseason.
- Overseeded with perennial ryegrass the baseball and softball fields at Bishop Park, baseball fields at Ashley Park, soccer fields at Midland Park and lacrosse fields at Alcoa Park.
- Planted the Steve Glenn Memorial Tree at Bishop Park in partnership with friends and family of Steve Glenn.
- All staff participated in Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events training, led by Training Sergeant Michael McCabe with Bryant Police Department.
- Movies in the Park was hosted at Mills Park in partnership with The Saline County Library. The Nightmare Before Christmas was the movie shown.
- Fall Fest was hosted by the Bryant Chamber of Commerce and had approximately 3500 attendees. Bryant Parks participated with a booth and handed out information pertaining to the Bryant Parks system and programs.
- Bishop Park Community Garden is closed for the winter. We had 22 out of 25 beds occupied by 14 different growers.
- Bryant Police Department hosted their National Night Out on October 1st at Bishop Park.
- Inaugural EMpact One Wiffleball tournament was hosted at Bishop Park on October 19.
- Flag Football, Fall Youth Softball and Middle School Softball leagues all finished their Fall seasons at Bishop Park.
- Academy and Recreation Soccer leagues finished their Fall seasons at Midland Park.

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The following sporting events were held at Bishop Park:

- Bishop Park "E" Complex and Disc Golf Course hosted the Danny Westbrook Bryant Hornet Invitational with Bryant High School. We had over 3,000 visitors from around the state present for the meet.
- Softball Complex hosted Tulsa Elite Softball tournament on October 19-20. We had 1900 visitors from Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Louisiana, Kansas, Florida, Kentucky and Missouri.
- Softball Complex hosted FASA Halloween Softball tournament on October 26. We had 1600 visitors from Arkansas, Tennessee, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana and Florida.
- Baseball Complex hosted the 2D Fall State tournament on October 26-27. We had 3100 visitors from throughout the state, as well as Indiana, Missouri, Texas and Louisiana.