# CHESTERFIELD PARKS, RECREATION, & ARTS

MONTHLY REPORT - DECEMBER 2023





# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



The art exhibit at City Hall is free and open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday.



The 2023 Art Exhibit at Chesterfield City Hall will showcase the following established regional artist:

October - December
Jodie Maurer

The October-December exhibit features artwork all from artist Jodie Maurer. Her work is diverse and includes landscapes and architecture from the west, southwest, midwest, and northeast.



Jodie Maurer American Spirit



Jodie Maurer
Love's Promise



**Jodie Maurer** *My Heart Belongs There* 

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# **New Additions**



We are excited about the arrival of three new screens that will give the Amphitheater an updated look! Two screens will be used to enhance concert goers experience by giving them a preview of the menu while in line and one will preview a slideshow of upcoming shows!







We have installed turf in the Plaza area to give this space a new, polished look!

# SPORTS & WELLNESS



# **Baseball/Softball**

#### **CBSA**

CBSA had no usage in December. We are working closely with them to facilitate off-season trainings at CVAC. We are also communicating any field needs for 2024 to ensure a smooth start to the spring.

#### **Perfect Game**

In December, discussions continued regarding Perfect Game's needs for 2024. We will continue reviewing the first year of our partnership as we evaluate what went well and what can be improved. Communication with Perfect Game has been very positive, and we can't wait for 2024!

#### **Miscellaneous**

This off season has allowed our team to focus on how to expand field usage and bring in new organizations and a variety of sports to the area.







# **Multi-Purpose Fields**

#### Soccer

Following a successful 2023, work has already begun on identifying the needs of users in 2024 as well as improving equipment at CVAC. Efforts to increase field usage for 2024 are being made as we coordinate with current and new users.







# Volleyball

The courts had new lines installed this summer. Additional improvements will be made by replacing cables and leveling the playing surface.



In addition to new fencing, the courts were crack-sealed in preparation for spring.





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#### **Miracle Field**

We would like to thank ALL organizations that utilize this field and give of themselves so much everyday! We are thrilled to play a part in your mission and look forward to an even better 2024!









# **CVAC** Usage

- Field Rental/Program Revenue 2023 YTD -\$1,026,094.86
- Total Complex Hours 2023 YTD - 23,537.25
- Tournaments Estimated Economic Impact YTD -\$10,161,929

# RECREATION



## **Community Center**

We had 604 people come through in December outside of programs. We had 752 people attend programs.

# **Aquatics**

Capri performed pressure testing on the competition pool, and sealed both surge pits to prevent leaks. Additional testing will continue in January.

#### **Senior Carnival**

There were over 150 seniors that enjoyed the Carnival. Seniors enjoyed caricature artists, games, a photo area, and delicious cookies and brownies!



#### **Bridge**

54 seniors played Bridge in Decembe**r**.

### **BUNCO Days**

Bunco took place December 12 and 19. Each day had eight participants.

#### LOAP

21 seniors from Chesterfield attended the December 11 meeting. Chris Cakes served up great pancakes and the seniors enjoyed playing double bingo with great prizes.

Dinner was at Eckert's Farm-Cider Shed Restaurant December 4, then off to Our Lady of the Snows Shrine to view their great light display, followed by a drive through Tilles Park.





#### **Older Adult Bingo**

December 6 Bingo was sponsored by the Senior Learning Institute. We had 63 seniors in attendance.

December 20, Bingo had 65 seniors attend.



# Mahjong

We had 27 seniors play Mahjong in December.

## **Senior Panel Discussion**

December 5 the topic was "I'm with the Government and Here to Help." At this seminar, they dove deep into government benefits and learned how to best utilize your benefits on a federal and state level. 29 seniors attended this panel discussion.



#### **Fall Prevention**

14 seniors attended this seminar where St. Luke's Therapy Services led a fall prevention session that included simple exercises and tools that can be practiced at home.

# **Family Bingo**

Holiday Bingo was a huge success with 94 people attending!



#### Golden Lunch Bunch

12 seniors that enjoyed lunch at YaYa's on December 13.



#### **Tot Time**

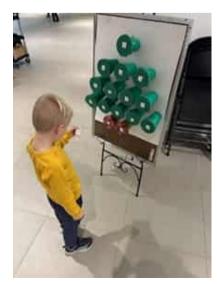
On December 1, 11 participants. Kids were able to create their very own snowman, play on the Christmas inflatable, and watch Frosty the Snowman.

On December 15, 14 children participated in a candy cane hunt to win a prize and decorate holiday themed picture frames.

# **CPR Training Class**

We hosted a Community CPR Class December 7 at the Community Center with nine people getting their certifications and two attending for the information.





## **Dog Park**

Santa came to visit the dog park December 8. We had 30 dogs join us to get their picture taken with Santa. This year ended with 374 residential and 23 nonresident dog park members.



# **Kids Movie Day**

We had 26 people join us for the kid's movie day showing of Frozen where they enjoyed popcorn and a refreshment.



## **Winter Camp**

Nine kids joined us for Winter Camp where they joined in on fun games and activities throughout the three days.





#### **Candy Cane Hunt**

On December 2, we hosted our Candy Cane Hunt at Central Park. This year we had two sponsors to help with hot chocolate and games. We had over 160 kids registered for the event. Monarch Fire Protection District, Chesterfield PD, St. Louis County Library book mobile, and characters were also in attendance. This year staff worked hard to make wood candy canes to be placed inside the hunt area.







#### Cookies with the Claus'

On December 1, we hosted Santa for the evening with over 60 plus kids and families in attendance. Santa read a story and took lots of family pictures.







**Pavilion Rentals**Pavilion rentals for 2024 begin February 5.





# PARK MAINTENANCE





### **Central Park**

- Refinishing aquatic center locker room floors
- Set post and mount signs for emergency markers on Riparian Trail
- Repair boards on bridge
- Backfill water repair
- Repair pin on gazebo bridge









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# **Rights of Way**

- Leaf removal on Clarkson 40, Conway cemetery
- Completed cutting back perennials on Timberlake and Olive swale
- Started trimming shrubs on Swingley
- · Trimmed back shrubs on Ladue and Woodsmill medians
- MSD storm water training
- Removed grasses and sumac from Clarkson swale medians
- · Graded and sodded Clarkson swale medians
- Clarkson median #4







# **Eberwein Park**



- Added mulch trail to boardwalk
- Replaced damaged parking blocks











# **City Hall**

- Trimmed trees and removed vinca vines from ends of medians
- Cleaned up leaves and brush
- completed mulching up front

# River's Edge Park

- Painted restrooms
- Trimmed back willow trees along the trail



#### **CVAC**

- Removed stumps
- Removed all vegetation and invasive trees/brush from retention ponds
- Brush hogged out of play areas around CVAC
- Removed rust and paint chips from columns
- Wrapped signs with plastic on columns





- Top dressed and seeded thin areas in the soccer fields and goal boxes by hand
- Overseeded soccer fields with bluegrass and rye grass
- Top dressed soccer fields with compost
- Removed grasses and dead trees from the main parking lot islands







### **CVAC** continued

- Sod prepped islands
- Removed sod from A1 and A2 and laid new sod
- Finished removing bushes from islands in F parking lot
- Edged sidewalks around baseball quads





- Sodded the rest of the islands in F parking lot
- Leaf removal
- Painted quad entrance columns











# Logan Park

- Watered new trees as needed
- Monthly playground inspection
- Leaf removal
- Installed a landscape bed around the park entrance sign
- Planted ten arborvitaes around the storage container
- Removed downed tree limbs
- Installed plow markers around parking lot





# **Dierberg Park**

• Shrub trimming and leaf removal



# PHOTOS OF THE MONTH



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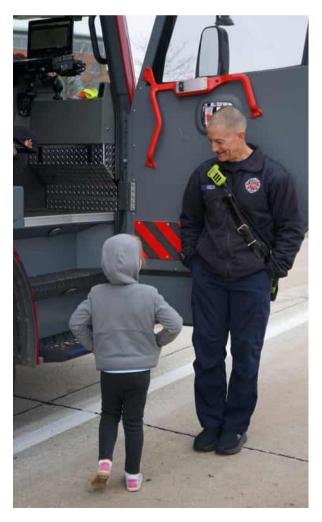


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