



***Recreation & Parks
Department Report
July 2008***

- Five (5) groups used the Hughes Center during June for a total of 127 hours. Events included the Central Pro Am Tournament Registration, a fundraiser for CASA and a family reunion.
- The Parks Commission did not meet in June.
- Tree removal was completed at Illinois Bayou Park.
- The Children's Fishing Derby was held at Pleasant View Park on June 7.
- The Arkansas State Hershey Track and Field Meet was held on Sunday, June 29 at the Russellville High School track. There were 100 participants this year.
- James School Park summer basketball league began play in June. Games are played on Sunday and Wednesday nights.
- Youth baseball had an all star festival on June 30 and July 1. The festival included games of skill, inflatable toys, all star games and more.
- Construction has begun at the Russellville High School and is creating dust and noise level increases around the pool. Usage seems to have leveled off some.
- There were seven incidents of vandalism and/or theft in June. There was one incident at Vick, two at the soccer complex, two at Hickey Park, one at Washburn Park and one at James Park. Incidents included toilet paper stolen three times, a picnic table, toilet, light switch and water fountain broken, and graffiti painted on a building.
- There were 16 pool party rentals in June. One of those rentals was for 450 people and another for 200 people.
- Four softball tournaments were held in June at Pleasant View Park. Tournaments included Valley Fest (21 teams), ASA Youth District (31 teams), ASA 8 and Under State (30 teams) and the B.J. Burton Memorial (14 teams).
- There were 19 pavilion rentals in June.
- The River Valley Ham Radio group held their annual radio event at Washburn Park on June 28 and 29.