



## ***Recreation & Parks Department Report April 2010***

- Eleven (11) groups used the Hughes Center during March for a total of 275 hours. Events included Hamfest, CASA fundraiser, census training and a political meet and greet.
- The parks commission did not meet in March.
- Two incidents of vandalism were reported in March. Incidents included graffiti at Hickey Park Pavilion 1 and criminal mischief at Shiloh Park.

Capital project five, the concession stand at Hickey Park, was completed and the R.Y.B.A. and parks maintenance employees have moved into the facility. The facility is very nice, well designed and should meet the programs needs for years to come.

- Park inspections were conducted on playgrounds, pavilions, benches, picnic tables and courts at all city parks. Several problems were discovered and have been or will be fixed.
- Mowing began in several of our parks in March. It has already caught up with us and caused us to schedule a little tighter.
- Mowing quotes were received from six local companies to assist in mowing all of our smaller parks. All American Lawn Care had the lowest quote and was awarded the contract. They began mowing at the end of the month.
- The low bid for the new mower was accepted. The mower was ordered from Maus Implement Company.
- Bids were accepted for the Russellville Soccer Complex shop and bullpen. The low bid was received from Williamson Construction Company.
- Bids were accepted for new score booths at Pleasant View Park and Shiloh Park. The lowest bid was accepted from Ford Engineering Construction and work should begin in April.
- New concrete steps were poured at the Illinois Bayou Park along with paint striping for the parking lot lines. Dirt work, excavation and stump/limb removal were completed in preparation for the grand opening on April 1 at 11:00am.
- All parks were opened for the season, water and electricity were turned on and parks were cleaned and readied for use.