



***Recreation & Parks
Department Report
March 2008***

- Ten (10) groups used the Hughes Center during February for a total of 306 hours. Events included the Primary Elections, Jr. Auxiliary's Charity Ball and an AVSA coaches meeting. Volleyball continued on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:00 to 10:00 in the gym.
- The Parks Commission did not meet in February.
- Mack attended a training seminar in Eureka Springs on the 19th through the 21st.
- The Arkansas Recreation and Parks Association recognized the Russellville disc golf course as the Facility of the Year for the State of Arkansas at their state conference. It won in the category for facilities constructed costing under \$500,000.
- Russellville High School Cyclone softball and baseball began their 2008 seasons at Hickey Park on fields #1 and #6.
- Park entry signs were installed at the Russellville competition ski area, the radio control flying field/car track and Illinois Bayou Park.
- A.A.R.P. tax assistance started on February 4th at the Hughes Center. They are utilizing the board room and room #1 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:00 to 4:00. Building use has been very high for the month of February.
- Electric hand dryers were installed at City Park pavilion in keeping with our green policy.
- Docks at the Ouita boat launch area and the Russellville ski area were repaired. They were damaged during the storms by wind and large waves.
- Clean up from the January 29th windstorm was completed at all city parks.
- Work at the Illinois Bayou Park has begun with some under brush clearing and clean up.
- Our pool manager for the past two years has moved to Bentonville and will not be returning for the 2008 season. She did a very good job for the City and will be missed.
- There were five incidences of illegal dumping on Orbit Lane in Shiloh Park. One incident was the dumping of several animal carcasses.
- Dirt work and field repair work was started at Pleasant View and Shiloh Park ball fields.