

- Eleven (11) groups used the Hughes Center during November for a total of 150 hours. Events included the PACA Arts & Crafts Show, Business After Hours, Community Band Concert and a Pope County Retired Teachers meeting.
- The Parks Commission met on November 4. (Minutes Attached)
- The Department conducted meetings in November to organize the annual Christmas Parade. The annual event presented by the City is a sight to behold. The parade is Thursday, December 4 at 6:30pm and is not to be missed. The town gathers to watch the beautiful floats, the bands and the arrival of Santa Claus on the big red fire truck.
- Maintenance worked many hours to decorate the Russellville downtown area for the holidays. The snowflakes were placed on the light poles and the lights from Winter Wonderland were installed in the area. The lights will be turned on nightly from November 29 until January 6. Please come downtown, visit with the local proprietors and enjoy the holiday atmosphere.
- The annual PACA arts and crafts show was held on November 6 & 7 and was well attended. Arlys and Merlin Stone did an excellent job organizing the event. There was a wide variety of things to purchase and it was a good opportunity to pick up a Christmas present.
- The Arkansas Center for Music Education held a community band concert at the Hughes Center on November 15. The theme was "Hear the Band" which featured each of the instrument sections. An instrument petting zoo was also available for people to discuss and try each instrument. Attendance is growing for each concert held here.
- Miller Roofing Company installed a new metal roof with a 45 year warranty on the concession building at Pleasant View Park. This is the continuation of the Department's roof replacement plan replacing shingle roofs with metal.
- C.B. and Todd of Facilities Maintenance replaced fascia and soffit boards as well as the trim around the doorways on our shop. They then painted the shop to match the other City Park Complex buildings. This is part of our improvement plan to match all the park buildings in each of our city parks.
- The restrooms at Hickey Park, James School Park and Vick Field were winterized for the season.
- Christmas decorations were placed at the Hughes Center for the holidays. Several groups have Christmas parties at the Hughes Center and this makes it easier for them to decorate.
- About fifteen student volunteers from ATU cleaned and pruned the five flower gardens at City Park. The work was needed and much appreciated. We hope to see the group again next year.