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- Held our annual Community Yard Sale at the Center Gymnasium on August 2 with 31 vendors setting up 45 booths.
- The second annual Woofstock festival was held at Mills Park on August 2 by Leadership Saline. \$5500 was raised for the Saline County Humane Society, along with 9 adoptions and 72 microchip implants.
- Bishop Park Softball Complex hosted a Henderson State softball camp on August 5.
- Bishop Park Center Gymnasium hosted a Hoop Play basketball camp on August 9 and 10.
- Lifeguarding Class was held August 22-31. Four new lifeguards received their certifications.
- A First Aid/CPR/AED class was held for non-first responder Parks employees on August 27. Nine employees were recertified and 3 employees received certification for the first time. Certifications are good for two years.
- Bishop Park Softball Complex hosted a BASE tournament on August 30.
- We ran Adult Intro to Tennis at the Joyce Boswell Courts at Mills Park throughout the month of August.
- We ran Adult Pickleball lessons at the Center Gymnasium with 13 people signed up. We will run it again in October.
- The Bishop Park Splash Pad closed for the season on August 31 and Mills Pool closed for the season on September 1.
- Tryouts were held for the 2025-2026 BASS team. Seven new swimmers tried out;
 of which five made the team and the other two were referred to swim lessons.
- The old PoolPak dehumidification system was demolished and removed from the Bishop Park Aquatic Center. The area has been prepped for the new Seresco unit to be installed in September.
- Two industrial HVLS fans were installed in the Bishop Park Aquatic Center.
- Replaced the carpet leading from the cafeteria to the playground at the Bryant Youth Association.
- Replaced the RPZ and repaired electrical shortages in the sprinkler system at Midland Park.
- Removed three dead trees from Mills Park
- Placed sod on worn areas at back two pads at Midland Park.
- Completed bi-annual filter replacement at Center facilities.

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- Repaired damaged areas to Bryant Youth Association playground by filling in holes with pour-in-place surfacing.
- Installed two new water fountains with bottle fills downstairs at the Bryant Youth Association.
- Adult Men's Basketball League is starting September 7. We have 18 teams signed up this year.
- We will be offering Youth Tennis lessons on Tuesdays starting September 16.
- We are backing up our inaugural Adult Women's Basketball League to begin on September 21 in order to attempt to recruit a few more teams to enter the league.
- Youth Volleyball registration is still open. Skills testing and draft is scheduled for September 16 and 18 and games will begin in October.
- Multiple pickleball leagues are open for registration and will start play at the beginning of October. Two ladder leagues will be played on Tuesday nights, a morning league at Bishop Park on Wednesdays and a King of the Court roulette league will be on Thursday evenings at Mills Park.