Announcements January 2024

Member Communication: Please make it a priority to check your correct email is on file with the Rec Center so that you receive notifications. Typically a notification email will be followed by the same post on the Rec Center Pickleball website.

Please be Kind: As we are a Rec Center we have courts that are multi-purpose such as the six courts at the Rec Center and four at Chaplin Park. Play/reservations have to end at 3pm at the Rec Center to allow for the school children's use, and basketball games.

The Rec Center, the city, the volunteers and myself are painfully aware of the lack of courts for the size of membership. Close to 700 members last year, with six truly dedicated courts. With that being said it would be beneficial to set expectations. Until we have further resources/courts let us be grateful for the direction in which we are going and show appreciation to our volunteers and staff. Your attitude, cooperation and support are very much needed to keep promoting not just the growth of resources/courts but as importantly the culture of Pickleball at the Rec Center.

Please show up with your best self and enjoy the privilege that we live in the most visited location in the continental US, and get to play Pickleball with great people.

Court Resurfacing Note: Due to the bad weather in December, the contractor was not able to renovate the courts at the Rec Center. Since we were going into our busiest time of the year (Jan-Mar), the Rec Center decided to put off renovations until April.

Nets and Ball Stops: At Adrianna, a bagged pickleball net and ball stops are available in the storage bin for use on the lined basketball court. Please feel free to set up the net. In addition, for the colder months, we have transitioned over to the Wilson ball that we tested last year.

We wish you all good health and lots of fun playing Pickleball in 2024.

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