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Monthly Update on Current Programs & Services

Mansfield Activities Center: Five new staff members have been hired and are being trained.

Kids Zone summer camp started May 31 with 48 campers aged 6-11.

Family Nerf Night has 101 people registered for good ole' family fun on June 10 where obstacles and barriers will be set up to challenge participants while blasting fellow nerf enthusiasts.

Senior Lifestyles: The Mansfield Senior Lifestyles program celebrated during the month of May. Cinco de Mayo was on May 5th with 24 seniors being treated to a traditional Mexican food lunch complete with a tasty "mocktail" margarita. The 9th annual Senior Synergy Expo took place on May 12th with 24 seniors traveling to Fort Worth to experience a healthy lifestyle expo for boomers, seniors, and caregivers. The expo included health screenings, educational workshops, exercise classes, entertainment, and vendor booths.

Memorial Day brought 55 seniors out to enjoy a festive day with entertainment to help us all remember and honor all who have served and sacrificed for our freedom. The group A Chaired Talent (senior choir) performed; Red, White & Blue Bingo was fun for all; and Steve's BBQ Grilled Cheeseburgers was served for lunch. Humana Insurance sponsored cupcakes and door prizes for participants.

Coming up this June, there will be a Father's Day Donuts & Coffee on June 16th, Juneteenth Celebration on June 17th, and Monday Movie Madness on June 28th.

Nature Education: Tara Duncan started employment on May 31st as our Nature Education Specialist, just in time for summer.

Four successful pre-school programs finished their sessions this May. Growing Up Wild had 13 nature education students. Eco Explorers had nine students who learned all about trees and other shapes in nature. Little Explorers had 15 students who learned about animals, met them in person, and made related crafts. On May 18, 18 preschool students and their parents came to make an Under the Pond painting by using their handprints to create a fish, turtle, or frog scene.

Oliver Nature Park school field trips taught 147 students about nature while hiking through the park and completing hands-on learning stations. The Nature Education team visited two schools where 174 students were taught about animals and plants that live in Texas.

Five successful home school programs finished their sessions this May. The Home School Nature program had 24 students aged 5-14 years old finish their 3-month nature education program in May. Home School Fishing Club had nine students who met four Friday afternoons in May to learn basic skills and safety for fishing and even caught their own fish. The Home School Wild About Birds learned all about Texas birds, met live birds, made bird feeders, and explored the park looking for birds for four Tuesday afternoons in May. Home School Children's Gardening class took place on May 5th where 11 students learned about seeds, how to grow a garden, and planted their own garden to take home. Home School Spring Chemistry class completed three fun experiments while learning about science. There were 13 students in this program.

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