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ARNOLD HEIGHTS POOL UPDATE

On May 6 officials for the Lincoln Parks and Recreation office met with the Arnold Heights Neighborhood Association and interested citizens. The discussion began with news that this year would be the 50th anniversary of the Arnold Heights Pool. But this year would also be its last year. Its aging infrastructure, rising maintenance costs and declining attendance were all reasons cited for the decision. The trade-off for losing the swimming pool would be the development of a "Spray-Ground" to be built north of the new Recreation Center. This facility would open for the summer of 2026 and would similar to the one at Trago Park in downtown Lincoln.

Since that meeting additional community input rallied and the Parks Department worked with that input. At this time, the Arnold Heights Pool is slated to **REMAIN OPEN** in 2025 and beyond, for as long as it is able to remain safe and feasible to operate.

Parks and Recreation will be conducting planning efforts to evaluate the status of the city-



wide swimming pool network. While Arnold Heights Pool is the oldest, there are several other pools in the Parks inventory of nearly the same age. A community wide discussion will need to take place to evaluate and assess the future of aquatic amenities in the greater Lincoln community.

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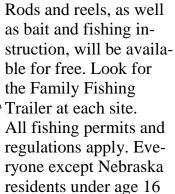
FREE FAMILY FISHING EVENTS

Fishing is a wonderful way to connect with your family. Whether you are an avid fisher-

man or new to it, it is a great way to spend time with your children and spouse. Leave technology at home and enjoy nature. There are many different opportunities to enjoy fishing in our area this spring and

summer. These events are for novices and experienced anglers. Come out and have fun on the water!

Community Events are organized by Nebraska Game and Parks and there are several Lincoln-area events with three right here at Bowling Lake.



must have a valid Nebraska fishing permit.

All Events run from 6:00-8:00 PM

June 11 Holmes Lake Community Fishing June 17 Bowling Lake, **Community Fishing** June 24 Holmes Lake **Community Fishing** July 9 Bowling Lake **Community Fishing** July 9 Bowling Lake **Discover Fly Fishing** July 19 Holmes Lake **Community Fishing** July 30 Holmes Lake Community Fishing **August 5 Bowling Lake Community Fishing**

August 12 Holmes Lake Community Fishing

SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT

The Lincoln Airport Authority is anxious to share the dates for this year's LNK Outdoor Movie Series! Check out the lineup and join us for a season of fun, food, and family-friendly entertainment. ☐ **Location:** 3801 NW 34th Street, Lincoln, NE 68524 ☐ Movie Nights & Activities: ☐ How to Train Your Dragon - Friday, June 13 | **6 PM**

☐ **Top Gun: Maverick** – Friday, August 15 | 6 PM ☐ ☐ Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse – Friday, September 16 | **6 PM** ☐ **Hocus Pocus** – Friday, October 24 | 5 PM (Trunk-or-Treat before the movie!) ☐ Each event will feature **kid-**

friendly activities and delicious **food vendors.** The movie will begin at dark, and parking is ☐ The Sandlot – Friday, July 11 available on a first-come, firstserved basis.

□ □ Weather-dependent: Follow us on **Facebook** for updates. For any questions, feel free to reach out! marketing@lincolnairport.com



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The AHNA will be involved in those discussions and will report back via this publication.

With the Arnold Heights Pool to remain open for the near future, the "Spray-Ground" plans will be tabled.

As in previous years there may be temporary closures of the pool for mechanical issues that arise during the season. This is to be expected of a 50 year old facility. Be assured that the Parks staff will do what they can to keep the pool open and safe for the children of our community.

One of the reasons cited for the consideration of closing the facility was the dwindling attendance. The one thing in our control as a community is to keep the facility busy. Did you know about Family Swim Nights every Friday night, where the entire family can get in at reduced cost? How about renting the pool for a family event or birthday party, that is an available option as well. The age old saying of "Use It, Or Loose It" applies here.

Another community wide issue with the aquatics program is the difficulty in hiring and maintaining sufficient numbers of lifeguards and pool staff during the summer. This translates into occasional pool closure due to

staffing issues. If you are interested in working at a pool during the summer, consider checking this out. Log Into the city website at jobs.lincoln.ne.gov to learn more about a FUN Summer Job.

We can all be involved in maintaining a sustainable future for aquatics in Lincoln.



We hope that you are able to enjoy your summer in our North West Lincoln Community Take in one of the Movie Nights at the Airpark Community Center or the Airport Authority Pickup up a book at the Williams Branch Library, or take advantage of their programing Enjoy some time at Bowling Lake, consider one of the Family Fishing Nights The Dog Run near Bowling Lake is a great place to take your pet for off-leash activity. Enjoy any of the 5 local parks or just take a stroll through you neighborhood The SCCA Race events can be a fun visit when they are in town. Free admission.