



City of Denison
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Long-time Denison Parks & Recreation Employee honored with state award

Denison, Texas – The City of Denison is proud to announce employee, Andrew Means, was recently recognized as the Texas Recreation & Park Society (TRAPS) Recreation Professional of the Year.

Means has worked in the Denison Parks and Recreation division for more than 15 years, and has been an integral part of many successful projects like Wonders of Winter, Easter Egg Hunt, Game Night, Daddy Daughter Dance, and Mother Son Party just to name a few. Means also created cornhole and sand volleyball leagues which have demonstrated overwhelming popularity.

“He is willing to step outside of his comfort zone to serve the community and team in the best manner,” said Assistant Dir. of Parks & Recreation, Kimberly Bowen. “He demonstrates empathy and this creates trust among the citizens. He not only demonstrates these valuable traits with his interactions with customers but equally so with his coworkers. He is always willing to help and offer valuable ideas, knowledge, and experience with his team,” she said.

One of the longest running programs that Means oversees is the Snowball Classic Softball Tournament. This tournament is now on its 37th year and is a major economic boom with more than 1,000 softball players, excluding families, coming to Denison for the tournament.

“The awards committee had many wonderful entries to score, and it was a difficult task. Your nomination stood out above the rest to exemplify commitment and dedication in the field of parks and recreation,” said awards committee chair Erika Tang.

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About Denison Founded in 1872, the City of Denison is located 40 minutes North of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex in Grayson County. The city comprises a population of approximately 25,000. The city offers an exemplary school district, a vibrant historic district, a robust housing market, excellent quality of life amenities, and an expanding business climate. Denison is moving forward and kicking back. For more information, visit us at www.cityofdenison.com