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WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

Board Meetings

Your personal participation is an integral part of this decision-making process. The Park Board meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Corrine J. Rose Administrative Center, 2000 Belvidere Street. You are always welcome to attend.

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Executive Director	Greg Petry, CPRE
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Recreation Connection

Our brochure is published seasonally by the Waukegan Park District and is delivered by the U.S. Postal Service via bulk mail to all District residents. Current issues are available at all Park District facilities one week prior to registration dates.

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From Your Executive Director

Our theme for this magazine is the Environment. Your Waukegan Park District is committed to protecting and enhancing our parks and open spaces. I would like to share some of the initiatives that have been undertaken.

- Mike Trigg, our Superintendent of Parks was named Friend of the Environment and received Congressman Dold's 10th District Leadership award. Mike is an extraordinary parks champion who is retiring at the end of March. He will be greatly missed.
- SWALCO Reuse A Shoe. Last year we collected over 600 pairs of shoes, which are donated to those in need, often when natural disasters strike. Collection sites are at the Field House at Hinkston Park, Belvidere Recreation Center and the Waukegan SportsPark.
- Textile Recycling. We are piloting this with staff and hope to provide for the public soon. Lightly used or new clothing and textiles are re-sold to fund the recycling of worn textiles.
- Morrison Picnic Center, Path and Ravine Improvements at Bowen Park. With help from Waukegan Harbor Citizen's Advisory Group and Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, we are completing phase two of a three phase project to improve native habitat and improve public access.
- Recycling. We continue our strong program to recycle what we generate internally - toner/ink cartridges, batteries and electronics. In addition, we provide collection of commingled recyclables in our parks and facilities
- Community Recycling Event. November 5, 2016 at Belvidere Park - We had more than 140 vehicles drop off over 2,500 pounds of paper for shredding, three large containers of clothing, one large container of shoes, one box of eyeglasses and seven bicycles.
- IPRA Environmental Report Card. – In 2016, we updated the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association's Environmental Report Card. We saw our score rise from 78% to 83%. We are pleased with our progress, but our active Green Team is working diligently to raise score even higher.
- Several "Green" program initiatives have offered a variety of fun and engaging environmental programs for free or at a very affordable rate. Read the article in the Park Happenings section for more information.



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