

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

PRESS RELEASE

Erick Beverly Promoted to Superintendent of Recreation

WAUKEGAN, IL (June 30, 2017)...Erick Beverly has been promoted to Superintendent of Recreation effective July 1st. Erick has worked at the Waukegan Park District since 2010; during that time, he received three promotions. Initially hired as a Recreation Specialist, he managed youth athletic programs. He was promoted to Supervisor of Athletics in 2012, overseeing adult athletics and directing tournaments. He was appointed Manager of Sports and Fitness in 2013 with responsibilities for managing Field House and SportsPark facilities and programs, all athletics, aquatics and fitness staff and programs. Throughout his career at the Waukegan Park District, Erick has been responsible for the recruitment, management, and success of local, regional and national tournaments at the Field House and SportsPark generating tourism revenues of approximately \$15 million annually.

Prior to the Waukegan Park District, Erick worked for the Boys and Girls Club as a Unit Director and before that as a Program Director. He was an executive Team Leader of Assets Protection for Target Corporation.

Erick has a Bachelor of Science degree from Southern Illinois University (SIU) at Carbondale and has completed coursework towards a Masters at SIU. For more information, please contact Jay Lerner, Interim Executive Director at jlerner@waukeganparks.org or 847-782-3300.

About the Waukegan Park District

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 48 sites and more than 735 acres of land, including the 18-hole Bonnie Brook and 9-hole Greenshire Golf Courses. Properties are managed to the highest environmental and conservation standards. Facilities operated by the district include the Field House Sports, Fitness and Aquatics Center, the Jack Benny Center for

the Arts, the Waukegan SportsPark, the Waukegan Skate Park, the Waukegan BMX Track, recreational centers, an outdoor swimming pool, disc golf course, dog exercise area and agility course, outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and sports courts including basketball, tennis and pickleball. A full range of programs and services are offered year round for all ages, from infants to seniors as well as special needs populations. Healthy lifestyles, wellness initiatives, and a connection with the outdoors and nature are integrated throughout programs, services, and special events. Cultural events are provided by the Waukegan Symphony Orchestra and Concert Chorus, and the Waukegan History Museum. There is something for everyone! The award-winning District employs 61 full-time and over 230 part-time, year round, seasonal, and temporary employees. The District is a member of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD), and Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA). The district maintains national accreditation from the NRPA Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) Distinguished Agency accreditation and Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA) accreditation and maintains a Level A Loss Control Program. The district was a NRPA Gold Medal Finalist in 2012 and 2013, and awarded the NRPA National Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management in 2013.

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