

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

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Waukegan Park District Installs Two Commissioners

Waukegan, IL (May 26, 2013) ... Newly elected George Bridges, Jr and incumbent Bill Sarocka were administered the oath of office by Judge George Bridges, Sr at the regular Waukegan Park District Board of Commissioners Meeting, May 14th. New officers elected for the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year were Janet Kilkelly, President; Terry Duffy, Vice President; Bill Sarocka, Treasurer and Attorney Charles Smith will continue as the Secretary to the Board. In addition, appointments were made to several advisory committees-Cultural Arts, Golf, Recreation, and the Special Recreation.

Waukegan Park District Board Meetings are held at 4pm on the second Tuesday of each month at Rose Administrative Center, 2000 Belvidere Road and the public is invited to attend. Meeting schedules and agendas are posted on the website: www.waukeganparks.org.

Oath of Office



Judge George Bridges, Sr., his son Commissioner George Bridges Jr. and the new commissioner's wife Tami holding the bible.



Judge George Bridges, Sr., incumbent Commissioner Bill Sarocka and Greg Petry, Executive Director holding the bible

About the Waukegan Park District

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 47 properties and 720 acres of land, which includes 18-hole Bonnie Brook and 9-hole Greenshire Golf Courses. The District operates the Field House Sports and Fitness 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, outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and sports courts including basketball and tennis. A full range of programs and services are offered year round for all ages from infants to seniors and special populations are included. Many special events are offered throughout the year, many are complimentary. Cultural events are provided by the Waukegan Symphony Orchestra and Concert Chorus, the Bowen Park Theatre Company, and the Waukegan History Museum. The award-winning District employs 54 full-time staff and over 250 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), the Illinois Association of Park Districts' (IAPD) Distinguished Agency accreditation and the Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA) accreditation and sustains a Level A Loss Control Program. In 2012, the district was named a Gold Medal Finalist.