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# WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

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## Immediate Release

### TEA AND FOOD PAIRING CLASS

**WAUKEGAN, IL** (June 18, 2013) Looking for something new for when you host guests? Join certified tea master, Thresa Griffin, in a taste-bud watering tea tasting class brought to you by the Waukegan Park District's Bowen Heritage Circle. Thresa will facilitate a fun and delicious evening as she pairs different foods including fruits, chocolates, artisan cheeses, and simple hors d'oeuvres with teas gathered from around the world. The class titled "Tea Pairing" will be held on Monday, June 24, 2013 from 6:00-8:00pm at Lilac Cottage in Bowen Park, 1911 N. Sheridan Road, Waukegan, IL 60087. This tea tasting class will be a multi-sensory experience and an excellent way to sample and educate oneself on different teas.

Cost of the class is \$38 for Waukegan Park District residents and \$43 for non-residents. Sign-up with a friend for the special price of 2 for \$67/\$72! To register call the Waukegan Park District Jack Benny Center for the Arts at 847-360-4740. Location of the Jack Benny Center is 39 Jack Benny Drive in Bowen Park. Register online at [www.waukeganparks.org](http://www.waukeganparks.org). Participants must register in advance. Registration deadline has been extended to June 21. The registration number for this class is #4556.

## **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. The district was named a NRPA Gold Medal Finalist in 2012 and 2013.