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# WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

## PRESS RELEASE

### **Waukegan Parks Foundation to Host 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Partners in Parks Golf Outing**

**Waukegan, Illinois (May 25, 2021)** –The Waukegan Parks Foundation invites community partners to the 26th Annual Partners in Parks Golf Outing on Wednesday, June 30 at Bonnie Brook Golf Course. Check-in and breakfast will begin at 7:30am, with the driving range open for warm-up. A shotgun start will follow at 8:30am. All proceeds will go to the Waukegan Parks Foundation to support a community initiative inviting every second-grade class in Waukegan on a free water safety field trip to the Field House Sports, Fitness & Aquatics.

Early-bird registration is available until Monday, May 31 for \$150 per golfer or \$500 per foursome. Regular registration will be \$175 per golfer and \$550 per foursome. Participation in the golf outing includes a cart, a goodie bag, food and beverage tickets, a raffle ticket, and a lunch. Golfers will also receive a printed souvenir photo of their foursome.

Nathan Hintz, President of the Waukegan Parks Foundation, stated, “The Waukegan Parks Foundation is grateful for our community partners. Proceeds from the 26th Annual Partners in Parks Golf Outing will impact over 1,200 local students by giving them the opportunity to learn the basics of water safety.”

There are various sponsorship opportunities. More details, including registration and sponsorship options, are available at [waukeganparks.org/partnersinparks](http://waukeganparks.org/partnersinparks).

#### **About the Waukegan Park District**

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 50 properties and more than 740 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’s Greg Petry SportsPark, the Waukegan Skate Park, the Waukegan BMX Track, recreational centers, disc golf course, dog exercise area and agility course, outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, splash pads, 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 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 employs 63 full-time and over 230 part-time, seasonal, and temporary employees and is recognized by the IPRA as an Exceptional Workplace. Accreditation is maintained 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). The District has received Government Finance Officer Association awards for Distinguished Budget Presentation and Certificate for Excellence in Financial Reporting for ten consecutive years. The District was awarded the NRPA National Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management in 2013 and named a NRPA Gold Medal Finalist in 2012, 2013, 2019, and 2021.

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