

# BARTLETT PARK DISTRICT

## SPOTLIGHT



### MISSION STATEMENT

We create fun!...by providing the finest in Parks, Programs, and Recreational Facilities for our community.

### VISION STATEMENT

We thrive on creating lasting memories for our residents and their families by enthusiastically responding to and serving their recreational and leisure needs.

### CORE VALUES

- We are committed to serving our community by operating with the highest principles of honesty, character, integrity, accountability and fairness.
- We will strive to excel in all areas of operation, learn from our mistakes, challenge ourselves, persevere and show courage in times of adversity.
- We strive to continually improve our residents' quality of life by providing ample open space and a wide variety of recreational programs based on the input of our diverse residents.
- We will strive to maintain and preserve all of our parks and facilities to the highest quality standards of safety, usefulness, and beauty.
- We will partner with volunteers and interested groups to encourage their support and advocacy, leverage our resources, manage our costs, and maximize the value of our parks and recreation programs.
- We will responsibly manage our fiscal resources to assure our ability to maintain our facilities, implement our long-term capital plan, and provide valued recreational programs.



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## AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- LIFECENTER Health & Fitness Club became a Healthy Minds, Health Bodies certified facility.
- LIFECENTER Health & Fitness Club installed TRX equipment and became a certified facility.
- The Aquatic facilities received the 2014 Ellis and Associates Silver International Aquatic Safety Award.
- Kolbe Kasper and David Littwin received their Certified Park and Recreation Professional certification from the National Parks & Recreation Association.
- David Littwin received his Certified Pool Operators and PDRMA Essential of Human Resources Curriculum (H.E.L.P.) certificate.
- Katie Jablonski and Lynsey Heathcote graduated from the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Leadership Academy.
- The IPRA Health and Wellness Committee awarded the Bartlett Park District the 2014 Exceptional Workplace Award
- The PDRMA Wellness Committee selected Bartlett Park District to receive one of three grants to financially assist our Employee Wellness Program. The grant was in the amount of \$1000.



## OTHER "GOOD STUFF"

- Bartlett Park District celebrated its 50th anniversary with a 50 Year Anniversary Program, Logo testimonials, Party in the Park Event, Give a ways, Parade float, Facebook promo, and a Selfies Photo Campaign.
- Completed a Master Plan
- Website changes: Daily news, Donate, Gallery, Hot buttons, New colors, New links, Mega menu, and a Responsive Website.
- Barefoot Snow Stand fundraiser for Foundation
- Cross Country Ski rental at Nature Center
- Reconfigured Nature Center Museum for better programming and rotating exhibits
- Awarded IDNR PARC Grant for improvements at Schrade Gym
- Team USA Soccer Party hosted in the Oak Room
- The Nature Center featured on Fox 32 Jake's Hometown segment
- Created and launched 8 micro web sites: Oak Room, Nature Center, Bartlett Aquatic Center, Apple Orchard Golf Course, Splash Central, LIFECENTER, Bartlett Parks Foundation, and Villa Olivia
- Created Facebook pages for Bartlett Nature Center, Youth Sports, and LIFECENTER
- LIFECENTER Retention program included new member book, loyalty coupons, t-shirt, orientation cards, and referral cards

## DONATIONS, SPONSORSHIPS, AND GRANTS

- Caputo's donating fresh veggies to the animals at the Nature Center.
- Chicago Wolves partnership with VO Winter Sports
- Sponsorship of Ski, Snowboard, and Snow Tube brochure.

## NEW PROGRAMS & EVENTS: 162 OFFERED

## FREE PROGRAMS & EVENTS: 30 OFFERED

## THE BARTLETT PARK DISTRICT

## HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR FISCAL



## FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

- Utilized college interns in all departments of the park district for various projects, events and research related tasks.
- Utilizing volunteers for events and photographers
- Renewed Intergovernmental Governmental Agreement with U-46 for Praireview & Sycamore Trails
- Printed Villa Ski pamphlet and the Villa Banquet pamphlet in a way to save \$600 for Banquet and increase the size of the ski pamphlet and print an additional 5,000 at no additional charge
- Materials donated to the Nature Center for events and programs estimated value \$12,000
- Purchased a new copier that is more economical, energy efficient and is able to be networked to increase efficiency.
- Increase the fillable forms places on line to reduce printing and paper costs.



Our fiscal year is May 1-April 30, not the calendar year. Goals and Objectives as well as long range planning are tied into the fiscal year.

## YEAR MAY 2014-APRIL 2015



## RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

- Tallgrass Playground Replaced
- New Softball fence on AO 2
- New Lobby Furniture at BCC
- Running Track resurfaced and track walls painted
- Nature Center Prairie Room received new hard surface floor
- LIFECENTER Health & Fitness Club purchased three Precor AMT's, two Cybex Arc Trainers and a fully ADA certified NuStep seated stepper.
- Installed new Corian countertop in the Oak Room kitchen and bar areas.
- Splash Central completed phase 1 of its locker replacement by installing 57 new lockers.
- Tubing Hill improvements at Villa Olivia
- Electronic Sign at Villa Olivia
- Golf Car fleet updated at Villa Olivia
- HVAC replacement at Villa Olivia
- New Loading Deck at Villa Olivia Chairlift
- New Drapes at Villa Olivia Crystal Room
- Additional Tubes for Villa Olivia Snow Tubing
- New Ski Patrol Trailer at Villa Olivia and Roof Replacements at Villa Olivia.

## CIVIC & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Bartlett Community Clean-up the Park Day w/ Village
- Worked with local Youth Sport Organizations: Total - 14 groups, 122 teams, est. 1764 players including Baseball, Soccer, Football & Lacrosse
- Police Department with National Night Out and Twilight Skate Park Bash
- Bartlett Police Department held trainings at the Nature Center
- Worked with Scouts:
  - 3 eagle projects accomplish
  - 1 - gold award girl scouts
  - 2 - silver awards
  - 6 - bronze
- DuPage County Forest Preserve Co-op
- IDNR (Hunter Safety Courses)
- Host site for Lupus Walk and Children's Alopecia Awareness walk
- National Recreation and Park Association - 10 million Kids Program
- Terry Witt of Spin Doctors with the community bike rides
- World Peace Organization - Play for Peace
- Partnership with U-46 Vocational Program
- Cabela's Scout and Kids Day
- Partnered with Hanover Township in the Annual Holiday Children's Book and Toy Drive and food pantry drive.
- Assisted Girl Scout with her Silver Award project
- Assisted a homeless shelter by collecting coats, gloves, scarves, socks, hats and blankets for those in need.
- Hosted 4 community blood drives to help support hospitals in the area.
- Bartlett Park District, the Village of Bartlett and the Chamber of Commerce co-chaired the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting in Bartlett Park.
- Apple Orchard Golf Course co-sponsored the Twilight Golf Outing with the Bartlett Parks Foundation.
- Bartlett Park District and Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual Holiday Taste of Bartlett after Hours in the Oak Room.
- Bartlett Aquatic Center hosted the annual Turtle Race for the Bartlett Parks Foundation.
- The Bartlett Park District was a sponsor of the following events:
  - Heritage Days
  - Bartlett Chamber Carnival
  - Bartlett Fine Arts Festival
- Host site for Fourth of July Festival



# UPCOMING PROJECTS MAY 2015-APRIL 2016

- Schrade Gym Renovations, pending IDNR Grant
- BCC Gym Floor Resurfacing
- Strategic Planning
- Replacement 18 Spin Bikes and 2 Step Mills for the LIFECENTER Health & Fitness Club
- New Sound System for the Dance Studio
- Phase 2 of the Splash Central Locker replacement

- Replacement of small slide at Splash Central
- Repainting of the lazy river at Bartlett Aquatic Center
- Purchasing a new copier for the Registration Office
- New Equipment Lift at Villa Olivia
- Paving Projects at Villa Olivia
- New Tube Hill grooming equipment
- New snow tracks for utility vehicle

