BARTLETT PARK DISTRICT SPOTLIGHT



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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.

Adopted October 28, 2008

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR FISCAL YEAR MAY 2012-APRIL 2013

THE BARTLETT PARK DISTRICT'S

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.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Scott Falli 2012 SPRA Professional Scholarship Winner
- Bartlett Nature Center 2013 Community Partnership Award
- Bartlett Nature Center 2012 Lupus Foundation of America
- Bartlett Nature Center 2012 Preferred Partner Girls Scouts of Northern Illinois
- 2012 Ellis and Associates Silver Award
- · GFOA Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting
- Susan Leninger CPRP Certificate
- Susan Leninger A&F Section Distinguished Service Award
- PDRMA review and accreditation
- Pete Pratt, Matt Benning, and Al Smith Public Applicator IL Dept of Agriculture
- Jose Garcia, Gustavo Diaz, and Frank Schulter Public Operator IL Dept of Agriculture

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

- Year Round agreement with Christ Community Church for rental space (third year)
- \$5,694 raised in Preschool Butter Braid Fundraiser to support Handwriting without Tears supplies, new games, toys, art supplies, science, math and alphabet items for the preschool program
- College intern utilized in all departments of the park district for projects, events and research related tasks
- Participated in the Benedictine Masters outreach program for new marketing ideas
- Developed a new Bartlett Aquatic Center Facebook Page to increase promotional opportunities and reduce standard mailings and copying costs

OTHER NEWS

- · New Bartlett Park District and Villa Olivia website
- Villa Olivia Dedication and Open House
- Annual Ski Open House at Villa Olivia
- · Exhibited at Kids Day at Arboretum, South Barrington
- · Attended Cabela's Scouting Day Event
- · Exhibited at "Just Play" Event in Carol Stream
- · Presented at Home School Conference
- Presented at the Illinois State Conference
- Purchased new portable sound system for musicals

DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS

- Cadence Health donated \$5,000 toward resident recreational scholarship program
- Bartlett Nature Center received \$4000 in donations to support special events
- Memory Tree & Memory Bench program: 17 trees and one bench sponsored



NEW PROGRAMS AND EVENTS (150 OFFERED)

- Table Tennis program
- Badminton Open Gym & Program
- Baton Classes
- Sewing Classes
- Murder Mystery Event
- Dance in the Park Event
- Aquatic special events including: Santa's Christmas Splash, Karaoke Night, Caribbean Night, Lifeguard Day, and Meet the Aquatics Managers
- Fitness Programs including: Zumba Toning and Bootcamp for Kids
- Aquatics programs including: revamping youth swim lesson program by creating the Bartlett Swim Academy and adding Semi-Private Diving Lessons
- New Golf Programs including: Beginning Golf Camps, Golf Tune Up Clinics, Senior Golf Tournament, Parent/Child Golf Outing, revamped Youth Golf Lessons, and offered a Public Golf Tournaments offered at Villa Olivia



RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

- Playground replacement: Ancient Oaks, Kermit's Corner & Oak Grove
- Apple Orchard Community Park parking lot improvements
- New sled hill at Apple Orchard Community Park
- · New ice skating rink at Blue Heron Park
- Kermit's Korner shoreline stabilization project
- New lobby furniture at BCC
- Refinished basketball floors at BCC
- New equipment at LIFECENTER
- Indirect lighting improvements at Splash Central
- Completion of VO Ski Lodge and building renovation
- Bartlett Aquatic Center renovations and expansion completed
- Administrative Building interior received new paint and carpet and exterior was repainted
- Intergovernmental paving project between the Park District and the Village for resurfacing a portion of the Bartlett trail

GREEN STRATEGIES

- Bartlett Aquatic Center concession stand refrigerator and freezers were replaced with more energy efficient units
- · Recycling program implemented at Villa Olivia
- · Collection of flags, batteries and light bulbs at Earth Day
- Existing asphalt from the Apple Orchard Community Park parking lot project was ground-up on site and reused as a base for the new parking lot asphalt
- The original playground equipment from Oak Grove Park & Ancient Oaks Park was donated to 'Kids Around The World'. The Ancient Oaks playground will be installed in Jamaica by 'Kids Around The World'.
- Fish cribs were built by an Eagle Scout installed at Beaver Pond by park staff

CIVIC AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Bartlett Community Clean-up the Park Day w/ Village
- Continued working with U-46 BHS on Basketball Tournaments
- Work with Youth Organizations: Total 14 groups, 141 teams, est. 1887 players including: BLL, Silverhawks, Bandits, Top Prospects, Bartlett Elite, Bartlett Thunder BTSC, Bartlett Stars Soccer, Raiders Football, Hawks Football, Bartlett Lacrosse High School & Youth
- National Night Out & Twilight Skate Park Bash with Police Department
- · Arts in Bartlett- Art Festival, cultural programs
- Character Counts Collation
- Worked with Eagle Scouts:
- O'Brien Woods: Cut & removed buckthorn, expanded camp area, mulched new camp area and rebuilt and redesigned fire pit
- O'Brien Woods: Disassembled 10 wood benches, removed all metal hardware, cut 20 new bases and rebuilt benches using wooden pegs only
- James "Pate" Philips State Park Trails: Created safety trail markers with emergency info and GPS coordinates. Signs were installed on 10 large boulders and placed on trails.
- Eagle Scout removed & replaced the informational board at O'Brien Woods and added one at JPPSP/NC
- Assisted Boy Scout in the collection of children's books to help earn his Eagle Scout
- Served as a location for various school collections including shoes, winter coats, books, etc.
- Participated in the Fittest Loser Challenge with Daily Herald and other Park Districts placing third overall
- Partnered with Hanover Township in the Annual Holiday Children's Book and Toy Drive and a food pantry drive
- Assisted Brownie troop in the collection small personal items to ship shoe boxes to children in need
- Assisted Bartlett Lions in the collection of eye glasses and cell phones by providing a location for their collection box
- LIFECENTER Health & Fitness Club hosted the race packet pickup for both the Liberty Elementary Schools Lucky Lion 5k, and the Bartlett Lions Club's Labor Day Dash
- Hosted 5 community blood drives
- Bartlett Park District, the Village of Bartlett and the Chamber of Commerce co-chaired the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting in Bartlett Park
- Bartlett Park District and Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual Holiday Taste of Bartlett after Hours in the Oak Room
- The Bartlett Aquatic Center added approximately 100 additional part-time summer jobs for the expanded facility
- The Bartlett Park District sponsored the following events:
 Heritage Days, Bartlett Chamber Carnival, and Bartlett Fine
 Arts Festival
- 'Because of Beth' volunteer group cleaned up: O'Brien Woods, pond & trail; The Bartlett Trail; Leiseberg Park; Schrader Park, Camelot on Mayfair, and volunteered at many special events.

FREE EVENTS (25 TOTAL)

- Earth Day
- House Decorating Contest
- VO Winter Open House
- Fishing Derby
- · Bartlett's Biggest
- Movies in the Park
- Stories in the Park
- Fitness Screenings
- Woofstock

UPCOMING PROJECTS MAY 2013-APRIL 2014





UPCOMING PROJECTS & NEW PROGRAMS

- Oak Grove Pond shore stabilization
- Replacing wall padding and basketball hoops at Schrade Gym
- Schrader Playground Replacement
- New Softball fence on Apple Orchard Field 1
- WiFi at BCC Oak Room and main lobby
- Music in the Park, Theater program partnerships,
 Zombie Dash/Halloween Event, Adult Birthdays, and
 Scouting Overnight Lock-In at Bartlett Nature Center
- BCC New lighting on stage for rentals
- Replacing the Oak Room window shades

- LIFECENTER Health & Fitness Club equipment replacement
- Banners in Splash Central
- New Junior Dodge Ball Program
- Positive Coaching Alliance Training Program for all youth sports coaches
- Winter Carnival at Villa Olivia
- Electronic Sign at Villa Olivia
- New Awnings at Villa Olivia
- New Outdoor Wedding Area and enhancements at Villa Olivia
- Golf Car fleet update at Villa Olivia



