## 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 2011-APRIL 2012

#### 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**

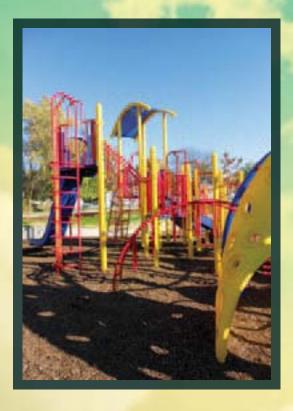
- 2011 Ellis and Associates Gold Award for Bartlett Aquatic Center
- 2011 IPRA Recreation Professional Scholarship Winner-Courtney Suffredin
- GFOA Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting
- Staff CPRP Distinction: Peter Pope

#### **NEW FACILITIES AND PARKS**

- Villa Olivia Golf, Ski, and Banquet Facility
- Blue Heron Park
- Regency Oaks Park

#### **CELEBRATIONS**

- Year Round agreement with Christ Community Church for rental space
- New Diamond Level membership at LIFECENTER



#### CIVIC AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Hosted Civic and Community events at Villa Olivia and Bartlett Community Center
- Hosted the race packet pickup for the Liberty Elementary Schools Lucky Lion 5k and the Bartlett Lions Club's Labor Day Dash.
- Hosted a Corporate Fitness Challenge for Computer Resource Solutions and Passport to Wellness Health Fair for the Hanover Township Senior Services
- Hosted 5 community blood drives to help support hospitals in the area
- Partnered with the Police Department for National Night Out and the Skate Park Bash
- Partnered with Hanover Township in the Annual Holiday Children's Book and Toy Drive and a Food Drive
- Assisted in a collection of winter coats, books, and a battery recycling program
- Co-chaired the Holiday Tree Lighting with the Bartlett Chamber of Commerce and the Village of Bartlett
- Co-sponsored the Twilight Golf Outing, Turtle Race, and Earth Day with the Bartlett Parks Foundation
- Worked with Arts in Bartlett on the Art Festival and co-sponsored Bartlett Guitar Open Mic Night
- Worked with the Village on Bartlett Community Clean-up in the Park Day
- Worked with U-46 BHS Boosters on Basketball Tournaments
- Worked with various Youth Sport Organizations including: BLL, Silverhawks, Bandits, Top Prospects, Bartlett Elite, Bartlett Thunder, BTSC, Bartlett Stars Soccer, Alliance Soccer, Raiders Football, Hawks Football, and Bartlett Lacrosse (135 teams, over 1800 players)
- Worked with the Character Counts Coalition
- Participated in Bartlett Heritage Days
- Worked with the Boy Scouts on Eagle Scout projects
- · Worked with the Girl Scouts on Bronze Awards

#### FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND GREEN STRATEGIES

- Expanded email distribution for the Registration Office and reduced postage costs.
- Reduced both staff and inventory costs with an online ordering system for aquatic staff uniforms
- Replaced the kitchen's ice machine with a more energy efficient unit
- Developed online membership forms for LIFECENTER
- Created online Party Place invitations to reduce inventory needs.
- Received financial incentives for energy efficient lighting from the Illinois
  Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Public Sector Energy
  Efficiency Program. Energy efficient lighting has been installed at several
  facilities
- Tri-Village Garden Club removed old plant material and planted two new landscape beds at Bartlett Park
- Utilized interns for staffing at Nature Center
- Collected and recycled \$4,5012 pounds of electronics at Earth Day
- Donated used playground equipment to Kids Around the World

#### DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS

- Donation of softball equipment from Dick's Sporting Goods (\$1000)
- Donation from Heather Wolf toward Riley's Run Dog Park Shelter (\$1000)
- Donation from Cadence Health toward scholarship program (\$5000)
- Donation of a statue, planting bed, walkway and seating areas at Riley's Run Dog Park from Bartlett Parks Foundation
- Year Round Partnership with Comcast

#### RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

- \$15,000 for equipment replacement for LIFECENTER
- \$22,225 in equipment maintenance and repair for LIFECENTER
- The Oak Room received a new color scheme with paint and carpeting
- A Large Screen was installed in the Oak Room
- Carpet was replaced at the Bartlett Community Center Preschool and the Registration Office
- A new quad chairlift was installed at Villa Olivia ski hill
- Two new tow ropes were installed at Villa Olivia ski hill
- New lighting and electric was installed on the Villa Olivia ski hill
- Two new batting cages were installed at Schrade Gym
- New doors were installed at Apple Orchard Golf Course
- The Thorguard lightning protection system was upgraded at Apple Orchard Golf Course, Bartlett Aquatic Center and Apple Orchard Community Park
- · Parks Department replaced a cargo van and a z-mower





#### **NEW OR RENOVATED PARKS**

- Beaver Pond Park Renovated
- Blue Heron Park NEW
- Kjar Park and Centennial School Park received new play equipment

#### FREE EVENTS (30)

- May National Health & Fitness Month
- Octoberfit
- Passport to Wellness
- Ongoing health screening throughout the year
- Turbo Turtle Race
- Bartlett Guitar Open Mic Night
- Woofstock
- · Annual Ski Open House at Villa Olivia.
- Winterfest 2012



#### **NEW PROGRAMS AND EVENTS (85 OFFERED)**

- New Golf Outings
- Winter Classic Bags Tournament
- Tax Day Membership Drive (10% savings)
- Inaugural Holiday Cross Town Classic Basketball Tournament
- · New golf programs
- Sports specific fitness classes
- Box N' Burn
- Created two new membership categories for the LIFECENTER
- New Pixies Division in Girls Softball
- New Girls Fall Softball League
- Addition of Semi-Private and Custom Private Swim Lessons

#### OTHER INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

- Villa Olivia Commercial Shoot October 2011
- Phase I of the District's Transition Plan for compliance Americans with Disabilities Act
- Emerald ash borer preventive treatment continued on select ash trees

#### **UPCOMING PROJECTS MAY 2012-APRIL 2013**





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- HVAC replacements at Villa Olivia.
- Water, Sewer, and Electric improvements at Maintenance facility at Villa Olivia.
- Pump Station and Electric Service for golf and Ski at Villa Olivia.
- New parking lot at Villa Olivia
- Completion of Villa Olivia Banquet Facility renovations and Ski Operation addition.
- Newly designed website incorporating Villa Olivia
- Playground replacement at Ancient Oaks, Kermits Korner,
   & Oak Grove parks
- Completion of BAC renovations
- New deck chairs at BAC
- Floor Refinishing at BCC Gymnasium
- Resurface BCC South Driveway & Parking Lot
- Speaker upgrade for theatre
- New equipment for LIFECENTER Health & Fitness Club
- Carpet replacement at Administration Building



#### **NEW PROGRAMS/EVENTS**

- Public Golf Tournaments offered at Villa Olivia Golf Course
- Dance in the Park
- Table Tennis
- Skyhawks Sports Programs
- Evening Tween Nature Camp
- Preschool Adventure Time
- New Recreational Dance Programs

