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**AGENDA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1067
TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021
7:00 p.m.**

1. ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. RECOGNITION
 - A. Service Proclamation
 - Brian Bechtold – 15 years
 - B. Best of Hoffman
 - The Garbu Family
 - C. Employees of 2nd Quarter:
 - PT: Stacey Lysoivanov
 - FT: Mitch Haizel
5. RECESS FOR A&F COMMITTEE MEETING
6. RECONVENE FOLLOWING A&F COMMITTEE MEETING
7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (attached)
 - A. Regular Board Meeting Minutes 06/22/2021
8. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE
9. CONSENT AGENDA ([Click here to access all Board & Committee Packets](#))
 - A. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$924,849.59 (see A&F July packet)
 - B. Revenue and Expenditure Report, Financial Analysis, and District Wide Operations Statement (see A&F July packet)
 - C. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 06/15/2021 (see B&G July packet)
 - D. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 06/15/2021 (see Rec July packet)
 - E. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 06/22/2021 (see A&F July packet)
10. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
 - A. Appointment of Jennifer McIlrath as Committee Representative to the Recreation & Facilities Committee
11. ADOPTION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

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12. OLD BUSINESS
13. NEW BUSINESS
14. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
15. ADJOURNMENT



**MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1066
June 22, 2021**

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on June 22, 2021 at 7:01 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Kinnane, Commissioners Chhatwani, K. Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, and McGinn

Absent: Commissioner Dressler

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Finance and Administration Hopkins, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Executive Assistant Logan

Audience: Judy Walczak with family and friends; Comm Rep Utas (teleconference)

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to approve the agenda. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Recognition:

A. Outgoing Board President Award:

Commissioner Kaplan was recognized for his time serving as the Board President from 2017 – 2021.

B. Retirement Proclamation:

Judy Walczak was recognized for her years as a part-time dance instructor for the district. She has retired after almost forty years with the district.

5. Recess for A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to recess the Board Meeting at 7:07 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

Judy Walczak with family and friends left the meeting.

6. Reconvene Following A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:56 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Comm Rep Utas left the meeting.

7. Approval of the Minutes:

Commissioner K. Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to approve the minutes of Regular Board Meeting May 25, 2021 and the minutes of Annual Board Meeting May 25, 2021 as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

8. Comments from the Audience:

None

9. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to approve the consent agenda items A-J.

On a Roll Call: Carried 6-0-1

Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, K. Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, McGinn, Kinnane

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Dressler

A. SD54 – STAR Second Amendment Agreement / M21-057 (see Rec June packet)

B. Bridges Driving Range Furniture Purchase / M21-061 (see Rec June packet)

C. Bridges Driving Range Golf Ball Dispensers Purchase / M21-062 (see Rec June packet)

D. Windy City Bulls Expanded Agreement and Club Usage / M21-063 (see Rec June packet)

E. Windy City Bulls Addendum Agreement and Club Usage/M21-065 (see A&F June packet)

F. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$444,390.97 (see A&F June packet)

G. Revenue and Expenditure Report and District Wide Operations Statement (see A&F June packet)

H. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 05/18/2021 (see B&G June packet)

I. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 05/18/2021 (see Rec June packet)

J. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 05/25/2021 (see A&F June packet)

10. President's Report:

President Kinnane noted a soccer coach was accused of using foul language at a district soccer game. The referee asked the coach to leave the game and the coach refused. The referee then left the game. After an investigation, the coach was dismissed. Staff handled the situation well.

President Kinnane noted it was great to see Seascape open for the season and then reopen after repairs. He thanked Director Kapusinski, Aquatics Manager Liz Blake, and the pool manager Stefan Knappik for doing a great job.

President Kinnane noted there was a pickleball tournament held at Fabbrini Park in honor of the death of a player. He saw a lot of positive social media posts about the event.

President Kinnane thanked Director Hugen and staff for making the quick repairs at the pool and saving the district a significant amount of money.

President Kinnane noted the golf course looks great. He thanked Director Bechtold and staff.

President Kinnane announced Commissioner Kaplan has been elected to the IAPD Board.

President Kinnane announced Comm Rep Macdonald is oversees for work and will be on a hiatus for three months. Comm Rep Macdonald would like to continue as a Community Representative once he returns. All board members were in favor of him continuing.

President Kinnane noted the Hideaway Brewgarden has started hosting Wine Wednesdays again.

President Kinnane thanked the staff for handling the transition to Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois plan so well!

11. Adoption of Executive Director's Report:

Executive Director Talsma provided an update on the 50+ pickleball group playing at Fabbrini Park. He noted it will remain official 50+ pickleball play time only from 9:00 a.m. to noon on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The pickleball group has agreed to become HEParks 50+ members to allow for a District-sponsored playing time.

Executive Director Talsma announced the resignation of Executive Assistant Logan and thanked her for all she has done during her time with the district.

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to adopt the Executive Director's Report as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

12. Old Business:

None

13. New Business:

A. Review/Release of Closed Session Minutes R21-001 / M21-036:

Executive Director Talsma noted that there were no minutes to be released at this time.

Commissioner K. Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to approve the Resolution R21-001 “Review of Closed Session Minutes” as presented.

On a Roll Call: Carried 6-0-1

Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, K. Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, McGinn, Kinnane

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Dressler

14. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Kaplan noted he appreciates the Outgoing Board President award.

Commissioner McGinn noted Executive Assistant Logan will be missed. He added he enjoyed the Chamber event at which HEParks was honored for being active participants for the past 30 years.

Commissioner Friedman noted the parks look great and a lot of people have been out enjoying the parks.

Commissioner K. Evans noted there is a Chamber ribbon cutting ceremony at Signature Trendz Barber Shop tomorrow, June 23.

Commissioner Chhatwani noted Executive Assistant Logan will be missed. She added she attended The Club’s bootcamp class and noted it was very well done.

President Kaplan noted Executive Assistant Logan will be missed and wished her the best of luck.

15. Adjournment:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Monica Logan
Executive Assistant

**HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1067**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

July 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE

Illinois Department of Natural Resources has released the OSLAD grants for this year. The application process is open from July 15 until September 1. In preparation for submitting an application, staff is currently assessing upcoming projects and evaluating the needs of the district. Staff will have a proposal for the Board to approve in August.

BIRCH PARK

The project at Birch Park was moving along at a great pace through the first half of June when we were under drought conditions. Unfortunately, it came to a halt because there was so much rain the last two weeks of June that the ground was too saturated for the contractors to continue work. During this down time, staff was able to work on the playground's drainage and some other park drainage, both of which had been scheduled for late July and/or early August.

The concrete contractor was able to begin framing the curbs for the parking lot, as well as the pad and footings for the shelter. Concrete has a target date of July 8 and July 9; this will include pouring the curbs and shelter, and then beginning the concrete work for the playground.

You can follow this project on a weekly basis at the following link via our weekly drone footage:

[Birch Park](#)



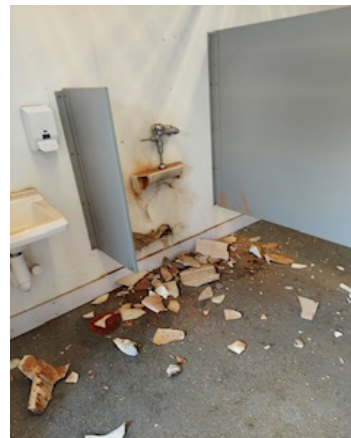
VANDALISM

This year, our parks have seen an increase in vandalism. As expected, the majority of the vandalism has been graffiti; however, Fabbrini Park has seen far worse over the last few weeks. Leading up to July 4th weekend, we had a group of kids start a bonfire in the parking lot. District staff approached the group only to get lots of push back, so the police were dispatched and eventually the group dispersed.

Over July 4th weekend, the men's bathroom urinal and sink were destroyed (see photos below). While assessing the damage to the facility, staff found damage to the roof and it is presumed this is from people climbing on the roof. On the roof, the roof panels have been bent and the top cap is damaged.

Currently, the bathrooms are open from 7am to 10pm, as those are the hours that the lights can be on for the pickleball courts. Staff is adjusting those hours to be 7am to 8pm for the remainder of the summer. Currently, the women's bathroom is open during the day, but we are closing it at 5pm. In addition, the bathrooms will be closed on the weekend until we investigate options to stop the vandalism.

There are still two port o' lets at Fabbrini Park for visitors to use. Staff is meeting with multiple vendors on options for security cameras and will have options very soon. Police reports have been filed for both the sink and urinal as well as the bonfire and damage to the sea wall around the lake at Fabbrini.



BRIDGES DRIVING RANGE ENHANCEMENT

Plans were submitted to The Village for building permits which we have received feedback on. WT Group and Integrity Builders are submitting secondary plans to The Village based on that feedback. We anticipate being able to move forward following The Village's approval of the secondary plans.

Integrity Builders began ordering materials such as windows, trust, wall panels and beams because some of the lead times are as high as 12 weeks.

Once we have our permit from The Village, staff will be able to provide a more detailed timeline for the completion of the project.

PARK GROUNDS

Crews have been busy working on the playground fall surfaces and installing new engineered wood fibers in playgrounds.

In the past month, staff completed weed control and added new mulch at Highland, Maple, Locust, Sycamore, Cipri, Lincoln and Cottonwood Parks.



Due to the drought in early June, we were able to limit mowing and had the mowing crews focus on pruning at parks for low hanging limbs. The landscape crew pruned trees to at least a seven foot height around playgrounds at Brittany, Sycamore, Hoffman, Tropicana, Fabbrini, Vogelei, Olmstead, Charlemagne, Locust, Chino, Victoria and Triphahn Center.

A maintenance day was completed at Bo's Run Dog Park during which the trees of the large dog side were pruned and raised up. In addition, staff conducted weed removal and new mulch was applied to select areas.

Work has begun at Black Bear Disc Golf Course to make the course friendlier to disc golfers. The underbrush on both sides of the mulch fairways were cleared on holes 1-4, 7-9, and 13-18. These areas of underbrush will be maintained monthly to keep the height of the plant material under control and accessible for golfers.

A special thanks to Community Representative Chris MacGregor for taking the time to walk Black Bear Disc Golf Course with staff and providing detailed insight into the sport of disc golf. In the near future, we plan to install alternate tee areas, as well as junior tee areas, with the goal of bringing more families to Black Bear Disc Golf Course.



The following is a list of other items completed by staff in June:

- Install pet/water bottle filler at south ridge
- Electrical installation at Fabbrini Park restrooms.
- Finish electrical and plumbing for range house at Bridges.
- Recharge the kitchen condensing unit at Bridges.
- Coil leak repair by general mechanical on the kitchen condensing unit at Bridges.
- Install new solar light at Victoria Park's shelter
- Replace sand filter gaskets for the spa at The Club.
- Diagnose ventilation issues with TC spa. Exhaust fan is on order.
- Turn on drinking fountains at parks. Waiting for parts for Fabbrini and Field Parks
- Changed filters on seresco dehumidifiers at The Club.
- Cleaned out condensate drains at Bridges and TC.
- Contactor for condensing fan replacement on rtu3 at The Club.
- Install new jets for Princeton park splash pad on toddler feature.
- Replace mechanical bearing and seals for accutab system on the spa at The Club.
- Remove and install new security cameras at Seascape.
- HVAC preventative maintenance and repairs.
- Concrete patch and paint employee entrance at TC.
- Charlemagne rocks installed around pond.
- TC outside paint employee entrance and caulk.
- Install blinds at kids' corner at The Club.
- Install memorial plaque at South Ridge.
- Install memorial pad at Fabbrini Park.
- Concrete at Charlemagne memorial pad
- Weed control on all playgrounds and fitness at Fabbrini.
- Form concrete pad for bench and bike rack and install concrete.
- Weed and rototill Cipri and Hunters Ridge playgrounds.
- Fertilizer application was made at MacArthur school and Whitley per the agreement.
- Ballfield maintenance and game prep.
- GIS updating maps and assets.
- Parks garbage at all locations has begun.
- Custodial maintenance at all facilities.
- Playground checks
- Vehicle safety and emission test completed.
- Vehicle checks and repairs.

Recreation Division



Triphahn Center



Willow Recreation Center

Triphahn Center Fitness

<u>Membership</u>	<u>06/30/2020</u>	<u>01/01/2021</u>	<u>06/30/2021</u>	<u>2021 YTD Var. +/-</u>
Total	716	509	529	+20

Pass	% of members who visited in June	Total Members
TCIA Fitness Adult	56%	347
TCIA Fitness Junior/Student	64%	80
TCIA Fitness Senior	58%	104
TCIA Gym Pass	100%	4
TCIA Silver Sneakers	15%	106
TCIA Tivity Prime	7%	73
TCIA Renew Active	11%	45
Total	43%	759

Willow Rec Center Fitness & Racquetball

<u>Membership</u>	<u>06/30/2020</u>	<u>01/01/2021</u>	<u>06/30/2021</u>	<u>2021 YTD Var. +/-</u>
Fitness	221	93	86	-7
Racquetball	69	52	30	-22
Total	290	145	116	-29

Pass	% of members who visited in June	Total Members
WRC Fitness Adult	55%	56
WRC Fitness Junior/Student	70%	12
WRC Fitness Senior	32%	23
WRC Gym Pass	0%	0
WRC Silver Sneakers	9%	11
WRC Tivity Prime	0%	16
WRC Renew Active	0%	7
Total	36%	125

Group Exercise Enrollments

Class	June
50+ Gentle Yoga	2
50+ Forever Strong	25
50+ Basic Exercise	16
Sunrise Yoga	0
Fitness Boot Camp	11
Women of Steel	9



Dog Off-Leash Areas

<u>Membership</u>	<u>06/30/2020</u>	<u>01/01/2021</u>	<u>06/30/2021</u>	<u>2021 YTD Var. +/-</u>
Total	737	586	705	+119



General Programs

General Programs:

Program	Summer Enrollment 2021
Baton & Poms	31
A&A Music (piano & guitar)	10
Palatine Choir	1
Horsemanship	4
Shotokan Karate	90
Tae Kwon Do	40
Gymnastics	244
Kid/Tot Rock	46
Youth Drawing	21
Dance	102

On Saturday, June 26, we hosted our first Safesitter class at the Triphahn Center. We had six registered for the class and we will add more classes for the fall.



50+ Club

- Pub Trivia had 34 participants at the June 24 event.
- Drop-in programs continue to grow with participation. A third TV was added to Wii Bowling due to more players.
- Two additional pickleball times were added to the schedule on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9-11am.
- BINGO Night was held on June 15 with 15 participants.

- Upcoming events include: Vegas Dinner Party (7/15), Senior Game Night (7/26), Lunch with the Historian (8/4), & Lunch with the Mayor (8/18).



Early Childhood

Little Stars Child Care has 27 children enrolled; last June, the facility re-opened with nine children.

Little Stars Grand Opening/Open House is scheduled for July 10 from 10:00am-1:00pm. All teachers will be present. We will be conducting tours, having crafts and games in the gym, and offering small snacks in room 113. This event is being used to showcase the child care rooms, promote enrollment, and spread the word about our program.

Registration for next fall’s 2021/22 part-day preschool is currently open. There are 139 children enrolled for school next year, 99 at Triphahn and 40 at Willow. Afternoon classes at TC may be cancelled due to low enrollment; this decision will be made the last week of July. Preschool promotion has been added to the Swim Lesson Report Cards. In addition, signs will be posted and staff will be present at area parks throughout the upcoming months to promote preschool to the park users.

Preschool & Kinder Camps began this month at both Triphahn and Willow.

Camp	TC- PSK 4 day	TC- PSK 2 day	TC- Kindercamp	WRC- PSK	WRC – Kindercamp	WRC- Ready for Kinder
Session 1	16	6	18	14	14	15
Session 2	15	8	16	15	19	17



School Age - STAR and Day Camps

Summer Camp

From June 7 to July 2, Hoffman Estates Park District Summer Camps ran from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at four locations; Lincoln Prairie School, Macarthur School, the Triphahn Center and Willow Recreation Center. Early Stay (7:00 am-9:00 am) and Late Stay (3:30 pm-6:00 pm) were offered at Lincoln Prairie School, Macarthur School and Willow Recreation Center. Those in Jr. Explorers at Triphahn Center were offered transportation to and from Early Stay and Late Stay at Macarthur and Lincoln Prairie Schools. Registration is listed in the chart below.

Field trips were kept within our park district facilities bringing in a few outdoor vendors, as well as just using our wonderful resources within the park district. Swimming at Seascape was also brought back this summer; two days per week for each camp.

Lincoln Prairie School

	<u>June 7-11</u>	<u>June 14-18</u>	<u>June 21-25</u>	<u>June 28-July 2</u>
Early Stay	12	12	12	11
Explorers Camp	47	49	48	47
Late Stay	18	19	17	15

Macarthur School

	<u>June 7-11</u>	<u>June 14-18</u>	<u>June 21-25</u>	<u>June 28-July 2</u>
Early Stay	10	6	5	8
Explorers Camp	49	51	51	51
Late Stay	10	12	12	16

Willow Recreation Center

	<u>June 7-11</u>	<u>June 14-18</u>	<u>June 21-25</u>	<u>June 28-July 2</u>
Early Stay	5	7	9	9
Explorers Camp	46	50	50	52
Jr. Exp.	12	12	12	13
Late Stay	8	8	8	9

Triphahn Center

	<u>June 7-11</u>	<u>June 14-18</u>	<u>June 21-25</u>	<u>June 28-July 2</u>
Explorers Camp	15	15	15	15

STAR

We are looking forward to our 2021-2022 STAR season, and planning is underway. We currently have 210 registrations for district 54 and 136 registrations for district 15, plus 31 registrations for KinderSTAR. We will push to get more as the parents finalize their work schedules.



Youth Athletics

Athletics

Hoffman Basketball Academy

- Exciting highlight in the month of June was our Hoffman Basketball Summer Slam Shootout
 - High school participants:

- Freshmen level- Palatine, Hoffman Estates, Schaumburg
 - JV- Palatine, Hoffman Estates, Jacobs
- Teams enjoyed themselves and have all indicated they would like to be back next year.
- We gained a lot of followers on twitter from this event
- Staff created a twitter account for players to better follow what we're doing
 - Twitter is great in the basketball world for players to follow what you offer, local coaches can see what you are doing, and schools can follow along to see what their players are up to. @Ba_hoffman is the handle.
- We tested out the waters of the AAU world at the 13U level
 - We had a team compete in two local AAU tournaments. These are players we put together from previous camps, leagues and trainers. We will be putting together another team for the fall season.
- Camps/Clinics
 - We had all three fundamental classes run on Thursdays with 39 kids participating.
- Spring In-house league
 - Our first ever spring in-house league ended on June 13. This league was motivation for us to test out AAU.

Baseball / Softball

- All of our youth baseball in-house leagues ended in June.
 - N60 baseball will continue through July.
- We hosted our all-star event with some new additions this season.
 - We hosted a hitting contest for all players who did not get voted into the all-star game
 - Mixed Hoffman and Rolling Meadows players up to promote league unity
 - Offered local vendors a table to reach out to our families
 - Batting Bennys and HEAA football each had a table
- Colt League- For the first time since we began to offer colt baseball in 2018, we will have two teams at this level! Games start on June 21.
- Rentals: We hosted one Seminole sports tournaments in the month of June.

Adult Softball

- Adult Softball league is running with eight teams. The league will end July 12.

Soccer

- HUSC is running youth sports classes this summer. There are 150 participants for this summer.

Contractual Youth Sports: 25 participants in Jr. Sports classes this summer.

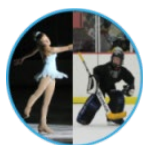
Fishing: 70 participants in Learn to Fish and 38 in the free Fishing Clinic this month. The new summer Bass League has 15 members.

E-Sports

- There are 17 members of E-sports Zone.
- We launched our first summer camp with Code Ninjas in our newly renovated space.
- We conducted our open house on Wednesday, June 16, and had 14 people stop to check it out.
- Feedback has been great and all of our members have loved the facility since we opened.
- We are looking to add some Parent Night Out events.
- Our grand opening event will take place on August 28.

Pickleball

- On Saturday, June 19, we hosted the Deaf Midwest Pickleball Tournament. We partnered with NWSRA on the event and had an amazing turnout. The tournament was held at Fabbrini and ran most of the day. The tournament ran so well that they are considering us for hosting the national tournament next year.
- We are also excited because recently we had all of our Senior Center Pickleball players register with us for the Monday, Wednesday, Friday timeslot. We had 118 people register who play actively on those days each week. This shows what a great contingent of players we have who are committed to playing with us each week during the warmer months.
- Zane Navratil, who is the #2 pickleball player in the world will be conducting lessons at Fabbrini on Thursday, July 22. We are very excited to have him and the lessons are all almost already filled up.



Ice Operations

Hockey:

- Summer hockey clinics have 48 participants.
- Hockey development lessons have 45 participants.
- MooseJaw 3v3 league began this month. There are 29 teams and 64 players enrolled as individuals that joined teams.
- Summer Camps are offered full day 9am-3pm or half day 9am-noon.
 - o Week 1: 11 full day & 6 half day
 - o Week 2: 10 full day & 7 half day
 - o Week 3: 17 full day & 4 half day
 - o Week 4: 5 full day & 14 half day

Figure Skating:

- Summer session of figure skating lessons began in June. There are 175 skaters enrolled this session. We had to expand lessons onto the second rink due to the large enrollment in one timeslot!
- There were 88 skaters enrolled in June freestyle.
- 252 private lessons were taught in June.
- Summer Camp enrollment:
 - o Week 1: 20
 - o Week 2: 8
 - o Week 3: 15
 - o Week 4: 16

Public Skate:

- Public Skate was offered on June 13. There were 57 pre-registered and 20 walk-ins. Public skate on June 27 had 53 pre-registered and 22 walk-ins.



Aquatics

There were 1,507 pool passes sold by the end of June 2021 compared to 1,291 in 2019. Many factors caused this high increase: 1) We had a very hot start of the summer. 2) Some area park districts did not sell pool passes while we were still in Phase 4 Bridge, therefore non-residents were coming to Seascape to swim this summer.

Seascape Admission & Membership

Membership Type	June	May
Seascape Memberships	1,447	470
Seascape Memberships-Senior	52	28

Membership Daily Scans	June	May
Seascape Memberships	3,823	52

Daily Admission	June	May
Daily 2-61	6686	96
Senior 62 +	114	3

Seascape Swimming Lessons:

Swim Lessons Enrollment	June
Group/Tot/Parent Tot	103
Private Lessons	24

Small group and private swim lessons began at Seascape on June 7. Lessons are held Monday/Wednesday/Friday for two weeks at a time.

The Club Swimming Lessons:

Swim Lessons	June YTD
Group/Tot/Parent Tot	104
Private Lessons	17

Small group swimming lessons began at The Club on June 8. Lessons are held on Tues/Thurs evenings for two weeks at a time and Saturday mornings for five weeks at a time.

Please see below for an email from a patron thanking our Aquatics Manager, Liz Blake, for a great experience.



Re: Party Tent

Hey Liz-

Your team was phenomenal! They were very attentive and hospitable. They communicated appreciation for having the party and never seemed to feel like we were a burden. They kept tabs too on the weather and were proactive to call me to confirm and make us aware of the concerns and we both affirmed at 5 it's seemed like we're would be out of the woods. And then the weather truly worked out perfect. Please pass on our appreciation to the stellar team! My daughter said it was the best day of her life.

Thanks again!!

Lisa Lewis



Communications and Marketing

Special Projects:

- Fall brochure conversion to a web-based digital guide.
- E-sports door signage
- Phase 5 signage
- Chamber Fishing Derby event presence
- Preparation for July "Did you Know" campaign

Design Work:

- E-sports door and floor steps signage
- Hoffman Basketball Academy wall decal
- Summer Slam Tournament logo
- Seascape rules signage
- Wedding Ad for Daily Herald
- Park Rental Form and Digital Reservation Form online
- Top Tracer artwork



Promotions:

- Senior Vegas Dinner Party
- Pop Up Fitness events
- Storytime in Park
- Unplug & Play event
- Park Safari Hunt
- SRT Golf Outing
- Preschool Open House
- Fall Hockey registration (regional promo)

Email campaigns: Three e-blasts highlighting: Upcoming events, Seascape, E-Sports Zone, Open Skate. Two group specific emails went out: Senior June newsletters and Dog Park member rules & reminders.

Social Media:

- 101 posts in June
- Top interactive posts:
 - 1) Now Hiring Lifeguards
 - 2) Splash Pads are open
 - 3) IL Deaf Pickleball tournament
 - 4) Seascape open
 - 5) Unplug & Play event

of Followers:

Follower Count of HEParks Managed Social Media Accounts by Month									
		Monthly Follower Count							
Account	Social Media Platform	June 2021	May 2021	April 2021	March 2021	February 2021	January 2021	December 2020	November 2020
Bridges of Poplar Creek	Facebook	1,091	1083	1081	1062	1046	1046	1034	1029
	Instagram	129	129	128	124	123	121	122	118
	Twitter	161	161	163	164	164	164	165	166
The Club	Facebook	1647	1642	1644	1642	1640	1643	1636	1622
	Instagram	346	344	333	325	320	311	299	289
	Twitter	40	39	39	39	39	39	37	39
HEParks	Facebook	5,369	5293	5213	5180	5115	5062	5034	5013
	Instagram	912	888	866	855	839	808	776	729
	Twitter	1,073	1073	1072	1,071	1067	1070	1088	1092
Ice Academy	Facebook	100	100	98	97	96	92	90	88
Wolf Pack	Facebook	358	356	349	340	334	329	315	314
	Instagram	366	362	354	336	329	329	329	309
Senior Center	Facebook	122	121	120	118	116	116	115	114

Website:

Website traffic was high at the beginning of the month as patrons enrolled in summer camp, purchased seascape passes and enrolled in programs. Traffic decreased as the month progressed until the final week of the month when we experienced high temperatures leading to a traffic spike focused on Seascape and the Splash pads.

Traffic to HEParks website in June: 61,026 unique page views.

Highest visited pages

- Highest visited pages in June 2021: Seascape, Program Guide, Splash Pads, Camp

Press Releases:

- Summer events submitted to Daily Herald schedule of events
- Hoffman Stars Shine Bright at Regional Competition
- Fishing Supplies donation by Cabela's

Bridges General Programs

- Jr Golf classes are in full swing! Our second class in our Jr series is our Sharks program offering both range and on-course classes. It was sold out with 24 students.

Golf Rounds

MONTHLY ROUND TOTALS					
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average
4,546	4,350	4,223	4,397	4,230	4,349
YTD ROUND TOTALS					
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average
12,111	11,068	9,682	5,520	11,986	10,073

Range Information

MONTHLY RANGE BASKET SALES TOTALS					
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average
3,610	2,797	3,577	2,949	2,697	3,126
YTD RANGE BASKET SALES TOTALS					
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average
8,858	7,339	8,210	3,187	9,218	7,362

Food & Beverage

- Staff continues to face challenges with F&B items. Every week there seems to be new items that are unavailable. Meat prices are on the rise, plastic cups and bottles are the newest challenge, and we continue to have some challenges with bottle beer and some can beer.

- Despite the challenges, staff is being creative with menus and securing items for all menus. Staff is working with clients to ensure menus are submitted at least 14 days prior to an event, so we can work with vendors to receive all products in a timely manner.

Event Totals:

June Events

2 weddings servicing 183
 4 golf outings with dinner servicing 349 guests
 3 outings with grill station only servicing 335 guest
 1 memorial servicing 75 guests
 1 Bat mitzvah servicing 41 guests
 1 graduation party servicing 88 guests

July Events

2 ceremony and receptions servicing 200 guests
 4 golf outings with dinner servicing 435 guests
 1 breakfast meeting servicing 20 guests
 1 bridal shower servicing 30 guests

Weddings Remaining in 2021

2 reception only
 9 ceremony/receptions

2022

1 reception only
 6 ceremony/reception (1 carried over from 2020)

Golf Maintenance Summary

In June, our high averaged 81.5° (1.8° above average) and low averaged 64.7° (6.5° above average). We received about 7.05” of rain (3.45” average), which comes to 204% of our normal totals. Here are a few stats about rainfall so far this year:

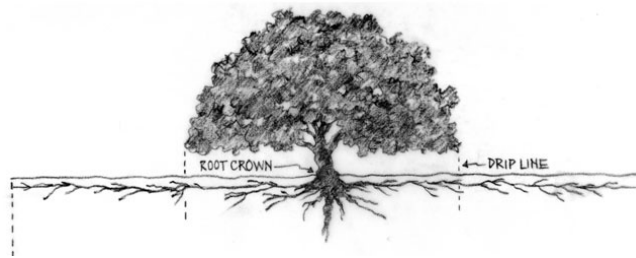
- June’s rain came over 10 days, nine of which occurred in the last 13 days of the month.
- End of May and into the beginning of June, we went 14 days with no precipitation.
- March 1 to June 17 (109 days), we received 4.12” of rain, June 18 to June 30 (15 days) we received 6.09” of rain.
- We are still behind by about 6” of our average rainfall for this time of the year.

For the month, we saw 16 total playable* days and weekends in June, we had 5 playable* days.

*Playable is being defined as highs between 55-90° and less than .05” rain.

Trees are a major part of every golf course and require regular maintenance. If the trees are not maintained, it can negatively impact many playing surfaces. When discussing trees and their impact on playing surfaces, people usually think of above ground disturbances such as debris/leaves on playing surfaces or heavily shaded areas that are always thin. However, below ground disturbances are just as common and greatly impact turf.

Trees are able to produce large roots, often 6-12” thick, that stretch far, about twice the size of its drip line, to gather water and nutrients (see photo on next page). In a lot of cases, turfgrass, especially when cut to low golf heights, cannot effectively compete with the tree roots and we see decline in the health of the grass.



To combat this, a cultural practice called root pruning is used. Root pruning cuts roots along playing surfaces to keep tree roots from taking water and nutrients away from the turfgrass. This process impacts on average less than 20% of a tree's root system and does not hurt the overall health of the tree.

In the past, root pruning was done with a trencher similar to the equipment used when installing drainage. This is a very slow and labor intensive process because the material is removed with the trencher and then needs to be replaced and packed by hand. In the past few years, new equipment has come out that has greatly improved this process. Now, we are able to use a large 10” blade to slice and cut roots leaving minimal surface disruption. During the middle of the month, we were able to rent and run one of these new units for a day and take care of all areas that had tree root encroachment. We will look to repeat this practice every two years.



Close up of the 10” long slicing blades.



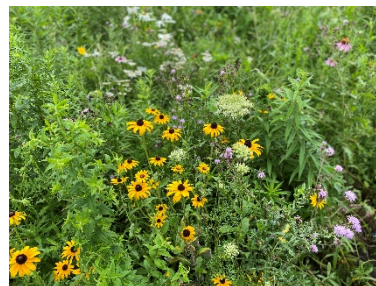
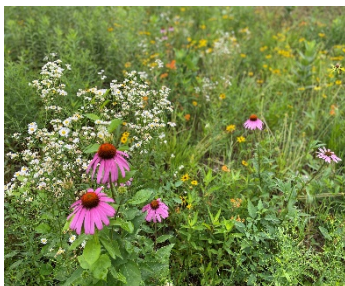
After running the root pruner the only evidence is two faint lines.



On the left of this picture was root pruned last year, you can see even color and dew. The right side, where no root pruning was done, we have localized dry spots and uneven color.

Late in June, after we received a little bit of moisture, we started to see a lot of the pollinator areas start to bloom. It is very interesting to see how these areas change and develop from year-to-year. The areas are great for many of the pollinators that frequent the course like honey bees, butterflies and moths (we see a lot of Monarch's), beetles, flies, and birds. We have a very wide variety of pollinator plants across the property including:

- Milkweed
- Coneflower
- Black-eye Susan
- Prairie Coneflowers
- Butterfly weed
- Queen Anne's Lace
- Goldenrod
- Yarrow
- Lavender
- Phlox
- Aster
- Thistle



Here is a list of a few other things that we did this month:

- Regularly mowed or rolled all playing surfaces.
- Set-up course for daily play.
- Hand watered surfaces regularly to make up for inadequate irrigation coverage.
- Edged and fly mowed bunker faces.
- Fixed bunkers after storms washed sand out.
- Applied preventative chemical applications on playing surfaces.
- Applied granular fertilizer applications to multiple playing surfaces.
- Spot sprayed around course for weeds.
- Vented and topdressed greens.
- Repaired irrigation system failures to pipes, heads, and control systems.
- Worked on detail items like string trimming, edging sprinklers, cleaning up sticks, trimming yardage plates, and checking ornamental beds for weeds.
- Filled divots on tees and fairways regularly.
- Worked to edge all mulch beds and rock beds on course.
- Pruned trees and removed suckers on trees.

Please do not apply bug spray or spray sunscreen while on turf. It will stunt the turf and potentially kill it. Towards the end of the month, someone applied protection in the middle of the putting green and you can identify it from the perfect foot prints in the middle (see photo below).





June 2021

Membership Totals	<u>06/30/2020</u>	<u>01/01/2021</u>	<u>06/30/2021</u>	<u>Var. +/-</u>
Totals	2631	1992	2041	+49

Member Services/Sales

- We enrolled 124 new members in June continuing the positive trend in membership numbers. The new members have been a mix of previous members returning after having cancelled due to pandemic and we are also seeing a trend of young people coming from other facilities. We are pleased that this has exceeded our June 2019 new member number of 117 when we were offering a \$5.00 enrollment.
- We have sold over 100 student summer passes to-date to students here temporarily. These passes will allow facility use through mid-August.
- We had 1480 unique visits in June. That is 72% of our members with active passes who used the facility in June. This is an increase and is noticeable with the “business” that we are experiencing in the facility.
- We have sent out an email (end of June, early July) to previous members with an offer of \$0 enrollment to incentivize those who may be waiting until fall to return to come back now. This has driven a lot of previous members back into the facility in the first few days after it was sent and we are continuing to get a return on this promotion. This promotion will expire at the end of July.
- We will continue to use targeted email communications, member referral incentives and social media marketing to target new member enrollments.

Operations and Fitness Departments:

- We have completed enough training for climbing wall staff to begin to offer an open climb on Saturday mornings again. We will begin to offer open climb on Saturdays from 10a-12p starting on July 10.
- We have set a date for Kids Club to reopen: August 16. We will begin with being open mornings until 12p and then again in the evening on weekdays, and 8a-1p on weekends. We expect we will draw in some previous members who have been awaiting this reopening, as well as attract new members who will need this service in the fall when their older kids return to school.
- The Club outdoor classes at The Village’s Hideaway Brew Garden began in June. We offered a Zumba on June 4th (approx. 24 in attendance) and Gentle Yoga on June 23 (approx. 25 in attendance). This is being promoted on social media and internally at The Club.
- The Club instructors have also been running the Pop-Up Fitness in the Parks with a great response, so far. On Saturday, June 19, we offered a Bootcamp at 7:00 a.m. at Vogelei (11 participants) and on June 23rd we offered Zumba at South Ridge Park on Wednesday, June 23

(over 35 participants!). We have received very positive feedback from the participants about these outdoor classes.

- On Monday, June 21 we helped celebrate International Yoga Day at The Club with specialty yoga class offerings. We began the day with a Sunrise Yoga, offered a special midday Vinyasa Yoga, and ended the day with a Sunset Yoga which offered chamomile tea and essential oils. Those who participated in the IYD classes were entered to win an aromatherapy diffuser.

A. Finance/Administration

- Staff is still finalizing the agreement with the Windy City Bulls; the agreement is in its final stages and the team will reimburse the District for any costs or will purchase items themselves. Nothing has changed in nature for the concept or contract which was approved by the Board in June allowing staff to finalize the contract. Assuming nothing changes the contract does not need to be brought back for additional approval (as was mentioned in last week's Recreation & Facilities meeting).
- Staff had an initial teleconference with Crown Castle in regards to a sub-lease on our flag pole cell tower. The offer was from Dish Network and very low. Staff will see if negotiations produce a more worthwhile offer which would then create a sublease on the existing cell tower contract.
- Processed applicable monthly returns as required.
- Processed Club/TC/WRC cancellations, including attaching documentation to RecTrac household member and member holds prior to July billing.
- Completed BS&A software updates.
- RecTrac Enhancements/Processes
 - Assisted with updating shelter rental fees and creating new pricing, release date TBD
 - Upgraded RecTrac to version 3.1.10.06.03 on June 9
 - Upgraded RecTrac to version 3.1.10.07.04 on June 23
- Payroll Cycle Processing
 - 06/11/21 \$298,558.50
 - 06/25/21 \$356,027.29

B. Administrative Registration/EFT Billing

- EFT Billings for:
 - a. Sponsorship/Marquee
 - b. ELC (weekly)
 - c. Club/TC/WRC Fitness
- Administrative
 - a. Program Cancellations/Refunds
 - b. Program Fee/Rule Adjustments
 - c. TC Desk Coverage
 - d. 50+ Fee Updates
- Administrative Registration for:
 - a. Scholarship Applications
 - b. Park Permits
 - c. Summer Camp
 - d. Swim Lessons
 - e. Bode Preschool Pool Passes

f. STAR

C. Human Resources

- Peter Cahill is the new Director of Administrative Services of the District. His first day is Monday, July 26. He brings a wealth of knowledge in the human resources field from Palatine Park District.
- Processed 11 new part-time employees.
- Completed PDRMA Annual Salary Survey.
- Completed Illinois Department Employment Security BEN 118R for 1st quarter 2021.
- Review and update of all Recreation department employee information.

D. Technology

- Security Cameras
 - a. The four cameras for Seascape have been installed.
- The Wi-Fi Access Point at The Club has been upgraded to the HD model to accommodate more members.
- Migration to the latest desktop phone software is scheduled for late August.
- Comcast completed the required task to setup VOG for E911. Gregg Communications successfully configured VOG on our Shoretel system. Staff performed a test from Vogelei and the E911 is working properly. At this time, all facilities are using the Comcast/Shoretel E911.
- The new ball machine has been installed and configured at Bridges. The reinstallation of IT hardware was completed, as well as worked with the vendor to configure the new ball machine to our network.
- Investigated the request to upgrade PARKS phones to smartphones. Worked with Verizon Wireless to audit our current plan. As a result, it was suggested that a complete restructure of our current shared plan to an unlimited plan may be more financially prudent. Currently reviewing costs between PARKS and all District phones.
- The wireless microphones were utilized at the June Board meeting in room 113. A few hiccups were encountered that were able to be remedied. Overall, the microphones provided a much better experience and we will continue to utilize the microphones for future Board meetings.

[Link to all Divisional 2nd Quarter Goals](#)

Hoffman dance company shines bright at competition

Submitted by Hoffman Estates Park District

Hoffman Estates Park District's Hoffman Stars Dance Company recently took home many awards at the regional Dance Idol Competition in Des Plaines, including first place for the Senior Company's jazz routine.

"This has been a challenging year, but our dancers and teachers worked very hard in preparation for this competition. It takes a lot of practice, time and dedication to be competition-ready, but they were up to the challenge," said Jessica Karbowski, dance coordinator at Hoffman Estates Park District.

Hoffman Stars Dance Company participates in one small group competition. Company 2, ages 11-12, received a silver and won the "Workin' It" judges' award. Company 2 members included Andrea Avilan, Sophia Berichon, Briana Dawson, Cailin Hopkins and Jasmine Reyes.

Company 1 dancers Kylie Hopkins, Victoria Kersting and Lily Shure performed a dance trio and received sixth place in their category. The Company 1 trio also received the judges' "Dream Girls Award."

Competing in the 16-19 age bracket, Senior Company took first for their jazz trio, "Wanna Be Larger Than Life." Senior Company dancers Cami Colaprete, Abby Knapp and Natalie McHone also performed a contemporary trio called "Powerful"



COURTESY OF HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT

The Hoffman Stars Dance Company sparkled at the Dance Idol Competition in Des Plaines. Pictured, from left, are, third row: Senior Company: Cami Colaprete, Natalie McHone, Abby Knapp; second row: Company 2: Briana Dawson, Cailin Hopkins, Sophia Berichon, Jasmine Reyes, Andrea Avila; first row: Company 1: Victoria Kersting, Kylie Hopkins, Lily Shure.

and won the "Dynamic Trio" judges' award.

Hoffman Stars Dance Company competed in the Luminary level, which requires one to three hours of dance or rehearsal practice each week.

"The competition was really tough this year. We are proud of how our students represented the community and the park district," Karbowski said. "Our dance instructors, Kelsey Nebl and Missy Baxter, choreographed amazing dances and really inspired our students to

succeed."

Hoffman Estates Park District offers dance instruction for ages 3 years to adult and competition dance for ages 5-18 years. Tryouts for Hoffman Stars Dance Company will be in mid-August at Triphahn Center and Ice Arena, in Hoffman Estates.



For information, call Jessica Karbowski at (847) 285-5431 or visit www.heparks.org/programs-sports/arts-dance.

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JUNE 23RD 2021

NEW LOCATION


HOFFMAN ESTATES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY



NEW LOCATION




COMMUNITY FISHING DERBY
June 26, 2021 9:00am - 1:00pm
Hoffman Estates, Hoffman Estates Golf Course
Hoffman Estates




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\$5 Advanced Registration at
www.hechamber.com
\$8 Day of Event
OR
You can register
at these locations:

J Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce & Industry
2200 W. Higgins Road, Suite 201,
Hoffman Estates
847-781-9100

J Hoffman Estates Community Banks
2497 W. Golf Road; 1375 Palatine Road;
2200 W. Higgins Road
Hoffman Estates

• Cash Prizes Awarded for Tagged Fish

• Additional Prizes Awarded Every 15 Minutes!

• Hot Air Balloon Rides and more!

NWSRA announces expansion in Hoffman Estates

Submitted by Brian Selders

Northwest Special Recreation Association recently unveiled its plans for expanding programming space to serve the physical, social, emotional and recreational needs of children and adults with disabilities.

As a partnership of 17 Northwest suburban park districts, NWSRA provides innovative recreational programs and services for children and adults with disabilities. This year, NWSRA will open its sixth recreational programming space in cooperation with the Hoffman Estates Park District at historic Vogelei House, 650 W. Higgins Road, in Hoffman Estates.

"We truly appreciate the outstanding partnership of the Hoffman Estates Park District's board and staff to collaboratively improve the lives of individuals who need services throughout the Northwest suburbs," said NWSRA Executive Director Tracey Crawford.

Through the expansion of programming space, in collaboration with partner park



COURTESY OF WALTON SIGNAGE

NWSRA will be opening its sixth programming space at the historic Vogelei House in Hoffman Estates in 2022.

districts, current and future NWSRA sites will provide a diverse range of recreational options.

Certified staff will provide the tools and leadership for

individuals with disabilities to achieve their personal goals, including social skills, community integration, health and wellness, sensory integration and more.

"We have many donors, advocates, families, friends, staff and volunteers and community organizations committed to the idea that children and adults with

disabilities should have access to safe and innovative recreational programming within their communities. They are truly the heart of the community," Crawford said.

The new location will also host the sixth PURSUIT Community Day Program, to be opened in the spring of 2022. As a collaborative program between Clearbrook and NWSRA, the PURSUIT Community Day Program provides continued growth through enriching recreational activities.

Currently, Clearbrook and NWSRA host the PURSUIT Community Day Program in Buffalo Grove, Hanover Park, Mount Prospect, Rolling Meadows and Wheeling. The program has received much fanfare from the community, and currently has a waiting list that highlights the success of the program while making the need for additional services evident.

The fundraising arm of NWSRA, Special Leisure Services Foundation, continues to invite partners and sponsors to assist in the

procurement of funding to complete the revitalization project. Any individuals, businesses or organizations who may wish to partner toward this historic endeavor, may contact Cathy Splett, superintendent of development, at (847) 392-2848 or csplett@slsf.me.

It has been reported that, throughout the nation, one out of 10 individuals has a disability, and more than 79% of individuals with disabilities reported barriers to physical activity in spite of legislative requirements and existing accommodations.

"We are extremely grateful to our collaborative partners, including the Hoffman Estates Park District and Clearbrook, for making this dream a reality," said NWSRA Superintendent of Recreation Andrea Griffin.

Through the collective efforts of donors, volunteers and advocates, accessible recreation that is integral to the quality of life for individuals with disabilities in the Northwest suburbs will be made possible.

DAILY HERALD

JUNE 29TH 2021

Storytimes in the Park: 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 29, and Friday, July 2, Willow Park, 905 Norman Drive, Hoffman Estates. Palatine Public Library will be hosting story times at Willow Park. All children must register and be accompanied by a parent/guardian (who

does not need to register). Free; register at www.hep-arks.org.

Store donates fishing gear to Hoffman Estates parks

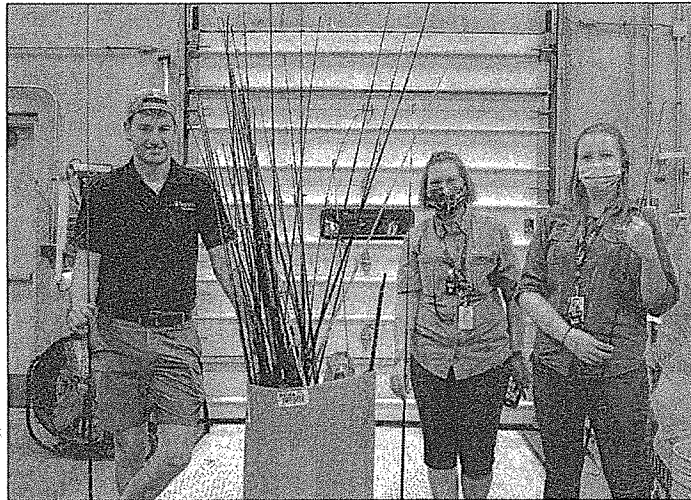
Hoffman Estates Park District

Outdoor outfitter Cabela's, Hoffman Estates, donated more than 20 rods and reels to the Hoffman Estates Park District's (HEParks) fishing program. Every year, Cabela's collects gently used fishing equipment during its Spring Fishing Classic and donates them to local organizations to encourage people to be outdoors.

This is the second fishing rod and reel donation HEParks has received from Cabela's Hoffman Estates. The first donation enabled the park district to increase fishing opportunities and run free learn-to-fish events — introduction to fishing, advanced fishing techniques classes and fishing derbies — using the donated equipment.

"These donations are huge not only for HEParks but also for community members interested in learning to fish," said Kyle Goddard, who teaches fishing and runs Bass Leagues for the district. "Fishing can be an expensive sport to begin. This donation allows fishing to be accessible to the entire community as program participants no longer need to purchase equipment."

Interest and participation in HEParks fishing programs increased over the past year as residents sought safe outdoor family activities.



COURTESY OF HEPARKS

Cabela's Hoffman Estates staff members Jennifer Tamburrino, special events outfitter, and Sondra Balza, office administrator, present a fishing tackle donation to HEParks staff Kyle Goddard. These rods will help expand the district's free learn-to-fish program.

"Families joined our fishing programs as a way to get outside during the COVID-19 pandemic and are now hooked on fishing. The majority of our participants are families with children, many who have never fished previously," Goddard said.

In response to the growing popularity of fishing in the area and to the influx of advanced fishing students, HEParks started both youth and high school Bass Fishing Leagues. In these leagues, anglers learn advanced techniques, participate in

tournaments to gain points, and end the year in state classic. Registration is now open for the Bass League at HEParks.org.

HEParks maintains 15 stocked fishing ponds across Hoffman Estates. These ponds contain various fish, including Largemouth Bass, Bluegill, Channel-Catfish and Northern Pike. It is free to fish in the district with a fishing license.

For more information on fishing, visit heparks.org/fishing.

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DAILY HERALD

JULY 9TH 2021

Unplug and Play

• 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 10, South Ridge Park, 1450 Freeman Road, Hoffman Estates. Bring the family and Unplug and Play at South Ridge Park. Enjoy a morning walk around the pond, show off your creative side during Chalk the Park, and cool off in the new, multi-age, three-part splash pad. Families can dash, climb and compete on a ninja-style course and play on the new playground. Free. Visit www.heparks.org.

Tryouts for Stars Dance Company take place Aug. 14

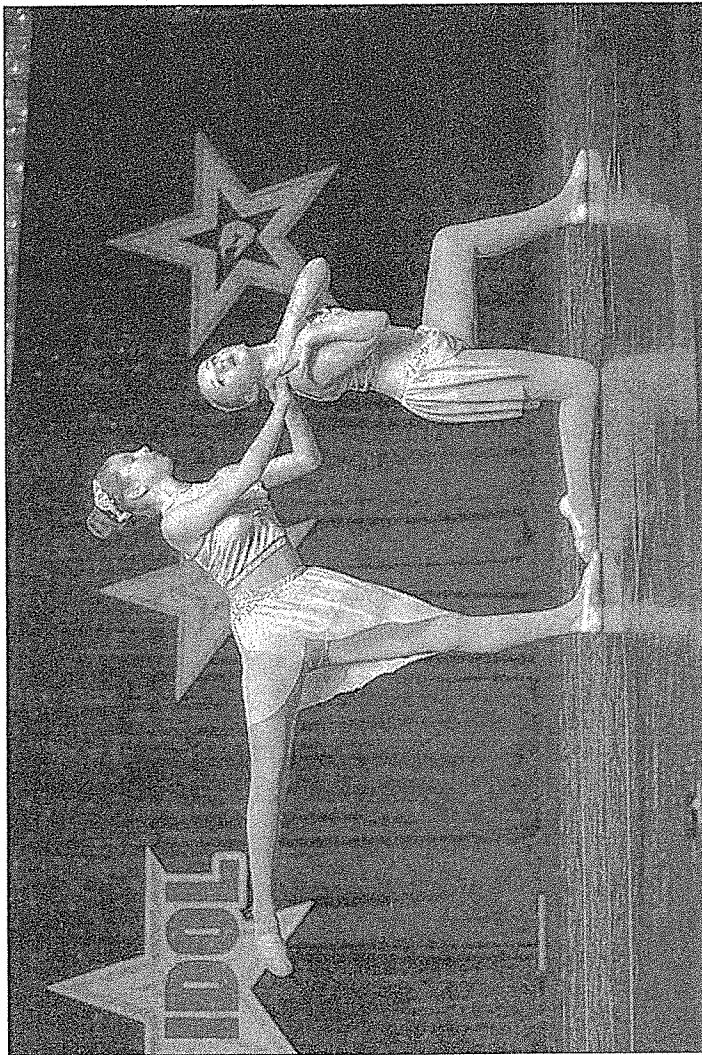
Submitted by Hoffman Estates Park District

Hoffman Estates Park District's Stars Dance Company will hold tryouts for its advanced dance company from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at the Triphahn Center, 1685 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates.

Since 2010, the Stars Dance Company has offered advanced dance programming and competition options to dancers ages 6-18. The award-winning dance group performs at various venues throughout the year, as well as competing at four recognized regional dance competitions.

Unlike other elite dance programs, the regionally recognized Stars Dance Company requires only a three-hour-a-week commitment. This program is perfect not only for dancers looking to hone their performance skills, but also for those who participate in other programs outside of dance.

"Stars Dance Company is perfect for dancers who want to continue to grow past



COURTESY OF HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT STAFF

The award-winning Hoffman Estates Stars Dance Company dancers compete locally and regionally throughout the season in both modern and traditional dance styles.

introductory programs, participate on high school dance teams and those who love to dance and compete," said program coordinator Jessica Karbowski.

"Company practices provide each dancer with intensive training along with individualized instruction to develop stage presence, expand skills and boost

confidence. We know that families and dancers are busy, and our company strikes the perfect balance between fun and competitive performance dance."

The dance company requires a commitment from August 2021-May 2022. All accepted dancers are required to sign up for a minimum of four classes during the season. Company Choreography, Technique and Specialty programs are offered Monday and Tuesdays.

Hoffman Estates Park District provides financial assistance to those who qualify. Applications for the tryouts are available online at HEParks.org/dance.

Tryouts will take place at the Triphahn Center Dance Studio. Dancers and parents should arrive by 9:45 a.m. to check-in, with their hair up in a bun, wearing a black leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes and jazz shoes. Dancers are required to wear a face mask during tryouts.

Dancers must be 6 years old as of Sept. 1, 2021, to participate in the company.

For more information on the dance program, visit HEParks.org/dance.

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RECAP OF WEEKLY UPDATES TO THE BOARD

Updates 6.18.2021

Upcoming Events

- [Jun 19 - FREE Bootcamp – Pop-Up Fitness in the Park](#)
- [Jun 20 - Birds of Prey on Display](#)
- [Jun 23 - Fortnite Tournament – Ages 8-18](#)
- [Jun 23 - FREE Zumba – Pop-Up Fitness in the Park](#)
- [Jun 24 - 50+ Pub Trivia](#)
- [Jun 26 - SafeSitter – Babysitting Class](#)
- [Jun 27 - FREE Yoga – Pop-Up Fitness in the Park](#)
- [Jun 29 - Storytime in the Park](#)
- [Jun 30 - 50+ 4th of July Picnic](#)
- [Jul 2 - Storytime in the Park](#)
- [Jul 2 - Storytime in the Park](#)
- [Jul 4 - Safari Scavenger Hunt](#)

Fabbrini Pickleball

On Wednesday, June 16, there was a conflict between our 50+ group who normally plays pickleball at Fabbrini Park and others wishing to use the open courts at the same time. Our Recreation Department spoke to Bill (& Linda) Graba who volunteer to run leagues for this group. There was clearly a misunderstanding and, quite honestly, Bill overreacted as he quickly sent an email to all of “his” members in this group stating the Park District cancelled pickleball for 50+, which was never the case. This, of course, prompted emails and phone calls from some members of 50+ (I am not sure if any Board Commissioners received any). After speaking to Bill again, he understood that all we asked was if there were open courts during this time (M,W,F 9:00 am –noon) that anyone could also play. His follow-up email said we reinstated 50+ pickleball at Fabbrini and all was great again. Once again, it was never cancelled, but it is easiest at this point to move forward, as the 50+ “picklers” are once again happy.

Daily Herald Article – Bridges Advertisement

Please see attached for an article and advertisement for Bridges placed in the special wedding section of the Daily Herald.

Community Representative Vacancy

There is a vacancy for a Community Representative on the Recreation & Facilities Committee. Please let me know if you know of anyone who may be interested in volunteering as a Community Representative for the 2021-2022 term.

NRPA Conference

NRPA Conference is Tuesday, 9/21 – Thursday, 9/23 in Nashville. The conference will be offered both in-person and virtual. The directors will be attending in-person this year.

Please notify Monica if you would like to attend the conference in-person or virtually. We hope to make hotel reservations as soon as possible, so if you could please reply yes, no or maybe on your attendance if known, we would appreciate that.

Confirmed so far:

In-person – Linda

Virtual – Raj

***The following documents were attached to this email: Bridges Wedding Article*

Say 'I Do' to Bridges of Poplar Creek Country Club



ADVERTISER SUBMITTED CONTENT
Submitted by Hoffman Estates Park District

Bridges of Poplar Creek Country Club, located in Hoffman Estates, provides a spacious clubhouse paired with elegant decor and exceptional cuisine. Listed as a Hall of Fame Wedding location on TheKnot.com, Bridges of Poplar Creek is a stunning wedding location located in the northwest suburbs of Chicago.

We know your wedding day will be among those milestones that stand out most in your life and our goal is to help you create your perfect day.

From beginning to end, our wedding dream team will be there to assist you with all of the details for your day. Your personal Wedding Professional will work with you as you lead up to the big day, planning out your wedding details and bringing your vision to life.

Couples also receive a personal Banquet Captain who will be your main point of contact during your special day. They attend to all your needs and ensure that every aspect of your day exceeds your expectations. Wedding packages also include private bridal rooms with champagne, cheese, fruit and crackers.

Our intimate banquet rooms and outdoor ceremony area accommodate groups of all sizes. Our Poplar Room holds up to 240 guests and is located on the second floor, overlooking our scenic golf course.

With windows along the back wall, the backdrop of your reception features a beautiful panoramic view of the 18-hole championship golf course. We have all new flooring within our banquet rooms to provide a modern décor to this beautiful setting!

The idyllic and private 8,200-square foot outdoor event area centered around a dreamy gazebo and waterfall are perfect for aesthetic weddings and special occasions. Meticulously groomed, this area contains stunning natural rock landscaping, four-season gardens, permanently green ground covering all surrounded by a canopy of mature trees. This area is perfect for outdoor ceremonies, receptions and cocktail hours.

When it comes to serving your guests on your special day, our chef will skillfully and proudly prepare your wedding feast. We offer a wide selection of menu options, and we are willing to customize a menu to your specifications.

Our wedding package includes: three passed hors d'oeuvres, 4½-hour call brand bar, champagne toast, unlimited wine with dinner, salad

course, entree with starch and vegetables, customized wedding cake and a coffee station.

Outside of the facility are stunning grounds perfect for dramatic and romantic photo opportunities. From the sweeping wooden bridges framed by mature willow trees, the iconic antique clock, tree-lined fairways and bubbling fountains, your wedding photos will be beautiful and memorable. Experience the beauty of Bridges in our wedding gallery at bridgesofpoplarcreek.com/wedding-gallery.

Take a virtual tour and learn more about the first-class Bridges of Poplar Creek Country Club facility at bridgesofpoplarcreek.com.

For information on weddings and events, contact Jennifer Fuller, the Catering Supervisor at (847) 781-3658 or jfuller@heparks.org.

**2021 Dates
Still Available!**

YOU'RE INVITED TO

say "yes"

Ceremonies,
Banquets, Receptions
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**BRIDGES
OF POPLAR CREEK**

1400 Poplar Creek Dr Hoffman Estates, IL

Call Jennifer at 847-781-3658 for more information or
Take a virtual tour at bridgesofpoplarcreek.com

Updates 6.25.2021

Upcoming Events

- [Jun 27 - FREE Yoga – Pop-Up Fitness in the Park](#)
- [Jun 29 - Storytime in the Park](#)
- [Jun 30 - 50+ 4th of July Picnic](#)
- [Jul 2 - Storytime in the Park](#)
- [Jul 2 - Storytime in the Park](#)
- [Jul 4 - Safari Scavenger Hunt](#)
- [Jul 7 - Rocket League Tournament – Ages 8-18](#)
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Daily Herald Article – NWSRA Announces Expansion in Hoffman Estates

Please see attached for the Daily Herald article regarding NWSRA opening its sixth programming space at the Vogeley House in 2022.

Community Representative Vacancy

There is a vacancy for a Community Representative on the Recreation & Facilities Committee. Please let me know if you know of anyone who may be interested in volunteering as a Community Representative for the 2021-2022 term.

NRPA Conference

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Please notify Monica if you would like to attend the conference in-person or virtually. We hope to make hotel reservations as soon as possible, so if you could please reply yes, no or maybe on your attendance if known, we would appreciate that.

Confirmed so far:

In-person – Linda

Virtual – Raj

***The following documents were attached to this email: NWSRA Announces Expansion in Hoffman Estates*

NWSRA announces expansion in Hoffman Estates

Submitted by Brian Selders

Northwest Special Recreation Association recently unveiled its plans for expanding programming space to serve the physical, social, emotional and recreational needs of children and adults with disabilities.

As a partnership of 17 Northwest suburban park districts, NWSRA provides innovative recreational programs and services for children and adults with disabilities. This year, NWSRA will open its sixth recreational programming space in cooperation with the Hoffman Estates Park District at historic Vogelei House, 650 W. Higgins Road, in Hoffman Estates.

"We truly appreciate the outstanding partnership of the Hoffman Estates Park District's board and staff to collaboratively improve the lives of individuals who need services throughout the Northwest suburbs," said NWSRA Executive Director Tracey Crawford.

Through the expansion of programming space, in collaboration with partner park



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NWSRA will be opening its sixth programming space at the historic Vogelei House in Hoffman Estates in 2022.

districts, current and future NWSRA sites will provide a diverse range of recreational options.

Certified staff will provide the tools and leadership for

individuals with disabilities to achieve their personal goals, including social skills, community integration, health and wellness, sensory integration and more.

"We have many donors, advocates, families, friends, staff and volunteers and community organizations committed to the idea that children and adults with

disabilities should have access to safe and innovative recreational programming within their communities. They are truly the heart of the community," Crawford said.

The new location will also host the sixth PURSUIT Community Day Program, to be opened in the spring of 2022. As a collaborative program between Clearbrook and NWSRA, the PURSUIT Community Day Program provides continued growth through enriching recreational activities.

Currently, Clearbrook and NWSRA host the PURSUIT Community Day Program in Buffalo Grove, Hanover Park, Mount Prospect, Rolling Meadows and Wheeling. The program has received much fanfare from the community, and currently has a waiting list that highlights the success of the program while making the need for additional services evident.

The fundraising arm of NWSRA, Special Leisure Services Foundation, continues to invite partners and sponsors to assist in the

procurement of funding to complete the revitalization project. Any individuals, businesses or organizations who may wish to partner toward this historic endeavor, may contact Cathy Splett, superintendent of development, at (847) 392-2848 or csplett@slsf.me.

It has been reported that, throughout the nation, one out of 10 individuals has a disability, and more than 79% of individuals with disabilities reported barriers to physical activity in spite of legislative requirements and existing accommodations.

"We are extremely grateful to our collaborative partners, including the Hoffman Estates Park District and Clearbrook, for making this dream a reality," said NWSRA Superintendent of Recreation Andrea Griffin.

Through the collective efforts of donors, volunteers and advocates, accessible recreation that is integral to the quality of life for individuals with disabilities in the Northwest suburbs will be made possible.

Updates 7.1.2021

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Executive Director Talsma Out of the Office

I will be out of the office the afternoon of Friday, July 2, through Friday, July 9. In my absence, Alisa Kapusinski, Director of Recreation, will be available should you need anything. Alisa can be reached at 224-629-3382 or akapusinski@heparks.org. Monica will also be on vacation Friday, July 2, through Wednesday, July 7. Monica will be available Thursday and Friday of next week, so please do not hesitate to reach out to her should you need anything then.

IAPD Complimentary Webinar

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Updates 7.9.2021

Dear Commissioners:

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HEParks Hires Director of Administrative Services and Executive Assistant

I am happy to announce that Peter Cahill has accepted the position of Director of Administrative Services and that Cindy Flynn has accepted the position of Executive Assistant. Peter's first day is July 26. Cindy's first day is July 19.

Vandalism at Fabbrini Park

Over July 4th weekend, the urinal and sink in the men's restroom were destroyed. Upon careful inspection of the entire structure, staff found damage to the roof and it is presumed this is a result of people climbing onto the roof.

The bathrooms will be closed on the weekends until staff are able to get a handle on the vandalism. There are, and will be continue to be, two port-o-lets accessible for park visitors. Police reports have been filed for the bonfire incident and the destruction in the men's restroom.

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Updates 7.16.2021

Upcoming Events

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- [Aug 6 - Youth Self Esteem & Leadership Lab](#)

New Executive Assistant - Cindy Flynn

Cindy's first day with the District is Monday, July 19. She will be training with Monica through Monica's last day, Friday, July 23. If you need anything, please do not hesitate to reach out to Cindy. She can be reached at cflynn@heparks.org or 847-781-3633. We look forward to you having the opportunity to meet her at Tuesday's (7/20) Committee meetings.

Community Representative for Recreation & Facilities Committee

Jen McIlrath has submitted a questionnaire for volunteering as a Community Representative for the Recreation & Facilities Committee. She is a local living close to Fabbrini Park. She and her family have been participating in district programs for years and she is looking to become more involved in the district. Please see attached for Jen's questionnaire.

Jen will be present as an audience member for the Recreation & Facilities Committee meeting on Tuesday, July 20. She can then be appointed to Community Representative at the Board meeting on July 27.

Volunteer Appreciation Event

On Tuesday, August 3, the district is hosting a volunteer appreciation event for all of our wonderful volunteers! The event will be held at Seascape and is open to the volunteers along with their families. Please see attached for the flier for the event.

As in year's past, we would love if our Commissioners would be willing to serve food at the event. The event runs from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., but food is only served from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please let Cindy know by Friday, July 30, if you are available on August 3 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Please extend an invitation to your family members to attend this free event, too.

Vandalism at Fabbri Park

Over the past week, staff worked with vendors to evaluate options for providing surveillance at Fabbri Park. Staff is currently going through vendor proposals and deciding what the best option will be. The following is the list of vandalism acts that have occurred this summer at Fabbri: a bathroom toilet and sink destroyed, fence panels around the ejector pit removed and/or broken, port-o-lets thrown into the pond, retaining wall blocks removed and thrown into the pond, a drinking fountain broken and all internal parts removed, numerous graffiti incidents, and damage to the metal roof. The vandalism has cost the district approximately \$3,000 in materials and \$2,400 in labor for repairs and clean-up.

This past Tuesday evening, staff was contacted by Officer Lawrence from Hoffman Estates Police. We were notified that they had in their custody two juveniles who they believed had something to do with the vandalism at Fabbri because the police caught the juveniles coming from the women's bathroom and it was believed that there was damage to the bathroom sink at the time. After inspection, the sink was not damaged.

On Thursday, Officer Lawrence provided the following update:

We are still actively investigating the damages. The kids that we had the other night seem to not be involved in the bathroom damages. We had one kid confess to throwing one retaining wall block into the water (I am hoping to send him to a peer jury and make him do some community service work, but I will run all of that past you when we get more information about the other damages). I will keep you posted with any new updates. We have several more people that we need to bring in to interview still.

IAPD Thank You and HEChamber Thank You

Please see attached for a thank you card and thank you letter from IAPD to HEParks for hosting the first golf event of the IAPD Summer Golf Tour. Also attached is a thank you card and thank you letter from HEChamber to HEParks for (1) hosting the Fishing Derby and (2) to recognize Kyle Wozny's efforts during the event.

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2021 Community Fishing Derby

The Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce & Industry would like to thank you for sponsoring our 2021 Community Fishing Derby. Without your sponsorship and support, our Fishing Derby would not be the successful community event that it has been over the past 30 years. We sincerely appreciate your patronage and partnership with this event and the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce. Thank you again!

2021 Fishing Derby Committee



Mr. Craig Talsma
Executive Director
Hoffman Estates Park District
1685 West Higgins Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Dear Craig,

I am writing this letter to express my sincere appreciation for one of your employees who went out of his way to ensure the success of our annual community fishing derby at Fabbrini Park!

Kyle Wozny served on our fishing derby committee this year and he once again proved to be a tremendous asset. Kyle drew a formal pandemic social distanced layout of the lake for the derby participants. Each time I asked Kyle for assistance I was greeted with a helpful attitude and a solution-related answer.

The fishing derby was more difficult to plan this year because of the new location and lack of secured advanced storage for the event. The Committee had several sleepless nights worrying that the tables and chairs would be thrown into the lake. Upon equipment pickup at the shelter, a small fire was started on Monday at around 1:30pm. In addition, the "please no fishing signs" were all removed and thrown into the lake. We had 20 signs and only 4 were recovered. Other than those incidents, the derby ran as smoothly as it could in spite of the weather. Kyle was on top of the parking lot flood and brought in equipment to remove the standing water. He remained calm and in control when the flooding escalated.

Your employee, Kyle, did a superb job of taking care of the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce & Industry's annual fishing derby preparations through the day's events. He is a true asset to your organization. I really appreciate his enthusiasm and obvious care for the people he works with and encounters on a daily basis. I also want to acknowledge the friendly and hard-working crew that ably backed-up Kyle.

We are looking forward to next year's derby returning back to South Ridge Lake and our continued business partnership with the Hoffman Estates Park District!

Thank you again, Craig.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tricia A. O'Brien".

Tricia A. O'Brien
President/CEO

Thank You

Craig -

Many thanks for the wonderful hospitality and generosity at the Kick Off outing of the IAPD Summer Golf Tour. The course, facility and most of all staff were top-notch. Thanks again for everything.

Sue; Ala-



June 30, 2021

Craig Talsma
Executive Director
Hoffman Estates Park District
2685 W. Higgins Rd.
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Dear Craig:

Please extend my heartfelt thanks to the entire board and staff of the Hoffman Estates Park District and Bridges of Poplar Creek Country Club for doing an outstanding job of hosting the first outing of the 20th Annual IAPD Summer Golf Tour.

You and your team definitely set the bar high for the rest of the outings this year. From the moment we arrived, your friendly staff made sure we were well taken care of. Your beautiful clubhouse and immaculate golf course are spectacular, and the food was outstanding.

Brian Bechtold, Kurtis Hartwig, Jennifer Fuller and the rest of their team were top-notch. Even though Mother Nature threw us a few curve balls, she was no match for the professionalism and quick actions of the staff to make the necessary schedule adjustments.

Thanks again Craig. Your support of the Illinois Association of Park Districts and *Friends of Illinois Parks* is very much appreciated.

My Best Personal Regards,

Peter M. Murphy, Esq., CAE, IOM
President/CEO

C: Pat Kinnane, President



To say "thank you" for all that you do...



Volunteer Appreciation Day!

**FREE
Food!**
Served from 6-7pm

Tuesday, August 3
5:30 - 7:30pm
Seascape Family Aquatic Center
1300 Moon Lake Blvd

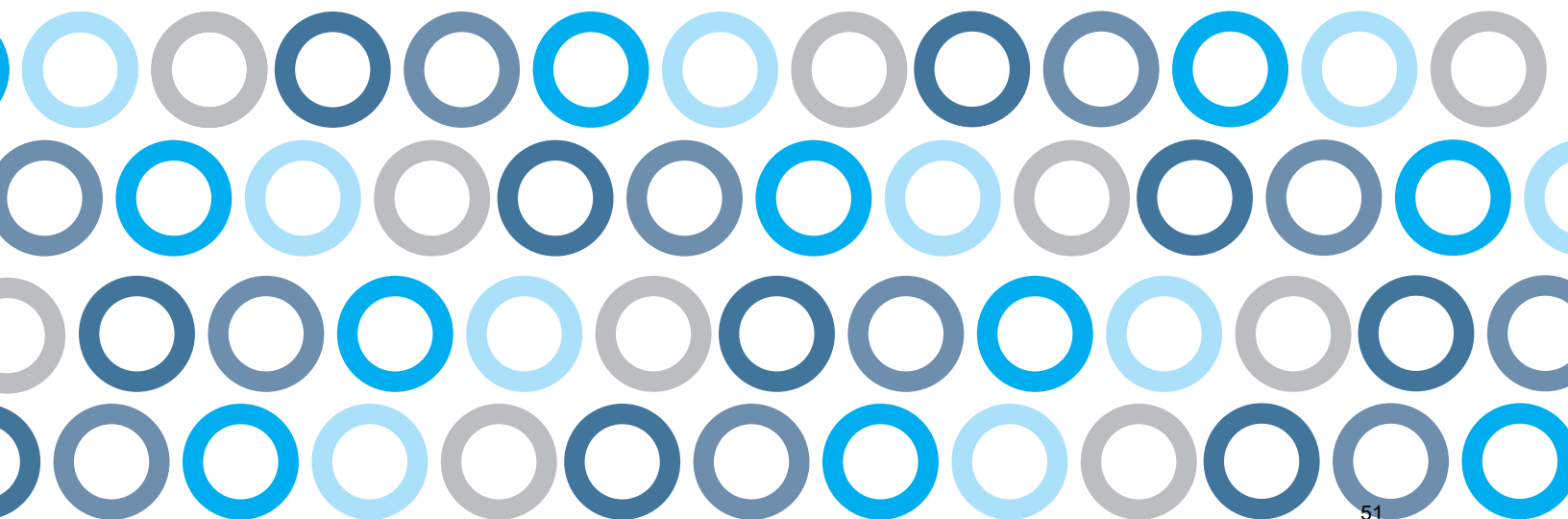
**Swim for
FREE!**

Bring the family for a night of slip slidin' fun!

RSVP by Friday, July 30 at pbodame@heparks.org and leave name, phone number and the number of people from your family who will be attending.

Cancelation due to weather: check Seascape hotline at 847-310-3626 or Triphahn Front Desk at 847-885-7500.

Please enter at the fence next to the concession stand. Dinner provided 6-7pm.



2021/2022 Community Representative Questionnaire

Name: Jen McIlrath Phone #: 847-401-3120
Address: 1180 Lancaster Ct, HE Email: jennifer.mcilrath@gmail.com
Date: 7/14/21

Why are you interested in serving as a Community Representative for the Hoffman Estates Park District for the upcoming term June 2021 – May 2022?

My family actively uses the Park District programs, parks throughout our community. I feel that I could bring value to the conversation surrounding our parks.

How did you learn about this opportunity to become a Community Representative? _____

Alisa Kapusinski

Please list in order of preference the Committee on which you would like to serve:

- (1) Buildings & Grounds Committee (Meets every 3rd Tuesday at 7:00pm)
- (2) Recreation & Facilities Committee (Meets every 3rd Tuesday between 7:15pm and 8:00pm)
- (3) Administration & Finance Committee (Meets every 4th Tuesday at 7:10pm)

What percentage of the meetings do you feel that you will be able to attend? 95-100%

What contributions (knowledge, skills, experience, etc.) do you feel you can offer to the park district?

My family is passionate about enjoying + utilizing the outdoor spaces/parks to the fullest. We travel to both National/State parks for pleasure - and love camping, hiking, rockclimbing, biking.

Are there any particular issues that influenced your decision to become a Community Representative?

No, just a passion for outdoor recreation fun

What involvement have you or your family members had with Hoffman Estates Park District programs and facilities?

My children have been in swim, dance, horseback riding etc. - attended preschool @ Triphan, and we were members at PSSW. We attend 'Party in the Park' 'Easter Egg Hunts' and everything else!

How often do you and your family frequent Hoffman Estates parks? Specify which parks.

We live next to Fabrini Park (+ have a memorial tree there) - we go there daily. However, we are also avid bikers - so we ride bikes as a family + stop at parks along the way on a weekly basis.

What involvement have you had with other local governmental entities, e.g., Village, Townships, School Districts, etc.

I do volunteer @ MacArthur School (my children attend school here), however that's it!

What involvement have you had with local civic groups, i.e., Rotary, Lions Club, etc.?

None.

Have you ever been or are you currently an employee of the Hoffman Estates Park District? If so, please list dates and position.

No

Please return this questionnaire by Wednesday, April 30, 2021 to:

Executive Director's office

Triphahn Community Center & Ice Arena

1685 W. Higgins Road ~ Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Or mlogan@heparks.org

IF SELECTED FOR CONSIDERATION AS A COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE, YOU WILL BE CONTACTED TO SET UP AN INTERVIEW WITH THE PARK BOARD. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMUNITY REP POSITIONS WILL BE HELD AT OUR ANNUAL MEETING ON MAY 25, 2021.

All Park District volunteers, including Community Representatives, are subject to **criminal background checks**. If you are selected to become a Community Representative, an authorization form to conduct a criminal background check will be provided to you. **Thank you for your interest in serving as a Community Representative for the Hoffman Estates Park District!**