

Arlington Heights<br>Park District

# Comprehensive Plan 

2006-2011


## Step Up To Health, It Starts in the Parks

This new program celebrates:

- Healthy Lifestyles
- Ways to Improve Your Health
- Livable Communities

Your healthy lifestyle is defined by how you take care of yourself and your family. That includes healthy eating and physical activity.

Benefits of regular physical activity for adults include preventing problems caused by heart disease, diabetes and high blood pressure; weight control; build and maintain healthy bones, muscles and joints; reduce feeling of depression and anxiety; help older adults maintain strength \& balance; promote psychological well-being.
During childhood and adolescence, there is an association between physical activity levels and: aerobic fitness, levels of body fat, use of tobacco and alcohol, healthier eating habits, self-esteem, teamwork, leadership and socialization.

Get started with Park District facilities and programs:
Walking paths-at Lake Arlington, Melas Park, around the community centers-help track your progress, encourage you to get moving.
Sports-a variety of programs designed for youth \& adults. Check the offerings in our program guide. Don't forget tennis at Forest View and Heritage, golf at Arlington Lakes and Nickol Knoll, swimming at Olympic Indoor Swim Center \& the outdoor centers this summer.

Dance-tap, jazz, hip-hop, Irish Step, ballroom \& Latin-dozens of classes for youth, adults \& seniors.
Fitness classes-floor fitness; water exercise; and senior fitness runs.
Fitness facilities-Forest View Fitness Center and the Senior Center’s Athletic Club provide equipment and inspiration, along with classes and drop-in time.
Park District classes help you achieve a healthy life style and just as important.

Create livable communities by spreading the word, bringing a friend to class, organizing a team and living a healthy lifestyle.

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## PARKDISTRICT

April 11, 2006

Dear Resident:

On behalf of the Park Board of Commissioners, it is my pleasure to present the 2006 Comprehensive Plan of the Arlington Heights Park District. The Park District began the concept of long range planning with the first Comprehensive Plan in 1982. An updating process occurs every three years. With each revision, the Comprehensive Plan improves as a working document.

The 2006 Plan is a proposed course of action for the Park District over the next five year period. The Comprehensive Plan is designed to encompass all aspects of the Park District's operations, including finance, personnel, parks, land acquisition and development, facilities and programs. The Plan has been proposed by staff and approved by the Park Board. It is now ready to be used as an active guide by the Arlington Heights Park District.

Thank you for taking the time to be an involved and interested citizen of the Arlington Heights community.


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## Introduction

The Arlington Heights Park District, incorporated in 1925, has a long and proud history of service to the residents of Arlington Heights. Located in northwest Cook County, the 16.2 square mile Park District provides open space, facilities and programs through a network of 58 parks on 715 acres. Recreational facilities operated by the Park District include one indoor and five outdoor swimming pools, five community centers, a cultural arts center, historical museum, senior center, two indoor tennis clubs, two golf clubs, a recreational lake, and a lighted softball complex. Throughout the year, more than 65,000 people participate in over 2,800 recreation programs.

The Village of Arlington Heights has a well-established reputation as an outstanding community. The area has grown substantially over the last seventy-five years and there is relatively little undeveloped land in the Park District. The 2000 U.S. Census and 2005 Special Census report the population of the Village to be 76,943 , an increase of less than $1 \%$ from 1990. Arlington Heights features a strong business community and offers a vibrant economic climate. The Park District continues to study population and economic trends, and the resulting demand on existing programs, facilities, and parks, and makes changes to accommodate the needs of the community.

Significant milestones, since the 2003 Comprehensive Plan was adopted, include the renovation of Olympic Indoor Swim Center, re-certification as an IPRA/IAPD Distinguished Park and Recreation Agency in 2004, purchase of land at Sunset Meadows Park, issuance of $\$ 10$ million general obligation park bonds for the renovation of Pioneer Park and funding of the capital improvement plan, and conducted a community survey in 2004.

The 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan was developed to coordinate all facets of the Park District's operation including community needs, land acquisition, programs, facilities, budget, and personnel in an effort to maximize existing resources. The Comprehensive Plan reflects the changing community and the needs of the individuals we serve, and provides information about the proposed course of action the Park District established to meet the residents' needs and wants.

It is important to realize that the Comprehensive Plan is simply a statement of current conclusions of the planning process. It needs to be viewed as an agreed upon program of constructive action, not as a binding contract.

## Executive Summary

The Comprehensive Plan identifies the major work goals for the next five years developed and to be executed by supervisory staff. These objectives are designed to move the Park District forward to meet the ever changing needs of the community. In determining the future needs, staff utilized the following tools: The 2005 Needs Assessment Survey, the 2003 Comprehensive Plan, Park Board visioning sessions, supervisory staff brainstorming, program evaluations, resident comments and industry trends.

This Comprehensive Plan is greatly modified from former Plans. Although past Comprehensive Plans were updated every three years, the method in which they were developed remained the same as the original created in 1982. This Plan began in April 2005 when the Park Board and staff conducted a goal setting workshop facilitated by an outside corporate consultant. During this process the Park Board approved a new Vision Statement:

## The Arlington Heights Park District enriches our community by providing quality recreation, parks, facilities and fun.

From this new Vision Statement, the Park Board and staff established very wide reaching goals for the District:

- Ensure the efficient and effective use of financial resources and Park District assets.
- Provide innovative recreational opportunities and facilities to meet the diverse programming needs of our community.
- Continue the District's pursuit of being a community, regional, state and national leader.
- Promote an environment of cooperation, collaboration and teamwork.
- Provide quality internal and external customer-focused service.
- Provide stewardship of our open spaces and natural resources.

Once these goals were established, supervisory staff developed strategies for each goal and a series of specific objectives to assist the Park District in reaching each goal. This new Comprehensive Plan format directs all staff to focus their objectives on common goals instead of individual goals that were set in prior Comprehensive Plans. This new format encourages more collaboration among staff in other departments and provides a stronger emphasis on teamwork.

The Plan includes statements of goals, strategies and objectives, which provide the framework for planning recommendations, policies and future projects and actions:

Goals describe end situations toward which planning efforts should be directed. They are broad and long-range. They represent an end to be sought, although they may never actually be fully attained.
Strategies are broad statements that set a direction. They are pursued through specific actions or objectives.

Objectives describe more specific actions that should be undertaken in order to advance toward the overall goals. They provide more precise and measurable guidelines for planning action.

Together, the goals, strategies and objectives paint a picture of what the Park District wants to accomplish with its Comprehensive Plan, along with other development tools and ordinances. They provide direction and serve as a guide for evaluating specific projects and alternatives.

The goals and objectives presented in this document are based on: a) input from staff and the Park Board of Commissioners; b) the community surveys and comments; and c) feedback from various public meetings and discussions.

Historical information and demographics are updated to reflect any major changes since 2003.
This Plan encompasses different needs and interests that Park Board and staff consider important enough to investigate and pursue within the next five years; following are general themes found throughout the various goals:

- Identifying and securing outside revenue sources through grants, sponsorships, partnerships and other cooperative ventures.
- Review and evaluation of program fees, the effect of scholarship and possible impact of multi-child discounts might have on program budgets.
- Investigate safety considerations such as lightning prediction systems; security cameras; security and safety training.
- Technology enhances to serve the Park District's external customer needs and internally for staff efficiency.
- Leisure programming - evaluations on effectiveness of existing programs, expansion into emerging trend areas and more marketing of facilities and activities.


## Arlington Heights Park District Profile

## Established

Governed

## Boundaries

Population

Real Estate

Tax Rate

Fiscal Year Budget

Bond Rating

On June 9, 1925, the Arlington Heights Park District was formed with Commissioners Nathaniel Banta, Henry Klehm, Eugene Berbecker, Albert Volz, and Julius Flentie.

By a five member volunteer Board of Commissioners, each of whom serves four years. Current Board consists of Maryfran H. Leno, President; Andrew Bennett, Vice-President; Robert Nesvacil; Robert E. Smith, and Robert L. Whisler.

The 16.2 square mile District is located in northern Cook County and southern Lake County, 27 miles northwest of downtown Chicago. It lies in Elk Grove and Wheeling Townships and is bordered by Buffalo Grove and Wheeling to the north; Elk Grove Village on the south; on the west by Rolling Meadows and Palatine; on the east by Mt. Prospect. The District serves most of Arlington Heights and small portions of Palatine, Mt. Prospect, Prospect Heights, Rolling Meadows, and Lake County.

The Park District's population is approximately 76,943 . It's the third largest suburb in Cook County, the eighth largest suburb in the Chicago Metropolitan area and the twelfth largest community in the State of Illinois.

The equalized assessed value of real estate for 2004 is $\$ 2,445,415,403$ (most recent available).

The tax rate for 2004 is .465 per $\$ 100$ of assessed value (most recent available).

The proposed operating budget for 2006/07 is $\$ 21,281,101$. The fiscal year begins May 1 and concludes on April 30.

The District issues General Obligation Bonds periodically for capital improvements. In September 2005, Moody’s Investor Service, Inc. gave the Park District an upgrade to an Aa2 rating, basically citing the current economic climate, well managed financial operations that yield stable operations, and ample reserve levels as the reason.

## Arlington Heights Park District Profile

## Park Resources

The District owns 456.53 acres, leases 258.56 acres of land and has 58 parks comprised of community parks, neighborhood parks, play lots, passive parks and linear parks. Recreational facilities include five outdoor swimming pools, five community centers (each with gymnasium and meeting rooms), a cultural arts center, historical museum, senior center, Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club, Heritage Tennis Club, Arlington Lakes Golf Club, Olympic Indoor Swim Center, Nickol Knoll Golf Club, Melas Park Softball Complex, Lake Arlington's 1.8 mile walk/bike path and 50 acre boating lake, a driving range, 45 softball diamonds, 3 football fields and 17 soccer fields, 38 playgrounds, 53 outdoor tennis courts, 12 outdoor ice skating rinks and 39 picnic areas.

Programs and Services The District provides a full range of activities and services year 'round. Major recreation programs include athletics, fitness, music, arts and crafts, performing arts, preschool programs, museum programs, swimming, tennis, senior programs, day camps, special events, trips, in cooperation with School District 25 and the Village of Arlington Heights, a before and after school program for grade school children called Children At Play (CAP), and an after school program for middle school students called Junior Activity Zone (JAZ). The District is affiliated with the Northwest Special Recreation Association, and sponsors the Community Band and many other special interest groups.

Staff The District has an appointed executive director responsible for administration of the District and a full-time staff of one hundred two (102). The District also employs over one thousand part-time, seasonal, and temporary workers, and volunteers.

Affiliations

Contact

Web Site

The District is affiliated with the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), the Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD), and the Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA).

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Organizational Chart


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Attorney
Timothy J. Riordan

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Superintendent of Parks Alan Welk
Superintendent of Parks Paul Guza

## Adopted

January 25, 1982

## Revised

April 9, 1985
March 8, 1988
August 27, 1991
July 26, 1994
June 10, 1997
May 23, 2000
April 22, 2003
April 25, 2006


# The Arlington Heights Park District 

enriches our community by providing quality recreation, parks, facilities, and fun.

## We do this by:

- Ensuring the efficient and effective use of financial resources and Park District assets.

Providing innovative recreational opportunities and facilities to meet the diverse programming needs of our community.

- Continuing the Park District's pursuit of being a community, regional, state and national leader.
- Promoting an environment of cooperation, collaboration and teamwork.

Providing quality internal and external customer-focused service.
Providing stewardship of our open spaces and natural resources.

## Goal 1: Financial Resources and Assets

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## Ensure the efficient and effective use of financial resources and Park District assets.

### 1.1 Identify and pursue alternative funding to meet public demand.

1 Plan regular meetings with the Park Board, staff and state legislators
2006
Develop opportunities for Commissioners and staff to meet and discuss Park District operations with the two new State senators representing Senate Districts 27 \& 33.
Team Leader: Executive Director
$\begin{array}{lll}2 & \text { Explore including racquetball court time into membership fees. } & 2006 \\ \text { Team Leader: } & \text { Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Superintendent of Recreation (CP) } \\ & \text { Forest View Staff }\end{array}$
3 Investigate additional profit generation opportunities for Lake Arlington.
2006
Team Leader: Lake Arlington/Athletics Supervisor
4 Evaluate Arlington Lakes Golf Club operations.
Determine cost cuts and/or additional revenue sources.
Team Leader: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
5 Investigate advertising options at Arlington Lakes Golf Club.
2007
Support additional services at the golf course; add amenities such as a GPS system on golf carts.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
6 Create a sponsorship program to attract athletic program advertising revenue. 2007 Allow advertising of signs/banners on ball field fencing.
Team Leader: Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
Team Members: Athletic Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness

7 Establish annual meetings of the Park Board and Park Foundation Board.
Stress the importance of securing outside funding to the Foundation.
Team Leader: Executive Director
8 Investigate the possibility of securing a vendor(s) to sponsor the summer 2007 tennis recreational program.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Heritage Tennis Club Manager } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { IMC } \\ & \text { Heritage Tennis Club Assistant Manager }\end{array}$
9 Develop annual financial and organizational goals for sponsorships and 2007 partnerships.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Marketing Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Directors }\end{array}$
10 Investigate grant opportunities at the Museum.
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor

## Ensure the efficient and effective use of financial resources and Park District assets.

### 1.1 Identify and pursue alternative funding to meet public demand.

11 Seek new scholarship opportunities for customers in any program.

| Team Leader: | Superintendent of Recreation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Team Members: | Marketing Supervisor |

12 Athletic staff seek sponsorships for programs that can alleviate some costs to customer.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Superintendent of Recreation } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Marketing Supervisor }\end{array}$
13 Evaluate the performance of the grant writer or lobbyist for new grant 2008 projects.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Parks \& Planning
14 Research a bond referendum to renovate all existing community centers.
2008
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members: Directors
15 Research opportunities for obtaining grants and/or sponsosrships to aid
2009 skate park funding options.
Team Leader: Aquatic Facilities Supervisor
Team Members: Marketing Supervisor
Aquatic Program Supervisor
16 Research sponsorship opportunities for aquatic facilities that include all 2009 pools and guard competition.
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
17 Research sponsorship opportunities for aquatic programs that include all
2009 pools and the City Meet.

Team Leader: Aquatic FacilitySupervisor
18 Seek alternative funding for new Safety Town buildings.
Team Leader: CAP/JAZ Supervisor
Team Members: Marketing Supervisor
19 Develop a Departmental plan to seek outside revenue sources.
2009
The marketing supervisor and Recreation Department staff contacted local businesses willing to sponsor park programs, or portions of special events. Is the time staff is spending worth the sponsorships received? Determine if we are getting enough sponsorship dollars to warrant the time staff is spending and determine who is to be approached.

| Team Leader: | Director of Recreation and Facilities |
| :--- | :--- |
| Team Members: | Marketing Supervisor |

20 Explore sponsorship options for existing Forest View events; provide an 2009 update.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
Team Members: IMC

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1.1 Identify and pursue alternative funding to meet public demand.

21 Research funding options for obtaining grants and/or sponsorships to aid 2009 preschool and camp programs.
Team Leader: Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor
Team Members: Marketing Supervisor
$\begin{array}{ll}22 & \text { Research opportunities for sponsorships for dance programs and events. } 2009 \\ \text { Team Leader: } & \text { Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { IMC }\end{array}$

## Ensure the efficient and effective use of financial resources and Park District assets.

### 1.2 Administer the District finances in a sound and accountable fiscal manner.

23 Develop a summer pool season procedure.
2006
Indicate the various tasks to be completed prior to the summer pool season; who is responsible for completing the tasks; and the corresponding timeline.

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Aquatic Facilities Supervisor } \\
\text { Team Members: } & \text { Aquatic Program Supervisor } \\
& \text { Center Supervisors }
\end{array}
$$

24 Evaluate a multiple-child discount option for aquatic programs and possible 2006 impact on this program's revenue.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Aquatic Program Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Accounting Supervisor }\end{array}$
25 Review the need to offer discounted rates for youth sport coaches.
Team Leader: Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
Team Members: Athletic Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness
Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
Center Supervisors
Lake Arlington/Athletics Supervisor
26 Update the Purchasing Policy and Procedures.
2006
Evaluate purchasing options and levels; provide appropriate training to employees on how to purchase goods and services.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
Team Members: Accounting Supervisor
27 Explore options for managing the employee health insurance program.
Provide the Commissioners with options on hiring an outside consultant to advise the Park District on best way to manage the employee health insurance program.
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
Superintendent of Human Resources
28 Review and revise the Nickol Knoll Golf Club business plan.
Team Leader: Nickol Knoll Golf Club Supervisor
29 Evaluate a multiple-child discount option for preschool and day camp 2006 programs.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor
Team Members: Accounting Supervisor
30 Analyze the production of a plan for the bi-monthly tour schedule.
2006
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisor

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31 Evaluate golf maintenance operations full-time and seasonal golf positions. 2006
Prioritize neds and eliminate or curtail labor hours in non-peak revenue producting times.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors
32 Establish a golf maintenance operations training program.
2006
Establish a golf training program so pro shop staff and maintenance staff combine efforts to reduce cost inefficiencies.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Superintendent of Golf Maintenance } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisors } \\ & \text { Golf Maintenance Supervisors }\end{array}$
33 Evaluate the membership and pricing structure of the Forest View Racquet \& 2006 Fitness Club.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Team Members: Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
34 Create a monthly budget review plan; provide status report to director of 2006 revenue facilities.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Team Members: $\quad$ Director of Recreation \& Facilities
35 Develop a business plan for the new Pioneer Park Center including 2006 operations, financials and marketing.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
36 Review and update Finance and Personnel Department policies and 2007 procedures.
Make the policies and procedures available to all employees who need them.
Team Leader: Accounting Supervisor
37 Streamline all AEK reports; post on intranet; provide supervisor training on 2007 how to access them.
Team Leader: Accounting Supervisor
38 Research energy procurement companies to reduce utility costs.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
39 Evaluate the use of procurement cards for goods and services.
Team Leader:
Director of Finance \& Personnel
Team Members: Accounting Supervisor
40 Review and evaluate program fee philosophy and process.

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1.2 Administer the District finances in a sound and accountable fiscal manner.
41 Investigate the merits of a performance based compensation program. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Executive Director Team Members: Superintendent of Human Resources
42 Develop a financial contingency/disaster plan. ..... 2007
Formalize a policy to guide the financial actions that would be necessary in the event of emergencies, natural disasters, or other unexpected events. (Contingency/Disaster Plan)
Team Leader: MIS Supervisor
43 Review Museum staffing level. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor
44 Develop an improved database of Nickol Knoll Golf Club users. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Nickol Knoll Golf Club Supervisor Team Members: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
45 Develop a five-year capital replacement plan for office and facility equipment ..... 2007 at the Senior Center.Team Leader: Senior Center SupervisorsTeam Members: MIS Supervisor
46 Investigate leasing programs for golf course maintenance equipment. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors
47 Study the use of buying groups, such as VCM Club, to reduce golf ..... 2007 maintenance operations costs.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Golf Maintenance Team Members : Golf Maintenance Supervisors
48 Evaluate the organizational structure/staffing of the District. ..... 2007
Hire a consultant or consider an in-house evaluation of the organizational structure/staffing of the District to ensure operational efficiency.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources Team Members : Directors
49 Review and evaluate the program fee structure. ..... 2007
Review and evaluate the program fee philosophy structure; process with Recreation supervisory staff.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP) Team Members: Director of Recreation \& Facilities Recreation Superintendents

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50 Evaluate job duties and responsibilities of the center supervisors.
Determine if they are being used optimally for the District's needs.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
Team Members: Recreation Superintendents
51 Evaluate pool concession financial operations.
Examine the financials of the center concession stands since 2002 to determine if they are making at least $20 \%$ net. If not, determine what should be done to make them more financially viable.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
52 Develop a standard operating procedure for utility budgeting.
Team Leader: Accounting Supervisor
53 Improve cash register software at Arlington Lakes Golf Club.
Improve point of purchase software in both food and beverage and golf operations to track inventory and customer demographics, by setting up program.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: Accounting Supervisor
Director of Finance \& Personnel
55 Evaluate the discounted rates for employees and families with more than one
2008 child in the CAP program.
Team Leader: CAP/JAZ Supervisor
Team Members: Accounting Supervisor
$\begin{array}{lll}56 & \text { Examine CAP late pick-up fees to determine if they cover staff costs. } & 2008 \\ \text { Compare late pick up fees and service charges for late payment with other districts; } & \\ \text { determine if we need to increase fees and service charges to pay for staff time. } \\ \begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { CAP/JAZ Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members : } & \text { Accounting Supervisor }\end{array}\end{array}$
57 Evaluate the impact of the scholarship program on the budget.
2008
Examine if a limit should be placed on the amount of scholarship dollars available.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Director of Recreation and Facilities } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Recreation Superintendents }\end{array}$
Team Members: Recreation Superintendents
58 Conduct a detailed analysis of the Forest View operation. 2008
Compile, compare, and contrast budgets from area park district tennis clubs to analyze vs. Forest View operation.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
59 Develop master plan to replace equipment and machines at the Lake 2008 Arlington.
Team Leader: Lake Arlington/Athletics Supervisor

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60 Investigate new golf maintenance operations equipment.
Will these operations provide reduction in staff and ability to complete jobs sooner with less interruption to the golf patrons?
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members : Golf Maintenance Supervisors2008
61 Develop a Human Resources and Training System that provides job specific ..... 2008 training and career development paths.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources
Team Members: Training and Safety Supervisor
62 Establish a five year tennis club general maintenance and capital project plan. ..... 2008
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Team Members: Tennis Club Managers
Superintendent of Parks - Davis
63 E
Evaluate hours, locations, duties and supervision to determine if they are being used optimally.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Center Supervisors
Custodial Supervisor
64 Evaluate the impact of multi-family member discounts for the same recreation ..... 2009 program; what effect would these have on the budget?
Team Leader: Director of Recreation and Facilities
65 Investigate multiple user discount options at Heritage Tennis Club. ..... 2009Research the number of families that have more than one member participating in the lessonprogram; can a discount program could be developed? Research the number of members thatparticipate in more than one program at any given time.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
Team Members: Superintendent of Recreation (CP)Director of Recreation \& Facilities
66 Investigate expanding the Heritage Tennis Club pro shop area.2009
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
67 Review options for the Museum Fund Balance.2009Develop in conjunction with the Finance Department, a plan regarding use of the Museum'sFund Balance.
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Director of Finance \& Personnel

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1.2 Administer the District finances in a sound and accountable fiscal manner.

68 Investigate the use of contractual services at the tennis clubs. 2009
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis

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## Ensure the efficient and effective use of financial resources and Park District assets.

### 1.3 Provide a safe environment for District personnel and visitors.

69 Develop a plan to install a lightning prediction system to cover all parks. 2008
Team Leader: Executive Director

70 Provide Building Inspection forms online.
Provide Building Inspection forms online and route via the intranet or e-mail.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Training and Safety Supervisor
Team Members : Director of Finance \& Personnel

71 Develop a District-Wide AED implementation plan.
2007
Team Leader: Training and Safety Supervisor
Team Members: Safety Committee

72 Review staff and patron security at the Administration Center and community 2007 centers.
Team Leader: Training and Safety Supervisor Team Members:Superintendent of Parks - Davis

73 Develop a plan to install security cameras in high traffic facilities and parks. 2008
Team Leader: Executive Director

74 Research Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) options and training.
2008
Team Leader: $\quad$ Training and Safety Supervisor
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Custodial Supervisor
75 Review OSHA Guidelines and develop procedures to be in compliance.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Training and Safety Supervisor
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Superin endent of Parks - Frontier
Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Custodial Supervisor

76 Develop periodic security training and facility reviews with local police 2009 department.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Training and Safety Supervisor
Team Members : Superintendent of Recreation (SG)

Ensure the efficient and effective use of financial resources and Park District assets.
1.4 Acquire/implement a level of technology that enables the Park District to conduct business in a manner which meets public expectation.

77 Revise the youth sports process to use Online registration.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
Team Members: Athletic Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness
Director of Finance \& Personnel
78 Develop standard back-up procedures for all District server-based data 2006 including off-site storage and Online data vaults.
Team Leader: MIS Supervisor
79 Develop first phase of Computerized Maintenance Management System.
2006
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Team Members: Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Director of Parks \& Planning
80 Develop Online tee time reservations.
2007
Team Leader: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
81 Provide an automated option for community center supervisors to upload 2007 IBEX room information into their facility calendars.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
Team Members: IBEX
82 Develop a management system to track all maintenance and operations costs. 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Parks \& Planning
Team Members Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
83 Secure official Park District records on permanent electronic media off-site. 2007
Team Leader: Executive Director

84 Implement a routine information technology (IT) security review and audit 2007 procedure.
Ensure that MIS follows industry's best practices for system control and security, and modify as needed.
Team Leader: MIS Supervisor
85 Develop and distribute a monthly newsletter (e-zine) of fuser tips, updates of 2007 ongoing projects, and a regular schedule of training events.
Team Leader: MIS Supervisor
86 Develop a conversion plan for AEK "green screen" applications to Web based 2007 applications.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { MIS Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Web Coordinator }\end{array}$

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1.4 Acquire/implement a level of technology that enables the Park District to conduct business in a manner which meets public expectation.

87 Develop formal password procedures and determine duration between 2007 password changes.
Team Leader: MIS Supervisor
88 Research implementing voice over internet (VOIP) to replace phone systems.
Research cost and ROI of implementing voice over data lines at all locations.
Team Leader: MIS Supervisor
89 Implement an automated time and attendance system to streamline and 2007 reduce payroll processing and time.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources
Team Members: Director of Finance \& Personnel
MIS Supervisor
90 Streamline the refund processing system for maximum efficiency.
2008
Team Leader: Accounting Supervisor
Team Members : MIS Supervisor
91 Implement an e-mail subscription program to various segments of the Park 2008 District population; develop procedures on using this system.
Team Leader: Marketing Supervisor
Team Members: Web Coordinator
MIS Supervisor
92 Develop employee self-service to automate HR processes; provide staff 2008 access to their personal information and benefit information.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Human Resources
Team Members: Director of Finance \& Personnel
MIS Supervisor

93 Develop self service capabilities for the payroll, HR and G/L databases.
2008
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources
Team Members: Accounting Supervisor
MIS Supervisor

94 Develop an infrastructure maintenance schedule to properly care for and
2008 regulate mechanical systems; improve and safeguard Park District funds and assets.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Director of Parks \& Planning

## Goal 2: Recreational Opportunities and Facilities

Provide innovative recreational opportunities and facilities to meet the diverse programming needs of our community.
2.1 Plan, finance and develop quality facilities which meet the diverse recreational needs of participants in all age groups.28-29
2.2 Provide quality recreational programs and services which meet the needs of all age groups, and promote a healthy lifestyle in the community 30-36

Provide innovative recreational opportunities and facilities to meet the diverse programming needs of our community.
2.1 Plan, finance and develop quality facilities which meet the diverse recreational needs of participants in all age groups.

95 Update the American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan 2006 incorporating the 2005 National Center on Accessibility Report.
Team Leader: Executive Director
96 Develop a master calendar of all golf events.
2006
Promote the scheduling of all events on master calendars at both facilities to enforce staff's awareness when scheduling events and projects.
Team Leader:
Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
Golf Maintenance Supervisors
97 Investigate whether dogs should be allowed in the parks.
2006
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
98 Develop funding options and room requirements for the next community 2007 center renovation project incorporating neighborhood input.
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members: Directors
99 Provide virtual tours of program/meeting rooms and facilities to use for 2007 marketing.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Marketing Supervisor
Team Members: Communications Supervisor
Web Coordinator
MIS Supervisor
100 Research and recommend best methods for evaluating classes and facilities 2007 other than surveys.
Team Leader: Marketing Supervisor
101 Research the addition of a part-time cultural arts assistant position.
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor
102 Evaluate the cost of use and overuse of athletic fields.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members: Pioneer Service Center Supervisor
Custodial Supervisor
104 Research the need for a permanent skate park facility.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
Team Members: Aquatic Facilities Supervisor
105 Develop options to expand programming during slow times at Olympic.
2008
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor

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2.1 Plan, finance and develop quality facilities which meet the diverse recreational needs of participants in all age groups.
106 Develop a program to educate the public on native Illinois plants. ..... 2008
Investigate holding a one time plant sale to educate the public on plant species native to northern Illinois. Solicit cooperation from outdoor and environmental clubs.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Superintendent } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Park Planners }\end{array}$
107 Evaluate the current hours of building operation. ..... 2009Are the facility operating hours meeting the needs of the public?Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Recreation and FacilitiesTeam Members: Recreation Superintendents
108 Evaluate hours of operation. ..... 2009
Analyze program offerings the facilities in response to the survey barrier of inconvenient times.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
109 Investigate the development of a dog park. ..... 2009
Team Leader: Superintendent of Recreation (SG)

Provide innovative recreational opportunities and facilities to meet the diverse programming needs of our community.
2.2 Provide quality recreational programs and services that meet the needs of all age groups, and promote a healthy lifestyle in the community.

110 Start a parent/tot swim club to increase the attendance of the parent/tot swim 2006 time at Olympic.

| Team Leader: | Aquatic Program Supervisor |
| :--- | :--- |
| Team Members: | Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor |
|  | Aquatic Facility Supervisor |
|  | IMC |

$\begin{array}{lll}111 & \text { Develop an Olympic birthday party staff manual. } & 2006 \\ \text { Team Leader: } & \text { Aquatic Facilities Supervisor } & \end{array}$
112 Investigate offering babysitting for program participants at Olympic.
2006
Team Leader: Aquatic Facility Supervisor
113 Develop a high school intramural softball program.
2006
Team Leader: Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
Team Members:Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
114 Develop program manuals for recreation center sport classes.
2006
Current program manuals exist for Bulls' classes only.
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
115 Conduct a Department review of the latest community survey.
2006
Confirm that staff is reacting to comments from the community survey; compile a report indicating what has been or will be done.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Recreation and Facilities
116 Research applications of Cardio Tennis within the parameters of current 2006 adult programming.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
117 Conduct a review of fitness programs at Forest View Racquet and Fitness 2006 Club; compare to other AHPD fitness programs to identify potential duplication and markets. Prepare a plan.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
Athletics Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness
Center Supervisor - Pioneer
118 Evaluate the outdoor tennis program; determine if major changes can be 2006 made to increase registration.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
Team Members: Heritage Tennis Club Assistant Manager

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### 2.2 Provide quality recreational programs and services that meet the needs of all age groups, and promote a healthy lifestyle in the community.

119 Evaluate District wide special events; create an annual calendar. ..... 2006
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor Team Members: Superintendent of Recreation (SG) Superintendent of Recreation (CP) Recreation Staff
120 Create program plans for dance and art. ..... 2006
Analyze dance, preschool, and youth art offerings; create a programming plan for Pioneer dance studio - classes, equipment, take into consideration offerings in the Annex etc.
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor
121 Develop a parent dance manual. ..... 2006
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor
122 Offer cooperative aquatic programs with programs at Lake Arlington. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
123 Develop CAPIJAZ promotions that can be used throughout the year. ..... 2007
Improve the type and amount of marketing for CAP/JAZ to exceed the current practice of promotion during registration periods (flyers, PTA newsletters, etc.).
Team Leader: CAP/JAZ Supervisor
Team Members:Communication Supervisor
124 Develop a District-wide birthday party program. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
125 Research and report on ways to use universal design concepts in the ..... 2007 program guide for ADA accessibility.
Team Leader: Communications Supervisor
Team Members: Training and Safety Suprvisor
126 Make the website ADA accessible and compliant. ..... 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
Team Members: Web Coordinator
Training and Safety Suprvisor
127 Create a 10-year capital plan to refurbish all walking paths within the District. ..... 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Parks \& Planning Team Members: Directors
128 Create a programming team to improve inter-departmental programming ..... 2007
Discuss what areas might be over or underprogrammed; determine how we can work together to program more efficiently.
Team Leader: Director of Recreation and Facilities

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129 Investigate adding a summer tennis camp program at Forest View. 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
130 Investigate new youth fitness programs for Forest View. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
131 Develop a plan for moving tennis lesson students into the tournament ..... 2007 program.Create quarterly parents meetings to help parents direct students into tournament play atForest View.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
132 Investigate offering tennis lessons for day camps. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager Team Members: Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Club Manager
133 Post demographic information on the intranet; update annually to assist in ..... 2007 program planning, development, and marketing.
Team Leader: Marketing Supervisor
Communication Supervisor MIS Supervisor
Web Coordinator
134 Examine Nickol Knoll Golf Club market compared to other similar golf clubs.
Evaluate if we are reaching the right golf market.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Nickol Knoll Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor2007
135 Evaluate Nickol Knoll Golf Club golf outing package for the off-season. ..... 2007
Improve golf outing packages at the Nickol Knoll clubhouse to draw more customers in for use during the off season.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Nickol Knoll Golf Club SupervisorTeam Members: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
136 Revise the dance instructor manual. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor
137 Investigate the pros and cons regarding contractual dance companies. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor

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138 Evaluate existing ALGC and NKGC course designs to determine if they meet ..... 2007 the needs and expectations of the community.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
139 Promote healthy lifestyle programming within the community. ..... 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
Team Members:Kevin Keister
140 Evaluate what the District provides for teens. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
141 Increase birthday party and rental revenue by 5\% over the next three years. ..... 2008
Team Leader: Aquatic Facilities Supervisor
142 Develop a fitness/wellness marketing concept. ..... 2008
Focus on the benefits of swimming. Tie in all programs and swimming opportunities that Olympic has to offer. Once the broad concept is developed, break it down to market to different populations.
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
Team Members: Aquatic Facility Supervisor IMC
143 Develop a walking map of the Olympic Parkneighborhood with mileage. ..... 2008
Consider input from the Museum to add area landmarks and facts to the map.Team Leader: Aquatic Program SupervisorTeam Members: Park Planner IIMuseum Supervisor
144 Investigate including water exercise classes as an annual pool pass benefit. ..... 2008
Team Leader: Aquatic Facility Supervisor
145 Increase swim lesson attendance by 5\% over a three-year period. ..... 2008
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
146 Develop a program to track a swimmer's progress in swim lessons. ..... 2008
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
Team Members: Director of Finance \& Personnel
147 Investigate offering an aquatic camp. ..... 2008
Consider a regular camp, not the H2O program that replaced the Jr. Lifeguard program.
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor Team Members : Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor Aquatic Facilities Supervisor

## Provide innovative recreational opportunities and facilities to meet the diverse

 programming needs of our community.2.2 Provide quality recreational programs and services that meet the needs of all age
groups, and promote a healthy lifestyle in the community.

148 Research development of a water polo program.
2008
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
Team Members: Aquatic Facilities Supervisor
149 Evaluate JAZ program structure with an eye to increase enrollment. 2008
Team Leader: $\quad$ CAP/JAZ Supervisor
150 Host an inter-departmental brainstorming meeting for members of the 2008 Recreation/Facailities Department.
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
151 Develop an athletic field irrigation plan to provide irrigation on additional 2008
District athletic fields.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Parks \& Planning
Team Members: Directors
152 Evaluate the current program offerings and determine growth potential. 2008
Can additional growth can be expected and how will this growth will be achieved?
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Recreation and Facilities
153 Review the junior tennis development program, i.e., staffing, reorganization. 2008
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
Team Members: Pro Staff
$\begin{array}{ll}154 \text { Investigate ways for marketing programs/classes Online. } & 2008 \\ \text { Consider either live feed or videotape in compliance with our privacy policy. Use videos of } \\ \text { classes and interviews with instructors (e.g., "Meet the Pros") to sell to target markets. }\end{array}$
Team Leader: Marketing Supervisor
Team Members: Communication Supervisor
Web Coordinator
MIS Supervisor
155 Create programs in conjunction with exhibit receptions at the Museum. 2008
Team Leader:
156 Research expanding preschool programs for home school families. 2008
Team Leader: Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor
157 Investigate offering middle school programs during the summer. 2008
Team Leader: $\quad$ Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor
158 Research adding a dance birthday party package into the Pioneer operation. 2008
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor

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159 Develop a program to allow interested community members to become
2008 familiar with golf course operations.
Establish a program for adults to learn about becoming a golf pro, or golf course superintendent.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Superintendent of Golf Maintenance }\end{array}$
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisor
160 Investigate the implications of a growing senior population and the impact it
2008 will have on Park District programming.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
161 Determine if athletic programs are attracting new customers.
2008
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
Team Members: Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
Athletics Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness
162 Conduct a review of golf course programs throughout the country to 2009 determine of any would be beneficial to ALGC.
Team Leader: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Assistant Supervisor
163 Examine other uses for Sunset Meadows property.
2009
Team Leader: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Assistant Supervisor
164 Develop one new District-wide special event or school day off event per year 2009 for the next three years.
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
Team Members: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor
165 Explore options for bilingual programming for non-English speaking 2009 residents.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Recreation and Facilities
166 Develop a plan for funding alternatives for the Enterprise Facility capital 2009 projects to maintain infrastructure.
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members : Directors
167 Evaluate current program offerings and major special events at the Museum; 2009 prepare a plan.
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor

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168 Explore inter-departmental programs with staff.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)

## Goal 3: Leadership

## Continue the District's pursuit of being a community, regional, state and national leader.

3.1 Encourage staff to be actively involved in community and
professional organizations. ..... 38
3.2 Seek out partnerships with other recreation providers within our region. ..... 39-40
3.3 Enhance the District's image through effective and proactive public relations. ..... 41-42

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Continue the District's pursuit of being a community, regional, state and national leader.

### 3.1 Encourage staff to be actively involved in community and professional organizations.

169 Submit application for the National Gold Medal Award.
2007
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members: Directors
IMC
170 Increase involvement with community organizations.
2006
Become involved with the Greater Woodfield Convention and Visitors Bureau and/or the Chamber of Commerce.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
Team Members: IMC
171 Encourage golf maintenance operations staff to attend national and regional 2006 conferences.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Superintendent of Golf Maintenance } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Golf Maintenance Supervisors }\end{array}$
172 Monitor staff involvement in community and professional organizations. 2007
Encourage Recreation staff to volunteer outside the District to improve their image and their Department's. This currently is not a formal evaluation tool, but could be factored into future performance appraisals.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Recreation and Facilities
173 Provide incentives for staff who are actively involved in community, regional, 2007 state and national organizations.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Executive Director } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Superintendent of Human Resources }\end{array}$
174 Investigate golf course certification programs for staff.
2008
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors
175 Encourage staff to share facts about their professional and community 2008 involvement.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources
Team Members: Directors \& Superintendents
177 Develop a plan to encourage staff to participate in professional associations. 2006
Make staff aware of professional associations, i.e., SPRA, IPRA, NRPA and the benefits of being a member of these associations- one per year; encourage participation at annual conferences.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)

## Continue the District's pursuit of being a community, regional, state and national leader.

### 3.2 Seek out partnerships with other recreation providers within our region.

176 Research new trends for cooperative partnerships for the Arlington Heights ..... 2009 Historical Museum.
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor
178 Develop a cooperative basketball program with Wheeling Park District for the ..... 2007 7th and 8th grade youth basketball program.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
179 Work with the Teen Center to offer cooperative programs. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
180 Research availability of accessibility grants. ..... 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
181 Improve the school district/Park District environment regarding cooperative ..... 2007 gym usage.
Team Leader: Lake Arlington/Athletics Supervisor Team Members: Athletic Supervisors II
182 Develop guidelines for Park District sponsorship of outside events. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Marketing Supervisor
Team Members: Directors ..... IMC
183
Team Leader: Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor
184 Explore potential partnerships with Village, local schools and park districts. ..... 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
185 Investigate cooperative programming options for water exercise programs ..... 2008 with the Wellness Center and Northwest Community Hospital.
Team Leader: Aquatic Facility Supervisor Team Members: Marketing Supervisor
186 Explore offering winter indoor soccer training in schools. ..... 2008
Team Leader: Athletic Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness
Team Members: Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
187 Develop JAZ full day programming alternatives for days-off school. ..... 2008Develop full day programming with the Teen Center and the community center supervisorsto offer alternatives to working parents on school's days off.
Team Leader: CAP/JAZ Supervisor

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### 3.2 Seek out partnerships with other recreation providers within our region.

188 Explore national and regional health and fitness initiatives.
2008
NRPA and IPRA often have national health or fitness incentives. Research if the Park District is able to work with these organizations to keep our residents informed.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Recreation and Facilities
Team Members: Recreation Superintendents
189 Schedule annual meetings with area park district executive directors. 2008 Determine if there are opportunities to share equipment, facilities or staff.
Team Leader: Executive Director
190 Review the Heritage Gallery operation at the Museum including hours, 2008 staffing.
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor
191 Explore cooperative programming opportunities for seniors with other 2008 community groups, inter-departmental programming, local senior programs and corporate partnerships.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisors
$\begin{array}{ll}192 \text { Nominate Curtains Up Performing Arts Camp for an IPRA award . } 2008 \\ \text { Team Leader: } & \text { Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor }\end{array}$
194 Investigate a high school work-study program for potential CAPIJAZ staff. 2009
Team Leader: CAP/JAZ Supervisor
195 Explore the schools' tennis program.
2009
Investigate the USTA implementing the Schools Tennis Program.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
196 Increase staffl club involvement in the USPTA. 2009 Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
197 Review organizing a multi-park dance forum to discuss common 2009 happenings.
Team Leader:
Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor

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### 3.3 Enhance the District's image through effective and proactive public relations.

206 Assist Recreation/Facility staff regarding marketing efforts in their areas
Confirm that ideas are discussed and developed as feasible within the budget.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Team Members: IMC
198 Establish an annual calendar of community social functions for Board and 2006 staff.
Team Leader: Executive Director
199 Determine the advisability of a Heritage Tennis Club Open House.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
200 Develop professional marketing pieces for Heritage Tennis Club.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
Team Members: IMC
201 Develop a marketing plan for the Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Club.
2006
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Team Members: IMC
Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Club staff
202 Establish guidelines for proper attire/uniforms for all staff.
Team Leader: Executive Director
203 Create a year-long marketing plan for preschool programs and day camp.
2007
Team Leader: Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor
Team Members: IMC
204 Develop an award nomination procedure.
2007
Annually nominate individuals, organizations and corporations for IPRA community awards.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisor
205 Provide incentives for groundsmen II who acquire certification or degrees in
2007 conservation, environmental, management or recreation programming.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members: Pioneer Service Center Supervisor Custodial Supervisor

207 Develop timeline and goals for Park District Risk Management Agency 2007 (PDRMA) accreditation.
Team Leader: Training and Safety Supervisor
Team Members: Directors Superintendents
208 Create a schedule of meetings with community groups.
Center supervisors consider speaking at one community meeting per year for the next three years (PTA, homeowners’ club, etc.) promoting the Park District.
Team Leader:
Center Supervisors

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3.3 Enhance the District's image through effective and proactive public relations.
209 Conduct skill training for custodial staff. ..... 2008
This training would upgrade facility appearance and improve staff productivity.
Team Leader: Custodial SupervisorTeam Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Fleet Supervisor
210 Develop timeline and goals for Distinguished Agency accreditation. ..... 2008
Team Leader: Executive Director
211 Revise the Museum Marketing Plan to better promote room rentals. ..... 2008
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor
Team Members: IMC
212 Develop a marketing plan for the Senior Center. ..... 2009Market programs more effectively through print, photo and Internet. Develop anadvertising program to educate the community on the role of the Park District at the SeniorCenter.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisors
Team Members: ..... IMC
212 Develop a marketing plan for the Senior Center to educate the community on ..... 2008the role of the Park District at the Senior Center.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisors
Team Members: ..... IMC
213 Evaluate the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) ..... 2008accreditation and Lincoln Award.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources
214 Determine if the District should apply for aquatic programming awards. ..... 2009
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
Team Members: Aquatic Facility Supervisor
215 Develop public service announcements. ..... 2009Develop quality public service announcement videos to play on the community accesstelevision channel.
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members: ..... IMC
216 Work with businesses to promote preschool programs Playcenter and day ..... 2009camps.Team Leader: $\quad$ Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor
Team Members: ..... IMC

## Goal 4: Teamwork

## Promote an environment of cooperation, collaboration and teamwork.

4.1 Maintain a work environment that facilitates a free exchange of ideas and effective problem solving. ..... 44-45
4.2 Encourage our employees to eagerly participate in meaningful growth opportunities. ..... 46
4.3 Adequately train, evaluate, support and provide a qualified team to operate the business of the District at a quality level. ..... 47-49

Promote an environment of cooperation, collaboration and teamwork.

### 4.1 Maintain a work environment that facilitates a free exchange of ideas and effective problem solving.

218 Establish an improved CAP communication plan, in writing vs. verbally, to
2006 ensure expectations and directions are clear.
Team Leader: CAP/JAZ Supervisor
219 Develop a way to improve communication between center staff and athletic
2006 supervisors for the basketball and soccer programs.
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
220 Develop an internal message board where problems and questions can be 2007 exchanged anonymously.
Team Leader: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: MIS Supervisor
221 Develop a plan for athletic field use.
2007
Work with the Parks Department to better communicate which soccer fields the athletic department will be utilizing.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Athletic Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness
$\begin{array}{ll}222 & \text { Evaluate CAP staff pay and benefits with other districts to ensure staff feels } 2007 \\ \text { appreciated and valued. } \\ \text { Team Leader: } & \text { CAP/JAZ Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Director of Finance \& Personnel }\end{array}$
223 Develop a program where center supervisors can shadow other District staff
2007 to gain a better understanding of their jobs.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Center Supervisors } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Superintendent of Recreation (JR) }\end{array}$
224 Implement a monthly e-mail message from the directors to departmental staff that provides the status of their departments' current/future projects and activities.
Team Leader:
Director of Finance \& Personnel
Team Members:
Directors

225 Investigate tennis club staff meeting options to encourage continuity and promote appreciation for each other's positions.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
$\begin{array}{ll}226 & \text { Provide intranet bulletin boards for sharing information. } \\ \text { Install graffiti boards, Online bulletin boards, internal bulletin boards and/or BLOGS to } \\ \text { share information and ideas. }\end{array}$
Team Leader: MIS Supervisor
Team Members: Web Coordinator

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### 4.1 Maintain a work environment that facilitates a free exchange of ideas and effective problem solving.

## 227 Develop a dance survey to solicit parent feedback on the dance program and <br> 2007 the recital. <br> Team Leader: $\quad$ Special Events/Cultural Arts Supervisor <br> 228 Annually involve Finance Department staff in Rec/ Facility staff meetings to 2007 review processes and promote communication.

Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
229 Create inter-departmental project teams when doing major District projects. 2008
Team Leader: $\quad$ Executive Director
Team Members: Directors

## 230 Research development of a Park District golf department. Have both courses 2008 operate as one.

Team Leader: $\quad$ Nickol Knoll Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisors

# 231 Educate all staff about the operations of the Park District's two golf courses. <br> 2008 <br> Develop a training module to be given yearly to all staff about golf operations (maintenance and clubhouse), and tour of all building and facilities. 

Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors
232 Research adding peer review to the employee performance appraisal 2009
process.
Provide options for fellow employees to rank the peers in terms of cooperation. Investigate
pros and cons of making evaluations anonymously or not.

| Team Leader: | Executive Director |
| :--- | :--- |
| Team Members: | Superintendent of Human Resources |

233 Develop a staff training plan for the Senior Center.
2009
Offer staff training annually to build better relationships with other Park District departments, Senior Center agencies, volunteers, instructors and patrons. Invite other agencies to these trainings to develop cross-training options.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisors

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### 4.2 Encourage our employees to eagerly participate in meaningful growth opportunities.

234 Develop an in-house Heritage Tennis Club employee recognition program. 2006
Develop a system to record and reward Heritage Tennis Club staff for covering each other's shifts and helping the club when in need.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
235 Design and implement staff development meetings for the Heritage Tennis 2007 Club staff.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
236 Develop a plan to motivate instructors, staff, and volunteers to actively pursue methods to increase participation in recreation programs at the Senior Center.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisors
103 Establish a Parks and Planning internship program.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members:Director of Recreation \& Facilities
237 Pursue use of interns from area colleges in golf maintenance operations. 2007
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
238 Actively pursue certifications of staff members through training available, at 2007 no cost, through corporate sponsorship, as well as national organizations.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
239 Investigate staff incentive programs to increase participation at Heritage 2008 Tennis Club.
Research incentive programs other park districts use to promote participation and potential marketing opportunities for Heritage Tennis Club employees.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
240 Evaluate how employee wellness initiatives may reduce the District's health 2008 insurance expenses.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources

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4.3 Adequately train, evaluate, support and provide a qualified team to operate the business of the District at a quality level.
241 Upgrade supervisor training to include a follow-up on Park District ..... 2008 procedures.
Meet new supervisors after three months to check comprehension of District processes.
Team Leader: Training and Safety Supervisor
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242 Develop an operating manual for Olympic Park. ..... 2006
Team Leader: Aquatic Facilities Supervisor
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243 Investigate a certification program for the Muskie coaches. ..... 2006
Team Leader: Aquatic Facility Supervisor
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245 Work with NWSRA on inclusion, hiring and training of one-on-one aides. ..... 2006
Team Leader: CAP/JAZ Supervisor
Team Members:Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
246 Develop a center supervisor "How-To" Guide for the job. ..... 2006
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
247 Establish a forum at annual Parks Department meetings to discuss ..... 2006 suggestions, complaints and concerns that deal with this department and other Park District related issues.
Team Leader: Director of Parks \& Planning
248 Develop a staff communication plan for the Museum.2006
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor249 Promote a more positive work environment at the Museum.2006
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor

250 Develop a plan for part time golf course employees to learn about both 2006 courses.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Nickol Knoll Golf Club Supervisor
Team Members: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisors

251 Develop a morale improvement program for summer camp staff with built-in 2006 incentives for attendance and performance.
Team Leader:
Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor

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262 Revise community center operational manuals to include a procedure for 2008 continual updating.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
$\begin{array}{lll}263 & \text { Create part-time athletic staff in-service trainings. } & 2009 \\ \text { Team Leader: } & \text { Athletic Supervisor II - Soccer, Fitness }\end{array}$

## Goal 5: Customer-Focused Service

Provide quality internal and external customer-focused service.
5.1 Maintain effective interaction between Board and staff. ....................................... 52

Encourage and promote a Park District with excellent
inter/intra-departmental communication............................................................... 53
5.3 Continue quality customer-focused service.....................................................54-56

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## Provide quality internal and external customer-focused service.

### 5.1 Maintain effective interaction between our Board and staff.

264 Develop annual brainstorming workshops with Board, executive director, 2006 directors, superintendents, and outside facilitator.
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members: Directors

265 Improve communications between the Historical Society and Museum staff. 2006
Team Leader: Museum Supervisor
266 Evaluate center supervisor communication procedures between Finance and 2007 Maintenance Departments.
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
267 Establish the District's intranet as the information center for staff to obtain 2007 up-to-the minute information.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources
Team Members : IMC
268 Develop an annual review schedule for advisory committees.
2008
Determine if the Park Board would formally meet with the advisory committee chairpersons annually. Set up appropriate meeting dates for each committee chair.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Recreation and Facilities

269 Review with the Museum administratorthe effectiveness of the Museum 2008 Advisory Committee.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Recreation (CP)
Team Members: Museum Supervisor

Provide quality internal and external customer-focused service.

### 5.2 Encourage and promote a Park District with excellent inter/intra-departmental communication.

270 Encourage District wide communication and collaboration among all staff.
2006
Conduct an all department annual or bi-annual meeting where ideas can be shared among staff to better communicate problems or issues.
Team Leader: Director of Recreation and Facilities

271 Re-institute the capital project review plan where all major projects are 2006 reviewed and discussed at directors' staff meetings.
Team Leader: Executive Director
Team Members : Directors
272 Produce a Parks and Planning Department quarterly report.
2006
Create a Parks committee which will produce a document to inform other departments of upcoming, projects, events and timelines (i.e. a section of Insider).

| Team Leader: | Superintendent of Parks - Davis |
| :--- | :--- |
| Team Members: | Superintendent of Parks - Frontier |
|  | Custodial Supervisor |
|  | Pioneer Service Center Supervisor |
|  | Director of Parks \& Planning |

273 Implement a work order tracking system IMainTrak), where District-wide
2006 tasks and request can be retracked by directors and superintendents.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Team Members: Recreation Superintendents
274 Develop a youth sports manual.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
Team Members: Center Supervisors
275 Implement Internet/intranet content management software to enable staff to 2007 update their own information, with automatic updates.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
Team Members: Web Coordinator
276 Develop a system of follow-up communication requiring the individual 2008 responsible for completing a work order or task to communicate with the individual who requested it.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Team Members Custodial Supervisor
Fleet Supervisor
277 Utilize inter-departmental communication tools in effort to promote 2009 cooperation.
Team Leader:
Lake Arlington/Athletics Supervisor

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## Provide quality internal and external customer-focused service.

### 5.3 Continue quality customer-focused service.

278 Participate on Customer Service Committee. ..... 2006
Team Leader: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor
279 Update the Forest View facility desk manual to focus on customer service. ..... 2006
Team Leader: $\quad$ Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Manager
280 Establish communication between pro shop and golf maintenance staff. ..... 2006
Establish a daily information sharing system so customer or staff concerns can be acted upon immediately.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors
281 Inform golfers at both golf courses of the status of major projects. ..... 2006
Establish a notification board to be placed at both first tees regarding major projects.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance Team Members: Arlington Lakes Golf Club Supervisor Golf Maintenance Supervisors
282 Create a plan for kiosk displays at Melas, Lake Arlington, and Nickol Knoll ..... 2006 Golf Club.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Recreation (JR)
283 Develop a customer service workshop for registrars and support staff to ..... 2006 reinforce the importance of customer service.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
Team Members: Training and Safety Supervisor
Center Supervisors
284 Evaluate the registration hours at Olympic. ..... 2007
Determine if the hours should be expanded to increase District-wide customer service; hire and train qualified staff to work the front desk.
Team Leader: Aquatic Facilities Supervisor Team Members: Aquatic Program Supervisor
285 Hold part-time athletics staff training on customer service. ..... 2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Athletic Supervisor II - Baseball, Basketball
286 Evaluate the function of the registrar in light of registration trends. ..... 2007
Assess current registration trends, office interactions, and tasks the registrars are doing to determine the best center office hours to achieve the most effective customer-focused use.
Team Leader: Center Supervisors
287 Provide an Online listing of vendors and current bids. ..... 2007
Team Leader: Director of Finance \& Personnel
Team Members: Director of Parks \& Planning

Provide quality internal and external customer-focused service.

### 5.3 Continue quality customer-focused service.

288 Evaluate the "CLASS" employee recognition program; develop a plan to 2007 bring it new interest.

Team Leader:<br>Executive Director<br>Team Members: Training and Safety Supervisor

289 Advertise programs on most frequently visited Park District website pages. 2007
Team Leader: Marketing Supervisor
Team Members: IMC
290 Develop an intranet computer help desk for staff, including procedures and 2007 trouble-shooting to decrease problem calls and downtime.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { MIS Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Web Coordinator }\end{array}$
291 Review the functions of the Museum Advisory Committee to assist with 2007 improvement of internal and external customer service.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Team Leader: } & \text { Museum Supervisor } \\ \text { Team Members: } & \text { Supertinendent of Recreation (CP) } \\ & \text { Museum Advisory Committee }\end{array}$
292 Create a day camp counselor introduction brochure, which introduces them 2007 to the need for providing background information.
Team Leader: Preschool/Day Camp Supervisor
Team Members : IMC
293 Analyze the current senior program registration system; reviselimprove if 2007 needed.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisors
Team Members : $\quad$ Director of Finance \& Personnel
MIS Supervisor
294 Establish a better communication plan with parents of children in swim 2008 programs.
Team Leader: Aquatic Program Supervisor
295 Establish customer service standards at Heritage Tennis Club to guide staff 2008 to deliver the level of service the Park District wishes to maintain.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
296 Establish a program that coaches and evaluates Heritage Tennis Club staff 2008 on their customer service.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager
297 Develop an employee of the month program at Heritage Tennis Club with 2008 incentives to encourage superior customer service among employees.
Team Leader: Heritage Tennis Club Manager

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## Provide quality internal and external customer-focused service.

5.3 Continue quality customer-focused service.

298 Evaluate customer service as it relates to athletics. 2008
Team Leader: Superintendent of Recreation (SG)
Team Members: Athletic Supervisors
299 Develop an Online library of training and resource materials. 2008
Provide an online resource library of documents, templates, books, videos/DVDs, etc.
Team Leader: Training and Safety Supervisor
Team Members: Web Coordinator

## Goal 6: Stewardship

## Provide stewardship of our open spaces and natural resources.

6.1 Continue to promote and educate the public on environmental and
conservation issues............................................................................................ 58
6.2 Protect and actively manage our natural resources.......................................... 59-60

Provide stewardship of our open spaces and natural resources.

### 6.1 Continue to promote and educate the public on environmental and conservation issues.

Develop tours that focus on open space and natural resource areas.
Team Leader: Senior Center Supervisors
301 Develop a page on the Park District website addressing the environment and
2007 conservation.
Include Clean Up Week, Natural Areas in Parks, Natural Wildlife, Natural History, Geology, Canadian Geese information, pesticide usage, and "Things to Do at Home" (pruning, fertilizing, etc.). Solicit cooperation from local clubs and organizations.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members: Web Coordinator
Park Planner II

302 Pursue recognition for environmental programs to be recognized on national
2008 and local levels, i.e., Audubon program.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors
303 Develop a guide for ecology/nature clubs at schools adjacent to parks.
2008
Team Leader: Superintendent of Human Resources
Team Members: Marketing Supervisor
304 Identify and promote environmental and conservation practices in the parks.
2008
Team Leader: Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members: Pioneer Service Center Supervisor
305 Develop educational systems and communication medium to highlight park
2008 features.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members : $\quad$ Superintendent of Human Resources IMC

Investigate the need to develop a volunteer program to assist in future
2008 environmental and conservation related projects or properties.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members: Pioneer Service Center Supervisor
307 Promote events that focus on open space and nature.
2009
Team Leader: Communications Supervisor
308 Educate the community on the environmentally beneficial things the Park 2009 District does, e.g., using organic fertilizers.
Team Leader: Communications Supervisor

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Provide stewardship of our open spaces and natural resources.

### 6.2 Protect and actively manage our natural resources.

$\begin{array}{ll}309 \text { Develop standards of care at high use parks. } \\ \text { Team Leader: } & 2006\end{array}$
310 Create master plans for designated nature areas within the Park District.
2006 Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Parks \& Planning

311 Evaluate current maintenance standards to maintain active park locations.
2006
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members: Pioneer Service Center Supervisor
312 Provide general environmental awareness training via the employee 2007 newsletter and payroll stuffers on a quarterly basis.
Team Leader: Communications Supervisor
Team Members: IMC
316 Research energy conservation systems for Park District buildings. 2007
Team Leader: Superintendent of Parks - Davis
Team Members: Custodial Supervisor
313 Create energy plans for all facilities.
2007
Team Leader: $\quad$ Director of Parks \& Planning
314 Research alternate fuels and potential uses within the Park District. 2007
Team Leader: Fleet Supervisor
Team Members: Superintendent of Parks - Davis
315 Develop a plan to stabilize creek/stream shorelines.
2007
Initiate an evaluation procedure and develop a plan to stabilize creek/stream shorelines.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Park Planner II
Team Members : $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
317 Develop a system to identify potentially hazardous trees.
2007
Team Leader: Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members : Pioneer Service Center Supervisor
318 Create a purchasing plan that explores the merits of fuel economy, 2008 emissions, etc., of all vehicles before the purchase is made.
Team Leader: Fleet Supervisor
Team Members: $\quad$ Superintendent of Parks - Davis
319 Evaluate all chemicals used in golf maintenance operations as to their 2008 environmental impact.
Team Leader: $\quad$ Superintendent of Golf Maintenance
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors
320 Review use of all golf maintenance operations as to use of alternative 2008 energy sources and power requirements.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance

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## Provide stewardship of our open spaces and natural resources.

### 6.2 Protect and actively manage our natural resources.

321 Establish a standards classification system for Parks.
Team Leader: Superintendent of Parks - Frontier
Team Members: Pioneer Service Center Supervisor
322 Review landscapes of golf facilities; promote the use of native plants and 2009 environmentally friendly turfgrass species. Explore coastal and other salt tolerant plant species.

Team Leader:
Team Members: Golf Maintenance Supervisors

## Five-Year Financial Forecast

The Park District is faced with challenges similar to other urban local governments throughout the upper Midwest. The task is to continue to provide a high level of services with limited resources. While effort is made to contain costs and increase efficient use of resources the Park District is faced with a tax cap, rising labor costs, general supply increases and increased market competition for its user fees.

The Five-Year Financial Forecast represents a continuing effort to analyze the Park District's long-term fiscal condition based upon a reasonable set of economic and operational assumptions. It is an important management tool used in identifying fiscal trends and issues which must be addressed early in order to assure continued financial success. The forecasts are not a prediction of what will occur. It is a snapshot in time and an approximate view of what could occur in the future if all of the assumptions are realized.

## Predicting Long Term Needs

The five-year financial projections do not constitute a multi-year fiscal plan, but they are the first and major building block in preparing long-term budget plans. Several different techniques have been used to generate the projections. The first step in this process involved an attempt to forecast a "constant services" level of expenditures using the 2006-operating budget as the base year. The projections assume that revenues and expenditures are partially influenced by inflation, legislation, along with supply and demand. After developing the projections based on "how much will it cost us to continue doing what we are doing now?" estimates of planned capital development and their impact on the operating budget were added into the projections.

## Revenue Projections

Revenue estimates were generated by determining what was needed in any given year to provide the quality of services and programs projected. Property tax revenues are a significant percentage of the Park District's operating revenue. Currently tax revenues provide 55\% toward the operating budget. The tax rate is not expected to increase over the next five years. The amounts projected reflect the activities of the Park District limit in tax revenues and the limitation of non-referendum bonding power.

## Expenditure Projections

The Park District is committed to providing all district services and operations in a responsive, efficient, and cost-effective manner while retaining the high level of services it provides. Capital expenditures are prioritized and evaluated based upon their affect upon operational costs. Expenditure guidelines include increases of 3\% based on CPI projections and the taxcap limits. The Park District continues to work toward the goal that operating expenditures will not exceed projected revenues. Exceptions to this goal are:

* Planned reduction in fund balance reserves.
* Portion of the fund balance reserves may be used for capital repair and replacement.
* Cover unanticipated drops in revenue or increases in costs.


## Fund Balance Projections

The Park District continues to continue to work toward the goal of providing a minimum of 25\% fund balance reserves in the governmental funds, approximately three months of operating expenditures. The enterprise funds develop reserves for capital repair and improvements at the enterprise fund facilities. Funds will continue to be accumulated for other capital improvements to enhance future revenue production.

Fund balance is the cumulative difference of all revenues and expenditures from the fund's creation. It is the difference between fund assets and fund liabilities. Fund balance does not refer to cash balance, nor is it the difference between revenues and expenditures. The undesignated portion represents expendable available financial resources that are used to meet contingencies and working capital requirements. An undesignated fund balance is important for the maintenance of a stable tax rate and revenue structure, and for the orderly provision of services to residents.

## Summary

Of critical importance in attempting to maintain fiscal stability is having the growth in revenues match or exceed the growth in expenditures. The impact of inflation in local government costs is often hard to anticipate. It is necessary to accept the fact that uncertainty exists and hedge against it through the development and use of adequate levels of fund balance.

This information helps ensure continuity and improves our ability to develop budget strategies, plan a more predictable tax structure, as well as provide stable services and infrastructure. Avoiding poorly timed projects represents another financial advantage.

The forecast shows the Park District in a healthy financial condition over the next five years. The Park District will have to add some additional expenditures to deal with the Park District's growth. This includes Davis Street II Service Center, Sunset Meadows athletic fields and the Pioneer Project. The validity of the projections for the later years of the forecast must be considered, as the uncertainty of the forecast increases significantly with the length of the period predicted. The environment that affects the Park District's financial situation changes continually and several factors might influence the situation.

## Arlington Heights Park District <br> Five-Year Financial Forecast Includes Captial Outlay

## Revenue

Property Taxes:
Corporate
Recreation
Pension
Insurance
Audit
Museum
Nwsra
Debt Service
$\quad$ Subtotal
Fees, Charges, \& Other Revenue:
Corporate
Recreation
Insurance
Museum
Arlington Lakes Golf Club
Nickol Knoll Golf Club
Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Club
Heritage Tennis Club
Subtotal

Total Revenue

Expense
Corporate
Recreation
Pension
Insurance
Audit
Museum
NWSRA
Debt Service
Arlington Lakes Golf Club
Nickol Knoll Golf Club
Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Club
Heritage Tennis Club
Total Expense

> Total Revenue
> Total Expense
> Net Surplus (Deficit)

Est. Fund Balance - Beg. of Year
Designated for Subsequent Years
Undesignated
Est. Fund Balance - End of Year

| Estimated |  |  | Projected |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2007/08 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2010/11 |
| \$ | 3,698,478 | 3,842,158 | 3,957,423 | 4,076,145 | 4,198,430 | 4,324,383 |
|  | 2,343,808 | 2,433,633 | 2,506,642 | 2,581,841 | 2,659,296 | 2,739,075 |
|  | 970,219 | 1,078,925 | 1,111,293 | 1,144,632 | 1,178,970 | 1,214,340 |
|  | 285,672 | 296,125 | 305,009 | 314,159 | 323,584 | 333,291 |
|  | 27,029 | 28,325 | 29,175 | 30,050 | 30,951 | 31,880 |
|  | 86,816 | 93,988 | 96,808 | 99,712 | 102,703 | 105,784 |
|  | 880,165 | 949,155 | 977,630 | 1,006,959 | 1,037,167 | 1,068,282 |
|  | 3,132,768 | 3,552,017 | 3,188,253 | 3,271,653 | 3,250,000 | 3,275,000 |
| \$ | 11,424,955 | 12,274,326 | 12,172,231 | 12,525,151 | 12,781,103 | 13,092,036 |
|  | 576,440 | 638,326 | 644,709 | 651,156 | 657,668 | 664,245 |
|  | 5,925,294 | 6,020,782 | 6,201,405 | 6,387,448 | 6,579,071 | 6,776,443 |
|  | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
|  | 49,843 | 53,600 | 55,208 | 56,864 | 58,570 | 60,327 |
|  | 1,346,151 | 1,389,199 | 1,403,091 | 1,417,122 | 1,431,293 | 1,445,606 |
|  | 189,690 | 194,366 | 200,197 | 206,203 | 212,389 | 218,761 |
|  | 666,393 | 689,139 | 696,030 | 702,991 | 710,021 | 717,121 |
|  | 861,068 | 888,693 | 906,467 | 933,661 | 961,671 | 990,521 |
|  | 9,616,379 | 9,875,605 | 10,108,608 | 10,356,945 | 10,612,183 | 10,874,523 |
| \$ | 21,041,334 | 22,149,931 | 22,280,839 | 22,882,095 | 23,393,285 | 23,966,559 |
|  | 3,933,466 | 4,254,811 | 4,416,494 | 4,584,321 | 4,758,525 | 4,939,349 |
|  | 8,035,264 | 8,408,452 | 8,702,748 | 9,007,344 | 9,322,601 | 9,648,892 |
|  | 1,017,188 | 1,077,959 | 1,110,298 | 1,143,607 | 1,177,915 | 1,213,252 |
|  | 273,220 | 297,283 | 303,229 | 309,293 | 315,479 | 321,789 |
|  | 24,000 | 25,000 | 25,500 | 26,010 | 26,530 | 27,061 |
|  | 152,400 | 165,209 | 170,165 | 175,270 | 180,528 | 185,944 |
|  | 604,611 | 705,429 | 719,538 | 733,928 | 748,607 | 763,579 |
|  | 3,061,902 | 3,161,452 | 3,188,253 | 3,271,653 | 3,250,000 | 3,275,000 |
|  | 1,359,445 | 1,407,938 | 1,450,176 | 1,493,681 | 1,538,492 | 1,584,647 |
|  | 226,155 | 238,792 | 245,956 | 253,334 | 260,934 | 268,762 |
|  | 657,961 | 674,605 | 694,843 | 715,688 | 737,159 | 759,274 |
|  | 1,009,899 | 864,171 | 890,096 | 916,799 | 944,303 | 972,632 |
| \$ | 20,355,511 | 21,281,101 | 21,917,295 | 22,630,929 | 23,261,074 | 23,960,181 |
| \$ | 21,041,334 | 22,149,931 | 22,280,839 | 22,882,095 | 23,393,285 | 23,966,559 |
|  | 20,355,511 | 21,281,101 | 21,917,295 | 22,630,929 | 23,261,074 | 23,960,181 |
| \$ | 685,823 | 868,830 | 363,544 | 251,166 | 132,211 | 6,378 |
|  | 12,700,173 | 13,385,996 | 14,254,826 | 14,618,370 | 14,869,536 | 15,001,748 |
|  | 6,733,247 | 7,170,178 | 7,353,040 | 7,479,377 | 7,545,879 | 7,549,087 |
|  | 6,652,749 | 7,084,649 | 7,265,330 | 7,390,160 | 7,455,869 | 7,459,038 |
|  | 13,385,996 | 14,254,826 | 14,618,370 | 14,869,536 | 15,001,748 | 15,008,126 |

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## Types of Parks and Recreation Facilities

The Park District provides a full range of recreational activities, a public open space system, recreational facilities and special events for its citizens. Recreational facilities operated by the Park District include 58 parks, totaling 715.09 acres, with one indoor and five outdoor swimming pools, five community centers, a cultural arts center, historical museum, Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club, Heritage Tennis Club, Arlington Lakes Golf Club, Nickol Knoll Golf Club, Lake Arlington, Melas Park Sports Complex, and an assortment of softball diamonds, football and soccer fields, playgrounds, and picnic areas.

These essential community features enhance the social, physical, and psychological well being of citizens by providing them with enjoyable activities and settings in which to spend their leisure time. The economic benefits of preserving open spaces and offering recreational opportunities include increase in the value of surrounding properties and enhanced quality of live in Arlington Heights.

The Park District uses the following classifications as guidelines to develop an equitable system of parks, recreation facilities and natural open space for the Park District. The classifications are based on previous guidelines from the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) adopted by the Park District in 1982. The six classifications are Mini Parks, Neighborhood Parks, Community Parks, District Parks, Special Facilities, and Connector Parkways. These are summarized, along with the detailed description of each park classification; this section also presents the level of service standards for each park type and the justification for those standards.

These standards have been adopted by most cities across the United States and are designed to allow for an equitable distribution of park resources. These standards are easy to apply and have been tested in the courts. The minimum recommended standard for an urban area is 10 acres per 1000 residents. Applying this minimum to Park District would require a total of roughly 769 acres of developed park land. Park District presently has approximately 715 acres of developed park land, which indicates that the Park District has a deficit of approximately 50 acres of developed park land.
The Park District refines this standard of 10 acres per 1000 residents by dividing this acreage into:

## Mini Parks

These parks are developed in denser multiple family neighborhoods as a way to provide immediate recreational opportunities in these areas that lack neighborhood parks. These are smaller sites, usually less than two acres, equipped with playground apparatus conducive to the recreational activity of young children. Mini parks have a service radius of a one-quarter to one-half mile.

## Neighborhood Parks

A neighborhood park is generally anywhere from two to ten acres in size, serves a population within a one-half mile to one-mile radius, and is centrally located within the neighborhood it serves.

Neighborhood parks should be developed at a minimum of one acre per every 1000 residents. A neighborhood park is designed to serve a pedestrian population, and its facilities usually include playground apparatus, athletic field areas, and an area for passive recreation.

## Community Parks

Community parks are generally 10 to 30 acres in size and tend to be utilized on a villagewide basis. The minimum population service standard for community parks is five acres of park land per 1000 residents; serving the needs of residents within a one to two mile radius. Community parks include all facilities present in a neighborhood park and may also have tennis courts, swimming pools and a community center for indoor recreation activities.

## District Parks

District parks serve the entire community and are distinct from other park types because of size. Access to these parks should be near a major road. The minimum population service standard for district parks is four acres of park land per 1000 residents. These parks are over 30 acres and have large areas devoted to passive recreation, such as picnicking.

## Special Use Parks

Special use parks are devoted to one specialized activity such as golf courses, tennis clubs, and sports facilities, etc.

## Connector Parkway

A linear park used for bicycling, hiking or walking paths that connect two points of activity, such as schools, parks or commercial areas. These parks may also include land along creeks and streams.

| Type of Facility | Total <br> Acreage | Acres <br> Owned | Acres <br> Leased |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Mini Park | 11.43 | 9.50 | 1.93 |
| Neighborhood Park | 196.67 | 163.97 | 32.70 |
| Community Park | 136.55 | 135.73 | 0.82 |
| District Park | 128.00 | 0.00 | 128.00 |
| Special Use | 224.34 | 129.23 | 95.11 |
| Connector Parkway | 18.10 | 18.10 | 0.00 |
| Total | 715.09 | 456.53 | 258.56 |

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Park Facilities by Type

|  | Park Name | Type of Facility | Total Acreage | Acres Owned | Acres <br> Leased |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Administration Center | Special Use | 1.10 | 1.10 |  |
| 2 | Arlington Lakes Golf Club | Special Use | 90.50 | 90.50 |  |
| 3 | Banta | Mini Park | 1.50 | 1.50 |  |
| 4 | Berbecker | Neighborhood Park | 2.00 | 2.00 |  |
| 5 | Camelot | Community Park | 15.00 | 15.00 |  |
| 6 | Camelot Connector Parkway | Connector Parkway | 5.40 | 5.40 |  |
| 7 | Carefree | Neighborhood Park | 10.60 | 10.60 |  |
| 8 | Carousel | Neighborhood Park | 5.80 |  | 5.80 |
| 9 | Carriage Walk | Neighborhood Park | 3.30 | 3.30 |  |
| 10 | Centennial | Neighborhood Park | 21.40 | 21.40 |  |
| 11 | Creekside | Neighborhood Park | 22.40 | 22.40 |  |
| 12 | Cronin | Mini Park | 2.00 | 2.00 |  |
| 13 | Cypress | Special Use | 5.00 |  | 5.00 |
| 14 | Davis Street | Special Use | 4.91 | 4.91 |  |
| 15 | Dryden | Neighborhood Park | 3.36 | 3.36 |  |
| 16 | Evergreen | Neighborhood Park | 3.50 | 3.50 |  |
| 17 | Falcon | Neighborhood Park | 1.10 | 1.10 |  |
| 18 | Festival | Mini Park | 0.33 |  | 0.33 |
| 19 | Flentie | Neighborhood Park | 4.50 | 4.50 |  |
| 20 | Forest View | Special Use | 5.80 | 5.80 |  |
| 21 | Frontier | Community Park | 29.30 | 29.30 |  |
| 22 | Green Slopes | Neighborhood Park | 5.00 |  | 5.00 |
| 23 | Greenbrier | Neighborhood Park | 9.90 | 9.90 |  |
| 24 | Greens | Neighborhood Park | 4.20 |  | 4.20 |
| 25 | Happiness | Mini Park | 3.60 | 2.00 | 1.60 |
| 26 | Hasbrook | Community Park | 14.00 | 14.00 |  |
| 27 | Heritage | Community Park | 22.30 | 22.30 |  |
| 28 | Heritage Tennis Club | Special Use | 2.90 | 2.90 |  |
| 29 | Hickory Meadows | Neighborhood Park | 5.00 |  | 5.00 |
| 30 | Kingsbridge Arboretum | Special Use | 5.20 | 5.20 |  |
| 31 | Klehm | Mini Park | 2.00 | 2.00 |  |
| 32 | Lake Arlington | District Park | 93.00 |  | 93.00 |
| 33 | Lake Terramere | Neighborhood Park | 11.00 | 11.00 |  |
| 34 | McDonald Creek Parkway | Connector Parkway | 11.00 | 11.00 |  |
| 35 | Melas | District Park | 35.00 |  | 35.00 |
| 36 | Memorial | Special Use | 0.50 | 0.50 |  |
| 37 | Methodist | Special Use | 8.50 | 8.50 |  |
| 38 | Nickol Knoll | Special Use | 56.00 |  | 56.00 |
| 39 | North School Park | Community Park | 1.65 | 0.83 | 0.82 |
| 40 | Olympic | Community Park | 9.90 | 9.90 |  |
| 41 | Patriots | Neighborhood Park | 17.00 | 6.00 | 11.00 |
| 42 | Pioneer | Community Park | 23.30 | 23.30 |  |
| 43 | Prairie | Neighborhood Park | 10.00 | 10.00 |  |
| 44 | Rand - Berkley | Neighborhood Park | 7.06 | 7.06 |  |
| 45 | Rand Connector Parkway | Connector Parkway | 1.70 | 1.70 |  |
| 46 | Raven | Neighborhood Park | 8.50 | 8.50 |  |
| 47 | Recreation | Community Park | 21.10 | 21.10 |  |
| 48 | Rose Garden | Special Use | 0.50 | 0.50 |  |
| 49 | Scarsdale | Special Use | 1.70 | 1.70 |  |
| 50 | Sunset Meadows I \& II | Special Use | 37.23 | 6.62 | 30.61 |
| 51 | Sunset Ridge | Neighborhood Park | 2.35 | 2.35 |  |
| 52 | Victory | Neighborhood Park | 1.70 |  | 1.70 |
| 53 | Virginia Terrace | Neighborhood Park | 3.50 | 3.50 |  |
| 54 | Volz | Neighborhood Park | 5.00 | 5.00 |  |
| 55 | Westgate | Mini Park | 2.00 | 2.00 |  |
| 56 | Wildwood | Neighborhood Park | 6.50 | 6.50 |  |
| 57 | Willow | Neighborhood Park | 22.00 | 22.00 |  |
| 58 | Windsor Parkway \& Triangles | Special Use | 4.50 | 1.00 | 3.50 |
|  | Total Park Area |  | 715.09 | 456.53 | 258.56 |

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## Recommended Standards for Park <br> Areas Serving Arlington Heights (1)

| Type of <br> Facility | Service <br> Radius | Population <br> Served | Desirable <br> Acres/1000 <br> Population |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mini Park | $1 / 4-1 / 2$ mile | $500-2,000$ | 0.50 |
| Neighborhood Park | $1 / 2-1$ mile | $2,000-5,000$ | 2.50 |
| Community Park | $1-2$ miles | $5,000-20,000$ | 3.25 |
| District Park | Entire Community | Entire Community | 1.50 |
| Special Use | Entire Community | Entire Community | 1.50 |
| Connector Parkway | Varies |  | Varies |

## Comparison of Existing Park

## Acreage with Desirable Acreage

| Type of <br> Facility | Existing <br> Acreage <br> 2006 | Desirable <br> Acreage <br> $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | Desirable <br> Acreage <br> 2030 |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mini Park | 11.43 | 38.47 | 41.22 |
| Neighborhood Park | 196.67 | 192.36 | 206.10 |
| Community Park | 136.55 | 250.06 | 267.93 |
| District Park | 128.00 | 115.41 | 123.66 |
| Special Use | 224.34 | 115.41 | 123.66 |
| Connector Parkway | 18.10 | 57.71 | 61.83 |
| Total | 715.09 | 769.43 | 824.41 |
| Population $(2)$ | 76,943 | 76,943 | 82,441 |

(1) The recommended park area statistics are the National Parks and Recreation Standards.
(2) Population estimates prepared by the Village of Arlington Heights, Illinois and the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission

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## Comparison of Existing Park Acreage With Desirable Park Acreage




## Demographic, Park \& Facility Comparisons by Neighborhood

| Frontier Park Area |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Acres | $\mathbf{8 2 . 6 6}$ |
| Population | $\mathbf{1 4 , 9 5 9}$ |
| Registrants | $\mathbf{1 3 , 8 3 2}$ |
| Community Parks | 2 |
| Connector Parkway | 1 |
| Neighborhood Parks | 3 |
| Mini Parks | 1 |
| Total Parks | 7 |
| Baseball Diamonds | 5 |
| Basketball Courts | 3 |
| Ice Rinks | 2 |
| Outdoor Tennis Courts | 6 |
| Playgrounds | 6 |
| Soccer Fields | 2 |


| Pioneer Park Area |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Acres | $\mathbf{4 7 . 6 3}$ |
| Population | $\mathbf{1 6 , 2 8 5}$ |
| Registrants | $\mathbf{1 6 , 5 9 7}$ |
| Community Parks | 2 |
| Neighborhood Park | 2 |
| Mini Parks | 3 |
| Special Facilities | 2 |
| Total Parks | 9 |
| Baseball Diamonds | 3 |
| Basketball Courts | 4 |
| Football Fields | 4 |
| Ice Rinks | 1 |
| Outdoor Tennis Courts | 9 |
| Playgrounds | 7 |
| Soccer Field | 1 |


Parks \& Facilities

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Parks \& Facilities

Parks \& Facilities

| Park Name | Acres |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cooperative Agreements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 Historical Museum |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ■ | Five Historic Buildings |
| 2 Senior Center |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | Program and Fitness Facilities |
| 3 Betsy Ross School Gymnasium |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | Cooperative Use Gymnasium |
| 4 Poe School Gymnasium |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | Cooperative Use Gymnasium |
| 5 Juliette Low School Gymnasium |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ■ | Cooperative Use Gymnasium |
| CAP and JAZ Sites |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 Dryden School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ■ | CAP Site |
| 2 Greenbrier School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ■ | CAP Site |
| 3 Ivy Hill School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | CAP Site |
| 4 Juliette Low School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | CAP Site |
| 5 Patton School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ■ | CAP Site |
| 6 Olive School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - | CAP Site |
| 7 Poe School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | CAP Site |
| 8 Riley School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | CAP Site |
| 9 Westgate School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | CAP Site |
| 10 Windsor School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ■ | CAP Site |
| 11 Arlington Heights Teen Center |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ■ | JAZ Site |

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| 1. Administration Center <br> 410 N. Arlington Heights Road 60004 | 1.10 acresSpecial Use <br> Acquired 1987 |
| :---: | :---: |
| This two story building (adjacent to North Scho purchased from School District \#25 in 1987 and re <br> Features: <br> * Administration Offices - 23,000 sq. ft. <br> * Parking Lots (2) (14,686 sq.ft.) <br> ( 40 spaces - 3 handicapped) <br> * Dance Studio (1,875 sq. ft.) <br> * Small Stage <br> * Board Room <br> * Downstairs Meeting Room (2,185 sq. ft.) | Park) is in the downtown area. The 1938 building was enovated in 1988 for Park District Administrative Offices. <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Replace Ballasts With Electronic Ballasts <br> * Window Replacements <br> * Replace Main Exit/Entry Doors <br> * Tuckpoint and Paint <br> * West Parking Lot Improvements |
| 2. Arlington Lakes Golf Club 1211 S. New Wilke Rd. 60005 | 90.50 acresSpecial Use Park <br>  <br> Acquired 1973, 1974, 1976 |
| Located on 90 acres, the 18-hole, par-68 course on the course making accuracy a priority over combine with an excellent design to provide a q base was acquired from the Federal government. if the current Army Reserve Base is closed. <br> Features: <br> * Clubhouse (11,392 sq. ft.): Offices, Banquet Room with kitchen facilities, Meeting/ Program Room, Bar and Lounge Area, Downstairs Snack Bar Area, Cart Storage <br> * Pro-shop <br> * Locker Room Facilities (2) <br> * 18 hole 5,360 yard golf course <br> * Patio Area <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * New Irrigation System <br> * Reelmaster <br> * New Bridge on \#9 | covers 5,360 yards. There are 106 sand traps and 14 lakes distance. Superbly manicured greens, tees, and fairways ality golf course for all players. This former Nike missile The potential exists for the acquisition of additional land <br> * Gazebo - (2) <br> * Storm Water Detention Lakes (14) <br> * Cart Paths (8,902 lineal feet) <br> * Lighted Parking Lot (63,677 sq. ft.) (156 spaces- 4 handicapped) <br> * Maintenance Building (6,400 sq. ft.) paved storage/staff parking (14, 846 sq. ft.) <br> * Greensmaster 3 Mower/Sit-Down <br> * Utility Vehicle <br> * Clubhouse Carpet Replacements |
| 3. Banta <br> Between Phelps and Waterman, South of Miner | 0041.50 acresMini Park <br>  <br>  <br> Acquired 1960 |
| Small park in older residential neighborhood in c Banta's age-specific play areas are divided by a lar <br> Features: <br> * Playground <br> * Basketball - mini-court (outdoor) <br> * Path (333.8 lineal feet) <br> * Lighting | ntral east area. Mature trees. Joining two neighborhoods, ge, old maple tree. <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Renovate Playground <br> * Renovate Basketball Court <br> * Improve Park Lighting |
| 4. Berbecker <br> Miner and Wilshire 60004 | 2.00 acresNeighborhood Park <br> Acquired 1960 |
| Mini park in older residential neighborhood in ce <br> Features: <br> * Basketball - mini-court (outdoor) <br> * Playground <br> * Ball Field <br> * Lighting | tral east area. Mature landscaping. <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Renovate Playground <br> * Renovate Basketball Court <br> * Improve Park Lighting |


| 5. Camelot <br> 1005 East Suffield Drive 60004 | 15.00 acres Community Park <br> Acquired 1967  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Camelot Park is located in a 1970's residential neigh and program areas. Camelot Connector Park con parks. Camelot's location is unique. Residents hav center, and a short distance east is Lake Arlington. small creek running through the park's boundary. T in rainbow fashion and provides <br> Features: <br> * Community Center: Offices/Gym/Program Room (10,537 sq.ft.), Pool Offices and Locker Rooms <br> * Concession/Snack Bar Area <br> * Zero-depth Swimming Pool - outdoor <br> * Zero-depth Wading Pool - outdoor <br> * Sprayground - outdoor <br> * Diving Pool - outdoor <br> * Tennis Court - (3 outdoor - lighted) <br> * Basketball Courts - full court (2 outdoor) <br> * Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Colorcoat Tennis Courts <br> * Sealcoat Parking Lot <br> * Renovate Basketball Courts <br> * New Gym Floor Surface | ghborhood with mature trees and a mixture of open space onnects Camelot Park with Willow and Lake Arlington ave Camelot as their neighborhood park and community <br> n. Camelot has a quaint, country feel with a picturesque The park has a wooden bridge stretching across the creek shelter with a covered picnic site. <br> * Athletic Field Play Area <br> * Sand Volleyball Court <br> * Ball Field <br> * Soccer Field - shared use <br> * Ice Skating and Boarded Hockey Rinks (A) <br> * Picnic Area with Shelter <br> * Lighting <br> * Parking Lot - Lighted (1,333 sq.ft) <br> (44 spaces - 2 handicapped) <br> * Path (2,243 lineal feet) <br> * Pedestrian Bridge over McDonald Creek <br> * Gym HVAC \& New Tunnel Piping <br> * Replace Tile in Gymnasium <br> * Tennis Court Service Panel Replacement <br> * Shelter Roof Replacement |
| 6. Camelot Connector Parkway Suffield and Bradford 60004 | 5.40 acresConnector Park <br> Acquired 1967 |
| Connects to Camelot Park on the Northwest. Shape of park north of Hintz Road to connect with McDon <br> Features: <br> * Path (953.2 lineal feet) | e of park follows McDonald Creek northward. Expansion onald Creek Connector Park has been discussed. |
| 7. Carefree <br> Belmont, White Oak and Douglas 60005 | 10.6 acres Neighborhood Park <br> Acquired 1966, 1989 |
| Southeast park in residential neighborhood borderin in portions. <br> Features: <br> * Basketball Courts - full court (2 outdoor) <br> * Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) <br> * Tennis Courts (2 outdoor) <br> * Roller Hockey Court <br> * Ball Field <br> * Soccer Field - shared use <br> * Athletic Field Play Area <br> * Lighting <br> * Parking Lot - Lighted (9,010 sq.ft.) (16 spaces) <br> * Path (761.7 lineal feet) | ing Mount Prospect. Lots of open space with mature trees <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Colorcoat Tennis and Roller Courts |


| 8. Carousel <br> Suffield and Forrest 60004 | 5.80 acresNeighborhood Park <br> Acquired 1966 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Far northeast park in residential neighborh since 1966. <br> Features: <br> * Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) <br> * Soccer Field <br> * Athletic Field Play Area <br> * Basketball Court - full court (outdoor) <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Basketball Court Improvements <br> * Pathway Improvements | ordering Prospect Heights. Owned by SD\#23 and leased <br> * Path (961.1 lineal feet) <br> * Lighting <br> * Drinking Fountain <br> * Storm Water Detention Area |
| 9. Carriage Walk Corner of Derbyshire and Marshall 60004 | 3.30 acres Neighborhood Park <br> Acquired 1987  |
| Park adjacent to St. Viator High School landscaping. <br> Features: <br> * Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) <br> * Paved Walkways <br> * Picnic Area <br> * Storm Water Detention Area <br> * Path (396.8 lineal feet) | in a residential neighborhood with detention area and <br> Adjacent Facilities <br> * St. Viator High School: baseball, softball, soccer, athletic field play area |
| 10. Centennial 1209 Burr Oak Drive 60004 | 21.40 acresNeighborhood Park <br> Acquired 1976, 1994 |
| Nature preserve and park. Nature preserv area. Park is adjacent to Riley school. <br> Features: <br> * Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) <br> * Tennis Courts - (3 outdoor) <br> * Basketball Court - full court (outdoor) <br> * Ball Field - unlighted <br> * Ball Field - lighted <br> * Baseball Diamond <br> * Soccer Field - shared use <br> * Ice Skating Rink (B) <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Shelter Roof Replacement <br> * Upgrade Ball Diamond Lighting | airie-like setting with wooden walkway and observation <br> * Paved Multi-use Play Area <br> * Picnic Area with Shelter <br> * Drinking Fountain <br> * Nature/Conservation Area with Observation Deck <br> * Path (1,412.4 lineal feet) <br> * Lighting <br> * Parking Lot - lighted (17,988 sq.ft.) (61 spaces - 3 handicapped) |
| 11. Creekside <br> Schaeffer and Nichols Roads 60004 | 22.40 acres Neighborhood Park <br> Acquired 1988, 1989  |
| Farthest northwest park in mixed residenti Knoll Golf Club, borders Buffalo Creek and Features: <br> * Pedestrian Bridge over Buffalo Creek <br> * Tennis Courts - (2 outdoor) <br> * Storm Water Detention Areas <br> * Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) <br> Proposed Improvements: <br> * Erosion Control Along Creek <br> * Colorcoat Tennis and Basketball Courts | commercial neighborhood, Creekside is close to Nickol both east and west sides of Schaeffer Road. <br> * Athletic Field Play Area <br> * Basketball - half court (outdoor) <br> * Sand Volleyball Court <br> * Path (1,106.2 lineal feet) <br> * New ADA Water Fountain and water line |

12. Cronin 2.00 acres

South and Grove 60005
Mini Park
Acquired 1930
One of the oldest parks located in the center of town in a heavy residential neighborhood across from South Middle School. Mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Path (547 lineal feet)
* Lighting

13. Cypress Gardens
5.00 acres

Special Use Park
Cypress and Arlington Heights Road 60005 Leased
Leased from Village. Community garden plots measuring 25' by 30' rented to resident gardeners. Multiple water sources.

## Features:

* Garden plots - 99 available
* Picnic Area
* Water - multiple sources

14. Davis Street Service Center
4.91 acres

1436 E. Davis Street 60005 Acquired 1993, 2003
A two-building complex with storm water detention area, Davis serves both as the main location for Park District tradesmen and as the south side service center. The buildings are for also used for storage.

## Features:

* Davis I - Maintenance Service Center


## Proposed Improvements:

* Replacement Truck Hoist
* Roof Replacement
* Outdoor Yard storage paved \& unpaved
(5,056 sq. ft.)
* Parking Lot (6,020 sq.ft.)
(10 spaces, 1 handicapped)
* Davis II - Storage and maintenance facility
( 20,628 sq. ft.) Office, Shop and Warehouse
* Outdoor Yard storage paved \& unpaved
(43,790 sq. ft.)
* Parking Lot (9,636 sq.ft.) (29 spaces)
* Storm Water Detention Area

15. Dryden
3.50 acres Park

Neighborhood Park and School
Rockwell and Dryden $60005 \quad 5.0$ acres School Acquired 1957, 1997, 2000
Dryden is an older park in center of town in a residential neighborhood of single-family homes and is adjacent to a school and church. Dryden is composed of several parcels acquired over a 50 year period. Summer outdoor tennis lessons are held on the tennis courts. Mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playgrounds (2) (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Tennis Courts - (4 outdoor)
* Ball Field
* Soccer Field - shared use
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Picnic Area
* Ice Skating Rink
* Lighting
* Parking Lot (7,524 sq.ft.)
(22 spaces, 1 handicapped)


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Dryden Elementary School K-5: Paved Multiuse Play Area, Soccer Field (cooperative use)
Playground, Parking Lot


## Proposed Improvements:

* Renovate Tot Playground
Grove and Gibbons 60004 Acquired 1956

Older park in south central part of town in older residential neighborhood. Mature landscaping. Surrounded by mature maple, linden and pine trees, the park's play area is tucked into the shaded east corner.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Ball Field
* Ice Skating Rink ©
* Path (573.4 lineal feet)
* Lighting
* Drinking Fountain

17. Falcon

Goebbert and Falcon 60005
1.10 acres
oposed Improvements:

* Basketball Court Lighting Improvements
* Replace Water Fountain

Small park in the southeastern part of the Village in a neighborhood of multi-family housing. This park, is a storm water detention area with a paved walkway, basketball court and picnic area. The open space provides a recreational area for neighboring apartment buildings.

## Features:

* Basketball Court - Full Court (outdoor)
* Path (222.2 lineal feet)
* Picnic Area
* Storm Water Detention Area

18. Festival
. 33 acres
Mini Park
Chestnut and Hawthorne 60004
Leased 1983
Small park leased from the Village in the center of town in a heavily residential area. Mature landscaping. The charming gazebo has been the site of weddings and is a gathering place for neighbors who were instrumental in the creation of this corner park. Mature trees shade the play equipment making it the perfect spot on a sunny day.
Features:

* Playground (2-5 years)
* Gazebo
* Patio Area
* Drinking Fountain
* Picnic Area

19. Flentie
4.50 acres

Neighborhood Park
Mulberry and Birchwood 60004 Acquired 1965, 1987
First leased then purchased from SD\#23. Located in the northeastern part of town in a heavily residential newer neighborhood. Adjacent to Lake Arlington. Mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Basketball - mini (outdoor)
* Ball Field
* Lighting
* Path to Lake Arlington (860.6 lineal feet)
* Sand Volleyball Court
Sand Volleyball Court


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Lake Arlington


## Proposed Improvements:

* Replace Security Lighting
* Basketball Court Improvements

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## 20. Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club <br> 5.80 acres

Special Use
800 East Falcon Drive 60005
Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club serves the tennis players in south Arlington Heights. Professional instructors hold classes for individuals and groups of all ages. Private club amenities include locker rooms, with saunas and whirlpools, pro shop, lounge, nursery care, leagues and tournaments, and permanent court time.

## Features:

* Tennis Courts - indoor (6) ( 65,100 sq.ft.)
* Tennis Courts - outdoor (7-3 lighted)
* Racquetball Courts (6)
* Nursery
* Sauna and Whirlpool (1 in each locker room)
* Locker Room Facilities (2)
* Lounge
* Fitness Facility
* Aerobics/Dance Studio
* Gazebo and Patio Area
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Path (203 lineal feet)
* Parking Lot (16,895.3 sq.ft.)
(34 spaces - 2 handicapped)


## Proposed Improvements:

* Re-Tile Men's Shower Walls \& Floor
* Replace Frame on Men's Shower Room Door
* Colorcoat Indoor Tennis Courts
* Tennis Court Divider Nets and Backdrops
* Replace Domestic Hot Water Heater
* Replace Valley Trough Roofing
* Resurface Parking Lot
* Sand and Refinish Six Racquetball Courts
* Strongwall Application on Racquetball Courts
* Retile Women's Shower Walls \& Floors
* New Partitions In Women's Locker Room
* Replace Flat Roof
* Paint Racquetball Courts
* Replace Shingle/Gable Roof
* Purchase Computer/ Digital Card Equipment
* Replace Heaters on Indoor Tennis Courts
* Re-Carpet 1st \& 2nd Floor
* Re-Tile Main Staircase

21. Frontier

Large northern park acquired in 1965 with adjacent parcels recently added, Frontier Park is located in a residential neighborhood and adjacent to Palatine Road. The park contains the Park District's north side maintenance service center, community center, and outdoor pool. Mature landscaping with some wooded areas. Frontier is one of the busiest "program" centers in the Park District. A variety of preschool classes, youth activities, and adult programs are offered.

## Features:

* Community Center: Offices/Gym/Program
* Room (10,537 sq.ft.), Pool Offices and Locker Rooms
* Concession Snack Bar Area
* Zero-depth Swimming Pool - outdoor
* Zero-depth Wading Pool - outdoor
* Sprayground - outdoor
* Diving Pool - outdoor
* Playgrounds (2) (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Tennis courts - outdoor (3)
* Ice Skating and Boarded Hockey Rinks (A)
* Basketball Court (2) - full court (outdoor)


## Proposed Improvements:

$\begin{array}{ll}* \text { Service Center Renovation } & * \text { Renovate Tennis Courts } \\ * \text { Landscape Plantings (North End) } & * \text { Renovate Pathway System }\end{array}$

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## 22. Green Slopes

5.00 acres

Neighborhood Park
Douglas and Marion 60005 Leased 1977
Leased from the Village, Green Slopes is a medium-sized park in the center of town in an older residential neighborhood. The four excellent tennis courts are used for the summer outdoor tennis program. It is also a popular winter sledding location. Mature landscaping. This storm water detention area also has a bike-walk path and parking lot.

## Features:

* Tennis courts - outdoor (4)
* Sled Hill - lighted
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Path (1,361.7 lineal feet)
* Parking Lot (4,200 sq. ft.) (5 spaces)

23. Greenbrier and Connector Parkway

Park and connector parkway, adjacent to Greenbrier School (4.7 acres) in the northwest part of the Village. Acquired in two parcels over an eight year period in a residential neighborhood with mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Tennis Court - outdoor
* Ball Fields (2)
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Roller Hockey Rink
* Path (2,474 lineal feet)
* Storm Water Detention Area
9.90 acres Park Neighborhood Park and School 4.7 acres School $\quad$ Acquired 1963, 1971


## Proposed Improvements:

* Colorcoat Tennis Courts


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Greenbrier Elementary School K-5: Paved Multi-use Play Area, Playground, Parking Lot, Basketball Courts (4 outdoor)

24. Greens

Olive and Douglas 60004
Nestled against a mini-forest, there are several passive recreation areas with benches and picnic tables. Leased from School District \#25, adjacent to Olive-Mary Stitt School in the center of the Village, Greens was exchanged in 1993 for Rand-Berkley Park. Mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Path (1,334.9 lineal feet)
* Lighting

25. Happiness

## Adjacent Facilities:

* Olive-Mary Stitt Elementary School K-5: Playgrounds (2), Soccer Field (1), Multi-use Play Area, Nature/Conservation Area, Parking Lot
2.00 acres Park

Mini Park
Verde and Champlain 60004 1.60 acres Village Acquired 1963, 1980
Small park northwest of Frontier Park and adjacent to a Village detention area. Two separate parcels can be connected at a future time. Residential neighborhood with mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Retention Pond on Village Property
* Storm Water Detention Area on Village Property
* Path (127 lineal feet)


## 26. Hasbrook <br> 14.00 acres

Community Park
333 West Maude 60004
Acquired 1959
Older park in the north central section of town, Hasbrook Park has a 1960's era building with raised wood floor for dance and an arts and crafts room that is furnished with all the equipment necessary for a complete fine arts program including kilns, potters wheels, table and standing easels, and brushes. The surrounding neighborhood is undergoing a major recycling of smaller, older homes to large, new homes.

## Features:

* Dance/Art/Meeting Rooms- (2,950 sq.ft.)
* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Basketball Courts (2)
half court (outdoor - lighted)
* Path (4,327.1 lineal feet)
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Tennis Courts (2 outdoor - lighted)
* Ball Fields (2)
* Drinking Fountain


## Proposed Improvements:

* Install New Water Main Service
* Sealcoat and Stripe Parking Lot

27. Heritage

506 West Victoria 6005
Older park in residential neighborhood adjacent to Juliette Low school in the far southern part of town, Heritage has path/sidewalk around $90 \%$ of park perimeter and mature landscaping. One of five community centers, Heritage Park provides classroom space, offices and meeting rooms for the neighborhood. During the winter season, the sled hill and ice rinks are a popular winter attraction.

## Features:

* Community Center: (2,800 sq.ft.) Offices Program Room, Pool Offices
* Locker Rooms (2)
* Concession/Snack Bar Area
* Zero-depth Swimming Pool - outdoor
* Zero-depth Wading Pool - outdoor
* Sprayground - outdoor
* Diving Pool - outdoor
* Tennis Courts (3 outdoor - lighted)
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Baseball Diamond
* Ball Fields (2)
* Soccer Fields (2) - shared use
* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Sand Volleyball Court
* Sled Hill - lighted
* Ice Skating and Boarded Hockey Rinks (A)
* Picnic Area
* Path (4,823.5 lineal feet)
* Lighting
* Parking Lot (11,656.31 sq.ft.)
(29 spaces - 4 handicapped)


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Juliette Low Elementary School K-5

Gymnasium - cooperative use agreement

* Classroom - CAP use


## Proposed Improvements:

* Hockey Rink Improvements
* Re-lamp Tennis Courts
* Colorcoat Basketball Court
* Pathway Improvements and Renovation
* Sealcoat Tennis Courts
* Sled Hill Stairway Replacements

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## 28. Heritage Tennis Club 7 West College Drive 60004 communities. <br> Features: <br> * Tennis Courts - indoor (8) (53,350 sq.ft.) <br> * Clubhouse <br> * Concession/Snack Bar Area <br> * Pro Shop <br> * Lounge <br> * Sauna <br> * Nursery <br> * Locker Room Facilities (2) <br> * Parking Lots (2) (20,880 sq.ft. ) (58 spaces - 4 handicapped)

2.90 acres Special Use

Heritage Tennis Club serves tennis players in north Arlington Heights. It features eight indoor tennis courts with a state-of-the-art lighting system, USPTA and PTR professional teaching staff, child care, pro shop, locker rooms and lounge/snack bar facilities. Dedicated to serving the tennis community by designing and promoting tennis programming to all players, the Club offers outdoor tennis programs in four neighboring

## Proposed Improvements:

* Retile Men's Shower Walls \& Floor (Sani-glazed)
* Install New Ceiling Tiles \& Lights In Lounge
* Sealcoat and Stripe Parking Lot
* Colorcoat Tennis Courts
* Replace Interior Doors
* Repair/Replace Exhaust Fans
* Replace Lockers in Men's \& Women's Locker Rooms
* Install Exterior Perimeter Outdoor Drainage Tile
* Purchase Lounge Furniture

29. Hickory Meadows $\quad 5.00$ acres Neighborhood Park and School

Douglas and Marion 60004
Leased 1969
Older park in the center of town across from Green Slopes Park. Leased from the Village, Hickory Meadows is a popular skating rink in the detention basin ringed by stately pine trees. The warming shelter provides a comfortable and warm spot for relaxing between skating sessions.
Features:

* Ice Skating Rink and Hockey Rinks (A) * Path (308 lineal feet)
* Shelter Building
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Picnic Area
* Lighting

30. Kingsbridge Arboretum 5.20 acres

Special Use
Kaspar and Victoria 60005 Acquired 1964, 1987
Park is in the far southwest part of town abutting a commercial area on a heavy traffic road, Kingsbridge Arboretum is a 5.2 acre open space with rolling turf and a variety of trees.

## Features:

* Arboretum
* Picnic Area
* Path (1,417 lineal feet)

31. Klehm

* Install Parkway Sidewalk
Wilshire and Hawthorne $60004 \quad$ Acquired 1960

Small park in the center of town just north of Euclid in an older residential neighborhood, Klehm is named for one of the Park District's original commissioners. Mature landscaping and abundant trees make this neighborhood park seem tucked in a forest.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Ice Skating Rink (C)
* Lighting


## Proposed Improvements:

* Basketball Court Renovation


## 32. Lake Arlington

93.00 acres

2201 N. Windsor 60004 Leased 1990
Lake Arlington is a large park in the northeastern part of town on the Prospect Heights border in an area of newer homes and town homes. It is a man-made lake (the earth removed was transported to a landfill to form Nickol Knoll Golf Club) created to ease flooding problems. The 2.4 mile walking path is used yearround. The 50 acre detention lake allows boating but no swimming.

## Features:

* Storm Water Detention Lake (50 acres)
* Boathouse (3,854 sq. ft.): Concession/ Snack Bar Area, Downstairs Boat Storage Program Area, Offices
* Outdoor Accessible Washrooms
* Wooden Walkway to Beach
* Floating Boat Dock
* Paddleboat/Sailboat Rentals
* Beach
* Beach Playground
* Fishing Access
* Shelter/Gazebo (2)
* Drinking Fountains
* Picnic Areas
* Playground (2-5 years)
* Wetland Area (11 acres)
* Irrigation System
* Path (13,104 lineal feet) (2.4 miles total)
* Parking Lot (41,959.4 sq.ft.) (153 spaces 3 handicapped)

33. Lake Terramere

Neighborhood Park Acquired 1985
Kennicott and Kingsley Drive 60004
Large park in the far northwestern part of town adjacent to a private lake (no public swimming). Residential neighborhood with mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Spring-fed Lake
* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Fishing Access
* Drinking Fountain
* Path (710.7 lineal feet)

34. McDonald Creek Parkway
11.00 acres

Connector Parkway
Between Hackberry, Burr Oak, Brittany Court, Kerrybrook 60004
Acquired 1987, 1996
Large but fragmented park in the farthest north central part of town. Parcels are adjacent to McDonald Creek extending from Camelot Connector Park north to the Arlington Heights border, but all are not connected. Access is sometimes limited to passage through private property. Some paved trails, mature landscaping and storm water detention areas.
Features:

* Creek
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Path (1,807 lineal feet)


## Proposed Improvements:

* Bicycle Path Improvements
* Replace Lakeside Play Structure
* Replace the Bridge to Wildwood
* Gator Utility Vehicle
* Shelter
* Renovate Gazebo Ramp
* Lakeside and Pathway Plantings
* Contracted Tree Removal
* Parking Lot Sealcoat
* Re-Engineer Lift Station


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| 35. Melas |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1500 W . Central Road, Mt. Prospect 60056 | District Park <br> Leased 1993 |
| Leased from the Metropolitan Sanitary District through the Village of Mount Prospect, this large park is in |  |
| the far southeast portion of the Park District and completely outside of the Village of Arlington Heights |  |
| boundaries. Four premier lighted softball and one soccer field are complimented by a playground and |  |
| extensive paved walkway. The east half of this park is operated and maintained by the Mount Prospect Park |  |
| District. Melas Park also has two sand volleyball courts; a picnic area and concession stand. It also has the |  |
| District's largest quarter-acre playground with tot equipment that is colorful, sturdy and perfect for ages 1-3. |  |
| A tubular climbing structure in the center has enough twists and turns to keep 5-12 year olds enthralled. |  |

## Features:

* Building (1,521 sq. ft.): Concession Area Washrooms, Storage/Maintenance
* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Ball Fields (4 lighted)
* Soccer Field (lighted)
* Soccer Fields (3) - shared use
* Sand Volleyball Courts (2)
* Picnic Area
* Irrigation System
* Path (9,832 lineal feet - 1.86 miles)
* Parking lots (2) (17,470 sq.ft.) (370 spaces 6 handicapped)


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Mt. Prospect Park District: Soccer Fields, Football Fields, Pathway System, Storm Water Detention Area, The Studio Arts Center


## Proposed Improvements:

* Landscape Plantings
* Mower Replacement
* Soccer Field Irrigation
* Infield Irrigation

36. Memorial

590 acres
Fremont and Chestnut 60004
Located in the center of the Village's historic district, the one-half acre triangular site is the oldest park acquired from the Village in 1925. The ornamental gardens surround war memorials with picnic areas for neighbors to enjoy. The annual Memorial Day parade ends at this site.

## Features:

* War Memorials
* Ornamental Gardens
* Picnic Area
* Flag Pole
* Lighting
* Path (stone) (489.1 lineal feet)

37. Methodist

### 8.50 acres

Special Use
Gibbons and Miner 60004

## Proposed Improvements:

* Pathway Improvements

Leased for almost 20 years and then purchased from First United Methodist Church in 1988, Methodist is in an established residential neighborhood. The site is divided into three softball fields and one baseball diamond. Soccer is played at this park in the fall. There is limited perimeter landscaping and no off-street parking.

## Features:

* Ball Fields (3)
* Baseball Diamond
* Soccer Field - shared use
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Drinking Fountains (2)

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## 38. Nickol Knoll Park

56.00 acres

3800 N. Kennicott 60004
Leased from the Village, this former landfill was converted to a 9 hole par three golf course with other recreation amenities using the soil removed in the creation of Lake Arlington. Built on 56 acres, there are three holes featuring vertical drop tee shots and three holes boasting uphill shots to the green. The park also includes a ballfield and popular 1.25 mile walking trail.

## Features:

* 9-hole golf course
* Cart Paths (5,330 lineal feet)
* Clubhouse (3,150 sq. ft.): Offices, Concession Snack Bar Area, Pro Shop, Meeting Room, Storage
* Ball Field
* Walter Payton/Payton’s Hill Memorial
* Landscaped Gardens
* Outdoor Observation Deck
* Path (8,430 lineal feet $=1.25 \mathrm{mi}$.)
* Lighting
* Irrigation System
* Maintenance Building (6,072 sq. ft.)
(2,208 Village use, 3,864 Park District use)
Driveway and Parking Lot (34,140 sq. ft.)
(13 spaces - 1 handicapped)
* Parking Lot - Golf Club (55,735 sq.ft.)
(115 spaces - 5 handicapped)

39. North School Park 1.65 acres Community Park Arlington Heights Road and Eastman 60004

## Proposed Improvements:

* Reelmaster
* Sand Pro Rake
* Reelmaster
* Utility Vehicle
* Greensmaster 3 Mower
* Ford Front End Loader
* 48" Exmark
* Parkmaster
* Rotary Motor Replacements
* Irrigation System Field Controller Upgrades
* Pathway and Parking Sealcoating

Jointly owned by the Village and Park District, this former school parking lot is the jewel of the downtown area. Bench-lined brick walkways with beautiful ornamental trees radiate from the show piece central fountain. Seasonal concerts and special events are a regular occurrence at this park. North School Park was purchased in 1988 by the Park District and Village of Arlington Heights. Once owned by Village founder, Asa Dunton, the site was designated to remain open space for the Village children. Developed as a focal point for the downtown business district, this site boasts such amenities as a display fountain, accessible playground, brick walkways with seating and lighting, unique landscaping and a performance amphitheater.

## Features:

* Amphitheater and Stage
* Memorial Fountain
* Playground (2-5 years)
* Brick Walkways (2,580 lineal feet)
* Drinking Fountain
* Landscaped Gardens
* Seasonal Outdoor Accessible Washrooms
* Lighting


## 40. Olympic Park and Indoor Swim Center <br> 9.90 acres

Community Park
660 N. Ridge 60004
Acquired 1968, 1986
Located in the center of town, Olympic was acquired in two parcels: one acre of dedication and 8.9 acres purchased from School District 214. Outdoor area contains two premier irrigated soccer fields, a skate park, basketball and tennis courts, and mature landscaping. Recently renovated, the building contains three indoor pools and meeting/program space.

## Features:

* Aquatic/Program Facility: Competition/Lap Swimming Pool, Zero-depth Leisure Pool with flume slide, Diving Pool with walk-in stairs and drop slide
* Sauna
* Aquatic Offices and Upstairs Meeting Rooms ( 43,284 sq.ft.)
* Meeting Room/Classroom (2)
* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Tennis Courts (2 outdoor)
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Soccer Fields (2)
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Skate Park
* Safety Town Course
* Patio and Picnic Area
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Parking Lot (58,500 sq.ft. - 190 spaces 6 handicapped)


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Christian Liberty Academy: Football Field


## Proposed Improvements:

* Renovate Playground
* Tennis Courts - crack, fill and seal
* Sealcoat Parking Lot
* Soccer Field Lights

Located just east of Village boundaries in Prospect Heights and adjacent to Ross, Sullivan and MacArthur schools, six acres of Patriots park are owned and 11 acres are leased from School District 23. Mature landscaping.

Features Prior to 2007 Renovation:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Shelter Building
* Basketball Courts - full court (2 outdoor)
* Ball Field
* Baseball Diamond
* Soccer Fields (3)
* Paved Multi-use Play Area
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Ice Skating and Hockey Rinks (A)
* Lighting
* Parking Lot (10,201.3 sq.ft.) (36 spaces)


## Adjacent Facilities:

* McArthur Jr. High School
* Anne Sullivan Elementary School
* Betsy Ross Elementary School: Ross Gymnasium (cooperative use agreement) Playground, Ball Field, Soccer Field Storm Water Detention Area


## Proposed Improvements:

* Replace Shelter Roofing System
* Renovate Playground


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Pioneer is a large centrally located park, acquired in a single purchase in the mid 1950's with a community center and outdoor pool. Pioneer hast the first pool to be completely renovated(1987?) and first community center renovated (2007.) The park contains mature landscaping in a primarily single-family residential neighborhood.

## Features Prior to 2007 Renovation:

* Pool Bathhouse and Mechanical Building (6,900 sq.ft.) Locker Rooms (2) Pool Offices, Storage
* Zero-depth Swimming Pool - outdoor
* Zero-depth Wading Pool - outdoor
* Diving Pool - outdoor
* Concession/Snack Bar Area and Patio
* Offices/Gym/Meeting Rooms (14,473 sq.ft.)
* Playground (2-5 years)
* Tennis Courts (5 outdoor - lighted)
* Basketball Court - half court (2 outdoor)
* Baseball Diamond
* Ball Field (3)
* Football Fields (4) shared use
* Soccer Field - shared use
* Ice Skating and Boarded Hockey Rinks (A)
* Seasonal Outdoor Accessible Washrooms
* Lighting
* Paths (7,859 lineal feet)
* Parking Lots (2) (36,844 sq.ft.)
(103 spaces - 5 handicapped)


## Features after 2007 Renovation

* Pool Bathhouse and Mechanical Building
(6,900 sq.ft.): Locker Rooms (2) Pool Offices, Storage
* Zero-depth Swimming Pool - Outdoor
* Zero-depth Wading Pool - Outdoor
* Diving Pool - Outdoor
* Concession/Snack Bar Area and Patio
* Center Building: (28,000 sq. ft.) Program Rooms, Gym, Dance Room, Offices
* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Tennis Courts (4 outdoor - lighted)
* Basketball Court - half court (outdoor)
* Baseball Diamond
* Ball Field (3)
* Football Fields (4) shared use
* Soccer Field - shared use
* Ice Skating and Boarded Hockey Rinks (A)
* Seasonal Outdoor Accessible Washrooms
* Lighting
* Paths (7,859 lineal feet)
* Parking Lots (2) (36,844 sq.ft.) (103 spaces - 5 handicapped)


## Proposed Improvements:

* Renovate Community Center
* Remove Service Center
* Renovate Playground
* Improve pathways
* Landscape Improvements

43. Prairie

Belmont and Council Trail 60005

Neighborhood Park
Acquired 1965

Located in the far south eastern part of the Village, Prairie was purchased as a single parcel in 1965 and contains mostly open areas with limited perimeter landscaping. The neighborhood is combination of older residential homes on large lots, multi family apartments and commercial businesses.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Climbing Wall
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Ball Field with electronic scoreboard
* Soccer Field
* Ice Skating Rink (B)
* Drinking Fountain
* Path (966.9 lineal feet)
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Lighting
* Parking Lot (21,273.2 sq.ft.)
(56 spaces - 2 handicapped)


## Proposed Improvements:

* Sealcoat Parking Lot


## 44. Rand-Berkley $\quad 7.06$ acres

Neighborhood Park
Waverly and Brookwood, 60004 Acquired 1982, 1993
First leased then purchased from SD\#25, Rand-Berkley Park is located in the north central part of the Village in a newer residential neighborhood and between two schools: Futabakai School and Glenkirk School, private schools run on the former Rand Junior High (Futabakai) and Berkley (Glenkirk) school sites. Mostly open space with minimal landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Ball Fields (3)
* Soccer Field - shared use


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Rand Jr. High School/Futabaki School: playground


## Proposed Improvements:

* Renovate Playground
* Irrigation System for Fields

| 43. Rand Connector Parkway | 1.70 acres | Connector Parkway |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Between Rand Jr. High and Com Ed R.O.W. 60004 | Acquired 1971 |  |

Located in the north central part of the Village, Rand Connector park connects Rand-Berkley Park with the Commonwealth Edison utility right-of-way to the west. The park is all open space with no current improvements and minimal landscaping.

| 46. Raven | 8.50 acres Park | Neighborhood Park and School |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Highland and Burr Oak, 60004 | 3.8 acres School | Acquired 1967 |

Located in the north central part of the Village, Raven park is just north of the Poe School property. This is a residential neighborhood of single family homes. Limited landscaping with lots of pathway.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Tennis Courts (3 outdoor)
* Ball Fields (2)
* Ice Skating Rink (B)
* Picnic Area
* Lighting
* Path (1,429.6 lineal feet)


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Poe Elementary School K-5: Playground, Gymnasium (cooperative use agreement) Paved Multi-use Play Area

Located in the downtown area in one of the oldest neighborhoods, Recreation park is the oldest community park with large mature trees and other significant landscaping. The park has expanded in recent years with acquisition of adjacent properties. This park experiences significant usage by residents from all around the community because it is the location of the District's premier baseball diamond and the annual Frontier Day's Festival. Recreation Park is the Park District's oldest community center, built in 1937 as a WPA project. Many people enjoy the gymnasium with its wooden floor. Recreation's Olympic-sized pool, the Park District's oldest pool, was remodeled in 1988.

## Features:

* Community Center: Offices/Gym/Meeting Rooms (21,357 sq.ft.)
* Shelter Building (800 sq.ft.)
* Bathhouse : Locker Rooms (2), Storage
* Concession/Snack Bar Area
* Swimming Pool - Outdoor
* Wading Pool - Outdoor Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Tennis Courts - (3 outdoor, lighted)
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Baseball Diamond (lighted)
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Ice Skating Rink
* Soccer Field - shared use
* Ball Field
* Landscaped Garden Areas
* Picnic Area
* Lighting
* Paths (3,534.5 lineal feet)
* Parking Lot (23,700 sq.ft.) (59 spaces 2 handicapped)
* Rental Properties (4)


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Village of Arlington Heights Teen Center
* Village paved parking spaces on each side of Douglas Avenue
* American Legion Hall


## Proposed Improvements:

* Pool Lockers
* Pool Sound System
* Refurbish Lobby
* Replace Exterior Doors and Re-key Community Center
* Asbestos Removal, Tile and Carpet Replacement
* Pathway Improvements
* Replace Pool Heater
* Sealcoat Parking Lot
* Sidewalk Replacement (West Side Of Douglas)
* Colorcoat Tennis Courts

48. Rose Garden

Windsor and Northwest Highway 60004
Small park on a major road in the far east part of the down town area. Created from a portion of the Windsor triangle parks, the Rose Garden is a passive recreation area with considerable public exposure.

## Features:

* Rose Garden and Sculpture
* Living Memorial Bricks and Plaques
* Ornamental Entry Gates
* Path (390.7 lineal feet)

49. Scarsdale Islands

Scarsdale Subdivision 60005
1.70 acres

Special Use
A series of small island parks in the Scarsdale neighborhood of the Village, the park acreage is mostly open space with Shaag Park tot lot playground on the largest island.

## Features:

* Landscaped Small Parks
* Playground (Schaag Park) (2-5 years)
* Basketball Court - half court (outdoor)
* Ice Skating Rink (C)


## Proposed Improvements:

* Pathway Improvements

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50. Sunset Meadows
37.23 acres Park

Special Use
Wilke and Kirchof, 60005
30.61 acres Village Acquired 1973, 1984, 2003, 2005

Located in the south west portion of the Village, Sunset Meadows is a mixed use facility that is under development as a sports complex. Surrounded by a mix of busy roads, single-family and multiple-family dwellings as well as small office buildings, the park has a mixture of mature landscaping and new plantings.

## Features:

* Athletic Field Play Area - lighted
* Sled Hill
* Driving Range - lighted
* Picnic Area
* Parking Lot (34,500 sq. ft.) (133 spaces)


## Proposed Improvements:

* Football Fields (2) - lighted, irrigated
* Building: Bathrooms, Driving Range, Picnic
* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Parking Lot - 4 handicapped

51. Sunset Ridge
2.35 acres Park

Neighborhood Park
Ashford Lane and Walnut Drive, 60004
Acquired 1989
A small neighborhood park located on the farthest northern boundary of the Village, Sunset Ridge is in a neighborhood of single-family homes.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years)
* Storm Water Detention Area
* Athletic Field Play Area
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Path (351 lineal feet)

52. Victory

Harvard and White Oak 60005
Located on the far south side of the Village, Victory park is in a neighborhood of single-family residences south of the Arlington Lakes Golf Club.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Tennis Court
* Hard Surface Play Area
* Lighting
* Drinking Fountain
* Path (210.6 lineal feet)

53. Virginia Terrace

Thomas and Yale 60004
3.50 acres

Neighborhood Park
Acquired 1956

Virginia Terrace is located in the west-central portion of the Village in an older neighborhood that is experiencing significant redevelopment. Small, older houses are being replaced with large, upscale homes. Mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Drinking Fountain
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Path (1,025 lineal feet)
* Ball Field
* Lighting
* Athletic Field Play Area


## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) * Drinking Fountain
* Tennis Courts (2 outdoor)
* Memorial to Albert Volz
* Basketball Court - mini (outdoor)
* Lighting
* Ball Field
* Path (1,407.7 lineal feet)


## Proposed Improvements:

* Resurface Tennis Courts

55. Westgate
2.00 acres

Rueter between St. James and Miner 60005
Acquired 1956
Westgate is a small park in the far west central section of the Village in an older neighborhood of small single family homes. It connects residents on St. James and Miner Streets and offers active play equipment and passive areas. Mature landscaping.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years) * Lighting
* Path (446.3 lineal feet)

56. Wildwood
6.50 acres

Neighborhood Park
Prindle and Crabtree 60004
Acquired 1965
Wildwood is a far northeast park in a residential neighborhood bordering Prospect Heights, and just north of Lake Arlington.

## Features:

* Playground (2-5 years \& 5-12 years)
* Soccer Field
* Tennis Courts (3 outdoor)
* Path (2,551.9 lineal feet)
* Passive Areas
* Lighting
* Basketball Court - full court (outdoor)
* Storm Water Detention Area


## Adjacent Facilities:

* Lake Arlington Pathway Linkage


## Proposed Improvements:

* Colorcoat Tennis and Basketball Courts

57. Willow 22.00 acres Neighborhood Park
Valley and Windsor 60004 Acquired 1965
Willow is a large park with areas of open space for passive recreation along McDonald Creek. It is located just west of Lake Arlington in a residential neighborhood.

Features:

* Playground (2-5 years)
* Athletic Field Play Area
* McDonald Creek
* Path (2,933.4 lineal feet)
* Pedestrian Bridge over McDonald Creek
* Storm Water Detention Area

58. Windsor Parkway and Triangles
4.50 acres

Neighborhood Park
Valley and Windsor 60004
Partially owned by the Park District and partly leased from the Village, these passive use segments of land are in the older Scarsdale neighborhood.

## Features:

* Windsor Parkway
* Landscaped Triangle Parks (2)
* Passive Area
* Ornamental Entry Gates at Kensington and Northwest Highway
* Brick Walkways and Benches (48.9 lineal feet)
)
* Passive Area


## Proposed Improvements:

* Tree Management and Removal
* Pathway Sealcoating


# Arlington Heights Park District <br> Other Program Facilities ${ }^{1}$ 

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1. Arlington Heights Historical Museum
110 W. Freemont Street 60004
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## Features:

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* Muller House (3,000 sq ft)
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1.125 acres

Cooperative Agreement

The Arlington Heights Historical Museum complex includes the 1882 F.W. Muller House and the 1908 N.M. Banta House, both listed on the National Register, the Coach House, the 1906 Soda Pop Factory Building, Heritage Gallery and Shop, and replica 1830s log house. The property is owned by the Village of Arlington Heights. Located in the heart of the Village's historic district, the Museum is a great opportunity to experience first hand the rich history and heritage of Arlington Heights. The Museum is a cooperative effort between the Arlington Heights Park District, Village of Arlington Heights, the Arlington Heights Memorial Library and the Arlington Heights Historical Society. The Village maintains the property, the Park District hires the full time administrator, programs the facility and oversees the day to day operation, the Historical Society owns the collections and the Library provides access to information for the public.

* Coach House (2,200 sq. ft.) * Banta House (2,500 sq. ft.)
* Log Cabin (168 sq. ft.) * Pop Factory (7,200 sq. ft.)

2. Arlington Heights Senior Center
3.85 acres

Cooperative Agreement
1801 W. Central Road 60005
The Arlington Heights Senior Center is a Village of Arlington Heights facility where the Park District operates various programming rooms to provide recreation services. The Senior Center houses eight agencies that share the space including the Village of Arlington Heights, Arlington Heights Park District, Community Nutrition Network (CNN), Catholic Charities, Resource Center for the Elderly, Northwest Community Hospital, Arlington Heights Nurses Club, and the Arlington Heights Memorial Library. The Park District operation includes a registration office and gift shop, art room, dance/ fitness program room and Athletic Club. The Park District also works with the Village to utlize it's program space when needed for programs and special events.

## Features:

* Offices/ Gift Shop (1,540 sq. ft) * Dance Room (2,390 sq. ft.)
* Art Room (1,760 sq. ft) * Wood Shop (3,000 sq. ft.)
* Athletic Club (1,000 sq. ft.)

3. Betsy Ross School Gymnasium

7,800 sq. ft.
Shared Use Agreement
700 N. Schoenbeck Road, Prospect Heights 60070
Agreement Since 1990
The Park District and School District \#23 have a joint use agreement which allows the AHPD use of the gymnasium during non-school hours. The Park District contributed \$500,000 towards the cost of the 7,800 square foot facility which is slightly larger than what is needed for a grade school facility but which now is an appropriate size for Park District programs.
Features: $\quad *$ Gymnasium ( $7,800 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}$.)
4. Poe School Gymnasium

7,800 sq. ft.
Shared Use Agreement
2800 N. Highland Ave. 60004 Agreement Since 1994
The Park District and School District \#25 have a joint use agreement which allows the AHPD use of the gymnasium during non-school hours. The Park District contributed \$500,000 towards the cost of the 7,800 sq. ft. facility which is slightly larger than what is needed for a grade school facility but which now is an appropriate size for Park District programs.

Features:

* Gymnasium (7,800 sq. ft.)

5. Juliette Low School Gymnasium

2,400 sq. ft.
Shared Use Agreement
1530 S. Highland Ave. 60005 Agreement Since 1986
The Park District and School District \#59 have a joint use agreement which allows the AHPD use of the gymnasium during weekday non-school hours. Weekend use is an additional cost to the Park District. This is the primary gym for the south side of town since there is no gym at the Heritage Park Community Center.

Features:

* Gymnasium (2,400 sq. ft.)


## Arlington Heights Park District

 CAP (Children at Play) and JAZ(Junior Activity Zone) School Sites ${ }^{1}$| 1. Dryden School |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Arlington Heights Road south to Rockwell. East on Rockwell. South on Dryden <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Gymnasium * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 2. Greenbrier School 2330 N. Verde Drive 60004 | District 25 |
| Arlington Heights Road north to Palatine Road. West on Palatine to Kennicott Road. North on Kennicott and west onto Frontage Road. Frontage one block to Verde Drive. North on Verde. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Commons and Gymnasium * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 3. Ivy Hill School |  |
| Arlington Heights Road north to Ivy Lane (past Rand Road.) Right (east) on Ivy Lane to Burke St. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Commons and Gymnasium * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 4. Juliette Low School |  |
| Arlington Heights Road south to Pickwick Road (past Central Road.) West on Pickwick to Highland Avenue. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Multipurpose Room $\quad$ * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 5. Olive-Mary Stitt School |  |
| Arlington Heights Road north to Olive Street. Right (east) on Olive. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Commons and Gymnasium $\quad$ * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 6. Patton School |  |
| Arlington Heights Road north to Maude Avenue. Left (west) on Maude to school. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Commons and Gymnasium * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 7. Poe School1616 N. Patton Avenue 60004 |  |
| Arlington Heights Road north to Hintz Road. West on Hintz to Highland Avenue. North on Highland. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Classroom and Gymnasium $\quad$ * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 8. Riley School |  |
| Arlington Heights Road north to Hintz Road. East on Hintz to Windsor Road. North on Windsor to Burr Oak Drive. <br> Facilities Used: $\text { * Multipurpose Room and Gymnasium } \quad * \text { Playground and outdoor hard surface play area }$ |  |
| 9. Westgate School |  |
| Arlington Heights Road north to Euclid Avenue. West on Euclid to Dwyer Avenue. South on Dwyer. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Commons and Gymnasium $\quad$ * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 10. Windsor School <br> 1315 E. Miner Street 60004 |  |
| Arlington Heights Road south to Miner Street. Left (east) on Miner to Windsor. <br> Facilities Used: <br> * Commons and Gymnasium $\quad$ * Playground and outdoor hard surface play area |  |
| 11. Arlington Heights Teen Center |  |
| Arlington Heights Road south to Miner St |  |

## Physical Accessibility Assessment

The Arlington Heights Park District has taken a proactive approach in creating physical access to its facilities. In 1992, the Park District contracted with the architectural firm Sente and Rubel, Ltd. to conduct a facility assessment and develop a Transition Plan to serve as a roadmap for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. Subsequently, staff has taken great care in adhering to, updating and implementing the 1992 Transition Plan. Due to a number of new and renovated facilities and changes in the ADA standards, it became necessary to do a complete update of this transition plan.

The National Center on Accessibility (NCA) was contracted in June 2005 to conduct a physical accessibility assessment of the Park District's 66 parks and program use spaces to provide staff with a comprehensive assessment of the District's current level of physical access for people with disabilities. Recommendations were made for improving accessibility by reassessing existing structures, evaluating renovations and improvements and assessing recreational facilities and outdoor areas not assessed in 1992. The report was completed and delivered to the Park District in February of 2006. Due to the volume of the data and the brief time available for review, accessibility information of facilities is not identified herein at this time except for playground accessibility.

The Physical Accessibility Assessment is the first component of a comprehensive and effective accessibility management program. The next component consists of a Program Assessment which covers the constructs of "program access." This include such as things as services, activities, policies, practices and procedures. These items must be assessed in order to prioritize for structural barrier removal. The final component of the accessibility management program is the Transition Plan. This is an Action Plan based on the Physical and Program assessments. The report itemizes and prioritizes the steps necessary to bring the Park District's programs and facilities in compliance with ADA requirements.

## Park Site Reservations

Future park sites listed are in areas experiencing a deficiency in park and recreational opportunities compared to optimal national standards. The location of future park sites takes into consideration location of existing parks and schools, physical features of the landscape, and the neighborhood's land use and recreational needs. Wherever possible, existing park or school sites are recommended for expansion instead of developing a new site in the vicinity. Areas with unique physical features such as a creek, wooded areas, or hills, are included regardless of the proximity to an adjacent park since such areas provide opportunities for park development.

There is very little undeveloped land available in the Village with which to increase the inventory of park land. Since it is necessary to add land to the inventory to maintain a satisfactory ratio of park land and population, it can be assumed that marginal costs of adding land to the park inventory will increase as the supply of vacant land diminishes.

Land needed for future park sites is acquired in numerous ways. Purchase and donation of property are two of the most common ways for park districts to acquire land. Leasing is a significant means of providing park sites and programs. Condemnation and conservation easements are other, less popular, means. Illinois' statutes permit municipalities to designate land in the Village for school, park or other public land on the Village Comprehensive Plan map.

This list serves only as a guide with respect to land use decisions and in no way should be construed as a regulatory device. The Village Official Map, however, serves notice to property owners that the Village or Park District may consider acquisition of all or part of the subject property in the future. Should a subdivision plat be approved for property having this designation, the Park District or Village has one year in which to negotiate a sale or land donation, or commence condemnation proceedings to acquire the property.

An alternative to the outright purchase of land for park purposes is the Village's land contribution requirement in connection with land subdivision and residential development. Contribution requirement requires residential builders in the Village to contribute land in an amount proportionate to the estimated population of the development, or cash in-lieu of land to the Village, according to a prescribed formula. The contributions are used to acquire or assemble the park sites designated on the Comprehensive Plan map or Official Map. Much of the Arlington Heights Park District's land inventory and physical improvements were acquired in this manner.

Arlington Heights Park District<br>Park Site Reservations<br>By Park District Request \& Village Approval<br>June 16, 1997 (updated 02/06)

| Camelot Neighborhood |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sites Included in the Village Comprehensive Plan as Park Site Reservations |  |  |  |  |
| \# Site | Neighborhood | Acres | Type of Park | Purpose for Acquisition |
| C01 Carousel Park | Camelot | 5.8 | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| C02 ComEd Right-of-Way | Camelot | 8.5 | Connector Park | Linkage of Regional Trail to Palatine |
| C03 Commerce Point Property | Camelot | 3.5 | Specialty Park | Expansion of Nichol Knoll |
| C04 Glenkirk School | Camelot | 4.0 | Community Park | Expansion of Rand-Berkley Park |
| C05 Insolia-Michalowski Property | Camelot | 20.0 | Connector Park | Expansion of Lake Arlington |
| C06 Ivy Hill School | Camelot | 7.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
| C07 Lake Arlington | Camelot | 93.0 | District Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| C08 McDonald Creek Property | Camelot | 3.0 | Connector Park | Regional Trail Linkage |
| C09 Nichol Knoll Golf Course | Camelot | 56.0 | Specialty Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| C10 Poe School | Camelot | 5.0 | Community Park | Area Need for Community Park |
| C11 Rand Jr. High School | Camelot | 8.0 | Community Park | Expansion of Rand-Berkley Park |
| C12 Riley School | Camelot | 7.0 | Community Park | Area Need for Community Park |
|  |  | 220.8 |  |  |
| Sites Requested by the Park District But Not Designated by the Village |  |  |  |  |
| C13 John Hersey High School | Camelot | 17.0 | Community Park | Area Need for Community Park |
| C14 University Dr. Industrial Property | Camelot | 12.0 | Community Park | Area Need for Community Park |
|  |  | 29.0 |  |  |
| Frontier Neighborhood |  |  |  |  |
| Sites Included in the Village Comprehensive Plan as Park Site Reservations |  |  |  |  |
| \# Site | Neighborhood | Acres | Type of Park | Purpose for Acquisition |
| F01 Greenbrier School | Frontier | 8.0 | Neighborhood Park | Expansion of Greenbrier Park |
| F02 Happiness Park (part) | Frontier | 1.6 | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| F03 Patton School | Frontier | 7.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
|  |  | 16.6 |  |  |
| Sites Requested by the Park District But Not Designated by the Village |  |  |  |  |
| F04 St. Peter Lutheran Chrch/Sch. | Frontier | 10.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
|  |  | 10.0 |  |  |
| Heritage Neighborhood |  |  |  |  |
| Sites Included in the Village Comprehensive Plan as Park Site Reservations |  |  |  |  |
| \# Site | Neighborhood | Acres | Type of Park | Purpose for Acquisition |
| H01 Juliette Low School | Heritage | 5.0 | Community Park | Expansion of Heritage Park |
| H02 U.S. Army Reserve Headqrtrs | Heritage | 45.0 | Specialty Park | Expansion of Arlington Lakes GC |
| H03 Victory Park | Heritage | 1.7 | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
|  |  | 51.7 |  |  |
| Sites Requested by the Park District But Not Designated by the Village |  |  |  |  |
| \# Site | Neighborhood | Acres | Type of Park | Purpose for Acquisition |
| H04 Forest View Ed. Center (part) | Heritage | 15.0 | Community Park | Expansion of Forest View |
|  |  | 15.0 |  |  |

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| Pioneer Neighborhood |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sites Included in the Village Comprehensive Plan as Park Site Reservations |  |  |  |  |
| \# Site | Neighborhoo | Acres | Type of Park | Purpose for Acquisition |
| P01 Cypress Park | Pioneer | 5.0 | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| P02 Dunton School (closed) | Pioneer | 8.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
| P03 Festival Park | Pioneer |  | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| P05 Our Lady/Wayside Church/School | Pioneer | 8.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
| P06 South Jr. High School | Pioneer | 11.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
| P07 Sunset Meadows Park (part) | Pioneer | 33.3 | Speciality Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| P08 U.S. Post Office | Pioneer |  | Community Center | Area Need for Community Center |
| P09 Westgate/Dwyer School | Pioneer | 7.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
|  |  | 77.6 |  |  |
| Sites Requested by the Park District But Not Designated by the Village |  |  |  |  |
| P01 Church of Christ. Liberty Academy | Pioneer | 8.0 | Community Park | Expansion of Olympic Park |
|  |  | 8.0 |  |  |
| Recreation Neighborhood |  |  |  |  |
| Sites Included in the Village Comprehensive Plan as Park Site Reservations |  |  |  |  |
| \# Site | Neighborho | Acres | Type of Park | Purpose for Acquisition |
| R01 American Legion Property | Recreation | 0.2 | Community Park | Expansion of Recreation Park |
| R02 15 S Belmont Residence | Recreation | 0.3 | Community Park | Expansion of Recreation Park |
| R03 Dryden School | Recreation | 5.0 | Neighborhood Park | Expansion of Dryden Park |
| R04 First United Methodist Church | Recreation | 10.0 | Neighborhood Park | Expansion of Methodist Park |
| R05 Greens Park | Recreation | 4.2 | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| R06 Greenslopes Park | Recreation | 5.0 | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| R07 Hickory Meadows Park | Recreation | 5.0 | Neighborhood Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
| R08 Kensington School | Recreation | 5.0 | Neighborhood Park | Area Need for Neighborhood Park |
| R09 Miner/Windsor School (part) | Recreation | 9.0 | Neighborhood Park | Athletic Field Acquisition |
| R11 Olive School | Recreation | 5.0 | Neighborhood Park | Expansion of Greens Park |
| R12 Rolling Green Country Club | Recreation | 30.0 | Community Park | Area Need for Community Park |
| R14 Southminster United Pres. Ch. | Recreation |  | Neighborhood Park | Expansion of Dryden Park |
| R15 Thomas Jr. High School | Recreation | 10.0 | Neighborhood Park | Athletic Field Acquisition |
| R16 Windsor Parkway | Recreation | 4.0 | Connector Park | Existing Park - Currently Leased |
|  |  | 94.7 |  |  |
| Sites Requested by the Park District But Not Designated by the Village |  |  |  |  |
| R17 Lattoff \& Heller Property | Recreation |  | Community Park | Expansion of Recreation Park |
| R18 Municipal Yard | Recreation | 12.0 | Connector Park | Expansion of Melas Park |
| R19 Rockwell Property | Recreation |  | Neighborhood Park | Expansion/Access to Dryden Park |
| R20 St. Viator's High School | Recreation |  | Community Park | Area Need for Community Park |
| R21 Viatorian Novitiate | Recreation |  | Community Park | Area Need for Community Park |
|  |  | 58.5 |  |  |
| Summary |  |  |  |  |
| Sites Included in the Village Comprehensive |  |  |  |  |
| Sites Requested by the Park District |  |  |  |  |
| But Not Designated by the Village |  | 120.5 |  |  |
|  |  | 581.9 |  |  |

## Capital Improvement Plan

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Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan
The capital budget authorizes and provides the basis for control of expenditures for the acquisition of significant Park District assets and construction of all capital facilities. A fiveyear Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is developed and updated annually. Capital Budget appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year; however, they are re-budgeted until the project is complete. As capital improvement projects are completed, the operations of these facilities are funded in the operating budget.

The operating budget authorizes and provides the basis for control of operating expenditures for all services, including operating and maintaining new facilities. Operating budget appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

Capital Improvement Project Guidelines
The project must:

- Have a monetary value of at least $\$ 1,000$.
- Have a life of at least three years.
- Result in the creation of a fixed asset, or the revitalization of a fixed asset.

Included within the above definition of a capital project are the following items:

- Construction of new facilities.
- Remodeling or expansion of existing facilities.
- Purchase, improvement and development of land.
- Operating equipment and machinery for new or expanded facilities.
- Planning and engineering costs related to specific capital improvements.

Each department submits project requests for review. These projects are reviewed and further evaluated by the executive director and directors. Individuals and group staff meetings are held throughout the process to discuss the requests. Projects are prioritized based on the Park District's overall goals, department priorities and anticipated funding. When requests exceed available funding sources in a given year, adjustments in scheduling or scope of the project are recommended and agreed upon. The final compilation of requests, sources of funding and scheduling, which is presented to the Board of Commissioners, are the consensus agreement of the executive director and directors. By providing this planning and programming of capital improvements, the effect of capital expenses on the annual budget is determined. This provides for an orderly growth of Park District assets.

## Arlington Heights Park District Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan

## Capital Improvement Plan Funding Sources

The Capital Improvement Plan uses funding from voter approved bonds, Grant funds, Land Dedication funds, Recreation funds and non-referendum general obligation bonds. The following summarizes some of the funding sources for the Capital Improvement Plan.

Operating Funds represent pay-as-you-go contributions from the operating revenues for capital projects specific to the fund making the contribution. The NWSRA Fund will be able to assist in making the existing facilities accessible as required by ADA.

Enterprise Funds represent pay-as-you-go contributions from the Enterprise Fund revenues for capital projects specific to the Enterprise Funds.

Land Dedication Fund Contributions are cash contributions received from developers in lieu of land for the development or improvement of parks in the area of development within the District. Financing is provided only through cash contributions received in accordance with the Village of Arlington Heights ordinance. The Land Dedication Ordinance requires developers and subdividers dedicate 9.9 acres of land for each one thousand persons; contribute cash in lieu of land; or a combination of both for park and recreational purposes. Criteria and formulas for the calculations are provided in the ordinance.

The Land Dedication Fund has provided $\$ 3,658,186$ in cash, in lieu of land, from developers for capital improvements in parks near major developments.

OSLAD Grants are grant funds from The Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development Act (OSLAD). The Act provides for grants to be disbursed by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to eligible local governments for the purpose of acquiring, developing and/or rehabilitating lands for public outdoor recreation purposes. The last time the Park District received these grant funds was fiscal year 2001//02.

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Non-Referendum Limited General Obligation Park Bonds are bonds that are secured by the full faith and credit of the issuer. General obligation bonds, issued by local units of government, are secured by a pledge of the issuer's property taxing power. The legal debt limit for non-referendum bonds is $.575 \%$ of assessed valuation ( $\$ 12.2$ million). The debt service on these bonds is limited to $\$ 1,853,017$ per year.

The Park District uses the funds from these bonds to fund capital improvements and development, to maintain and improve parks and facilities, acquire land, and replace outdated equipment. In October 2005, the Park District issued $\$ 10,000,000$ in general obligation park bonds for the funding of three years of the capital improvement plan. The Park District has the opportunity to issue additional non-referendum bonds in 2008.

Referendum General Obligation Park Bonds are bonds that are secured by the full faith and credit of the issuer. General obligation bonds issued by local units of government are secured by a pledge of the issuer's property taxing power and must be authorized by the electorate. The legal debt limit for the Park District bonds is 2.875\% of assessed valuation ( $\$ 49$ million) for total debt including referendum and nonreferendum bonds.

In October 2001, the Park District issued \$15,000,000 in general obligation referendum park bonds for the purpose of renovating pools at Camelot, Frontier, Heritage and Olympic Parks. The referendum was passed in November 2000.

It is expected that all of the funds will be dispersed by April 30, 2006.
Interest and Miscellaneous Income represents interest income earned on the capital projects funds investments and other miscellaneous revenues related to capital projects.

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## Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan

The following pie chart represents the funding source percentages, while the table represents the five-year comparison (with the current year actual) of the funding sources.

## Funding Sources - Percent of Total


$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Bonds } & \text { Funding Sources - Amount by }\end{array}$ Fiscal Year

|  | Estimated |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Amount | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 / 06 \\ \text { Phase } 05 \end{array}$ | 2006/07 <br> Phase 06 | 2007/08 <br> Phase 07 | 2008/09 <br> Phase 08 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { 2009/10 } \\ \text { Phase } 09 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2010 / 11 \\ \text { Phase } 10 \end{array}$ |
| Operating Funds | \$ 2,482,776 | 363,326 | 374,950 | 759,350 | 583,000 | 338,900 | 63,250 |
| Enterprise Funds | 1,034,200 | 333,000 | 184,000 | 253,200 | 116,000 | 98,000 | 50,000 |
| Land Dedication Fund | 1,223,570 | 273,570 | 450,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 |
| Non-Referendum Bonds | 14,955,699 | 1,396,739 | 6,318,100 | 3,422,350 | 1,319,710 | 1,298,800 | 1,200,000 |
| Interest \& Misc Income | 1,425,000 | 275,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 200,000 | 175,000 | 175,000 |
| Total Funding Sources | \$ 21,121,245 | 2,641,635 | 7,627,050 | 4,859,900 | 2,343,710 | 2,035,700 | 1,613,250 |

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Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan
The pie chart presents the percentage for each major project category, while the table represents the five-year comparison (with the current year actual) by major category.

Use of Funds - Percent of Total


Use of Funds - Amount by Fiscal Year

|  | Estimated |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total Amount | 2005/06 <br> Phase 05 | 2006/07 <br> Phase 06 | $\begin{array}{r} 2007 / 08 \\ \text { Phase } 07 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2008 / 09 \\ \text { Phase } 08 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2009 / 10 \\ \text { Phase } 09 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2010 / 11 \\ \text { Phase } 10 \end{array}$ |
| Community Centers | \$ | 6,961,000 | 325,000 | 4,033,500 | 2,442,000 | 102,500 | 29,000 | 29,000 |
| Administrative |  | 345,751 | 60,751 | 120,000 | 47,500 | 47,500 | 35,000 | 35,000 |
| Outdoor Tennis Courts |  | 334,810 | 34,560 | 16,000 | 32,700 | 160,250 | 91,300 | - |
| Contingency |  | 1,693,950 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 693,950 |
| Playgrounds |  | 1,286,730 | 289,780 | 162,000 | 371,250 | 221,900 | 181,000 | 60,800 |
| Vehicles \& Equipment |  | 1,316,295 | 217,585 | 250,000 | 173,700 | 195,810 | 285,000 | 194,200 |
| Park Services |  | 1,479,250 | 207,650 | 555,000 | 380,600 | 245,000 | 77,500 | 13,500 |
| Pathways \& Parking Lots |  | 1,346,330 | 184,830 | 288,500 | 312,000 | 291,600 | 235,500 | 33,900 |
| Land Acquisition |  | 1,700,000 | 200,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Golf |  | 729,000 | 143,000 | 113,000 | 137,000 | 93,000 | 133,000 | 110,000 |
| Swimming Pools |  | 538,900 | 145,100 | 309,500 | 74,800 | 4,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| Athletic Fields \& Equipment |  | 2,081,053 | 296,403 | 1,137,550 | 86,150 | 92,650 | 327,900 | 140,400 |
| Indoor Tennis |  | 1,308,176 | 336,976 | 142,000 | 302,200 | 389,000 | 138,000 | - |
| Total Funding Uses | \$ | 21,121,245 | 2,641,635 | 7,627,050 | 4,859,900 | 2,343,710 | 2,035,700 | 1,613,250 |

The following chart summarizes the major projects for fiscal year 2006/07:

| Pioneer Community Center Revitalization (without indoor track) | $\$ 6,750,000$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Arlington Lakes Golf Club Irrigation System | $1,200,000$ |
| Sunset Meadows Park Development - Phase II | 964,750 |
| Davis Street II Maintenance Center Renovation | 500,000 |
| Land Acquisition | 300,000 |
| Recreation Park Pool Deck Replacement | 263,000 |
| Lake Arlington Pathway - Phase II | 248,500 |
| District-Wide Fleet Replacement | 209,000 |
| Contingency | 200,000 |
| Technology Needs | 110,000 |
| Park Improvements under $\$ 100,000$ | 937,400 |

Pioneer Project -The community centers because of their designs do not meet the current recreational needs of the residents. The Park Board recognizes the need to modernize the facilities and selected Pioneer Community Center to be replaced. Plans are to demolish the existing maintenance service garage and move that operation out of the residential area, demolish the existing community center, and construct a new facility. Construction could begin in August of 2006, with completion targeted for May 2007.

Davis Street II - On July 8, 2003, the Park District approved a real estate contract to purchase 1440 E. Davis Street. The property is located in an industrial area, adjacent to property currently owned by the Park District. Pioneer Service Center, located in a residential neighborhood, will be moved to this location. The remainder of the building will be used as a warehouse facility for Park District equipment. The building will require some remodeling prior to relocation targeted for August 2006.

Sunset Meadows Athletic Field Development - The Park District purchased a parcel of land at 1701 Kirchoff Road in 2003/04 for \$925,000. In January 2005 the Village of Arlington Heights donated approximately two acres at the other end of the block. Both parcels are adjacent to Sunset Meadows driving range and athletic fields. The property is scheduled to be developed into athletic fields. The first phase which includes site preparation, grading and seeding, was completed in Fall 2005 for $\$ 230,500$. The plan is to complete the playground, landscaping, fencing, irrigation, lights and parking lot in Summer 2006.

Land Acquisition - The Park District is interested in increasing park acreage within the Park District and continues to pursue property adjacent to existing parks. Newly acquired land must meet the goals of the Park District (it is best if the land can be programmed to provide a source of revenue for its operation). Large parcels or parcels adjoining existing parks provide the best flexibility to the Park District for future needs.

Maintenance of Facilities - The Park District anticipates continuing its program of renovating and updating facilities, structures, tennis courts and playgrounds, and general infrastructure under its current schedule of improvements. The implementation of capital projects is dependent on available financing.

The operating impact of capital projects is analyzed and taken into consideration during the extensive CIP prioritization process. Estimated new revenues and/or operational efficiency savings associated with projects are also taken into consideration (net operating costs) during the capital review. As capital projects are completed, the net operating costs of these projects have been identified and included in the appropriate departmental program budgets. Staff plan and budget for significant start-up costs, as well as operation and maintenance of new facilities.

The bulk of the Park District's wealth is invested in its physical assets or general infrastructure, such as land, buildings, playgrounds, tennis courts, athletic fields, swimming pools, golf courses, vehicles and equipment. If these assets are not maintained in good condition or if they are allowed to become obsolete, the result is often a decrease in the usefulness of the assets, an increase in the cost of maintaining and replacing them and a decrease in the quality of the Park District's services. Maintenance expenditures over the last five years have remained relatively constant in relation to the cost and nature of assets maintained. This trend indicates that assets are being maintained in good working condition. Capital outlay for replacement of equipment, renovations of buildings and park infrastructure remains constant. If this were to decline, it could indicate that capital outlay needs are being deferred, resulting in the use of obsolete equipment and general infrastructure, and creation of an unfunded liability.
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| Proposed Projects |  | Project Description |  | Estimated 2005/06 |  | Proposed |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | 2006/07 |  |  | 2007/08 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2010/11 |
| CP\# | Park |  |  | Amount | Phase 05 | Phase 06 | Phase 07 | Phase 08 | Phase 09 | Phase 10 |
| 3736 | Arlington Lakes Golf Club |  | Irrigation System |  | 119,000 | - | 11,000 | 27,000 | 27,000 | 27,000 | 27,000 |
|  | Banta | Playground \& Pathway Replacement |  | 118,100 | - | 3,000 | 115,100 | - | - | - |
|  | Berbecker | Playground \& Pathway Replacement |  | 121,250 | - | 3,000 | 118,250 | - | - | - |
|  | Cronin | Playground \& Pathway Replacement |  | 122,120 | 122,120 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | Davis Street II Improvements | Relocate Pioneer Service Ctr |  | 500,000 | 50,000 | 450,000 | - | - | - | - |
|  | Davis Street Service Center | Roof Replacement |  | 260,000 | - | - | 260,000 | - | - | - |
| 3923 | Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Club | Replace Shingle-Pitched Roof |  | 285,000 | - | - | - | 285,000 | - | - |
|  | Forest View Racquet \& Fitness Club | Resurface Parking Lot |  | 100,000 | - | - | 100,000 | - | - | - |
| 3624 | Frontier | Renovate Tennis Courts |  | 115,000 | - | - | 3,000 | 112,000 | - | - |
| 3927 | Frontier | Renovate Pathway system |  | 167,500 | - | - | - | 3,500 | 164,000 | - |
|  | Heritage Park | Pathway Improvments |  | 302,000 | - | 5,000 | 297,000 | - | - | - |
| 3698 | Heritage Tennis Club | Roof Replacements |  | 259,560 | 259,560 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | Heritage Tennis Club | New Ceiling Tiles \& Lights in Lounge |  | 100,000 | - | 100,000 | - | - | - | - |
|  | Heritage Tennis Club | Lockers for Locker Rooms |  | 100,000 | - | - | 100,000 | - | - | - |
| 3692 | Lake Arlington | Bike Path Improvements |  | 323,000 | 74,500 | 248,500 | - | - | - | - |
| 4220 | Olympic | Lower Level Improvements |  | 112,000 | 112,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4220 | Olympic | Soccer Field Lights |  | 165,000 | - | - | - | - | 165,000 | - |
| 4028 | Olympic | Playground Replacement |  | 117,400 | - | - | 5,500 | 111,900 | - | - |
| 4030 | Patriots | Playground Replacement |  | 107,000 | - | - | 3,000 | 104,000 | - | - |
| 3629 | Pioneer | Playground Replacement |  | 145,000 | - | - | 145,000 | - | - | - |
| 3640 | Recreation | Pool Deck Replacement |  | 263,000 | 18,000 | 245,000 | - | - | - | - |
|  | Recreation | Path Improvements |  | 190,200 | - | - | 6,000 | 184,200 | - | - |
| 4109 | Sunset Meadows | Athletic Field Development |  | 1,195,253 | 230,503 | 964,750 | - | - | - | - |
| 4115 | Westgate | Playground \& Pathway Renovation |  | 105,100 | 105,100 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3418 | Undesignated | Community Center Revitalizaion |  | 6,605,000 | 260,000 | 4,000,000 | 2,345,000 | - | - | - |
| 3418 | Undesignated | Contingency |  | 1,000,000 | - | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| 3879 | Undesignated | Land Acquisition |  | 1,700,000 | 200,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Park Improvements under \$100,000 |  |  |  | 6,423,762 | 1,209,852 | 1,096,800 | 835,050 | 1,016,110 | 1,179,700 | 1,086,250 |
|  |  |  | Total | 21,121,245 | 2,641,635 | 7,627,050 | 4,859,900 | 2,343,710 | 2,035,700 | 1,613,250 |


| Projected Funding Sources |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 02 | Recreation Fund - Grant FVRFC |  | 37,350 | 37,350 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 02 | Recreation Fund |  | 1,301,576 | 185,976 | 191,400 | 333,500 | 395,900 | 149,900 | 44,900 |
| 90 | ADA Projects Identified |  | 1,143,850 | 140,000 | 183,550 | 425,850 | 187,100 | 189,000 | 18,350 |
|  | Operating Funds |  | 2,482,776 | 363,326 | 374,950 | 759,350 | 583,000 | 338,900 | 63,250 |
| 12 | Arlington Lakes Golf Club |  | 421,000 | 66,000 | 77,000 | 95,000 | 73,000 | 60,000 | 50,000 |
| 17 | Heritage Tennis Club |  | 613,200 | 267,000 | 107,000 | 158,200 | 43,000 | 38,000 | - |
|  | Enterprise Funds |  | 1,034,200 | 333,000 | 184,000 | 253,200 | 116,000 | 98,000 | 50,000 |
| 09 | Land Dedication Fund |  | 1,223,570 | 273,570 | 450,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 |
| 21 | Non-referendum Bonds |  | 8,555,699 | 1,136,739 | 2,318,100 | 1,282,350 | 1,319,710 | 1,298,800 | 1,200,000 |
| 21 | Non-referendum Bonds - Community Center Revitalization |  | 6,400,000 | 260,000 | 4,000,000 | 2,140,000 | - | - | - |
| 21 | Capital Projects Funds Interest \& Misc Income |  | 1,425,000 | 275,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 200,000 | 175,000 | 175,000 |
|  |  |  | 17,604,269 | 1,945,309 | 7,068,100 | 3,847,350 | 1,644,710 | 1,598,800 | 1,500,000 |
|  |  | Total | 21,121,245 | 2,641,635 | 7,627,050 | 4,859,900 | 2,343,710 | 2,035,700 | 1,613,250 |
| 90 | ADA Funds - NWSRA |  | 2,875,162 | 253,127 | 463,010 | 486,273 | 520,312 | 556,734 | 595,706 |
| $\bigcirc$ | Projects Identified |  | 1,143,850 | 140,000 | 183,550 | 425,850 | 187,100 | 189,000 | 18,350 |
|  | Amount to be allocated |  | 1,731,312 | 113,127 | 279,460 | 60,423 | 333,212 | 367,734 | 577,356 |


| CP\# | Ref\# | Rank | Resp | Year | Description | Amount | Estimated $2005 / 06$ Phase 05 | 2006/07 <br> Phase 06 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2007/08 } \\ \text { Phase } 07 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2008/09 } \\ \text { Phase } 08 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2009 / 10 \\ \text { Phase } 09 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2009/10 } \\ \text { Phase } 09 \end{gathered}$ |
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| 12-Administration Center |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3608 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Office Equipment Replacements | 30,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 3860 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Replace Front Entrance Stairs | 8,400 | 8,400 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3900 |  | A | 20 | 05 | Computer Equipment/Replacement | 150,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| 3902 |  | A | 23 | 05 | GIS Software/ Implementation | 800 | 800 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4050 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Maintenance Management Software | 15,000 | 15,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4051 |  | A | 20 | 05 | Digital Postage Machine | 6,951 | 6,951 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4135 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Replace Annex Wall Covering | 3,000 | 3,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4136 | ADA | A | 23 | 05 | ADA Park Survey | 58,000 | 58,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4137 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Upgrade Plats Of Surveys | 15,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | - | - | - |
| 3904 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Replace Ballasts With Electronic Ballasts | 11,000 | - | 6,000 | 5,000 | - | - | - |
| 3906 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Window Replacements | 19,000 | - | 3,000 | 16,000 | - | - | - |
| 4138 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Replace Main Exit/Entry Doors | 12,500 | - | 12,500 | - | - | - | - |
| 4259 |  | A | 22 | 06 | Time \& Attendance System | 60,000 | - | 60,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4260 |  | A | 22 | 06 | Document Imaging | 50,000 | - | 25,000 | 12,500 | 12,500 | - | - |
| 3905 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Tuckpoint and Paint | 65,000 | - | - | - | 45,000 | 20,000 | - |
| 4055 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Re-Key Community Centers | 5,000 | - | - | 5,000 | - | - | - |
| 4139 |  | A | 23 | 07 | West Parking Lot Improvements | 55,000 | - | - | 3,000 | 52,000 | - | - |
| 4140 | ADA | A | 23 | 08 | ADA Lot Improvements | 8,000 | - | - | - | 8,000 | - | - |
| 3609 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Roof Repairs | 94,500 | - | - | 94,500 | - | - | - |
| 4056 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Upgrade Energy Management System | 87,000 | - | - | 87,000 | - | - | - |
| 4057 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Lightning Warning System | 50,000 | - | - | 50,000 | - | - | - |
| 64-Arlington Lakes Golf Club |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3232 |  | A | 12 | 05 | Food Service Equipment | 3,000 | 3,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3284 |  | A | 88 | 05 | Golf Cart Replacements | 138,000 | 23,000 | 23,000 | 23,000 | 23,000 | 23,000 | 23,000 |
| 3680 |  | A | 88 | 05 | Course Landscaping and Beautification | 5,000 | 5,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3734 |  | A | 88 | 05 | Golf Course Master Plan Irrigation | 35,000 | 35,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3736 |  | A | 88 | 06 | New Irrigation System (\$1.2 million installment contract) | 119,000 | - | 11,000 | 27,000 | 27,000 | 27,000 | 27,000 |
| 3751 |  | A | 88 | 06 | Reelmaster | 52,000 | - | 26,000 | 26,000 | - | - | - |
| 4261 |  | A | 88 | 06 | New Bridge on \#9 | 17,000 | - | 17,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 3748 |  | A | 88 | 07 | Greensmaster 3 Mower/Sit-Down | 19,000 | - | - | 19,000 | - | - | - |
| 3862 |  | A | 88 | 08 | Utility Vehicle | 18,000 | - |  |  | 18,000 | - | - |
| 4262 |  | A | 88 | 08 | Clubhouse Carpet Replacements | 15,000 | - | - | - | 5,000 | 10,000 | - |
| 3235 |  | B | 88 | 07 | Pathway Paving - Remove \& Install Concrete | 40,000 | - | - | 20,000 | 20,000 | - | - |
| 3678 |  | B | 88 | 07 | Service Center Roof | 40,000 | - |  | 40,000 | - | - | - |
| 3754 |  | B | 88 | 07 | Sand Pro Rake | 12,000 | - |  | 12,000 | - |  | - |
| 4142 |  | B | 88 | 07 | Aeration Equipment Replacements | 50,000 | - | - | 20,000 | 30,000 | - | - |


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| 15-Camelot |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3756 |  | A | 02 | 07 | New Gym Floor Surface | 20,000 | - | - | 20,000 | - | - | - |
| 3915 |  | A | 02 | 07 | Gym HVAC \& New Tunnel Piping | 30,000 | - | - | 30,000 | - | - | - |
| 4271 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Asbestos Removal \& Testing Services, Tile In Gym | 15,000 | - | - | 15,000 | - | - | - |
| 4060 |  | A | 23 | 09 | Tennis Court Service Panel Replacement | 7,800 | - | - | - | - | 7,800 | - |
| 4061 |  | A | 23 | 10 | Shelter Roof Replacement | 5,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 5,000 |
| 3914 |  | B | 02 | 07 | Acoustics In Gym | 8,000 | - | - | 8,000 | - | - | - |
| 4007 |  | B | 23 | 09 | Sealcoat Basketball Court | 6,000 | - | - | - | - | 6,000 | - |
| 4150 |  | B | 23 | 08 | Pathway Renovation | 61,350 | - | - | - | 61,350 | - | - |
| 4151 | ADA | B | 23 | 08 | ADA Pathway Renovation | 31,500 | - | - | - | 31,500 | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total 340,835 | 51,785 | 104,400 | 73,000 | 92,850 | 13,800 | 5,000 |
| 32 -Carefree |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3656 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Colorcoat Tennis and Roller Courts | 11,200 | - | - | 11,200 | - | - | - |
| 4152 | ADA | B | 23 | 08 | ADA Pathway Renovation | 8,000 | - | - | - | 8,000 | - | - |
| 4153 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Basketball Court Improvements | 50,500 | - | - | 3,000 | 47,500 | - | - |
| 4154 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Pathway Renovation | 21,000 | - | - | 3,000 | 18,000 | - | - |
| 3865 |  | B | 23 | 09 | New Pathway | 63,500 | - | - | - | - | 63,500 | - |
| 4155 | ADA | B | 23 | 09 | ADA New Pathway | 28,500 | - | - | - | - | 28,500 | - |
| 4156 |  | B | 23 | 09 | Additional Parking | 95,000 | - | - | - | - | 95,000 | - |
| 4157 | ADA | B | 23 | 09 | ADA Additional Parking | 5,000 | - | - | - | - | 5,000 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total 282,700 | - | - | 17,200 | 73,500 | 192,000 | - |
| 34-Carousel |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4158 |  | A | 23 | 09 | Basketball Court Improvements | 10,000 | - | - | - | - | 10,000 | - |
| 4159 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Pathway Improvements | 27,500 | - | - | - | 3,000 | 24,500 | - |
| 4160 | ADA | A | 23 | 09 | ADA Pathway Improvements | 10,500 | - | - | - | - | 10,500 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 48,000 | - | - | - | 3,000 | 45,000 | - |
| 71-Carriage Walk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3916 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Renovate Playground | 27,825 | 27,825 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total 27,825 | 27,825 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 33-Centennial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3917 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Re-Establish Nature Habitat Natural Plantings | 4,750 | 4,750 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4272 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Sidewalk Replacement (south side) | 7,500 | 7,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4062 |  | A | 23 | 09 | Shelter Metal Roof Replacement | 6,000 | - | - | - | - | 6,000 | - |
| 4273 |  | A | 23 | 09 | Upgrade Ball Diamond Lighting | 90,000 | - | - | - | - | 90,000 | - |
| 4063 |  | B | 23 | 08 | Upgrade Electric Lighting Panel | 12,500 | - | - | - | 12,500 | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 120,750 | 12,250 | - | - | 12,500 | 96,000 | - |

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| 17-Frontier |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3621 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Roof Repairs at Service Center | 35,000 | 35,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3772 |  | A | 02 | 05 | New Gym Floor Surface | 15,000 | 15,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3930 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Refurbish Lobby | 1,500 | 1,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3931 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Gym HVAC | 22,500 | 22,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4072 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Shelter Roof Replacement | 750 | 750 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3929 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Service Center Renovation | 30,000 | - | 30,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4071 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Landscape Plantings (North End) | 7,000 | - | 3,500 | - | 3,500 | - | - |
| 3624 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Renovate Tennis Courts | 115,000 | - | - | 3,000 | 112,000 | - | - |
| 4179 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Renovate Pathway System | 116,500 | - | - | - | 3,500 | 113,000 | - |
| 4180 | ADA | A | 23 | 09 | ADA Pathway Renovation | 51,000 | - | - | - | - | 51,000 | - |
| 3932 |  | B | 02 | 07 | Acoustic Improvents in the Gym | 8,000 | - | - | 8,000 | - | - | - |
| 4181 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Improve Existing Hockey Rink and Drainage | 13,500 | - | - | 13,500 | - | - | - |
| 4182 |  | B | 23 | 08 | Improve SC Storage and Wood Fiber Processing Area | 50,000 | - | - | - | 50,000 | - | - |
| 4183 |  | B | 23 | 09 | Create Overflow Parking Area | 25,000 | - | - | - | - | 25,000 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3670 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Colorcoat Tennis Courts | 15,000 | - | - | - | 15,000 | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 15,000 | - | - | - | 15,000 | - | - |
| 56-Happiness |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4184 |  | B | 23 | 08 | Install Security Lighting | 7,500 | - | - | - | 7,500 | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 7,500 | - | - | - | 7,500 | - | - |
| 28-Hasbrook |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4185 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Install New Water Main Service | 10,000 | - | - | 10,000 | - | - | - |
| 4186 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Sealcoat and Stripe Parking Lot | 4,500 | - | 4,500 | - | - | - | - |
| 4074 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Sealcoat Pathway | 10,500 | - | - | 10,500 | - | - | - |
| 4187 |  | B | 23 | 08 | Replace Soffit Lighting, Parking Lot Poles and Fixtures | - 9,000 | - | - | - | 9,000 | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 34,000 | - | 4,500 | 20,500 | 9,000 | - | - |
| 19-Heritage |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4188 |  | A | 22 | 05 | Parking Lot Improvements | 63,380 | 63,380 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4189 | ADA | A | 23 | 05 | ADA Parking Lot Improvements | 8,500 | 8,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4193 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Hockey Rink Improvements | 15,000 | - | - | - | 15,000 |  |  |
| 3933 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Re-lamp Tennis Courts | 11,000 | - | - | 11,000 | - | - | - |
| 4190 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Colorcoat Basketball Court | 7,500 | - | - | 7,500 | - | - | - |
| 4191 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Pathway Improvements and Renovation | 202,500 |  | 5,000 | 197,500 | - | - | - |
| 4192 | ADA | A | 23 | 07 | ADA Pathway Improvements | 99,500 |  | - | 99,500 | - | - | - |
| 4079 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Sealcoat Tennis Courts | 11,500 | - | - | - | 11,500 | - | - |

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| 43-Methodist |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4214 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Porta-Potty Enclosure | 2,000 | 2,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2,000 | 2,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 75-Nickol Knoll |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3790 |  | A | 98 | 05 | Gator | 7,000 | 7,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3796 |  | A | 98 | 05 | Pump Station Upgrade | 70,000 | 70,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3793 |  | A | 98 | 06 | Reelmaster | 24,000 | - | 24,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4215 |  | A | 98 | 06 | Sand Pro Rake | 12,000 | - | 12,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 3792 |  | A | 98 | 07 | Reelmaster | 24,000 | - | - | 24,000 | - | - | - |
| 4216 |  | A | 98 | 07 | Utility Vehicle | 18,000 | - | - | 18,000 | - | - | - |
| 4217 |  | A | 98 | 08 | Greensmaster 3 Mower | 20,000 | - | - | - | 20,000 | - | - |
| 3789 |  | A | 98 | 09 | Ford Front End Loader | 30,000 | - | - | - | - | 30,000 | - |
| 3794 |  | A | 98 | 09 | 48" Exmark | 3,000 | - | - | - | - | 3,000 | - |
| 4218 |  | A | 98 | 09 | Parkmaster | 40,000 | - | - | - | - | 40,000 | - |
| 4279 |  | A | 98 | 10 | Rotary Motor Replacements | 20,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 20,000 |
| 4280 |  | A | 98 | 10 | Irrigation System Field Controller Upgrades | 40,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 40,000 |
| 4025 |  | B | 98 | 08 | Pathway and Parking Sealcoating | Total12,000 <br> 120000 | - | - | - | 12,000 | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 77,000 | 36,000 | 42,000 | 32,000 | 73,000 | 60,000 |
| 13-North School Park |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3871 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Relevel and Repair Brick Pathways | 8,900 | 8,900 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4092 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Security System | 5,500 | 5,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4093 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Fountain Perimeter Plantings | 4,200 | - | - | 4,200 | - | - | - |
| 4094 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Amphitheater Landscape Improvements | 16,000 | - | - | 16,000 | - | - | - |
| 4219 |  | B | 23 | 07 | Replace Uplights In Park | 8,000 | - | - | 8,000 | - | - | - |
| 4281 |  | B | 23 | 09 | Lightning Warning System | 25,000 | - | - | - | - | 25,000 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total 67,600 | 14,400 | 28,200 |  | - | 25,000 | - |
| 25-Olympic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4221 |  | A | 22 | 05 | Parking Lot Improvements | 34,500 | 34,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4028 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Renovate Playground | 91,000 | - | - | 5,500 | 85,500 | - | - |
| 4222 | ADA | A | 23 | 08 | ADA Playground Renovation | 26,400 | - | - | - | 26,400 | - | - |
| 3649 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Tennis Courts - Crack, Fill and Seal | 15,000 | - | - | - | 15,000 | - | - |
| 4223 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Sealcoat Parking Lot | 18,000 | - | - | - | 18,000 | - | - |
| 4282 |  | A | 23 | 09 | Soccer Field Lights | 165,000 | - | - | - | - | 165,000 | - |

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| 46-Victory |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4111 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Colorcoat Tennis Court |  | 3,750 | - | - | - | 3,750 | - | - |
| 4112 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Renovate Playground |  | 93,000 | - | - | - | 3,000 | 90,000 | - |
| 4237 |  | A | 23 | 09 | Pathway Improvements |  | 7,500 | - | - | - | - | 7,500 | - |
| 4238 | ADA | A | 23 | 09 | ADA Pathway Improvements |  | 7,500 | - | - | - | - | 7,500 | - |
| 4239 | ADA | A | 23 | 09 | ADA Playground Renovation |  | 27,000 | - | - | - | - | 27,000 | - |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4113) |  | B | 23 | 07 | Resurface Basketball Courts |  | 7,500 | - | - | 7,500 | - | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | 7,500 | - | - | 7,500 | - | - | - |
| 48 -Volz |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4114 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Resurface Tennis Courts |  | 75,000 | - | - | - | 3,000 | 72,000 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | 75,000 | - | - | - | 3,000 | 72,000 | - |
| 年-Westgate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4240 |  | A | 09 | 05 | Playground Renovation and Path Improvements |  | 79,800 | 79,800 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4241 | ADA | A | 23 | 05 | ADA Playground Renovation and Path |  | 25,300 | 25,300 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | 105,100 | 105,100 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 50-Wildwood |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3667 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Colorcoat Tennis and Basketball Courts |  | 11,500 | - | - | - | 11,500 | - | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | 11,500 | - | - | - | 11,500 | - | - |
| 57-Willow |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4242 |  | A | 23 | 06 | Tree Management and Removal |  | 15,000 | - | 15,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4116 |  | A | 23 | 08 | Pathway Sealcoating |  | 6,000 | - | - | - | 6,000 | - | - |
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| 4243 |  | A | 23 | 09 | Rose Garden Pathway Improvements |  | 5,500 | - | - | - | - | 5,500 | - |
| 4244 |  | A | 23 | 09 | ADA Pathway Improvements |  | 1,000 | - | - | - | - | 1,000 | - |
| (tGeneral Park Use |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3974 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Roof and Wall Evaluation All Buildings Parkwide |  | 9,850 | 9,850 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1354 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Upgrade Pathway Lighting |  | 35,000 | 5,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| 3424 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Seasonal Displays |  | 38,200 | 13,200 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 3600 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Ballfield Backstop and Sideline Fencing (2 Per Year) |  | 122,500 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,250 | 20,250 | 21,000 | 21,000 |
| 3601 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Player Benches \& Bleacher Pads |  | 144,000 | 17,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 26,000 | 26,000 |
| 3879 |  | A | 21 | 05 | Land Acquisition |  | 1,700,000 | 200,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| 4257 |  | A | 21 | 05 | Contingency Projects |  | 1,693,950 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 693,950 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3,743,500 | 465,050 | 556,000 | 556,250 | 556,250 | 558,000 | 1,051,950 |


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| 10-General Recreation and Pool Projects |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3427 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Computer Upgrades at Centers | 30,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 3434 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Table and Chair Replacements | 17,500 | 3,500 | - | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,500 |
| 3435 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Preschool Equipment | 10,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| 3440 |  | A | 02 | 05 | General Recreation Equipment and Replacement | 60,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| 3442 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Replace Volleyball System at Betsy Ross | 4,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | - | 1,500 | - | - |
| 3556 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Replacement Pool Mechanical Equipment | 51,000 | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,500 |
| 3557 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Replace Volleyball System at Poe | 4,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | - | 1,500 | - | - |
| 3603 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Soccer Goal Posts | 20,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 |
| 3811 |  | A | 02 | 06 | Senior Center Equipment | 22,000 | - | 2,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 3813 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Concession Tables and Umbrellas | 500 | 500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3815 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Pool Deck Chairs | 11,200 | 5,600 | - | 5,600 | - | - | - |
| 3824 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Aqua Kings | 2,500 | 2,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3825 |  | A | 02 | 07 | Replace Guard Chairs | 2,000 | - | - | 2,000 | - | - | - |
| 4037 |  | A | 02 | 05 | Automated External Defibulators | 8,000 | 4,000 | - | 2,000 | 2,000 | - | - |
| 3822 |  | A | 02 | 06 | Lane Line Reels | 1,000 | - | 1,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4245 |  | A | 02 | 06 | Gym Floor Betsy Ross | 50,000 | - | 50,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4291 |  | A | 02 | 06 | Replace Shade Structure Covers | 12,500 | - | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| 4246 |  | A | 02 | 07 | Gym Floor Poe | 50,000 | 47,000 | 87,400 | 50,000 | 44,900 | - | 39,900 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 35760047,000 |  |  | $98,500$ |  | 39,900 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $3467$ | $800$ | A | $23$ | $05$ | Miscellaneous Equipment (Under \$3,500) | 63,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,500 | 10,500 | 11,000 | 11,000 |
| 3704 | 138 | A | 23 | 05 | Turf Sprayer | 24,600 | 24,600 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3707 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Mower, Small Engine/Snow Blower Replacements | 33,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| 3833 | 249 | A | 23 | 05 | Pickup Truck | 18,970 | 18,970 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3838 | 416 | A | 23 | 05 | Redi-Haul/Black Tri-Axle Grass Crew North | 9,890 | 9,890 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3882 | 106 | A | 23 | 05 | Toro 126" Riding Mower | 47,000 | 47,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3885 | 206 | A | 23 | 05 | Grass Crew Pickups With Plow | 23,250 | 23,250 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3886 | 207 | A | 23 | 05 | Grass Crew Pickups With Plow | 23,375 | 23,375 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3978 | 330 | A | 23 | 05 | Ford Passenger Van | 24,500 | 24,500 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3883 | 107 | A | 23 | 06 | Toro 126" Riding Mower, Cab, \& Snow Blower | 60,000 | - | 60,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 3979 | 142 | A | 23 | 06 | 15' Toro Mower | 54,000 | - | 54,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 3981 | 246 | A | 23 | 06 | Utility Club Car | 10,000 | - | 10,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4042 | 713 | A | 23 | 06 | Water Reel | 8,000 | - | 8,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4043 | 714 | A | 23 | 06 | Water Reel | 8,000 | - | 8,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4120 | 301 | A | 23 | 06 | Passenger Van | 26,000 | - | 26,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 4292 | 418 | A | 23 | 06 | Dynaweld Skid Steer Trailer | 6,000 | - | 6,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 3831 | 208 | A | 23 | 07 | Ford Ranger | 16,000 | - | - | 16,000 | - | - | - |

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| 97-Vehicle/Equipment Replacements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4040 | 212 | A | 23 | 07 | Cargo Van - Carpenter | 29,200 | - | - | 29,200 | - | - | - |
| 4124 | 202 | A | 23 | 07 | Pickup Truck Small S-10 Style | 16,000 | - | - | 16,000 | - | - | - |
| 4247 | 302 | A | 23 | 07 | Passenger Van | 28,000 | - | - | 28,000 | - | - | - |
| 4248 | 210 | A | 23 | 07 | Pickup Truck Small S-10 Style | 16,000 | - | - | 16,000 | - | - | - |
| 4249 | 139 | A | 23 | 07 | Turf Sprayer | 35,000 | - | - | 35,000 | - | - | - |
| 3562 | 406 | A | 23 | 08 | Hillsboro Trailer/Red | 12,710 | - | - | - | 12,710 | - | - |
| 3982 | 401 | A | 23 | 08 | Morbark Chipper | 30,000 | - | - | - | 30,000 | - | - |
| 3983 | 422 | A | 23 | 08 | 18' Flatbed Trailer | 7,500 | - | - | - | 7,500 | - | - |
| 3984 | 423 | A | 23 | 08 | 18' Flatbed Trailer | 7,500 | - | - | - | 7,500 | - | - |
| 4038 | 204 | A | 23 | 08 | Small Pickup S-10 | 16,500 | - | - | - | 16,500 | - | - |
| 4121 | 203 | A | 23 | 08 | Cargo Van | 33,700 | - | - | - | 33,700 | - | - |
| 4122 | 303 | A | 23 | 08 | Ford Explorer | 29,500 | - | - | - | 29,500 | - | - |
| 4250 | 214 | A | 23 | 08 | Dodge 4x4 Pickup | 22,000 | - | - | - | 22,000 | - | - |
| 4252 | 131 | A | 23 | 08 | Z Turn Mower | 10,200 | - | - | - | 10,200 | - | - |
| 4253 | 132 | A | 23 | 08 | Z Turn Mower | 10,200 | - | - | - | 10,200 | - | - |
| 3980 | 242 | A | 23 | 09 | 42' Aerial Truck | 85,000 | - | - | - | - | 85,000 | - |
| 3986 | 723 | A | 23 | 09 | Aerator | 8,000 | - | - | - | - | 8,000 | - |
| 4041 | 244 | A | 23 | 10 | 6 Yard Dump Truck | 69,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 69,000 |
| 4251 | 237 | A | 23 | 09 | Garbage Truck | 60,000 | - | - | - | - | 60,000 | - |
| 4254 | 218 | A | 23 | 09 | 1-Ton Dump Truck - Frontier Service Center | 55,000 | - | - | - | - | 55,000 | - |
| 4255 | 221 | A | 23 | 09 | 1-Ton Dump Truck - Pioneer Service Center | 55,000 | - | - | - | - | 55,000 | - |
| 3985 | 403 | A | 23 | 10 | Topdresser | 26,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 26,000 |
| 4125 | 211 | A | 23 | 10 | Step Van Replace W/ Cargo Van | 25,500 | - | - | - | - | - | 25,500 |
| 4126 | 205 | A | 23 | 10 | Utility Body Truck | 56,700 | - | - | - | - | - | 56,700 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 980,085 | 47,875 | 172,000 | 140,200 | 179,810 | 263,000 | 177,200 |
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| 4256 |  | A | 23 | 05 | Fit Skid Steer Loaders With Plows and Brooms | 26,000 | 26,000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4293 |  | A | 23 | 06 | New Cab \& Chassis for Garbage Truck | 37,000 | - | 37,000 | - | - | - | - |
| 3846 |  | A | 23 | 07 | Ballfield Laser Leveling Grader | 12,500 | - | - | 12,500 | - | - | - |
| - Total |  |  |  |  |  | 75,500 | 26,000 | 37,000 | 12,500 | - | - | - |
| All Funds |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total A Projects |  |  |  |  |  | 21,121,245 | 2,641,635 | 7,627,050 | 4,859,900 | 2,343,710 | 2,035,700 | 1,613,250 |
| Total B Projects |  |  |  |  |  | 6,310,700 | - | - | 597,650 | 1,355,550 | 2,115,500 | 2,242,000 |
| Grand Total |  |  |  |  |  | 27,431,945 | 2,641,635 | 7,627,050 | 5,457,550 | 3,699,260 | 4,151,200 | 3,855,250 |

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## Historical Dates

- Railroad Parks established; vacant land alongside railroad tracks leased to Village.
- Arlington Heights Park District was incorporated; first Commissioners were Nathaniel Banta, Eugene Berbecker, Julius Flentie, Henry Klehm and Albert Volz; first tax collection was $\$ 1,335$.
- Village deeded Memorial Park to the Park District.
- Park District began landscaping and maintaining Railroad Parks.
- First Park Superintendent appointed (seasonal), John Bauer.
- Park District boundaries revised to include the same area as the Village of Arlington Heights.
- First bonds issued (\$13,000), by ordinance, for the purchase and development of a south side park.
- Civil Works Administration made a grant of public funds to the Arlington Heights Park District for one-half the cost of landscaping one of the railroad parks, planting elm trees throughout the Park District and construction of a skating rink in South Park.
- First referendum, by straw vote, to authorize Park District to issue $\$ 25,000$ in bonds for the construction of a public swimming pool. The referendum failed 215 to 201.
- Board authorized one of its Commissioners to investigate the matter of organized playground activity and the first recreation program began.
- First special election held to vote on the annexation of additional property to the Park District. The question passed 70 to 10 .
- Works Progress Administration approved Park District project to construct a fieldhouse, swimming pool, shelter building, and other facilities at Recreation Park.
- Referendum passed to issue $\$ 20,000$ in bonds to pay for Park District's share of Recreation Park project. Park District final share was $\$ 43,400$.
- Arlington Heights Park District joined the Illinois Association of Park Districts. Membership dues were $\$ 25$ for the Park District.
- Park District issued $\$ 30,000$ in bonds, by ordinance, to pay for completion of Recreation Park construction.
- Recreation Park pool and fieldhouse dedicated and officially opened.
- Recreation Commission began; Board appointed representatives from civic organizations.
- Special election held to establish the Corporate tax rate at $.125 \%$ and the Recreation tax rate at $.0625 \%$. The vote was successful.
- Summer recreation program first expands into fall with the addition of Midget Football.
- Referendum passed to acquire land and develop facilities at Pioneer Park; \$675,000 in bonds issued.
- Pioneer Park fieldhouse, pool and maintenance garage officially opened.
- Heavy land acquisition and annexation program began.
- Referendum passed for park development and land acquisition; \$395,000 in bonds issued.
- Hasbrook Park fieldhouse opened.
- New bathhouse at Recreation Park opened.
- Two parcels of Nike Base land declared surplus by the Federal government purchased by the Park District (Kingsbridge Arboretum and a portion of Heritage Park).
- Referendum passed for land acquisition; \$465,000 in bonds issued.
- \$13,000 was donated to School District \#59 to help finance a larger multipurpose room at Juliette Low School.
- Referendum passed for park development; \$2,800,000 in bonds issued.
- Fieldhouses and swimming pools opened at Camelot and Frontier Parks, swimming pool and bathhouse opened at Heritage Park, and indoor swimming pool opened at Olympic Park. Olympic Pool operated and funded jointly with High School District \#214.
- Committee established for the acquisition of the Nike Base site.
- Revenue bonds issued in the amount of $\$ 735,000$ for the construction of an indoor tennis facility.
- Forest View Tennis Club (6 indoor courts) opened.
- Portion of Nike Base site (12 acres) conveyed to Park District by Federal government.
- Additional 52 acres of the Nike Base site conveyed to the Park District by the Federal government.
- Park District signed lease agreement with Arlington Heights Youth Athletic Association allowing them to construct a storage and administration building at Frontier Park.
- Referendum passed to increase Corporate tax rate to $.175 \%$ from $.125 \%$, increase the Recreation tax rate to $.12 \%$ from $.075 \%$, and issue bonds in the amount of $\$ 537,000$ for deferred maintenance projects and construction of a maintenance garage.
- Park District 50th Anniversary celebration held at Recreation Park.
- Maintenance Garage at Frontier Park completed.
- Additional 26 acres of the Nike Base site conveyed to the Park District by the Federal government.
- \$577,000 installment contract approved for the construction of handball/racquetball courts at Forest View Racquet Club.
- Referendum passed to issue $\$ 1,500,000$ in bonds for construction of a golf course and $\$ 1,300,000$ in bonds for park development.
- Eight handball/racquetball courts opened at Forest View Racquet Club.
- \$334,000 installment contract approved for addition to the Arlington Lakes Golf Club clubhouse building.
- Recreation Park fieldhouse and health club remodeling completed.
- Hasbrook Park fieldhouse remodeled into Hasbrook Cultural Arts Center.
- Heritage Park meeting room addition opened.
- Arlington Lakes Golf Club opened on Nike Base site.
- Sunset Meadows Driving Range and ballfields opened.
- Pioneer Park swimming pool filter system renovated.
- Park Place Senior Center opened.
- Park District named the National Gold Medal Award Winner for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management.
- Festival Park developed with a donation from the Arlington Heights Festival Committee.
- $\$ 300,000$ issued in bonds by ordinance for the purpose of land acquisition and computer system upgrade.
- Received an $\$ 18,700$ SBA Grant for tree plantings in Willow Park.
- 5.2 acres (Frontier Estates) purchased with 1983 bond funds $(\$ 155,000)$ to expand Frontier Park.
- 2.3 acres (Beile property) purchased with 1983 bond funds $(\$ 90,000)$ to expand Sunset Meadows.
- Prairie Park developed with $\$ 61,000$ in Community Development Block Fund Grant monies from the village.
- 11.1 acres of land acquired through land dedication in the Lake Terramere Subdivision.
- Developed an intergovernmental agreement between the Historical Society, Village, and Park District for continuing provisions of Museum services and programs.
- Developed agreement with Christian Liberty Academy for use of the athletic fields and gymnasium at the former Arlington High School.
- The Park District self-insured its joint insurance program effective May 1, 1985 and was accepted into the Park District Risk Management Agency on July 1, 1985.
- The Arlington Heights Park District Safety Committee was established.
- Received a $\$ 200,000$ Land and Water Conservation Fund matching grant for the renovation of Recreation Park swimming pool.
- Purchased properties located at 7 and 27 North Belmont for $\$ 143,000$. The houses were demolished in order to expand Recreation Park.
- Purchased property at 21 South Belmont, adjacent to Recreation Park, for \$156,000.
- Acquired Carriage Walk Park through land dedication from the subdivision developer.
- Final payment of installment contract made on Forest View racquetball courts.
- Purchased 8.92 acres of land at Olympic Park from School District \#214 for \$265,000; received a $\$ 150,000$ Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) grant for partial reimbursement.
- Purchased North School from School District \#25 for \$465,000.
- Negotiated contract with the Arlington Heights Postal Service for their use of approximately 50 parking spaces at Olympic Park.
- Purchased Flentie Park from School District \#23 for \$153,756.
- Kingsbridge Arboretum expanded - "K-Mart Triangle" land dedication in exchange for vacation of easement from developer.
- Lighting approved and installed at Sunset Meadows Driving Range.
- Purchased Heritage Tennis Club for \$1,090,000.
- Acquired Falcon Park (1.1 acres) through land dedication.
- Jointly purchased, with the Village of Arlington Heights, the North School Playlot for \$400,000.
- Renovation of North School into the Administration Center was completed and the dedication took place on September 18, 1988.
- Purchased 8.56 acres, known as Methodist Park, for \$900,000.
- Forest View Racquet Club Revenue Bonds were prepaid on May 1, 1988.
- The grand "re-opening" of Recreation Park Pool took place on June 25, 1988.
- Renovation of Heritage Tennis Club was completed.
- The Arlington Heights Park District was a finalist for the National Gold Medal for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management.
- Acquired 53 Park of Commerce and Pasquinelli properties (Creekside Park), and Lake Cook Triangle (Sunset Ridge Park) through dedication.
- The Children at Play (C.A.P.) Before and After School Program began in the fall at six elementary schools in District \#25.
- A cooperative agreement was developed with School District \#214 Community Education to provide adult volleyball and basketball leagues at the Forest View Education Center.
- The Arlington Heights Park District was a finalist for the National Gold Medal for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management.
- The newly renovated Forest View Park Outdoor Tennis Complex officially opened on June 9, 1990.
- Safety Town and Tennis Court renovations were completed at Olympic Park at a cost of $\$ 266,713$.
- The North School Park development was approved with a budget of $\$ 550,000$ plus donations; construction began in the Fall of 1990.
- Received a $\$ 200,000$ matching grant for Phase I of Lake Arlington from the Open Space and Land Acquisition Fund.
- Received a $\$ 175,000$ matching fund bicycle grant for the 1.8 mile path around Lake Arlington and one mile along McDonald Creek.
- Signed a lease with the Village of Arlington Heights for the Park District's use of Lake Arlington.
- Agreement signed with School District \#23 to jointly construct a gymnasium addition at Betsy Ross School. The agreement included a Park District contribution of $\$ 490,000$ for usage of the facility for recreation programming purposes.
- Leased 11 acres from School District 23 for soccer fields at Patriots Park.
- The Arlington Heights Park District was a finalist for the National Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management.
- North School Park was completed and officially dedicated in July 1991. The site includes a playground, display fountain, amphitheater and extensive landscaping.
- Pioneer Park and pool were renovated with new brick paving, fencing, expanded lawn sunning areas in the pool, resurfacing the entire deck area, and landscaping. A new parking lot for 75 cars and a new walkway along the main driveway were also added.
- Fitness center at Forest View opened on October 28, 1991. The facility was renamed the Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club.
- The Arlington Heights Park District was awarded the 1992 National Gold Medal Recipient for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management. It was one of the few agencies to be a two-time recipient, having received this honor in 1983.
- Received the "Elite Gold" National Aquatic Safety Award for the excellent performance rating achieved by the lifeguard staff.
- Signed an agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights regarding recreational use at the "landfill site" at 3800 N. Kennicott Avenue.
- Received an OSLAD Grant to begin Phase III of Lake Arlington in the amount of \$175,000.
- $\quad$ The Grand Opening of Lake Arlington was held on June 6.
- The Park District was selected by the Western Tennis Association as the 1993 Member Organization of the Year for its programs at Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club and the Heritage Tennis Club.
- Two of the racquetball courts at the Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club were converted to an aerobics studio.
- Finalized the $\$ 770,000$ purchase of 3.3 acres of property east of Recreation Park at 100 N. Hickory (used \$100,000 from the Park District Frontier Days Recreation Park Expansion \& Improvement Fund).
- Purchased a building at 1436 East Davis Street for $\$ 725,000$ to be used as a central maintenance service center.
- Construction began at the landfill site in north Arlington Heights for development of a nine-hole, par-three golf course. The site was officially named Nickol Knoll Park.
- Received a $\$ 50,000$ bike path grant for McDonald Creek bike path connections from the Illinois Department of Conservation.
- The Park District Board of Commissioners approved a major re-organization of the Park District combining the Recreation Department with the Revenue Facilities Department. Three major divisions were created and Director's assigned in the Department of Parks \& Planning, Recreation \& Facilities, and Finance \& Personnel.
- Five new Superintendent positions were filled in conjunction with the agency reorganization: Superintendent of Golf Maintenance, three Superintendents of Recreation, and a Superintendent of Administrative Services.
- Patriots Park soccer field opened for use.
- Melas Park Master Plan developed.
- Arlington Heights Park District was one of the first agencies in Illinois to receive the IPRA/IAPD Distinguished Park \& Recreation Agency Certification.
- Juliette Lowe School (School District \#59) became a Children At Play site.
- Training Supervisor position approved by the Park Board.
- Management Information Systems Supervisor position approved by the Park Board.
- Intergovernmental agreement was completed with School District \#21 for gym programming at Edgar Allen Poe School in exchange for the Park District contribution of $\$ 500,000$ in up-front construction costs.
- Entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the Mt. Prospect Park District, Village of Mt. Prospect, and Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) to develop the west side of Melas Park into an athletic complex.
- Received a \$200,000 (OSLAD) grant for Melas Park development.
- Tax Cap legislation for the collar counties of Cook County passed by the Illinois General Assembly.
- Remodeling began at the Davis Street Service Center.
- Golf Maintenance Supervisor position approved by the Park Board for Nickol Knoll Golf Course.
- Received a \$43,605 matching SBA Street Tree Grant.
- The bicycle trails for the McDonald Creek paths were completed. Trails connect the four bridges at Camelot Park, Willow Park, and Lake Arlington.
- Construction began on the Nickol Knoll clubhouse.
- Construction began on Lake Arlington Phase IV, including the boathouse.

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- Lake Arlington Boathouse construction completed at a cost of \$552,169 and opened to the public on August 12.
- Dedicated the Poe School Community Gym on January 31.
- Nickol Knoll Clubhouse construction completed at a cost of $\$ 412,747$ and the facility opened for a partial season.
- Golf Operations Supervisor for Nickol Knoll Golf Course approved by the Park Board (re-allocated from Arlington Lakes Golf Club restaurant)
- Melas Park Phase I completed.
- Received a score of $99.05 \%$ on the PDRMA insurance evaluation, placing the Park District in the excellent category for the first time.
- ADA signage was installed at all community centers, Olympic Park, Arlington Lakes Service Center, Lake Arlington Boathouse, and Nickol Knoll Golf Club.
- Rotary Club donated \$5,000 for trees at Lake Arlington.
- One tennis court at Carefree Park was converted for skateboard use.
- The AUTOCADD design system was installed in the Planning Department.
- Contracted for 24 weeks of mowing services at smaller parks-an experimental project to be evaluated in 1996 for continued use.
- Arlington Lakes Golf Club restaurant operation changed as of April 1-banquet food service was provided by outside caterers while restaurant and bar operations were run the by Arlington Lakes staff throughout the golf season.
- Issued \$3,000,000 in General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds for park improvements.
- Received a score of $98.6 \%$ on the PDRMA insurance evaluation, placing the Park District in the excellent category for the second year in a row and accrediting the Park District for the next two years.
- Melas Park Phase II was completed. First softball games and volleyball matches held (partial season).
- Poe and Riley Schools (School District \#21) became Children At Play sites. The CAP program now serves children and families at ten school sites.
- Assistant Golf Supervisor position approved by the Park Board for Arlington Lakes Golf Club.
- Nickol Knoll Golf Club opened for the first full season of golf and was officially dedicated on July 13, 1996.
- Davis Street Service Center opened on April $1^{\text {st }}$ - new home for all trades and fleet maintenance operations.
- Entered into a three-year contract for 26 weeks of mowing services at 20 park sites (49.3 acres).
- Issued \$1,550,000 in General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds for park improvements.
- Telephone registration for Park District programs began with the fall program session.
- Signed an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights for the purpose of obtaining facility space in the new Senior Center.
- The first full season of play at Melas Park Sports Complex began on May 12. The official dedication was held on June 28. Phase III construction was completed.
- The Arlington Heights Historical Museum was the beneficiary of the annual Arlington Heights Ball and received $\$ 11,000$ to use for the climate control project.
- The Log Cabin refurbishing project at the Historical Museum was completed in August and the Log Cabin was rededicated during Septemberfest. The Museum received $\$ 7,700$ in donations for this project, including $\$ 2,000$ from Frontier Days, Inc.
- Received a $\$ 200,000$ OSLAD grand for the redevelopment of Pioneer Park Swimming Pool in December.
- Purchased one (1) acre of land from Southminster Presbyterian Church to expand Dryden Park for \$338,000.
- Senior programs were relocated to the new Arlington Heights Senior Center on December 19 and the Park District's senior supervisor offices moved in on January 12. The Senior Center was officially dedicated on January 31. The Arlington Athletic Club opened on February 23. The Park District signed a new intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights for program space in 1997.
- The "old" Pioneer Park Swimming Pool closed on August $16^{\text {th }}$ with a good-bye party, Something Old is New Again, to celebrate 41 years of service. Demolition started the next day.
- The Park Board approved converting the two south tennis courts at Olympic Park into a Skate Park, approved the expenditure of $\$ 10,000$ for skate features, and approved a license agreement with the Lattof YMCA to manage the skate park. The Skate Park opened in August and was officially dedicated on September 19.
- The Park District Web Site, http://www.ahpd.org, went live on September 16.
- Approved the Management Information Systems Technician position.
- The Park District was re-evaluated and retained its certification as an IPRA/IAPD Distinguished Park \& Recreation Agency
- Major tennis court renovations were completed at Green Slopes and Centennial Parks.
- Arlington Academy of the Arts became the new identity and logo for all Park District arts programming.
- The Nathaniel Moore Banta house at the Historical Museum was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 20.
- Purchased the .4 acre Schwantz property ( 2100 N. Fernandez) adjacent to Frontier Park for $\$ 215,000$ in March.
- Purchased 1.3 acres of land on the south side of Recreation Park along Northwest Highway (500, 506, \& 510 East) for $\$ 840,000$ on July 14 (used $\$ 100,000$ from AHPD/Frontier Days Recreation Park Expansion \& Improvement Fund).
- Entered into an agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights for improvements to Douglas Avenue along the east side of Recreation Park. The Park Districts share of the improvement cost was not to exceed $\$ 150,000$.
- The new Pioneer Park Swimming Pool opened on June $12^{\text {th }}$; the grand opening was held June $18^{\text {th }}$. The new facility features a zero-depth swimming pool with water play features including geysers, wall sprays, and a small water slide in the shallow end; a zero-depth wading pool with four in-pool geysers; and a diving pool with two onemeter diving boards and a 10 -foot drop slide. Architects for the new pool were Pollock Holzrichter Nicholas Ltd. and the general contractor was Schaefges Brothers, Inc.
- Approved a full-time Secretary I position for the Davis Service Center.
- Approved the Marketing Supervisor position.
- Approved the Website Coordinator position.
- The Historical Society/Museum received a $\$ 10,000$ grant from the State of Illinois Department of Natural Resources Museum Capital Grant Program for the Climate Control Project for the museum buildings.
- The Park District/Museum received a \$10,000 grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Museum Operating Grant Program to develop a school outreach program and a museum website.
- The Comprehensive Needs Assessment Survey final report was presented to the Park District in July. The survey was conducted by Management Learning Laboratories.
- Entered into a formal agreement with School District 25 for athletic field use.
- Received a score of $95.8 \%$ on the PDRMA insurance evaluation, placing the District in the excellent category for the third time and accrediting the District for the next two years.
- As a result of the Comprehensive Needs Assessment Survey, the Park Board approved the firm of Pollock Holzrichter Nicholas Ltd. to complete phase I of a Master Plan of Park District Recreation Facility Improvements for seven facilities (Camelot, Frontier, Hasbrook, Heritage, Olympic, Pioneer, and Recreation Community Centers and Pools) including architectural evaluation and master planning services.
- Received a \$70,000 legislative grant from Senator Dave Sullivan and the Illinois First Program to renovate and rebuild the soccer fields at Patriots Park.
- Received a \$500,000 legislative grant from Representative Carolyn Krause and the Illinois First Program to remodel the south wing of the Administration Center.
- Received a \$100,000 legislative grant from Representative Sidney Mathias and the Illinois First Program to rebuild the playground at Lake Terramere Park.
- Received a \$50,000 legislative grant from Representative Suzanne Bassi and the Illinois First Program to renovate the athletic fields at Rand Berkley Park. Rep. Bassi was also able to obtain a $\$ 200,000$ legislative grant for the Village of Arlington Heights to purchase land at Dunton and Campbell Streets for a downtown park.
- Received a \$130,000 legislative grant from Senator Wendell Jones and the Illinois First Program to renovate the walking paths at Hasbrook Park. Senator Jones was also able to obtain a $\$ 310,000$ legislative grant for the Village of Arlington Heights to develop the new downtown park.
- On March 21, the Park District asked the voters to authorize the levy and collection of an additional tax of $\$ 0.15$ in the Corporate Fund beginning in levy year 2001. The referendum was defeated, 6,341 No to 5,328 Yes.
- On November 7, the Park District asked the voters to authorize the issuance of $\$ 15,000,000$ for swimming pool renovations at Camelot, Frontier, Heritage and Olympic Parks. The referendum passed, 15,725 Yes to 14,571 No.
- Online registration for recreation programs began on October 15.
- The Park District celebrated its $75^{\text {th }}$ Anniversary with a Party in the Park at North School Park on June 9.
- The Park District purchased .2 acres of land at 17 S. Belmont adjacent to Recreation Park for \$348,000.
- The Park District purchased . 67 acres of land at 2004 N. Fernandez adjacent to Frontier Park for \$550,000.
- The Park District's website received the NRPA Marketing and Communications KUDOS Award for Class II for Best Website/Homepage Promoting Recreation.
- Pioneer Park Swimming Pool received an IPRA Outstanding Facility Award.
- Commissioner Kathryn Graham was named an Outstanding Board Member by the Illinois Association of Park Districts.
- The Woodshop at the Senior Center opened in February. The Woodshop is a joint agreement project with the Village of Arlington Heights.
- The snack bar and pro shop at Arlington Lakes Golf Club was remodeled and expanded for the 2000 golf season; project architect was Hundrieser/Gutowsky Associates, Inc.
- Payton’s Hill at Nickol Knoll Golf Club was dedicated on May 13. The Hill honors Chicago Bear football great, Walter Payton, who died in November 1999, and who trained at the site when he lived in Arlington Heights. The memorials include a bronze plaque at the clubhouse, a second bronze plaque at the overlook on the top of the hill, and a display of Payton memorabilia in the clubhouse.
- The Museum website, www.ahmuseum.org, went live on July 11.
- The Heritage Gallery at the Arlington Heights Historical Museum opened on November 4, 2000. The Gallery is designed as a changing exhibit space and replaces the Country Store.
- The Park District received a \$90,000 legislative grant from Senator Wendell Jones and the Illinois First Program to rebuild the playground at Greenbrier Park.
- The Park District received a \$90,000 legislative grant from Representative Suzanne Bassi and the Illinois First Program to rebuild the playground at Hasbrook Park.
- The Park District received a $\$ 25,000$ grant from Representative Sidney Mathias and the Illinois First Program to rebuild the playground at Sunset Ridge Park.
- The Park District received a $\$ 105,000$ grant from Senator David Sullivan and the Illinois First Program to renovate the ball diamond lighting on Meyer Field at Recreation Park.
- The Park District/Museum received a $\$ 9,850$ grant from the State of Illinois Department of Natural Resources Museum Operating Grant Program to develop a coloring/activity book on local history for $\mathrm{K}-3^{\text {rd }}$ graders and a $\$ 1,500$ grant from the Illinois Arts Council for Irish Fest.
- The Historical Society/Museum received a \$100,000 legislative grant from Representative Suzanne Bassi and the Illinois First Program for the climate control project in the Muller and Banta houses.
- The Historical Society/Museum received a $\$ 20,000$ grant from the State of Illinois Department of Natural Resources Museum Capital Grant Program for HVAC improvements in the Pop Factory.
- The Historical Society/Museum also received other grants and donations including: \$8,500 from Arlington Eve 2000 for Heritage Gallery exhibits; $\$ 2,700$ from the Arlington International Racecourse Pony Auction for the climate control project; \$1,800 from Frontier Days, Inc. for a professional picture hanging system for the Heritage Gallery; and a $\$ 500$ Illinois Humanities Council Technical Assistance Grant to attend a class on exhibit design for small museums.
- The Arlington Heights Park District was awarded the 2001 National Gold Medal for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management. As a Third Time recipient of this prestigious award, the Park District joined an elite group of nine agencies throughout the United States that have been so honored (four of the nine are Illinois Park Districts).
- Commissioner Michael Gilfillan received the Allan Weisburg Commissioner of the Year Award from the Illinois Association of Park Districts.
- The "old" swimming pools at Camelot, Frontier, and Heritage Parks closed on August $12^{\text {th }}$, beginning an ambitious three pool renovation project approved by the November 2000 referendum. Demolition and construction began on August 28. Project architects were Pollock Holzrichter Nicholas Ltd.
- The Arlington Heights Park Foundation was formed and began meeting in May.
- Tennis court lighting and ceiling upgrades completed at Heritage Tennis Club.
- A new logo was approved by the Park District in October.
- The remodeled south annex wing of the Administration Center was formally dedicated on October 6 by Representative Carolyn Krause, who provided a $\$ 500,00$ Illinois First Legislative Grant for the project, and programs began using the facilities on October 30. The renovation upgrades two existing classrooms into a combination dance studio/meeting room with a room divider; provides a waiting/program viewing room for parents and siblings; creates two outdoor accessible restrooms and a staging area for North School Park events; and increases the storage area.
- The Park District/Museum received a $\$ 9,640$ grant from the State of Illinois Department of Natural Resources Museum Operating Grant Program to produce ADA videos of the Muller and Banta houses.
- The Park District/Museum also received a $\$ 2,000$ grant from the Illinois Humanities Council for community programming to supplement the Smithsonian exhibit "Yesterdays Tomorrows-A Past Vision of the American Future" and a \$1,500 grant from the Illinois Arts Council for Irish Fest.
- The Historical Society/Museum raised \$8,100 for Heritage Gallery exhibits through Arlington Eve 2001.
- The Park District received a $\$ 400,000$ OSLAD grant for the redevelopment of Frontier Park Swimming Pool.
- The Park Board approved the Superintendent of Human Resources position (upgrade from supervisor position).
- The new swimming pools at Camelot, Frontier, and Heritage Parks opened in June. Each swimming complex features a zero depth leisure pool with water play features attached to a six-lane lap pool, a zero depth wading pool with water play features, a diving pool with diving boards and/or drop slides, and a spray ground.
- Clotృভ, the Park District's new program to recognize employees who demonstrate commitment to Customer satisfaction, Leadership, Attitude, Service and Safety, began in June. Both full- and part-time employees may be nominated for the quarterly award by Park District residents or fellow staff.
- Rotary Field, a renovated youth baseball/softball diamond at Prairie Park, was dedicated on April 28. The renovation plan, which added fencing, dugouts, an electronic scoreboard, and resurfaced the field, was proposed by the Arlington Heights Youth Athletic Association. Funding was secured by the AHYAA in the form of a $\$ 25,000$ donation from the Arlington Heights Noon Rotary Club, a $\$ 20,000$ Illinois First Grant from Senator David Sullivan, and private donations.
- A former storage room was remodeled into a training/conference room at the Administration Center.
- JAZ (Junior Activity Zone), an after school program for middle school students, began in August. The program, a cooperative program with the Park District, School District 25, and the Arlington Heights Teen Center, is held at the Teen Center.
- Attendance at the Senior Center topped the 5,000 mark for the first time for the month of April.
- The Park District/Museum received a $\$ 7,602$ grant from the Illinois Department of Revenue Museum Operating Grant Program for a historic trading card series and traveling educational trunks. The Museum also received a $\$ 1,000$ grant from the Illinois Arts Council for Irish Fest.
- The Park District annexed 21 properties (voluntary) in the Lynwood subdivision on January 28, 2003 and 83 properties (involuntary) in the Lynwood subdivision on February 11, 2001.
- The Park District purchased 2.76 acres of land, including a building located at 1440 E. Davis Street, adjacent to the Davis Service Center, for expansion of the service center operations, for $\$ 1.2$ million.
- The warehouse building at 100 N. Hickory was demolished.
- The Parks and Planning Department was reorganized under the Director into two divisions with Superintendents overseeing each area.
- Entered into an agreement with the Metropolis Performing Arts Center for cooperative programming, beginning with "Curtain’s Up" summer camp.
- Signed an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights to share GIS data.
- Adopted a new program brochure format beginning in Fall 2003 - the 5 issues per year, newspaper size Leisure Times will be replaced with a 4 issues per year, magazine size program guide. The program guides will be delivered by a door-to-door direct service instead of bulk mail.
- The sideline and outfield fence was replaced at Meyer Field at Recreation Park.
- Griffith Field was dedicated at Centennial Park on May 31. The field improvements were made possible through a $\$ 50,000$ donation from the Griffith Family.
- A revised Museum Intergovernmental Agreement was approved in April 2003, adding the Arlington Heights Memorial Library as a partner, revising the structure of the Museum Advisory Committee and shifting the responsibility of museum room rental to the Park District.
- The Park District/Museum received a $\$ 500$ Illinois Arts Council Grant for Irish Fest.
- Olympic Pool closed May 8 for renovation. Demolition work began in mid June. Project architects were Pollock Holzrichter Nicholas Ltd. and general contractor was A.J. Maggio Construction.
- A new Aquatic Leadership Program designed to mentor and teaches leadership and aquatic skills young staff who will be acting as Assistant Pool Managers and Assistant Lesson Coordinators, began in June.
- The Park District purchased 1.83 acres of land at 1701 W. Kirchoff for $\$ 925,000$, for expansion of Sunset Meadows Park.
- Purchased and installed Thor Guard Lightening Systems at Arlington Lakes Golf Club and Nickol Knoll Golf Club.
- New agreement signed with School District 214 regarding the use of Olympic Pool.
- A design and development plan for Sunset Meadows Park was approved.
- A design and development plan for the Hickory property, including a youth ball diamond and open space, at Recreation Park was approved.
- Lights were installed on the soccer field at Melas Park. (Total cost \$65,000).
- Olympic Indoor Swim Center reopened on June 12, with a grand opening celebration on June 20. The newly remodeled facility includes a new zero-depth family activity pool with a 50 -foot flume slide, tot slide, floor geysers, water play features and stair
entry; a renovated lap/lesson/swim meet pool; a renovated diving well with a threemeter drop slide, walk out stairs, and new one-meter diving boards; a unisex sauna on the pool deck; new family changing rooms in the remodeled locker rooms; a new entry off the parking lot; a new and expanded customer service/registration area; and new party and meeting rooms. Total project cost was $\$ 5,327,000$.
- The Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club fund was reclassified from an enterprise fund to a special revenue fund.
- The Park Board and staff identify Pioneer Park as the first community center/park that should be renovated as part of the community center revitalization program.
- Approve development of a Community Interest Survey (consultant is Synovate)/
- The District was named an IPRA/IAPD Distinguished Park and Recreation Agency in November. Since ten years had passed since the first Distinguished Agency evaluation, the District had to go through a full evaluation, and passed with the highest score ever recorded thus far.
- Signed agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights to transfer 2.489 acres of leased land at Sunset Meadows Park to Park District ownership.
- The Community Interest Survey final report was accepted by the Board in April.
- Hire Williams Associates Architects, Ltd. as architects for the Pioneer Park reconstruction project.
- Hire Corporate Construction Services as the construction manager for the Pioneer Park reconstruction project.
- The Park District Board and staff worked with consultant Jane Turrentine to develop a vision, goals, and objectives for the Park District in preparation for writing the 2006 Comprehensive Plan. This was the first major change in the comprehensive planning process since the first Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 1982.
- A new Park District vision and goals statement was adopted in April.
- The energy efficient light replacement project at Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club was completed. The District received a $\$ 36,720$ grant from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation for this project.
- The roof was replaced at Heritage Tennis Club (last done in 1987).
- The Park District purchased the MainTrac Computerized Maintenance Management System Software.
- To comply with the ADA Act, hired the National Center on Accessibility to conduct a facility assessment of Park District buildings and outdoor facilities and approved the involvement of NCA in the pre-design phase of projects as needed.
- The new youth/pee wee ball diamond located on the site of the former 100 N. Hickory storage building at Recreation Park was dedicated on June 14, 2006. The Arlington Heights Youth Athletic Association donated \$6,500 for sideline and backstop fencing. Total cost for the project was $\$ 101,500$.
- The Park Board approved retaining the grant consulting firm C. H. Schrader \& Associates to advise and assist the Park District.
- A new Sport Court SportShield floor was installed over a new radiant heat system in the gym at Frontier Park.
- Registration through the touchtone phone system is phased out beginning with the Fall program cycle.
- Phase I of the Sunset Meadows Park development project began. Phase I includes clearing the site of trees to accommodate two football fields, moving three utility poles, grading the turf, and realigning a part of the public sidewalk.
- The Village of Arlington Heights approved a new Land Dedication Ordinance, increasing the cost per acre of cash in lieu of land to $\$ 165,000$ per acre from $\$ 85,000$ per acre.
- Approved an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights to extend TIF District \#1. (NOTE: This extension agreement was agreed upon by all public governments involved with the exception of School District 25, which means that TIF District \#1 will expire on time and an extension will not likely by approved by the State of Illinois legislature.)
- Approved a Release of Easement to Northwest Community Hospital regarding a height restriction on hospital buildings originally imposed by the federal government when Arlington Lakes Golf Club was a nike missle base (dated July 24, 1961) and which was transferred to the Park District when the missle base land was transferred to the Park District in 1973-1976.
- The Park Board approved the schematic design for Pioneer Park redevelopment in January.


## Arlington Heights Park District History

## Prior to 1925

Originally this place called Arlington Heights was a part of the prairie of the Midwest. Various Indian tribes roamed the area at will until the western expansion of the white man drove them out. The Indian Treaties and the Homestead Act of the 1830's and 40's encouraged permanent settlement of the area and ASAP Dunton filed three claims in 1837. William and James Dunton, Asa's sons, moved onto their properties in 1844, followed by Asa in 1846. William Dunton named the small town "Bradley" in 1854; however the name was changed to "Dunton" a year later. The biggest force shaping the early Midwest was the railroad. William Dunton persuaded the rail builders to route the train through his town by selling 16 acres of his own land for railroad right of way for only $\$ 350$. The improved transportation to Chicago spurred the industrial and farming growth of "Dunton" and, in 1874, "Arlington Heights" was chosen as the new name for the village. The train is still a central focus of the community today.

In 1887, the Village of Arlington Heights was incorporated and civic improvements were begun. In 1892, because the townspeople protested the unsightly conditions of the land alongside the railroad tracks, the Railroad developed several parks on the north and south sides of the railroad right of way. These "railroad parks" were the beginning of the park system in Arlington Heights.

## 1925-1940

In 1925 the citizens determined, by petition, that there was a need for an organized park district and that future development of the community demanded such an organization. On June 9, 1925, the Arlington Heights Park District was formed and the first Park District meeting was held June 18, 1925, with Commissioners Nathaniel Banta, Henry Klehm, Eugene Berbecker, Albert Volz, and Julius D. Flentie.

Some of the first land acquisitions made by the new Park District included the dedication of Memorial Park by the Village (originally donated to the Village in 1883 by Dr. John Best as the site for a soldier's memorial) and leasing the railroad parks along the Chicago and Northwestern right of way. Development of these parks took much of the Commissioners' time and effort as they pitched in to help with the work. The first taxes levied by the Park District were collected in May 1926 and totaled $\$ 1,335.72$. In 1926, the first Park Superintendent (seasonal) was appointed. The Park District began moving towards a recreation program by erecting the first community Christmas tree in 1926 and allowing the Business Men's Association to build a bandstand in one of the railroad parks in 1929. In 1928, the boundaries of the Park District were revised by annexation to be the same as the Village boundaries. The first bonds were issued, by ordinance, for land acquisition and development of a south side park in 1931. New park lands were purchased or donated and a grant from the Civil Works Administration in 1933 helped plant over 2,000 Moline elm trees within the District, landscape one of the railroad parks and build a skating rink in South Park, which later was renamed Cronin Park.

By 1934 the citizens of Arlington Heights were contemplating bigger projects and, although the yearly tax levy was only $\$ 3,000$, a straw vote held to determine if the Park District should construct a public swimming pool failed, 215 to 201. In 1935 one of the Park Board Commissioners was
authorized to investigate the matter of organized playground activity in the Park District and the first recreation programs soon began. In 1936 architectural drawings for a pool and fieldhouse were drawn, and accepted, as a Works Progress Administration project. The whole project was put together in five hours to meet federal deadlines. Bonds were issued, through referendum and ordinance, by the Park District to finance its portion of the project, which amounted to $\$ 43,400$. On May 28, 1939, Recreation Park fieldhouse and swimming pool were officially dedicated and on June 17, these facilities were opened to the public. Other recreational facilities included a shelter house, ice skating rink, croquet court, baseball diamond, tennis courts, horseshoe courts, and shuffleboard courts.

When Recreation Park swimming pool opened for the 1939 season, the admission price was $10 \$$ for children up to 13 years old, 20\$ for youth ages 13 to 19 and 25\$ for adults. During the first summer of operation, 591 season tickets were sold, primarily to children and youth. Daily admission prices remained the same for the 1940 season but a discount season ticket was offered for the first time. Swimming races and a diving competition were held at the pool on a 1940 summer evening following a band concert and, in 1942, the first annual Arlington Heights Recreation Park swimming and diving meet, sanctioned by the Central A.A.U., was held. Fear of polio kept people away from public swimming pools in 1943 and forced the Park District to close Recreation Park swimming pool in early August with net receipts of only 42¢. However, swimming soon became popular again and, in 1947, the Park District reported that 37,000 people had used Recreation Park pool during the summer. Through the years, and even with the addition of four outdoor pools, Recreation Park swimming pool continued to be the center of the District's summer swimming programs.

## 1940's

In 1941, the first meeting of the Recreation Commission was held. The Commission developed from an idea of a local resident and the Park Board appointed representatives from local civic associations. The recreation programs of the District continued to develop and, in 1946, the Community Council donated $30 \%$ of the profits of the July 4th festival to the Park District for recreational programs and a portion of the fieldhouse at Recreation Park was designated as a youth center. 1946 also saw Park District residents approve a referendum to establish the corporate tax rate at $.125 \%$ and the recreation tax rate at $.0625 \%$.

## 1950's

By 1950, a summer playground director was working for the Park District. The recreation program consisted only of summer activities including swim lessons, little league, softball, tennis lessons, handicrafts, the Lions Olympics, trips to Cubs and White Sox games, volleyball leagues, a Girls Athletic Club, and the annual water show. Programs were held primarily at Recreation Park but a few were held at South Park (Cronin Park). Recreation activities expanded into the fall for the first time in 1953 when the midget football program began.

In 1952 the controversy began over the selling of the Railroad Parks. The Village attempted to purchase several parcels of the land from the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad to widen Davis Street in order to provide off-street parking. However, the Park Board and Village citizens were adamantly opposed to the loss of the parks and the matter was dropped. Meanwhile, the Chicago and Northwestern began a program of liquidating non-revenue producing property, including the

Railroad Parks and, in 1958, offered to sell five of the eight parcels to the Village (two parcels had already been sold and the railroad station stood on another parcel). The Village held an unsuccessful referendum for the purchase of the Railroad Parks for parks and parking in 1959. Emotions were running high both for keeping the Railroad Parks and turning them into much needed parking for the downtown business section. In the meantime, the Arlington Heights National Bank quietly purchased one parcel of land from the Chicago and Northwestern and began installing a parking lot for their customers in 1960. Cries of outrage were heard throughout the Village but, in 1961, the Village purchased four parcels of land for parking expansion. By the mid 1960's the Railroad Parks, which served as the catalyst in the formation of the Arlington Heights Park District, had been turned into parking lots.

In 1955, Park District voters approved a referendum to issue $\$ 675,000$ in bonds for land acquisition and park development. By 1957, when the fieldhouse, pool, maintenance garage, ball diamonds, and tennis courts were completed at Pioneer Park, the Arlington Heights Park District consisted of two community parks, seven neighborhood parks and many small lots in Stonegate and Scarsdale.

During the mid 1950’s, the little league baseball program started by the Park District had grown too large for the Park District staff to handle alone. A group of involved citizens formed an association, the Little League Organization, and took over the operation of the program. A cooperative agreement was established between the Park District and the Little League whereby the Little League was responsible for furnishing uniforms and equipment, and securing coaches, officials, scorers, and other volunteers to run the baseball program while the Park District was responsible for maintaining the ball diamonds. Soon the Park District's midget football program became a part of the Little League and was operated in the same manner as the baseball program. To date, the boy's baseball, girl's softball and boy's football programs continue to be organized and operated by a parents association, now known as the Arlington Heights Youth Athletic Association. The Park District has cooperated with this group since its inception by maintaining athletic fields, constructing additional fields, and leasing office and storage facilities to the Association.

1957 saw the beginning of a year round recreation program for the Arlington Heights Park District. Fall and winter program offerings included adult badminton, men's volleyball, open basketball, indoor golf, adult arts and crafts, square dancing, and tumbling. Most of the programs were free; charges were made only for special trips, materials and special instruction.

When the first full-time recreation superintendent was hired in 1959, the complexion of the District's recreation programs began to change. The 1959 playground program was expanded to include four neighborhood parks in order to bring summer activities closer to the children. New programs for adults and children were offered including slimnastics, a fall fishing derby at the swimming pools, horseback riding lessons, and a winter ice carnival sponsored by the Rotary Club; and the gymnasium at Recreation Park began to be used as a roller skating rink.

## 1960's

The rapid population growth of Arlington Heights during the 1950's spurred the Park District into a heavy land acquisition and annexation program in the 1960's. From 1950 to 1960, the population rose $218 \%$ while park and open space land lagged behind national standards. New subdivisions were required to dedicate park land; however, the Park District began to realize that simple land dedication was not enough; money for development was necessary. In many cases donations of
time and materials eased the development squeeze but annexations of unincorporated land proved to be the most beneficial in increasing the tax base and bonding powers of the District. In addition, during the 1960 's, voters passed three bond referendums for land acquisition and development: in 1962 for $\$ 395,000$, in 1965 for $\$ 465,000$ and in 1968 for $\$ 2,800,000$. These referendums enabled the Park District to acquire needed land and to build many facilities including the fieldhouse at Hasbrook Park, the bathhouse at Recreation Park, an addition to the maintenance garage at Pioneer Park, the swimming pools and fieldhouses at Frontier and Camelot Parks, the swimming pool and bathhouse at Heritage Park, and the indoor swimming pool at Olympic Park along with ball diamonds, tennis courts, multipurpose areas, athletic fields, playgrounds, and to install walkway and park lighting.

The Park District's recreation programs continued to grow during the 1960's. A senior citizens club was formed, after-school game rooms were opened and a playschool program for 3 to 5 year olds began. Ice-skating was expanded with the installation of lights and a shelter building at Hickory Meadows in 1962. Other new programs included the annual Easter Egg Hunt, dance classes and ski trips. During this time the community centers began to remain open in the evening for drop-in activities instead of opening only for scheduled meetings and programs. By 1964 the recreation programs had grown large enough to justify hiring a full-time recreation supervisor. The Park District began a summer program for mentally handicapped children in 1965, which soon expanded into the fall and winter. During the late 1960's the first recreation fieldwork students came to work at the Park District and a training and exercise room was opened in the basement of Recreation Park.

In 1967 the Park Board and School District 59 agreed that the Park District would contribute $\$ 13,000$ to help finance the construction of a larger multipurpose room at Juliette Low School which the Park District would use for recreational activities after school and on weekends. The school would use Heritage Park athletic fields, ball diamonds and playground during school hours, and the park and school land would be developed as a single coordinated area. In 1998, when School District 59 began the remodeling and addition to Juliette Low School, a new intergovernmental agreement was signed giving the Park District use of the commons and gym for programs before and after school and on weekends and providing for joint development of a new playground.

## Arlington Lakes Golf Club

Late in 1964, the Park District believed that the United States Government would list the Arlington Heights Nike Base site as surplus land, a location that the Park District was very much interested in for a regional park. One hundred acres of the site was actually listed as surplus late in 1966 but, the United States Navy declared an interest in 24 acres for a Navy housing project, thus dashing the Park District's hopes of acquiring the 100 acres for a planned 18 hole golf course. The Navy's housing plans never materialized and, in 1971, the Park Board organized a Blue Ribbon citizens committee to help in the acquisition of the land. During this time the Village also declared an interest in the Nike site for flood control purposes.

In 1972 very heavy flooding hit the homes in the area adjacent to the Nike site and the quest to gain acquisition of the site gained momentum. The Village's Citizens Action Committee against Flooding, the newly formed Citizens Committee for the Utilization of the Nike Base, the Village

Trustees and staff, and the Park District Board and staff began to channel their efforts in the same direction. The Park District's golf course plans were revised to include flood control lakes and thus became a part of the Village wide flood control plan. The Park District was further involved in the Village's flood control plans through the use of retention and detention basins for recreation areas including softball diamonds, a golf driving range, sled hills, tennis courts, and ice skating rinks.

The United States Navy again declared an interest in 51 acres of the Nike site for housing in late 1972 dashing the acquisition hopes for a second time. By 1973, Senators Charles Percy and Adlai Stevenson had become involved in the fight and 13 acres of the land was conveyed to the Park District from the Federal government.

In 1974 the fight for acquisition continued with the help of Representative Philip Crane. Many involved citizens wrote letters to Federal officials, journeyed to Washington for meetings and picketed the Nike site. The Navy gave up their interest in 52 acres of land but the Army decided they needed those extra 52 acres for reserve training. Eventually the President of the United States intervened and the controversial 52 acres was awarded to the Park District.

The 65 acres the Park District now owned was in two parcels, one on the east and one on the west end of the Nike site. This land situation was definitely not conducive to the construction of an 18hole golf course. The Army was standing firm in their need for the remaining acreage for reserve training so the golf course/flood control plan was revised for a 9 hole course on the 52 acres. However, the fight went on for acquisition of an additional 26 acres.

More picketing was planned for the summer of 1975 but the plans were put on hold when the Army stated they were willing to discuss joint use of the land. The final 26 acres were conveyed to the Park District in 1976 and the Army, citizens and Park District worked out the boundary lines to permit the best use of all the acres deeded to the Park District.

The Village earmarked $\$ 800,000$ for use at the golf course for flood control, and took care of the excavation and grading of the site. In 1976, Park District voters approved a $\$ 1,500,000$ bond referendum for golf course development. The Park Board approved a $\$ 334,000$ installment contract in 1978 for construction of a larger clubhouse facility and appointed a Citizens Advisory Committee to advise the Board on the formulation of the golf course's operational policies and procedures.

In May of 1979, the Arlington Lakes Golf Club opened its golf course and restaurant to the public culminating 14 years of effort by dedicated citizens, the Village, Park District, and elected officials including State Representative Virginia Macdonald and Congressman Donald Rumsfield along with Senators Percy and Stevenson, and Congressman Crane. In 1980, the Park District expanded golf services with the opening of Sunset Meadows Driving Range. Lights were installed at the Driving Range in 1988. Arlington Lakes Golf Club is as popular today as the District envisioned it would be in 1964. During its 22nd year of operation (May 2001-April 2002), more than 57,000 rounds of golf were played. The pro shop area was remodeled in 2000 to expand the pro shop, add more seating in the snack bar, add new counters and displays, and redesign the office area. Over the years, the District has modified the operation of the Arlington Lakes Restaurant in an effort to find the right place in a difficult market. The Restaurant began as a full service restaurant and bar operation, and then changed to lunch and dinner with bar services during the golf season from May through August along with full service banquet operations. Currently, the restaurant offers banquet room rentals using outside catering with bar services provided by Arlington Lakes. From May
through August, the restaurant is open with a sandwich menu and full bar service from 5:00-10:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. All other food service at the Golf Club is handled through the snack bar.

## 1970's

In 1971, the Park District had a survey taken of District residents to determine their attitudes towards the Park District's Commissioners, staff, programs, and facilities. One of the conclusions of the survey stated that residents were interested in an artificial ice skating rink and an indoor tennis facility while they were not interested in tax rate increases. The Park District sponsored a public meeting to discuss the feasibility of constructing an indoor tennis facility and an indoor ice rink. Out of this meeting a citizens committee was formed and began to study the issues. After much effort on the part of the committee it was decided that the Park District should build an indoor tennis facility with revenue bonds and conduct a general obligation bond referendum for the construction of an indoor ice rink.

In June and August of 1972, the Park Board issued $\$ 735,000$ in revenue bonds by ordinance to finance the construction of an indoor tennis facility and Forest View Tennis Club opened in 1973 with six indoor tennis courts. In 1976, the Park Board approved a $\$ 577,000$ installment contract for construction of eight handball/racquetball courts at Forest View and the air-conditioned courts were opened in 1977. On May 1, 1988, the Forest View Racquet Club Revenue Bonds were called and pre-paid, exactly one year prior to their due date. Several improvements were made at the Racquet Club in the early 1990's. The outdoor courts were completely re-designed including surfacing, lighting, brick patio, and pavilion, and were opened to the public on June 9, 1990. Renovations in 1991 and 1992 included installation of a new HVAC system, converting the second floor into a fullscale fitness center, converting two racquetball courts into an aerobic/dance studio, expanding the men’s locker room, and installing an elevator. The facility was renamed Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club in 1991.

In December of 1972 the vote went against the Park District's referendum to issue $\$ 2,550,000$ in general obligation bonds for park improvement and development including the construction of a fieldhouse at Dryden Park, land acquisition, the construction of a north side maintenance garage, and the construction of an indoor ice rink complex along with increasing the corporate tax rate by .025\%.

In the mid 1970's the Park District was facing a financial deficit. The annual income from taxes was not keeping pace with rising costs. The District began to cut expenses through elimination of programs and personnel and was forced to postpone all except emergency repairs. As the situation became more critical the Board organized a Citizens Park and Recreational Financial Plan Committee to study the problem and make recommendations. The Committee recommended that the District conduct a referendum, restricting the request for money to only essential projects. The outcome was the successful 1975 "Save the Parks" referendum which authorized the Park District to increase the corporate tax rate from $.125 \%$ to $.175 \%$, increase the recreation tax rate from $.075 \%$ to $.12 \%$, and issue $\$ 537,000$ in bonds for deferred maintenance projects and construction of a maintenance garage at Frontier Park. The 1976 referendum which authorized the Park District to issue bonds to construct the golf course also authorized bonds of $\$ 1,300,000$ for park development. The results of this referendum can be seen in the addition of the meeting rooms to Heritage Park;
remodeling of the Recreation Park fieldhouse, Pioneer Park bathhouse, and Hasbrook Park fieldhouse into the Hasbrook Cultural Arts Center; full development of Centennial, Wildwood, Carousel and Victory neighborhood parks; and construction of additional tennis courts, and lighting of walkways, play areas, tennis courts, and the ball diamonds at Recreation Park, Centennial Park and Sunset Meadows.

The recreation program of the 1970's saw continued expansion to serve all age groups, all interests and all areas of the Village with the opening of Camelot, Frontier and Heritage Parks and swimming pools in 1970. Olympic Indoor Swim Center opened the same year and the District's popular learn-to-swim program became a year round activity. The operation of Olympic was unique in that the Park District and School District 214 shared the costs and the pool time. During the early 1970's, garden plots were planted at Prairie Park, the mobile recreation trailer brought playground programs back out to the neighborhood parks and the Arlington Heights Park District Bicycle Association was formed and began to map a bike path throughout the Village. New senior citizen activities included the Gold Key Card and bus service, sponsored by the Rotary Club, to Over 50 Club. The Northwest Special Recreation Association was formed in 1974, with the Arlington Heights Park District as one of the founding agencies, and began the task of offering recreational activities to special populations. The spirit of cooperation was evident in the Safety Town, Counselor-In-The-Park and Ecology Corps programs, all cooperative efforts between the Park District and the Village, school districts, Illinois Department of Labor, and the Junior Women's Club. During this time the Park District also entered into cooperative agreements with surrounding park districts including Mt. Prospect, Buffalo Grove, and Rolling Meadows for the use of facilities such as swimming pools and indoor ice rinks. The Park District continued to initiate new programs during the late 1970's including Body Rhythm and soccer.

On June 22, 1975, the Arlington Heights Park District celebrated its 50th Anniversary with a "Golden Summer Celebration" at Recreation Park. A full day of old time games and contests, an ice cream social, a balloon launch, free admission to the swimming pool, and musical concerts brought Arlington Heights residents to Recreation Park to share in the celebration.

Arlington Heights' Bicentennial Celebration, "Festival "76", was held at Recreation Park and each year since then, an annual Fourth of July "Frontier Days Festival" has been held at Recreation Park. Frontier Days is organized and run each year by the Arlington Heights Festival Committee, a large organization of volunteer citizens, with the cooperation of the Park District, the Village and a number of local businesses. Each year, the Committee donates profits from the Festival to various community projects. The Park District has been the beneficiary of numerous Festival grants including a grant for the summer outdoor concert series and a grant to support expenses to repair the Log Cabin at the Museum. Additionally, in 1988, the Park District and Frontier Days, Inc. signed an agreement to establish a special fund, which the Festival would contribute to each year, for the purpose of acquiring land adjacent to and improving Recreation Park. The Park District has used monies from the Recreation Park Expansion \& Improvement Fund twice: \$100,000 towards the purchase of 100 N. Hickory in 1993 and $\$ 100,000$ towards the purchase of the Northwest Highway property in 1999.

## 1980’s

During the early 1980's, the Park District's emphasis switched from acquisition, development and growth to maintaining and upgrading its parks and facilities. Renovations were completed at the community centers, Arlington Lakes Restaurant, and the Forest View Racquet Club. The original filter system and wading pool piping at Pioneer Park swimming pool was replaced in 1981. Playgrounds, tennis and basketball courts, and softball, baseball and soccer fields were renovated based upon a master plan

Festival Park was developed in 1983 with a donation from the Arlington Heights Festival Committee on a lot leased from the Village. Located in the Historic Arlington Neighborhood, Festival Park was planned with resident input to reflect the character of the surrounding area. In 1984, Prairie Park was developed after serving as a garden plot site for thirteen years. The District received $\$ 86,000$ in Community Development Block Grant Funds from the Village to develop the park, which is next to a low-income housing development.

The District issued $\$ 300,000$ in bonds by ordinance in December 1983, for the first time since 1938, for the purpose of land acquisition and to upgrade the computer system. The land was acquired in 1984 and used to expand the acreage of two parks. Frontier Estates, 5.2 acres south of Frontier Park, was purchased for $\$ 155,000$ and the Beile property, 2.3 acres north of Sunset Meadows, was purchased for \$90,000.

Recreation programs continued to expand during the early 1980's. The health craze hit Arlington Heights along with the rest of the country and the District responded with all types of exercise classes for kindergartners through senior citizens. Day camps became popular again as more families sent both parents into the work force. The Park District's soccer program emerged in the 1980's as an extremely popular activity. Parent support of the program and the increase in participation led to the location of premier soccer fields at Olympic Park. In 1982, the District's recreation programs for senior citizens moved to Park Place Senior Center. Based on studies made by the Senior Citizens Commission, the Village leased a closed elementary school and remodeled it into Park Place. The Park District assisted in planning and designing the Center and was responsible for coordinating and funding the recreation programs. Park Place housed eight local service agencies that worked together to bring a well-rounded program to seniors.

The highlight of the early 1980’s for the Arlington Heights Park District was when the District was named the 1983 National Gold Medal Award winner for excellence in park and recreation management in Class III (50,000-100,000 population). Presented annually by the National Sports Foundation, the Gold Medal is awarded based on the quality of service, improvements made during the previous five years, extent of future planning, participant involvement, and acceptance by the community.

In 1985 the Arlington Heights Park District celebrated 60 years of service to the community with various special events taking place at the Park District facilities and community centers. Admission prices at the pools were rolled back to 1930 s prices, 10 ¢ children up to 13 years old, 20 ¢ for youth ages 13-19, and 25\$ for adults.

The Park District continued intergovernmental cooperation by signing an agreement in 1985 with the Arlington Heights Historical Society and the Village of Arlington Heights to continue providing
services and programs at the Arlington Heights Historical Museum. The agreement established the Park Historical Committee. The Museum complex includes the 1882 home of F. W. Muller, the 1908 Banta House, a Log Cabin, and a Coach House, which tell the story of Arlington Heights over the last 160 years. The Museum and Historical Society have been the recipient of numerous awards and grants over the years including when the Nathaniel Moore Banta House was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1998. Museum programs and special events continue to thrive and offer a unique leisure experience to the residents of Arlington Heights.

In 1986, the Arlington Heights Park District received a \$200,000 Land and Water Conservation Fund matching grant for the renovation of Recreation Park swimming pool. Renovations on the pool began in September 1987, and the grand re-opening of Recreation Park Pool took place on June 25, 1988. The main pool was extended to 50 meters, the standard for long course competitive swimming, and a new zero depth wading pool was installed. Other features included a special deck surface, underwater lighting, a new concession area, and extensive landscaping. The new pool attracted the state Junior Olympic Swim Meet in 1990 and 1991, with over 500 swimmers participating each year. In 1989 and 1990, Recreation Park Community Center received a "facelift." The facade of the building was renovated to the original wood and brick "Swiss" pattern and the first floor and gym were air-conditioned in 1989, and all exterior aluminum doors and windows were replaced with fire rated wood doors and windows in 1990.

Between 1986 and 1990 the Park District continued its land acquisition program, acquiring 11.1 acres of land through a transfer of title at the Lake Terramere Subdivision. Property was purchased at 7 and 27 North Belmont to expand Recreation Park, and Kingsbridge Arboretum was expanded by the "K-Mart Triangle" acquisition. At Olympic Park, 8.92 acres of land was purchased from School District \#214. A $\$ 150,000$ OSLAD grant was received for partial payment. Falcon Park (1.1 acres), Flentie Park (4.5 acres) and Carriage Walk Park (3.3 acres) were acquired in 1987. Also during this period, the Park District acquired Carefree Park (.6 acres), Creekside Park (22.4 acres), and Sunset Ridge Park (2.3 acres). In 1988, the District purchased Methodist Park for \$900,000. The Methodist Park site is a "special use" park with three softball diamonds and one baseball diamond.

In 1987, the Park District purchased North School, built in 1938 with an addition in the 1950's, from School District \#25. The school was renovated, and in September 1988 was dedicated as the new Park District Administration Center. The renovation included preserving the original woodwork throughout the building and combining the magnificent style of 1938 with the modern technology of today.

The Heritage Tennis Club proved to be an excellent acquisition for the Park District. Purchased in October 1987 and re-opened to the public in November 1987, the facility is located at the north end of the community, thus complementing the Forest View Racquet Club located at the south end of Arlington Heights. The building's roof was replaced immediately and a complete interior renovation of the club took place during the summer of 1988. Major renovations since opening include a new HVAC system and acoustic improvements in 1996. Arlington Heights is the only suburban Park District in Illinois that operates two indoor tennis/racquet clubs.

In the fall of 1989, the Park District began a special joint program with the Village and School District \#25. The program known as Children at Play, or C.A.P., was designed to assist the working
parent, providing recreational activities before and after school for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. In 1989, its first year of operation, the program served 150 children at six sites. School District \#59 (Juliette Low School) joined the program in 1993 and School District \#21 (Poe and Riley Schools) joined in 1996. During the 2004-2005 school years, the C.A.P. program served 714 children and their parents.

## 1990's

Both the Village of Arlington Heights and the Park District saw a unique opportunity to develop a downtown park and jointly purchased the North School Playlot (1.6 acres next to the Park District Administration Center) for $\$ 400,000$ in 1988. Construction on the site began in the fall of 1990 with completion of the park in spring 1991. The park includes open space, a fountain, amphitheater/performance area, and playground. The Village Board of Trustees and the Park Board of Commissioners agreed the site would be called North School Park. Several fundraising programs were developed in conjunction with North School Park. A "Buy a Brick" program was initiated whereby individuals, organizations, and businesses could purchase an engraved brick paver to be included in North School Park. Also, two major donations were received, the fountain in memory of Virgil Horath and the playground in memory of Irving Robbin. The completion of North School Park saw the beginning of many new community oriented annual special events including a summer concert series, Autumn Harvest, and Holiday Lighting, which features beautiful lighted displays throughout the park.

Throughout the years the Park District has coordinated many types of intergovernmental agreements, not only with Arlington Heights' agencies but also with neighboring park districts to expand the delivery of leisure services to the community. Between 1988 and 1994 the Park District began several new joint efforts. A cooperative gymnastics programs with the Rolling Meadows Park District was started in 1988 and gardening programs with the Mt. Prospect Park District were started in 1990. An agreement was signed in 1990 with School District \#23 to jointly construct a large community gymnasium addition at Betsy Ross School. A similar agreement was signed in 1994 with School District \#21 for a large community gym addition at Edgar Allen Poe School. The agreements include Park District use of the gyms for recreation programs in the evenings and on weekends which allowed for expansion of youth and adult athletic leagues. In 1990, a cooperative agreement with School District \#214 Community Education and the Mt. Prospect Park District was developed to provide adult volleyball and basketball leagues at the Forest View Education Center. Equally accessible playground equipment and a raised garden were installed at Rand-Berkley Park in 1989/90. The park was used by the special education students at Berkley School as well as the community. The project was completed by the Park District, School District \#25, and the Northwest Special Recreation Association. An intergovernmental property exchange took place in 1992 with School District \#25, with the Park District trading 6.3 acres at Greens Park for 7.06 acres at Rand Berkley School. In addition to the land, the Park District was given use of 2 ball diamonds and soccer fields at Thomas Middle School constructed by the School District with specifications supplied by the Park District.

Pioneer Park, originally built in 1956/57, received several improvements during the early 1990's. The 1990/91 project included new fencing around the swimming pool deck area, resurfacing the pool deck, installing brick pavers in the concession area, between the buildings and at the north
entry to the center building; total reconstruction of the driveway and existing parking lot, installing a concrete walk along the driveway, and building a new parking lot in the hockey rink area. Other improvements to the community center building were new windows and doors in 1991 and central air conditioning in 1992.

In the fall of 1990 the Village of Arlington Heights dedicated Lake Arlington. Lake Arlington is a 93 -acre site that includes a 50-acre detention lake and 11 acre native wetland. The Park District signed a lease agreement with the Village to program the recreational activities at the lake. Facilities at the site in addition to the lake include: a boathouse, a 2.4 mile bicycle/pedestrian path, picnic areas, playgrounds, boat dock, boat storage, and a nature study area. A total of $\$ 600,000$ has been received in grants for site development. Organized recreational activities started on June 6, 1992, the official grand opening date, and emphasized paddleboat and sailboat rentals and sailing lessons. All phases of the Lake Arlington project were finished in 1995 with the completed construction of the boathouse.

The Arlington Heights Park District continued the tradition of excellence by being named the 1992 National Gold Medal Award winner for excellence in park and recreation management in Class III (50,000 - 100,000 population) after having qualified as a finalist from 1989-1991. Both Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club and Heritage Tennis Club were named by the United States Tennis Association as 1991 Outstanding Tennis Facilities. The Park District was named Member Organization of the Year by the Western Tennis Association in 1993 in recognition of the entire tennis program. In 1993 the District received the IPRA/IAPD Distinguished Park and Recreation Agency Certification, one of the first agencies to receive this honor. The District was re-evaluated and retained its recognition as a Distinguished Park and Recreation Agency in 1998. Every year since 1992, the District has received either the "Elite Gold" or "Elite Silver" National Aquatic Safety Award for the excellent performance rating achieved by the lifeguard staff. In 1995, 1996, and 1999, the Park District received excellent category rankings on the PDRMA insurance evaluation, which accredited the District through 2002. The Park District has received the Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Annual Audit each year since 1986.

The Park District purchased two pieces of property in 1993. The District purchased the former Weber-Stephen property, 3.3 acres of land east of Recreation Park at 100 N. Hickory, for \$770,000 in June, using $\$ 100,000$ from the Arlington Heights Park District/Frontier Days Recreation Park Expansion \& Improvement Fund. Two existing buildings were demolished; the area was seeded and used to expand the green space at Recreation Park. The remaining building is used as a storage facility for the Park District. In August, the Park District purchased a 22,500 square foot industrial building at 1436 East Davis Street for $\$ 725,000$. The building was updated and renovated as a centralized maintenance facility and tradesmen from Pioneer and Frontier Service Centers were relocated to the Davis Service Center in 1996.

After many years of negotiations, the Park District signed an agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights in 1992 to develop the "landfill site" on the north side of town. Groundbreaking was held at the site, officially named Nickol Knoll Park, in 1993. Facilities at the park include a nine-hole, par 3 golf course with clubhouse, ball field/soccer field, sled hill, and perimeter 1.25-mile bicycle/pedestrian path. Nickol Knoll opened for a partial season on July 29, 1995. The first full
season of golf operations and park activities at Nickol Knoll began in spring, 1996, and the facility was officially dedicated on July 13, 1996. The first full season of operation saw over 20,000 rounds of golf played. At the end of its sixth full season, May 2001-April 2002, over 21,700 rounds of golf were played. Nickol Knoll is supported by an on-site Maintenance Service Center, which also serves as a fire-training academy and classroom for the Village of Arlington Heights.

In 1993, the Park District developed a master plan for Melas Park, a site owned by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, leased to the Village of Mt. Prospect and subleased to the Arlington Heights and Mt. Prospect Park Districts. Although previous agreements allowed for programming at the site, the Arlington Heights Park District's area remained largely unused and unimproved. A 1994 intergovernmental agreement between the four agencies permitted the Arlington Heights Park District to develop the property west of the access road into an athletic complex. Construction started in 1994 and a partial season of softball and volleyball games began in 1996. The first full season of play at Melas Park Sports Complex began on May 12, 1997, with the official dedication on June 28, 1997. The 35-acre facility includes four lighted softball fields, a handicapped accessible playground, sand volleyball courts, a concession/storage building, and a picnic area. A total of $\$ 400,000$ in OSLAD grant money was received for the project. The perimeter and interior bicycle/pedestrian pathway system was developed with the Mt. Prospect Park District and completed in 1999 with a $\$ 500,000$ Illinois First grant the Village of Mt. Prospect received through Representative Carolyn Krause in August 1998.

In early 1996, the Village of Arlington Heights and the Senior Citizen Commission began to look for a new site for the Park Place Senior Center. The old school building, which housed the Senior Center, was scheduled for demolition by School District 25 during the rebuilding of South Middle School on the same site. In November 1996, the Village purchased the eastern portion of the Central-Wilke Plaza shopping center for the new senior center and, in July 1997, the Park District signed an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Arlington Heights for space in the new senior center. The new Arlington Heights Senior Center was dedicated on January 31, 1998. The Park District was responsible for the construction costs of the recreational areas and coordinating the recreation programs offered at the Center. Recreation facilities include the Arlington Athletic Club fitness center, a dance studio, an art studio, and a gift shop. In September 1999, the Park District and the Village signed an agreement to develop and operate a woodshop at the Senior Center, with the Village providing and maintaining the space, the Park District developing and conducting programs, and Senior Center, Inc. purchasing the initial equipment. The woodshop opened for classes and drop-in use in February 2000.

The Youth Commission of the Village of Arlington Heights and the Youth Skate Committee began to lobby the Village and the Park District for support of a park for skateboarding. In June 1998, the Park Board approved converting the two south tennis courts at Olympic Park into a skate park, allocated $\$ 10,000$ in funding, and signed an agreement with the Lattoff YMCA in Des Plaines to manage the facility. After a month of building by Park District staff and Youth Skate Committee members, the Skate Park grand opening was held on September 19, 1998. Skating features include quarter-pipes, a spine box, and several small ramps for use by skateboarders and in-line skaters. The six members of the Youth Skate Committee were presented with the Illinois Park and Recreation Association/ Illinois Association of Park Districts’ Community Service Award in March 1999. In early 1999, the Youth Skate Committee received a $\$ 4,000$ grant from the Festival

Committee for improvements to the Skate Park. With an additional \$5,000 from the Park District, the Skate Committee was able to fund and build a small half pipe for the Park. The new Skate Park has become a popular destination for teen and pre-teen skating enthusiasts.

During the 1990’s, computers and their related technology had a strong impact on the Park District. The District purchased its first computer, with two terminals, in 1978. That basic system evolved into a complete area network with a personal computer on every desk. The system was used for accounting, budgeting, payroll, inventory control, registration, scheduling, publications, court/facility/participant usage, museum collection management, pool chemical control, energy management, employee and job training, and more. District employees used computers to create, store, retrieve, and share information and communicate with each other and with customers and vendors. The District's Employee Info Spot intranet site served as the Online information/resource site for employees and includes the most current information on human resources, benefits, safety, training, policies, procedures, forms, manuals, surveys, reports, the Comprehensive Plan, and more. The ever increasing amount of hardware and software and the need to manage and organize the data and information used on a day-to-day and long-term basis required the addition of new jobs. The Management Information Systems Supervisor position was approved in 1993; the Management Information Systems Technician was approved in 1998, and the Website Coordinator position was approved in 1999.

The District used technology to provide residents with the convenience of 24 -hour a day access to information and registration. Telephone registration for recreation programs began the fall of 1997 (phased out beginning in Fall 2005). The Arlington Heights Park District website, http://www.ahpd.org, went live on September 6, 1998. The website offers comprehensive District information, updated daily, included special promotions; the Leisure Times program brochure; job and volunteer opportunities; a listing of all parks, facilities, staff and Board members; program, activity, and league information; and more. Program registration went online through the website in October 2000 and the Museum's website, www.ahmuseum.org, went online in July 2000.

The recreation programs of the 90 s continued to grow in all areas. Summer day camps remained popular, particularly with the addition of before-and-after camp care for the benefit of working parents. The Arlington Heights Historical Museum offered different types of programs to Park District residents including period and holiday craft classes, programs for school and scout groups, and special events such as Civil War Days, German Fest, Holiday and Mother's Day Teas, the annual House Walk, and Irish Fest. The soccer program, which began in the late 70s, continued to grow as the number of house league and travel league teams increased each year. With the opening of Lake Arlington in 1992, the Park District began offering sailing lessons and camps. Sailing-tennis-golf and Adventure (canoeing-fishing-climbing) Camps were added in the late 90s. All of the Park District's visual and performing arts classes became the Arlington Academy of the Arts in 1996. Athletic programs retained their popularity with residents especially in the areas of volleyball and junior golf leagues. Several new annual special events began with the completion of North School Park, including a summer concert series, Autumn Harvest, and Holiday Lighting. Programs and activities for seniors increased in both number and attendance with the opening of the new Senior Center in 1998.

## Pioneer Park Swimming Pool

The Park District staff studied the five outdoor swimming pools in 1994 and concluded that four of the pools were aging and in need of major renovation or reconstruction. A 1995 facility evaluation by Water Technology, Inc. determined that Camelot, Frontier, and Heritage Park swimming pools were in fair to good condition for their age, however, Pioneer Park pool, 38 years old and corroding both inside and out, needed to be replaced. The Park District July 1997 Pool Renovation Strategy concluded that Pioneer Park Swimming Pool should be the first pool renovated. Through a series of staff and community meetings during the fall and winter of 1997-1998, a final design was developed and approved that maintained the characteristics of the neighborhood pool concept that is firmly established in Arlington Heights while providing a more modern design and facilities. The "old" Pioneer Park swimming pool closed for the season on August 16, 1998, with a "Something Old is New Again" good-bye party to celebrate 41 years of service and construction started the next day. The "new" Pioneer Park swimming pool opened on schedule on Saturday, June 12, 1999, featuring a swimming pool that ranges in depth from zero to five feet and includes walkout stairs with handrails, water play features including geysers and wall sprays, and a small water slide in the shallow end. The new wading pool ranges in depth from zero to fourteen inches and includes four in-pool geysers. The new diving pool features two one-meter diving boards and a 10 -foot high drop slide. The new bathhouse provides larger locker rooms, two separate family dressing rooms, and an expanded concession area that serves both pool users and general park users. The mechanical building provides year-round restroom access for general park users and a warming room for ice skaters. The Park District received a $\$ 200,000$ Open Space Land Acquisition and Development Grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the Pioneer Park swimming pool reconstruction. Pioneer Park's new swimming pool has proved to be extremely popular. Public swimming attendance almost doubled from the summer of 1998 to 1999, from 31,812 to 58,477 and was $50 \%$ more than attendance at the other four outdoor pools combined. During the summers of 2000 and 2001, attendance at Pioneer Park swimming pool averaged 43\% higher than the combined attendance at the other outdoor pools.

## Late 1990s/Early 2000s

Beginning with the first seasonal park superintendent hired in 1926, the Park District staff had increased to 103 full-time and over 1,000 part-time, seasonal, and temporary employees and volunteers in 2002. Along with this growth in staff has come the explosive growth in federal, state, and local laws applying to safety, insurance, risk management, training, and personnel management. To adequately manage all of these functions, the Park Board approved two new jobs within the Finance and Personnel Department: a Training Supervisor position was approved in December 1993 and a Human Resources Supervisor position was approved in February 1997. In 2002 the Human Resources Supervisor position was upgraded to a Superintendent level.

Land acquisition for the purpose of expanding existing parks continued to be a priority for the Park District during the late 1990s and 2000. In 1997 the District purchased one acre of land from Southminster Presbyterian Church at a cost of \$338,000 to expand Dryden Park. In March 1999, the District purchased the .4 acre Schwantz property ( 2100 N. Fernandez Ave.) for $\$ 215,000$ and, in October 2000, purchased . 67 acres of land at 2004 N. Fernandez Ave. for $\$ 550,000$. Both of these properties are adjacent to Frontier Park. The District purchased 1.3 acres of land on the southeast
side of Recreation Park along Northwest Highway (500, 506, \& 510 East) for \$840,000 in July 1999, using \$100,000 from the Arlington Heights Park District/Frontier Days Recreation Park Expansion \& Improvement Fund. In July 2000 the District purchased . 2 acres of land at 17 S. Belmont adjacent to Recreation Park for \$348,000.

Recognizing the need to plan for the long term recreation and facility needs of the community and to analyze current commitments and resources for future development, the Park District completed two extensive surveys in 1999. The Community Needs Assessment, a District-wide survey conducted by Management Learning Laboratories, reported the recreation needs, attitudes, interests, and opinions of the residents. Major results indicated that the 40 year old system of neighborhood parks and recreation facilities were an asset to the neighborhoods and enhanced the quality of life and property values in Arlington Heights and that the preferred way to fund parks, programs and facilities was a combination of user fees and taxes. Respondents indicated they wanted well maintained, upgraded and modernized facilities. MLL stated the results should be used for shortterm and long-term planning for programming, facility maintenance and renovation, and land acquisition. The Facilities Evaluation and Conceptual District Plan, conducted by Pollock Holzrichter Nicholas, Ltd., evaluated the existing conditions of the swimming pools and recreation centers at Camelot, Frontier, Heritage, Pioneer, and Recreation Parks, Olympic Indoor Swim Center, and Hasbrook Cultural Arts Center. The Plan recommended that the Park District develop a long range program to maintain, renovate, remodel, and replace these facilities to insure that they will continue to meet the needs of the community into the 21st century.

During 1999 and 2000, the Park District was fortunate to be the recipient of several legislative grants from our elected State Senators and Representatives through the Illinois First Program that helped fund a number of planned projects. The 1999 grants included: \$70,000 from Senator Dave Sullivan to renovate and rebuild the soccer fields at Patriots Park; \$500,000 from Representative Carolyn Krause to remodel the south wing of the Administration Center; \$100,000 from Representative Sidney Mathias to rebuild the playground at Lake Terramere Park; \$50,000 from Representative Suzanne Bassi to renovate the athletic fields at Rand Berkley Park; and \$130,000 from Senator Wendell Jones to renovate the walking paths at Hasbrook Park. Grants received during 2000 included: \$50,000 from Senator Wendell Jones to rebuild the playground at Greenbrier Park; \$90,000 from Representative Suzanne Bassi to rebuild the playground at Hasbrook Park; $\$ 25,000$ from Representative Sidney Mathias to rebuild the playground at Sunset Ridge Park; and $\$ 105,000$ from Senator David Sullivan to renovate the ball diamond lighting on Meyer Field at Recreation Park.

On May 13, 2000, Payton’s Hill was dedicated at Nickol Knoll Golf Club in honor of Chicago Bear football great, Walter Payton. During his eight years as an Arlington Heights resident, Payton ran the hill while in training. Payton died in November 1999 from liver cancer and residents requested a memorial on the spot which had long been called "Payton's Hill." The memorials include a bronze plaque at the clubhouse, a second bronze plaque at the overlook on the top of the hill, and a display of Payton memorabilia in the clubhouse. The plaques were donated by the First Northwest Bank of Arlington Heights.
On June 9, 2000, the Arlington Heights Park District celebrated its 75th anniversary with a Picnic in the Park at North School Park featuring music and food. The celebration continued on the next day
with free admission to all the outdoor swimming pools and featured games, contests, prizes and special concession prices.

## Swimming Pools

Knowing that the ability to finance capital projects through non-referendum general obligation bonds would be lost in 2001 due to the Tax Cap, the Park Board decided to request a $15 ¢$ rate increase in the Corporate Fund through a referendum held in March 2000. The purpose of the tax rate increase was to generate funds to maintain and upgrade the existing neighborhood centers, pools, parks and facilities as well as acquiring land and developing new parks. The referendum failed and voter feedback indicated that the tax dollars requested should be reduced and limited in duration, and that specific projects with timelines for completion should be identified.

In November 2000 the Park District went back to the community and asked for approval to issue $\$ 15$ million in general obligation bonds to replace, construct and improve the swimming pools at Camelot, Frontier, Heritage, and Olympic Parks. The District indicated that construction on the first project would start in 2001 and that all projects would be completed in three years. This referendum passed and the process to replace the 31-year old outdoor swimming pools at Frontier, Camelot, and Heritage Parks began immediately.

The first phase in the pool reconstruction projects included developing architectural plans, using the design features of the new swimming pool at Pioneer Park, as a starting point, and the decision was made to rebuild all three pool complexes at one time to lessen the impact on the public. After a series of staff and community meetings, the final plans presented the new Frontier, Camelot, and Heritage Park swimming pools as neighborhood pools which would be capable of handling all the current aquatic programs offered by the Park District and also offer modern amenities. The main swimming pools at each facility were modified slightly to give a different appearance and each facility was developed with a unique color scheme and water play features. The "old" swimming pools at Frontier, Camelot, and Heritage Parks closed for the season on August 12, 2001, with a good-bye party to celebrate 32 years of service and construction started the next day. The "new" swimming pool complexes opened on schedule in June 2002 and each includes a new leisure swimming pool that ranges in depth from zero to 3 feet and includes walkout stairs with handrails; recessed ladders; an underwater bench seat with bubblers; and water play features including geysers, wall sprays, and a small water slide in the shallow end. The leisure pool is attached to a six-lane lap pool which ranges in depth from $31 / 2$ to 5 feet. The new wading pools range in depth from zero to 18 inches and include in-pool geysers and side sprays. Camelot's wading pool also includes a small water slide. New spray ground areas include geysers and different water-play features at each park. The new diving pools are 12 feet deep and are different at the three swimming complexes: Camelot's diving pool included a one-meter diving board, a drop slide, and stairs across one end of the pool while the diving pools at Frontier and Heritage include one-meter and threemeter diving boards and an extended area of 12 -foot water for deep water play. The pool deck areas include four large shade umbrellas and an adult deck area with a sunshade. The bathhouses were remodeled and updated, two new family changing rooms were added, the lifeguard offices were extended for better supervision, and the concession areas were expanded. The Park District received a $\$ 400,000$ Open Space Land Acquisition and Development Grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the pool reconstruction at Frontier Park. The swimming pool complexes at

Camelot, Frontier, and Heritage Parks proved to be extremely popular. Public swim attendance from the summer of 2001 to 2002 almost doubled at Camelot Park, from 13,726 to 26,815, and more than doubled at Frontier Park, from 12,490 to 35,401, and Heritage Park, from 11,937 to 29,589.

Renovation of the indoor swimming pool at Olympic Park began in April 2001 with design and development. Following several public meetings and many discussions with High School District 214, whose swim teams used the indoor pool for practices and meets, about a combined effort to renovate and expand the pool, a plan was approved by the Park Board in December 2002. Olympic Indoor Swim Center was closed on May 8, 2003, and construction started immediately. The swim center reopened on June 12, 2004, with a grand opening celebrated on June 20, 2004. The newly remodeled facility includes a new zero-depth family activity pool with a 50 -foot flume slide, tot slide, floor geysers, water play features and stair entry; a renovated lap/lesson/swim meet pool which was also deepened to accommodate new swim competition regulations; a renovated diving well with a 3-meter drop slide, walk out stairs, and new 1-meter diving boards; a unisex sauna on the pool deck; new family changing rooms in the remodeled locker rooms; a new entry off the parking lot; a new and expanded customer service/registration area; new party and meeting rooms; and lighting, acoustical, code required, and ADA required improvements. The lower level was renovated in 2005 - a divider wall was installed so that the lower level can be used as either one large room or two smaller rooms. The new Olympic facility has proven to be very popular. Public swim attendance from May 2004-April 2005 increased to 39,008 from 30,815 during 2002-2003; rentals (including birthday parties) jumped to 4,433 from 1,926; and lesson enrollment increased to 4,200 from 3,124.

## 21st Century

The beginning of the 21st century has seen the Park District expand programs and services, renovate facilities, and continue its tradition of excellence. The Arlington Heights Park District was awarded the 2001 National Gold Medal for excellence in park and recreation management. As a third time recipient of this prestigious award, the Park District joined an elite group of nine agencies throughout the United States that have been so honored. The new swimming pool at Pioneer Park was named an Outstanding Facility in 2000 by the Illinois Park and Recreation Association and the Park District website received the 2000 NRPA Marketing and Communications KUDOS Award for Class II for Best Website/Homepage Promoting Recreation. The Park District's annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 1999, (May 1999-April 2000) received the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. In November 2004, the Park District was certified as an IPRA/IAPD Distinguished Park and Recreation Agency. Since ten years had passed since the first evaluation, the District had to go through a full evaluation, and passed with the highest score ever recorded thus far.

The early 2000s brought many changes. The Park District adopted a new logo in October 2001 and adopted a new program brochure format in 2003. The new four issue per year, magazine size program guide replace the five issue per year Leisure Times newspaper. In addition, the delivery of the program guide was changed to a door-to-door delivery service from bulk mail. A new program to recognize Park District employees who demonstrate commitment to Customer satisfaction, Leadership, Attitude, Service and Safety, or CLASS, began in June 2002. Both full and part-time employees may be nominated for the quarterly award by District residents or fellow staff members.

A new Museum Intergovernmental Agreement was approved in April 2003, adding the Arlington Heights Memorial Library as a partner and revising the structure of the Museum Advisory Committee. In 2003, the Park District and the Village of Arlington Heights signed an agreement to share GIS (Geographical Information System) data. The Parks and Planning Department was reorganized under the director into two divisions with superintendents overseeing each area in 2003 Main Trac, a maintenance management system program that computerizes most of the manual work scheduling and recording methods, was installed in 2005. This new system will tie work and costs to individual park sites and provide relevant data and reports.

The Arlington Heights Park Foundation was founded in May 2001 to further public interest in parks and recreation, and to preserve our natural resources in Arlington Heights. One of its goals is to work with other associations to organize, promote and coordinate volunteer activities to enhance Park District programs. Foundation fund raising provides scholarships, equipment and sponsorships, and open space conservation.

One hundred and four properties in the Lynwood subdivision were annexed into the Park District in January and February 2003. The Park District purchased the building and land located at 1440 E. Davis Street (2.76 acres), adjacent to the Davis Service Center, for $\$ 1.2$ million in 2003. This purchase has allowed for the expansion of the service center operations at Davis Street and therefore, demolition of the warehouse building at 100 N. Hickory in October 2004, and eventual demolition of the service center at Pioneer Park. In 2004 the Park District purchased 1.83 acres of land at 1701 W. Kirchoff, adjacent to Sunset Meadows, for \$925,000, and in 2005, 2.489 acres of land leased at Sunset Meadows from the Village of Arlington Heights was transferred to Park District ownership.

The south annex wing of the Administration Center (built in the 1950's, adding kindergarten and first grade classrooms to the original 1938 North School building) was renovated in 2001. The Park District purchased the building in 1987 from School District 25 and renovated the former school into the Administration Center. Work on the annex was funded with a $\$ 500,000$ State of Illinois legislative grant secured by Representative Carolyn Krause. The annex was formally dedicated by Representative Krause on October 6, 2001, and programs began using the facilities on October 30, 2001. The renovation included remodeling two existing rooms into combination dance studio/meeting rooms, with a room divider for added flexibility; providing a program viewing/waiting room for families; improving the west parking lot entrance to the building; creating two outdoor accessible restrooms for North School Park events; and creating a receiving area for bulk delivery and increasing the storage area for program supplies.

Other facility renovations include the Heritage Gallery at the Arlington Heights Historical Museum in November 2000. The Gallery, which replaced the Country Store, is located in the Old Soda Pop Factory building and specializes in local history exhibits drawn from the Historical Society's collections along with national and regional traveling exhibits. The Gallery received $\$ 18,400$ in community grants to fund exhibits. Since 2000 the Museum and Historical Society have received $\$ 174,692$ in grants for the climate control project, HVAC improvements, special events and programming, and exhibits. An energy efficient light replacement project on the tennis courts at Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club was completed in 2005. The Park District received a \$36,720 grant from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation for the project. Heritage Tennis Club
benefited from a new light system and ceiling replacement in 2001 and a new roof in 2005. In 2004, Thor Guard Lightening Detection Systems were installed at Arlington Lakes and Nickol Knoll Golf Clubs.

The redevelopment of the ball diamond at Prairie Park into Rotary Field was a cooperative venture between the Park District and the Arlington Heights Youth Athletic Association. The renovation added sideline and homerun fencing; covered player's dugouts with cement floors and protected warm-up bullpens; an electronic scoreboard; and resurfaced the field. Youth Athletic secured funding in the form of a $\$ 25,000$ donation from the Arlington Heights Noon Rotary Club, a $\$ 20,000$ Illinois First grant from Senator David Sullivan, private donations, and the Park District did the work. Rotary Field was dedicated and opened for play on April 28, 2002. The baseball diamond at Centennial Park was renovated and dedicated as Griffith Field on May 31, 2003. The field improvements, including new sideline fencing, new dugout shelters on concrete slabs, and a modified backstop, were made possible through a $\$ 50,000$ donation from the Griffith family. In 2003 the sideline and outfield fencing was replaced at Meyer Field at Recreation Park and, in 2004 lights were installed on the soccer field at Melas Park.

New park development during the early 2000s included a new youth/peewee ball diamond at Recreation Park, located on the site of the 100 N. Hickory warehouse, which was dedicated on June 14, 2005. The Arlington Heights Youth Athletic Association donated \$6,500 for sideline and backstop fencing. Sunset Meadows Park development plans were approved in August 2004 and Phase I of the 3-phase project began in September 2005. When completely developed, the park will feature two lighted football/soccer fields, a playground, an expanded parking lot, and a building with washroom, storage and driving range service area. Other proposed additions to the park include a skate park and walking path.

Park District recreation programs during the early 21st century continued to grow in all areas. Two dance companies were formed: Synergy, for dancers ages 13 \& over, and Fusion, for dancers ages 9-15. Students must audition and the companies participate in dance competitions. Curtains Up, a performing arts camp offered in cooperation with the Metropolis Theatre, began in 2003 and has been a rousing success. The Playcenter program saw its first major change in many years with expanded offerings at several sites and a name change to Preschool. Participation in athletic activities remained high with growth in soccer, youth basketball with the addition of $1^{\text {st }} / 2^{\text {nd }}$ grade leagues, t-ball with the addition of evening classes, youth and adult volleyball and adult softball. The Park District signed agreements with the Buffalo Grove Park District in 2000 and the Wheeling Park District in 2002 to program and conduct summer outdoor tennis lessons. Special events increased in number with new events being held, including Janus Theatre, a historical United States flag display, National Night Out, the Arlington Heights Art Guild Art Show, and the Arlington Criterium Classic bike race at North School Park; Haunted Halloween and the Melinda the Mermaid series at Lake Arlington; Arlington Eve, sponsored by the Historical Society, and History on Stage and "Appraise the Past" antique event at the Museum; and the Soccer Parade, Family Fun Fair, Trunk or Treat, Polar Express Train Ride, Family Swim \& Campout, and school holiday day camps. Public swim, swim lessons and the inter-park swim teams all increased in number with the opening of the new swimming pools at Camelot, Frontier, Heritage, Pioneer and Olympic Parks. The Aquatic Leadership program, designed to mentor and teach assistant pool managers and assistant lesson coordinators solid leadership and aquatic skills, began in 2003. JAZ, the Junior

Activity Zone, was introduced for the 2002/2003 school year and is offered in partnership with the Village of Arlington Heights and School District 25. JAZ is an after school program for middle school students held at the Arlington Heights Teen Center, with students bused from their middle schools. Programs and activities continued to increase at the Senior Center with offerings during the day and evening Monday through Friday, Saturday mornings and Sunday afternoons, and monthly attendance topped the 5,000 mark for the first time during April 2002. During 2002 the non-senior program fees were eliminated; offering one fee for all programs at the Senior Center; however, priority registration is given to adults age 55 and over.

In late 2004 when planning for the 2005-2006 Budget and capital projects, and the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan, the Park District determined that a more current community interest survey was needed. The last community needs survey was conducted in 1999 and, since that time, the Village and Park District have changed in demographic make-up and housing patterns. Synovate, an international research company, was selected to assist staff in the creation and administration of a new community needs assessment. According to the results, residents want the following: choices for indoor/outdoor fitness; maintenance of playgrounds and facilities; continuing superior maintenance of parks; careful consideration of program schedules; consideration of specialized recreation options; and they favor neighborhood recreation centers, and feel it is better to expand them, over a large multi-purpose facility. In preparation for developing the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan, the Park District Board and staff worked with corporate consultant, Jane Turrentine, to develop a new vision, new goals and objectives for the Park District. This was the first major change in the comprehensive planning process since the first Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 1982. In April 2005, the Park Board approved a new vision statement for the Park District: The Arlington Heights Park District enriches our community by providing quality recreation, parks, facilities and fun. From the new vision statement, the Park Board and staff established six very wide reaching goals for the District. Once the goals were established, supervisory staff developed strategies for each goal and a series of specific objectives to assist the Park District in reaching each goal. This new format directs all staff to focus their objectives on common goals instead of individual goals, encourages more collaboration with staff in other departments, and provides a stronger emphasis on teamwork.

Since the late 1990s, the Park District Board and staff have discussed community center expansion concepts, from expanding and renovating the current five community centers to developing a large, centralized multi-use center. In September 2004 the Board and staff reviewed the various options, and in October, 2004, the Board officially approved Phase I of the Community Center Revitalization Program, which named Pioneer Park as the first community center and park to renovate. In April 2005, the Park District hired Williams Associates Architects, Ltd. as architects and Corporate Construction Services as the construction manager for the Pioneer Park project. After eight months of staff and community meetings, the Park Board approved the schematic design for Pioneer Park on January 6, 2006, and authorized Williams Architects to proceed with the design development phase. On April 11, 2006, the Park Board approved the Design Development Phase plans and drawings and authorized Williams Architects to initiate the Construction Document phase. Demolition and construction is projected to start in August or September 2005, after the swimming pool closes for the summer.

The Arlington Heights Park District continues to offer new and innovative programs, expand existing programs and services, and maintain a capital improvement schedule to renovate and update facilities and general infrastructure. The community of Arlington Heights will continue to be served through a network of 58 parks including five community parks with outdoor swimming pools and community centers along with a myriad of special facilities including Olympic Indoor Swim Center, Hasbrook Cultural Arts Center, the Historical Museum, Forest View Racquet and Fitness Club, Arlington Lakes Golf Club, Sunset Meadows Driving Range, Nickol Knoll Golf Club, Lake Arlington, Melas Park Sports Complex, and Heritage Tennis Club.

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| $1925-32$ | Nathaniel M. Banta | $1971-72$ | William A. Meister |
| $1925-33$ | Henry C. Klehm | $1971-72$ | Robert A. Stenzel |
| $1925-33$ | Eugene N. Berbecker | $1972-73$ | John C. Edwards |
| $1925-33$ | Julius D. Flentie | $1972-73$ | C. Robert Rees |
| $1929-35$ | James A. McElhose | $1972-75$ | Katherine A. Muller |
| $1932-40$ | Elmer W. Crane | $1972-79$ | Lloyd W. Meyer |
| $1933-43$ | William Windheim | $1973-74$ | Bruce B. Everly |
| $1933-45$ | George K. Volz | $1973-03$ | Kathryn E. Graham |
| $1933-45$ | Paul C. Taege | $1974-75$ | Arthur R. Gollberg |
| $1935-39$ | Thomas H. Wilson | $1975-75$ | Robert D. Smith |
| $1939-41$ | George A. Glow | $1975-75$ | Darwin W. Townsend |
| $1940-45$ | Marion A. Hogate | $1975-77$ | Robert J. Throckmorton |
| $1941-43$ | Elmer C. Karstens | $1975-79$ | Jacqueline J. Gruenewald |
| $1943-47$ | Elroy J. Harris | $1975-83$ | Robert P. Rohleder |
| $1943-49$ | Robert M. Beatty | $1977-81$ | F. Bruce Westerberg |
| $1945-49$ | Nat T. Burfeind | $1979-87$ | Chester W. Sawyer |
| $1945-51$ | Walter Kroeber | $1979-91$ | Arlene J. Mulder |
| $1945-57$ | Edward C. Wahl | $1981-00$ | Sandra L. Fernstrom |
| $1947-55$ | William H. Spomer | $1983-97$ | James M. Radlein |
| $1949-53$ | Lawrence J. Dahlgren | $1987-03$ | Michael S. Gilfillan |
| $1949-55$ | Earl W. Hadland | $1991-97$ | Sharon I. Romack |
| $1951-60$ | Robert M. Skallerup | $1997-01$ | Thomas G. Drake |
| $1953-54$ | Gerhard E. Seidel | $1997-$ | Robert Smith |
| $1954-55$ | Fred Gieske | $2000-$ | Robert L. Whisler |
| $1955-59$ | J. Warren White, Jr. | $2001-$ | Maryfrances H. Leno |
| $1955-60$ | Robert T. Bradle | $2003-$ | Andrew R. Bennett |
| $1955-67$ | George Schaefer | $2003-$ | Robert J. Nesvacil |
| $1957-71$ | E. Elliott Ormsbee |  |  |
| $1959-75$ | Charles B. Cronin |  |  |
| $1960-63$ | Wilbert E. Becker |  |  |
| $1960-69$ | Douglas L. Thomson |  |  |
| $1963-69$ | John C. Edwards |  |  |
| $1967-68$ | Joseph R. Byerwalter |  |  |
| $1968-72$ | Edward Condon |  |  |
| $1969-69$ | Thomas K. McShane |  |  |
| $1969-79$ | Roy A. Bressler |  |  |
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## Arlington Heights Park District

Directors

| John Bauer | Superintendent of Parks | 1926-1930, seasonal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albert Kehe | Superintendent of Parks | 1930 - seasonal, August-November |
| William F. Meyer, Jr. | Superintendent of Parks | 1931 - seasonal, March-November |
| Henry Mueller | Caretaker | 1932 - seasonal, March-November |
|  | Superintendent of Parks | 1933-1935, seasonal |
|  |  | January 1936-May 1939 |
|  | Caretaker | May 1939-February 1940 |
| ** All employees listed above actually worked in the maintenance and upkeep of the District's parks, not in an administrative or supervisory capacity. |  |  |
| Walter Kroeber | Park Superintendent of Construction of WPA | March 1937-July 1939 |
|  | Fieldhouse \& Swimming |  |
|  | Pool (Recreation Park) |  |
| John S. Hickey | Superintendent of Parks | May 1939-September 1940 |
| ** on May 13, 1940, the Commissioners stated that they felt the man so appointed as Superintendent of Parks should have complete charge of all Park operations. |  |  |
| Otto G. Bolte | Superintendent of Parks | September 1940-January 1942 |
| ${ }^{* *}$ on April 2, 1941, all Park District employees were placed under the supervision of the Superintendent of Parks |  |  |
| James McElhose, | Acting Superintendent of Parks | February 1942-March 1942 |
|  | Superintendent of Parks | April 1942-May 1944 |
| Herbert T. Mueller | Superintendent of Parks | May 1944-November 1944 |
| Alfred L. Blume | Superintendent of Parks | December 1944-April 1952 |
| Edward F. Wahl | Acting Superintendent of Parks | May 1952 |
| Thomas P. Thornton | Superintendent of Parks and Recreation | June 1952-November 1980 |
| Gerald M. Oakes | Executive Director | February 1981-December 2002 |
| Roger W. Key | Executive Director | December 2002 |

## Demographics

## Historical Perspective

Arlington Heights had its beginnings in the late 1830's when eastern homesteaders and German immigrants moved into the area. The new settlers started farming and small communities began to take shape. In 1854, the railroad came to Arlington Heights, linking the small farm town to the city of Chicago. The Village of Arlington Heights was incorporated in 1887 and by the early 1900’s basic civic improvements and public services had begun. Arlington Heights was changing from a small farm town into the suburban village we know today.

When the Park District was formed in 1925, it served a population of approximately 2,300. The population continued to grow at a steady pace until it reached 8,768 in 1950. Arlington Heights had its largest decade of population growth during the 1950's and 1960's, reaching 65,058 in 1970, due to suburban America's growth boom after World War II. During the next two decades, the population boom slowed, increasing to 75,460 in 1990.

Arlington Heights began as a community of young pioneers and the lower age groups were dominant in the Village through the 1970s. The post World War II baby boom and large movement of young families from the cities to the suburbs contributed to this dominance. By 1980 the population make-up was beginning to undergo a subtle change, transforming Arlington Heights from a village dominated by youth to a village whose majority of residents were 25 years old and over. All of these population changes can be attributed to the drop in the birth rate and the increase in life expectancy.

Population Comparisons

| AGE | $\mathbf{1 9 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 6 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 7 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 8 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 0}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| under 5 years | $10.4 \%$ | $14.2 \%$ | $8.9 \%$ | $5.6 \%$ | $6.9 \%$ |
| $5-17$ years | $20.4 \%$ | $29.3 \%$ | $31.6 \%$ | $23.6 \%$ | $15.8 \%$ |
| 18-24 years | $6.4 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $10.5 \%$ | $8.5 \%$ |
| 25-54 years | $46.8 \%$ | $41.7 \%$ | $40.8 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $46.5 \%$ |
| $55-64$ years | $8.2 \%$ | $5.7 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $9.6 \%$ | $10.1 \%$ |
| $65 \&$ over | $7.7 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $4.7 \%$ | $7.7 \%$ | $12.2 \%$ |
| 75 \& over | $3.1 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $3.1 \%$ | $5.3 \%$ |
| $85 \&$ over | na | $.3 \%$ | $.4 \%$ | $.7 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ |
| Median Age | 33.3 | 27.4 | 26.1 | 32.4 | 35.7 |

According to the U.S. Census, the number of households in Arlington Heights grew from 2,493 in 1950, to 28,810 in 1990, with largest period of growth between 1950 and 1970. Housing development has historically been low density and single-family. However, because of increasing land value and construction costs, along with the lesser availability of land area, housing began to favor moderate density and multi-family developments. The average household and family size followed the national trend, continuing to decline each year.

Historical population data on Arlington Heights shows that the majority of Village residents have been Caucasian. By 1990 the cultural diversity began to change slightly, with the largest minority group being Asian. In addition, residents who were of Hispanic origin continued to increase. According to past census data, the majority of Arlington Heights residents completed high school, while at least one-third received a bachelor's degree from college. Arlington Heights families have also reported continually increasing household and family median incomes.

| Village Population ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1870-600 | 1920-2,250 | 1970-65,058 |
| 1880-995 | 1930-4,997 | 1980-66,116 ${ }^{2}$ |
| 1890-1,424 | 1940-5,668 | 1990-75,460 ${ }^{3}$ |
| 1900-1,380 | 1950-8,768 | 2000-76,943 ${ }^{4}$ |
| 1910-1,943 | 1960-27,878 | 2030-82,441 ${ }^{5}$ |
| 1 "Patterns for Growth," Arlington Heights Planning Department. <br> U.S. Census Bureau, January 1981 <br> U.S. Census Bureau, January 1991 <br> ${ }^{4}$ U.S. Census Bureau, January $2001(76,031)$ <br> Special Census, $2005(76,943)$ <br> ${ }^{5}$ Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission. |  |  |

## Current Analysis and Trends

Arlington Heights is an attractive, affluent, prestigious community located in the Northwest Corridor of the Chicago Metropolitan area. Based on the 2000 census, Arlington Heights is the third largest suburb in Cook County, the eighth largest in the Chicago metropolitan area, and the twelfth largest community in the State of Illinois. The 2000 Census reports the population to be 76,031, an increase of only $.76 \%$ from 1990. In 2005 a special census that counts the people who have moved in since the 2000 census showed an increase of 912 residents, bringing the total population to $76,943$. Statistics reported by Census 2000 will have an impact on the Arlington Heights Park District, including the types of programs that are planned, and where and when they are held, to how the Park District communicates with residents and employees. There are a number of population trends that should be watched and studied to assess their impact on the Park District.

The decline in population growth is only natural considering that Arlington Heights is land-locked and the last large parcels of land were developed with homes and shopping centers during the 1990s. Five large residential developments were completed: Greenwood Place at Rand and Hintz Roads, featuring a combination of single family homes and townhouses; Luther Village, a senior living complex at the Lutheran Home; and three high-rise residential developments in downtown Arlington Heights - Arlington Town Square, Village Green and Metropolis Performing Arts Center. Village planners indicated the 2000 Census did not count all residents of the new downtown condos, as a majority were unoccupied when the census was being conducted. They predict a population growth between 1,000 and 1,200. The Daily Herald reported that one-half of those moving into downtown Arlington Heights are expected to be empty-nesters.

Census 2000 statistics show a shift in the age of Arlington Heights’ residents. The number of children under age five declined by $12.3 \%$ to 4,554 , following a $41 \%$ increase from 1980 to 1990. Conversely, the number of school age children ( $5-17$ year olds) grew by $9.2 \%$, to 13,001 , with the largest growth in the 10-14 year old range. College age and young adults ages 18-24 declined by $29 \%$, to 4,537. The number of 25-54 year olds and 55-64 year olds remained stable, with a decline of $3.4 \%$, to 33,870 , and an increase of $2.8 \%$, to 7,848 , respectively. The largest changes came in the senior age groups, with ages $65-74$ increasing by $14.5 \%$, to 6,015 ; ages $75-84$ increasing by $57 \%$, to 4,355 ; and ages 85 \& over increasing by $53 \%$, to 1,851 . The median age of Arlington Heights residents increased by four years, to 39.7, largely due to the surge in the population age 75 and over.

Arlington Heights clearly follows the national trend of an aging population. The Daily Herald reports that the number of people between the ages of 75 and 84 grew faster in the Northwest suburbs in the past 10 years than in Cook County, the State of Illinois, or the United States. The Chicago Tribune reports there are more older and middle age people, compared with young people, than at anytime in United States history. This generation maintains active, healthier lifestyles before and after retirement and shows less inclination to slow down as they age. The "new-older generation" benefits from improved medicine and medical advances. In addition, as the Daily Herald reports, seniors (age 60+) are staying in their communities as empty-nesters. Instead of moving to warmer climates, the majority are remaining in their own homes or moving into the downtown condominium/apartment developments in order to stay close to family and friends and live in the towns they helped build.

Arlington Heights continues to see growth in the number of minority residents with Asians becoming the largest minority group. Census 2000 data reported $90.6 \%$ of the residents are white, followed by $6 \%$ Asians, $1 \%$ Black or African American, and $2.5 \%$ indicating other races. This compares to the 1990 Census statistics of $94.8 \%$ white, $3.7 \%$ Asian, $.6 \%$ Black or African American, and $.8 \%$ other races. The percentage of residents who are of Hispanic origin is $4.5 \%$ of the total population in 2000, an increase of $65 \%$ since 1990. The number of Arlington Heights residents who were born outside of the United States increased to 10,546 , a jump of $50 \%$. Of the population age five and over, $17.7 \%$ reported speaking a language other than English at home, a 49.6\% increase from 1990. More people reported speaking Indo-European languages, followed by Spanish, and Asian/Pacific Island languages.

Census 2000 statistics show Arlington Heights is a stable, family-oriented community. The total number of households increased by $6.8 \%$ to 30,763 . Family households actually declined in number, but they still make up $66.7 \%$ of the total households, while non-family households (the householder living alone or with non relatives) increased, making up $33.3 \%$ of the total households. The traditional married couple family with children under 18 represented one out of every four total households, while $3.5 \%$ of the total households are headed by single parents raising children under 18. One out of every four households includes individuals 65 years and over. The average household size in 2000 decreased to 2.44 persons, and the average family size decreased to 3.05 . Of the total occupied housing units, $76.7 \%$ are owner-occupied and $23.3 \%$ are rented, compared to 1990 statistics of $72.6 \%$ owner occupied and $27.4 \%$ rented. Only $3 \%$ of the total housing units are vacant, a decrease from 5.3\% in 1990.

Single family homes represent $65 \%$ of the total housing units, as in 1990, and $60.6 \%$ of those ages five and over lived in the same house in Arlington Heights as they did in 1995, compared to 54.2\% in 1985.

According to Census 2000 data, Arlington Heights is a relatively affluent community. The median household income is $\$ 67,807$, which is a $32.1 \%$ increase from $\$ 51,331$ in 1990 . However, when the 1990 median household income is adjusted for inflation, the increase is only $1.25 \%$. Village officials feel that senior housing developments and condominium conversions of apartment complexes during the 1990s, which have kept the older population in Arlington Heights longer, are among the reasons for this small gain. In comparison, the median household income of the State of Illinois is \$46,590; and the United States is $\$ 41,994$. The 2000 median home value rose steadily to $\$ 240,600$ from $\$ 169,100$, helped primarily by the successful downtown revitalization.

People who live in Arlington Heights are well educated and the employment rate is high. Almost all residents age 25 and over are high school graduates, and almost one-half of those are college graduates. Employment statistics show that fewer residents are part of the work force in 2000, 40,866 , as compared with 43,136 in 1990, during a period when the population remained relatively stable. Arlington Heights officials feel that this number declined because of older people moving in and current residents retiring. However, the employment rate remains high, at $65.9 \%$, with $1.6 \%$ unemployment. Only $1.6 \%$ of Arlington Heights families were considered to be living below the poverty level. Arlington Heights is following the state and national trend of an increase in dual income families, which is creating the need for additional child support services. In 2000, 52.3\% of children under age 6 had both parents living at home, in the labor force, up from 49.8\% in 1990. Also, $66.6 \%$ of children ages 6-17 had both parents living at home in the work force, up from $64.2 \%$ in 1990.

## Arlington Heights, Illinois Census Comparison 2000 to 1990

|  | 2000 |  | 1990 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| POPULATION |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 76,031 | 100.00\% | 75,640 | 100.00\% |
| Under 5 | 4,554 | 6.80\% | 5,191 | 6.90\% |
| ages 5-17 | 13,001 | 17.10\% | 11,906 | 15.80\% |
| ages 18-24 | 4,537 | 6.00\% | 6,411 | 8.50\% |
| ages 25-54 | 33,870 | 44.50\% | 35,080 | 46.50\% |
| ages 55-64 | 7,848 | 10.30\% | 7,637 | 10.10\% |
| ages 65-74 | 6,015 | 7.90\% | 5,251 | 6.90\% |
| ages 75-84 | 4,355 | 5.70\% | 2,775 | 5.30\% |
| ages 85 + | 1,851 | 2.40\% | 1,209 | 1.60\% |
| Median Age |  |  |  |  |
| RACE/ETHNIC ORIGIN |  |  |  |  |
| White | 68,854 | 90.60\% | 71,514 | 94.80\% |
| Black or African American | 728 | 1.00\% | 479 | 0.60\% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 58 | 0.10\% | 52 | 0.10\% |
| Asian | 4,548 | 6.00\% |  |  |
| Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander | 30 | 0.00\% | 2,797 | 3.70\% |
| Some other race | 907 | 1.20\% | 618 | 0.80\% |
| Two or more races | 906 | 1.20\% | na | na |
| Hispanic Origin of any Race | 3,393 | 4.50\% | 2,046 | 2.70\% |
| Foreign Born Population | 10,546 | 13.90\% | 7,042 | 9.30\% |
| Language Spoken at Home Population 5 years and over | 71,417 | 100.00\% | 70,296 | 100.00\% |
| English Only | 58,797 | 82.30\% | 62,199 | 88.50\% |
| Language other than English | 12,620 | 17.70\% | 8,727 | 12.40\% |
| Spanish | 2,721 | 3.80\% | 1,457 | 2.10\% |
| Other Indo-European Languages | 6,524 | 9.10\% | na | na |
| Asian \& Pacific Island Languages | 2,863 | 4.00\% | 1,977 | 2.80\% |
| HOUSEHOLDS |  |  |  |  |
| Total Households | 30,763 | 100.00\% | 28,810 | 100.00\% |
| Family Households | 20,531 | 66.70\% | 20,644 | 71.70\% |
| with own children under 18 | 8,982 | 29.20\% | na | na |
| Married-couple family | 17,972 | 58.40\% | 18,272 | 63.40\% |
| with own children under 18 | 7,912 | 25.70\% | na | na |
| Female Householder, no husband present | 1,925 | 6.30\% | 1,789 | 6.20\% |
| with own children under 18 | 857 | 2.80\% | na | na |
| Male Householder | 634 | 2.10\% | 583 | 2.00\% |
| with own children under 18 | 213 | 0.70\% | na | na |
| Non-Family Households | 10,232 | 33.30\% | 8,166 | 28.30\% |
| Householder living alone | 8,908 | 29.00\% | 6,836 | 23.70\% |
| Householder 65 \& over | 3,529 | 11.50\% | 2,412 | 8.40\% |
| Households with persons under 18 years | 9,319 | 30.30\% | 9,239 | 32.40\% |
| Households with persons 65 \& over | 8,366 | 27.20\% | 6,215 | 21.60\% |
| Average Household Size |  |  |  |  |
| Average Family Size |  |  |  |  |

## Arlington Heights, Illinois <br> Census Comparison 2000 to 1990

|  | 2000 |  | 1990 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| HOUSING UNITS |  |  |  |  |
| Total Housing Units | 31,725 | 100.00\% | 30,428 | 100.00\% |
| Occupied | 30,763 | 97.00\% | 28,810 | 94.70\% |
| Owner Occupied | 23,608 | 76.70\% | 20,914 | 72.60\% |
| Renter Occupied | 37,155 | 23.30\% | 7,896 | 27.40\% |
| Median Rent | \$933 |  | \$711 |  |
| Vacant | 962 | 3.00\% | 1,618 | 5.30\% |
| Single Family Homes | 20,617 | 65.00\% | 19,808 | 65.10\% |
| Living in same house as 1995 (age 5 \& over) | 43,291 | 60.60\% |  |  |
| Living in same house as 1985 (age 5 \& over) |  |  | 38,429 | 54.60\% |
| INCOME/HOME VALUE |  |  |  |  |
| Median Household Income | \$67,807 |  | \$51,331 |  |
| 1990 Income adjusted for inflation |  |  | \$66,969 |  |
| Median Home Value | \$240,600 |  | \$169,100 |  |
| 1990 Home value adjusted for inflation |  |  | \$217,119 |  |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |
| Percent High School Graduate \& over | 92.70\% |  | 89.80\% |  |
| Percent Bachelors Degree \& over | 46.50\% |  | 39.50\% |  |
| EMPLOYMENT STATUS |  |  |  |  |
| Population 16 years and over | 60,502 | 100.00\% | 60,453 | 100.00\% |
| In labor force | 40,866 | 67.50\% | 43,136 | 71.40\% |
| Employed | 39,845 | 65.90\% | 41,977 | 69.40\% |
| Unemployed | 992 | 1.60\% | 1,145 | 1.90\% |
| Not in labor force | 19,636 | 32.50\% | 17,317 | 28.60\% |
| Families below poverty level | 323 | 1.60\% | 289 | 1.40\% |
| Persons below poverty level | 1,878 | 2.50\% | 1,788 | 2.40\% |
| Own children under 6 years | 5,658 | 100.00\% | 6,228 | 100.00\% |
| All parents in family in labor force | 2,959 | 52.30\% | 3,099 | 49.80\% |
| Own children 6-17 years | 11,709 | 100.00\% | 10,713 | 100.00\% |
| All parents in family in labor force | 7,802 | 66.60\% | 6,879 | 64.20\% |

NOTE: 2004/05 Special Census: Population - 76,943; Housing Units - 32,114

## Population Growth vs Park District Acreage



## 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan Community Input

The 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan was prepared by staff in draft format and distributed so that all community members would be able to review and comment on the contents. A copy was available for public inspection at all five community centers, the Administration Center and the Arlington Heights Memorial Library. In addition, a copy was placed on the Park District website.

On April 5, 2006, a public meeting was held and the public was invited to comment and/or ask questions about the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan. There were no members of the community in attendance at this meeting. In addition, comments were sought from the community about the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan via a survey on the Park District's website. (See the survey on the following page.)

Seven responses were received from the survey, one non-resident, two from each the Pioneer Park area and the Recreation Park area, and one each from the Camelot Park area and Frontier Park area. The following is brief synopsis of comments and suggestions received.

- The plan does not show expansion/addition of walking/biking trails despite the results of the 2004 Community Interest Survey which show this as an area of need.
- No dogs in the parks - to allow dogs in a mixed use park is unsanitary and scary for kids. If dogs are ever allowed, it should be only in a dog specific park.
- Dogs should be allowed in the parks: my dog is a part of my family and should be included in family outings to the park.
- We need a dog park where dogs can socialize.
- Recreation Park Community Center needs a makeover.
- We need a park district building that has a pool, indoor walking track and work out facility like Park Ridge and Niles.
- We need more art development classes for kids.
- Update the gymnasium at Recreation Park it is outdated and inadequate and it doesn't meet current standards for our disabled citizens. Priority should be given to updating indoor facilities. Costs could be defrayed by membership and tournament fees like in Mount Prospect, Libertyville and Des Plaines.
- If "open land was difficult to obtain in AH" (as was stated in the Plan,) why didn't the Park District purchase the last farm in AH last year? It was sold to developers.
- Please change the law to allow dogs in the parks. Make AH a more dog friendly community.
- Consideration should be given to offering weekend programs to accommodate working parents - more baby and toddler Park District programs should be offered on the weekends.
- Patriots Park soccer fields are in horrible shape for the travel soccer teams. This could cause injury if a child was to twist an ankle or knee.


# Arlington Heights Park District Comprehensive Plan Survey 2006-2001 

1. In your opinion, does the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan cover all of the necessary aspects of long term planning for the Park District?
Yes $\qquad$ No $\qquad$ No Opinion $\qquad$
If no, what do you believe should be added to the Comprehensive Plan? Please explain:
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2. Are there projects for your neighborhood that you feel should be included in the planning process?
Yes_ No ___ No Opinion ___
If yes, please explain:
3. What neighborhood are you from: (Please choose one)

Camelot Frontier Heritage Pioneer Recreation NonResident
4. Additional comments:
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Thank you for helping make The Arlington Heights Park District a better place to recreate.

