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SPRA MEETING SCHEDULE 2010
 Meetings start at 2pm

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
January 20	Woodridge Park District 2600 Center Dr. Woodridge, 60517
February 17	Buffalo Grove Park District Alcott Center 530 Bernard Buffalo Grove, 60089
March 17	Oak Brook Park District 1450 Forest Gate Rd Oak Brook ,60523
April 21	Wheaton Park District Community Center 1777 S Blanchard Rd Wheaton, 60187
May 19	Glen Ellyn Park District Ackerman Sports Complex 800 St. Charles Rd Glen Ellyn, 60137
No June Meeting	
July 21	Addison Park District Links N Tees Clubhouse 880 W. Lake Street Addison, 60101
August 18	Bensenville Park District Deer Grove Leisure Center 100 W. Wood Ave Bensenville, 60106
September 15	Winnetka Park District Maple St. Park 725 Sheridan Rd. Winnetka, 60093
October 20	Schaumburg Park District Meineke Recreation Center 220 E. Weathersfield Way Schaumburg, 60193
November 17	Bartlett Park District 700 S Bartlett Rd Bartlett, 60103
December	TBA

Please note locations may change. To confirm meeting locations please contact A.J. Collier, SPRA President at 630-540-4800 or email acollier@bartlettparks.org

Your inside scoop for news inside SPRA!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

December 2009

With this being my last president's message, I just wanted to take some time to say thank you to everyone who has helped me during my term as President of SPRA. It has been a wonderful year filled with new experiences and I am truly appreciative to all of you who have been by my side through it all. SPRA has provided me with great opportunities for involvement, leadership and networking over these last 8 years and this year as President has topped them all. I can't wait to see what the years to come will bring and with that I am happy to introduce the newly elected board:

President: A.J. Collier, Bartlett Park District

President Elect: **Dan Peboontom, Woodridge Park District**

Past President: Jody Dodson, Hoffman Estates Park District

Treasurer: **Karen Spandikow, Oak Brook Park District**

Secretary: **Sarah Sandquist, Glen Ellyn Park District**

Congratulations to Dan, Karen and Sarah! Thanks to all SPRA members that voted. Your votes really matter, and overall we had a great turnout.

We hope to see a lot of new faces next year- I have included our preliminary calendar. Pick some meetings and come!

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Holiday Meeting - TBA

SPRA Social Chicago, IL. Don't forget to visit us at social this year- info enclosed!

Jody

Jody Dodson

SPRA President/Hoffman Estates Park District

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Our next meeting will be held on January 20th @ 2pm at the Woodridge Park District:



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CONTACT:

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Save the Date

Summer Leadership Workshop

Saturday June 5, 2010

Great for

- Camp Counselors
- Camp Supervisors
- Camp Volunteers

More Details to follow in upcoming newsletters



Kim Dasbach - Bartlett P.D. in the Grand Tetons'



Jody Dodson & Alisa Kapunski of Hoffman Estates P.D. living it up in VEGAS. Remember what happens in Vegas...



Congratulations to The Itasca Park District who won the NRPA Gold Medal Award at the NRPA Conference in Salt Lake City Utah!



Conference 2010 SPRA Social

Join us this year for the place to be as we party hard in style with hats of all shapes and sizes! Wear your favorite hat!
Refreshments, DJ, Flippy Cup and more...

Sponsored by:



When: Thursdays January 28th

Time: 7- 9 PM

Where: Chicago Hilton - Conference Hotel

\$5 - Raffle for great prizes!

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SPRA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE 22nd ANNUAL WALLYBALL TOURNAMENT

Date: Friday, February 19 **Cost:** \$80.00/team
Time: 11:00 am – 3:30 pm **Limit:** 12 teams
Deadline: Wednesday, February 10 **Location:** Schaumburg Park District
Schaumburg Tennis Plus
1416 N. Payne Rd.
Schaumburg, IL 60173
(847) 884-0678

Enter a team in the 22nd Annual SPRA Wallyball Tournament.
Wallyball is volleyball played on a racquetball court.

Come on out and enjoy this exciting sport with your staff. For more details or questions, call Dan Peboontom at (630) 334-3344.

Please make checks payable to SPRA.
Detach and mail or fax your roster to Dan Peboontom, Woodridge Park District, 2600 Center Dr., Woodridge, IL 60517.

FAX NUMBER: (630) 353-3310

Teamname: _____

AGENCY: _____ PHONE/FAX: _____ / _____

****There is a minimum of 4 players needed with two players needing to be female****

CAPTAIN: _____ PLAYER 5: _____

PLAYER 2: _____ PLAYER 6: _____

PLAYER 3: _____ PLAYER 7: _____

PLAYER 4: _____ PLAYER 8: _____

NOTE: Please indicate if you or any member of your team needs special assistance or accommodations to participate in the tournament.



THE GRAPE VINE



Baby News:

- * Nicole Chesak (Recreation Superintendent - Glendale Heights) and her husband Joe gave birth to baby girl named Kiya Rayne Chesak on December 16th. She was 7lbs 9 oz, 21 inch
- * Gabriel Castillo (Recreation Supervisor - Glendale Heights) and his wife Jessica are expecting their first child, due in June!

On the Move:

- * Brian Romes- formally of Carol Stream is the new Recreation Manager for the Park District of Highland Park
- * Logan Rietz - formally of Medinah is the new Athletic Supervisor for Round Lake Park District

Job Opening:

- * Athletics Supervisor - Medinah P.D. - closes 1/12/2010
- * Recreation Center Manager - Deerfield P.D. - closes 1/15/2010

Editors Note: It has been a fantastic opportunity to be able to serve the members of SPRA through my newsletters. I have enjoyed my time as Editor and hope you have enjoyed the last 2 years of me bringing you the inside scoop, along with a new look and the opportunity to test your CPRP skills... Here's to the end of 2009 and new beginning's in 2010... Thank You!

Congratulations to everyone!

*Do you have any information you would like to have posted in the **GRAPEVINE**?*

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See our Greatest Hits Demo Video: AlmostBrothersBand.com



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2010 Fest
or
Concert
Series!**



**Previous Events:
Naperville Ribfest
Woodridge Jubilee
Rockford On The
Waterfront
Peoria Budweiser
Grand Nationals
Schaumburg Flyers
Wisc. State Fair
Rockfest
and many more!**

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Newsletter copy
Dec 30th**

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