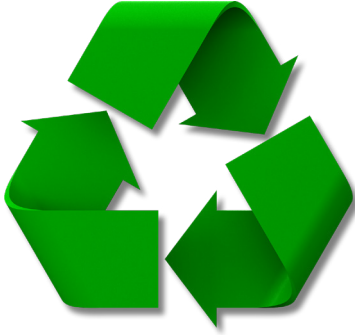




GREEN TEAM 2019 HIGHLIGHTS



38,261 POUNDS

of textiles recycled and prevented from going to landfills last year



500+ POUNDS

of batteries recycled



74,978,400 GALLONS

of water saved through recycling



Our mission is to establish and maintain sound environmental policies, practices, and educational opportunities for the employees and patrons of the Wheaton Park District.

Greening Your Charter Members

Terra Johnson & Angie Dosch (Co-Chairs); Mary Beth Cleary, Andrew Cross, Darrell Houston, Justin Kirtland, Valerie Lorimer, Jamie Martinson, Sally Oppenheim, Nick Parisi, Erin Rominski, Paul Stanczyk, Joe Themel, Rita Trainor, Mark Wagner, and Matthew Wrobel.



2019 HIGHLIGHTS

- Bluebird, purple martin and bat boxes were constructed and installed at Arrowhead Golf Course.
- Native plant garden was planted in cooperation with the Green Team and VALUES Committee at the Community Center.
- Worked towards completing Audubon Certification for Arrowhead by achieving 6 of the 7 requirements in this multiyear certification process.
- Created monthly Facebook green tips.
- Created quarterly Green Team e-blasts sent to all park district households.
- Implemented the quarterly employee recognition, the “Green Star Award”.
- Improved recycling opportunities by adding over 50 recycling receptacles in our parks.
- Team members hosted a Lunch and Learn opportunity about the importance of parks and our health for park district staff in cooperation with the Health and Wellness Committee.
- Lincoln Marsh staff presented programs about recycling and nature to Wide Horizon’s preschoolers and no school camps.
- Earned USAgain “Green Seal of Sustainability” for excellence in recycling.
- Green Team members attended a presentation by the Conservation Foundation.
- Energy efficient lighting installed at the Prairie Administrative building and Cosley Zoo.
- SCARCE benefit dinner hosted at Arrowhead with 20% of restaurant sales benefiting SCARCE.
- Arrowhead Golf Club placed 3rd at the BioBlitz (Audubon) in the Community Engagement category.



New in 2020!
Crayon Recycling at the Community Center

WORKING TOWARD...AUDUBON CERTIFICATION



Achieving certification with Audubon is a multiyear process, we have been working on as time allows since January 2018. We have 6 of 7 categories completed to date and hope to have the final category and required site visit completed in early-mid 2020.

The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf is an award-winning education and certification program that helps golf courses protect our environment and preserve the natural heritage of the game of golf.



2020 GOALS

Continue to establish and maintain sound environmental policies, practices and educational opportunities for the employees and patrons of the Wheaton Park District.