



**FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Cook County Building, Board Room,  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**BOARD AGENDA**

**Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 11:00 AM**

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT**

[17-0110](#)

**Presented by:** MATTHEW B. DELEON, Secretary to the Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ITEM AMENDMENT**

**Department:** Secretary to the Board of Commissioners

**Request:** To accommodate renovation schedules at one of the facilities in question, the Board is being asked to switch locations of the 5/11/2017 and 7/20/2017 meetings. This is the only change requested.

**Item Number:** 17-0035

**Fiscal Impact:** N/A

**Account(s):** N/A

**District(s):** Countywide

**Original Text of Item:**

**RESOLUTION****ESTABLISHING THE LOCATION OF OFFSITE BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2017**

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with Title 1, Chapter 5, Section 4-(a), the Forest Preserve District of Cook

County (the "Forest Preserve") Code of Ordinances, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") shall hold regular meetings pursuant to an annual calendar adopted by resolution of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 2.02 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, every public body shall give public notice of the schedule of regular meetings at the beginning of each calendar or fiscal year and shall state the regular dates, times and places of such meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve Board satisfied its statutory and local ordinance obligations to publish notice of its schedule of regular meetings for calendar year 2017 by passing Resolution 16-0495 at the regular meeting of the Forest Preserve Board on December 13, 2016, and

**WHEREAS**, it was indicated in Resolution 16-0495 that the Board plans to conduct at least three of its regular meetings on March 9, 2017; May 11, 2017; and July 20, 2017 in locations other than the County Building Room 569, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60602, which is where the other regular meetings for calendar year 2017 are scheduled to be held; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve Board now wishes to publicize the locations in which the regular meetings scheduled for March 9, 2017, May 11, 2017, and July 20, 2017 are to be held.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Forest Preserve Board:

1. That the Forest Preserve Board shall hold a regular meeting of the Board on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at the Forest Preserve Volunteer Resource Center located at 6100 N. Central Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60646.
2. That the Forest Preserve Board shall hold a regular meeting of the Board on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at the ~~Forest Preserve Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion located at 8659 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60620~~ Chicago Botanic Garden located at 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, Illinois 60022.
3. That the Forest Preserve Board shall hold a regular meeting of the Board on Thursday, July 20, 2017 at the ~~Chicago Botanic Garden located at 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, Illinois 60022~~ Forest Preserve Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion located at 8659 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60620.
4. That the time for holding the regular meetings referenced above in items 1-3 of this Resolution is 11:00 a.m., local time.
5. That the same dates listed here will be used to schedule the following standing committee meetings of the Forest Preserve Board, set to begin at 10:30 a.m., local time: a) the Committee on Rules; and b) the Committee on Finance.

[17-0121](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Resource Management

**Vendor:** Hey & Associates, Inc., Volo, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”) to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Hydrologic restoration planning at Powderhorn Lake

**Contract Value:** \$84,907.00

**Contract period:** 4/11/2017 - 5/31/2018

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2017 \$56,605.00, FY 2018 \$28,302.00

**Accounts:** 51009.521452 Habitat Enhancement, 51009.521440 Potential Grant Match and Work Fund, Grant Accounts: 51010.29982, 51010.22522

**Contract Number(s):** 17-31-105

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

**District(s):** 4

**Summary:** Contract #17-31-105 is a Request for Proposals for professional engineering services to study, define, and propose practices to mitigate non-point source (i.e., stormwater runoff) pollution at the Powderhorn Lake site in Burnham. Understanding and mitigating stormwater impacts will allow the Preserves to improve and restore the hydrology of the site, thereby halting the degradation of this important native fish and migratory bird habitat. The Preserves received a total of four (4) proposals.

The Preserves assembled a review panel which consisted of various Preserve staff, who considered Hey & Associates’ proposal the most responsive, with particular strengths in experience, expertise and performance capacity as it related to the work as requested in the contract specifications.

The project is being partially funded through a grant received from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources’ Coastal Management Program, which was previously approved by the Board of

Commissioners on 12/13/2016.

[17-0125](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licenser to grant a License to Wide Open West d/b/a WOW!, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain four thousand three hundred (4,300) linear feet of aerial fiber optic line on an existing ComEd utility pole line approximately three hundred and fifty (350) feet north of Lawrence Avenue from Des Plaines River Road to East River Road in the Catherine Chevalier Woods Forest Preserve. The proposed fiber optic line will connect Verizon Wireless cellular towers for public telecommunication purposes. The existing ComEd utility pole line was granted by License 713 in 1967 and last renewed in 2017 for a ten (10) year term.

**Term:** Ten (10) years, 4/11/2017 - 4/10/2027

**License Fee:** \$106,611.57

**License Application Fee:** \$1,000.00

**YELAR Fee:** \$3,600.00

**Total:** \$111,211.57 for the term of the License  
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** N/A

**The area of the License is:** 64,500 square feet, or 1.48 acres

**Concurrence(s):**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff have reviewed this license application and plans and have submitted a report and favorable recommendation as backup.

**District(s):** 9

[17-0126](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to the Village of Riverside, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain thirty seven (37) linear feet of 24-inch storm sewer and outfall structure to the Des Plaines River in the Salt Creek Preserves, between First Avenue and the Des Plaines River at the BNSF Railroad, between Ogden and 31st Street. The proposed sewer is part of a project to improve water quality in the Des Plaines River watershed by separating stormwater runoff from the existing combined sewer, which will relieve flooding and reduce combined sewer overflow discharge into the Forest Preserve and the river.

**Term:** Continuous

**License Fee:** \$4,100.00

**License Application Fee:** \$5,500.00

**YELAR Fee:** \$6,150.00

**Total:** \$15,750.00 for the term of the License  
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** \$285.53

**The area of the License is:** 900 square feet or 0.02 acres

**Concurrence(s):**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff have reviewed this license application and plans and have submitted a report and favorable recommendation as backup.

**District(s):** 17

[17-0122](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED AGREEMENT**

**Vendor:** Chicago River Canoe and Kayak, Evanston, Illinois

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”) to enter into an agreement

**Reason:** Contact 17-40-401 is a request for boat concessions at the Maple Lake Boat House. The selected vendor, Chicago River Canoe and Kayak, was determined to be the most responsive and responsible of the two (2) respondents to operate the facility. Chicago River Canoe and Kayak will be responsible for maintaining and providing kayak, canoe and rowboat rentals and concessions at the Maple Lake Boat House. The contract term is for a period of three (3) years, with two (2) two-year renewal options.

Chicago River Canoe and Kayak has agreed to pay the Preserves the following annual fee(s), plus 5% of gross sales.

Year 1: \$6,000.00, Year 2: \$7,000.00, Year 3: \$8,000.00, Year 4: \$9,000.00, Year 5: \$10,000.00, Year 6: \$11,000.00, Year 7: \$12,000.00

**Contract period:** Eighty four (84) months from the issuance of the Purchase Order

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Generation of \$63,000.00 + 5% of gross sales

**Account(s):** Revenue Generating

**Concurrence(s):**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

**District(s):** 17

[17-0130](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Office of the General Superintendent and Human Resources

**Vendor:** Samaritan Technologies, Salt Lake City, Utah

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to extend and amend contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Volunteer Recruitment and Recordkeeping Software and Database

**Original Contract Period:** 1/12/2012 - 1/11/2013, annual renewal thereafter until 3/27/2017 and Administrative Extension from 3/28/2017 - 4/10/2017

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** 4/11/2017 - 3/26/2018

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$71,986.34

**Original Approval:** 1/12/2012, \$13,225.00

**Previous Increase(s):** 2013, \$10,103.00; 2014, \$14,358.34; 2015, \$16,800.00; 2016, \$17,500.00

**This Increase Requested:** \$18,000.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2017 \$18,000.00

**Accounts:** 51001.5110.14320.521446.00000.00000 and 51001.5122.14915.520840.00000.00000

**Contract Number(s):** N/A

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** Samaritan is a website provider for eCoordinator & eRecruiter which serves as both a volunteer database and an online volunteer recruitment tool. It is the foundation for the Forest Preserve's volunteer recruitment initiatives and also serves as a volunteer recordkeeping, reporting and communication link. The Forest Preserve also uses Samaritan's services for tracking employee trainings. There are currently about 5,000 users of the Samaritan system. This is a request for an emergency contract extension. The Forest Preserve will issue a Request for Proposals in 2017.

[17-0138](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Permits, Rentals, and Concessions

**Vendor:** Glencoe Golf Course, Glencoe, Illinois and the Village of Glencoe, Glencoe, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to amend contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Revenue generation relating to the use of Forest Preserve property for golf



course purposes by Glencoe Golf Course (“GGC”)

**Original Contract Period:** Continuous term from 1922

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** The agreement currently has a continuous term without a termination date. The proposed amendment includes a termination date for the agreement of 20 years from the effective date of the amendment. In the event that financing is secured by either GGC or the Village of Glencoe to enable the construction of improvements, and the Forest Preserve receives proper notice of this financing, then the term of the agreement may be extended for up to a maximum of twelve (12) years in order to facilitate the ability of the GGC or the Village of Glencoe to obtain such financing.

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** N/A

**Original Approval:** N/A

**Previous Increase(s):** N/A

**This Increase Requested:** N/A

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Revenue generation in the amount of following: (1) one-time payment of \$50,000, and (2) annual payment in the amount that is equal to the greater of \$62,500 or 3.6% of the annual gross revenue generated by GGC from golf course operations during the immediately preceding year. No permit or license fee, other than a special use permit fee for alcohol shall be required to be paid by GGC to the Forest Preserve with respect to golf course operations.

**Accounts:** Revenue generating

**Contract Number(s):** N/A

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

**District(s):** 13

**Summary:** In 1922, the Forest Preserve and GGC entered into an agreement relating to the use and operation of certain property comprising approximately 66 acres of Forest Preserve property as part of a public golf course to which both the Forest Preserve and the Village of Glencoe each contributed land. The Forest Preserve renegotiated the original agreement, as reflected in the proposed amendment, to (1) revise the financial consideration that GGC should pay to the Forest Preserve, and (2) establish a termination date for the use by GGC of Forest Preserve property.

[17-0134](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Planning & Development

**Other Part(ies):** Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (“MWRD”)

**Request:** Authorization to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with MWRD for the reconstruction and maintenance of the Lyons Levee

**Goods or Services:** Grant of permanent and temporary easements and waiver of tree mitigation fees to allow MWRD to improve, raise, and maintain the Lyons Levee from Joliet Road downstream in Ottawa Trail Woods to south of 47th Street along the west edge of the Chicago Portage National Historic Site

**Agreement Number(s):** N/A

**Agreement Period:** Continuous

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Accounts:** N/A

**District(s):** 16

**Summary:** MWRD, under an agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for the design and construction, proposes to repair, rehabilitate, and replace the Lyons Levee to protect against a 100-year flood event. In April 2013, floodwater from the Des Plaines River overtopped the Lyons Levee and flooded a portion of the Village of Forest View. The FPCC acquired the property containing the Lyons Levee along the Des Plaines River from MWRD in 1950. The conveyance deed provided that the grantee (the FPCC) would continue to maintain the existing or new levees. The proposed 11.21 acre permanent easements and 1.05 acre temporary easement will provide access and right of entry to MWRD and the Corps for the construction, operation and maintenance of the levee. The proposed agreement is subject to final review and approval by the FPCC’s Legal Department.

[17-0131](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION REQUEST**

**Department:** Planning and Development

**Grantee:** The Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves")

**Grantor:** Illinois Department of Natural Resources' Recreational Trails Program ("RTP")

**Request:** Authorization to apply for grant

**Purpose:** Authorization to apply for grant funds and match funds if awarded for the repair of an underpass at 119th and LaGrange Road in Palos Park, IL.

**Grant Amount:** \$200,000.00

**Grant Period:** Two (2) years from entering into formal agreement with Illinois Department of Natural Resources

**Fiscal Impact:** \$40,000.00

**Accounts:** Trail Accounts 51025-560063, 51026-560063, 51054-560063, 51055-560063, 51056-560063, 51057-560063, 51009-560063, and all future trail accounts

**Concurrences:** The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

**District(s):** 17

**Summary:** Approval of resolution authorizing the Preserves to apply for a grant and, if awarded, to provide match funds and enter into an agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. The RTP grant would provide funding primarily for the repair of an underpass at 119th and LaGrange in Palos Park, Illinois. The underpass repairs and other related trail repairs would enhance the popular 8.1 mile loop trail that connects to the Sag Valley Trail System. The repair of this underpass would ensure that visitors have a safe and convenient way to connect to the trail system and would contribute to the overall enhancement of the trail system.

[17-0058](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Procurements and Disbursements Report

**Report Period:** 2/1/2017 - 2/28/2017

**Summary:** Submitting the Procurements and Disbursements Report for the period of February 2017. This report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2(BB) of the District's Code of Ordinances.

[17-0136](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Forest Preserve District of Cook County Annual Business Diversity Report FY 2016

**Report Period:** 1/1/2016 - 12/31/2016

**Summary:** Forest Preserve District of Cook County Annual Business Diversity Report FY 2016

[17-0139](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**REPORT**

**Department:** Permits, Rentals and Concessions

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Permits, Rentals and Concessions Master Plan

**Report Period:** 2016-2017

**Summary:** The Permits, Rentals and Concessions Master Plan was developed to articulate an overall vision for the Permits, Rentals and Concessions Department and to serve as a strategic roadmap moving forward. The final plan includes a cost-benefit analysis of the permits and rentals program, as well as a review of the District's existing concessions program and offers recommendations to improve/expand both areas for the purposes of attracting new users, generating new business and increasing revenue.

[17-0118](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Department:** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Summary:** Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar - 4/11/2017 - 5/11/2017

**TODAY, Tuesday, 4/11; 10 am - 2 pm**

**Spring Breakout Adventures, Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion, Chicago**

Spring Breakout Adventures offer the chance to practice archery, explore bountiful wildlife and plant species, as well as improve your navigation skills. All ages. No registration required. For general information or to inquire about available bussing for groups of 25 or more, call 312-415-2970.

**THIS EVENING, Tuesday, 4/11; 7:30 to 9 pm**

**Full Moon Frogs, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs**

Assist a naturalist as we monitor frog activity under the full moon. Registration required. Ages 12 & up.

**Wednesday, 4/12 and 5/3; 5:30 - 7 pm**

**Camping 101, Camp Dan Beard, 200 Portwine Rd, Northbrook**

Camping 101 is a hands-on workshop series designed to teach basic camping skills. Learn tent set-up, campfire cooking, camping fun, dressing for camping, camping etiquette and more. Join us on select Wednesday evenings through May. No registration required. FREE!

**Saturday, 4/15; 9 am - Noon**

**Navigation Unplugged, Wolf Road Woods, 9800 Wolf Rd, Willow Springs**

Learn the basics of orienteering (using a map and compass), then put your skills to the test with orienteering courses on the trail. Appropriate for ages 8 & up. Call 312-415-2970 for more information.

**Saturday, 4/15; 1 pm**

**Beginning Oils, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills**

Let artist Bob Nielsen show you how to get started with oil painting.

**Sunday, 4/16; 10 am**

**Canyon Tour, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Sagawau Canyon hikes highlight the geology of Northeastern Illinois. The hike is over rough terrain, and wading through a stream is necessary. Registration starts the Monday prior to the program date, either in person or by phone. No groups. Space is limited.

**Sunday, 4/16; 11 am - 2 pm**

**Family Fun Drop In, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Stop in to explore nature through fun, hands-on activities including crafts, games and animals.

**Sundays, 4/16 and 4/30; 1 pm**

**Spring Nature Hikes, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest**

Enjoy a guided spring nature hike on our trails. Family program.

**Saturday, 4/22; 9 am - 1 pm**

**Earth Day Celebration and Preserve Clean Up, Kickapoo Woods, Riverdale**

Clean up the Preserves in partnership with Friends of the Parks and enjoy activities and snacks too. Groups with 10 or more people, please register with [Credell.Walls@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:Credell.Walls@cookcountyil.gov).

**Saturday, 4/22; 10 am - 3 pm**

**Earth Day, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Join us for a day set aside as a reminder to be good stewards of our planet every day. Activities include hikes, puppet shows, crafts, and Earth Day Jeopardy!

**Saturday, 4/22; 1 pm**

**Earth Day Walk in McDonald Woods, meet at the "What's in Bloom" cart in front of the Visitor Center, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

Spend part of Earth Day exploring Mary Mix McDonald Woods, a 100-acre rare remnant of the oak woodlands once common in northeastern Illinois. April is a special time in the woods to see the rich variety of spring blooming ephemeral flowers. Volunteer Joanne Schmitz identifies spring wildflowers in bloom and explains their fleeting presence. How the woods have changed through the Garden's history and the restoration efforts currently underway will also be part of this informative and timely walk in honor of Earth Day. Free.

**Saturday, 4/22; 1:30 pm**

**Earth Day Wildflower Hike, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Check out the array of wildflowers as we walk the White Oak Trail. Hike will just exceed 1-mile in length. Registration required. Family program. Limit 20.

**Sunday, 4/23; 10 am - 4 pm**

**Party for the Planet, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield**

Celebrate Earth Day at Brookfield Zoo! Visit the Eco Expo featuring Earth friendly vendors, drop off recycling, enjoy live entertainment, plant a tree, and enjoy green activities and crafts. Party for the Planet

is filled with educational, engaging, and fun activities for the entire family.

**Sunday 4/23; 1 pm**

**Wildflower Walk, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Enjoy a hike to observe the first blooms of the year. Learn to identify and appreciate wildflowers as they continue to bloom through the spring. Adults and ages 12 & up.

**Sunday, 4/23; 1 pm**

**Conservation@Home: Easy Care Natives, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills**

Learn how to landscape using easy-care native plants that support pollinators. Presented by U of I Extension Master Gardeners. Adults only. Registration required.

**Friday, 4/28; 7:30 pm**

**The Astronomer's Night Sky, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

View the planets through a telescope, clear skies permitting. In the event of poor skies, an astronomy lecture and slide show will be presented. Register by 4/26.

**Saturday, 4/29; 12 -4 pm**

**Arbor Day Celebration, Bunker Hill, Chicago**

Celebrate the grandeur of trees and learn why they're vital to our community and our world. Enjoy tree planting, tree climbing, tree ID hikes and more. Call 312-415-2970 for more information.

**Daily, 5/6 - 9/17; 10 am - 5 pm**

**Dinos and Dragons, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield**

Brookfield Zoo's summer Dinos & Dragons exhibit will feature 17 animatronic creatures, including the Stegosaurus, Apatosaurus, Tyrannosaurus rex, and Chinese dragon. Zoo-goers can also get up-close views of live reptiles, including a 6-foot-long Komodo dragon. The exhibit will feature hands-on activities, as well as a dinosaur dissection lab, dino dig boxes, and an excavation site.

**Saturday and Sunday, 5/6 and 5/7; 10 am - 4:30 pm**

**Central States Dahlia Society Sale; Burnstein Hall, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

The Central States Dahlia Society presents its annual plant and root sale. The sale features dahlias in an array of sizes, shapes, and colors. This is a great opportunity to purchase dahlias seen on display at the society's annual show in September. Society members will be available to answer questions and provide written information about dahlia planting and care.

**Saturday, 5/6; 6 am - Noon**

**Big Sit, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Join the Forest Preserves at Sagawau for a bird count. We will tally the number of birds in a specified area.

**Saturday, 5/6; 3 pm**

**Garden Talks: Scott Sampson, Ph.D. "How to Raise a Wild Child"; Alsdorf Auditorium, Regenstein Center, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

The title of Dr. Sampson's book - *How to Raise a Wild Child: The Art and Science of Falling in Love*

*with Nature* - says a lot about how the dinosaur paleontologist and science communicator believes children learn. Experiences in science and nature are critical to a child's development, and Sampson helps make that important connection. Registration required and a fee applies.

**Sunday, 5/7; 10 am - 3 pm**

**Spring Festival at Trailside, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest**

Celebrate spring with a day of activities for all ages, including animal encounters, kids' tree climb, guided wildflower walks, dip netting, seed planting, building a bird house to take home, and much more.

**Sunday, 5/7; 10 am - Noon**

**Birding Basics for All Ages, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Residents are beginning to nest and migrants are passing through by the thousands. Learn the basics of birdwatching. Limited binoculars available. Registration required by 5/5.

**Saturday, 5/9; 6:30 - 8 pm**

**Full Moon Qigong, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Under the full moon, we will awaken our life force (Qi) to the energies of the earth. Alice Kornblum, a certified Qigong instructor, will guide us on a mindful walk and then a moving meditation. Registration required. Interested teens and adults. Limit 30.

**Wednesday, 5/10; 4 - 6:30 pm**

**Outdoor Adventures: Nature Obstacle Course & Adventure Night, Bremen Grove, Tinley Park**

Calling all outdoor adventurers! Meet up for wilderness skill building, hiking, exploring, nature-based art making and more. Please call 312-533-5751 to reserve your spot or for more information. Families, try our outdoor challenge! Attempt our nature obstacle course-created from all natural forest materials (you can help create). Also, join our staff for archery instruction, nature crafts and other surprises.

**Wednesday, 5/10; 5:30 - 7 pm**

**Camping 101, Camp Reinberg, 1801 N. Quentin, Palatine**

Camping 101 is a hands-on workshop series designed to teach basic camping skills. Learn tent set-up, campfire cooking, camping fun, dressing for camping, camping etiquette and more. Join us on select Wednesday evenings through May. No registration required. FREE!

**District(s):** Districtwide



**COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**RULES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 4/11/2017**

**17-0150 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS** meeting held on 3/9/2017

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 4/11/2017**

**17-0147 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (WORKERS' COMPENSATION)** Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Workers' Compensation -4/11/2017

**17-0129 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT** BCR Automotive Group d/b/a Roesch Ford, Bensenville, Illinois

**17-0123 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION** D. Construction, Inc.

**17-0132 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION** West Fuels, Inc.

**17-0146 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION** Matthew Paving, Inc.

**17-0086 PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** Aerial Adventure Course And Zipline Fees

**17-0103 PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** Camp Sullivan Camp & Climb Overnight Event

**17-0057 REPORT** Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expense 2/1/2017 - 2/28/2017

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