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PARK DISTRICT EMPLOYEES HONORED AT ANNUAL RECOGNITION EVENT

MUNDELEIN, IL —Seven Mundelein Park & Recreation District employees were awarded the honor of **Employees of the Year** at the District’s Annual Employee Celebration & Recognition Event this month. Kelli Schillaci was recognized by the Administration Department for her tireless work on special events, parties and programs bringing the quality of these offerings to unprecedented levels. Brian Jeske was recognized by the Parks Department for successfully juggling multiple responsibilities, and making time to help as needed with projects for the Department to achieve its goals. Heather Burnes was recognized by the Recreation Department for embracing additional responsibilities and taking the Dance Program to new levels. April Lee, Linda Renz and Candy O’Connell were recognized by Revenue Facilities (Aquatics, Fitness and Golf) for rising to the challenge of training all front desk staff on registration, facility reservations, new membership structure and additional processes in a short period of time. Deb Engdahl was recognized by the Board of Commissioners for producing a number of promotional videos for the district and taking on additional workload without having to be asked.

“2018 started at a low point with a pipe bursting at Park View on New Year’s Day, but everything has

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been on an upward trajectory since with the opening of the new Dunbar Recreation Center, new events, improved facilities, parks and programs,” said Margaret Resnick, Executive Director of Mundelein Park & Recreation District. “The momentum is continuing and the future looks bright with the help of such dedicated and talented people working for the District.”

Also recognized were Ted Costa, Don Laird, Ron Doruff, Tessy Perinchery, Juvey Hidrigo-Serrano and Mary Yoho for 20 years of service. James Capuzzo, Demetra Kokinis and Stacey Obispo were recognized for 15 years of service. Rebecca Anderson, Natalie Hetzal-Barlow and Michael Krauleidis for 10 years of service and Molly Arrigo, Kiesha Brown, Nerissa Brueckbauer, Cody Gokan, Marcus Kivisto, Robert Poletto, Scott Ragland, William Sizemore, Michelle Swiatkiewicz and Michael Vecchie for five years of service.

Conveniently located in north-central Lake County, Mundelein Park & Recreation District consists of more than 800 acres of open space, playgrounds, ballfields, lakes and trails. It serves a growing population of more than 35,000 residents with year-round programs and education and recreational opportunities for all ages. Facilities include the championship 18-hole **Steeple Chase Golf Club**, multi-function **Community Center**, **Park View Fitness**, **Diamond Lake Beach**, outdoor waterpark **Barefoot Bay Family Aquatic Center**, **Spray Park**, **Lions Field Skatepark**, **Regent Center** for adults ages 50+, **Big & Little Child Development Center**, **Learning Center Preschool**, and **Diamond Lake Sports Complex**, a unique nature and recreation destination. For more information about Mundelein Park & Recreation District visit www.mundeleinparks.org or follow on Facebook or Twitter and Instagram (@MundeleinParks).

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Pictured from left to right:

Kelli Schillaci, Candy O’Connell, Deb Engdahl, Brian Jeske, , April Lee, Heather Burnes, and Linda Renz

