



WHITEWATER PARKS & RECREATION

ANNUAL REPORT 2009

Mission

The mission of the City of Whitewater Parks and Recreation Department is to provide exceptional park and recreation services that enhance the livability of our community.

Introduction

The purpose of this report is to summarize the activities and accomplishments of the Parks and Recreation Department during the Fiscal Year 2009 (January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009). This summary is intended to inform officials and the public, as well as serve as a reference for staff, by providing a historical record of 2009.

The Whitewater Parks and Recreation Department oversees 217 acres of park land and maintains 18 parks and recreational facilities. A wide array of sports, recreation activities, lessons, and special events are available for citizens of all ages. Open space, parks, and trails provide opportunities to enjoy the natural beauty of Whitewater.

Parks & Recreation Board

The Parks and Recreation Board is comprised of seven members and one alternate. Three members are representatives of the City Council, the Whitewater Unified School District, and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. The other four seats are appointed by the City Council along with an alternate. The Parks and Recreation Board meets the 1st Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. and the public is welcome. More information including agendas and minutes can be found at www.ci.whitewater.wi.us. Below are the Parks & Recreation Board members that served in 2009.

Board Member	Consecutive Years of Service	Term Expires
Max Taylor	3	4/30/2010
Sheila Kindwall	6	Indefinite
Jen Kaina	1	Indefinite
Nicole Grosinske	6	4/30/2010
David Stone	7	4/30/2012
Steve Ridenour	4	4/30/2010
Prudence Negley	3	4/30/2012
George DeVries, Alternate	2	4/30/2011

Parks & Recreation Board 2009 Highlights

January

- Approved Turf Management Plan
- Approved Purchase of garbage and recycling cans for parks

February

- Steve Ridenour elected to serve as Vice-Chairperson
- Amended ordinance to prohibit snowmobiles, ATV's, and Go Carts in City Parks and on Trippe & Cravath Lakes
- Reviewed proposed change of moving fitness classes to the Aquatic Center

March

- Reviewed and provided feedback to the Design Alliance on the initial design of Trippe Lake Shelter

April

- Approved design of Trippe Lake Shelter
- Approved use of Cravath Lakefront Community Center by Unitarian Church to provide a Peace Camp in June
- Approved revisions to Sponsorship Policy

May

- Completed annual park tour

June

- Approved ordinance prohibiting hunting on city-owned land unless the hunting is allowed under an established hunting program approved by Council
- Approved painting of Starin Park Upper Shelter

July

- Approved site plan for the concept of "Mural Park"
- Board discussed Indian Mounds Park

August

- Approved purchase of playground equipment for Starin Park from Minnesota/Wisconsin Playgrounds (Game Time)
- Approved agreement with Whitewater Lions Club regarding donation towards the Trippe Lake Shelter

September

- Jay Toth (Ho-Chunk Nation) and Dr. Kira Kaufman attended the meeting to discuss restoration of Native American burial mounds and opportunities at Indian Mounds Park in a joint meeting with the Landmarks Commission
- Approved concept of Sculpture Walkway as presented by UW-Whitewater Student, Audra Lange
- Approved changes to banner request form and revised prices for banner hanging and rental

October

- Approved revised Mural Park site plan that includes the creation of a retaining wall in front of the mural, lighting of the mural, and landscape improvements
- Approved formation of Indian Mounds Park sub-committee
- Approved 2010 facility rental fees
- Approved 2010 Department Budget and 2010 Park Improvement Projects

November

- Presentation by 4th Motor Lego Team in regards to trail planning
- Discussed smoking ban in city parks
- Approved changes to Facility Rental & Reservation Policy

December

- Approved purchase of playground equipment for East Gate Park from Lee Recreation (Playworld Systems)
- Approved changes to Park Naming Policy
- Presentation of 2009 completed projects and 2010 proposed park improvement projects

DEPARTMENT STAFF



Matt Amundson
Parks & Recreation Director



Chuck Nass
City Forester, Parks/
Streets Superintendent



Michelle Dujardin
Recreation & Community
Events Programmer



Deb Weberpal
Senior Coordinator



Nancy Stanford
Administrative Assistant

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Tree City USA
- Wisconsin Association of Senior Center Accreditation of Seniors in the Park
- Michelle Dujardin obtained the Certified Parks & Recreation Professional (CPRP) designation in December

GRANTS AWARDED

Stewardship Acquisition Grant (Clay Street)	\$38,443	WI DNR
Wal-Mart Community Foundation (Starin Playground)	\$ 3,000	Wal-Mart
Freeze Fest CTP	\$ 500	Tourism
Foundation Professional Education Grant (Dujardin)	\$ 425	WPRA
Gert Olson Memorial Education Scholarship (Weberpal)	\$ 250	WASC

Education & Training

- Deb Weberpal attended the Wisconsin Association of Senior Centers Spring Training on Senior Center Remarkable Models
- Michelle Dujardin attended the Rocky Mountain Management School in Estes Park, Colorado in February
- Michelle Dujardin attended the WPRA Spring Workshop at Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells in March
- Matt Amundson, Michelle Dujardin, and Deb Weberpal completed First Aid/CPR/Blood Borne Pathogens training provided by the City in April
- Deb Weberpal obtained Q'straint certification for wheelchair and occupant restraint system for the Senior Van
- The department hosted the WPRA PARR 3 Regional Monthly Meeting in May at the Whitewater Country Club
- Michelle Dujardin completed an Aurora University Masters Class on Conference Center Administration
- Matt Amundson and Michelle Dujardin participated in the Annual Management Staff Retreat in May, entitled Leading from the Sandbox to the Orchestra Pit: Creating a High Performance Culture
- Michelle Dujardin participated in a webinar entitled The Recreation Inclusion Mandate: Simple Do's and Don'ts by John McGovern
- Matt Amundson & Chuck Nass attended WPRA Summer Park Tour in Door County in July
- Matt Amundson & Michelle Dujardin participated in a webinar on Active Net Software Updates
- Deb Weberpal attended the Wisconsin Association of Senior Centers Fall Training
- Deb Weberpal participated in a marketing webinar provided by the WPRA
- Matt Amundson, Michelle Dujardin, & Deb Weberpal attended WPRA Annual Conference in Wisconsin Dells in November
- Matt Amundson, Michelle Dujardin, & Deb Weberpal attended City website training provided as staff are now completing web updates on the City's website

PARKS, TRAILS, OPEN SPACE & FACILITIES



Garbage & Recycling Cans

Twenty-five sets were purchased and placed throughout the park system. The purchase was paid from Park Development Funds and a Recycling Grant.

Whitewater Street Design

As part of a larger project that created public dining spaces along Whitewater Street, Cravath Lakefront Park saw the addition of three bump-outs with picnic tables that provided a new location to enjoy the park. In addition, two flower planters and a park sign were added to the park.



East Gate Park

As part of the development agreement for the subdivision, site work was completed at East Gate Park. The site was graded and seeded, which will position the park for further development in 2010.

Starin Park Playground

Donations by the Whitewater Breakfast Kiwanis Club, Whitewater Walmart, Whitewater Community Foundation, the Historic Starin Park Neighborhood Association, and UW-Whitewater Students brought this project to fruition. The equipment was installed by community volunteers and the DPW crew on Thursday, October 29th.



Trippe Lake Shelter

The project was designed by the Design Alliance and built by Streib Construction. The project was supported by a DNR Stewardship Grant in the amount of \$100,000 and matched by city funds and a donation from the Whitewater Lions Club. A ribbon cutting celebration was held on October 5th.

PARKLAND DEDICATION FEE ACCOUNTS

Account Name	2/2/2009	Spent in 09	Collected in 09	Balance
Parkland Acquisition (240)	\$51,496	\$1,525	\$18,074	\$68,044
Parkland Improvement (245)	\$85,496	\$110,146	\$64,990	\$40,340

RECREATION PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Dance Recital

Saturday, April 26th was a night of glamour and fame for children and adults of all ages. The 2009 Spring Dance Recital was themed, When I Grow up, featuring hair stylists, waitresses, librarians, coal miners, and dancers. Every year, the Spring Dance Recital is greatly supported by the UW-Dance Company by supplying volunteers, costume preparation, and additional performances; we truly appreciate their support and expertise.

Little Picasso's & Creative Kids

2009 was a year full of new art adventure. Children ages 3-5 explored their creative side through paint, mashed potatoes, bars of soap, glitter, fabric, pudding, leaves, sticks, buttons, cotton balls, rice, puppets, sponges, and canvas masterpieces. These newly added programs were a great success with many priceless creations.



The Amazing Race Incorporates Whitewater Park & Recreation

The Geneva Lakes Amazing Race is an action packed one-day adventure based on the hit TV show, "The Amazing Race." Two person teams participate in challenges and compete to find clues and solve puzzles that raise money for the Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance. 17 teams clues lead them to Cravath Lakefront where they needed to select a paddle boat, paddle to the raft, assemble a puzzle, paddle back to the dock with puzzle fully assembled to receive their next clue. This event raised \$17,300 for the charity.

Ride your Bike to School Day

The second week of May brings the annual Ride your Bike to School Day to every Elementary School in Whitewater. 2009 set the highest attended with 25 riders at Lincoln, 27 at Washington, and 32 riders at Lakeview. Many riders were followed by parents but greeted at the school by volunteers giving out Police Department issued reflectors, safety booklets, and education promoting physical activity.



Adult Softball League Champions

Fall Tuesday Men's League

League: New Horizons, Beer Here, Wagner Construction (tie)

Tournament: Wagner Construction

Summer Sunday Co-ed

League: Zingg Chrysler Dodge Jeep

Tournament: Zingg Chrysler Dodge Jeep

Summer Monday Men's

League: Rick's Bar & Grill

Tournament: Rick's Bar & Grill

Summer Tuesday Men's

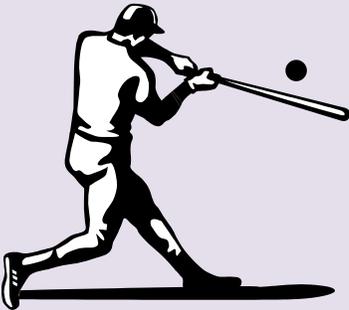
League: 2 Brothers

Tournament: 2 Brothers

Summer Wednesday Women's'

League: Egnoski Excavating, Two Seasons (tie)

Tournament: Egnoski Excavating



RECREATION PROGRAMS & FINANCIALS

WINTER/SPRING 2009

Winter/Spring 2009	Participants	Revenue	Expenses	Percent of Recovery	Average Cost of Program
Contractual Programs					
Gymnastics (4) 1 sessions x 4	92	\$3,620.00	\$3,070.20	118%	\$39.35
Karate (6) 2 sessions x 3	53	\$1,365.00	\$662.50	206%	\$25.75
Rock Climbing (9) 4 sessions x 2 + 1 class	26	\$1,060.00	\$918.00	115%	\$40.77
Adult Fitness (26) 6 sessions x 4 + 2 classes	162	\$7,087.00	\$6,270.34	113%	\$43.75
Special Events					
Freeze Fest	1700	\$600.00	\$597.39	100%	Free
Ride Your Bike to School Day	73	\$0.00	\$0.00	-	Free
Recreation Programs					
Tots, Tunes & Tumbling	9	\$190.00	\$57.00	333%	\$21.11
Youth Basketball	90	\$2,700.00	\$3,227.73	84%	\$30.00
Start Smart Soccer	9	\$405.00	\$416.13	97%	\$45.00
Start Smart Golf	6	\$90.00	\$40.38	223%	\$15.00
Volleyball Instruction	37	\$585.00	\$64.88	902%	\$15.81
Chillax (2)	16	\$0.00	\$31.00	0%	Free
Dance Program & Recital (11)	69	\$3,574.00	\$2,621.95	136%	\$51.80
Ice Rink	813	\$0.00	\$4,330.68	0%	Free
Quick Start Tennis (2)	14	\$210.00	\$141.06	149%	\$15.00
Creative Kids NEW!	6	\$150.00	\$131.01	114%	\$25.00
Senior Programs (Jan - April)					
Brain Fitness	5	\$25.00	\$0.00	-	\$5.00
Lunch Bunch**	35	\$230.00	\$0.00	-	\$6.57
Movie*	101	\$80.00	\$189.95	42%	\$0.79
Stretch/Flex	533	\$384.00	\$399.58	96%	\$0.72
Full Speed Ahead**	16	\$100.00	\$0.00	-	\$6.25
Spring in Air Trip	35	\$1,554.00	\$1,637.00	95%	\$44.40
Volunter Appreciation	33	\$0.00	\$208.44	0%	\$0.00
AARP Tax Prep	154	\$470.00	\$0.00	-	\$3.05
Fish Fry*	6	\$20.00	\$0.00	-	\$3.33

* Movie expense is upfront in January

** Gas charges unknown at time of report

Totals Winter 2008 Spring 2009 4093 \$24,499.00 \$25,015.22 98% \$5.99

Seniors In the Park Attendance:	Daily Avg	Vol Hours
January	49.2	106
February	60.9	146
March	64.4	187
April	57.9	105

SUMMER 2009

Summer 2009	Participants	Revenue	Expenses	Percent of Recovery	Average Cost of Program
Contractual Programs					
Gymnastics (8)	63	\$3,910.00	\$3,367.15	116%	\$62.06
Adult Fitness (9)	71	\$3,019.00	\$2,672.10	113%	\$42.52
Karate (6)	43	\$1,105.00	\$537.50	206%	\$25.70
Special Events					
Concerts in the Park/Family Fun Nights	665	\$3,400.00	\$4,669.06	73%	\$5.11
Messy Fest	0	\$0.00	\$151.59	0%	#DIV/0!
The "Big Rig Gig"	130	\$0.00	\$42.63	0%	\$0.00
Campfire Night	31	\$0.00	\$21.35	0%	\$0.00
Attraction Tickets	734	\$17,000.00	\$16,450.00	103%	\$23.16
Recreation Programs					
Cravath Lakefront Café/ Boat Rentals	117	\$1,215.13	\$1,574.87	77%	\$10.39
Dance Classes (4)	24	\$1,055.00	\$685.22	154%	\$43.96
Kids Escape	45	\$6,095.00	\$3,840.50	159%	\$135.44
Youth Baseball & Softball (12 teams)	162	\$6,820.00	\$9,802.05	70%	\$42.10
Cactus League Tournament (38 teams)	532	\$1,873.00	\$2,548.65	73%	\$3.52
Tee Ball	68	\$1,930.00	\$911.94	212%	\$28.38
Rookie Ball	67	\$1,830.00	\$918.42	199%	\$27.31
Adult Softball Leagues (4 nights)	276	\$7,875.00	\$7,682.24	103%	\$28.53
Track & Field	14	\$322.00	\$224.35	144%	\$23.00
Start Smart Baseball (2)	22	\$350.00	\$148.00	236%	\$15.91
Start Smart Soccer	9	\$405.00	\$412.75	98%	\$45.00
Senior Programs					
Van Trips (9) ++	87	\$812.00	\$259.28	313%	\$9.33
Stretch & Flex	92	\$111.00	\$157.47	70%	\$1.21
Movie +	139	\$100.00	\$29.52	339%	\$0.72
+ Movie expense is upfront in January					
++ Gas charges unknown at time of report					
Totals Summer 2009	3391	\$59,227.13	\$57,106.64	104%	\$17.47

Seniors In the Park Attendance:

	Daily Avg	Vol Hours
May	53.3	111
June	49.2	163
July	43.8	132
August	35.4	95

FALL 2009

Fall 2009	Participants	Revenue	Expenses	Percent of Recovery	Average Cost of Program
Contractual Programs					
Gymnastics (5)	85	\$4,890.00	\$4,053.53	121%	\$57.53
Rock Climbing (4)	33	\$905.00	\$796.50	114%	\$27.42
Adult Fitness (22)	144	\$5,235.00	\$4,648.50	113%	\$36.35
Karate (6)	57	\$1,394.36	\$652.18	214%	\$24.46
Special Events					
Youth Halloween Party	275	\$445.00	\$414.12	107%	\$1.62
Recreation Programs					
Little Picasso's	8	\$200.00	\$129.76	154%	\$25.00
Quick Start Tennis (2)	14	\$210.00	\$141.06	149%	\$15.00
Dance Classes (9)	57	\$2,565.00	\$1,825.00	141%	\$45.00
Volleyball Open Play	7	\$7.00	\$73.63	10%	\$1.00
Youth Flag Football (3)	74	\$2,680.00	\$2,526.29	106%	\$36.22
Fall Adult Softball League	112	\$1,200.00	\$693.50	173%	\$10.71
Senior Programs					
Exercise Class (Stretch/Flex)	395	\$698.00	\$351.01	199%	\$1.77
Van Trips (6)	29	\$667.00	\$270.27	247%	\$23.00
Bus Trips (1)	20	\$1,575.00	\$1,575.00	100%	\$78.75
Holiday Dinner	66	\$731.00	\$942.00	78%	\$11.08
One Stop Shop	350	\$1,556.54	\$468.59	332%	\$4.45
Movie	52	80	16.07	498%	\$1.54
Totals Fall 2009	1726	\$24,958.90	\$19,560.94	128%	\$14.46

Seniors In the Park Attendance:	Daily Avg	Vol Hours	Programs Offered
September	56.3	116	30
October	62.8	112	32
November	72.0	116	24

TOTALS 2009

	Participants	Revenue	Expenses	Percent of Recovery	Avg Cost of Program
Contractual Programs					
Adult Fitness	377	\$15,341.00	\$13,590.94	113%	\$40.69
Gymnastics	240	\$12,420.00	\$10,490.88	118%	\$51.75
Karate	153	\$3,864.36	\$1,852.18	209%	\$25.26
Rock Climbing	59	\$1,965.00	\$1,714.50	115%	\$33.31
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Senior Programs					
Bus Trips	55	\$3,129.00	\$3,212.00	97%	\$56.89
Exercise Class	1020	\$1,193.00	\$908.06	131%	\$1.17
Holiday Dinner	66	\$731.00	\$942.00	78%	\$11.08
Movie	292	\$260.00	\$235.54	110%	\$0.89
One Stop Shop	350	\$1,556.54	\$468.59	332%	\$4.45
Recreation Classes	159	\$495.00	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	\$3.11
Van Trips	173	\$1,191.00	\$529.55	225%	\$6.88
Volunteer Appreciation	33	\$0.00	\$208.44	0%	\$0.00
Totals 2009	9253	\$107,722.03	\$101,286.12	106%	\$11.64

SPECIAL EVENTS



Freeze Fest

On Saturday, February 21st the snow storm created blizzard-like conditions but that didn't stop the 800 pancake breakfast eaters, the 175 horse wagon riders, the 75 library enthusiasts, or the 211 polar plungers that raised \$43,573 for Southeastern Special Olympics.

Concerts In The Park/Family Fun Nights

Thursday evenings at 7pm in Cravath Lakefront Park brings community members of all ages free entertainment. 2009 brought hands-on animal encounters, environmental education, new polka dances, children in "magic" bubbles, and the all-time favorite country dances.



4th Of July

The 4th of July committee provided carnival rides, live music, a car show, multiple nights of fireworks, pony rides, a parade, ski shows, and a variety of food options. Great weather provided this year's 4th of July celebration with outstanding numbers. This year we coordinated paddleboat races and assisted with the Car Show.

Taste of Whitewater

In 2009, perfect weather appeared for the two day event of Taste of Whitewater. Pep rallies, animal shows, local bands, bouncy houses, art projects, civil war demos, trampolines, and a variety of tasters filled Cravath Lakefront Park the second weekend of September to bring the students and community together at this annual event.





Halloween Party

Saturday, October 31st from 6-8pm families traveled to the Downtown Armory bringing donations for the food pantry as admission to the annual Halloween party. 2009 showcased 275 participants dressed as bumble bees, dinosaurs, pirates, princesses, football players, kitty cats, and ultimate super heroes.

Holly Days & Holiday Parade

Holiday lights filled Downtown Whitewater as 27 spectacular floats made their way down Main Street. Memorable moments included local girl scout troops, brightly decorated horseback riders, personalized Christmas trees, and special appearances by Mr. & Mrs. Clause. The department assisted in the organization of the parade and loaned our float to the Chamber of Commerce.



SENIOR PROGRAMS & SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS



New Senior Van!

A new van was purchased after two years of fundraising by the seniors. It will be used for excursions throughout the Midwest and to bring participants to the park for programs and activities. Van drivers are trained and obtain a CDL license before driving the van. An article was written by Senior Coordinator Deb Weberpal for an Insurance Journal about the process of obtaining a CDL license for a vehicle which does not require a CDL.

Senior Day Out

The first annual Senior Day provided seniors with access to resource booths and participatory programs including Tai Chi, Wii bowling, belly dance, line dance, and balance & walking classes. The afternoon featured a polka band and door prizes. The event was held on the grounds at Mulberry Glen and was hosted by a group of senior providers in the area.





Special Events

Fourteen special events were held throughout the year both on-site and at offsite locations. These events were Car Cleaning and Inspection, End of Winter party, Global Gala, two Holiday Dinners, Accreditation Celebration, 100th Birthday Party, Oktoberfest, Picnic in the Park, Tour of Holiday Lights, Senior Day Out, Volunteer Appreciation, Walking Clinic and a Cookie Exchange.



Senior Van Trips

The van travels monthly for the Lunch Bunch, Fish Fry Friday and Janesville Shopping trips. Several monthly excursions take travelers to interesting destinations. The van is also used to bring people to the Starin Park Community Building for programs and services, as needed. Volunteer drivers make the journey pleasant and safe.



Coach Bus Trips & Extended Trips

In 2009, travelers went on exciting, extended trips to the Albuquerque Balloon Festival and Cape Cod. Coach trips are offered through a partnership with the Fort Atkinson Senior Center. This partnership fills buses and saves staff time by sharing the planning and escorting responsibilities.

Fundraisers

Three large fundraisers included the Easter Bunny Lunch, Concessions for the youth baseball tournament, and the One Stop Shop. The net profits raised from these fundraisers totaled \$1,920. These funds are used to purchase needed items for the center or to bring in programs and speakers.



Volunteers

Volunteers donated a total of 1603 hours in 2009 doing a myriad of jobs, providing services, and leading programs. The value of these volunteers is \$24,045 and is equivalent to having a three-quarter time staff person. There is always a need for volunteers to maintain and grow the offerings of Seniors in the Park.

FACILITY USAGE

Open Gyms

Several hours of Armory Gym time was devoted to weekly open gyms. Open gym hours were provided on Sunday & Tuesday evenings for adult basketball and on Friday evenings for Adult Volleyball. Additional open gym times were reserved for soccer and youth open gyms were held on no-school days.

Rentals

The Parks and Recreation Department oversees building usage at the Armory, Starin Park Community Building, Cravath Lakefront Community Center, ball diamonds at Starin Park, and a variety of park shelters. The numbers below indicate the combination of recreation program and facility rental reservations in 2009 along with total hours of facility use.

	# of Reservations	Total Hours
Downtown Armory Dance Studio	200	463
Downtown Armory Gym	311	1,809
Starin Park Community Building	304	1,386
Cravath Lakefront Community Center	151	339
Starin Park Ball Diamonds	168	499
Park Shelters	116	1,512
Totals	1,250	6,008

The figures listed above include 139 paid facility rentals that generated revenue totaling \$21,532. The remaining 1,111 reservations were for department sponsored programs and events or were reservations from approved partners that receive free use of buildings.

Big Brick Park Ice Rink

	Dec 08	Jan 09	Feb 09	Totals
Total Days Open	14	25	6	45
Total Hours Open	93	191	36	320
Total Skaters	73	870	165	1108
Average Skaters Per Hour	0.8	4.6	4.6	3.5
Monthly Staff Hours	118	297	40	455

Although the Ice Rink season was cut short due to a warm spell that started February 7th, the rink had a very successful winter. Although being open 5 less days than in 2008, the rink was staffed a total of 19 additional hours and attendance was up by 206 skaters.

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

The Parks and Recreation Department works with several community organizations to strengthen services or assist in program delivery. These organizations are critical to the success of the department and have similar goals and objectives in dealing with fitness, youth, and community betterment and enhancement.

Boards & Committees

Whitewater Fitness & Aquatic Center

- Board Member (Matt Amundson)

Whitewater Tourism Council

- Board Member (Michelle Dujardin)

Cactus League Youth Baseball

- Board Member, Tournament Host & Rules Committee Chair (Matt Amundson)

Wisconsin Parks & Recreation Association

- Park Section Region 3 Representative (Matt Amundson)
- 2009 Conference Committee (Matt Amundson)
- 2010 Conference Committee (Michelle Dujardin)

Whitewater Youth Football League

- Board Member (Matt Amundson)

Holiday Parade

- Committee Member (Michelle Dujardin)

Seniors In The Park Accreditation

- Committee Members (Deb Weberpal, Matt Amundson)

Freeze Fest

- Committee Member (Michelle Dujardin)

WOW (Wellness on Whitewater)

- Committee Member (Michelle Dujardin)

4th of July Festival

- Committee Member (Michelle Dujardin)

Taste of Whitewater

- Committee Member (Michelle Dujardin)

Senior Day Out

- Planning Committee Member (Deb Weberpal)

Partner Organizations

Downtown Whitewater

Chamber of Commerce

Lions Clubs

Whitewater Unified School District

Whitewater Youth Soccer Assoc

Whitewater Youth Wrestling Club

Walworth Co Nutrition Program

American Assoc Retired People

Retired Senior Volunteer Program

Fairhaven

Rainbow Hospice

Nelson Transportation

Whitewater Arts Alliance

Optimists Clubs

Cable Channel 13

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Whitewater Traveling Basketball Club

Department of Natural Resources

Walworth Co Aging Services

Area Senior Centers

National Council on Aging

Hospice Care Inc

Hawk Bowl

Whitewater Family Practice

Whitewater Tourism Council

Kiwanis Clubs

Irvin L. Young Library

Whitewater Fitness & Aquatic Center

Whitewater Youth Football League

Wisconsin Parks & Recreation Assoc

Wisconsin Assoc of Senior Centers

Senior Comm. Employment Program

National Institute of Senior Centers

Our House Senior Living

Oak Ridge Golf Course

Fort Health Care

DONATIONS & SPONSORSHIPS

The following donations and sponsorships greatly assisted the department in 2009.

Youth Sports

Reynolds Heating, Inc.	High School Softball	\$500
LSM Chiropractic	12 & Under Baseball	\$500
Cogentrix/LSP	Flag Football	\$500
Golden State Foods	T-Ball/Flag Football	\$200
First Citizens State Bank	T-Ball	\$100
UW Credit Union	T-Ball	\$100
Whitewater Country Club	T-Ball	\$100
John's Disposal	T-Ball	\$100
Martin Business Group	Rookie Ball	\$100
Winchester Tru Value	Rookie Ball	\$100
Good Morning Advertiser	Rookie Ball	\$100
Whitewater Family Practice	Rookie Ball	\$100
Picture Pro Photography	Youth Sports	\$526.64

Concerts In The Park

Coburn Company	\$1,500
D.L.K Enterprises Inc.	\$500
Whitewater Snoseekers	\$200
First Citizens State Bank	\$200
Dental Perfections, S.C.	\$200
Triebold Implement, Inc.	\$200
Whitewater Farmers Market	\$200
Whitewater Snap Fitness	\$200
Commercial Bank	\$200
Sassy Shirts (In Kind)	\$240

Youth Sports Equipment

Friends of the Program	\$2,000
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Starin Park Shelter Updates

Whitewater Breakfast Kiwanis (in-kind)	\$500
Whitewater Noon Kiwanis	\$500

Starin Park Playground

Whitewater Breakfast Kiwanis	\$10,000
Whitewater Community Foundation	\$2,276
Historic Starin Park Neighborhood Association	\$300

Park Benches

In Memory of Marty Ridenour	\$1,500
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Trippe Lake Shelter

Whitewater Lions Club	\$5,000
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Seniors In The Park

LMMI Insurance (Van Driver Training)	\$500
Charter Cable (TV service)	\$744
Sentry Funds for Friends	\$786.99

Bingo Donors

\$1,690*

*Approximately donated in Prizes and Gift Certificates

Total 2009 Donations: \$28,823.63