



OPERATIONS & INFRASTRUCTURE

July 1, 2015 – August 31, 2015

Grounds Maintenance

- Crews performed general cleanup and seasonal tasks in all preserves.
- Perimeter trash cleanup around preserves.
- Conducted routine animal care at Ryerson Farm.
- Mulched trees and conducted herbicide application at Bonner Farm, Grant Woods, Greenbelt, Independence Grove, Lakewood, Old School, Raven Glen, Sun Lake, and Van Patten Woods.
- Completed regularly scheduled maintenance activities at the dog exercise areas and assisted with turf management for the Lakewood dog exercise area expansion.
- Conducted trail and storm damage repair in all preserves.
- Reviewed new Grass Lake Road underpass site improvements.
- Prepared and performed cleanup at Civil War Days, Gospel Fest, Independence Grove Concert Series, Afro Fest and Fred Fest.

Natural Resources

- Conducted herbicide application at Dutch Gap, Ethel's Woods, Fourth Lake, Grainger Woods, Grant Woods, Grassy Lake, Independence Grove, Lake Carina, Lakewood, Marl Flat, Nippersink, Middlefork Savanna, Raven Glen, Rollins Savanna, Sequoit Creek, Singing Hills, and Waukegan Savanna,.
- Conducted storm damage removals at Brae Loch Golf Club, Des Plaines River Trail, Rollins Savanna and Van Patten.
- Removed Emerald Ash Borer infested trees along Des Plaines River Trail and at Fox River and Ryerson Woods.
- Installed mulch and watered newly planted trees.
- YCC season ended successfully on August 14th for 38 young people. Projects were conducted at Greenbelt, Independence Grove Dog Exercise Area, Lakewood, Grassy Lake, Marl Flat, Lakewood, Lakewood Dog Exercise Area, Nippersink, Ray Lake, Rollins Savanna, Adlai E. Stevenson Historic Home, Middlefork Savanna, Fort Sheridan, Ryerson Woods, Spring Bluff, Fourth Lake, Van Patten Woods, McDonald Woods and Wadsworth Savanna.

Building Trades

- Repaired wooden deck at Fox River Marina.
- Worked with Public Affairs staff to design and build exhibit booth for the Lake County Fair.
- Replaced door at the ThunderHawk Golf maintenance shop and repaired doors at Nippersink maintenance shop, Van Patten Woods bathroom and Bonner Farm.
- Repaired playground equipment at Van Patten Woods.
- Installed new information kiosk at Lyons Woods.
- Corrected roof pitch problem at Adlai E. Stevenson Historic Home and roof leaks at Greenbelt Cultural Center and Brushwood.

- Repaired, replaced and painted wood at Bonner Farm and painted Lakewood Shelter E.
- Installed automatic gates at Grassy Lake and Oak Spring Canoe Launch, serviced automatic gates at Independence Grove and Route 60 Canoe Launch and reprogrammed all automatic gates to open at 6:00 a.m.
- Serviced lighting at Independence Grove, General Offices and ThunderHawk Golf Pro Shop.
- Repaired HVAC systems at Independence Grove and the Operations and Public Safety Facility.
- Cleared plugged sewer lines at Independence Grove Beach restroom and Lakewood Ranger Station.
- Installed eye wash stations at Half Day, Ryerson, Old School, Brae Loch, Countryside, ThunderHawk and Van Patten Woods maintenance shops
- Corrected drain problem on drinking fountain system at Ray Lake.
- Serviced the refrigerator at Greenbelt, the ice machine at Ryerson and the garage door at Brushwood.
- Performed plumbing work at Adlai E. Stevenson Historic Home, Ryerson, Van Patten, Discovery Museum and Greenbelt Cultural Center.

Infrastructure

- Repaired an underground water line at Fox River Marina.
- Replaced signs at Ryerson, Nippersink, Old School sled hill and Rollins Savanna.
- Graded roads and made minor site improvements at Lakewood Shelter E, horse trail parking lot, new entrance, trail section and fenced area of Lakewood Dog Exercise Area expansion.
- Minor restoration and grading of at Lakewood and Ray Lake well replacement sites.
- Installed a memorial bench at Independence Grove.
- Repaired trail damage at McDonald Woods, Greenbelt and along the Des Plaines River Trail.
- Installed signage at Buffalo Creek and Greenbelt.
- Replaced the horse hitch at Van Patten Woods.
- Made ditch and trail repairs at Greenbelt.
- Repaired split rail fence along the Des Plaines River Trail and at Independence Grove.
- Removed old docks at Lake Marie.
- Minor site improvements at Bluebird Meadow to address local drainage concern.