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**Vision**

To provide the ideal system of parks, natural resources and recreational opportunities which will enhance the quality of life for everyone.

**Mission, Goals and Objectives**

Our Mission is to provide an exceptional system of safe, accessible, well-planned and maintained parks, facilities, public cemetery, natural areas and public shorelines.

Our Mission is to provide affordable opportunities for recreational and educational experiences.

Our Mission is to preserve and expand our urban forest resources through a well-planned and systematic approach to tree maintenance, planting and natural area management.

Our Mission is to preserve and promote parks' historic legacy.

Our Mission is to provide opportunities for cultural interaction by facilitating community and ethnic festivals and through the display of public art.

**Value Statement**

The Madison Park System believes that our success is based on the following values:

- We strive to provide outstanding public services.
- We encourage public participation through outreach and community relations.
- We celebrate ethnic diversity.
- We use professional and equitable standards when planning, preserving and maintaining our resources to reflect community and neighborhood heritage, needs and changing interests.
- We recognize the contributions professional staff makes to our success. We believe in career development, on-going training, participation in our decision-making processes and recognition for accomplishments.
- We are committed to public and employee safety.
- We accept our roles as stewards of our natural environment.
- We recognize the contributions that volunteers make to our success.
- We believe in demonstrating fiscal responsibility.
- We recognize the added benefits of inter-agency and community partnerships.

**Kevin Briski, Superintendent of Parks**

**266-4711**

General management and administration of Parks Division operations. Responsible for planning, coordinating, organizing, and directing all programs, activities, operations and developing policies.

Listed below are the names of various section heads and their respective areas of responsibility within the Parks Division. Realizing that many matters of concern to alderpersons and their constituents can best be

handled and resolved by direct contact with the section heads, please feel free to contact these individuals concerning special problems within their areas of responsibility.

**LaVonne LaFave, Program Assistant 3** **267-4916**

Provides administrative support to Superintendent. Oversees routine communication and dispenses general information. Provides computer and information systems support for the Division. Oversees payment of contracts. Coordinates all meetings for various Boards and Committees. Drafts resolutions; supervises central office clerical staff. Administers Dog Park Program.

**Joyce Miller, Administrative Clerk 1** **266-4711**

**Melody Pfitzenreuter, Administrative Clerk 1** **266-4711**

**Nancy Crawford, Clerk Typist 2** **266-4711**

Boat launch permits, boat moorings, boating facilities rentals, park shelter/picnic reservations, Gates of Heaven reservations, cross country ski permits, golf cart permits, dog park permits. Provide general clerical support to Division.

**Eric Knepp, Parks Administrative & Financial Services Manager** **266-4207**

Provides information regarding Parks budgetary and business matters. Provides administrative advice and policy interpretation.

**Kay Rutledge, Parks Development Supervisor** **267-4714**

Park planning (master plan, site development plans, plat reviews). Park construction and development (both departmental staff and outside firms).

**Bill Bauer, Landscape Architect 4** **267-4921**

Planning/design for development and/or improvement to new and existing parks. Major issues include Capital Budget funding, project management, accessibility and "People for Parks" projects consistent with City's Park and Open Space Plan. Coordinate all playground requests.

**Tom Maglio, Landscape Architect 4** **266-6518**

Planning/design for development and/or improvement to new and existing parks. Major issues include Capital Budget funding, project management, accessibility and "People for Parks" projects consistent with City's Park and Open Space Plan. Coordinates hard surface projects.

**Jim Weinstock, Parks Operations Manager** **267-8804**

Supervises General Park Maintenance of East Parks, West Parks, Conservation Parks, Forestry, Forest Hill Cemetery, all City Golf Courses and the Mall Concourse. Oversees all park maintenance (parks, parkways, greenways and athletic field maintenance), building and facility maintenance and repairs. This also includes City owned shoreline cleanup and the maintenance of boat ramps, docks, boathouses and sailboat storage facilities.

**Marla Eddy, City Forester** **266-4816**

Prepares and oversees annual budget, develop and implement new programs, oversees ongoing programs, monitors invasive pest threats, provide technical assistance to individuals, outreach groups and other City departments relating to arboriculture, forest insect and disease management, tree valuation, tree risk assessment and management and tree preservation. Coordinates and implements emergency Storm Call procedures and administrative aspects involving the direction of the maintenance, removal, and planting of all public trees within the City of Madison.

<u>Dean Kahl, Forestry Operations Supervisor</u>	<u>266-4816</u>
Supervises daily forestry operations. Plans and supervises the activities of tree crews as well as scheduling training in tree care, equipment operation and safety. Advise contractors with city contracts regarding street tree preservation or removal and planting/replacement requirements.	
<u>Kevin Sorensen, Forest Hill Cemetery Manager, 1 Speedway Road</u>	<u>266-4741</u>
Administration and maintenance of cemetery.	
<u>Raymond Shane, Golf Course Supervisor, Yahara Hills Golf Course</u>	<u>838-3920</u>
Golf course maintenance, course play control. Golf Professional coordinator. Special events (cross-country meets, etc.).	
Glenway Golf Course 3747 Speedway Road 266-4737	Odana Golf Course 4635 Odana Road 266-4724
Monona Golf Course 111 E. Dean Avenue 266-4736	Yahara Golf Course 6701 E. Broadway 838-3126
<u>Thomas Skaife, Parks Facility Maintenance Supervisor</u>	<u>267-4937</u>
Supervises all building trade personnel.	
<u>Joy Kummerow, Parks General Supervisor/Mall Concourse</u>	<u>266-6031</u>
Mall Concourse maintenance.	
<u>Craig Klinke, East Parks General Supervisor</u>	<u>246-4508</u>
East Parks maintenance.	
<u>William Schott, West Parks General Supervisor</u>	<u>266-9214</u>
West Parks maintenance.	
<u>Russ Hefty, Conservation Resources Supervisor</u>	<u>267-4918</u>
Conservation park management and restoration; trail maintenance, public education and development of cross-country ski trails.	
<u>Steve Doniger, Community Services Coordinator</u>	<u>266-6517</u>
Coordinator of Special Events, special services and athletic scheduling. Coordinates Quality Initiatives in the Division.	
<u>Kathryn Padorr, Administrative Clerk 1</u>	<u>264-9289</u>
Administrative support, vending and tent permits.	
<u>Laura Whitmore, Parks Community Relations Coordinator</u>	<u>266-5949</u>
Coordinator all volunteer services, administers the People for Parks and Adopt-A-Park programs; publishes Parks Newsletter, prepares all media releases, maintains Parks website.	

<u>Kelli Lamberty, Community/Mall Events Coordinator</u>	<u>266-6033</u>
Coordinates program and promotional activities on State Street and the Capitol Square, including street-use, public amplification and electrical permits.	
<u>Brad Weisinger, Goodman Pool and Warner Park Community Recreation Center Manager</u>	<u>245-3691</u>
Manages all aspects of pool. Administration and coordination of all programs. General Operations.	
<u>Diane Dabbert, Program Assistant 2</u>	<u>245-3694</u>
Administrative support.	
<u>Roberta Sladky, Olbrich Botanical Center Director, 3330 Atwood Avenue</u>	<u>246-4586</u>
Administration and coordination of all programs. General operations.	
<u>Patti Jorenby, Program Assistant 1/Rental Coordinator</u>	<u>246-4551</u>
Administrative support, facility rentals, weddings and tours.	
<u>Marty Petillo, Volunteer Coordinator</u>	<u>246-4733</u>
Coordinate all volunteer services for Conservatory, Thai Pavilion and outdoor gardens.	