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5 Stars for Park District's Swim/Aquatics Starfish Aquatics Institute gives high honors for lifeguards and staff

Mundelein, Illinois— Mundelein Park & Recreation District (www.mundeleinparks.org) recently received the prestigious Five Star Award by Starfish Aquatics Institute (SAI) following a performance audit of lifeguards and management staff at its indoor swim facility.

Located at the Mundelein Community Center at the Park District's flagship site, Keith Mione Community Park (1401 N. Midlothian Road), the competition-style swim and lap pool is a popular spot and rare amenity not seen in most communities. It offers affordable, year-round swim instruction for all ages, as well as leisure and fitness options. The staff utilizes industry-leading teaching and training with the SAI/Stroke School programs.

SAI (www.starfishaquatics.org) is one of the largest lifeguard, swim instructor and pool operator certifying agencies in the nation and provides training and services such as performance audits in an effort to improve safety and reduce the risk of drowning.

"This recognition and our participation in high-caliber training underscores our commitment and exceptional performance," said Nerissa Brueckbauer, Indoor Aquatics Manager. "We are proud to provide this level of service to the community." Mundelein Park District has also been honored with "5 Stars" at its six-acre waterpark, Barefoot Bay.

Those interested can learn more about swim and programming by calling 847-566-0650 or at www.mundeleinparks.org.

About Mundelein Park & Recreation District (MPRD)

Celebrating 60 years with the community, more than 800 acres make up the Mundelein Park & Recreation District, including 33 parks and facilities; trails and open space for hiking and biking, 20 tennis courts, 28 playgrounds, picnic shelters and more. Conveniently located in north-central Lake County, MPRD 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 Health & Fitness Center, Diamond Lake Beach, Barefoot Bay Family Aquatic Center, with 33-foot high water slides and relaxing lazy river, Spray Park, a special area for young ones with water-spraying "flowers," Lions Field Skatepark with industry-leading design, Regent Center for adults ages 50+, Fort Hill Heritage Museum for a history of Mundelein, and Diamond Lake Sports Complex, a unique nature and recreation destination. Learn more at www.mundeleinparks.org, on Facebook or Twitter.