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**DUES/ VOLUNTARY CONTR.**

$35 per person. Opportunity levels are available TO JPAC c/o Dwight Powell, 7206 S. Luella, Chicago, IL 60649. Or in the website.

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**MTG -JANUARY 13 2020 MON. 7PM**

AT JP FIELDHOUSE, 6401 S. STONY ISLAND AVE. Proposed breakwater is among agenda items.

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ACE Wooded Island info and links- www.hydepark.org/parks/jpac/ace2014.htm


**ELECTR. DELIV OF NL, ADDR UPDATE- garyossewaarde@yahoo.com**

The purpose of the JPAC is to provide a forum for …users of Jackson Park; to advise and make recommendations to the Chicago Park District on park improvements and programs (and create/ ensure programs); to encourage long-range planning; promote community utilization and awareness of park and program and participation in planning and seek alternative funding sources.
Louise McCurry convened the meeting at 7 p.m. at the fieldhouse; a quorum was present. Attendance included 21 qualified to vote and a total of 33. Thanks to Spencer Bibbs for handling check-in. The agenda was distributed and introductions were made.

**Treasurer's report.** Dwight Powell. The November beginning balance was $4,086.94, end balance $3,936.44. $150.50 went for the Turkey Trot. Dunkin' Donuts 8753 Stony Island donated donuts for the Turkey Trot. Thanks, Manager Karen. Large membership gifts were received in November and December to be deposited.

**November minutes** were accepted as distributed. Brenda Nelms asked correction of the story (in the non-minutes section of the Newsletter) regarding the roof on the 58th comfort station—the roof is still the temporary one and again had holes from the wind.

**Reports:** Louise McCurry except as noted.

**PAC Conference.** March 21 2020. Louise reported on the planning committee for the annual Park District PAC Conference, this year March 21 at Malcolm X College. This conference will include repeats of the most popular sessions such as PAC 101, Fundraising, Publicity/Outreach, and Governance/How to Run a Meeting (to include a practice meeting), with the panels drilling a bit deeper. And there will be new sessions, for example on how to get action on Lakeshore Erosion. PACs are asked to submit ideas, Louise is asking for more. Suggested: Effective Committees and Delegating Authority.

**Activities and facilities.** Jackson Park and other Wolfpack youth football teams won local and regional competition and are competing in the nationals in Florida. Our gymnastics preschool class held a beautiful competition. Kids dance class is off and running with instructor Catherine Johnson—JPAC is helping identify and get facility upgrades needed for these two initiatives such as a separated bathroom and stand up mirrors. We had a fine turkey trot- winners in each age class got big turkeys from JPAC to take home. The sculptor will arrive soon to turn a dead ash stump at 59th and Stony into “The Green Lady.” Parents and JPAC sought these initiatives. Louise attended a discussion on energy and utility conservation in parks.

**South Lakefront Plan, Shoreline Erosion** and related updates. Paul Wiese, principal at SmithGroup engineering and design firm reported and answered questions. He displayed the plaque for his Urban Design Honor award from the American Institute of Architects Chicago for the South Lakefront Plan. He hopes the plan will be a 20-year guide for sustainability and distinctiveness for these parks. Wiese noted the historical role of water in and since the original park plans. When we have issues with high lake levels and erosion it affects huge parts of the interior water tables and the lagoons and features well out in the Lake, not just the edge. The recent revised plan stresses improved management of water throughout the park, including for the benefit of wildlife. Another focus, Wiese said, of the planning was benefits to communities- what do they gain, how are their needs and desires integrated into the park? How are communities made the winner? Community input was so helpful, he said. He expressed his thanks for that and to JPAC for setting forth what needs to be done.

**The Lakefront erosion study.** Wiese described initial work under its multi-year contract to study and develop a plan, short and long run, to manage the high lake and other levels resulting erosion including on the South Side. Part of the research was with drones—including operated by Women in Drones. Work has continued and (in response to a question) the timeline for a Plan to be ready is mid-2020. He also described the steps in determining the needs and their solutions, various options, and the cost-benefit and impacts on communities of each option. Noted was that the Army Corps was impressed with the story of the successful phased implementation of the GLFER study and project in Jackson Park. Part of the task is working with officials to identify funding, which is far from assured. Mostly emergency work is being done now. He will be glad to bring updates to a future meeting.

Louise McCurry continued the subject by reporting on a public meeting with the responsible agencies and officeholders convened by Congressman Bobby Rush December 2. $200,000 for study was identified there and the sections most in need of work, temporary or long-term structural. Already concrete Jersey barriers were installed in the area of 47th-51st, by 57th and 59th along the Drive and near 67th/Marquette. State money...
might be available for additional “local” short-term projects. Also reported by Louise is approval for start on breakwater(s) by the Jackson Park harbors.

Questions and comments included the need to do Promontory Point (caution was made that some sectors are historically and aesthetically sensitive and need to be right), and the threat of the waters to parts of the golf course and the bike trail. Requested was establishment of lakeshore erosion committee.

Golf. Tracy Raoul described a twelve-month plan of the Jackson Park Golf Association (www.gpgachicago.com) to expand activities and opportunities for golfers of all ages in Jackson Park. She introduced the new caddie manager, Anyah Akanni, the first female manager in the country and an Evan Scholarship winner. She described life-lesson and connections benefits for teens from caddying. Dwight Powell related how JPAC members recruited caddies in the area high schools. Coach Craig Bowen, with Chicago Parks Golf Association, noted a new $1.2M donation to hire and train youth within a 3-mile radius of the park for jobs in golf and other trades. Louise shared her experience evaluating and helping high school students with their college applications. Katie Miles and Jen Dixon of the Urban Alliance explained further, including that the program ties in with the Obama Job Corps and Kenwood Academy and Little Black Pearl Arts and Design.

Fieldhouse and Recreation. Instructor Pierre Nealon urged JPAC members to participate in the Holiday Party December 20 mid-afternoon (details to come). There will be a winter break camp, and wrestling continues as competition starts early in the year. He asked for more baby chairs and tables and moveable mirrors so the preschool and tumbling programs can be expanded. Among many other programs, pickleball continues to be popular with 15-35 twice a week.

Election. Jerry Levy presided over the election. He reviewed nominations from the November meeting, one for each office, and as all of them had agreed to serve and there were no nominations since, he proposed that we call for additional nominations for each office separately and if there are none elect the nominee by acclamation, allowable under Roberts Rules. For Treasurer the only nominee, Dwight Powell was elected by acclamation. The same for Secretary, Gary Ossewaarde, and Vice President, Anne Marie Miles. For President Robin Kaufman objected to the nominee, Louise McCurry— that was ruled out of order. The objector then asked to nominate herself in order to make a statement. She was allowed to make the statement, but the nomination was ruled not to the purpose of election and the body went on to elect Louise McCurry. Robin’s statement was that Louise removed ribbons tied to trees as part of a protest of the Obama Center sitting in the park. Erin Adams replied that the protesters did not have permission to tie ribbons or post flyers in the park and that these were cleaned up by several.

Little Libraries. Adams reported that we have more books and they will soon be installed at the playgrounds. Other announcements included toy drives at parks and a TreeKeepers project the next Saturday 9-12 re-mulching trees at Garfield and Michigan.

Moved to adjourn. Next meeting January 13, 7 p.m. at the fieldhouse. Gary M. Ossewaarde, Secretary PROPOSED BREAKWATER FOR THE HARBORS will be shown, discussed at OUR JAN 13 MEETING.________________________________________________

JPAC IS LAUNCHING ITS 2020 MEMBERSHIP AND DONATION DRIVE. Our 2020 membership form is appended and can be printed, filled in and mailed, with your check made out to JPAC, to JPAC c/o Dwight Powell, 7206 S. Luella, Chicago, IL 60649. Our fiscal agent is Chicago Parks Foundation, a 501c3. Please consult your tax accountant regarding tax deduction.

63rd Beach Natural Area. By Edward Warden, Facilitator, Conservation Stewardship, John G. Shedd Aquarium. In 2019 from April through November, Shedd hosted 26 volunteer workdays at 63rd Street Beach and LaRabida Beach. Across the season, we brought out 954 volunteers, monitored and protected a dozen rare and endangered plants, planted 4284 native plants, and removed 2945 lbs. of trash. #######

Jerry Levy led the last Wooded Island Workday December 7- parts of the trail were mulched. Federal Reviews- final recommendations and a stakeholders webinar are expected early in the year. 3
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This story is continually changing, and sometimes statements or interpretations contradict each other or are provisional. So here is some background as of December 2019, based on media reports, attendees at public and task force meetings, and reports at the December JPAC meeting. State Representative Curtis J. Tarver is circulating a petition to show public support for action on the South Side, and he encourages joining his task force—curtis@RepCurtisJTarverII.com.

OVERALL LAKEFRONT EROSION IS BEING, AND IS COMMITTED TO BE, ADDRESSED, but completion of an overall Plan and assemblage of, or appropriation of funds is needed. There are really two overlapping approaches: 1) local shore-edge buttressing and 2) in-the-lake breakwaters and other structural modifications.

The Chicago Park District at its October meeting approved a 3-year contract with SmithGroup to look at what can be done for the eroding lakeshore along its entire length, including development of a 2-year Phase I Lakefront Shoreline Assessment and Strategic Action Plan. (For information go to the site on Park Board of Commissioners meetings-https://chicagoparkdistrict.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4162878&GUID=849CB191-08CF-452F90DD-89ABCB527019. SmithGroup principal Paul Wiese described the project and the wider issues at the December 9 JPAC meeting. The project, expected to produce a report mid-2020, includes a full inventory analysis of existing conditions (already begun with drones, etc.), prioritization strategy, and key aspects of local-state-federal partnering and funding. And the Park District has been in conversation with and submitted numerous updated requests for action or permissions to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Congressman Bobby Rush, disturbed at a seeming lack of priority to South Side issues at a meeting with the Corps in September, on December 2 held a public meeting with the Army Corps and city and Park District representatives, on lakeshore protection and erosion. Rep. Tarver (25th) in the meantime formed a Task Force with Rep. Buckner and Ald. G. Mitchell to address what the state can do regarding South Side erosion issues.

The November 11 2019 Lake Shore Drive closure at 67th and South Shore Drive by towering waves from an unseasonable snow storm cast in a bold light the high lake levels and resulting ongoing storm damage. Storm and wind damage have occurred since and are expected to continue. The at-rest Lake Michigan level in December was about 6 feet above the historic lows of 2013 and at the historic highs of 1986 and may increase further at least into next spring. One inch rise in level at present height represents 780 billion gallons of water--and the weight of that water. During certain storm and wind conditions, especially from the northeast and east, the level is elevated further, and the waves can be much higher than when the lake is at rest. The more wind and waves and the more sand is lost and the lake bottom scoured, the more often the big waves crash nearer to or right onto the shore, affecting beaches, bike trails, Lake Shore Drive, structures, boating operations, golf course, and fishing. An additional problem is migration of lake water or pressure under the Drive into the park water table and the lagoons which, combined with earlier heavy rains has resulted in flooding in interior parts of the park and weakened trees. Research last August for the Park District by SmithGroup (including Women in Drones), and the Army Corps among others, scoped damaged or most vulnerable shoreline along the whole lakefront, and information has continued to be gathered. JPAC contributed many documentary photographs and evidence of former wood and stone breakwaters that disappeared over the years. Note, the Army Corps says it cannot predict how lake level cycles will play out in the future or how climate change might affect trends or cycles. (The Trump Administration forbids agencies to even use the words “climate change.”)

Based on the SmithGroup contract and Park District specific requests for help (29 since July), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) opened an emergency activation center and put in a request for reevaluation of our lakeshore, both to give real-time assistance, permissions to act, and advice and also because an ACE request is a prerequisite for another set of shoreline projects. (The last was in the late 1990s and the 2000s--there are contradictory statements as to whether any of that legislative authorization and funding of $536M might remain available- but it appears that would have to be for unfinished sections such as Morgan Shoals or the Point--again unclear). Paul Wiese, principal of SmithGroup explained at the December 9 JPAC meeting the process whenever there is a need that may become a federal project: identify the threat and the areas and communities most threatened, identify what the benefits would be for communities from taking various actions vs. not, what has to be done now and who can fund it, and development of a longer term plan for structural projects that will bolster the shore for up to 50 years, and seek sources of study and funding for that. He noted that the GLFER Project of natural area restoration in Jackson Park was cited by ACE in its request for action as an example of a successful process and a completed phased project.

Wiese noted that funding has not yet been identified for every threatened sector, let alone every mile. As he, and others present at a December 2 public meeting convened by Congressman Bobby Rush (1st) with ACE
at the Carothers Center, and at an early task force meeting convened by State Representative Curtis Tarver (25th), there is state money to continue and extend the short-term work already undertaken by the city and park district (i.e. the local projects). For the federal part, Congressman Rush found approx. $200,000 for the ACE-requested study and development of the essential long-term ACE plan. (The request was put in by ACE the past 6 years but apparently there was neither approval nor money.) No federal money has yet been ID’d or appropriated to execute a long-term plan (see exceptions below). ACE Col. Aaron Reisinger is quoted in the Hyde Park Herald saying at the December 2 meeting, "Until we get funding, there's no work we can do. We have to get funding from the Administration and Congress, and that's a tough process." (The Administration budgets removal of most funding under the Great Lakes Treaty, Congress has restored it to date.) A long-term plan is the "emergency work" the Feds (ACE) could do after the local partners have done what they can.

There was wide consensus December 2 that the long-term work should include strategically-placed concrete breakwaters, perhaps reinforced by riprap. The work that the Feds will undertake in our area first is at Jackson Park and at the Morgan Shoal sectors 45th to 51st Streets (perhaps not breakwaters there. There is no plan or money at present for Promontory Point or for south of 71st St. (Heather Gleason, head of CPD Planning, said that for Promontory Point the design process would have to start over.) Paul Wiese of SmithGroup told the JPAC December 9 meeting that the SmithGroup long-term Plan report could be ready mid-2020. As for private properties such as south of 71st, there is no federal remedy for them if not also impacting public lands, except the floodplain buy-back program.

So, what is the shorter-term in-lake concept for Jackson Park and South Shore Park? The Park District submitted a proposal for a two-section breakwater at the harbor inlet (c6400 S.). Heather Gleason of the Chicago Park District was cited as saying this will start as soon as spring 2020. (The breakwater was recommended in the South Lakefront Plan and follows earlier studies proposing reconfigurations to prevent inter alia wave damage, silting of the harbor inlet, and water pressure at the west end of the outer and inner harbor all causing dock problems and damaging the historic Old Coast Guard Station and also impacting the LaRabida shoreline and contributing to water table weakening of tree roots so that some have toppled. Major sections of the old breakwater failed this year, so became an emergency. The funding arrangement is unknown to us. We also have not learned if there are plans to replace mostly-gone breakwaters by 67th, along and south of South Shore Park or if there is a need or plan to elevate the 59th breakwater that is now often submerged, or any in-lake plans for the 57th beach area.)

And at the shore, short-term? Meanwhile, The city (CDOT) and Park District got approval and committed to bolstering the most threatened spots, c. 5 to 9,000 linear feet, starting at the north end of the city, but now undertaken also in Jackson, especially by 59th beach, 64th, and the south end of La Rabida peninsula/Marquette). Vasily Jurca of CDOT as reported in the Herald, said that in September the city installed between 49th and 50th 800 feet of concrete "Jersey" barriers between the Drive and the Lakefront Trail (parts of which are now lost and closed 48th-51st and will be rebuilt starting in January- presumably with more protection). An additional 200 feet of barriers were installed at 67th and Marquette/Lake Shore Drive after the November storm. More may be needed along harbor shores. Used in this short-term work is a combination of Jersey barriers and riprap (gravel, rocks and broken concrete). The actions taken so far seem to be effective. More such reinstallations may be needed. December 9, JPAC members expressed concern lest priority for saving the Drive not leave the bike and pedestrian trail stranded. The future of the beaches is uncertain, as the Park District has for now deduced the Drive to be not leave the bike and pedestrian trail stranded. The future of the beaches is uncertain, as the Park District has for now

SAVE THE DATES.

**Park District Board of Commissioners.** Unless otherwise given the meetings are at Wednesdays, 11:30 AM at 541 N. Fairbanks Ct. 8th floor.


October 14 at Gately Park 810 E. 103rd St. November 18. December 9. (December 2 Budget final hearing.)

Information is in [https://chicagoparkdistrict.legistar.com/](https://chicagoparkdistrict.legistar.com/). [signuptospeak@chicagoparkdistrict.com](mailto:signuptospeak@chicagoparkdistrict.com) by Monday before 4:30.

**Some Other Dates:** March 14 c2 p.m. One Earth Film Festival at Jackson fieldhouse

March 21 CPD PAC Conference at Malcolm X College- sign up address will be given when available.


Green Teams April-September- if you know a corporate or organization service team that would like to do work projects in Jackson or other parks, find out how they can sign up at [www.chicagoparksfoundation.org](http://www.chicagoparksfoundation.org).
Workdays. JPAC conducted or hosted 55 workdays of single or multiple activities giving many thousands of volunteer hours. From March through November monthly workdays were conducted by our area stewards and their teams of regular volunteers, often supplemented by large organized groups, servicing the Natural Areas—Bobolink Meadow, 63rd Beach Natural Area (with Shedd Aquarium), and Wooded Island. Several workdays were organized by the Columbia Basin steward. Activities included planting, removing invasives, shielding and mulching young and other trees, mulching and raising trails, doing cleanup, conducting educational tours or installing educational material. And a group from Open Lands TreeKeepers did regular pruning and trained volunteers worked with contractors in the Japanese Garden and replanted park sections under the GLFER ecological restoration. Other large groups of JPAC, school and college, corporate, and local or international community service groups worked in many parts of the park—playgrounds, new children’s book “little libraries”, or making and clearing wheelchair paths, etc. at the Iowa Building and LaRabida Hospital shores. Also mulching, trash pickup, and playground soft surface spreading projects and beach cleans were conducted. Most of our projects have an education tour or talk related the park’s history and ecology and the importance of cooperative and individual stewardship.

We have set up and are growing a Teen Green Team in cooperation with schools, Scouts and expanding city and park district programs.

Several of our workdays were part of citywide initiatives—Earth Day and It’s Your Park Day.

Also, several JPAC volunteers helped with planting and cleanup projects in nearby parks.

Engagement, Advocacy, PAC Development. PAC members conducted or participated in inspection and documentation tours. These often involved CPD staff, contractors and elected officials, informing them of the grand history, potential, and needs of the park. Many work orders and capital or budget requests were generated from these that resulted in repairs or improvements or provided documentation of major problems such as shore erosion, park flooding, difficult access, paths, trees, and overgrowth.

JPAC helped plan and conduct, and learned from seminars and conferences by the Park District, South Region, Chicago Parks Foundation, and others. And we participated in Jackson Park planning and review. JPAC and Friends of the White City conducted well-attended weekly park history tours, reaching people from all over the region and abroad.

Shedd Aquarium, Alliance for the Great Lakes partnered for beach and coast ecology and cleanup. A major initiative launched was a partnership with Harris Community Action of the Harris School of Public Policy UC for a team and intern to survey park users, use of park spaces, community desires and needs regarding the park, and ways to engage youth, families and younger adults including for stewardship. We continued to work with and celebrate the golf caddies and the schools they come from and teams including Wolf Pack football.

JPAC collaborated with several organizations, including hosting of learning and engagement events in the park. A few—On the Table with the Chicago Community Trust and Partners

One Earth Film Festival/Green Community Connections for two environmental festivals and screenings. The Obama Foundation and Southside Neighbors for Hope collaborated on ecology and other lectures.

Make Music Chicago, Night Out in the Parks, Apostolic Church, and Museum of Science and Industry for concerts, piano lessons, dancing, and movies.

Marched in 4th on 53rd Parade and Picnic and had a table with games.

Golf tournaments (Play for the Parks Chicago Parks Foundation fundraiser and Adaptive Golf) and celebrations of scholarship and player certification winners. Golf associations and alliances, yacht clubs, sports teams, La Rabida Hospital, MSI (mailing our Newsletters)

Participants in our International Migratory Bird Day Festival

Brown Paintbrush and others for the Little Libraries at 67th playgrounds, collaborating with block clubs, etc.

University of Chicago Police, U C Service Center. Community Programs Accelerator.
Chicago Bears and partners—programs and service in the park for their 100th. United Airlines for service. Food provided for park kids camp graduations, competitions—a great chance to engage with kids and parents. JPAC helped with 5K Dash and Black Men’s Expo, had tables at environmental justice fairs and the Woodlawn Summit, and gave a lecture at Montgomery Place related to the adjacent Iowa Building. Our membership and fundraising drives allowed us to engage with 19 monetary donors, several being new and givers of substantial donations in 2019, in addition to in-kind donations received. These enabled our activities.

**Jackson Park and JPAC events in 2019**

**Monthly PAC meetings**

Quarterly Day Camps for a wide variety of ages and interests. Quarterly graduations, Halloween, Turkey Trot, Holiday party, and the pre-Christmas Big Toy Giveaway by Chicago teams and celebrities.

Workdays. White City Tours Saturdays spring-October.

One Earth Film Festival March 3 including screening of “Home”.

At Annual PAC Conference March 30, including presentation at session.

One Earth Film Festival April 27 “Before the Flood” and Discussion on ecology of the Obama site with partners and Earth Day activities.

International Migratory Bird Day Festival May 11.

On the Table community discussion with Memo to the Mayor. May 13.


State Services Fair at the fieldhouse. June 8.

Make Music Chicago concert with perf. companies (June 21); inauguration of Pianos in the Park, lessons.


Talk and Q&A with Ghian Foreman on community redevelopment and policing. June 29.

Annual Flashlight Tour with FOTP and HP Historical Society. June 29.


Annual JPAC Picnic at Iowa Building including reports on new initiatives. July 8.

Play for the Parks fundraising golf tournament. July 11.

Summer Dance. July 24 and another. 2 Movies in the Parks at MSI lawn (one moved inside)

Apostolic Church Youth Symphony performed at Day Camp. July 25

Installation of temporary sculpture at fieldhouse, with party. August 9.

Adaptive Golf Tournament. August 23

Reading for kids and cleanup at 67th playgrounds. August 24.

Chicago Bears 100 Huddle for 100 party, work activities. September 7.

Open Soccer Day. September 8.

Mid-late September—building, celebrating, reading Little Libraries 67th, Iowa Bldg chess tables instal., party

Chicago Peace Day celebrations incl. at Sky Landing. September 23

Artist Gary Keenan carving of dead tree at 59th Story, The Green Lady, started November 10.

**Improvements and Milestones 2019.**

Completion-conclusion of the 5-year GLFER Ecological Restoration of major natural area and landscape.

Workdays (mulch trails, planting) made further improvements in natural and other areas of the park.

Completion of Lakeshore Bike Trail reconfiguration.

Iowa Building improvements including mulch wheelchair paths and chess tables.

Historic Ladies Comfort Station at 59th and Science Drive was given temporary roof, rebuild promised.

Temporary and permanent repairs at 59th, Marquette underpasses including for flooding and access.

Temporary sculptures and a dead-tree carving brightened and called attention to parts of the park.

Decisions on shore damage (and initial work) and on some other major issues, although not on all.
Sunday, November 24, 2019

JACKSON PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP / CONTRIBUTION FORM for 2020

Dear Member/Friend: With our park rising fast but with much to do and at stake, can you support us, financially or by joining? Your contact information ensures that you receive the monthly JPAC Newsletter by mail or email, lets us reach our friends with emerging park issues and special opportunities, and helps us fund supplies for park kids and workdays and hold special lectures and events.

E addresses are especially welcome. JPAC meets 2nd Mondays 7 p.m. usually at the fieldhouse, 6401 S. Stony Island Ave.

NOTE: “Dues” are NOT required for participation or for voting at JPAC meetings (there is a modest attendance requirement).

Please return this form with your check made out to JPAC to a meeting or mail to JPAC c/o Dwight Powell, 7206 S. Luella, Chicago, IL 60649.

TODAY’S DATE __________________

NAME________________________________________

ADDRESS_____________________________________

PHONE(s)____________________________________

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_____ $35 INDIVIDUAL FRIEND (BASIC MEMBERSHIP DUES)
_____ $100 GUARDIAN
_____ $250 CONSERVATOR
_____ $500 PATRON
_____ $1,000 FOUNDER
_____ OTHER

MY INTERESTS IN OR CONCERNS ABOUT THE PARK, or I wish to volunteer for a Committee:
Nature, Program and Youth, Connectivity, Sports/rec., Safety, and Outreach/fundraising

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