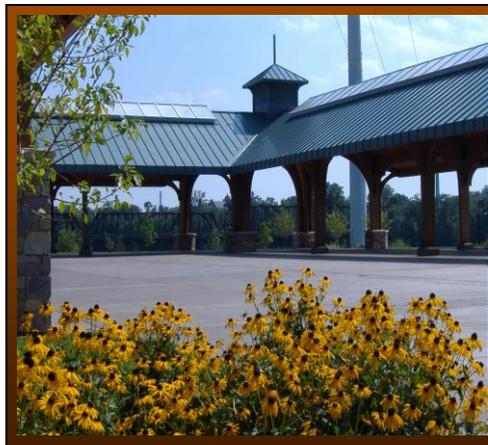
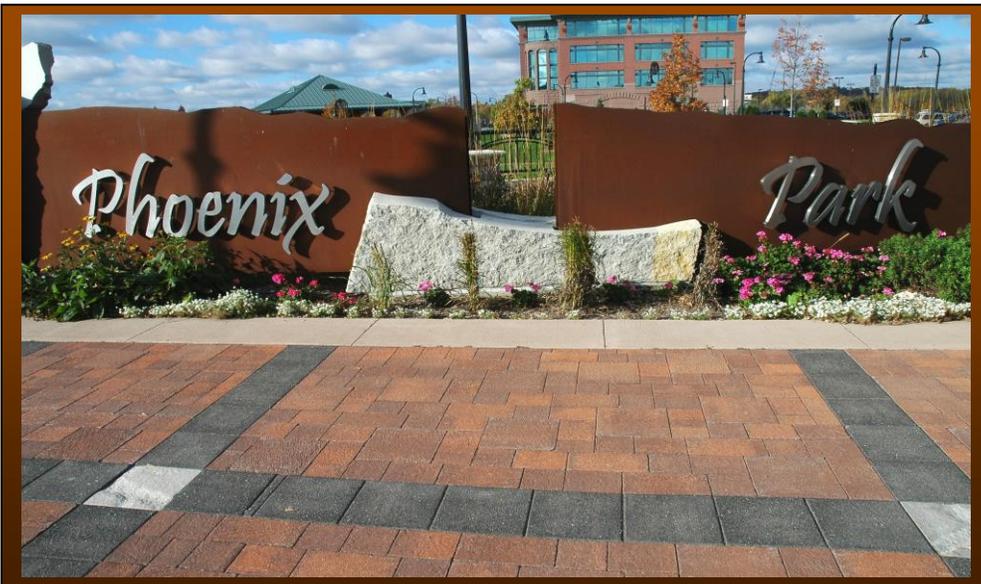


City of Eau Claire

**PARKS, RECREATION  
AND FORESTRY  
DEPARTMENT**

2014  
Annual  
Report



# Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department

## *Vision Statement*

*Contribute to making Eau Claire a vibrant and healthy community.*

## *Mission Statement*

*To provide exceptional park, recreation and forestry services that will enrich our citizens and visitors.*

## *Core Values*

*Accountability...To maintain open relationships with the community.*

*Responsive...To provide for the needs of others.*

*Ingenuity...To be innovative and creative.*

*Professionalism...To be qualified and prepared to work.*

*Honesty...To be open and transparent.*

*Health...To provide quality opportunities for physical fitness and activity.*

*Environmentalism...To provide healthy spaces and places.*

*Security...To enforce rules fairly and consistently.*

*Safety...To minimize accidents.*

*Explorative...To learn new ways to enhance services.*

# **2014 Annual Report**

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April 1, 2015

The City of Eau Claire Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department is proud to present the Department's 2014 Annual Report. This report is designed to provide a short synopsis of the myriad of programs and services we offer and the facilities we maintain. The individuals mentioned in this report, along with thousands of volunteers, have endeavored to provide high quality programs, services and facilities.

In 2013 the Eau Claire Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department received Accreditation with the National Recreation and Park Association. In 2014 the Department was recognized as a Gold Medal Finalist for the National Recreation and Park Association. Both awards identify our department as achieving the overall quality of operation, management and service to the community.

Even though less resources are available to local government each year, operational changes and efficiencies have been implemented so that we can continue to make quality parks, recreation and forestry services available to the community.

We invite you to become involved in your community parks by registering for a recreation program, visiting a local park, participating in a park master planning process or serving a term on the Waterways and Parks Commission.

We thank you for your support of parks, recreation and forestry in Eau Claire.

Sincerely,

Phil Fieber, CPRP

Cc: Waterways and Parks Commission members  
City Council  
City Manager  
City Department Heads

**Live Life Better**

# *Parks, Recreation, Forestry and Cemetery Staff*



Taken at Phoenix Park

## **CITY COUNCIL**

- Kerry Kincaid City Council-President
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  - Eric Larsen At Large
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  - Catherine Emmanuelle At Large
  - David Strobel At Large
  - Michael Xiong At Large
  - David Klinkhammer District #2
  - Kathy Mitchell District #3
  - Bob Von Haden District #4
  - Andrew Werthmann District #5
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## **WATERWAYS AND PARKS COMMISSION**

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- Joshua Miller
  
- Bob Von Haden Council Rep
- Andrew Werthmann Council Rep
- Phil Fieber Rep, Parks and Recreation Department
- Pat Ivory Rep, Planning and Development Department

## **Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department 2014 Director's Annual Report**

Half Moon Lake Task Force Implementation Committee: The most recent meeting was held August 29, 2013. Bill James reported to the group that treatments appear to be very successful according to his study.

Northwood's/Express Baseball: Summaries:

Year	Ave Game	Total Season Attendance
2005	1,600	51,200
2006	2,205	68,360
2007	2,133	72,529
2008	1,667	55,000
2009	1,996	67,861 (33 regular season plus one playoff)
2010	2,162	80,002 (34 regular season plus 2 playoffs and 1- All Star game)
2011	2,135	70,444 (36 games)
2012	2,069	70,355 (34 dates)
2013	1,978	71,215 (36 dates)
2014	1,926	69,344 (36 dates)

Department Safety Committee: The last monthly meeting was held September 17, 2014, with presentations to both Parks and Public Works crews.

Special Events: The Special Events Committee continues to work with all the groups that conduct events within city parks and meets at least monthly. Park and Special Events Standards have been compiled and were communicated to the community. These standards clarify appropriate uses for our parks and should assist special event organizers.

Baseball History/Memorabilia Committee: The committee decided to not host a banquet in 2014. We will look at a 2015 banquet. We are currently negotiating with Paul Molitor for guest speaker.

Amazing Eau Claire Clean-up: The event was held on April 26 with 22 groups of 211 volunteers we picked up 100 bags of garbage – no tires in the parks this year!

Dog Park Project: A paved parking lot, with storm water management, was paved and stripped to hold approximately 34 vehicles. The small dog area was completed in December 2012. The parking lot received a security light and visual surround for the porta john .

Skate Plaza: The skate plaza was completed on July 26, 2013. There have been minor incidents for noise, late night use and graffiti. Winter use has been minimal. There were no structural cracks in the concrete over the harsh winter.

Rod and Gun Park: Park Renovation: Work is complete in the park with the new stairs and trail to the lower park, new parking lot, entrance road, restroom, electric service and multipurpose trail on the park perimeter near Slawson Court.

#### Emerald Ash Borer

The EAB has been discovered in three Wisconsin counties – Ozaukee, Washington and now Vernon (near La Crosse) County, as well as St Paul, MN. Our Forestry Division has implemented its plan for addressing disease containment, pre-emptive ash tree removal and replacement for city boulevard and park ash trees. The new 2010 Urban Forestry Management Plan is complete and was accepted by the City Council in November 2010. A specific EAB Plan was presented to City Council in January of 2011. Pre-emptive removal has been very successful in the Randall Park neighborhood. We are currently servicing the Planets Neighborhood on the north side.

#### Cemetery Operations

The Landmarks Commission desires to list both cemetery chapels on the local historic register. We have secured a sponsor to make additional repairs (electrical) to the chapel at Lakeview. Gene Grengs will be contributing to electrical and masonry improvements at Lakeview Chapel. The Cemeteries (Lake View & Forest Hill) will begin a turf rehabilitation project next week, tentatively Aug 25<sup>th</sup>. The entire grounds will receive an application of fertilizer and weed control measures (weed & feed). After a two week period selected areas will be re-seeded and watered with a goal of having the new seeding becoming established before snow fall. Over seeding will continue next spring with additional sections on the grounds scheduled for the same treatment. Seed blends were selected for quick establishment and drought tolerance.

#### Half Moon Lake

The fourth herbicide treatment was applied on Wednesday April 11, 2012. No herbicide treatment was recommended by the WIDNR this year as the curlyleaf pondweed count was minimal. The next issue will be monitoring the water quality from the lake watershed to eliminate/minimize phosphates entering the lake. We will apply for a grant to study the HML watershed, especially the makeup water from Owen Park and the “leak” on the south end.

As a surprise to all, curlyleaf appeared with a vengeance in early June. Weed harvesting has started in an effort to curb the spread of curlyleaf turions “seeds”.

Friends of Eau Claire Parks, Recreation and Forestry: The Community Parks Association, Inc. has expanded its scope from park facilities and park acquisitions to now include recreation and park programs, which addresses the needs of the Recreation Division. The group is looking for fundraisers to defray administrative costs such as the annual cost of bonding and an audit. The CPA voted to charge a service charge of 3% beginning January 1, 2010 for all funds received. They have implemented a friends/membership type program called “Beyond the Playground”.

<u>Facility Use</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Pavilion Rentals	883 Dates	841 Dates	957 Dates
Neighborhood Shelters	141 Dates	132 Dates	162 Dates
Football Stadium	920 Hours	1,021 Hours	1,041 Dates
Baseball Stadium	140 Games	104 Games	130 Games
Hobbs/Gelein Field	1,348.50 Hours	1,525 Hours	1,409 Hours
Soccer Park	6,687 Hours	7,445 Hours	7,668 Hours

WI-DNR Grants: The Department received a 2014 Grant for acquiring the UP Railroad spur (double bridge to Roosevelt School) and a grant for trail maintenance. We have also acquired the property on Lokken Lane, without the aid of a grant. The Carlson’s property should be acquired this spring via a DNR Grant, pending an environmental assessment.

Pest Management Program: We have discontinued using 2,4-D products and started using more environmentally friendly products. Staff feels herbicides are necessary on high use and sloped turf areas and in areas where the public demands weed-free cemeteries. Information on the Department Pest Management Program is available on the Parks Department web site.

Wildlife Nuisance: The City has been ordered by the City County Health Department to clean up the Riverview Park geese waste or close public access to the park. We will obtain permits to mitigate the geese, starting with the use of noise, dogs, oiling eggs and eventually goose harvesting. Geese feces have forced the closing of Half Moon Lake beach twice during the summer of 2013 already.

We have hosted a presentation by the USDA to provide options on controlling geese our city parks. We hosted a public hearing on December 18, 2013, and discussed conducting a goose round up in Riverview and Half Moon Lake. No members of the public attended. The goose roundup was conducted on June 23, 2014 by the USDA and netted 108 geese.

Approximately 20 geese have recently been regularly visiting the south end of Half Moon Lake.

Football Stadium Renovation: We have a report and preliminary cost estimates are in the \$4.0M range. UWEC has received the information and is interested in participating in the cost of the renovations.

Baseball Stadium Renovation: Bill Anderson has been hired to design permanent grandstands to replace the temporary bleachers. We will look at seating capacity remaining the same, but look at expansion of restrooms and concessions stands. Preliminary cost estimates are in the \$3.0M range.

Recreation Division Programs: A detailed annual report of 2013 Recreation Division activities is available for review [www.eau Clairewi.gov/pr](http://www.eau Clairewi.gov/pr)

Hobbs Ice : We are currently bidding for construction of the restrooms and finishing off the Club Viewing Room with flooring, electrical outlets and a ceiling.

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Hours Rented	4,339	4,264	4,699	5,308	4,579
Dry Floor Events	2	6	8	8	8

Fairfax Pool

The pool will open Memorial Day and will be open through Labor Day in 2014.

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Fairfax Pool Season Attendance	60,070	64,189	67,051	60,345	58,199

Recreation Programs-Fall/Winter:

		<u>2011-12</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2013-14</u>
Water Aerobics	A	148	159	121
Lifeguard Training/WSI	Y	25	24	9
Learn to Swim	Y	458	543	502
Open Swim	NA	386	481	# Not Avail
Mini Mites Hockey	Y	75	66	49
Hoop Dreams	Y	84	71	70
Tennis	Y	NA	NA	11
Tumbling	Y	43	60	36
Hockey	A	105	120	141
Kickball	A	78	83	62
Pickleball Clinic	A	NA	NA	21
Pickleball Open Gym	A	NA	NA	233
Softball Leagues	A	86	95	107
Volleyball Competitive	A	342	323	392
Volleyball Open Gym	A	689	212	455
Volleyball Rec.	A	51	37	NA
Basketball	Y	200	97	NA
Flag Football	Y	405	395	383
Par-te-Rec	A	163	134	112
Outdoor Skating Rinks	YA	5,756	13,563	13,852
Totals		9,293	16,622	16,556 +

Recreation Programs-Summer:

		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Adapted/Individual Swim	Y	97	91	103
Lifeguard Training/WSI	Y	30	31	31
Learn to Swim	Y	1,845	1,853	2,226
Dance	A	7	0	0
Art	Y	402	402	431
Cooking	Y	54	47	44
Golf	Y	142	167	138
Kubb	Y	29	18	33
Outdoor Adventure	Y	124	201	208
Pickleball Clinics	A	NA	NA	26
River City Adventures	Y	NA	199	119
Running Club	Y	40	40	48
Sailing	Y	12	0	14
Soccer Instructional	Y	90	90	104
T-ball Instructional	Y	74	45	52
Tennis	Y	335	276	284
Tumbling	Y	176	150	173
Kickball	A	116	107	129
Run, Row, Ride	A	49	52	55
Softball Leagues	A	1,285	990	1,054
Baseball	Y	132	90	0
Sand Lot Sports	Y	228	158	67

Soccer League	Y	374	374	381
T-Ball League	Y	79	75	83
Par-te-Rec Summer	A	60	56	60
Camp Summertime	Y	38	34	32
Playground Program	Y	<u>1,870</u>	<u>756</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals		7,681	6,302	5,895

Owen Park Restoration Plan: The City Council approved plan was submitted to the WIDNR for approval and was accepted on October 18, 2012. Trees were removed beginning November 5 and was completed November 13. Some soil removal began on Tuesday, November 13 and was substantially completed in mid-December. Grass, trees and trails will be installed in spring 2013. Additional trees will be planted in spring 2014.

Accreditation: Accreditation was awarded to the department in October 2013 in Houston, TX

National Gold Medal Application: The Department received notification that we are a finalist for the 2014 National Gold Medal in Parks and Recreation Excellence in management. Four agencies in our size range (25,000 to 75,000) are considered finalists. The top agency will be announced on October 14 at the National Recreation and Parks Association Congress in Charlotte, NC.

Jeffers Road Ballpark: The Department continues to work with the Little League and EC Girls Fury Fastpitch to construct the fields. Ayres is completing final construction documents. Donations are being received on the projects – Larry Reidt, Steve Kristo and Emil Rinaldi. Work on storm water, water and sewer pipe installation was completed. The fields have been roughed in and irrigation installation should begin soon.

Jeffers Road Brush Site: The acceptance of yard waste, new this season, has been very popular this year. Unfortunately, the County, which operates the recycling programs in the EC County and at Jeffers Road, has decided to terminate the program as of July 30 because there has been so yard waste being hauled from the site. The County reports that they had budgeted \$3000 for hauling waste and the expense to date is close to \$10,000. This has been an appreciated service for city residents. In addition the County has claimed they have been unable to find a person to supervise the site on Saturdays during the month of August, so the site has been completely closed to the public on Saturdays.

Thorp Drive

At the Waterways & Parks Commission Meeting August 28, 2013 a permit was approved to allow resident at 132 Oakwood Place to remove invasive plants and thin trees along Thorp Commons. This work was completed on October 30, 2013. May 8, 2014 Park Superintendent was notified of erosion in that general area. Observations noted were similar to an area of land movement that was noted earlier in the fall of 2013 25’ south of 132 Oakwood Place, most probably due to the river undercutting the bank. Additionally an area adjacent to 120 Marston Ave has also seen similar undermining. City Engineering (Dave Solberg) was made aware of this and suggested monitoring at this time, and armoring the bank, possibly in conjunction with the upcoming bridge project if necessary. Observations made during rain events in May June July and August have left the site unchanged, with June having near record local rainfall totals. Stumps of the removed vegetation per the permit remain intact, with storm water structures capturing runoff. To date Mr. Seymour has replanted 31 trees and shrubs per the requirement of his permit.

Parks Division Relocation: The process of swapping office and staging areas between the Utilities Division and the Parks Division continues. The Parks maintenance, Forestry and Cemetery staff will be headquartered in the Central Maintenance Facility on or about November 1.

Pinehurst Park: The parking lot has been paved as well as a storm water detention pond has been installed. In late October the skating rink will be shaped and additional trees will be planted.

Braun's Bay: The road accessing Braun's Bay has been paved.

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# *Cemeteries Division Report*

Forest Hill Cemetery

Lakeview Cemetery



Hoover Chapel

# CEMETERIES

The City owns and operates two public cemeteries, Forest Hill and Lakeview each 40 acres in size.

## Operating Budget

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Revenues	\$175,249	\$165,791	\$437,787	\$153,904	\$172,875
Expenses	\$394,866	\$375,150	\$366,912	\$355,676	\$705,368
<b>Net</b>	<b>(\$219,617)</b>	<b>(\$209,359)</b>	<b>\$70,875</b>	<b>(\$201,772)</b>	<b>(\$532,493)</b>

## Staff Positions

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Full Time Staff	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5

## Cemetery Service Activity

### Available Lots Jan 1

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	3,652	3,599	3,543
Forest Hill	2,207	2,164	2,139

### Lot Sales

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	60	53	56
Forest Hill	38	43	25

### Columbaria Sales

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	2	5	4
Forest Hill	2	1	7

### Reconveyance

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	7	6	5
Forest Hill	4	4	5



### Grave Openings/Closings Traditional

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	60	53	56
Forest Hill	38	43	25

### Cremaains Opening/Closings

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	52	38	73
Forest Hill	29	53	44



### Disinterment

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	0	0	0
Forest Hill	0	0	0

### Marker Permits

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	48	53	57
Forest Hill	38	38	34

### Chapel Storage

	2012	2013	2014
Lakeview	0	0	0
Forest Hill	0	0	0

### 2014 Highlights

In 2014 Buffington Drive from Cameron St to Park Ridge Drive was reconstructed to eliminate the drainage problem that caused the roadway to deteriorate. Additionally a pedestrian / bike path was constructed on the north side of Buffington Dr.

Several water service hookups were installed at both Lakeview and Foresthill to allow for situational irrigation on the grounds to promote healthy turf.

Tuckpointing the masonry work on the Hoover Chapel was completed

Steve Hesselberg was hired as a Sexton in March replacing former Sexton John Stuve

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# *Forestry Division Report*



*Arbor Day Tree Planting*

# FORESTRY DIVISION

## Operating Budget

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Expenses	\$497,628	\$514,268	\$603,691	\$524,310	\$464,771

## Staff Positions

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Staff	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

## Boulevard Tree Rebate

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Number	58	54	51	44
Dollar Value	\$3,385	\$3,100	\$2,840	\$2,467

## Bow Hunting Permits

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Properties	8	11	11	9	43
Permits Taken Out	17	22	22	24	48
Deer Kill	2	3	3	2	23

## 2014 Highlights

Completed preemptive ash tree removals in the planets neighborhood on the north side, and Putnam Heights on the south side, with a goal of reducing street ash tree percentages to 20% or less.

Initiated work with a Leadership Eau Claire Team to focus on developing an urban wood utilization and reuse initiative.

# FORESTRY SERVICE ACTIVITY

## Trees in City Inventory – Estimate

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Trees	40,000	35,000	32,641	32,300	32,169

## Trees Planted

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Spring	271	236	519	360	480
Fall	56	295	252	172	239
Seedlings	600	0	0	2,000	700
TOTAL	927	531	771	2,532	1419



*Oak Pavilion- Carson Park*

## Service Activity

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Memorial Trees Planted	2	1	4	5	6
Tree/Stump Removals	167	300	185	208	658
Merry Mulch-trees mulched	4,875	3,600	4,250	4,500	4300
Dutch Elm Disease Prevention	5	4	18	8	14
Oak Wilt Management - hours	52	60	38	42	45
Storm Clean Up - hours	273	277	3,055*	47	225
Trees Inventoried	640	531	771	532	719

\*Storm May 24, 2012

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# *Parks Maintenance Division Report*



Rod & Gun Park

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# PARKS MAINTENANCE DIVISION

## Operating Budget

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Expenses	\$2,711,466	\$2,812,401	\$2,978,054	\$2,876,801	\$2,888,009

## Staff Positions

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Full Time Staff	18	19	19	17.5	17.5



## **2014 Highlights**

- Completed renovation at Rod & Gun Park (electrical, accessibility, parking and roadway improvement) completion of new restrooms.
- Paved roadway and boat landing at Braun's Bay
- Managed an over abundant goose population in several parks with the help of USFS Wildlife Services and began installation of goose buffer zones
- Pickle ball courts at McDonough Park
- Relocated operations to Central Maintenance Facility
- Completed early phases of Jeffers Road ball fields and infrastructure installations

Park Acreage Maintained

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Carson: 130.0a	100	100	100	100	100
Fairfax: 75.0a	40	40	40	40	40
Rod and Gun: 36a	20	20	20	20	20
Phoenix Park: 5.9a	5	5	5	5	5
Mt Simon: 49.3a	25	25	25	25	25
Owen Park 17.8a	15	15	15	15	15
Riverview: 39.2a	25	25	25	25	25
Soccer Park: 38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2
Lakeshore: 2.8a	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Archery Park 6.4a	2	2	2	2	2
Cameron: 3.4a	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Buffington: 11.7a	5	5	5	5	5
Demmler: 3.9a	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9
Randall Park 2.9a	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
State Street Park: 1.2a	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Wold Court: 1.6a	0	0	0	0	0
Wilson Park: 1.6a	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
University Park: 1.3a	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
Jaycette Park 2.0a	2	2	2	2	2
Kessler: 1.9a	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Hobart 2.5a	0	0	0	0	0
North River Fronts: 1.0a	1	1	1	1	1
Grover Heights 8.9a	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
McDonough: 10.3	5	5	5	5	5
Mitscher 2.9a	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Newell:3.0a	3	3	3	3	3
Oakwood Hills 5.4a	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Pinehurst 58.3a	4.9	4.9	4.9	16	16
Boyd: 7.2a	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Sundet 5.1a	3	3	3	3	3
Putnam Heights 5.4a	0	0	0	0	0
Zephyr Hill 5.2a	4	4	4	4	4
Kappus 3.9a	1	1	1	1	1
Shale Pit Park: 11.3a	0	0	0	0	0
Kessler Hockey Bowl 1.9a	0	0	0	0	0
Domer: 5.0a	0	0	0	0	0
Ferry Street: 32.3a	0	0	0	0	0
Mt Tom Park: 20.2a	2	2	2	2	2
SE Park: 77.3a (includes Dog Park-18.6a)	9	9	9	9	9
NW Park: 111.5a	2	2	2	2	2
Jeffers Rd Athletic Fields: 80a	0	0	0	0	0
Forest Street 13.5	13.5	13.5	13.5	13.5	1.5
County Farm 10.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	3	3
Other miscellaneous areas: 127.0a	0	0	0	0	0
Total Acreage: 1035.00					
Park Acreage Maintained	363.9	363.9	363.9	376.5	376.5



### Trail Usage

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Owen	119,907	82,639	71,351
DNR Step	53,550	57,926	39,190
Galloway	27,812	56,721	56,184

### Recreation Trails Maintained - In Miles

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Chippewa River Trail	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34
Westside Loop	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Carson Park	.92	.92	.92	.92	.92
Barstow to Bellvue	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Phoenix Park	.99	.99	.99	.99	.99
Galloway St to Hallie/EC City Limit	2.92	2.92	2.92	5.91	5.91
North Crossing	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86
Hwy 93	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12
Trail thru Hamilton Soccer Complex	.58	.58	.58	.58	.58
Hasting Place to River Prairie	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90
Clairemont	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12
NW Community Park	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
County Farm Park Trail				.3	.3
Fairfax Park Ski Trail				1.7	1.7
Well Field Ski Trail				3	3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>20.95</b>	<b>20.95</b>	<b>20.95</b>	<b>28.94</b>	<b>28.94</b>

### Park Volunteer Program

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Groups	30	25	25	5	25
Volunteers	1057	900	1,000	781	300

## Special Events Conducted in City Parks

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Events	77	81	93	103	107
Weddings	73	71	87	85	58*

\*Rod & Gun Park Renovation



Chalk Fest

Polar Plunge

Summer Concert Series

## Pavilion Rentals

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Braun's Bay	63	49	56	57	67
Birch	66	54	71	63	73
Oak	98	90	91	93	102
Pine	89	96	84	85	98
Rod and Gun	74	56	55	59	37
Mt Simon-Dells	56	61	48	46	49
Mt Simon-Hillside	65	54	52	47	53
Riverview-North	56	53	55	49	52
Riverview-Lions	50	39	43	40	58
Riverview-Island	36	39	42	42	50
Phoenix Park-Amphitheatre	51	49	55	41	53
Phoenix Park Pavilion	103	118	97	95	93
Phoenix Park Plaza	3	1	2	16	6
Owen Park Bandshell	63	63	63	60	69
Boyd Shelter	15	50	69	48	61
Hoover Chapel					18
Neighborhood Parks	46	125	141	132	162
<b>Total</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>1,024</b>	<b>973</b>	<b>1,101</b>
<b>Rental Revenue</b>	<b>\$58,558</b>	<b>\$61,313</b>	<b>\$57,191</b>	<b>\$56,467</b>	<b>\$65,890</b>

## Carson Baseball Stadium

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<b>Games Played:</b>					
UWEC Baseball Club Team	6	2	2	0	0
WIAA Sectional Tournament	3	3	1	3	*
Memorial High School	14	6	16	4	11
Immanuel High School	12	8	14	4	12
Eau Claire Bears	8	1	3	2	5
Regis High School	8	11	6	2	4
North High School	8	11	10	7	10
American Legion	8	7	8	9	9
Jr Legion Tournament	9	10	10	10	10
Eau Claire Express	40	35	40	38	38
Eau Claire Cavaliers	28	30	30	25	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>130</b>

\* Included in school totals



## Carson Park Football Stadium

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 *
<b>Hours Rented</b>					
UWEC	50.5	81.5	96	200.5	173.5
Memorial HS	107.5	74.25	61.5	74.5	93
North HS	40.5	44.5	78.75	77.5	75
Regis HS	44	55.75	43.25	43.75	48.5
EC Parks and Recreation	47	79	168.5	158	138.5
Eau Claire Predators	107	91.5	106	96	92
Eau Claire Crush	127.5	115	138	102	146
Eau Claire Middle Schools	4	3.5	4	4	4
Others	234.5	322	224	265.25	270.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>762.5</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>1021.5</b>	<b>1041</b>

\*Includes set-up and pre-game reservation blocks

### Other Athletic Facilities

<b>Hours Rented</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Bollinger Field Complex	3,770	2,933	3,238	2,759	1,722.5
Hobbs/Gelein Fields	913.25	1,161.5	1,348.5	1,525.5	1,409
Soccer Park	9,608	7,746.5	6,687	7,445	7,668

### Ball Fields Prepped

<b>Games Played</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Bollinger Fields Softball/Baseball	257	447	552	421	464
Mt Simon Baseball	107	268	330	297	314
Fairfax Baseball	117	263	366	265	329
Delong Baseball	107	281	0	0	0
Carson Softball/Baseball	276	556	584	586	576
Zephyr	21	60	73	71	54
Kessler/Newel	-	-	115	157	73
School Facilities Baseball/Softball	633	604	251	75	102
<b>Total Athletic Fields Prepped</b>	<b>1,518</b>	<b>2,479</b>	<b>2,271</b>	<b>1,872</b>	<b>1,912</b>

### Half Moon Lake Weed Harvesting

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Days Harvesting Lake	n/o	n/o	16	n/o	2
Loads Removed	n/o	n/o	55	n/o	1
<b>Total Tons Harvested</b>	<b>n/o</b>	<b>n/o</b>	<b>137.5</b>	<b>n/o</b>	<b>n/o</b>

\*n/o = No harvesting in these years

### Dog Park

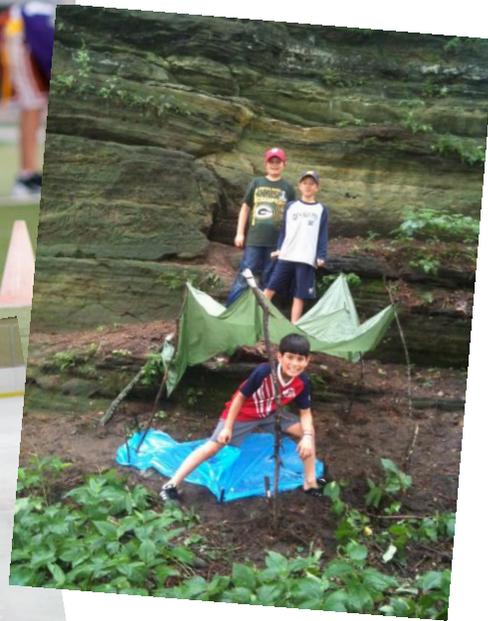
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Daily Pass Revenue	\$3,536	\$3,092	\$2,963	\$2,700	\$3,275
Dog Park Season Passes	732	727	740	721	723

### Cross Country Ski Trails Maintained-Miles

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Carson Park	1	1	1	1	1
Fairfax Park/Golf Course	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Water Wells Area	3	3	3	3	3

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# *Recreation Division Report*



# RECREATION DIVISION

## Operating Budget (4417-4429)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Revenues	\$527,366	\$630,848	\$650,127	\$618,240	\$619,896
Expenses	\$666,394	\$723,325	\$811,006	\$773,880	\$766,856
<b>Net</b>	<b>(\$139,028)</b>	<b>(\$92,477)</b>	<b>(\$160,879)</b>	<b>(\$157,921)</b>	<b>(\$146,960)</b>

## Staff Positions

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Full Time Staff	2	2	2	2	2

## **Recreation Service Activity** Ticket Program

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Six Flags Great America	37	25	21	13	11
Mt. Olympus	70	41	21	113	25
Noah's Ark	459	282	152	121	122
Pirates Cove Mini Golf	24	0	4	25	18
Valleyfair	268	268	223	174	239
Milwaukee Zoo	0	35	64	47	47
<b>Total</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>462</b>

## Aquatic Classes

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Water Aerobics - Adult	327	247	148	159	118
Adapted/Individual Swim - Youth	94	73	97	91	103
Lifeguard Training/Water Safety - Youth	71	67	55	89	61
Learn To Swim - Youth	2747	2549	2303	2389	2732
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,239</b>	<b>2,936</b>	<b>2,603</b>	<b>2,728</b>	<b>3,014</b>

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Lap Swim	686	736	N/A	N/A	N/A
Open Swim	545	317	458	481	207
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,231</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>207</b>

## Athletic Programs

<b>Adult</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Softball	1,293	1,348	1,371	1,085	1,161
Kickball	201	163	194	190	270
Run Row Ride	45	40	49	52	55
Pickleball Clinics	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	47
Officials Training	4	16	n/o	n/o	n/o
Hockey	180	120	105	120	n/o
Open Gym – VB (PB added 2014)	818	970	689	212	688
Volleyball-Recreation League	160	105	51	37	n/o
Volleyball-Competitive Leagues	785	464	342	323	392
<b>Total Adults</b>	<b>3,486</b>	<b>3,226</b>	<b>2,801</b>	<b>2,019</b>	<b>2,613</b>

<b>Youth</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Baseball - Youth	264	279	211	165	83
Basketball - Youth	167	165	158	97	n/o
Flag Football Youth	304	330	405	395	383
Hockey - Youth	252	253	179	147	141
Sand Lot Sports - Youth	254	220	228	158	67
Soccer - Youth	363	405	374	374	381
<b>Total Youth</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>1,652</b>	<b>1,555</b>	<b>1,336</b>	<b>1,055</b>



## Instructional Programs

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Dance Adult	109	63	27	n/o	n/o
Adult Fitness	n/o	n/o	n/o	11	n/o
Yoga	22	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o
<b>Total Adult</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Art - Youth	430	457	402	390	432
Cooking - Youth	66	64	54	47	44
Discovery Junction - Youth	41	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o
Golf - Youth	108	142	142	167	138
Hockey Instruction Mini Mites	-	68	75	66	49
Hoop Dreams	72	75	84	71	70
Kubb Instruction	-	-	29	18	33
Outdoor Adventure – Youth (inc sailing)	94	116	136	201	239
River City Adventures	n/o	n/o	n/o	199	119
Running Club - Youth	44	45	40	40	48
Soccer Instruction - Youth	103	78	90	90	104
T-Ball - Youth	89	88	74	45	52
Tumbling	200	203	219	208	208
Tennis - Youth	362	361	335	276	298
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>1,697</b>	<b>1,680</b>	<b>1,818</b>	<b>1,834</b>



### Outdoor Skating Rinks

	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
Number of Rinks Supervised	7	7	7	7	9
Attendance	11,825	11,534	5,756	13,563	13,252



Boyd Park

### Special Education Programs

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Alley Cats, Par te Rec, Camp Summertime	300	279	261	240	287

## Playground Program

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Number of Playground Sites	4	4	4	3	0
Registrants	302	255	207	55	0
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>4,741</b>	<b>4,450</b>	<b>1,870</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>0</b>



### 2014 Recreation Highlights

Partnership established with Mayo Health Systems to promote wellness and activities

Expanded the use of the City Pass to all drop-in programs including open gym, open swim, and water fitness with 216 City Passes sold in 2014

Worked with Applebees by providing photos that were used to decorate their restaurant

Facebook stats: 2,943 like on ECPR page, 1,212 likes on Hobbs page and 1,396 likes on Fairfax page (all increased from previous year)

Water fitness classes were modified to a drop-in format from an enrollment based registration

McDonough pickleball courts were constructed and structured programs were established including adult indoor pickleball league and open gym

# HOBBS MUNICIPAL ICE CENTER

## Operating Budget

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Revenues	\$652,249	\$740,459	\$785,563	\$717,822	\$766,857
Expenses	\$619,833	\$640,727	\$636,774	\$703,943	\$663,117
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$32,416</b>	<b>\$99,732</b>	<b>\$148,789</b>	<b>\$13,879</b>	<b>\$103,740</b>

Consolidated operation savings of \$180,000 applicable

### Full Time Staff Positions

STAFF POSITIONS	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Part Time Staff	22	26	28	48	38
Full Time Staff	2.75	3.25	1.75	1.75	1.75



### Hours Rented

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
O'Brien Rink	1,727	1,831	1,716	1,703	1,879
Akervik Rink	1,433	1,648	1,691	2,218	2,177
Hughes	1,179	1,100	1,292	1,387	1,569
<b>Total Hours Rented</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>4,579</b>	<b>4,699</b>	<b>5,308</b>	<b>5,625</b>

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Meeting Rooms	692	618	550	735	745
Club Viewing Room	360.5	277	416	288	419
Fitness Area	0	12	220	248	225
<b>Total Hours Rented</b>	<b>1,052.5</b>	<b>907</b>	<b>1,186</b>	<b>1,271</b>	<b>1,389</b>

## **Hobbs Municipal Ice Center**

### **Hobbs Open Skate Attendance**

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Total Paid Attendance	5,446	8,136	8,674	7,026	8,854

### **2014 Hobbs Ice Center Highlights**

Added bathrooms adjacent to the Club Viewing Room

Replaced ice refrigeration compressor using city staff, saving over \$15,000

Pedestrian crosswalk was added at the entrance to Hobbs Ice Center

# FAIRFAX MUNICIPAL POOL

## Operating Budget

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Revenues	241,228	\$248,390	\$264,672	\$249,896	\$260,801
Expenses	294,222	\$288,970	\$296,825	\$297,825	\$326,499
<b>Net</b>	<b>(\$52,994)</b>	<b>(\$40,580)</b>	<b>(\$32,153)</b>	<b>(\$47,929)</b>	<b>(\$65,698)</b>

## Staff Positions

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Staff Part-Time	65	70	59	62	74
Total Staff Full-Time	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5

## Pool Activity

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Attendance	60,070	64,189	67,051	60,345	58,199
Season Pass Sales	876	843	883	880	2,220 *
Scholarships	53	55	67	87	369 *
Days Open	89	86	<u>85</u>	84	100

\*Numbers beginning in 2014 include total number of individuals with season passes.  
Previous years indicated number of families.

## Bus Ridership to Fairfax Pool No Charge

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Number of Riders	3,350	3,490	3,626	3,517	3,831

## Fairfax Municipal Pool

Fairfax Max at  
the Fairfax Pool



## 2014 Fairfax Pool Highlights

New changing partitions were added to the women's locker room

New playground equipment was installed with poured in place surface

Pedestrian crosswalk was added at the entrance to Fairfax Pool

## TOTAL DEPARTMENT REVENUE SUMMARY

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Recreation	\$527,366	\$630,848	\$650,126	\$618,240	\$619,896
Fairfax Pool	\$241,228	\$248,390	\$264,672	\$249,896	\$260,801
Hobbs Ice Center	\$652,249	\$740,459	\$785,563	\$717,943	\$766,857
Cemeteries	\$175,249	\$165,791	\$437,787	\$153,904	\$172,875
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,596,092</b>	<b>\$1,785,488</b>	<b>\$2,138,148</b>	<b>\$1,737,702</b>	<b>\$1,820,429</b>