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Swarthout promoted to Director of Parks and Recreation

City Manager Robert R. Kiely, Jr. has announced that Sally Swarthout, Superintendent of Recreation, has been promoted to Director of Parks and Recreation. “We are pleased to promote Sally to this position. As Sally is a life-long resident and a respected staff member with long tenure at the City, we have great confidence in her ability as a leader and advocate for the community.”

Sally holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration and Management from Carthage College. She has two grown sons, one living in Lake Forest and the other in Michigan. “I am very honored and excited at the same time to lead the Parks and Recreation department for The City of Lake Forest. It is a privilege to work in this community and I am very happy to continue to serve residents in my new position.”

Sally began working for the City on a part-time basis in 1990 as an Early Childhood Instructor and Camp Director. In 1997, she became a full-time employee as Program Supervisor and then as Manager, in charge of Early Childhood Education, Lakefront Facilities and Lifetime Activities. Working with Lake

County, Sally helped implement the Swimcast Model, a real-time prediction system that calculates water quality at the beach. She also worked with the North Shore Sanitary District to relocate the tank to the south end of the beach. In 2008, Sally enjoyed serving on the Committee for the 100th Anniversary of Lake Forest Day and the Beach Ball fundraiser for the American Legion.

As Superintendent, Sally oversaw Recreation Center programming, including athletics, cultural arts, early childhood, dance and special events. She oversaw personnel, scholarships, and served on the Friends of Lake Forest Parks & Recreation Foundation and as liaison to the Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Parks and Recreation Joint Task Force, the Friends of Lake Forest Library Book Sale and the Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital Holiday Boutique.

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