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South Suburban Park and Recreation District

Honors Outstanding Volunteers for 2012

South Suburban Park and Recreation District hosted its 23rd annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony on Wed., April 10, honoring individuals who served a minimum of 50 hours of volunteer work throughout the District. Of 4,219 total volunteers this year, eighteen outstanding volunteers were nominated by South Suburban staff.

South Suburban continues to benefit from a rich tradition of dedicated volunteers who enjoy lending their time and talent in a myriad of ways, including coaching, teaching classes, helping with ice competitions at South Suburban's ice arenas, volunteering at the Carson Nature Center and with programs at South Platte Park, and assisting in the Creativity Lab at Sheridan Recreation Center.

Volunteers of all ages lend their services. Betty Titchener, who lives outside the District, volunteers three days a week, accepting donated books and organizing them by category at the Lending Library at South Suburban's Buck Recreation Center. Through her suggestion, the Center now hosts quarterly book sales to stimulate inventory, and proceeds benefit the senior lunch program. Two teens, Sheree and Jazmine Huff spend multiple afternoons each week assisting the Creativity Lab supervisor in organizing the Lab, helping children with art projects and helping at onsite special events involving arts and crafts. South Suburban's athletic department relies on volunteer coaches to help with its large number of sports leagues and teams. Two standout coaches included Mike Marcoux and Chris Allen.

The dedicated efforts of these volunteers allow South Suburban to extend its services and programs by those who share a passion for the parks and recreation industry. For volunteer opportunities visit www.sspr.org and click on the Volunteer icon.

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