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South Suburban Park and Recreation District

Honors Outstanding Volunteers for 2013

South Suburban Park and Recreation District annually salutes its most outstanding volunteers with a special recognition ceremony to publicly thank them for their contributions. The District held its 24th Annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony on Wed., April 9, honoring individuals who served a minimum of 50 hours of volunteer work throughout the District last year. Of 3,685 total volunteers, eleven outstanding volunteers and members of South Suburban's Public Art Committee 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 recreation centers, Carson Nature Center and helping with programs at South Platte Park. 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.

The most tenured volunteer of the group is Eleanor Pickering of Littleton, who has been volunteering at South Platte Park for 22 years. She coordinates the Park's bird data management and breeding bird tracking efforts. Another volunteer has helped the District promote Pickleball at Sheridan Recreation Center, by teaching first-timers how to play and prepping the courts for drop-in Pickleball. Two standout youth coaches included Pete Quinn and Matt Flanagan. The Public Art Committee recommends and seeks placement of public art in South Suburban through permanent installation, the Art-on-Loan program and temporary exhibits at buck Goodson and Lone Tree recreation centers.

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