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NEWS RELEASE

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City Parks to Open for Season on May 2

DUBUQUE, Iowa — City of Dubuque parks will officially open for the season on Saturday, May 2. Park restroom facilities, water fountains, and other amenities will be available for public use at that time.

The City of Dubuque offers 50 parks covering 1209 acres and features camping, disc golf, fishing, in-line hockey, picnicking, playgrounds, tennis, trails, skateboarding, softball and baseball, and more. An online map of Dubuque's parks is available at www.cityofdubuque.org/parks.

Miller Riverview Park & Campground, located at 1851 Admiral Sheehy Dr., is already open for the 2015 season. This area offers camping, picnic, and recreation areas, walking and biking paths, and a great view of the Mississippi River traffic. Camping reservations may be made online at www.cityofdubuque.org/millerriverviewpark. Starting May 6, online reservations may be made for Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day holidays. For campers without access to a computer, staff will be available at the Multicultural Family Center at 1157 Central Ave. starting at 6 p.m. on May 6 to assist with the holiday reservation process.

To ensure an enjoyable park experience for all, the Parks Division offers some general reminders about its parks, pavilion rentals, and pet policies.

Park Hours

Hours of operation vary from park to park. In general, most City parks open to the public at 7 a.m. daily. The Alliant Energy Amphitheater, American Trust River's Edge Plaza, and the Mississippi Riverwalk are open for public use 24 hours per day.

Pavilion Rental

Pavilions are available to rent in Eagle Point Park, Flora Park, Miller Riverview Park, Murphy Park, and the Port of Dubuque. The Washington Park Gazebo may also be rented.

Reservations may be arranged any time by calling the Parks Division at 563-589-4263 or online at www.cityofdubuque.org/parks. Reservations may be made 23 months in advance and payment is required at the time the reservation is made.

Pets in City Parks/Trails

Per City Ordinance revised August 6, 2013, leashed dogs and cats are allowed in certain locations. Dogs are allowed off leash in the Pet Park on North Grandview Avenue, which is open from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily. Municipal citations may be issued to anyone with a pet in a park or on a trail where they are not permitted. Dogs and cats **are allowed on a leash** at the following parks/trails:

- A.Y. McDonald Park
- Granger Creek Nature Trail
- Heritage Trail
- Jaycee Trail
- John G. Bergfeld Recreation Area
- Medical Associates Greenbelt Park
- Miller Riverview Park (including trail on Chaplain Schmitt Island)
- Northwest Arterial Trail
- Port of Dubuque Marina
- Port of Dubuque Riverwalk Trail
- Powerline Trail
- Pyatigorsk Park
- Southern Levy Trail

Pet owners/keepers are responsible for their pets' actions and must pick up and dispose of or take away their pets' waste.

For further information about City parks, visit www.cityofdubuque.org/parks or call 563-589-4263.

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