# Parks & Recreation News – February 2024

Longtime City Council member George King is generously donating a larger-than-life statue of Chief Highknocker to be placed in Hattie Sherwood Park. Accompanied by a plaque, the statue will honor Chief Highknocker's historical connection to the City of Green Lake.



Born in 1820 and named Hanageh, Chief Highknocker was the last chief of the peaceful Ho-Chunk Nation in the Green Lake area, marking the end of an era in the tribe's local history. He passed away in 1911 at the age of 91. Known for his distinguished appearance of a fine jacket and top hat when visiting the City of Green Lake, he earned the affectionate name Chief Highknocker.

A smaller wax model of the planned statue is on display at Caestecker Public Library, with the full installation of the actual statue anticipated by early summer.

**Hattie Sherwood Park and Campground's** new CampSpot reservation software is running smoothly with over $10,000 in bookings already secured toward the 2025 revenue goal of $65,000. Visit www.hattiesherwood.com.

Parks and Recreation is gathering ideas for the design of new park signs, as some existing signs are aging and need replacement.

**Grow With Us: Volunteer and Make Our City Bloom**

Looking for a way to give back and have fun? Parks & Recreation provides a variety of volunteer opportunities for all interests and schedules. Become a Park Ambassador to help visitors feel welcome, join the planting and weeding teams to keep parks beautiful,

or participate in special Earth Day activities. Whether possessing a green thumb or simply a love for the outdoors, there's a place for everyone. Join the growing volunteer community and make a difference today. Sign up **here**

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