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Milestones Mark Village of Orland Park Aquatic Center 2016 Season



With summer over in Orland Park, the village's Centennial Park Aquatic Center ended a busy and safe 25th year Labor Day Weekend.

The 2016 season began May 28, bringing in more than 100,000 residents and non-residents to the facility before closing on Sept. 5.

The aquatic center staff received the highest safety rating possible – five stars - for all three of its unannounced risk management audits by Starfish Aquatics Institute.

The national non-profit water safety organization is one of the largest lifeguard, swim instructor and pool operator certifying agencies in the United States. For the past eight years, the CPAC staff has received 5-star ratings for 23 of their last 24 audits.

"Congratulations to the staff at the village's aquatic center for handling a season high in attendance," said Mayor Dan McLaughlin. "Thanks to the hard work of these young men and women, many families were able to safely and happily enjoy this beautiful summer at the aquatic center."

Orland Park's aquatic center, which debuted in 1992 during the village's Centennial Celebration, was named best public pool for 2016 by Chicago Magazine.

"What a successful year and a job well done for the staff at the aquatic center," said Trustee Pat Gira, Park and Recreation Committee Chair. "In addition to maintaining a clean and orderly environment, they made it possible for more than 100,000 pool attendees to enjoy this village facility."

The family-friendly water park includes a zero-depth pool, two body speed slides, a 328-foot tube slide, a platform cliff jump, and a drop slide surrounded by the lazy river. The park also includes two picnic and pavilion areas with concessions, as well as sand volleyball courts. CPAC hosts Late Night Flick-n-Floats, snorkeling and swim lessons, and festive-themed events.

Orland Park's Centennial Park Aquatic Center is located at 15600 West Avenue in Orland Park. It will debut for the 2017 season Memorial Day Weekend opening on Saturday, May 27, 2016.

For more information, contact the Village of Orland Park Recreation Department at 708/403-PARK or visit the pool area of the village's website at www.orlandpark.org.