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Final Lifeguard Training Course Before the Summer Season *Milwaukee County Parks to hire lifeguards for 15 pools*

Milwaukee, WI (April 3, 2014) – To fill its ranks of about 250 lifeguards, Milwaukee County Parks is offering the final lifeguard training course before the summer season. The free in-water course will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 8-24, from 7-9 p.m. at Pulaski Pool, 2701 S. 16 St. The performance exam will be given Saturday, April 26 at 7 a.m.

The free in-water training is open to all Wisconsin residents, age 16 and older by the start of the summer swimming season. Attendees must be in good physical condition and able to swim 100 meters in under 1 minute and 45 seconds.

All lifeguard candidates are required to complete testing through the Parks Dept. The Parks does not accept outside certifications.

After passing the in-water training, candidates must pass a first-responder course to be placed on the eligible list for hiring. Starting pay is about \$10 per hour.

Registration for the training will open at 6:50 p.m., in the 10 minutes before the first class, Tuesday, April 8. All participants must bring a swimsuit and towel.

Parks Lifeguards staff pools throughout Milwaukee County, including 15 outdoor pools, 2 indoor pools, and Bradford Beach. Lifeguards in good standing who have previously worked for the Parks are given the opportunity to return.

For more information call the Aquatics Office at (414) 257-8077.

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