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For Immediate Release:

Free Skate Rental Thursday; Final S'mores Toasting Friday, Saturday

Milwaukee, WI (March 3, 2015) – With warmer weather expected this weekend, the Milwaukee County Parks is inviting the public to skate for free on Thursday, March 5, with free skate rentals from 2-8 p.m. On Friday and Saturday, March 6 and 7, all are invited to gather round the firepit to toast s'mores from 2-10 p.m. Slice of Ice, voted "Milwaukee's Best Place to Skate" three years in a row, is located in Red Arrow Park, at 920 N. Water Street.

Patrons may purchase s'mores kits at the firepit, while supplies last. Each kit contains ingredients for the traditional graham-cracker/chocolate/marshmallow sandwich, a roasting stick, and wet wipes for easy cleanup. Kits are \$3 for a single serving or \$10 for a kit that serves four. Carry-ins are not allowed at the firepit.

The rink opens daily at 11 a.m. Patrons who bring their own ice-skates skate for free. Skates may be rented for \$7 per pair for ages 17 and under, and \$8 per pair for adults.

Comfortably accommodating 100 skaters at a time, the 128-by-95-foot refrigerated oval is open through March if the weather allows. The rink is bordered by a 3-foot-6-inch railing, so even the skaters with weak ankles can come out to enjoy the ice.

Slice of Ice is a popular destination for school field trips. Field trips may be scheduled through March 13. Call (414) 257-8067 for more information about field trips.

Inside the warming house, a facility shared with Starbucks, is a photo booth and an ATM for skaters' convenience.

Rink hours are Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.

For more information, call (414) 289-8791 or visit countyparks.com search: slice

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