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Bike-Chain-Cutting Ceremony, History Walk at Oak Leaf Trail in Sheridan Park

Milwaukee, WI (Sept. 3, 2015) – Sheridan Park’s newly improved segment of the Oak Leaf Trail will be celebrated at a bike-chain-cutting ceremony Sept. 12 in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Friends of Sheridan Park and a history walk. The park is located at 4800 S. Lake Drive.

As the oldest portions of the Oak Leaf Trail, the off-road segment along the South Lakefront at Sheridan Park between Lunham and Pulaski avenues and a smaller section at Grant Park were in the worst condition. In 2014, Milwaukee County budgeted \$500,000 for reconstruction. Reconstruction included realignment for safety improvements, widening the trail to 10 feet, and repaving.

“I have long been a strong advocate for the trails,” said Milwaukee County Supervisor Pat Jursik. “Our trails are by far the most-used assets in our Parks, and with these improvements at Sheridan Park, we will accommodate a larger number of residents in their quest for family-friendly recreation and fitness.”

Each year, Jursik leads “Pedal with Pat,” a biking event that draws attention to the Oak Leaf Trail.

The annual business meeting of the Friends of Sheridan Park will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will include officer elections and project suggestions.

Following the meeting at 10:30 a.m., the dedication of the Oak Leaf Trail will be celebrated.

At 11 a.m., a 30-minute history walk through the park will be led by Barb Johnson, Friends of Sheridan Park member and history enthusiast. Johnson will talk about the park and its impact on the City of Cudahy and the South Shore.

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