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Centerville-Washington Park District Recognizes Employee Years of Service

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average employee tenure is now 4.6 years. Centerville-Washington Park District is bucking that trend. At the 2012 Park District annual dinner, five employees were recognized for their 80 cumulative years of outstanding service. The following employees were recognized:

Carol Kennard

Carol began working for the Park District as a Program Coordinator in 1982, making 2012 her 30th year of dedicated service. She has spent the last 15 years in her current role as Director. When reflecting on her time with the Park District, Carol said, "It has been very rewarding being part of the growth of the Park District over the last 30 years. The support from the community and interaction with residents as we work together to improve the parks and programs, makes this journey exciting and fulfilling. Knowing we had a small part in preserving green space forever and in helping families create fond memories is very gratifying."

Brett Ney

Originally hired as a part-time seasonal employee, 30 years later, Brett is now Equipment Supervisor for the Park District. "I enjoy what I do and I love being outside. The Park District asked me to stick around after the summer season was over, and I've never looked back," Brett said.

Kristen Marks

Kristen began her journey with the Park District 10 years ago as the Naturalist on staff. She is now the Program Manager, responsible for overseeing all of the programs and events offered by the Park District.

Kurt Hammond and **Matt Sever**, both Park Operations Technicians, were each recognized for 5 years of service. They are essential to keeping the parks at their best every day for the community to enjoy.

The Centerville-Washington Park District was established in 1959 and currently operates seven community parks, eight nature parks, and 33 neighborhood parks in Centerville and Washington Township. For more information on these, or other programs, please call (937) 433-5155 or visit www.cwpd.org.