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County offers ideas for winter fun

Kenosha County Executive Jim Kreuser is encouraging people to embrace the winter by participating in the outdoor activities available through the Kenosha County Park System.

“We’re pleased to be opening the lighted cross country ski trail at the Petrifying Springs Park,” Kreuser said. “The trail has been dark for about a decade. But, with the help from community volunteers, it will be available for people to enjoy.”

The UW-Parkside Community Cross Country Ski Club will be grooming the trail using Kenosha County’s equipment. County Parks General Manager Jonathan Rudie said he didn’t have the manpower to groom the trail without the volunteer help from the ski club.

“Now people can go out at night and can see where they’re going on the trail,” Rudie said. Rudie said the night ski trail length is approximately 3000 feet (0.57 miles).

Kreuser said, “We appreciate the UW-Parkside Community Cross Country Ski Club for making it possible for this beautiful trail to again be opened at night.”

For a map of the trail, go to <http://www.co.kenosha.wi.us/publicworks/parks/index.html>

Other winter recreation options at Kenosha County Parks:

Fox River Park: Area 1 has a lighted sledding hill – lights on from dusk to 10 p.m. Snowshoeing and cross country skiing is allowed on all trails. The disc golf course is also open year-round.

Silver Lake Park: Snowshoeing and cross country skiing is allowed on all trails. Ice fishing access is available from parking Area 6 (the beach). There is a sledding hill (not lighted) by Area 1.

Old Settlers Park: There is access to ice fishing on Paddock Lake and the dog park is open year-round.

KD Park: Park area closed until May. The Warren Close Bark Park (dog park) is open year-round.

Bristol Woods (Pringle Nature Center): Cross country skiing and snow shoeing on all trails. Pringle Nature Center has snowshoes available for rent.

Petrifying Springs Park: Cross country skiing and snowshoeing on all trails; lighted sledding hill at Area 2; lighted cross country skiing track on golf course. The Carlisle Family Dog Park is open year-round.

All parks are always open for snowball fights, snowman and snow fort building, making snow angels, hiking and winter picnicking.

All parks open at 7 a.m. and close at 10 p.m.

For more information, call the Kenosha County Division of Golf, Parks and Recreation at 262-857-1869.

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