RANDOLPH TRAILS FALL 2025 NEWSLETTER

The 2025 Wellness Walk with the Mayor

The walk was held on May 10 at Brundage Park Preserve, combining community health with nature appreciation.

This year's event was a collaboration between the Randolph Trails Committee and the Mayors Wellness Campaign, featuring Mayor Joe Hathaway. Participants enjoyed a leisurely out-and-back hike led by Phil Sheehy, Chairman of the Trails Committee, Steve Ember, a seasoned Sierra Club hike leader, and Eric Sosa from the Mental Health Association. The walk focused on mental and physical wellness, with discussions on how to enjoy nature, the health benefits of walking, and tips on stress relief, ecosystems, and wildlife. The event fostered community connection while promoting healthy living in a serene, natural setting.

Randolph Fairy Trail Celebrates another Magical Year 🌿

The Randolph Fairy Trail group has had an enchanting year filled with whimsy, wonder, and woodland magic. Nestled in the heart of Brundage Park, the trail has continued to grow as a beloved local treasure, thanks to the tireless efforts of volunteers and fairy enthusiasts.

✨ **Highlights from 2025:**

- **New Fairy Homes:** Over 100 new fairy dwellings were added this spring, each handcrafted by local artists and families using natural materials.

- **Seasonal Events:** The group hosted several themed walks, including the grand opening festival, scavenger hunt and the *Jack-O-Lantern Illumination in* October. These events featured storytelling, costume parades, and fairy-themed crafts for children.

- **Trail Stewardship:** Volunteers organized clean-up days to keep the trail pristine and safe for fairies and humans alike.

Trailhead Kiosks Refreshed and Ready for Adventure

Information kiosks have been newly renovated and are now available at the trailheads of all major routes. Visitors will find updated trail maps, wildlife advisories, and other essential details to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

The Parks and Recreation Department has also installed new locks and refreshed the posted materials to better support hikers and outdoor enthusiasts as they explore the trails.

Randolph Trails Committee Welcomes our New Student Member

Welcome to Randolph High School Junior Aleksandra Jankowska! In her words, she said that the Randolph trails are important to her because they are a place where she feels connected to nature and her family. Every Mother's Day her family spends the day walking on the trails. This memory makes the trails special to her and something she wants to help protect.

When things in life get stressful, the trails also give her a chance to slow down and reconnect with nature.

As a student member of the Trails Committee, "I want to make sure the Randolph trails stay in the good condition as they have always been in, so others can enjoy them the same way I do."

Randolph Country Fair

At this year's Randolph Country Fair, the Trails Committee set up a booth to share information about local hiking paths. Volunteers handed out trail maps, answered questions, and encouraged residents to explore the area's outdoor spaces.The booth helped raise awareness about the committee's work and reminded visitors that Randolph's trails are a great way to enjoy nature close to home.

Randolph Township is currently conducting a Parks & Recreation Master Plan Survey to gather resident input for shaping its recreational future from 2027 to 2036. The survey is open through November 6, 2025 and takes about 15 minutes to complete.
Here's what you need to know:

📝 Purpose of the Survey
- Update the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, which was last revised in 2016 and expires in 2026.
- Assess current facilities and programs and identify future needs.
- Guide improvements and programming for all age groups, from young families to seniors.

Visit the project homepage for updates, engagement opportunities, and findings as the plan progresses. Learn more: https://randolphparks.konveio.com/

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