



## RISE TOGETHER - JAN. 10, 2023

### WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- Last week, we celebrated the accomplishments of 2022 with a year-in-review video. This video highlights some of the team's major accomplishments in 2022. [Check out the video here.](#)
- Columbus Recreation and Parks facilities have been nominated in five different categories for the Best of Columbus Weddings readers' poll! Your fellow team members worked hard to make these facilities among the best of the best. Help the department take home the prize by voting! Voting is open until 5 p.m. on Feb. 3. [Visit the website to learn more and to cast your vote.](#)
  - North Bank Park Pavilion was nominated for two categories:
    - Ceremony: Indoor
    - Reception: Industrial/Urban
  - Park of Roses was nominated in two categories:
    - Ceremony: Outdoor
    - Reception: Garden/Greenhouse
  - The Priscilla R. Tyson Cultural Arts Center was nominated in one category:
    - Reception: Museum/Gallery

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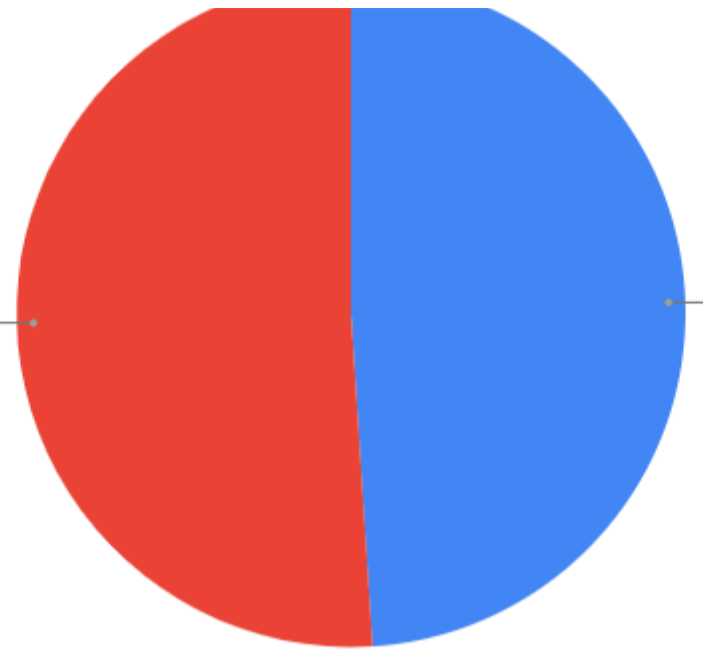
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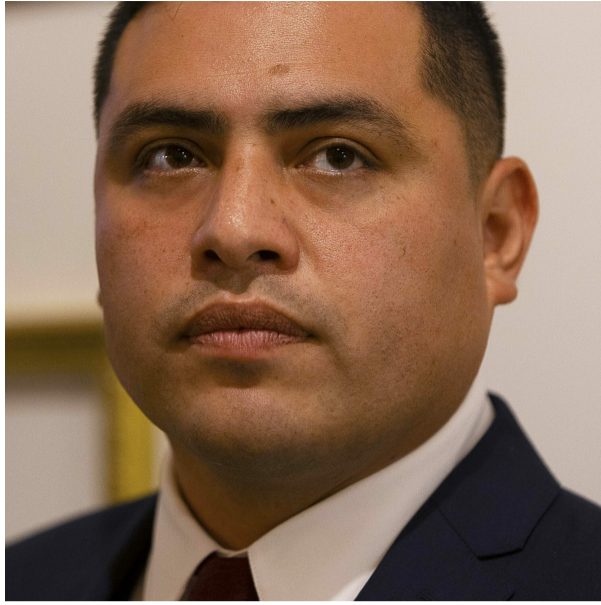
## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

**CARLOS MOJICA**

**Section**

Community Relations - Marketing and Communications





**Favorite aspect of Columbus Recreation and Parks?**

The passion people bring to the job on a daily basis.

**Favorite project that you have worked on?**

All-Staff Meeting

**Favorite ice cream flavor?**

Chunky Monkey

**What is your favorite book or movie?**

Book: One Hundred Years of Solitude

**What is one piece of advice you have?**

If you need answers, ask questions.

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**Nominate A Coworker for the Staff Spotlight**

[Fill out this form to nominate a coworker.](#) They will be notified that they were nominated in order to answer spotlight questions.

## INFORMATION UPDATES

### SECTION SPOTLIGHT: GOLF

**Division**

Parks and Facilities Operations

**What's new in the last 18 months?**

In 2022 we implemented a new software system, foreUP, that is responsible for our point of sale system, website, email marketing and customer database.

**What is the section's core function?**

We connect people through golf by providing excellent services and playing surfaces while demonstrating environmental responsibility.


**What benefits do you provide to staff or residents?**

In 2022, we:

- Hosted over 215,000 rounds of golf at our six golf courses;
- Had over 20,000 junior golf participants;
- Hosted multiple events for community center youth both on-site and at the centers;
- Maintained 915 acres of parkland for the residents with approximately 34% of that acreage being areas we do not mow or maintain for golf
- Logged over 41,000 volunteer hours at our courses for 2022

**How do staff or residents interact with your section?**

Residents are able to reach us through online booking, phone or walk-in. We had contact with over 250,000 guests through golf, programs and facility rentals in 2022.





**What are some fun facts about the section?**

The first golf course opened in 1920, was located on Dublin Road and was creatively called The Municipal Golf Course. Our golf courses have a history of breaking barriers for diversity. In 1954, the Wedge Golf Club was established as the first Black golf club in Columbus. Raymond Memorial was one of the first courses to welcome Black golfers. Champions Golf Course was originally opened as Winding Hollow Country Club and was created by the Jewish community, reportedly due to their inability to join local clubs at the time.

**Do you have any additional information to share with the department?**

We have been working on the development of a “Leadership Through Golf” program that would expose more community center youth to golf, as well as create a job pathway for those who develop an interest in golf. Working with the Youth Development Section, we were able to incorporate five youth into a program that exposed them to work at the golf courses, and we plan to continue to develop this program together.



# CELEBRATIONS

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS





- Bannerman, 1/1
- Mykia Cross, 1/1
- Michelle Marczika, 1/1
- Candace Osborne-Edgerton, 1/1
- Anisa Yusuf, 1/1
- Anthony Forrest, 1/2
- Hayden Kelley, 1/2
- Laquan Hamilton, 1/3
- Holli Hoyles, 1/3
- Heather Love, 1/3
- Dinah Blair, 1/4
- Pamala Burns, 1/4
- Michelle Rice, 1/4
- Trent Clark, 1/5
- Mchale Grant, 1/5
- Tyrell Walker, 1/5
- Colleen Mcdonald, 1/6
- Joshua Tasney, 1/6
- Nyrobi Whitfield, 1/6
- Carson Clawson, 1/7
- John Curry, 1/7
- Roshawn Harper, 1/7
- Alexia Pagan, 1/7
- Colton Paider, 1/7
- Nicole Pleasant, 1/7
- Matthew Reed, 1/7
- Tahanna Stith, 1/7
- Kasey Arrowood, 1/8
- Duane Bingman, 1/8
- Aaron Harple, 1/8
- Tammy Hayes, 1/8
- Logan Lay, 1/8
- Joni Acuff, 1/9
- Shamar Alexander, 1/9
- Jacob Diefenthaler, 1/9
- Charlie Dobres, 1/9
- Lindsay Hildreth, 1/9
- Taylor Barrett, 1/10
- James Carey, 1/10
- Terence Hines, 1/10
- Travon Rivers, 1/10
- Lydia Williams, 1/10
- Hadley Bloemeke, 1/11
- Kyra Kelly-Yeboah, 1/11
- Keisa White, 1/11
- Gabrielle Couch, 1/12
- Ian Elmore, 1/12
- Tamiracle Hayes, 1/12
- Rebecca Heitz, 1/12
- Eric Smoak li, 1/12
- Heaven Thompson, 1/12
- Clifford Treyens, 1/12
- Avion Vaughn, 1/12
- Ayanna Vaughn, 1/12
- Lakeisha Denham, 1/13
- Kathleen O'Brien, 1/13
- Karim Smith, 1/13
- Aaron Williams, 1/13
- Melissa Anderson, 1/14
- Brenda Black, 1/14
- Katelyn Fischer, 1/14
- Melvin Campbell, 1/18
- Dennis Dorsey, 1/18
- Carl Dunn, 1/18
- Max Eubanks, 1/18
- Nicholas Evans, 1/18
- Greg Garrett, 1/18
- Travonne Jackson, 1/18
- Cory Mcdowell, 1/18
- Latyiea Richard-Saleem, 1/18
- Cortland Cates, 1/19
- Rita Crow, 1/19
- Margaret Dible, 1/19
- Susan Johnson, 1/19
- Landon Young, 1/19
- Leah Akers, 1/20
- Cornell Bradberry, 1/20
- Amina Dillard, 1/20
- William Martello, 1/20
- David Wylie, 1/20
- Michael Phillips, 1/21
- Jennifer Gibson, 1/22
- Laura Parshall, 1/22
- Elise Trumpower, 1/22
- Rochelle Bettis, 1/23
- Azariah Binford, 1/23
- Marcus Hampston, 1/23
- Bennie Wilkes, 1/23
- Kendra Zarbaugh, 1/23
- Felicia Cauley, 1/24
- Sukiya Johnson, 1/24
- William Lafferty, 1/24
- Isaac Marshall, 1/24
- Madison Bizal, 1/25
- Mary Murray, 1/25
- Cody Phelps, 1/25
- Tobin Shepherd, 1/25
- William Taharka, 1/25
- Ashley Edwards, 1/26
- Leonardo Felix, 1/26
- Jessica Garcia-Jimenez, 1/26
- Tracy Maloney, 1/26
- Michele Cleary, 1/27
- Jadon Beard, 1/28
- Grace Cummings, 1/28
- Alexandra Furlong, 1/28
- Mandy Garrett, 1/28
- Kinta Mitchell, 1/28
- Kyleigh Price, 1/28
- Kawaisha Rawls, 1/28
- John Carson, 1/29
- Jalin Goodman, 1/29
- Nathalie Johnson, 1/29
- Carol Mcleister, 1/29
- Hugh Murphy, 1/29
- Ivy Ortman, 1/29
- Barbara Thompson, 1/29
- Kristin Greer, 1/30
- Richard Starghill, 1/30
- Jadyn Bonner, 1/31
- Jocelyn Edwards, 1/31
- Wintana Gebremeskel, 1/31
- Bintou Kaba, 1/31
- Daneisha Kendricks, 1/31

- Samira Savoy,  
1/14
- Stephanie  
Brock, 1/15
- Christopher  
Hoye, 1/15
- Valerie Jordan,  
1/15
- Jerry Page, 1/15
- Crystal Carrera,  
1/16

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