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**TO: Mayor Marlin and Members of the City Council**  
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**DATE: May 8, 2019**  
**RE: 2019 Boneyard Creek Community Day**

On April 13, 2019 just under 400 volunteers participated in the Boneyard Creek Community Day cleanup event held from 9:00 am to noon across the Urbana-Champaign-Savoy community.

In Urbana, twenty-three volunteers met at Boneyard Creek Crossing to pick up trash along the Boneyard Creek from Griggs St. to the old Courtesy Rd. bridge; forty-seven volunteers met at Riggs Beer Company on High Cross Road to pick up trash along the Saint Joseph Drainage Ditch. Nine cubic yards of trash were collected from 21.3 acres and 2.3 shoreline miles in Urbana. Among the more interesting items removed from the park and waterways: a shopping cart, baby crib mattress, garage door opener, plastic pet kennel, car tire, hub cap, area rug, countless bottles and cans and a potted plastic plant. Some representative photos of the cleanup are included in Attachment A.

Organizers for the community-wide Boneyard Creek Community Day event included the City of Urbana, City of Champaign, the University of Illinois, Urbana Park District, Champaign Park District, Prairie Rivers Network, Village of Savoy, Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District, Champaign Design and Conservation Foundation, Farnsworth Group and Fehr Graham. The City of Urbana contributed staff time, trash pick-up kits, T-shirts and post-cleanup snacks for the event.

Thank you for your support of this activity!

**Attachment A**



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