

Leadership In Leisure Services Making A Difference

This book has been written for the recreation professional and anyone else who works with older adults in the field of recreation. It provides low-cost, client-intensive recreation programming ideas for older adults, regardless of the level at which they are able to function. Anyone working with people with disabilities may utilize these ideas, but they have been designed and tested for use with older adults. A majority of the activities in this book are designed for use with clients who must have individual attention from a staff member in order to participate. The activities are designed for older adults who may or may not be physically frail, but who exhibit many signs of confusion, memory loss and/or disorientation. The authors' philosophy, evident throughout the book, is that any recreational activity can and should benefit the client, and even those programs that are designed simply to provide a fun-filled afternoon or evening should have a goal and carry equal weight in the overall programming schedule.

Sport, Leisure and Tourism is a practical guide to finding information, encouraging readers to make active use of libraries in their research. This book provides readers with an understanding of the major information search tools which are available. It is a starting point in the search for information which offers advice and indicates some of the major sources which are available. Sport, Leisure and Tourism Information Sources is aimed primarily at final year undergraduate and postgraduate students who are preparing a dissertation in the area of sport and leisure studies who need access to information sources. It is also ideal for academics for teaching purposes and practitioners in the sport and leisure industry needing to undertake research.

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Therapeutic Recreation Leadership and Programming will help students learn the essential aspects of professional practice while developing a leadership mind-set. The book focuses on the day-to-day responsibilities of the therapeutic recreation specialist (TRS) while integrating ethical considerations into each aspect of the job. Readers will learn how to perform the daily work of a TRS while maintaining the highest ethical standards of the profession. The book details · the principles, theories, and codes of ethics that will form the foundation of specialists' understanding of the field and set the stage for practice; · the knowledge, skills, and leadership principles that TRSs will need in order to help their clients accomplish therapeutic outcomes; · strategies that will guide TRSs in planning a wide range of programs and services, including information on frequently encountered health problems, major program areas, facilitation strategies, and client and program evaluation; and · methods for program organization and delivery that will prepare specialists to offer a regular schedule of therapeutic recreation programs that meet the needs of all of their clients, whether in group or individual settings. The book will arm students with the information and tools they need in order to succeed as therapeutic recreation specialists. It familiarizes students with their future clients by describing the health concerns most often encountered in therapeutic settings. Case studies for the most common concerns provide students with concrete examples of how programming works in various clinical settings. The book also provides specific recreation activities from five major program areas, along with information on the effectiveness of the activities, risk management concerns, and implementation strategies. Step-by-step instructions for structuring, planning, and leading both group and one-on-one sessions will prepare students to implement programs in a wide variety of settings. Stories from professionals in the field,

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examples of real and hypothetical clients, and case studies show students how to use the principles they've learned when leading programs. Learning activities help them to further explore the concepts in each chapter, and highlight boxes emphasize key ideas related to each chapter's content. An instructor guide is available to course adopters at www.HumanKinetics.com/TherapeuticRecreationLeadershipandProgramming.

This book has been compiled over many years to fill the need for a comprehensive reference for group games. The 500-plus activities in *Group Games & Activity Leadership* are intended to be used as a reference in the planning of larger group activities. Some of the activities are new. Many will remind readers of neighborhood games they played as youngsters, and others will bring fond recollections to parents and grandparents. This is primarily a book which has been designed to recall to the leader's mind familiar and not forgotten activities. Detailed instructions including number of players, required accessories, dimensions of playing areas, and illustrations of team formations accompany the game and activity descriptions. The book is presented as a guide in which the old and new in group games will be easily understood and adapted to use in a variety of social and recreational settings.

The "Park and Recreation Professional's Handbook" offers a thorough grounding in all areas of programming, leadership, operations, administration, and professionalism. It integrates foundational concepts, the latest research, and real-world examples to present readers with a complete picture of all of the skills needed for success in the field.

This new textbook is the first to investigate leisure management in a public sector context, examining the unique issues facing public sector managers and analyzing the application of management strategies to public sector leisure.

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Aerial Adventure Environments offers a comprehensive introduction to the aerial adventure industry, including low and high challenge (ropes) courses, zip lines, canopy tours, and aerial adventure parks.

This text includes the latest theoretical developments in recreational service. Continued experimentation in the field of neuroscience has produced a great deal of rethinking about personal traits and leadership potential, in turn providing a detailed explanation of the processes and techniques of leadership as it applies to the field of recreational service. The author deals with the functional aspects of leadership by providing numerous examples of how theory has been and should be applied in practical situations.

Based on the tenets of The Eden Alternative?, Growing with Care offers guidance to begin indoor and outdoor gardening activities, and enhance established gardening programs. This valuable, easy-to-use reference will help Homes develop a program that creates a sense of ownership, empowerment, and companionship for residents and clients in long-term care, assisted-living, or day community environments.

Preparing Participants for Intergenerational Interaction:

Training for Success examines established intergenerational programs and provides the training methods necessary for activity directors or practitioners to start a similar program.

This book contains exercises that will help you train colleagues and volunteers for these specific programs and includes criteria for activity evaluations. Preparing

Participants for Intergenerational Interaction will help you implement programs that enable older adults to build friendships, pass down their skills and knowledge to adolescents, and provide youths with positive role models.

Discussing the factors that often limit the interaction of older adults with youths, this text stresses the importance of conveying information and history to younger generations.

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You will learn why the exchange between different generations is crucial to society and to the improvement of the community in which you live. *Preparing Participants for Intergenerational Interaction* provides you with proven suggestions and methods that will make your program successful, including: examining *Howe-To Industries*, a program that teaches entrepreneurial skills to youths through older adults focusing on activities between older adults and youths that address aging sensitivity and racial and ethnic understanding defining the roles of a mentor, including teacher, trainer, developer of talent, and counselor increasing support and understanding in your community by defining target markets and selling the project to the public describing the aspects of group dynamics and how group decisionmaking methods are used to assess the success of the program and its volunteers understanding the community where participants live in order to address issues important to them, such as poverty and other social problems Containing sample handouts, self-evaluations, and detailed lessons for different types of programs, this book offers you guidelines that apply to participants that have a variety of needs within different communities. *Preparing Participants for Intergenerational Interaction: Training for Success* will enable you to help older adults remain an active and essential part of these communities by teaching youths valuable life skills they may not receive from anyone else.

Introduction to Recreation and Leisure, Third Edition, gives students a broad view of the field, offering them a solid foundation for understanding the industry they plan to enter upon graduation. Students learn from the perspectives of 52 leading professors, professionals, and emerging scholars from the United States, Canada, Brazil, China, and around the globe. Led by new editors, Tyler Tapps and Mary Sara Wells, these experts introduce recreation and leisure

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foundational concepts, delivery systems, and programming services. Students benefit from the diversity of perspectives and viewpoints from around the world as they learn about the similarities and differences in the industry from an international perspective. The following are new to this edition:

- New editors and contributors from around the world, including emerging scholars
- Updated data throughout the book
- New chapter sections
- An expanded chapter on international perspectives on sustainability and ecotourism
- Real-world connections to recreation and leisure theories that help students consider career options
- A web study guide with On the Job learning activities, a glossary, chapter overviews, article summaries, and recommendations of websites to explore

A Strong Foundational Overview

Introduction to Recreation and Leisure grounds students in the historical, philosophical, and social aspects of the industry. The authors offer fresh insights into community parks and recreation departments, nonprofit organizations, and commercial recreation and ecotourism enterprises. Students learn about various enriching educational programs and services for people of all ages. “The text encompasses a variety of services, including recreational sport management, outdoor and adventure recreation, health and wellness, and arts and culture,” says Tapps. “It also exposes students to career options and supports them as they explore their interests and prepare for challenging careers in the industry.”

Text Contents

The book is organized into three parts. In part I, students learn about the foundations of recreation and leisure, including the historical, philosophical, and social issues that have shaped the field. Part II explores various sectors of the field, including leisure service delivery systems, public recreation, the nonprofit sector, the for-profit sector (such as event and ecotourism enterprises), and therapeutic recreation, among others. Part III focuses on the

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programming of recreation and leisure services, including program delivery systems, recreational sport management, outdoor and adventure recreation, the nature of recreation and leisure as a profession, and more. Each chapter includes learning objectives that highlight the chapter's important concepts, as well as an Outstanding Graduates feature that introduces former students who have gone on to successful careers in the field. A glossary of important terms is included in the web study guide and instructor guide, which are part of the ancillary package. Ancillaries The text is supported by an instructor guide, a test package, a PowerPoint presentation package, and a web study guide that contains chapter summaries and learning experiences. These resources make it easier for instructors to prepare for and manage their courses, and they help students retain what they learn from the text. Guidance for Students Making Career Choices This fully updated text, with its insights and perspectives from top professionals and professors from around the globe, opens up the world of recreation and leisure for students, offering them vital information that will help them make informed choices as they move forward in pursuit of careers in this growing field. With its cutting-edge view of recreation and leisure services, Introduction to Recreation and Leisure prepares students for success in the field of recreation and leisure.

Controversial Issues in Adventure Programming offers an engaging approach to the consideration of enduring, current, and emerging issues in the field. Written primarily for upper-level undergraduate and graduate students, the text presents 20 issues in a debate format, challenging students to participate in critical discourse concerning these issues as practitioners in the field of adventure programming.

Respected authors Bruce Martin and Mark Wagstaff have assembled a team of more than 50 contributors from around

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the globe to reassess some of the underlying assumptions on which adventure programming is based. They have critically examined implications of new developments for emerging practice and discussed how best to position the field of adventure programming in addressing broader societal concerns. To set the stage for the debate, each issue is prefaced with a general overview, including the evolution of the issue and its significance in light of broader social concerns. Then, contributors present the pros and cons of each issue. A debate format helps students develop an understanding of the key points around each issue while also becoming familiar with current research pertinent to these issues. This approach also encourages students to grapple with these issues and begin to develop their own informed, thoughtful perspectives as they prepare for careers in adventure programming. *Controversial Issues in Adventure Programming* is divided into two parts. Part I begins by discussing issues of ongoing concern in the field, including the certification debate, motorized versus nonmotorized forms of outdoor recreation, and program accreditation. In part II, contemporary and emerging issues are presented, such as the use of online educational programming in the field of adventure programming. As a reference for practitioners and policy makers, *Controversial Issues in Adventure Programming* offers new and updated perspectives on enduring and emerging issues as well as a synthesis of the most recent related scholarly literature. In addition, the text serves as a resource in understanding how the adventure programming industry can contribute to addressing issues of broad concern in society, such as public health, global climate change, stewardship of public lands and waterways, and education reform. *Controversial Issues in Adventure Programming* encourages readers to participate in some of the central debates occurring in the field. In particular, this

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timely resource will help students broaden their understanding of the field as they critically examine and respond to a range of enduring, contemporary, and emerging topics in adventure programming.

Since length of stay in hospitals continues to decrease, and insurance companies focus on documentation for reimbursement, it is vital for recreation professionals to master documentation issues -- especially those of writing goals and objectives with their patients and clients. Well-written goals and objectives keep treatment on target and measurable, and assist with justification of services. This manual offers basic techniques that students, interns, and entry-level professionals need to gain confidence when developing and writing goals and objectives with their clients and patients. The exercises and case studies in this manual offer scenarios to help users build confidence by practicing the fundamentals of better documentation which will serve patients and clients, recreation therapists, hospitals, community settings, and outside reviewing organizations. CD-ROM contains: Interactive learning activities to accompany chapters in text.

The Eighth Edition Of This Classic Textbook Continues To Provide A Detailed Overview Of The History, Developments, And Current Trends In Leisure Studies. It Has Been Heavily Revised To Reflect Recent Societal Changes And The Challenges That Face The Leisure-Services Industry In The 21St Century. Students Will Learn How Trends Such As Dramatic Shifts In Population Make-Up, The Impact Of Technology, And Marketing Affect Leisure-Service Systems And The Recreation And Park Professions. To Reflect These Trends, The Text Focuses On Ten Different Types Of Organizations, Ranging From Nonprofit Community Organizations Or Armed Forces Recreation To Sports Management And Travel And Tourism Sponsors.

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Outdoor Leadership, Second Edition, is the definitive text for developing student leadership in outdoor and adventure settings throughout the world. Crafted by an author team internationally recognized for their research, teaching, and experience in outdoor and adventure leadership, this new edition provides students with the foundational knowledge they need to develop as competent professionals in the field. Grounded in Eight Core Competencies Through Outdoor Leadership, Second Edition, students are introduced to eight core competencies that the authors consider essential to outdoor leadership: 1. Foundational knowledge 2. Self-awareness and professional conduct 3. Decision making and judgment 4. Teaching and facilitation 5. Environmental stewardship 6. Program management 7. Safety and risk management 8. Technical ability This unique approach to outdoor and adventure leadership will help students meet current professional standards in the field as they prepare for careers in education and recreation. The students move step by step through the materials and assignments, gaining and demonstrating leadership competencies, which they will document through a portfolio of their course experiences. The development of these portfolios is a highly practical and valuable takeaway for students looking to get a leg up as they ready themselves for their careers. New to the Text This latest edition of Outdoor Leadership offers new features, material, and resources, including:

- The expertise and perspectives of new author Marni Goldenberg
- A new chapter on program assessment
- A new chapter on developing cultural and social justice competencies as an outdoor leader
- A redistribution of the content on values and ethics (formerly a single chapter) across multiple chapters
- An increased emphasis on international perspectives
- A stronger focus on outdoor leadership in the area of ecotourism
- Revisions to address critical issues in the

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evolving field of outdoor and adventure leadership • New ancillaries, including an instructor guide (which includes learning and portfolio activities for each chapter, as well as other new learning experiences), a test package, and a presentation package Emphasizing Both Theory and Practice While primarily directed at novice outdoor leaders, , is useful for more experienced outdoor leaders as well, including administrative and supervisory personnel in outdoor leadership organizations. The authors have created a balance between theory and practice as they explore the eight core competencies by doing the following:

- Introducing students to a wide variety of theories and concepts integral to outdoor leadership
- Using chapter-opening vignettes to illustrate the theories and concepts addressed in the chapter
- Acquainting readers with numerous organizations and agencies in which outdoor leaders work
- Offering a series of learning activities and professional development exercises to transform the theoretical into the practical

Preparing Students for Successful Careers The result is a highly useful resource that grounds students in the theories, concepts, and competencies that they need in order to be successful leaders in outdoor and adventure settings. This competency-based approach will help aspiring outdoor leaders plan safe, enjoyable, and ecologically responsible expeditions; acquire and showcase their leadership abilities, culminating in a professional portfolio; and develop the knowledge and expertise they need to be effective leaders.

The Eleventh Edition of Kraus' Recreation and Leisure in Modern Society provides a detailed introduction to the history, developments, and current trends in leisure studies. It addresses contemporary issues facing the recreation and leisure profession and focuses on challenges and opportunities that impact the profession now as well as years from now. Extensive research into emerging trends helps

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support the text and provide insights into the future.

How will leisure and leisure services change in the twenty-first century? This book presents 49 issues involving changes in the environment, technology, values, demography, the economy, health, work and free time, and governance that could drastically affect leisure and the implementation of leisure services as we enter the twenty-first century.

Discussion questions and possible implications for leisure follow each topic. These topics were chosen to encourage contemplation and discussion among students, educators, and leisure service professionals in order to better understand the changes occurring and how they may effect the field of leisure services, and one's own personal leisure pursuits.

Section One introduces changes that are fueling the reinvention of leisure and discusses why leisure providers should strive to understand these changes. Section Two surveys trends that are effecting or will effect the future of leisure services. Section Three examines strategies that may be useful to those involved in leisure services for adjusting to, and then thriving in, our ever-changing world.

Organization Behaviour for Leisure Services provides the reader with the conceptual tools necessary for analysing organizational behaviour in the context of hospitality, leisure and tourism provision, and understanding events in order to take appropriate management action. Taking the view that leisure services involve an array of industry sectors - they are related, for instance, to work-time spent eating, drinking and staying away from home, as well as the more obvious recreational pursuits - the text uses examples and case studies from a wide range of international businesses such as hotels, restaurants, museums, shopping malls and sports stadia. Specific examples used are from Marriotts, McDonald's, Trafford Centre and many more. With a user-friendly structure and style, the text is an ideal introduction to

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the fundamental issues involved - perfect for students and managers alike. This book discusses and questions a number of key elements, including: The individual and the organization Groups in the organization Organizational structures and behaviour Management within the organization Commercial hospitality, leisure and tourism in a service context There is a Tutor Resource pack available to lecturers who adopt this text. Accredited lecturers can request access to download this material by going to <http://books.elsevier.com/academic/defaultmanuals.asp?> to request access.

Tourism is the world's largest industry. In the past decade it is the natural-resource-based sector that has experienced the greatest growth. In particular, adventure, cultural and ecotourism (ACE tourism): for example, skiing, white-water rafting, whale watching, festivals and fairs. This book provides an in-depth overview of the different operations of ACE tourism. It draws on theory from recreation and leisure studies, tourism, marketing, and environmental management to demonstrate the importance of effective program planning. This is especially significant as industry competition becomes more intense in this growth sector.

Leisure Services Management, Second Edition, prepares students for the challenges they'll face as entry- to mid-level recreation and leisure managers. The book outlines the essential knowledge and skills that successful managers need to have and helps students build those competencies by encouraging them to think as managers. The text's activities, projects, and examples help students connect the competencies to real-world situations. Leisure Services Management begins by presenting a firm foundation of competency-based management. Students will learn what management is, what the manager's role is, and how their work affects their agency and their customers. They will also

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explore specific management areas such as marketing, financial management, human resources, employee development, communication, and evaluation. Throughout the text, students will be encouraged to apply their own experiences to the concepts being discussed to deepen their understanding of the profession. For each chapter, the authors provide experiential learning activities that simulate real on-the-job situations. Each of these activities asks students to assume one of the many roles of a new manager. They'll learn to deal with day-to-day management activities by completing work assignments and projects similar to those they'll assume as a manager. The activities will help students develop the competencies they'll need in order to meet the challenges of this evolving field. New to this edition of Leisure Services Management are the following student-friendly features: Updated sidebars in which professionals in the field offer early career advice for future managers Real examples from all three sectors—public, nonprofit, and commercial—giving a broad perspective of parks and recreation, tourism, sport, therapeutic recreation, and outdoor recreation International perspectives and examples, encouraging students to think globally Information about the exam for becoming a Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) The text also includes a web study guide, which includes links to sample forms from the actual files of leisure managers to assist students in understanding and using important management tools. With an overview of key concepts by chapter, detailed case studies, a glossary, and a competency scorecard, the web study guide will help students build their knowledge of the content area, apply the information learned to their current work environment or a future internship, and prepare for future certifications. The competency-driven approach of Leisure Services Management, Second Edition, assists readers in gaining the

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knowledge and practicing the skills needed to begin a career in leisure management. Bolstered by the practical information in this text, new managers can contribute to the success of their organization as they enjoy the challenges and rewards of their new position.

Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Services presents cutting-edge guidance and helps students apply their newfound knowledge as they prepare to enter the rapidly changing leisure services field. This text presents fresh insights on leadership from the most prominent voices in the field today. The contributors present a comprehensive look at modern leadership, identify the challenges future leaders will face, and reveal how future leaders can best prepare to meet those challenges.

Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Services provides

- a detailed look at the collaborative approach to leadership in leisure services that represents a new direction in the field;
- insight into classical leadership as well as innovative and modern leadership theory and best practices; and
- an understanding of the roles and functions students will fulfill as they enter the profession.

The material, designed for undergraduate recreation and leisure services leadership courses, is presented in three parts. Part I explores personal leadership issues, including communication skills, negotiation strategies, and leadership styles. Part II delves into professional leadership, examining topics such as group dynamics, supervision practices, and team leadership. Part III explores organizational leadership, including internal and external leadership and professional development. The authors present new theories of leadership from

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research in the field of recreation and leisure. Several learning aids—including chapter-opening scenarios, key terms, glossary, references, and chapter-ending questions for reflection and discussion—appear throughout the text. In addition, each chapter features a Leisure Leaders sidebar that profiles a leader in the field who addresses preparation for the job, a peek at day-to-day work, and advice for aspiring leaders. And a Best Practices sidebar showcases an organization whose innovative leadership has led to positive organizational outcomes. Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Services helps students understand the range of leadership skills they need to develop for successful careers.

Meeting the needs of customers through effective recreation programs is imperative for leisure service organizations to survive and prosper in the twenty-first century. The authors of this book break new ground for recreation programming by interpreting it within the servant leadership approach. Servant leadership is based on the premise that all recreation providers serve their customers through programs. The servant leadership approach simultaneously enhances the personal growth of workers and improves the quality and caring of our many institutions through a combination of teamwork and community, personal involvement in decision making, and ethical and caring behavior. Whether a leisure services professional works for a municipal recreation department providing recreational sports leagues for adults, or for a nonprofit organization providing special events, or as a commercial tour

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operator offering wilderness backpacking trips, Programming for Parks, Recreation, and Leisure Services: A Servant Leadership Approach provides both cutting-edge concepts and practical knowledge for successful programming.

With a new full-color design with perforated worksheets, the Tenth Edition of Kraus' Recreation and Leisure in Modern Society provides a detailed introduction to the history, developments, and current trends in leisure studies. It addresses contemporary issues facing the recreation and leisure profession and focuses on challenges and opportunities that impact the profession now as well as years from now. Extensive research into emerging trends helps support the text and provide insights into the future. Focusing on the ten different types of organizations --ranging from nonprofit community organizations and armed forces recreation to sports management and travel and tourism sponsors -- this classic text is an invaluable resource for students considering a career in the recreation and leisure industry. New to the Tenth Edition: - Discusses how specific trends, such as dramatic shifts in population make-up, the impact of technology, and marketing affect leisure-service systems and the recreation and park professions. - Focus on the role of parks and recreation on the health and wellness of our communities as well as means to combat the obesity epidemic in North America. - Includes new case studies which allow students to apply knowledge of technology in leisure, identify the value and benefits of play, and recognize the changing family structures of our modern society.

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Covering everything from the history of interpretation, to strategies and tools for effective communication, to the future of the profession, this reference guide is a vital resource for guides and interpreters in natural resource management programs. Includes tips on traditional campfire programs, high-tech audiovisual presentations, presenting to special groups and much more.

Managing Local Government Services, 3rd ed. is a comprehensive text on the subject of local government services relevant to local governments of all sizes. This edition is refocused and updated to include the demographic, economic, technology and cultural trends that affect the management of service delivery. New chapters discuss the shift from government to governance, alternative methods of service delivery, community development, and the five management practices that are fast becoming the standard for professional local government management. Each chapter lays out the manager's responsibilities in each service area, and provides effective policies, practices, and procedures. Short case examples give you a practical look at the goals, challenges, and solutions in the manager's world.

This third edition is unique. In the first edition, entitled Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Service Organisations, the authors organised the effort into separate theoretical and practical applications sections that covered a variety of direct service areas. The second edition was split into textbooks, Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Service Organisations and Leadership for Recreation and Leisure Programs and

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Settings. The current effort focuses on bringing together a number of interrelated elements that influence leadership in recreation, parks, and leisure service organisations. The first part of the book discusses the work of leaders and includes presentation of theoretical and foundational information. The second part focuses on leaders in groups. Finally, the third part is dedicated to leadership elements in a number of recreation, parks, and leisure service settings. Leadership in Recreation, Parks, and Leisure Services also features many distinctive pedagogical elements. The authors have identified learning objectives and key terms at the beginning of each chapter. This will be useful in helping students focus their attention to the intent of each chapter. In addition, each chapter has marginal quotations featuring perspectives from notable individuals. These quotations will provide heightened awareness and understanding of the subject matter. Also featured in each chapter is an outstanding leader in the recreation, parks, and leisure service field. These vignettes, known as A Legacy of Leadership, feature historic and current figures in the recreation, parks, and leisure service field. Further, leadership perspectives from professionals across the United States are included in the section entitled Leadership: A Point of View from the Profession. Each chapter is concluded with discussion questions, a case study, and experiential learning experiences from which students can explore and analyse their own thinking, engage in problem-solving strategies, and reflect upon their own thinking regarding leadership.

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Gaining an understanding of the recreation and parks profession is crucial to success in the field and to effective leadership within the field. Recreation and Parks: The Profession is a one-of-a-kind resource that delineates the components that make this complex field a profession. Written by well-known recreation authority Betty van der Smissen, this book: defines the marks of the recreation and parks profession and identifies the steps involved in becoming a professional in the field; profiles 62 professional organizations within the profession; outlines a comparative history of 15 categories of the recreation and parks field in the United States and Canada; and presents a classic-to-contemporary bibliography of resources that showcases an inclusive body of knowledge on the profession. Part I describes recreation and parks as a profession and provides students with steps to lay a solid foundation

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to become a professional. Part II grounds readers with a comparative historical overview of the recreation and parks field from the 1500s to the present day. The author divides the field into 15 categories and offers suggestions on how to use the time line. Part III profiles 62 professional organizations. Each profile includes the organization's mission, goals, structure, history, publications, services, and professional credentialing information. In addition, it lists the organization's Web sites, contact information, and other vital information that students use in completing course work, in applying for internships, and in researching various aspects of the profession. Part IV contains a bibliography of selected resources on recreation and parks, from classic to the present. Recreation and Parks: The Profession is a unique resource for students, professors, and professionals in recreation and parks. The text brings together the important aspects of the field as a profession.

This excellent text provides the reader with a clear and thorough understanding of direct, hands-on leadership by effectively integrating theory with practice. Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Service Organizations assists individuals in understanding the importance of leadership in this field. Topics covered include contemporary theoretical and practical information, organized in a format that allows for the comprehension of the

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elements necessary for effective leadership in
recreation and leisure service organizations.

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