

MRPA Young Professional and Student Network Conference Call
November 9, 2021 (10:00-11:00am)
Zoom Link Available on Facebook/Email

Call Topic: Advocating for Yourself/Seeking a Promotion

- Jerome Krieger, Senior Parks and Recreation Manager, City of Blaine
 - Jerome is the Senior Parks and Recreation Manager for the City of Blaine. He grew up in St. Paul, MN and currently lives in Forest Lake, MN with his wife Jeanne, two daughters Maddie (19), Greta (18) and Golden doodle Veyda (1). He attended St. Bernard's High School and received his B.A. from the University of St. Thomas in Physical Education. Jerome started umpiring baseball at the age of 12 and became a professional baseball umpire in the minor leagues, as well as a Division I and Division III College Men's Hockey Referee.
 - He likes to golf, fish and still plays hockey every week. Jerome has been the Chair of many different boards or commissions and is running for the President – Elect position for MRPA in 2022. Jerome has been in the profession for 33 years. His expertise includes athletics, programming, designing and building of parks, public speaking, leadership and teaching. Jerome's ultimate goal is to try and retire by the age of 57!

Round Table Discussion: Advocating for Yourself/Seeking a Promotion

- Looking to advance in your career? Advocating for yourself can be one of the most important, but most difficult things an emerging leader does within their career. Learn from a seasoned professional on tips and tricks to gain new experiences and obtain the needed skills to progress within your agency or with a new agency.

Ask the Network

- Questions/current challenges you are facing

YPSN Updates

- Jessica Christensen Buck-Chair Elect/Vice Chair
- Greg Simmons-Association Liaison
- Matt Colwell-Student Representative
- Heidi Weiler-Special Events/Social Director

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities

YPSN Event: Mingling at the Malcolm Yards Market
Tuesday, November 30 (6:30pm)-All are welcome!

- Let's Mingle at the Market! Malcolm Yards Food Hall is housed inside the historic Harris Machinery Co. building. The new business consists of 9 food vendors who each have their own signature drink at the Market! It also features a self-pour tap wall. It's the perfect place to just grab a bite of food or have a drink.

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Next Meeting: December TBD (Resume Review)

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