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**NSSRA Foundation's SWING Golf Outing Raises
Over \$59,000 to Benefit NSSRA Programs & Services**

Northbrook – October 9, 2017 – Over \$59,000 was raised at NSSRA Foundation's annual SWING Golf Outing, held at Deerfield Golf Club on Friday, September 22. These funds will provide scholarships for children, teens and adults with disabilities who participate in NSSRA's year-round recreation activities and will additionally provide a significant contribution to the NSSRA Foundation Transportation Fund. Event sponsors included Jennings Chevrolet & Volkswagen of Glenview, La Chapelle Family Foundation and Leahy Family Foundation.

"We are so grateful to all the golfers, sponsors and donors who came out to support the work of NSSRA Foundation, and in turn our participants," said NSSRA Executive Director Craig Culp. "It was the perfect day out on the course, and with a sold-out event, it was fantastic to have so many people come together. The camaraderie amongst everyone in attendance was tangible and I can say confidently that everyone had a great time."

Since 1997, NSSRA Foundation has raised over \$1.6 million to benefit NSSRA programs and services. The Foundation has provided over \$215,000 in scholarships since 2009, purchased seven vehicles for NSSRA's transportation needs, and provided \$110,000 in start-up funding for NSSRA's adult day program, Enriched Lifestyles for Adults (ELA). The ELA Program, in its eleventh year, accommodates twenty adults and runs 48 weeks per year from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, and is now financially self-sustaining. The Foundation has provided consistent, generous support throughout the years and has committed to run a capital campaign for NSSRA's new facility when it is identified.

NSSRA serves over 1,500 children, teens and adults with disabilities living in its partner communities throughout the northern suburbs. With the distinction as the first Special Recreation Association in the country, NSSRA has been creating an environment of belonging through play since 1970. The golf outing serves as NSSRA's Foundation's largest, most successful event to date.

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NSSRA provides and facilitates year-round recreation programs and services for children, teens and adults with disabilities who live in the partner communities. NSSRA is an extension of ten park districts, two cities and one village in the northern suburbs of Chicago. This partnership includes the Park Districts of Deerfield, Glencoe, Glenview, Highland Park, Lake Bluff, Kenilworth, Northbrook, Northfield, Wilmette and Winnetka; the Cities of Highwood and Lake Forest; and the Village of Riverwoods. NSSRA has been creating an environment of belonging through play since 1970, and has the distinction as the first Special Recreation Association in the country. For more information about NSSRA and the programs and services they provide visit www.nssra.org.

Northern Suburban Special Recreation Association Foundation (NSSRA Foundation) was established in 1997 to support the mission of NSSRA by raising and granting supplemental funding. NSSRA Foundation raises funds throughout the year with all proceeds benefiting the Association. The Foundation, in conjunction with NSSRA, hosts annual events for all donors, supporters and families. The Foundation also raises funds through solicitation of grants and their annual Holiday Appeal. Throughout the year, NSSRA Foundation receives generous support from many individuals, corporations, foundations, businesses and community organizations. For more information about NSSRA Foundation visit www.nssrafoundation.org.