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Solstice Hop and Vine Fest a success for nature center renovation

More than 750 wine and beer aficionados enjoyed tastings on the prairie Saturday evening at the first ever Solstice Hop and Vine Fest at Schaumburg Park District's Spring Valley Nature Center. The event benefits the Schaumburg Park Foundation's campaign to renovate the nature museum at Spring Valley.



Fireflies filled the prairie night as guests enjoyed drinks and food from Whole Foods Market and Riccardo's. "Together Again" played music to enhance the atmosphere.

Guests enjoy tastings from local wineries and breweries.

"The event raised awareness for updates to the nature museum," said Park Foundation Executive Vice President Pat Casler. "The support of Illinois vintners and microbreweries contributed so much to the event."

Local wineries and breweries represented included Lynfred Winery, Cooper's Hawk Winery and Restaurant, The Lucky Monk, Fox Valley Winery, Inc., Ram Restaurant and Brewery, Village Vintner Winery, Wild Blossom Meadery and Winery, and WineStyles. Riccardo's, Whole Foods Market Schaumburg and Cabot Cheese complemented spirit tastings with delicious food.

"The fest was a giant success for the nature museum campaign," said Casler.

The Park Foundation's Links Technology Cup is set for Aug. 10 at Schaumburg Golf Club, 401 N. Roselle Road.

For more information, call (847) 985-2115 or visit www.parkfun.com.



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Beer and wine aficionados relax and chat at the Solstice Hop and Vine Fest.