Beautiful Eagle Creek Park was established in 1969 and is all of 3,900 acres of dry land and 1,300 acres of water. Some of the region was purchased by J. K. Lilly of Lilly Pharmaceuticals in 1936. In 1958 Lilly gave the region to Purdue University. The University sold the area to the City of Indianapolis in the late 1960s. It is now one of the largest city parks in the United States and still preserves the natural landscape within the ever-growing Circle City.

NOTE: Some services and facilities are open on a seasonal basis. For hours, please inquire at year-round facilities like gatehouses or nature centers.
NATURE CENTERS
Eagle Creek Park has two Nature Centers, open all year and providing family friendly activities and many educational exhibits:

- **Earth Discovery Center** — 327-7148: This 15,000 sq ft. state of the art nature center is home to live native critters, a wet lab, and deck overlooking the reservoir.

- **The Ornithology Center** — 327-2473: Newly renovated, the "old nature center" is home to the study and enjoyment of birds!

MARINA
Located on the reservoir, open May-September. Offering boat, bike, and motorized item rentals, live concerts, concessions and restrooms. Hours vary seasonally and daily due to weather. 327-7130

HIKING TRAILS
Over 11 miles of trails, most are easy to moderate but a few have stairs or steep hills.

- **Fitness Trail** — this trail contains 20 exercise stations with signage to help you achieve your own fitness level goals.

- **Star Point Eagle Creek Volksmarch** — a year roundvolksmarch lends accessibility to a scenic 10K trial. Completion can earn IVV credit.

- **Waterfowl Sanctuary Loop** — one of the most popular, park at the Ornithology Center and enjoy the views on this 1.8 mile loop.

BEACH
For your safety, this is the only swimming area permitted in Eagle Creek Park. Open May-August, amenities include a volleyball court, lifeguards on duty, restrooms, picnic tables, concessions and a clothes check area. Additional entry fee 327-7132

ROWING
Visit The Indianapolis Rowing Center—a facility that offers instruction and hosts local and national competitions for a variety of ages and abilities. Call for hours and programs 298-9456

PEACE LEARNING CENTER
This facility offers conflict resolution, peace building skills and yoga classes. Call for hours and programs 327-7144

EAGLE CREEK PARK OFFICE
This facility located along 56th St., provides information on park events and can help you purchase a variety of passes or reserve a shelter, garden plot, or boat space 327-7110

RENTAL FACILITIES
Family party? Wedding? Business meeting? Check out these opportunities! For fees and reservations, call 327-7110

- Shelters—there are 13 shelters that offer picnic tables, a grill, electricity, and are close to restrooms or portalets.

- Eagle's Hide-A-Way—a secluded retreat house on the west side of the reservoir, accommodating up to 100 people.

- Eagle's Crest—Also on the west side of the reservoir, this 70 acre recreational area and retreat house is popular for social events, weddings, and meetings.

- Eagle's Crest Group Picnic Area (GPA) a large shelter with lighting, picnic tables, and two large grills. Ideal for large gatherings, accommodating up to 3000 people!

MORE EAGLE CREEK AMENITIES OUTSIDE OF THE PARK

BARK PARK
The Gordon Gilmore Canine Companion Zone is dedicated to dogs and their owners. Don't forget to bring updated vaccination records when purchasing a pass (daily or annual). Inquiries? Call 327-7110

42nd STREET BOAT RAMP
Seasonally offering bait, boat launch, dry dock space, moorings, and winter storage. Daily and Annual Passes, call 327-7110

FOR YOUR SAFETY, PLEASE RESPECT THE FOLLOWING RULES:

- All Dogs must be leashed at all times

- All plants, animals, and structures within the park are protected by city ordinance

- The park is open dawn to dusk, unless otherwise posted

- Please obey all posted speed limits

- Please do not feed wildlife

- Cycling is permitted on roadways only

- Swimming and wading is only allowed at the beach when lifeguards are present

- Lock all valuables in the trunk of your car

- Use caution when entering roadways and trails

- Boats of no greater than 10 HP are permitted on the reservoir.

NOT PERMITTED AT ANY TIME

Alcoholic beverages, loud music, ground fires, littering, hunting/trapping, firewood gathering, off road biking, watercrafts of any kind in the waterfowl sanctuary area.