



Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District

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Winter/Spring 2011

Winter/Spring 2011 Events

May 2011 • Older Americans Month

Conestoga Recreation & Aquatic Center

April 22 • 6:30-8:30 pm • Underwater Egg Hunt

Elsie Stuhr Center

February 14 • 2-3:30 pm • Valentine's Dance/ Dessert

February 18 • 1-2:30 pm • 36th Birthday Celebration

March 17 • 1:15-3:30 pm • St. Patrick's Day Party

April 30 • 11:30 am-1:30 pm • Hawaiian May Day Party

Garden Home Recreation Center

February 11 • 12:15-2:45 pm • Cupid's Corner

March 11 • 12:15-2:45 pm • Little Leprechauns

April 22 • 12:15-2:45 pm • Bunny Bash

May 6 • 12:15-2:45 pm • Sealed with a Kiss

May 20 • Noon-2:30 pm • Teddy Bear Picnic

June 17 • 12:15-2:45 pm • Father's Day Surprise

Cedar Hills Recreation Center

February 11 • 6-8 pm • Daddy-Daughter Dinner Dance

April 23 • 10 am • Spring Egg Hunt

Nature Park Interpretive Center

April 2011 • Month of Green

April 30 • 10 am-2 pm • Green Gardening Fair & Native Plant Sale

Jenkins Estate

January 29 • 9:30 am-2 pm • Wedding Planning 101

February 11 • 3-9 pm • Chocolate Fantasy

March 12 • 11:30 am-1:30 pm • Princess Tea Party

April 23 • Noon-4 pm • Rhododendron Show

May 7-8 • 11 am - 4 pm • Mother's Day Barefoot Quilt Festival

Tualatin Hills Athletic Center

February 12 • 10:30-11:30 am, Noon-1 pm • Valentine Craft Party

April 23 • 11:30 am, Noon-1 pm • Bunny's Spring Party

Conestoga to make splash in 2011

Bond measure work will also begin on Elsie Stuhr Center

Two major building expansion projects funded by the 2008 bond measure will begin this spring as the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District launches construction at the Conestoga Recreation & Aquatic Center and the Elsie Stuhr Center.

These expansions will bring major changes for the public to enjoy at both facilities. Here's a quick look at the projects, cost involved, and timeline:

Conestoga: THPRD's only dual recreation and aquatic facility at 9985 SW 125th Ave. in Beaverton will receive a \$5 million (total project cost) addition and remodel, highlighted by the district's first-ever outdoor splash pad. The splash pad will include approximately 20 water features, a waterfall, a trellis with seating, restroom, and landscaping. The pad will serve as an outdoor plaza in the offseason.

The land around the northwest side of the building will be leveled to



Splash pads come in many varieties, such as this site in Medford, Oregon, but in one way, they are all alike: children love them!

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Better health at lower cost: Patron praises district's workout programs

When Linda Huddle found out three years ago that she had cancer, she knew the time had come for change in her life.

"I was aware that to go through the treatments I was going to need to be strong," she said. "So I started working out regularly at the Elsie Stuhr Center, and it has made all the difference in the world."



Linda Huddle

Still battling cancer three years later, Huddle does yoga and frequently uses the workout facilities at the Stuhr Center, THPRD's recreation facility for adults 55 and better.

"I am so appreciative of everything

THPRD offers," Huddle said. "Not just here at the Stuhr Center, but across the district. I've used Garden Home Recreation Center, and it seems like there is a class or a workout program that fits everyone's needs. I even had a pretty bad knee condition when I started, and my workouts have improved that tremendously."

For more information on the various workout facilities and health-related classes offered by THPRD, contact the following centers:

Elsie Stuhr Center:
503/629-6342

Cedar Hills Recreation Center:
503/629-6340

Conestoga Recreation & Aquatic Center:
503/629-6313

Garden Home Recreation Center:
503/629-6341

Tualatin Hills Athletic Center:
503/629-6330

Basketball ref donates earnings so more kids can play

Officiating athletics can be one of the more thankless jobs in sports. But that hasn't kept Fred Weinhouse, a middle school basketball referee for 15 years with THPRD, from giving back to the game he loves.

Weinhouse has quietly donated his entire year's pay (nearly \$725) for officiating back to the district's basketball program, specifically so that youngsters who could not afford to play can now do so.

"I'm at a point in my life where I can do this," said

Weinhouse, who played high school ball in Southern California. "It was something worthwhile that I felt could help kids get a chance to play basketball."

Weinhouse has been a friend and proponent of youth basketball for nearly as long as he has lived in the area (since 1978).

"I love the middle school basketball program and can't help but feel involved," he said. "I enjoy seeing the joy on their faces when they play."



Fred Weinhouse

Room to grow New site positions district for the future

To accommodate growth and better serve its patrons in the future, THPRD has purchased the former Frito-Lay property near downtown Beaverton.

The property features more than 13

acres of land and a 90,000-square-foot building, which includes 10,000 square feet of office space. The acquisition will enable the Park District to relocate its Maintenance Operations center and staff to a larger, more centralized location within THPRD boundaries.

Maintenance is currently based at the district's Howard M. Terpenning (HMT) Recreation Complex at 158th and Walker Road, Beaverton.

The former Frito-Lay site is just west of Highway 217 off Allen Boulevard, close to the heart of THPRD's 50-square-mile service territory, which encompasses the city of Beaverton and many unincorporated areas of eastern Washington County.

The transaction will also enable THPRD to move out of a leased space on Arctic Drive in Beaverton. The site currently houses many of THPRD's Planning and Natural Resources employees and hosts a satellite Maintenance facility and staff.

"This acquisition provides us with growth capacity for the next 20 or 30 years," said THPRD General Manager Doug Menke. "Several key departments will have more room, and it allows Maintenance to better



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service our properties at less cost from a more centralized location."

Menke said he anticipates a phased move-in as the facility is retrofitted to meet the district's needs.

Although firm plans have not yet been set, THPRD anticipates moving out of the Arctic Drive space and into the new site in fall 2011. Relocation of the Maintenance Operations center currently at 158th and Walker Road is expected to start in early 2012.

Stuhr's fitness room also expanding in '11 as part of bond measure work

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improve drainage and provide space for a patio with outdoor seating and trees for shade.

A new fitness/classroom addition will be built on the location of the old playground, which will be relocated. The addition will quadruple the size of the current workout area. A multi-media classroom will be installed with doors that open on to a repaved outdoor basketball court. Two ADA-accessible family changing rooms will be added. Finally, a new women's locker room addition will be built, doubling the size of the current area, and the men's locker room will be doubled as well.

The project should begin in the spring of 2011 and wrap up in the spring of 2012.

See www.thprd.org/bondprojects for info on any THPRD bond project

Stuhr Center: THPRD's recreation facility for adults 55 and better on 5550 SW Hall Blvd. in Beaverton will receive a 2,200-square-foot addition to the west side of the building.

The new fitness room and lobby addition will allow the center to reconfigure classrooms for a more organized and functional layout.

The \$1.9 million project includes replacing the roof as a major part of the seismic upgrades. Construction should begin in spring 2011 and wrap up in January of 2012.

Howard M. Terpenning Recreation Complex

15707 SW Walker Road
Beaverton, OR 97006

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Aquatic Center 503/629-6310

THPRD Recreation and Aquatic Centers

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Beaverton Swim Center 503/629-6312
Cedar Hills Recreation Center .. 503/629-6340
Conestoga Recreation &
Aquatic Center 503/629-6313
Cooper Mountain Nature Park .. 503/629-6350
Elsie Stuhr Center 503/629-6342
Garden Home
Recreation Center 503/629-6341

Harman Swim Center 503/629-6314
Jenkins Estate 503/629-6355
Tualatin Hills Nature Park
Interpretive Center 503/629-6350
PCC Rock Creek Rec Facility ... 503/629-6330
Raleigh Swim Center* 503/297-6888
Somerset West Swim Center* ... 503/645-1413
Sunset Swim Center 503/629-6315

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