

Prospect Newsletter

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PROSPECT RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

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*Mission
Statement of
Prospect
Recreation &
Park District*

*As steward of
public lands and
recreational
development,
Prospect
Recreation &
Park District is
dedicated to
protect, manage,
and expand its
parkland, and
promote
opportunities for
citizens to
pursue sports,
historic, cultural,
and leisure-time
activities.*



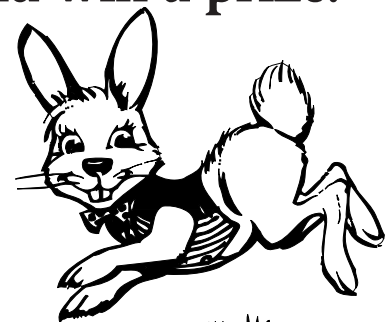
PROSPECT'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 19, 2014 at 10am **SHARP**
Maple Grove Park, 14600 W. 32nd Ave.

Come meet the Easter Bunny!
Bring your Easter basket and your camera.
Find a Golden Egg and win a prize.

10:00 SHARP!

Prospect Recreation & Park District
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Prospect Recreation & Park District Awarded Deeds

Prospect Recreation and Park District is proud to announce that it has become the first special district in Jefferson County to receive deeds to Jeffco Open Space funded properties. Jefferson County Open Space policy was changed in 2012 by the Jefferson County Commissioners to allow special districts that provide park and recreation services to apply for consideration of ownership of county owned lands. Previously, all of the districts serving unincorporated areas of the county held Open Space funded properties through long term leases. On January 8, 2014, Jefferson County Commissioners Faye Griffin and Casey Tighe presented deeds to Prospect for part of Maple Grove Park, part of Tanglewood Park, and the District Office/Shop. Prospect Recreation & Park District sincerely appreciates its ongoing partnership with Jefferson County Open Space and the Jefferson County Commissioners.



From left: Jefferson County Commissioners Casey Tighe and Faye Griffin, former Prospect Board Chair Flora Andrus, Jeffco Parks and Open Space Director Tom Hoby, Prospect Board Chair Jim Zimmerman

Arapahoe Park Project

Prospect Recreation & Park District has been awarded a Jefferson County Open Space Local Park and Recreation Grant in the amount of \$27,182 from Jefferson County for improvements at Arapahoe Park, 4450 Indiana Street. The Arapahoe Park project consists of two separate components.

The existing asphalt basketball court will be removed and replaced with a concrete surface. The asphalt court has been in place for many years, and is well past its useful life. The asphalt surface is pitted, cracked, and uneven. New basketball goal posts will be part of this court replacement. The new posts will improve safety- the current posts are on the court surface and are a potential hazard during play. The new posts will be placed off the court surface, providing additional space for players in the basket area.

The playground equipment is also aged and in need of replacement. The current equipment has been in place for many years, and is starting to deteriorate. The new play equipment has many more activities for children than does the current play structure. These include climbing, balance movements, twisty slide, and others. A rubber safety surface (poured-in-place) will be installed at the playground entryway. This surface will provide an access to the playground that meets the current ADA standard. The existing swings will also be removed and replaced with a new swing structure.

PRPD greatly appreciates the grant award for this project. The Local Park and Recreation Grant program, administered by Jefferson County Open Space, provides supplemental funding to assist local government partners with their priority land acquisitions and/or capital projects. PPRD will be bringing matching funds of over \$50,000 to this project



New playground structure

Maple Grove Park Tennis Court Project

PRPD will soon be commencing work on two tennis courts at Maple Grove Park, 14600 West 32nd Avenue. The two tennis courts will be located on a currently undeveloped parcel of land in the northwest part of Maple Grove Park. Additional infrastructure such as parking, landscaping, and sidewalks will be added as well. The courts will not be lighted.

PRPD will have a total of four tennis courts once the Maple Grove Park project is finished. The two tennis courts at Tanglewood Sports Park were entirely resurfaced in 2013 in PRPD's logo colors of purple and green.

PRPD is appreciative of the input provided by the neighbors on the east side of Maple Grove Park. PRPD understands that the addition of a recreational amenity will have impacts to those who live near the site, and we strive to reduce those impacts when possible.

PRPD is bringing over \$100,000 to the Maple Grove Tennis Court Project. A Jefferson County Local Park and Recreation grant in the amount of \$80,000 is also being used for the tennis court construction. PRPD is most appreciative of the continued support of Jefferson County Open Space and the Board of County Commissioners.



Summer Concert Series 2014

Free Summer Concert Series Returns!

Prospect Recreation & Park District is once again a proud sponsor of the **APEX Park and Recreation District's Summer Concert Series.**

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Kick off your shoes, tickle your toes in the cool grass and enjoy the music on a perfect summer evening! Bring a picnic supper, good friends and family to McIlvoy Park, 5750 Upham St. It's all free, thanks to grant funding from the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District and to local sponsors including the Apex Park and Recreation District, Apex PRD Foundation, Craft Carousel Gift Shop, Prospect Recreation and Park District, Sooper Credit Union, Arvada Festivals Commission, Arvada Parks Department, Centura Health at Home, and Friends of the Concerts.

Family-Thursday night series, 7:00-8:30 pm

Thursday, June 26 - PJ Zahn – Rock

Thursday, July 10 - 101st Army Band – Centennial Wind Ensemble

Thursday, July 17 - Katie Glassman and Snapshot – Country, Western Swing

Thursday, July 24 - Mile High Wind Machine – Big Band

Thursday, July 31 - Deja Blu – Variety Dance Band

Please remember...alcoholic beverages are not permitted in City of Arvada parks. In case of inclement weather, performances move to the Community Recreation Center, 6842 Wadsworth Blvd.

Children's Friday morning series, 9:30 –10:15 am

This summer the kids can enjoy music, fun and frivolity on Fridays from 9:30-10:15 am at McIlvoy Park, 5750 Upham St. This park does not have a covered shelter for shade or seating, so please plan accordingly. These free programs are sponsored by the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District and local sponsors including Apex Park and Recreation District, Apex PRD Foundation, Craft Carousel Gift Shop, Prospect Recreation and Park District, Sooper Credit Union, Arvada Festivals Commission, Arvada Parks Department, Centura Health at Home, and Friends of the Concerts.

Friday, June 27 - Bekah Smith – Circus & Comedy Show

Friday, July 11 - Mary Beth Cross – Children's Music

In case of inclement weather, performances move to the Community Recreation Center, 6842 Wadsworth.

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Prospect Recreation & Park District 2014 Calendar of Events

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 19
(Maple Grove Park)

Pumpkin Fest Saturday, October 4
(Fairmount Park)

Holiday Teas Sat. and Sun., December 6 & 7

Other Events Around The Area

Fairmount 5000 Sun., May 4, Fairmount Park
(www.active.com) (Enter Fairmount 5000 in the search box.)

APEX Concert Series See information on page 3

FIA Annual Breakfast Sat., June 7
Fairmount Park, 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.