

News



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SWIM FOR 25 CENTS ON JUNE 27 AT 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

"Back to the '50s," a special event for children and adults to celebrate the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District's 60th anniversary, will be held Saturday, June 27, at the historic Beaverton Swim Center, 12850 SW Third Avenue, Beaverton.

Scheduled from 2 to 4 pm, the event will feature a public open swim for the bargain, 1950s-era price of just 25 cents.

Everything else will be free, including a hot dog meal, anniversary cake and door prizes. The park district will also organize relay races in the pool for children and provide free coloring sheets with a water safety theme.

Swim center staff will offer demonstrations of water ballet, swimming and water safety skills at designated times during the two-hour period.

Former Beaverton Swim Center Supervisor Sharron Patapoff and local aquatics legend Rod Harman – for whom THPRD's Harman Swim Center is named – will also be at the event to greet guests.



Opening ceremonies for the Beaverton Swim Center on June 9, 1957 included a parade of swim suits. Photos like this will be on display at the 60th anniversary celebration on June 27.

Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District – 15707 SW Walker Rd, Beaverton, OR 97006

"Whether you're six years old or 60, we have something fun planned for you," said Brian Powers, current Beaverton Swim Center supervisor. "It's a special day when we offer drop-in swimming for 25 cents. We're expecting lots of people and lots of smiles."

The Beaverton Swim Center is THPRD's original recreational facility. It opened in 1957, two years after the district was formed through public initiative. Historical photographs of the center's opening ceremonies will be displayed at the June 27 event.

For more information about the event, call the swim center (503-629-6312) or stop by; it's right next to Beaverton High School.

About THPRD

Celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2015, THPRD is the largest special park district in Oregon, spanning about 50 square miles and serving 230,000 residents in the greater Beaverton area. The district provides year-round recreational opportunities for people of all ages and abilities. Offerings include thousands of widely diverse classes, more than 90 park sites with active recreational amenities, 60 miles of trails, eight swim centers, six recreation centers, and 1,400 acres of natural areas. For more information, visit www.thprd.org or call 503-645-6433.

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